

“To Serve the Public”

Nassau County Amateur Radio Emergency Service

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Greetings! This newsletter's purpose is to disseminate timely information to ARES personnel. If you do not wish to receive this newsletter, simply email me at wf2t@arrl.net

2004 ARES ID CARDS EXPIRE

Please note that your active membership ID card will expire 12/31/04. An expired ID card will be a problem during times of emergency when access to a disaster site is required. To receive your new ID card you must complete a new 2005 ARES Application Form (see copy attached to this Newsletter).

An application form will be sent to you by mail whenever you request it. *Send the **entire** form back to George Gluck ASAP.* An ARES 2005 Card will be issued to you, and we will be able to update our Nassau County ARES records. You can fax it to 516-873-1743, or hand to George at a meeting or hamfest, or e-mail it to Jane K2JAN at k2jan@nyc.rr.com.

Please note: If at any time during a calendar year your information changes, such as your e-mail address or contact numbers, please be sure to notify us as well. To insure proper changes are made, fax the information to the above number or e-mail them to Jane K2JAN at k2jan@nyc.rr.com

You are expected to participate in the weekly nets and attend the monthly meetings. The Nassau County ARES nets are held Monday evenings at 8:00PM local time on **443.525/114.8 PL**. Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month at the American Red Cross in Nassau County, 195 Willis Avenue, Mineola, NY.

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MINEOLA MUSTANG RUN



Sunday, November 21, 2004 - ARES turned out in force for the Mineola Mustang Run which takes place annually to support Mineola schools and local charities. This event, which gets larger every year, had several runners down, but had a rapid response of medical attention with our very own Alex KC2IHB who was in the ambulance to assure that. This was over and above the usual logistical and traffic control messages that the event organizers needed to pass in the most professional, accurate, and prompt manner. Mention of the ARES team participation was noted and acknowledged in the recent publication of the Mineola American. Thank you to all those who gave their time to support this event! (Sorry, no pictures...Homeland Security, and all that...)

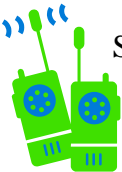
MONTHLY MEETING 11/09/04

The agenda for the monthly meeting on November 9th was Packet Presentation by Charlie Alfano, WA2GUG. Charlie gave insight on how to use packet and Winlink and provided an informative Power Point presentation, which depicted the set up and explained why Winlink is the ARRL standard for passing digital information during an emergency. Some states such as Texas and Louisiana have already established a comprehensive Winlink network. It is our intention, and will be a goal for 2005 to set up a gateway to the “cloud” at the Chapter.



George Gluck, WA2WKV provided a handout with general information on how to get started using Winlink, and the presentation wrapped up with a question and answer session.

NEW ARES FREQUENCIES



Some minor changes have been made to the ARES frequencies. These will not be published here, as to protect the integrity of the frequencies, but will be distributed at the next monthly meeting and via e-mail for those who turn in a 2005 ARES Application.

MEETING CALENDAR

ARES Meetings will be held at the Red Cross Chapter at 195 Willis Avenue Mineola, at 7:30 pm, on the second Tuesday of each month unless changed by information on the weekly net. The dates of the next meetings are:

December 14th – Annual Review

January 11th – Net Control Protocol by John Koch, N2EB

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UPCOMING EVENTS

The upcoming events are as follows:

- Ham Radio University 1/09/05 Briarcliffe College

We hope you will come out and join us!

MISCELLANEOUS

The ARES Cadre would like to wish all of the members much health and happiness as we start another year. Best wishes and Happy New Year!

Nassau County Traffic Net meets daily at 7:30pm on the 146.805 Repeater. All ARES members are encouraged to practice message handling on this training net.

John Allocca, author of the Communications and Preparedness Course has updated his material. This information can be obtained and downloaded from the Larkfield Website at www.larkfield.org.

If you have any contributions for the ARES website, please send them to joseph.reekie@verizon.net.

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