



ARES Field Reports

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Form 4 - ARES Monthly SEC Report

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Success! The following information was submitted by Bret Stemen, KD8SCL, OH SEC for **Ohio, August, 2025.**

Total number of ARES members:	1,316
Difference in ARES members from previous month:	N/D
Number of DECs/ECs reporting this month:	41
Total number of DECs/ECs in section:	69
Number of ARES net sessions held:	662
Number of ARES net sessions held with NTS liaison:	458
Number of participants in nets:	3,282

	Number	Person-Hrs
Exercises this month:	52	1,033.50
Training events this month:	202	1,406.30
Public service events this month:	118	2,256.10
Community service events this month:	101	1,368.80
Emergency events this month:	4	57.00
SKYWARN events this month:	24	101.00
Meetings this month:	124	3,420.50
Unclassified events this month:	512	2,262.60

Call signs of DECs reporting:

AA8BN, AD8G, AF8E, AF8RJ, AK8DF, K8CVM, K8MD, K8MDA, KA5RUC, KA8OAD, KA8OCG, KA8RVI, KB8BKE, KB8IIH, KC8CAD, KC8PBU, KD8JXP, KD8KIR, KD8TLD, KE8IDH, KE8JNH, KE8JNN, KE8OOE, KE8OTQ, KE8WSO, KE8ZHS, KG6DI, N8ADO, N8CJ, N8ME, N8PVC, W8DLB, W8HFZ, W8PAB, WB8YHD, WD8SDH, WF8B

Activity Details:

ASHTABULA COUNTY-----

Monthly meeting was held at Conneaut park. We performed a walk-through of the park in

preparation
for volunteering for the upcoming D-Day event. Two members went on to provided support for
the
event.

One member provided support for the Great Geauga County Fair.

Training on the basics of ICS was provided during one of the nets.

BELMONT COUNTY-----

Not really a net but every evening 28.275 at 7 pm local guys have been getting on air for just a
rag chew

CLARK-----

N/A

CLINTON COUNTY-----

Slow month, hot

COLUMBIANA-----

County Fair booth was attended by EC and AEC's attended CERT Meetings and trainings

COSHOCTON-----

Will be participating in October 4th SET. With the major Solar Flare scenario i propose no hf for
the first few hours. We will be using vhf D9 packet, vhf repeaters into w8sgt for submitted sitrep .
Thereafter hf resumes in some fashion with hf voice,ohden into w8sgt. Still in planning stages
locally. ... some of us in Coshocton participated in fema region 5 blacksky, which involved solar
storm activityAA8BN Coshocton EC

CUYAHOGA COUNTY-----

Improvements to comm trailer
MS Pedal to the Point - comms and SAG support
Rock Hall Triathlon C- comms support
Bike CLE Fundo - comms and SAG support
Geauga County Fair support in comms
Highland Hills Ohio-Night out for Safety
ARES meeting- "prep to volunteer for event"
Member schooling in CW
Member in MARS and SHARES

DARKE-----

weekly nets

DELAWARE-----

Planning for SET, looking into Meshtastic

DISTRICT 9-----

Preparing for D9 SET. Proposing hf black out first few hours, then hf resumes. Propose using or
D9 packet and vhf to send reports to w8sgt and D9 counties and DEC. Weekly D9 nets
continue on Guernsey co rpeater. Thank Sonny ,W8FHF, as ADEC D9 for always being there with

your years of experience and friendship.. 73...AA8BN Ohio District 9 DEC.

DISTRICT 5-----

Summit County assisted in race, first aid and emergency communications for the Goodyear 1/2 Marathon and 10K race. Stark County held multiple POTA activations and held their monthly meeting in which all 3 clubs in the county attended. Columbiana County had a booth at their county fair and also attended CERT meetings and trainings.

DISTRICT SIX-----

WEEKLY NETS

FRANKLIN COUNTY-----

Grandview Tri-The-Heights

GEAUGA-----

August includes the first four days of the 203rd Great Geauga County Fair.

GREENE COUNTY-----

Routine nets conducted by GCARES and area clubs.
Regular in-person meeting of GCARES.
Planning meetings for upcoming activities.

GUERNSEY COUNTY-----

On August 30th members set up and operated a special event station in Ava Ohio to commemorate the crash of the airship Shenandoah.

HOCKING COUNTY-----

4-repeater nets, 1-simplex net; and Participated OHDMR net, the OHDEN net, and 80m Ohio HF Net on 3902

JEFFERSON-----

TRAINING: Message handling training every week on nets and individual training by members. -
UNCLASSIFIED: Station Maintenance, ARES Admin Time and Non-ARES Operating by individual members.

KNOX COUNTY-----

still , slowly, training for winlink check ins

LAKE-----

Nets

LICKING COUNTY-----

"Our local ARES Net occurs on the first and third Wednesday of each month. Several of our members also participate in ARES and other club nets in surrounding counties. regular traffic nets, local club nets, weekly luncheons and various meetings. Two operators traveled to Lake Hope State Park to activate Vinton County for the Ohio QSO Party. Community Events this month included attendance at Hamfests and volunteer time serving at the Sweet Corn Festival. We continue to struggle with encouraging participation and involvement with all ARES members.

Significant time this month was spent on: Portable Operation Exercises, Tower Replacement

Project and Repeater Maintenance. The OHQP Expedition improved operator skills in portable operations in unfamiliar settings over an extended time period and provided a good opportunity to test all aspects of an ARES deployment."

LORAIN-----

Work on more members joining nets. Also, working to make more interesting.

