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HAPPENING OF THE MONTH
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Where did the month of April go? Certainly been a world wind occurrence. As mentioned earlier enjoyed meeting the folks at the Etown Hamfest and getting to meet the members of the NKARC in Edgewood, KY. If I haven't had a chance to meet you, make a point to introduce yourself.



As mentioned earlier, a Questionnaire was sent out to the leadership of ARES. You should have received one if your email address is current in KYHAM. The following ECs, DECes, ASECs responded to the Questionnaire. AB4WS, KE4YCW, NV9V, KM4KGN, KM4VQD, KK4AVI, AG4TY, KI4GWN, AA4RL, and KY4WHT. My hat's off the those who took a little bit of time to inform me and KY SEC, Cecil Dennis what is happening around the state, our strong and weak points and what we need to build on. There is activity around the state but in small pockets and some very glaring bear spots. You know where these are I am sure. What is encouraging is where there is activity folks realize the need for taking and completing the FEMA NIMS courses, 100, 200, 700 and 800. I cannot emphasize enough how important these are for future growth in Kentucky. More on this as we go forward.

Good News! Help is on the way. Welcome, Joe Warren KB9LXH, new EC for Jackson Co. Very important county in regards to weather information. Joe has hit the ground running already sending out letters to new recruits, making a personal visit with the county EMA leadership and working toward June's KYCOMEX. Way to go Joe! There is an great example of building a great ARES program.

More good news! Welcome Gary Rosenau KW4YQ new EC for Laurel County. I am sure we will hearing more from Gary as he gets his feet planted firmly to the ground and establishes his contacts. More folks will want to participate with the Laurel County ARES.

Isaiah Corder KM4JIT, EC Wayne Co is reporting near completion of their mobile command

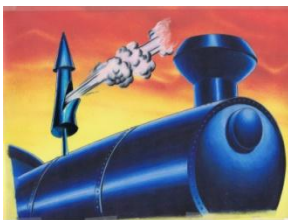
post. Wow, look forward to seeing the end product with possible photos. What a great way to show off ARES around the county.

Greg Taylor KY4OD, EC Mason Co continues to build the membership in ARES. Now providing training for new members and the latest gathering of the membership, they shared their go-kits! What about you? When is the last time you checked out your go-kit? Do you have one?

Bob Spears, AA4RL in Daviess County along with several others in District 3 has made great efforts in building a "last mile inner structure", using the long established Winlink software and nodes. Currently have 4 of the 7 counties tied together and currently working with District 2 in linking that area together. Take a look at APRS.FI if you are curious as to the area and coverage. Winlink has already been demonstrated to regional Hospitals regarding its purpose and function on moving email and reports, when all else fails. They are excited! Winlink has been demonstrated at Cave City and Etown by Jim Rayburn KC4BQK STM. If you have seen the map, you can see what they have and what they hope to accomplish going forward. Please contact Bob AA4RL aa4rlatarrl.net; Jim KC4BQK kc4bqkatarrl.net for further information.

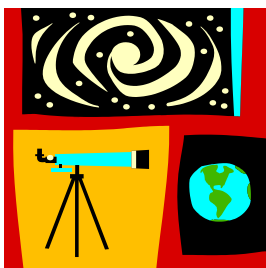


Our thanks and appreciation go to Roland Brown KY4RDB who submitted his resignation as EC for Letcher Co. Hopefully, a very capable replacement will try to fill his shoes in the near future.



Get all aboard, time to toot that train whistle! Our ACC Mark Currens N4VER has been busy contacting clubs whom by oversight may have failed to renew their club affiliation with the League or let the SSC status lapse. With his hard work, good news for those who pound the pavement.

KY Radio Operators Club - Fishersville KY became affiliated on 3/25. Morehead ARS - Morehead KY became affiliated. Bullet Co "BARS" became a Special Service or renewed the SSC status. Owensboro ARC renewed their SSC status with the League on 3/23. In my opinion, the active clubs are the ones that stir the drink. Keep it coming and pass the word.



Chuck Miliam N9KY, TC reports more interest in DMR. He is unpacking his own Shark Hotspot and getting it tuned up, to join fellow DMR users across the state. There is a weekly net held on KY Statewide on Thursday

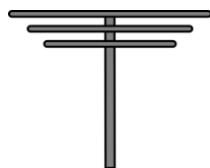
evening where numerous operators across the Southeast join in on the fun. If you have not tried DMR don't be afraid to ask someone. It is a growing technology. Can't wait to see what Xenia (Dayton) may have this year. Welcome TS, Jim Rayburn KC4BQK - Henderson.

Bill Hillyerd K4LRX OOC has been busy of late, which is not really a good thing. You see bill gets involved when others try operating practices that are outside of the FCC good book part 97. Let's say he has been busy pounding keys and expounding the "Thou Shout not..." scripture to a view folks. Let's hope that his efforts are able to tame the situation and may make a new Ham out of someone gone astray.



Proud of your QSL! This year's Xenia (Dayton) Hamvention will borrow a tradition from Friedrichshafen, Germany's Ham Radio event a QSL wall. For further info <http://arrl.org/news/qsl-wall>.

The KY SM will be in and out of the ARRL Expo, in the Field Service booth. Please drop by.



This month's activities will slide around the Dayton/Xenia Hamvention. If haven't already done so, mark your calendars for next week - May 19th - 21st. [Dayton Hamvention](#) . They say crowds may exceed 30,000, WOW! I hope folks bring their own parking garage. Expect a mad house. Hopefully, they will have a very effective transit system as in years pass.

Upcoming Hamfests:

Ashland May 13;

Princeton Hamfest June 3;

Big Sandy Hamfest - Louisa - July 22

Paintsville Hamfest - Sept. 30

Great Lakes Division Hamcon - Oct. 7, 8

On the Air Events: Armed forces Day Cross Band

MAY 13: [Armed Forces Day Cross Band](#)

PSHR:

W4NHO: 1. 27 2. 39 3. 20 TOTAL 86

KC4BQK: 1. 16 2. 10 3. 30 6. 40 TOTAL 96

KO4OL: 1. 40 2. 40 3. 30 TOTAL 110

SAR:

W4NHO: 39

WB4ZDU: 33

KO4OL: 78

Welcome Gary Kohtala K7EK ORS - Radcliff KY

Our prayers and concerns for Jim Vaughn K4TXJ who was trying to impress his wife on how graceful he was and became an unwanted pretzel. Hope he can be on the mend soon and be graceful on his new wheels.

Until next month, be safe and don't be afraid to be accused of being radioactive.

73

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