

Oldham County ARES®

Newsletter



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OC ARES General Meetings

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The Oldham County ARES general meetings are normally held at 1900 on the 4th Thursday of each month at the LaGrange Community Center, 307 West Jefferson Street, LaGrange KY 40031.

For those of you not familiar with this brick building, it is located on the south side of the street about three blocks east of the Oldham County Courthouse Square and use to be a part of the DeHaven Baptist Church.

The building has two entrances; you want to enter through the single door to the right with the sign indicating "La Grange Community Center". Once you go through the single door, you will see a staircase directly in front of you. Proceed to the second floor and walk along the hallway all the way to the classroom at the end and on the right.

All interested radio Amateurs are welcome. Talk-in is on the 147.390 repeater.



Communication Information

Oldham, Trimble, & Henry county ARES net:
Every Monday at 2000 local on the 147.390 repeater.

EC Corner

Every organization needs people to make it run. We are fortunate to have just such a person who falls into that category. I am speaking, of course, of Rick Ewen, W4TLE.

During our first three months of operation, Rick has been instrumental in getting a couple of key speakers lined up on topics related to Amateur Radio with emphasis on Emergency Communications. The first was held on Aug 20 and focused on the topic of D-STAR, a newer form of digital voice and data communication. The second was held on Aug 26 and focused on mapping tools with information overlays.

Before the D-STAR presentation, I had the pleasure of awarding Rick with his official appointment certificate of Assistant Emergency Coordinator for Oldham County ARES. Thank you for all your efforts!



**OC ARES Meeting
August 25 2011**

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The general meeting for Oldham County ARES was held Thursday August 25, 2011 at 7:00 PM at the LaGrange Community Center, 307 West Jefferson Street, LaGrange, KY 40031.

OC ARES Emergency Coordinator, Roman Rusinek (KE6YCW), conducted the meeting. There were 10 attendees.

AEC, Rick Ewen (W4TLE)

Members: Bob Brown (KD4HGE), Michael Uber (KG4ZPZ), Jim Marshall (K4LDU), Michael Marshall (KI4BVA), Linda Rusinek (KE6YKN).

Visitors: John Hurt (KI4USD), Harlan Joseph (K4HJ) from Shelby Co ARES, Kenny Ratliff (KI4SFB).

New Licenses/Upgrades: None

OPERATING

No one had any operating stories or unusual contacts this month.

UPCOMING EVENTS

See Upcoming Events later in this newsletter.

SHOW and TELL

Roman Rusinek (KE6YCW), brought in a few items related to preparing a Go-Kit that included a battery tender, glow-in-the-dark rope, and nesting tool boxes (it was quickly pointed out that the tool boxes fail to nest once they actually hold supplies). Bob Brown (KD4HGE), brought in a Radio Shack Simplex Repeater (RS 190-0345) and provided a demonstration with the assistance of Kenny Ratliff (KI4SFB).

PROGRAM

The ARES meeting program was on how GIS and Geospatial information relates to Emergency Communications. Our presenter, Kenny Ratliff (KI4SFB), works for the Dept of Military Affairs as the GIS Manager. He provided a demonstration of several tools that would allow for enhanced information during an emergency.

DOOR PRIZE

The prize of a Rotary Tool Kit was won by Rick Ewen

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Training Update

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(W4TLE).

NEXT GENERAL MEETING

The next OC ARES meeting will be held on Sept 22, 7:00 PM at the LaGrange Community Center, 307 West Jefferson Street, LaGrange, KY 40031.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM.

Minutes submitted by Roman Rusinek (KE6YCW)

Upcoming Events

Louisville Sunrise Hamfest

Saturday September 10, 2011 6:30 AM - 2:00 PM
Paroquet Springs Conference Centre
395 Paroquet Springs Drive
Shepherdsville, KY
Talk-in on 146.700 - (pl 79.7)
Web Page: <http://louisvillehamfest.com>

Kentucky ARES Conference

Saturday, October 8, 2011 10:00 AM
Nelson County Civic Center
321 S. Third St
Bardstown, KY 40004
Talk-in on 145.47 (pl 151.4)
Web Site: <http://www.kyaresconference.com>

One of the important goals of Oldham County ARES is to make sure that members are trained with a basic knowledge of the National Incident Management System (NIMS) and the Incident Command System (ICS). When a member completes the required training modules, they are soon acknowledged for their achievement.

