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The Newsletter of the Multnomah County Amateur Radio Emergency Services

March, 2017

## Meetings

### Multnomah County ARES

Every 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday  
7:00 P.M.

Portland Fire & Rescue CTR  
4800 NE 122<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, Portland  
<http://www.multnomahares.org/>

### PARC Meeting

Every 4<sup>th</sup> Friday  
7:30 P.M.

One Liberty Center  
650 NE Holladay Street, Portland  
<http://www.w7lt.org/>

### HARC Meeting

Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday  
Mount Hood Comm. College  
Room 1001

<http://www.wb7qiw.org/>

## Nets

### Multnomah Co. ARES Net

Wednesdays at 7:00 P.M.  
146.84 (no Tone)

### Digital Modes Training Net

First Tuesday 8:00 P.M.  
443.300 Mhz (PL Tone 100.0)

### MCARES Traffic Training Net

Second and fourth Tuesdays  
8:00 P.M. 147.180 (PL tone  
103.5)

Net Manager: Eli W7ELI



## February ARES Meeting “Drone”

## Upcoming Events

**Thursday, March 23:** 6:15 Q&A and social time; 7:00 **General Meeting:**

Guest speaker, Alice Busch,

Operations Division Chief,  
Multnomah County Emergency  
Management will talk about

emergency operations at the county  
and how ARES fits in.

**Saturday, March 25:** Slim Jim  
Antenna Build workshop. This class is  
full.

**Saturday, April 15:** Walk MS;  
registration closed. We have an  
abundance of volunteers!

**Saturday, April 22:** State Spring SET  
“The GMO Pineapple.” Please contact  
your Team Leader.

**Saturday, April 29:** RMS Packet  
certification. Contact Brian  
[KE7QPV@arrl.net](mailto:KE7QPV@arrl.net)

## News from Around The County By: Deb KK7DEB

It appears that we have a record turnout for the Walk MS event on April 15<sup>th</sup>. Thanks to all of you who have volunteered to support our communications efforts. It also looks like ABJ Drones, who were at our February meeting, want to join in with a demonstration of video back to the Comms trailer. Pretty exciting stuff!

It is never a good thing when we have two events on back to back weekends but we hope you will also help out with the State Spring SET the following weekend on April 22. The exercise will focus on Shelter locations throughout the County. We have 10 sites on our radar and really need a good turnout to get the job done. Adam has challenged us to “Beat Washington County” by having the most locations staffed in the whole state. This Spring SET is special to us because it was written by Multnomah County ARES leadership at the request of the Oregon Section Emergency Coordinator, and we are proud of the result. Contact your team leader if you can participate.

The March 23<sup>rd</sup> ARES meeting will feature guest speaker Alice Busch, Operations Division Chief for Multnomah County Emergency Management. We are very fortunate to have a really great working



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relationship with the county emergency management team. A special thanks to Chris Voss and Alice Busch for funding our website fees for the next 3 years!

The Bravo and Echo team drill was March 11 and all who participated agreed it was a great success and learning experience. We will take a break from team drilling for April as we focus on the MS walk and State SET. May will bring together the Delta and Charlie teams for their first exercise together.



## Echo Team Report By Eli W7ELI

The Echo Bravo Team Drill on Saturday, March 11 went very well. The Bravo Team operated with three team members and Matthew, team leader, at PBEM EOC and a three member field team simulating a shelter. Special thanks to Joe WA7FWC from the Charlie Team for heading up the field team and teaching the three Bravo team members how to operate the digital go kit.

The Echo Team had two members plus myself at the Gresham EOC and two members at Gresham Fire Station 74. This was the first time we have operated Winlink from a fire station. Joel N7LF ran net control from the trailer. All three Echo locations had some equipment difficulties but we managed to solve or work around the issues and got the job done as planned.

I was very pleased to see how well everyone did with message and station logs! Nice job! I will point out that each station should only log the messages they send or receive at that station, not every message handled in the entire drill.



## ARES in Action 1



## ARES in Action 2

## Other Nets

### District 1 ARES Net

Daily at 7:30 P.M.

147.320 MHz (PL Tone 100.0)  
and 147.040 MHz (PL Tone 100)  
MC 6

### NTTN

Daily 6:05 P.M.

145.27, 145.43, 145.47, 146.80,  
442.875 & 442.275 All with PL  
Tone of 107.2

### Portland NET Net

Sunday 8:00 P.M.

147.040 MHz (PL Tone 100)

## Membership News By Deb KK7DEB

Join us in welcoming our newest members Jim KA7AGH and Lee KF7YUO. Jim will join the Echo team and Lee the Alpha team. This brings our total membership to 76 active members.

## Training Updates By Eli W7ELI

Have technical questions? Call or email your team leaders! If they can't help you, they will refer you to someone who can.

Want to get your General ticket? Hoodview Amateur Radio Club is offering General Class Ham classes on May 6 and 13 with test on the 20th Contact Cory [ka7iug@frontier.com](mailto:ka7iug@frontier.com) or Jim 503-702-2760.