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EC NOTES

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November is here already and our active time of the year is winding down. We do still have a couple of events left however, The Turkey Trot and Jingle Bell Run. Also, don't forget our annual holiday party, currently scheduled for Saturday December 12th at FCEM&HS; more details to follow.

Thank you to all the volunteers that stepped up and assisted with the Columbus Marathon this year. Although we did not have as many people as we would have liked, we made it work.

An article about this event can be found on page 3 of this bulletin.

Hopefully, in the near future, you should be receiving our annual survey in your mailbox. We need to keep our member database current, so please return the survey even if you have no changes in your information, or are unable to help us out with a donation this year.

Kevin O'Harra KD8IIB

COARES EC, Net Manager

COARES Mission

To provide emergency communications to central Ohio, public safety, emergency, health, government and relief agencies in times of disaster.

To keep our skills sharp, we provide communication support for many public service events.

Next Meeting

Wednesday Nov 18th at 7:30pm

**Franklin County Emergency
Management and Homeland Security**

**5300 Strawberry Farms Blvd
Columbus, OH 43230**

Andy Elliott, K8LE will give a presentation about the new hospital testing project.

***Don't forget! Renew your membership
in Kroger Community Rewards!
Just visit***

***www.krogercommunityrewards.com
and click on "Columbus" and "Enroll".***

***The code for COARES is "84947".
You must re-enroll each year during
the month of April.***

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Weekly Nets & Meetings

The COARES net meets Wednesday evenings at 8:00pm local time on the 147.06+ repeater, except for the third Wednesday of each month which is reserved for our General Meeting, held at the office of Franklin County Emergency Management and Homeland Security.

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COARES Repeaters

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147.060 +.600
444.800 +5.00
94.8 Hz CTCSS

Secondary: AA8EY/R
147.090 +.600
94.8 Hz CTCSS

UHF: WB8INY/R
444.275 +5.00
94.8 Hz CTCSS

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A Reminder

Always check the COARES primary repeater (147.060 MHz) whenever a situation arises that might result in an emergency activation of COARES. This includes, but is not limited to, tornado, flood, blizzard, hazardous materials spill, terrorist attack, fire, search and rescue (missing person), aircraft/mass casualty, setting up emergency shelters, or a declared state of emergency.

Net	Day	Time (local)	Frequency
Central Ohio ARES	Wednesday	8:00 pm	147.060 (+) (94.8 PL)
Central Ohio Severe Weather Net	Tuesday (Mar ~ Oct)	7:30 pm	146.760 (-) (123.0 PL)
Central Ohio Traffic Net	Daily	7:15 pm	146.970(-) (94.8 PL)
Southwest Columbus Ham Radio Club Net	Friday	8:30 pm	145.23 (-)
Amateur Radio Club at Ohio State University	Sunday	8:00 pm	442.6(+)(114.8PL)
CRES ARC Sunday Night Net	Sunday	9—10 pm	146.67(-) (131.8 PL)
Delaware County Net	Monday	8:00 pm	145.170 (-)
Hocking Valley ARC Net	Wednesday	9:00 pm	147.345 (+)
Lancaster / Fairfield County ARC Net	Monday	9:00 pm	147.030 (+)
Madison County "Get Together" Net	Tuesday	8:00 pm	147.285 (+)
Newark ARA Net	Tuesday	9:00 pm	146.880 (-)

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FCEM&HS Fall 2015 Full Scale Exercise (Risk Ex '15)

Submitted by Kal Dworkin, KA8RLC

On Thursday Oct 22nd, a simulated F5 tornado entered Franklin County and then set down again in Licking County. While in Franklin County, it set down in the OSU area and there was a collapse of a building, resulting in multiple injuries and deaths.

COARES members were requested to staff positions at FCEM&HS, the Coroner's office, the building site, and at the Red Cross shelter. During the exercise there was a period of time that "internet" access was down (due to a cyber attack). FLDIGI messages were exchanged between Franklin County, Licking County, and Delaware County.

