



CENTRALIA AMATEUR RADIO EMERGENCY SERVICES TEAM

AUGUST, 2010

Field Day 2010 - Final numbers

Field Day 2010 is in the books and the Centralia ARES team did well with 353 contacts with phone, PSK and CW for a total of 714 points. In addition, we earned 1,250 bonus points for using emergency power, media coverage, setting up in a public place, establishing an information table, working NTS message traffic, using solar power, being visited by elected officials, doing an educational activity and using a Get On The Air station.

Borst Park turned out to be a great place to conduct Field Day activities with plenty of visitors asking what was happening. Thanks to everyone who participated in Field Day 2010. You made the event fun.

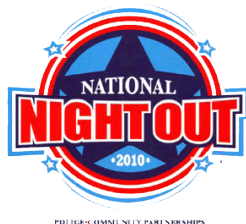


Changes In Centralia ARES Leadership

Get ready for some changes to our ARES team in September. Assistant Emergency Coordinator Kim Aiken, AC7YY, has accepted a new accounting position outside of Centralia that will take him away from the area except for weekends. Kim had done a great job providing leadership to the team and he will remain as AEC available for calls as time allows.

As most of you know, I will be out of the area during September and October on an extended trip back east and this is just the type of situation where Assistant EC's are needed. In addition, AEC's bring their experience in many areas of amateur radio. It is important to know that in an emergency or in my absence, there are strong leaders available.

Lyle Olmsted, KB7PI and Chuck Verdon, W5KAV, have agreed to accept positions as Assistant Emergency Coordinators. Both Lyle and Chuck bring many years of amateur radio experience with them as well as individual specialties that make them valuable as leaders. A job change will allow Lyle to be available for meetings and the timing couldn't be better. Please make Lyle and Chuck feel welcome and thanks again to Kim for all the work he has done.



National Night Out

National Night Out Against Crime was held on Tuesday, August 3rd. As usual, Centralia PD visited area Blockwatch neighborhoods with a parade of emergency vehicles and giveaway items. Once again, the

ARES team was on hand to provide backup communications and a volunteer presence. This year Loyann, Ricardo, Carol, and Sherry represented the team handing out goodies, talking to the kids and enjoying some delicious food. The event may expand in 2011 to include a party at one of the local parks. Stay tuned.

Supporting Special Olympics Washington



Northwest Ride of Dreams for Special Olympics Washington is a statewide fundraising effort organized by local law enforcement agencies throughout the state. On Saturday, August 28th, Centralia ARES will support this event with our presence at Spiffy's Restaurant along with CPD's command van. Team members

will arrive on site by 6:00am and will conduct sign-ins for those participating in the ride. Sign-ins should only last one to two hours and our part of the event will be completed. Email Bob or Jim Pace if you want to participate.

Quote of the day:

"In my many years I have come to a conclusion that one useless man is a shame, two is a law firm and three or more is a congress." - John Adams.

**ARES
Net Assignments**

**ARES Net Control Operators
August—October, 2010**

August 16th: Evelyn, KE7ACI
September 20th: Gil, N7PRJ
October 18th: Lyle, KB7PI

Dates To Remember

Brunch, August 19th
 Judy's Country Kitchen
 10:00 am

Microhams Digital Conference
 Redmond Washington
 September 18th

We Just Want To Know...

If you were going to shoot a Mime, would you need to use a silencer?

If a man says something in the woods and no woman is there, is he still wrong?

Brunch Anyone?

Enough time has passed and I think Judy's Country Kitchen will allow us back, so how about brunch? If you're available and hungry, we'll meet again at Judy's on Thursday, August 19th at 10:00 am for brunch. Put it on your calendar. We'll see you there!

"Lost Child" Drill

Wednesday evening, August 11 Centralia ARES will conduct our second annual "Lost Child" drill. This time we'll make it a little more difficult with two separate children out there and we'll guarantee at least one lost child in each of Centralia's four search districts. Our pre-search net will begin at 6:30 pm, then meet at Borst Park. Donuts will be served and a group photo will be taken back at the park when all those poor lost children are found.



Next ARES Meeting - Monday, August 16, 2010.