

May 2010 – Presidents/Facilitators Corner:

Well spring is here and summer is not far off things are cooler than normal outside but our activities are heating up. Are you ready for some outside communication activities? I am ready for some fun helping out and doing things as a group. Tour de cure is going to be here in just a few weeks. KC7JOK Bob needs more help some of the usual helpers have other things going on the second weekend in June 12th. If you have never helped out here are some of the things you can do ride in a SAG vehicle man a rest stop. You don't have to help all day just a couple of hours will make a real difference.

Field day is also looming near the chance for fun food and DX whatever your license class. We will be at the same location as last year the **Old** Bear River Hospital location. We can hope for improving conditions on DX. If you want to track things like sun spots and solar wind the web site <http://www.solarcycle24.com/> sponsored by VE3EN has a lot of information on what the sun is up to. Bob AA7TR is taking names to help run the radios setup and other assignments like helping with the pot luck dinner that is what our club meeting will be about this month although I am so late writing my article you may not see it till after the meeting (sorry) but there is still time to sign up to help.

Ps I am looking forward to seeing you at one of the several summer activities.

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David Cook KD7OUP

Club Constitution and Bylaws

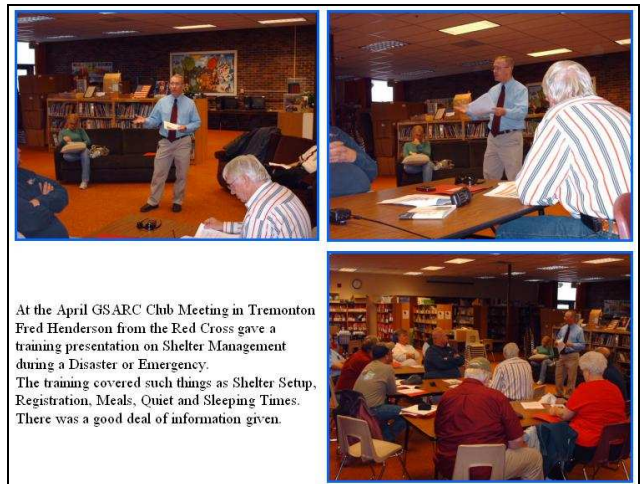
At the April Club Meeting it was suggested that the Club Constitution and Bylaws be amended and changed due to ATK no longer being our main financial supporter. Some of the changes suggested were to allow the President of the Club be any Member in good standing. Other changes will have to do with the financing of the repeaters and emergency repair funds. The amended Constitution and Bylaws will be presented to the Club at an up coming meeting for review and voting.

CONGRATULATIONS New Amateurs!

For those new Technicians and others that want to come and play we are going to have a "Get To Know Your Radio Day". Many Amateurs are a bit afraid of their radio and we have been asked to plan a meeting or party where we can help and have a little fun. Listen to the Wednesday and Sunday Night Nets for more information. Please come to Club meetings and participate in up coming activities. You don't have to be a member of the Club to join in on the fun. Participating in activities is how you learn and become comfortable with your radio.

Emergency and Disaster Shelters

Fred Henderson from the Red Cross provided training during our April's Club Meeting.



At the April GSARC Club Meeting in Tremonton Fred Henderson from the Red Cross gave a training presentation on Shelter Management during a Disaster or Emergency. The training covered such things as Shelter Setup, Registration, Meals, Quiet and Sleeping Times. There was a good deal of information given.

Those in attendance received some great information about Shelter Management during a Disaster or Emergency. The information presented makes it possible for anyone present to help with shelter management. It is good to know that the Red Cross has this training and many other classes that can be taken. Most of the classes are free of charge. If you have a chance to take any of the classes offered please take the time and opportunity. Any additional training we each can obtain may come in handy in an emergency or disaster. You never know where you might be able to help.

Fielding-Riverside Repeater Update:

The Repeater is up and running! We are now in process of making adjusting and fine tuning the volumes and timing of the repeater and link radio. We are also going to try an Omni Directional Antenna, Comet GP-3, and see if we can get a little better coverage. Bob Haynie, KC7JOK, has a 34-foot mast that is going to be mounted to the South West corner of the Shack. The GP-3 will be put on top of the mast. The APRS TNC also needs to be reprogrammed.

ADA Tour de Cure, Saturday June 12th

Please volunteer to help with this very worth while and fun activity. Once again we have the opportunity to serve as communications and tracking for the 2010 Tour de Cure. This will be the 8th year. This is a great chance to test your equipment and hone your skills as a communicator. We need at least 2 people at each rest stop and in if possible a few to ride in SAG trucks. SAG Riders will be in the trucks nearly all day. For the new Ham's in our area this is a great opportunity to see what everything is all about and get a chance to practice and learn how use your radio equipment. PLEASE Volunteer, we still need several people to help at the Rest Stops and in SAGs.

If you have an article or information you would like to post in the newsletter please send it to:

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Be aware that because of more layoffs at ATK we may not be able to continue to mail the newsletters in the future. It may be necessary to publish the newsletter on the Club web site only.

We hope that we will be able to continue to mail the newsletter but we won't know for sure until after the next round or two of layoffs.

If you would like to be notified via e-mail that the newsletters have been placed on the Club web site please contact one of the Club Presidency and give them your e-mail address.

Also the ATK Recreational Council has notified our Club and others that they, ATK, will no longer be funding Clubs. We are looking at other options including applying for and becoming a non-profit organization through the State and IRS.

