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*October 2009 ARES Reports*

## **ARRL KS SECTION EMERGENCY COORDINATOR - Bob KØBXF**



October 1, 2009  
KØBXF ARRL SEC KANSAS

August ARES activity as reported by 18 ARES zones, RACES and Army MARS. 163 net sessions held, 812 stations participating, 29 messages handled. KS ARMY MARS reported 408 man hours of operation for the month and 388 messages originated.

RACES had 11 counties: Riley, McPherson, Linn, Wyandotte, Cloud, Marshall, Montgomery, Mitchell, Saline, Shawnee, Leavenworth.

Chapter 110 QCWA 4 sessions 50 QNI. If you are wanting to know more about QCWA Sat mornings at 7:30 on 3920 and meet the group.

A few changes in EC assignments have been made. Make sure you update your info accordingly. Who is the most active station in SW Kansas. Drop me a line if you can name anyone.

Still 8 or 9 counties in NW Kansas without an EC assigned, Interested???? contact KØBXF or NØLKK.

73 for this month

**Bob Summers KØBXF ARRL SEC KS**

## **ARES Zone 1B Douglas Co. - Bill KCØNFL** **Monthly DEC/EC Report**

Jurisdiction:	Month:	Year
1B	Sept	2009

### **AMATEUR RADIO EMERGENCY SERVICE**

Total number of ARES members: 19 Change since last month: -3 (+, -, or same)

Local Net Name: Douglas County ARES Net Total sessions 4

NTS liaison is maintained with the \_\_\_\_\_ Net

Number of drills, tests and training sessions this month: 4 Person hours 13.5

Number of public service events this month: 1 Person hours 5

Number of emergency operations this month: 0

Person hours 0

Total number of ARES operations this month: 5

Total Person hours 18.5

Comments:

Signature: William L Musick Title: (EC or DEC) EC Call sign: KCONF  
Please send to your SEC or DEC as appropriate by 2<sup>nd</sup> of the month FSD-212 (1-04)

We participated in an Emergency Preparedness Fair this month, put on by Douglas County Emergency Management. It was only a couple of hours, but we had a video presentation and an APRS demonstration along with several handouts about amateur radio.

## **ARES Zone 2A Washington & Marshall Co. - David KØKSI**

### **Monthly DEC/EC Report**

Jurisdiction: Zone 2A - Marshall & Washington Counties Month: September Year: 2009

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#### **AMATEUR RADIO EMERGENCY SERVICE**

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Total number of ARES members: 8 Change since last month: 0

Local Net Name: Marshall/Washington County ARES Net Total sessions: 3 (QNI=8, QTC=0)

NTS liaison is maintained with the Kansas Sideband Net : Yes, NØNB

Number of drills, tests and training sessions this month:

Number of public service events this month:

Number of emergency operations this month: 1 Person hours: 4

KØBYK visited with the EM for Washington County regarding ARES in Zone 2A

Total number of ARES operations this month: Total Person hours:

Comments: Local Net is Sunday @ 9pm local time, 147.285+ Repeater

Signature: David Crawford Title: Zone 2A EC Call sign: KØKSI

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### **Zone 2A Organization for 2009**

Zone 2A EC: KØKSI, Dave Crawford

Liaison to KS Sideband Net: NØNB, Nate Bargman

Liaison to MS County EC: KØBYK, Dennis Mason

## ARES Zone 2B Cloud, Jewel & Rep Co. - Stan WAØCCW



Zone B2  
NCK ARES/RACES net  
Sessions 3 QNI 58 QTC 1

Stan C, WAØCCW

## ARES Zone 2C Clay, Riley & Geary Co. - Myron WØPBV

MONTHLY EC REPORT FOR RILEY, GEARY, AND CLAY COUNTIES

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1. FROM: WØPBV - Myron A. Calhoun <[WØPBV@ARRL.net](mailto:WØPBV@ARRL.net)>  
ARES EC for Riley, Clay, and Geary Counties and  
RACES RO for Riley County
2. FOR THE MONTH OF: September, 2009
3. TOTAL RACES/ARES/WARN MEMBERS: Riley: 21  
Geary: 2 (including its AEC)  
Clay: 8 (including its AEC)  
(Weather Amateur Radio Network) WARN: 17 (including its AEC)  
(Lots of overlap between Riley County's RACES/ARES and WARN groups)
4. MEMBERSHIP INCREASE OR DECREASE SINCE LAST REPORT: one less (SK)
5. LOCAL NET NAMES: Manhattan Area Amateur Radio Society (MAARS)  
"Tuesday-Night Net",  
Thursday-night "Youth Net",  
and "Sunday-Night WARN Net"
6. FREQUENCY USED: 147.255 MHZ, with positive offset
7. NTS LIAISON IS MAINTAINED WITH: No other NET  
PASSED-TRAFFIC COUNT: Unknown
8. DAYS NETS MET: MAARS Net: September 1, 8, 15, 22, 29  
Youth Net: September 3, 10, 17, 24  
WARN Net: Not needed this month

9. NUMBER OF SPECIAL/EMERGENCY NETS/ACTIVITIES THIS MONTH: None

10. COMMENTS:

Mike Snyder, N0WSZ, one of my Clay County Assistant EC's, is now a Silent Key (liver and stomach cancer). I had only met him once, but I've heard that he was a good Elmer.

