

NET ACTIVITY:
KEN: MONDAY 3.972.5 2330Z
KDN: TUESDAY 3.587 0030Z
KYN CW: DAILY 3.537 0100Z
STATEWIDE DMR: "KY
STATEWIDE 0000Z - Thursday
Evening "

SM: w4nho@arrl.net
SEC: sec@kyham.net
STM: kc4bqk@arrl.net
ACC: n4ver.ky@gmail.com
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HAPPENING OF THE MONTH
MARCH 2018



CAVE CITY 2018 HAMFEST

Annual hamfest season started off with a "bang" this month in Cave City, KY. The Mammoth Cave Club did their excellent job of what "45th" hamfest. Between 500 and 600 folks made their annual pilgrimage to the cave area. Thanks to Larry KN4IV and his crew for their hospitality. I didn't get to all the areas I wanted to venture to Saturday morning but really enjoyed meeting many folks.

A good group of folks made it to the ARRL League forum and we were glad to have Dale Williams WA8EFK, GL Director and Executive Board member with us. We discussed many different areas concerning the League and what was taking place in KY. Folks were reminded of the on-going change regarding KYHAM and merging our email list over to KYARES beginning April 1. If you have not registered with KYARES please do so. If you are a holder or registered user on KYHAM you should have received an email from Roman regarding the procedures of registering to the new site. If not so, please contact Roman <admin@kyham.net> for the details. According to the numbers, many have not done so at last count.



Figure 1 Dale Williams WA8EFK GL Director



Please consult recent ARRL Letters for further details including the minutes of the board meeting. One of topics of great anticipation is the new database that the League will be displaying for ARES. Announcements went out to all DEC/ECs to make sure they had moved their membership list to the new site and complete their county's registration. Further details will be forthcoming from Kenny Garrett N4KLG SEC KY.

Garrett addressing ARRL Forum

Dir. Williams shared the news with the group that an upgrade to the League's computer system is on going and that a firm had been contracted for this task. It may take couple of years to complete this maneuver.

Discussion also was held on the proposed TECH Class license modification, regarding additional HF privilege. The League will be sending their proposal to the FCC shortly and I am sure it will be open for public comment. I know I will be making comments on this and I hope many of you will do the same. Also, in regards to the FCC, a change will be taking place in regards to the current Official Observer program. From what I have heard, it will be coming out of the current FSD. Hopefully, something will be announced prior to the Dayton/Xenia Hamvention.

KEN - "Kentucky Emergency Net" is in a new growth stage and hopefully propagation will show favor in the coming weeks. Discussion was held and requests were made for the urgent need of folks to help in the task of NCS. Bruce Cory KM4VHI stepped up this past week as NCS, I hope we have others in the central part of state to assist with this task.



Figure 2 2018 Cave City Hamfest



Figure 3 John Betner providing details on DMR

CLUB OF THE MONTH

Lincoln Trail Amateur Radio Club Elizabethtown, KY

Lincoln Trail Amateur Radio Club maintains and operates repeaters in both Elizabethtown and Radcliff, KY. Both cities are located within Hardin County.

Elizabethtown repeater operates
Output 146.980 no tone
Output 444.80 no tone
Radcliff repeater operates output 146.9250 no tone

The club holds a 2 meter Net every Thursday night at 8:00 pm local using the 146.980 repeater. All licensed Hams are encouraged to check in. You do not need to be a member to check in.

The club meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month



Figure 4 Etown Hamfest

for a meet and greet at one of the local restaurants. It is a chance for the members to get together and fellowship and catch up on the activities of the month before.

On the 3rd Saturday of the month the club has its monthly business meeting.

The 1st Saturday in April is the Lincoln Trail Amateur Radio Club's E-town Hamfest.



Figure 5 Club Meeting at Christmas



Figure 6 Solor Panel Construction Field Day

This year it falls on the 7th.

Listen for us on Field Day.

Most of us miss our club founder, Bill Grieb W4BEJ. In his last years, he could usually be found at Wendy's having a good lunch, or at arm's length of his ham radio tuned to 146.980, the club's Elizabethtown Kentucky repeater. He missed very little until his departure to the Grand QTH.
Submitted: By Tami Riddle

Editor note: Knew Bill Grieb - long time Navy MARS member and his wife Helen. Bill knew about anything you wanted to know about repeaters. Established one of the early VHF repeaters in Kentucky. He was a strong promoter of amateur radio in central KY.