During initial after-action meetings, there were no issues reported with COARES operations. During our weekly net (the next week) there was discussion about the exercise and suggestions were made, that have been put into my report to the exercise planners.

Thanks to the following who helped:

KA8RLC, Kal Dworkin; KD8IIB, Kevin O'Harra; KB8YVI, Phillip Moore; KD8SYT, Lynn Moore; K8LE, Andy Elliott; KD8OPH, Ed Warner; KD8HVX, Jim Birk; KB8RUT, Tom Madine; N8VJF, Mark Fergus; KD8PHG, Richard Wynkoop; KD8RTP, John Buck.

Nationwide Children's Hospital 2015 Columbus Marathon

Submitted by Kal Dworkin, KA8RLC

On Sunday October 18th the 36th running of the Columbus Marathon took place. COARES volunteers took up positions along the course, with Marathon officials, and at our Net Control location at FCEM&HS. From our end the day was very uneventful. Repeaters functioned as they should and any situations that needed our involvement were handled in a quick and efficient manner.

After action reports were gathered from emails and discussion on our Wednesday Night Net following the event. These notes are being formatted and will be sent to the Marathon organizers.

Thanks to the following who helped:

KE8ANW, Brian Burley; K8BAS, Brent Sheffer; KD8BQI, Steve Edgington; KE8BZX, Mike Temple; KB8CMW, Paul flautt; KJ4EWZ, Kenneth O'Harra; N8GKQ, David Stichweh; K6HRU, Bruce Lent; KD8HVX, Jim Birk; KD8IIB, Kevin O'Harra; W8IYE, Wally Giffen; W8JTC, John Camm; KC8KHS, Dan Banks; KD8KSI, Holly OHarra; W8KWG, Gayle Adams; KD8LIB, Jennifer Stacy; KD8OAE, Chris Huyette; KD8OPH, Ed Warner; K8OVP, Frank E Huffman; KD8PHG, Richard Wynkoop; N8QKX, Gary Ballou; KA8RLC, Kal Dworkin; N8RRB, Anthony Fabro; KD8RTP, John Buck; W8RWR, Bob Rector; N8SEY, Sharon Hendershot; KD8SYP, Bob Cupples; KD8SYT, Lynn Moore; KD8TQI, Jack McHugh; K8UB, Hugh Czerwonky; N8UTI, Edwin Wiest; KD8WQY, Dennis Waltermire; W1YAU, Reuben Yau; N8YMT, Jaealyn Himes; KB8YVI, Phillip Moore

ARESMAT Opportunities in Ohio

Submitted by Stan Broadway, N8BHL

Throughout the year, we have been pushing the recruiting for ARESMAT In Ohio. This program is critically important to a wide-area ARES response, not only for Ohio but in many cases for our surrounding states. So far, we hear crickets. I know we have a very talented membership, and it's time to step up! Please consider volunteering else Matt runs a danger of head injury from beating his noggin on the desk. Step up, people!

We need repeater technicians. If you manage or work on a repeater, we need your expertise! There may be a case where we have to quickly set up a portable, or restore a damaged unit to service. VERY important!

If you have experience with antennas and towers, we need you! Same scenario as above- we need to be able to hang antennas after those in place have been destroyed. If your residence shows more than one antenna on the roof- please consider us!

We need IT / computer talent. If you duck into the registry, understand the IP world, have more than a few PC's sitting around, WE NEED YOU! One of our primary services will be digital messaging.

We need skilled operators. Nevermind the technical side, there will be a need for 'the cavalry' with operators who can step in and quickly assume positions in an emergency net. If you are a contester, or have safety forces or military experience- THIS IS FOR YOU!