Tom Shadle, ACOMJ, the remaining Clay County EC, reported that, in August (and while he was on vacation!-), the Clay Center Ham Club provided radio communications for the Tootle Feast 5K Run and parade:

"For the 5K Run, we provided communications along the route to report runners passing certain points. We also manned a water station with the communications at the mid point.

"For the parade, we initially staged along the staging point to account for parade participants and report if someone was missing or not in the right spot. Once the parade began, we staged along the route to monitor the progress of the parade and to report if there were problems along the route."

The MAARS club held a Sunday-afternoon picnic and mini-swap-meet in place of its regular second-Friday-of-the-month meeting. Victor Thomas (KD0AAV) brought his WELL-equipped emergency trailer and demonstrated it to the "oohs" and "aahs" of many envious attendees. (By "WELL-equipped", I mean it had a generator, TWO 1500-watt PURE-SINE-WAVE inverters, HF and VHF radios, antennas, tools, and much more!)

Myron Calhoun (W0PBV) attended Riley County's quarterly LEPC (Local Emergency Planning Committee) meeting.

--73, Myron A. Calhoun, <[W0PBV@ARRL.net](mailto:W0PBV@ARRL.net)>.

RACES Radio Officer for Riley County and

ARES Emergency Coordinator for Riley, Clay, and Geary Counties

Five boxes preserve our freedoms: soap, ballot, witness, jury, and cartridge

## **ARES Zone 2F Mc Pherson Co. - Stan WDØEUF**

Kansas zone 2F activity for Sept. 09: Four nets held on the McPherson 147.33+ repeater  
Total of 30 check-ins and not traffic handled  
Plans are in place to participate in S.E.T. Oct 3/4

WDØEUF Stan

## **ARES Zone 3B Norton & Philips Co. - Bill AAØOM**



District 3B Phillips and Norton County ARES net met 4 times in September on the 147.120+ AAØHJ repeater in Phillipsburg. QNI 30, QTC 0, QTR 57 Minutes.

Participating stations: AAØOM, KDØARW, AAØND,NOLL, AAØHJ, AAØQO, KØDTS, KDØCJF, KBØLQZ, KCØSDO, KBØQGT, KDØARW.

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**Bill AAØOM** (NCS)

## **ARES Zone 4A Johnson Co. - Brian KCØBS**

SEPTEMBER 2009 MONTHLY ARES REPORT TO DEC & SEC

Total of ACTIVE ARES members: 133

Membership increase or decrease since last report: +0

Local Net Name: Johnson County ARES

Emergency Coordinator = Brian Short KCØBS 913-638-7373

Alternate Emergency Coordinator = Jim Andera KØNK 913-884-6613

Assistant Emergency Coordinators:

June Jeffers KBØWEQ, SATERN DEC 913-856-8674

Steve Rainey WDØDPB - Spec Events

George McCarville WBØCNK - Training, Drills

Matt May KC4WCG - IDs, MECC

Bill Gery KA2FNK - Recruiting, Technology

Darren Martin NØMZW - Net Manager

Stan Frear KCØNXJ - Membership

Del Sawyer KCØSKR - CERT

Duncan Maclachlan KUØDM - Rapid Response, Youth Outreach

Denny Healzer KCØZDS - KCHEART

NTS liaison is maintained with the KS SSB Net:

Dan Reed NØZIZ

Jim Andera KØNK

George McCarville WBØCNK

Jim Cordill K1ØBK

Debbie Britain ABØUY

June Jeffers KBØWEQ

Rich Britain NØENO

Terry Reim WAØDTH

Wretha Galeener KCØHHO

NTS CW Net: Dan Reed NØZIZ

Net Sessions: 39  
QNI: 256  
QTC: 15  
5 nets = 2 Meter Voice  
5 nets = CW  
5 nets = 6 Meter  
5 nets = 2 Meter Voice Simplex  
5 nets = PSK 31 SATERN  
5 nets = Simplex Packet  
2 nets = 70CM  
5 nets = 1.25 Meter  
2 nets = SATERN 80 meter SSB Net

As we put the finishing touches on the Public Service events for the year, JOCO ARES looks forward to the November Metro Wide Drill, which will be held on November 7.

This years drill will be the aftermath of a Tornado that impacts the entire 9 county area. Should be a great opportunity for Mutual Aid throughout the area.

Some challenges will include how to get damage reports to both state capitals and find resources on that end to take the info. Stay tuned.