MADISON COUNTY-----

Reorganization meeting

MAHONING COUNTY-----

2 ARES Nets, 2 WinLink nets/training net, 6 day Canfield Fair Activation (classified as Public service) , Old Car Show, Panerathon (foot race) (both classified as Community Service

MEDINA CO-----

Monthly Meeting, Monthly Training, Monthly Digital net using FLdigi,

MEIGS COUNTY-----

As part of a club activity, we established a VHF station within our booth at the Meigs County fair. We conducted our weekly net from this station. During the week of the fair we had intermittent manning of the both to engage the public about radio and ARES. We count this as both an exercise and a training session.

MONTGOMERY-----

Net participation includes voice, digital (FLDIGI) and Winlink nets. Total of 25.4 person hours. Members participated in two Community Events, Bellbrook Lion Parade on 8/23 and the Miamisburg Triathlon on 8/24.

MORROW CTY, OH-----

Weekly breakfast/meetings

NOBLE-----

ON Aug 31 K8WYG Ryan, N8ZEP Pam and Myself KD8OSI set up and activated an SES commemorating the 100th Anniversary of the crash of the US Navy Airship Shenandoah. Was a very nice day for the event and made a lot of contacts.

PICKAWAY-----

Normal net & in-person meetings.

RICHLAND CO.-----

WEEKLY NETS ARES MEETING

SANDUSKY COUNTY OHIO-----

1 Outdoor Siren Net

1 Hospital Net

4 Weekly Traffic Nets

SCIOTO COUNTY-----

WEEKLEY SCIOTO COUNTY ARS VOICE NET

SENECA COUNTY-----
WEEKLY ARES NET

SHELBY CO-----
Supported Hamilton Co Paddlefest, Miami Co Tour-de-Donut, & Presented at a LDS Preparedness Expo.

STARK CO-----
Planning for Marc ham fest at Maps Air Museum. ongoing ham fest shack building prep. Multiple Pota operations and radio lunch's. Monthly club meeting of all 3 county clubs

SUMMIT-----
This month we assisted with race, first aid and emergency communications for the Goodyear 1/2 Marathon and 10K race.

TUSCARAWAS-----
5 weekly nets

WAYNE COUNTY-----
Daily and Weekly nets that include Fldigi MT63 practice as well as weekly Winlink messages.

WILLIAMS COUNTY OH-----
8/4 7 people 8/11 7 people 8/18 8 people 8/25 10 people

WILLIAMS COUNTY OHIO-----
8-4 10 participants 8-11 3 participants 8-18 7 participants 8-25 8 participants

Administrative and Other Comments:

ASHTABULA COUNTY-----
Meetings are regularly attended by only 4 individuals -- EC has attended no meetings. Member count is based on the number of individuals who have checked into the net at least once in the past 3 months and are not flagged as a guest.

BELMONT COUNTY-----
So far it has been a slow uneventful summer amateur radio wise.

CLARK-----
N/A

CLINTON COUNTY-----
slow month/

CUYAHOGA COUNTY-----
Admin 7 for 14hrs
Other 7 for 26hrs
Total Hours 448hrs

DARKE-----
NA

DISTRICT 5-----

No report from Mahoning or Trumbull Counties. Still no EC for Carroll or Portage Counties.

DISTRICT SIX-----

WEEKLY NETS

FRANKLIN COUNTY-----

FC EMA Meeting, infrastructure discussion

GEAUGA-----

The scenario for the SET is ludicrous, ours will be something that's actually within the realm of possibility.

GREENE COUNTY-----

Preparation for SET 2025.
Preparation for support of bike events.
Preparation for support of Air Force Marathon.

GUERNSEY COUNTY-----

The EMA director purchased a power supply for amateur radio in the EOC.

HOCKING COUNTY-----

Simplex Exercise for all TWP's in the County, 2-General Upgrade Sessions, 1-radio night, 1-Monthly meeting, 9 Portable Operations using various radios, antennas, and modes.

LAKE-----

N/A

LICKING COUNTY-----

"The EC completed two POTA activations and the OHQP Expedition to exercised his ARES skills. He also participated in the ARRL podcast regarding preparedness. W8EOG continued his POTA activations and participated in the OHQP Expedition.

73 - Alan - N8CJ"

MADISON COUNTY-----

9 potential members plus the SEC (Brett) attended the reorganization meeting

MAHONING COUNTY-----

Fair prep meetings, no leadership team meeting this month, report prep and administration work as unclassified

MEDINA CO-----

2 Trainings: monthly training second part of the meeting and digital fldigi training net
1 Emergency Event, FMC, 6 people for 5 hours = 30 hours
1 meeting, 15 hours (monthly meeting before the training)

MEIGS COUNTY-----

none

MONTGOMERY-----

Attended the Germantown Amateur Radio Assn meeting on 8/10 and gave a presentation on ARES. MoCo ARES held its General Meeting on 8/26. We watched the ARRL On The Air Live Zoom Meeting regarding September National Preparedness Month.

PICKAWAY-----

In-persons resumed due to renewed interest.

SANDUSKY COUNTY OHIO-----

3 hrs Admin EC
Community Event-Sandusky Co Fair

SCIOTO COUNTY-----

ALL ARES EQUIPMENT OPERATING AS DESIGNED.

SENECA COUNTY-----

SENECA CO ARES NET - MONTHLY HAM RADIO BREAKFAST - SENECA EAST CROSS COUNTRY

SUMMIT-----

N/A

TUSCARAWAS-----

Mileage to/from the QSO 125
Mileage to/from the meeting 125

WAYNE COUNTY-----

We staffed the local EMA vehicle and provided public demos at the National Night Out event held in Rittman.

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