Seasonal Preparation and Roundup

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Green Clover Hall - Ocala, FL

Agenda

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- Public Service

- NHC Comms Test

- FEMA RECCWG Comms Outage Exercise

- Planning "Operation Romeo Delta"

- Taskbook Verifications

- Discussion

Introductions

- Name

- Call

- Position (if assigned)

- License Class

- Experience in EmComm

Public Service

Whether it be from one of our served agencies, our local government, or even our neighboring counties, Marion County ARES will answer the call and do our best to assist those in need.

Lake Amateur Radio Association
13h ·

LARA members supported Radio Scouting, Inc. at Camp La-No-Che again this month for the CFC100, the 100th anniversary of scouting in Central Florida. Over 3,000 attended the jamboree.

Hundreds of youth and crew and troop leaders came by and experienced amateur radio, electronics, drones and more!

Thanks to Marion County ARES, Orlando Amateur Radio Club, and others who volunteered to support the event.

Central Florida Council, Boy Scouts of America
ARRL The National Association for Amateur Radio

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WX4NHC Annual Communications Test
May 28, 2022

We will be making brief contacts on many frequencies and modes, exchanging signal reports and basic weather data exchange (sunny, rain, temperature, etc.) with any station in any location. WX4NHC will be on the air on HF, VHF, UHF, 2 & 30 meter APRS and WinLink wx4nhc@winlink.org subject must contain //WL2K.

We will try to stay on the Hurricane Watch Net frequency 14.325 MHz most of the time. Also 7.268 MHz depending on propagation. However, we will be operating different frequencies depending on QRM. You may be able to find us on HF by using one of the DX spotting networks, such as the DX Summit Web Site: http://www.dxsummit.fi/Search.aspx

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We will also be on VoIP Hurricane Net 4pm-5pm EDT (2000-2100z)

(IRLP node 9219 / EchoLink WX-TALK Conference node 7203). http://www.voipwx.net/

WX4NHC will also make a few contacts on local VHF and UHF repeaters as well as Florida Statewide SARNET system to test our station equipment.

QSL Cards are available via WD4R. Please send your card with a S.A.S.E. Please do NOT send QSLs directly to the Hurricane Center address, as it will get delayed.

FEMA RECCWG Region 4 & 6 Communications Outage Exercise - 5/31-6/1

- RECCWG stands for Regional Emergency Communications Coordination Working Group

- Exercise will simulate cyber attack on 4 major cities in the exercise regions

    - Miami, Little Rock, Charlotte and Dallas

- WINLINK exercise

- HF/VHF/UHF and Telnet are allowed from our area, since we are not an affected city in the exercise.

FEMA RECCWG Region 4 & 6 Communications Outage Exercise - 5/31-6/1

- DATE and TIME: Tuesday May 31 6:00PM EDT until 4:00 PM EDT Wednesday, June 1st.- Message to send: Winlink Standard Template, Field Situation Report

- Please avoid requesting acknowledgement requests, either manually or automatically.

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How to fill out the Field Situation Report:

- Open Winlink Express (insure you have a most recent version, ie. 1.6.4
- or higher, Template Version 1.0.193.0 or higher.)
- Open "New Message" form. (First ICON in menu).
- On New Message Form, look for "Select Template" menu.
- Choose "Select Template."
- 4. Double click on "Standard Templates"
- 5. Choose "Mapping GIS Forms."
- 6. Choose "Field Situation Report.txt"
- 7. Your browser should open with the HTML Form.

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Fill out the form per info below:

- a. PRECEDENCE (R) Routine
- b. Date Time, Task as 1.0.
- c. To: NCS415; NCS396; NNE6EM (separate addresses with semi-colon).
- d. On Form:
- #1: NO.
- #2. your City, County, State, and Territory put either FEMA R4 (TN, KY, MS, FL, GA, AL, NC, SC) or FEMA R6 (TX, AR, LA, NM, OK).
- #3 Put in Coordinates using degree decimal format, DD.DDDD . Example: LAT: 36.0703 LON: -86.8241, which is the correct format.
- (If you cannot provide coordinates per above, then put in your Grid Square, and they will be approximated from your Winlink Express settings.)
- Put in your Grid Square.

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- #4. YES   #5. YES   #6. YES
- #7. YES   #8. YES   #9. YES
- #10.YES   #11.YES
- #12. Please state, "EXERCISE, EXERCISE EXERCISE"
- #13 Name, call sign.
- If any of the above conditions are actually out of service, please follow these instructions, regardless.
DO NOT USE THIS EXERCISE TO REPORT

A REAL WORLD INCIDENT.

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  - Opportunities for ARES, MERT, CERT, HECT and spontaneous responders

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ARES Taskbook

- ARES Taskbook tasks can now be signed by an EC or Training AEC who has already completed the task in question.

- ARES Taskbook for Marion County will be computerized at a later date.

- NFL Tri-Section ARES Taskbook is being revised, so there is no mandate to complete any tasks short of the basics.

  - IS-100, IS-200, IS-700, IS-800, ARRL EC-001

Questions?

- SHOOT!

This session has been recorded

- The recording will be available on the website later on this evening.

- http://aresmcfl.org