GSARC Activities:

May 2010

Club Meeting – May 27th
Location: Bear River City Civic Center
Field Day will be discussed

June 2010

ADA Tour de Cure, Saturday June 12th
Club Meeting – Field Day Setup
Field Day, Saturday & Sunday June 26th & 27th

July 2010

Club Meeting – TBA

August 2010

Fair Parade Comm Support
Club Meeting – TBA

September 2010

Peach Days Parade Comm Support
Club Meeting – TBA
Emergency Preparedness Fair, Brigham City

October 2010

BSA JOTA Comm Support
Club Meeting – TBA

Club info

Golden Spike ARC

Club Info Net

Wednesday night: 2000 hrs. (8:00 PM)

Carried over the 145.430, 145.290, 147.220 and 448.300 MHz repeaters

Net Coordinator: Wayne Jenson, AB7TS

Net Assistant Sandra Farnsworth, KE7EHJ

Box Elder County Emergency Training Net

Sunday night: 1930 hrs. (7:30 PM)

Carried over the 145.430, 145.290, 147.220 and 448.300 MHz repeaters

Net Coordinator: Boyd Giles, KC0VLO

Net Assistant: Deloss Everton, W7TEU

Linked Repeater:

145.430 - (pl .123) MHz (Blue Springs Hills)

145.290 - (pl .123) MHz (Brigham City)

448.300 - (pl .123) MHz (Blue Springs Hills)

147.220 - (pl .123) MHz (Fielding-Riverside)

Officers:

President: Brian Chapman, KA7MOA

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Newsletter Editor: Bob Haynie, KC7JOK

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'43 Rob Daines, KK7DO

'29 Boyd Young, N7WFM

'22 Wayne Jenson, AB7TS

Club Web Site:

<http://www.ubetarc.org/> (as of: 06-Nov-06)

Web Maintained by: Dave Cook, KD7OUP

The Web site will be updated as Dave gets time though the Site Name (URL) may remain the same for quite some time.

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Box Elder County ARES *Amateur Radio Emergency Service*

May 2010:

April 15th, a 5.0 Magnitude Earthquake was recorded in Rich County, Utah. The quake was felt in the Logan area by some people I have talked to. Closer and closer to the Wasatch Fault they come. It seems that quakes are happening all around us. Am I worried, **YES** I am. Do I have my Communications Grab-n-Go Kit ready, **YES** I do. Do I have my Personal Emergency Survival Kit ready, **YES** I do. How much more of a warning and wake up call can we get? Please get ready if you aren't already. If you want to start to put together a Personal Grab-n-Go Kit but don't know where to start, there are a couple of lists published on the GSARC Web site under "Training and Information". The Club Web site is as follows: <http://www.ubetarc.org/>

The Incident Command System (ICS):

This lesson is a summary of ICS and its relationship to emcomm, and not a complete description of its various forms and uses. Please see the *Resource links* section at the end of the lesson for information on formal ICS training opportunities.

The History of ICS

In the early 1970s, a disorganized and ineffective multi-agency response to a series of major wildland fires in Southern California prompted municipal, county, state, and federal fire authorities to form an organization known as Firefighting Resources of California Organized for Potential Emergencies (FIRESCOPE). California authorities had found that a lack of coordination and cooperation between the various responding agencies resulted in over-lapping efforts, and gaps in the overall response. Many specific problems involving multi-agency responses were identified by FIRESCOPE. These included poor overall organization, ineffective communication between agencies, lack of accountability, and the lack of a well-defined command structure.

Their efforts to address these difficulties resulted in the development of the original Incident Command System. Although developed for wildland fires, the system ultimately evolved into an "all-risk" system, appropriate for all types of fire and non-fire emergencies.

There are other versions of the ICS in use, but the Incident Command System (ICS), as developed by the National Fire Academy (NFA), has been widely recognized as a model tool for the command, control, and coordination of resources and personnel at the scene of an emergency and is used by most fire, police, and other agencies around the country. The use of the ICS is now required by various federal laws for all hazardous material incidents, and in other situations by many state and local laws. The ICS has also been adopted for use in many other countries.

What is the ICS?

The Incident Command System is a management tool designed to bring multiple responding agencies, including those from different jurisdictions, together under a single overall command structure. Before the use of the ICS became commonplace, various agencies responding to a disaster often fought for control, duplicated efforts, missed critical needs, and generally reduced the potential effectiveness of the response. Under ICS, each agency

recognizes one "lead" coordinating agency and person, will handle one or more tasks that are part of a single over-all plan, and interact with other agencies in defined ways.

The Incident Command System is based upon simple and proven business management principles. In a business or government agency, managers and leaders perform the basic daily tasks of planning, directing, organizing, coordinating, communicating, delegating, and evaluating. The same is true for the Incident Command System, but the responsibilities are often shared between several agencies. These tasks, or *functional areas* as they are known in the ICS, are performed under the overall direction of a single Incident Commander (IC) in a coordinated manner, even with multiple agencies and across jurisdictional lines.

What the ICS is *not*

Many people who have not studied the full details of the Incident Command System have a variety of erroneous perceptions about what the system means to them and their agencies. To set the record straight, the Incident Command System **is not**:

- A fixed and unchangeable system for managing an incident.
- A means to take control or authority away from agencies or departments that participate in the response.
- A way to subvert the normal chain of command within a department or agency.
- Always managed by the fire department.
- Too big and cumbersome to be used in small, everyday events.
- Restricted to use by government agencies and departments.

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