Editors note:

Club of the month is being run each month. If your club is having an event, I will try contacting you prior to the event and let you expound about the event and your club if there is not a conflict. We have approximately 30 affiliated clubs in the state and it will take a while to get around but your time will happen. If you don't have a designated PR person for your club, you might start thinking about that individual.

Next month information will be coming about the use of Winlink and new modes that are available in the RMS software. It works out very well when there is no internet available. Stay tuned.

WELL DESERVED PROMOTION



Figure 7 Glenn Foley KO4OL - Soon XYL Judy KN4###
Wedding April 14th - Contact Glenn for info



OARC VE TEAM IN ACTION

Congratulation to Mr. Chris Bunch of Hanson KY who earned his General ticket walking in off the street this past Saturday.

Mr. Bunch is anxious to get on the air because he has a son that also a Ham that peaked his interest in getting a ticket.

Certificate presented by VE Mr. Bob Spears AA4RL.

WELCOME NEW LICENSEES IN KY

If you know these folks encourage them to join ARRL

KN4JPI	Bradley	Marine	SHELBYVILLE	KY	40065
KN4JPG	Amador	Delatorre	LOUISVILLE	KY	40202
KN4JPH	John	Dixon	LOUISVILLE	KY	40204
KX4IT	Andre	Buisson	Louisville	KY	40207
KN4JVP	Benjamin	Francis	Georgetown	KY	40324
KN4JNE	Zachary	Taulbee	Morehead	KY	40351-1787
KN4JVL	Gene	Murphy	Stamping Ground	KY	40379
KN4JVN	Wesley	Harville	Winchester	KY	40391
KN4JVQ	Olen	Gamble	Winchester	KY	40391
KN4JVR	Donald	Hunt	Berea	KY	40403
KN4JVM	John	Summersett	Lexington	KY	40509
KN4JVS	Mat	Gdowski	Lexington	KY	40517
KN4JKL	Mckinley	Jones	London	KY	40744
KN4KBQ	Linda	Adkins	MIDDLESBORO	KY	40965
KN4JNF	Darrell	Smith	Flatwoods	KY	41139
KN4JLL	Joshua	Underwood	Tollesboro	KY	41189
KN4KAE	David	Fletcher	Inez	KY	41224-9101
KN4KAB	Eric	Jones	Paducah	KY	42003
KN4JLU	Bruce	Hesley	Kevil	KY	42053
KN4JML	Adam	Bolen	MURRAY	KY	42071
KN4JMN	Julie	Wells-bolen	MURRAY	KY	42071
KN4JMM	Todd	Hackathorn	MURRAY	KY	42071
KN4KAC	Michael	Keller	Salem	KY	42078
KN4JTA	Gregory	White	Bowling Green	KY	42101
KN4JTB	Carlos	Rotellar	Bowling Green	KY	42103
KN4JSZ	Jacob	Yoste	Glasgow	KY	42141
KN4JKR	William	Koch	FORT CAMPBELL	KY	42223
KN4KCL	Shirley	Gray	Princeton	KY	42445
KN4KCM	Jeff	Diggs	Princeton	KY	42445
KN4KCY	Linda	Crenshaw	Princeton	KY	42445
KN4KCK	John	Nickles	Princeton	KY	42445-9411
KN4JWU	Christopher	Schaffner	Elizabethtown	KY	42701
KN4JWV	Dale	Decker	Greensburg	KY	42743

WELCOME NEW OR RENEWED ARRL MEMBERS

neam_call	neam_first	neam_last	neam_city	neam_state	neam_zip
KN4FVU	Allen	Brown	La Grange	KY	40031-9596
KY4BSL	John	Simpson	Mount Eden	KY	40046-6010
KM4IJR	Dustin	Adams	Pleasureville	KY	40057-9517
KN4JPI	Brad	Marine	Shelbyville	KY	40065-8703
KN4GUY	John	Dejarnette	Fort Knox	KY	40121-3123
KC0IEB	Ed	Cowan	Shepherdsville	KY	40165-9054
KN4INT	Kent	Mitchner	Webster	KY	40176-7306
KX4IT	Andre	Buisson	Louisville	KY	40207-2402
KN4LUV	Darryl	Coffelt	Louisville	KY	40216-5122
	Michael	Deel	Louisville	KY	40229-5444
N4IST	Eric	Carroll	Winchester	KY	40391-9819
AD4JJ	James	Salyer	Berea	KY	40403-1695
KN4JVR	Donald	Hunt	Berea	KY	40403-1781
KN4IFR	Richard	Dean	Mount Vernon	KY	40456
KF4QPL	Michael	Palmer	Cynthiana	KY	41031-7508
KN4JNF	Darrell	Smith	Flatwoods	KY	41139-2432
K4YUS	Eric	Roberts	Paducah	KY	42001-3727
N4ATT	Rickie	Scarborough	Murray	KY	42071-3149
KC4FRA	William	Clark	Dixon	KY	42409-9331

