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Monthly Section Emergency Coordinator Report to ARRL Headquarters

ARRL Section: **South Texas** Month: **November** Year: **2019**

**AMATEUR RADIO EMERGENCY SERVICE**

Total number of ARES members:	1687	Change since last month:	38
# DECs/ECs reporting this month:	30		
# of ARES nets active:	125	# with NTS liaison:	45

**Calls of DECs/ECs reporting:** AE5VV K5BV K5DDM K5GOL K5LGV K5RIK K5WEL  
K7MAL KB5DTS KD4HNX KD5BJ KD5JBT KF5ACH KF5NIX KG5JRA KG5RXG KW5PA  
N5LVQ N5MTX N5SBN N5TQ N5TW/XYL N5WKM NT5CC W5KKL WB5HJV WB5TAD  
WB5UZZ WD5H

Number of drills, tests and training sessions this month	112	Person hours:	2598
Number of public service events this month	32	Person hours:	774
Number of emergency operations this month	2	Person hours:	12
Total number of ARES operations this month	271	Person hours:	3383

Comments:

SEC

Work on STX webpage updates of ARES Content  
STX SEC Report generation  
NTX-STX-WTX SET Nov 9  
Louis Stanton appointed EC for Wilson County Nov 12  
ARES HF Net Control Duty Nov 18

ASEC Web

Posted new articles most noteworthy were; AUXCOM classes in Corpus Christi, Harris Co CERT Rodeo, Move to STXARES and ARRLSTX Groups.io, WGD election results. Maintained website updates and performed weekly backups. Admin of user Display Names on the new STXARES and ARRLSTX groups consume many hours. 217 members to date.

ASEC Other

STX Depot web pages and database oversight. Monthly review & stats.  
Weekly Depot bounce report for pages sent during each week.

DISTRICT 01

#### EC Fort Bend County

Quiet month. Personal training and support to VE session. Added members.

#### EC Galveston County

The number of hours for Drills, Tests and Training include 18 hours of time volunteered by 3 ARES members in support of development, training and maintenance of emergency communications equipment and procedures for the city of League City. Eleven ARES members provided communications support for the La Porte By The Bay Half Marathon with runners crossing the Fred Hartman Bridge from La Porte to Baytown and back.

#### EC Waller County

20 voice 11 digital

No net on Thanksgiving

#### DISTRICT 02

##### EC Walker County

2 Walker County ARES members worked SET on November 9 from Walker County EOC. 6 contacts made via winlink with responses from city/county/state/university responders. Winmor contact with group in Saginaw, Tx. Checked in 7.285 & 7.290 traffic nets. Interop with MARS station on 60 meters passing requested information from this area to operator. 8 contacts via local ARES repeater. For us, HF bands "folded" around 11 am CST.

#### DISTRICT 03

#### DISTRICT 04

#### DISTRICT 05

#### DISTRICT 06

##### EC Medina County

SET exercise for STRAC/RMOC Greater San Antonio area

#### DISTRICT 07

#### DEC

District 7 membership continues to slowly grow with 15 new members in November. This DEC is assisting with planning for Winter Field Day with Williamson County. I encourage all ARES groups in STX to consider participating in WFD 2020!

##### EC Lee County

Lee County Ares has now opened a bank account, modified and fixed go kits, and kept

amending and tuning its bylaws. Has officially welcomed a new member who already participated to the meetings, but just studied and obtained his tech license. Held its monthly meeting and participated at EmComm meeting and planned future activities and trainings.

#### EC Travis County

Held annual SET working with Army MARS (Critical Infrastructure), ARCHES (3 local hospitals) and State Op Center. KG5DWX held training after SET on M110A with 10 ARES operators.

#### EC Williamson County

WCARES had one Emergency Event in November. It was for the potential of Icy Winter Storm. Several of us that operate with the Williamson County IMT were on a couple conference calls with county, cities, National Weather Service, etc. Fortunately, no ice lasted more than a few minutes. We are in preparation for Winter Field Day at the end of January 2020. Only a couple months away now. Will be camping at a local Corps of Engineers lake, setting up our Emcomm Trailer, and operate about 5 stations. We are using this as more of a fun training event where we keep score, with final evaluation of HF antennas. After this event we will have finally settled on recommended HF antenna for WCARES members. If any of the other ARES organizations in our section are operating, send me a notice to we can make contact. Will make for a bit of across the section training for HF comms.

#### DISTRICT 08

##### DEC

Red Cross operations

#### DISTRICT 09

##### EC Orange County

Had 7 ARES members participate in the SET that was at a county level only. Practiced P2P Winlink comms and messaging from County EOC and to areas in the county using 20M, 40M, 10M and 6M. Used forms and sent attachments for messaging. A successful learning experience using Winlink Express for P2P comms.

##### EC Sabine County

Loggers completed clear cut at Pineland tower rehab site without knocking tower down. Impressive! Brush clearing ongoing. UHF repeater components collected and handed off to WD5EFY for repeater/controller coordination. Antennas slated for January install. Also received programming lesson on our 2M repeater during the visit. Thanks Mike! Installed radio, coax and antenna in commissioner's road grader.

#### DISTRICT 10

#### DISTRICT 12

## DISTRICT 13

## DISTRICT 14

### DEC

ECHO repeater upgrades Texas Childrens 11/1  
D14 SW UNIT sponsored NVIS workshop at TranStar 11/3  
Texas Childrens West Antenna work 11/3  
Texas ARES Net (WB5HJV Net control) 11/4  
WebEOC monthly login training 11/6  
South Texas ARES SET planning meeting 11/6  
ECHO Meeting ARES presentation 11/12 (WB5HJV/W5LDK)  
Red Cross HQ Houston - radio room/RMS node work 11/7  
Texas Childrens Emergency Management Meeting 11/7  
South Texas ARES SET 11/9 D14 Harris County  
ECHO Meeting ARES presentation 11/12 (WB5HJV/W5LDK)  
Training session held on P25 radios at TranStar 11/19  
Red Cross HQ Houston - radio room work day 11/23  
Houston Area Hospital Net 11/24  
147.000 repeater communications test 11/24  
Texas Children's Medical Facilities communications test 11/24  
Houston Digital Meeting - DMR topics 11/25

### EC Harris-NW County

Heavy concentration on Training this month. 12 members completed WebEOC software training at the Harris County EOC. Two members completed the CERT Train the Trainer course.

### EC Harris-SW County

NVIS Workshop was held on 11/3 and about 16 members attended. We spent about 6 hours operating. Several people made antennas, and everyone provided good feedback. WP2AHG wrote an article, and N5CFT did a video that we distributed. We participated in the SET and our efforts were led by Gus Bernard, KG5OFB. WebEOC training was held on 11/17 for 3 of our team members. N5TQ completed the ARRL EC-001 training.

## DISTRICT 15

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