We also look forward to the JCRAC Auction which occurs at Ensor Museum in Olathe on October 31. Lots of Spooks & Sparks to celebrate the Ensor's with a special event station as well..

Hope you will join us for our Fall Fun! 73

Brian L Short, PMP--KCØBS

JOCO ARES EC [kc0bs.com](http://kc0bs.com), [hamclass.org](http://hamclass.org), [ks0jc.com](http://ks0jc.com), [k0ham.com](http://k0ham.com), [ksrepeater.com](http://ksrepeater.com), [kcaprs.org](http://kcaprs.org)

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## **ARES Zone 4I Lyon & Greenwood Co. - Mike KCØNFG**

ARES I-4 Report  
SEPTEMBER, 2009

ARES I-4 :18 members

Regular VHF nets 4, check in 82, No traffic

Weather warning (local siren test) Nets 0 , check in 0.

Local EARS club repeater, Emporia, Ks./ 146.985 tone 88.5 / SIMPLEX 146.580

73 MIKE KCØNFG

# **ARES Zone 4G Neosho & Labette Co. - Gary WA5FLV**

Net Report

CAARC Repeater 3 sessions 25 members

Chanute Simplex net 4 sessions 20 members

QCWA Ch 211 3 sessions 11 members

Activity/EC

There was only minor limited training on the Chanute simplex net. Net procedure and the importance of message originators full ID and address.

The Chanute CERT group met informally to announce future meetings and preparation for training in the next year. Photo ID pictures were taken by the County EM for ID card to be issued at the next meeting. Also Certificates of Completion were handed out.

FINALLY ! After 3 years of trying. An official ID from the County EM for RACES. I think? Really don't care about the ID but getting them to acknowledge my membership in RACES, ARES, CERT. Of course I had to explain what they were. Anyway this should be a good thing. I still have to buy my coffee.

Now to continue working on the city government.

I am fully mobile again with rigs for 80-10 and 2/440. Completed install in new truck with NO holes drilled. Some cable issues yet but its safe and everything at a level I don't have to take my eyes off the road. NO I do not text while driving and don't tune the antenna while moving. Too much distraction from driving.

Did this with no holes drilled then got dinged in the parking lot at work!

Got the generator ready for winter, equipment tested and packaged for any kind of weather. Go box near the door. Will do a cold weather drill to set up portable station and antennas soon.

Been working some DX on HF CW. Having alot of fun beating the pile up even if my fist is shakey. Seem to add an extra dit too often or miss one. But the good stations don't mind.

Clubs in the area are all doing well and active. Each has their own agenda of activities. But new membership and new hams is very slow.

Best I could do for a report from way down here.

73

**Gary WA5FLV**

# ARES DISTRICT 5 DEC - Robert Haneke, WG0Q



Hello All,

Thought I would send you an update since It has been awhile and I have some information to pass along.

Since the Dec '07 ice storm and the June '08 tornado, most of my antennas have been down. These last 3-4 weeks I have gotten all except one back up and running (dipole, vertical HF and 2m/440 base antennas are up) still have one more 2m to go. This has been no small task as I have had to do some extensive tree trimming, clean up, debris removal and re-install the mounts and rerun coax, not to mention getting help to install the large antennas. But if the WX holds this week and the wind dies down I should have the last one completed in the next 10-14 days.

In addition, Bill Goodwin, N0EVF, brought the portable trailer tower up for storage at my place, since I am more centrally located in the District and Allen (who had possession of it), KC0CFL is no longer EC for Sedgwick Co. I have attached pics of it. It is in good shape but is missing coax, and it would be nice to have a small jenny on it (there is a mount for one on the trailer) and two motors to raise the tower vertically and then to raise the sections, as it is a b\*\*\*\*\* to crank up by hand and it takes 2-4 people to do it, and the trailer has mounts for the motors, pulleys, etc. I wonder if ARRL has any funds, grants, etc available for ARES that we might be able to use to obtain these items. Or, would it be possible to get donations from civic minded hams or business or the State or DHS?? Any ideas or contacts that we might try? So if anyone requests it for EM operations let them know that I am storing it at my QTH.

As far as operations, Barton and Rice (Carl, N0ORS and his group do a good job of covering that area), Safford, Pratt, Kingman and western Reno Counties are covered and there are operators that are available for EC services even though they may not be ARRL members or have official appointments. Still looking for someone for Sedgwick Co and Reno, as I have indicated to you in the past these are counties that seem to do their own 'thing'. Reno's EM has a ham license but since he is the EM for the county he does things his own way. Sedgwick Co is the same as in the past as far as operators. I have a lot that will show up, but are disenfranchised by the system there. I can always count on Kent in Harvey Co even though he is not an official appointee. Cowley, Butler and Sumner are covered but I have little contact with these EC's.

I will be gone on the weekend of SET, so I will not be able to participate. (Still have to earn a living to afford my hobby ☺).

If you have any questions, etc, please contact me.  
Thanks

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