FEBRUARY ARES REPORTS

REGION ONE		
Calloway County	K4CHW	This report includes (4) weekly 2 meter nets, (1) Skywarn net on 02/24 (damage from severe storms and tornado(s) was confirmed), and (1) public service activity providing communications for the operation of the Western Kentucky Polar Plunge. A busy and productive month in Calloway County. 73
Caldwell County:	KI4YIB	We had 4 drills with a total of 26 check-ins for all 4 drills Richard Blackburn
Trigg County:	KJ4TKL	Activity includes KEN,MSUARC,Tri county nets for February.Working with local EM and EOC staff in setting up mobile communication section for mobile command system.
REGION TWO		
Warren County:	KK4AVI	HEART Group Meeting, WinLink Training at KCARC Meeting
REGION THREE		
Anderson County:	KM4VQD	Participated in 3 of the 4 Anderson Radio Club ARES Nets during February as well as in nets in Fayette and Woodford counties. I also participated once in the KY Emergency Net. I attended the February club meetings for both ARC and CARS. During the February meeting, ARC hosted Shelby Co ARES / Stubblefield Repeater Club with the main topic of discussion being how to gain trust and improve relations with local emergency management leadership.
Henry County:	NG00	Had good numbers on the Nets for February with 9-13 check ins per net. Attended LEPC meeting in County on 2/6/18. And attended ARES meeting at the Zoneton Fire Dept.
Shelby County:	NG00	Did 5 Nets for February with last net of the month being done only on simplex. Local 147.000 repeater down most of month with club using alternate repeater and local simplex for nets. Both Shelby and Henry Counties ARES had joint meeting with Anderson County ARES on 2/27/2018.
REGION THREE		
District 6 DEC Report:	KE6YCW	Was net control for 3 nets. Attended Oldham County ARES Meeting. Attended joint Shelby & Anderson County meetings. Great turnout of over 30 people!
REGION FOUR		
Mason County:	KY4OD	We have met with the MPD representative to begin organizing for our next public service event. We are preparing to assist with a 10K race "Two Bridges Run" on April 21.

<p>Jackson County:</p>	<p>KB9LXH</p>	<p>This report includes the Southeast Kentucky SkyWarn Net which meets Sundays at 2000 ET on ARES District 11 Linked System serving Jackson and the surrounding counties of District 11. (See February 2018 ADEC report with comments emailed separately) For the month of February, the following updates are provided: A. Membership: Currently have four members with recruitment efforts continuing. B. Served Agencies: Jackson County EMA/CSEPP, McKee, KY and National Weather Service Forecast Office, Jackson, KY (NWSFO-JKL) C. Communication Emergency: Acted as SKYWARN NCS for a Severe Weather Event (Severe Thunderstorm Warning) on February 25, 2018 (For details, see PSAR sent February 26, 2018) D. Public Service Event(s): None E. Training/Exercise: 1. Southeast Kentucky Skywarn Weather Net held Sundays at 8:00 PM ET. 2. District 11 ARES Net held Thursdays at 7:15 PM ET. 3. Emergency communications training requirements (including NIMS) for ARES members is ongoing.</p>
<p>Knox County:</p>	<p>KM4VHI</p>	<p>I continue to play e-mail tag with the county Emergency Manager. We have a consistent problem finding a mutual time to meet and discuss how ARES can be of assistance, but we are getting closer to finding a mutually agreeable time. There will be a new Knox County Emergency Manager, Todd Owens, who will be joining us for that eventual meeting. I am working with a local group that is planning the RedBud Warm-up, an afternoon bicycle event in April. I am hoping to organize a group of radio operators from Knox County ARES and local radio clubs to provide radio support for the event. I have been attempting to check in regularly on the KY Emergency Net and KY Digital Net each Monday night. Propagation issues continue to plague net connectivity, but there has been improvement as the month passed. I also try to check in at least once a week on the SATERN (Salvation Army Team Emergency Radio Network) net, but propagation issues also continue to plague connectivity on that net.</p>

