

ARRL SV ARES SEC Report (FSD-96)
May, 2010

TO: Sacramento Valley Section ARES Leaders
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Section Emergency Coordinator Monthly Statistical Report (FSD-96)

(1)	Section: Sacramento Valley (SV)	
(2)	Month: May	
(3)	Year: 2010	
(4)	Total ARES members:	385
(5)	Change since last month:	+19
(6)	Number of active nets:	19
(7)	Total sessions:	84
(8)	ECs, ADECs & DECs reporting:	20 (representing 20 counties)
(9)	Number of drills, tests, and training sessions:	90
(10)	Number of volunteer hours:	1092
(11)	Number of public service events:	9
(12)	Number of volunteer hours:	599
(13)	Number of emergency operations this month:	0
(14)	Number of volunteer hours:	0
(15)	Total ADEC, DEC & SEC admin. time:	95
(16)	Total number of ARES events this month:	99
(17)	Total volunteer hours:	1786
(18)	Stations reporting (with additional comments below):	

SEC's reporting

SV SEC: WD6FXR

SV ASEC: KS6Z (no report)

DECs and ECs reporting:

DISTRICT 1: W6MAC

Lassen County – K6ME

Trinity County – KF6OAH

Siskiyou/Modoc, W6VTJ (no report)

JNN & WRRL HF nets (Siskiyou County) – W6SOJ

DISTRICT 2: W6MAC

Butte/Glenn Counties – N6NPN

Shasta/Tehama Counties – KQ6YW

DISTRICT 3: N6SNO

ADEC: CERT, KE6GMJ

ADEC: Training, KI6SSF

Sacramento County – W6SRA

Yuba/Sutter Counties – KI6CSO

Yolo/Colusa Counties – K9RTY

DISTRICT 4: KB6FMZ

Plumas County – KA6NSN

Nevada/Sierra Counties – KG6BAJ

DISTRICT 5: W6RWL (no report)

Alpine County – KA7AJQ (FSD-212 totals reported to Douglas County, NV)

Tahoe Basin – KC7AGI (no report)

Amador County – K6GTC

El Dorado County – Vacant

Placer County – KG6FFK

Sacramento Valley Section Mission Statement

The mission of the Sacramento Valley Section ARRL/ARES is to prepare for and provide emergency communications to both public and private agencies as well as the general public. The ARES recruits licensed amateur radio operators and maintains rosters of trained, skilled, disciplined and equipped individuals which includes teams experienced in fixed, mobile and field station operation. This free service is provided in a coordinated and organized manner. Our goal is to provide the best possible emergency communications radio networks capable of handling third party tactical and formal message traffic locally, regionally, nationally and internationally anytime normal means of communications fail or are overloaded.

Comments: L. M. Sutter, WD6FXR

To our SV staff -- especially those who reported their own and/or county's activities: Thanks for a job well done!!!

To hams in Butte and Glenn counties: we need more ARES volunteers! Please contact John Hursey, N8GNV at (530) 329-6713 if you can help.

Please keep me advised and up to date with your Counties/Districts activities & changes and please feel free to call or email me anytime.

Thanks!!!

DEC and EC Comments (for their counties):

District 1& 2 DEC, W6MAC

Displayed emcomm trailer in rodeo parade

JNN & WRRL, W6SOJ

31 JNN HF sessions with 810 checkins and 608 hours -- no WRRL HF nets or traffic handled.

Butte/Glenn, N6NPN

Good training with John (N8GNV) @ our monthly meeting. reviewing traffic handling, Looking forward to the summer.

Sacramento County, W6SRA

As for volunteer hours - I worked 9 hours on Saturday May 22 at the LDS Bishop's Storehouse rebuilding the communications room, and assisting with putting up a new HF All-Band Antenna at 100' on the tower. Testing showed success with international, national and regional communications on 20/40 and 75m. We installed grounding for 5 radios, and cleared out old obsolete equipment. That facility is now capable of communicating on all amateur bands over several VHF/UHF and HF antennas.