At our August monthly meeting, it was my pleasure to award Bob Brown, KD4HGE, with a certificate attesting to his time and effort in completing the required training. Congratulations!

Roman Rusinek (KE6YCW)



Local Area ARES Nets

<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Freq</u>	<u>PL</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Call</u>	<u>Affiliation</u>
Mon	7:30 pm	146.700 -	79.7	Brooks	KY4KY	Mesotrack Skywarn
Mon	8:00 pm	147.390 +	151.5	Crestwood	KY4OC	Oldham County ARES
Tue	7:30 pm	146.880 -	100.0	Louisville	W4PF	Jefferson County ARES
Wed	9:00 pm	147.000 +	173.8	Shelbyville	KE4LR	Shelby County ARES
Wed	9:00 pm	146.850 -	none		W9JBQ	Clark County IN ARES
Thur	8:30 pm	145.390 -	107.2		KY4LAW	Anderson County ARES
Thur	9:00 pm	444.050 +	91.5	Shelbyville	KB4PTJ	Williamsburg Wide Area

Operating Opportunities

Bad to the Bone Duathlon

The first event to dust the cob webs off your equipment will be held this coming Saturday Sept 17, 2011 from 7:00am to around 1:00pm. It's the Bad to the Bone Duathlon held in the beautiful Big Bone Link State Park, located in Union KY.

The District 7 ARES group has supported the event for the last several years and can use some help. Please contact Todd, KY4TS at ky4ts@yahoo.com to sign-up. (I will be participating on this one)

Jamboree On The Air

The next planned event will be associated with the Boy Scouts of America Jamboree. It's planned for the weekend of October 15-16, 2011. The specifics are still being worked out, but we expect participation from not only the scouts, but from our neighbors, the ARES group from Shelbyville.

Rick Ewen, W4TLE, is spearheading this one so contact him if you are interested in participating. He can be reached at 502-550-3765 or w4tle@arrl.net. Let's show the scouts what we can accomplish and maybe get some "young hams in training"!

Equipment at the Ready

For those planning to come to the next monthly meeting of Oldham County ARES, make sure to bring your radio(s). The meeting will held at 7:00pm on Thursday Sept 22, 2011, at the La Grange Community Center.

We will be having another door prize drawing. Last meeting, Rick Ewen, W4TLE, won a Rotary Tool Kit (similar to a Dremel). Who knows what may be the next prize? Come out, support your ARES group, and maybe walk away with a ??

D-STAR Presentation

A good-sized group was present for the D-STAR presentation held in La Grange.



Oldham County ARES Net Control Schedule

September 2011 - November 2011

The Monday night Net Control Operator schedule is listed below. Everyone is invited to check in to the net. We welcome additional Net Control Operators. Please contact me if you would like more information.

September	5	KB4IFE	Craig	November	7	KE6YCW	Roman
	12	KB4IFE	Craig		14	W4TLE	Rick
	19	KB4IFE	Craig		21	KD4HGE	Bob
	26	KB4IFE	Craig		28	KB4IFE	Craig
October	3	KE6YCW	Roman				
	10	W4TLE	Rick				
	17	KD4HGE	Bob				
	24	KB4IFE	Craig				
	31	KB4IFE	Craig				

Things to do: Net Preamble
Announcements
Check-ins
Stats to EC

After the net, please email me the check-in list.
Thanks. **Roman KE6YCW**

When all else fails ... Amateur Radio

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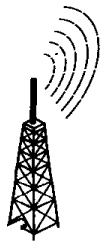
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ARES District 6

About Oldham County ARES



The Oldham County Kentucky Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) is an all volunteer group of licensed amateur radio operators who have registered their qualifications and equipment and undergone specialized training for emergency communications duty during natural or man-made disasters.

We also offer our communications services free of charge to community

events around the area such as walks, runs and bike rides, parades and other gatherings. We use these events as a training opportunity and a way to educate the public about amateur radio.

Every licensed amateur, regardless of membership in ARRL or any other local or national organization is eligible for membership in ARES. The only requirements are possession of an amateur radio license, some basic training, and a sincere desire to serve.