<p>District 11 DEC Report:</p> <hr/>	<p>AD4WB</p>	<p>This is my first report since receiving my appointment effective 2-18-18 as DEC and my personal activity hours reflect this. I currently have EC vacancies for Bell, Clay, Laurel, and Whitley counties. Laurel County EC resigned effective 2-26-2018, however, I have interviewed a replacement candidate awaiting approval from higher leadership. Communication outreach for ARES was established in my previous position as ADEC in the form of the District 11 website & blog, Google Plus page and Twitter social media accounts. Liaison work ongoing with two radio clubs in the district, Southeast KY ARC (London) and Mountain ARC (Middlesboro) as well as with our NWSFO in Jackson for SKYWARN activities. District 11 ARES received recognition on 2-20-18 as an NOAA Weather-Ready Nation (WRN) Ambassador organization. END OF REPORT.</p>
<p>District 12 DEC Report:</p>	<p>AG4TY</p>	<p>The largest group in my district has changed their net name from ARES to "Emergency" net and are no longer maintaining a log of checkins. This is because the group is aggravated with all the changes to the KYARES and ARRL ARES program reporting requirements. I have been meeting with all the groups to address their concerns and questions. Their will be more followup.</p>
<p>Casey County:</p>	<p>AG4TY</p>	<p>Participation level is low. One activation due to severe weather</p>
<p>Garrard County:</p>	<p>KM4KGN</p>	<p>Thursday March 29th @ 7:00pm At Garrard County EOC (278 Precision Ct Lancaster, Kentucky, 40444) SKYWARN Training Class provided by the Louisville NWS Office and sponsored by the Garrard County EMA and Garrard County ARES.</p>
<p>Madison County:</p>	<p>KO4OL</p>	<p>This reports includes the Wilderness Trail Emergency Net (WTEN)which meets Wednesdays at 2030 edt on 146.715 and also serves Madison and surrounding counties.</p>
<p>District 13 DEC Report:</p>	<p>N4IST</p>	<p>16 nets in 4 counties, 1 district wide net conducted by me, 1 meeting for 2 hours with Pioneer Amateur Radio Club. 6 hours of Administrative work. No report from Madison or Jessamine County</p>

D11 ADEC	KB9LXH	This will be my last report as ADEC for District 11 since receiving an appointment as DEC for District 11 effective 2/18/2018. (See Item F (6) in comments e-mailed separately from this report.) This report also includes both the District 11 ARES Net which meets Thursdays at 1915 ET and the Southeast Kentucky SKYWARN Net which meets Sundays at 2000 ET. Both nets are on ARES District 11 Linked Repeater System serving Bell, Clay, Jackson, Knox, Laurel, McCreary, Rockcastle & Whitley counties. (See item E (1), this report, emailed separately.) For actions during the month of February, I led or participated in the following activities: A. Training/Exercise: (1)Acted as the Net Control Station each week for the Southeast Kentucky SKYWARN Net held Sundays at 8 PM ET. (2)Acted as Net Control each week for the District 11 ARES Net held Thursdays at 7:15 PM ET. B. Served Agencies: NWSO-JKL and local EMAs in Bell, Clay, Jackson, Knox, Laurel, McCreary, Rockcastle and Whitley counties.
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PSHR / SAR REPORT - FEBRUARY

STATION	SESSIONS	MESSAGE	APPTS	PUB SVC	EMG RES	DIGITAL	TOTAL
W4TSA							
W8QAS							
KC4BQK	12	27	30			40	109
KY4JLB							
KO4OL	40	40	30				110
W4EJF							
W4NHO							
KY4Z							
ORS/SAR							
STATION	TYPE	ORIGINATED	REC	SENT	DELIVERED	TOTALS	
WB4ZDU	SAR					13	

UPCOMING HAMFESTS

APRIL 7 ELIZABETHTOWN HAMFEST - SEE CLUB OF THE MONTH

APRIL 14 WHITESBURG HAMFEST

APRIL 28 ASHLAND HAMFEST

MAY 18-20 DAYTON/XENIA HAMVENTION

ON THE AIR EVENTS

KY QSO PARTY IS BEING SPONSORED BY THE PADUCAH AMATEUR RADIO CLUB - **JUNE 2.**

FOR DETAILS: www.kyqsoparty.org