Yuba/Sutter, KI6CSO

On May 18, 2010 we set up and demonstrated a radio station for the Boy Scouts of America. This included talks as to what Amateur Radio was about and the purpose of the equipment in the demonstration as well as an explanation of what ARES is and the purpose of the organization and what part YSARC plays in the community. A demonstration of Morse code (each scout had his name sent in Morse code) and an explanation of its use was an interesting part of the evening. The local ARES net was called to demonstrate the use of the amateur radio. Six volunteers participated for over two hours.

On May 25, 2010 the local ARES group participated in an emergency drill with Fremont-Ridout Hospital group. An excellent emergency radio station was set up along with displays of emergency equipment for "go bags". Handouts were available for those people who wanted to know more about ARES, Demonstrations were given as to the effectiveness and transmitting power of amateur radio.

Sierra/Nevada, KG6BAJ

Still need 10 more radio operators for the annual Agony Bike ride. This 24 hour bike ride is to raise money for Christian Encounters Youth Camp. Persons interested should contact kg6baj at kg6baj@arrl.net

Plumas, KA6NSN

On May 18, ten ARES members participated in a simulated anhydrous ammonia spill at the Sierra Pacific Mill in Quincy, CA. Auxiliary communications networks were set up but not activated by OES. On May 29, Plumas County amateurs provided communications for the "Century Ride" in Indian Valley.

Alpine (reported to Douglas county by KA7AJQ)

Our Douglas County Amateur Radio Team (DCART) member, KD7JMR, Dick Young, attended the Alpine County Emergency Exercise May 22, 2010. He also represented SIERA (Sierra Intermountain Emergency Radio Association) and TARA (Tahoe Amateur Radio Association). His report summarizes the action, the agencies represented, and the ham radio points of the exercise.

The following agencies were represented: Alpine Health & Human Resources (EMS/EMT), Alpine Sheriff, American Red Cross, Alpine Public Health, CHP, CareFlight (REMSA), Woodfords VFD, Markleeville VFD, Kirkwood VFD, Alpine SAR, Washoe Tribal Police, Cal Fire, Alpine County

Schools, Eldorado Sheriff (Yarbrough), and our DCART, TARA, and SIERA.

Alpine Health & Human Services Emergency Preparedness Coordinator, Lynn Doyal, arranged the MCI (multi-casualty-incident) exercise initially staged at Turtle Rock Park. The Alpine Command vehicle set up at Hung-A-Lel-T Indian Colony, located on Diamond Valley Road close to Hwy. 88. The ARC shelter was also located at this site.

KD7JMR set up his ham radio equipment inside the command vehicle. Many visitors came through the Command operation and learned of our ham radio volunteer emergency communications capabilities. KD7JMR made good contacts on the following frequencies: 147.330+ (SIERA), 147.270+ (Carson Valley), 147.240+ (TARA) (though not from Turtle Rock Park), 146.610- (Reno), 146.655- (Mono County), and 146.460 simplex .

Sgt. Ron Michitarian has recently been assigned as Alpine County Emergency Manager.

In other DCART news, our monthly meeting was highlighted by a presentation by Douglas County Search and Rescue representatives. SAR member Shaun Thomas, KD7BUA, brought the SAR vehicle that they are making available for refurbishment by DCART. This coordination offers a great opportunity for future joint training and response.

DCART members are making ready to support several big events in June. Alta Alpina Bicycle organization is sponsoring an extensive ride event mostly in Alpine County June 12th. DCART will be staffing the 911 Dispatch Center ham radios to support potential emergency medical communications. Some DCART members also belong to SIERA, the organization that supports the 2010 Pony Express ReRide across Nevada. And there is the America's Most Beautiful Bike Ride June 6 at Lake Tahoe, supported by TARA.

Regards,
Sheila Clement, KA7AJQ
ARES (Amateur Radio Emergency Service) Emergency Coordinator
Douglas, Alpine (CA), Carson City Counties

Placer County, KG6FFK

Encouraging participation in public service events. Enough training for now. Love to hear comments on how events go on nets. Sunday evening 7:30pm 145.430 - 162.2.

REMINDER: Monthly reports are due on the 7th of each month.

Please send all reports thru the "Monthly Reports" link at www.emcomm.org/svares/ or directly to: imsutter@pacbell.net

Thanks again, have a great day & 73
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