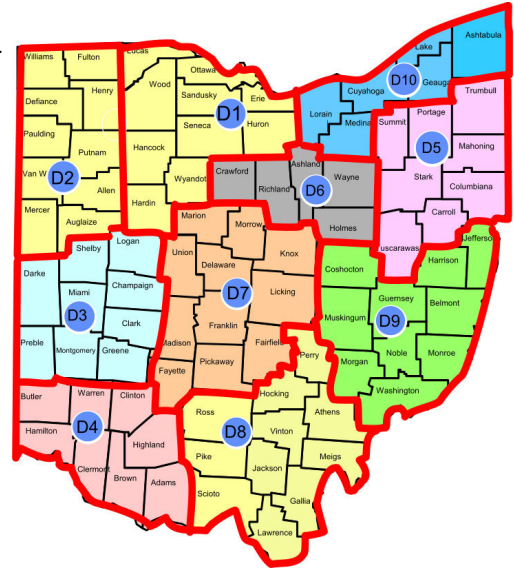
This will NOT involve hours of training. You already know the skillsets. This is NOT geographically limited. If you're in Cincinnati, or Cleveland, or somewhere in between, we will integrate as a whole team! We will get together for an orientation, and a lot of our communication will be email or using web meetings. I promise you'll not be asked to sacrifice a lot of time. I can see one annual major training event where we put all the skills together for an exercise.

THIS IS SOMETHING YOU CAN BE PROUD OF- but we need YOU to step up and volunteer! Please consider this now.

<http://arrrl-ohio.org/SEC/aresmat-001.html>

Thanks so much!

Stan Broadway, N8BHL
Section Emergency Coordinator – Ohio



Stan Broadway, N8BHL



2015 Ham Of The Year Leaderboard

This year we have a new points system that recognizes members for time and activities put towards the COARES club.

Rank	Points	Call	Name
1	94	KD8PHG	Richard Wynkoop
2=	78	KD8RTP	John Buck
2=	78	KD8IIB	Kevin O'Harra
4	70	KD8WQY	Denny Waltermire
5	69	KA8RLC	Kal Dworkin
6	66	KD8ION	Patrick Gibson
7	59	KB8YVI	Phillip Moore
8	59	KD8SYT	Lynne Moore
9	55	W8RWR	Bob Rector
10	53	KD8SYP	Bob Cupples

COARES ACTIVITIES FOR 2015

Nov	Event	Time	Location	Coordinator/Net Control
4th	Wednesday Night Net	8:00 pm	147.060(+) (94.8 Hz PL)	Cancelled
11th	Wednesday Night Net	8:00 pm	147.060(+) (94.8 Hz PL)	Open
18th	In-person Meeting	7:30 pm	Franklin Co. EM & Homeland Security	Kevin O'Harra, KD8IIB
25th	Wednesday Night Net	8:00 pm	147.060(+) (94.8 Hz PL)	Open
26th	Turkey Trot	9:00 am	Upper Arlington	TBA
Dec	Event	Time	Location	Coordinator/Net Control
2nd	Wednesday Night Net	8:00 pm	147.060(+) (94.8 Hz PL)	Open
5th	2015 Jingle Bell Run/Walk	7:00 am	Hyatt Regency Columbus	Richard Wynkoop, KD8PHG
9th	Wednesday Night Net	8:00 pm	147.060(+) (94.8 Hz PL)	Open
12th	Holiday Party	TBD	Franklin Co. EM & Homeland Security	Kevin O'Harra, KD8IIB
30th	Wednesday Night Net	8:00 pm	147.060(+) (94.8 Hz PL)	Open

While this schedule is correct at the time of publishing, please visit the COARES website (www.coares.org) and click on the Events link for the most up to date information.

COARES One Call Now

Please remember to notify our One Call Now Administrator (KD8IIB - Kevin O'Harra) for any changes to your phone numbers or email addresses that would affect how you are notified in the event of an emergency callout. Also, any new members that would like to be included in an emergency callout, please contact Kevin with your info.

Please see the article in the April 2015 bulletin that explains this system in greater depth.