

"The Ladderline"



River Cities Amateur Radio Association

Serving Boyd and Greenup Counties Kentucky

KG4DVE 146.940 Repeater www.rcara.org



ACTIVITIES

- Feb. 3, 2009 - Club Meeting 7:30pm Sal. Army
Feb. 8, 2009 - CW Class 1:30pm Sundays
Mar. 3, 2009 - Club Meeting 7:30pm Huntington
WV, Radio Museum ROAD TRIP!
Mar. 11, 2009 - VE Testing 9:00am Sal. Army
Apr. 7, 2009 - Club Meeting 7:30pm Sal. Army
Apr. 25, 2009 - RCARA Tail-Gator Hamfest
8:00am - 3:00 pm , VE Testing
National City Bank Lot
May 2, 2009 - Big Sandy ARC Hamfest Louisa, KY



Boyd/Greenup ARES/RACES/SKYWARN

Boyd/Greenup ARES/RACES Service Area

- Roger Castle K4QYK - Emergency Coordinator
Tim Wright KD4OVM Asst. Emergency Coordinator
Scott Jacobs KI4GSF - Asst. Emergency Coordinator
Dave Vest KZ4G - Official Emergency Station
Matt Tinker AA4XA - Official Emergency Station
Dan Canterberry KI4AGR - Net Manager
Vernon Leeper KA4OIL - Net Manager

ARES/RACES Members

Bill Osborne AA4WO, Jan Osborne AG4JO, Frank Certain KI4WAZ, John Easterling KG4IVM, Sheila Easterling KG4BBD, Dan Huffman K4VTA, Bob McLaughlin WB8UYA, Ray Mecca W4RVM, Mark Riggs KD5KMR, Cameron Smith W1RVC, Dave Blanton AA4ZU, Paul Gilliam KI4MNZ, Jackie Castle N4VWR. If you re interested in joining ARES/RACES, please get with Roger Castle K4QYK.

THE NET NEWS / SCHEDULE

- Boyd/Greenup ARES Net : Monday 9:00pm 0100Z, 146.940
District 9 ARES HF Net : Tuesday 8:00pm 0000Z 3.820Mhz
District 9 ARES 2m Net : Tuesday 9:00pm 0100Z, 146.940
KY Emergency Net : Monday 7:30pm 3.9725 Mhz
Friendship Net : Daily 10:00pm 0200Z 146.940 Linked

President's Sidebar

Wow, what a busy month we had in January. VE Testing, repeater work, hosting the District 9 Annual meeting on the 24th, and the snow and ice emergency from the 27th to 2-1-09. I want to thank everyone for making the District 9 meeting a huge success. Everyone that attended, had nothing but great comments regarding the RCARA. We are in the process of selling tickets for the Mini-Computer give away at the 4-25-09 Tail-Gator Hamfest; don't forget to get those tickets and lets make a good profit for the RCARA. March will see a special meeting location at the Radio Museum in Huntington, WV. We will conduct our regular business meeting, and have a special tour after the meeting. If you have not been to the Radio Museum, you are in for a real treat, and for those that have been there, it never fails to impress. A special thanks to all the RCARA ARES/RACES members that assisted during the snow and ice emergency. Some of our members lost power for a few days, and antennas were strained by the ice, but communications were in place. The State EOC was operational on 3.960MHz, and handled traffic for health and welfare and logistics for the affected areas of Kentucky. A special thanks to KD4OVM, KI4GSF, AA4XA, K4QYK for keeping Boyd/Greenup ARES in the loop during the emergency, both locally, in District 9, and with the EOC in Frankfort. Also a big thanks to the SOARS Club in Ironton for letting Boyd/Greenup use their 146.610 repeater frequency during the emergency. Best 73 Matt AA4XA

SPECIAL Boyd/Greenup ARES Net 2-1-09

The Special ARES Emergency Preemptive Net was held on 2-1-09 to review and plan for more snow, and flooding in the Tri-State area. Section Asst. Emergency Coordinator AA4XA called the net, and 23 check-ins joined the Boyd/Greenup ARES Net beginning at 2030Z. The net was attended by representatives from Lawrence Co., Ohio, Sciota Co., Ohio, Lawrence Co. KY, Magoffin Co., KY, Cabell Co., WV, NWS Jackson, KY, and Boyd/Greenup counties in KY on the 146.610 repeater. After the Boyd/Greenup Net the District 9 KY Net had a special session, and Boyd/Greenup was relayed into the link via Carter County. With the reduced forcast for snow, the group decided to monitor the 146.610 for any Tri-State conditions that would warrant activation. It sure was nice to get the Tri-State Emergency groups together.

Officers/Directors 2008-2009

- Matt Tinker AA4XA - President
Scott Jacobs KI4GSF - Vice President
Mark Riggs KD5KMR - Secreta
Vernon Leeper KA4OIL - Treasurer