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AC Net

Our club, along with the Jackson County ARES, sponsor a net every Monday evening at 1900 CST on the 146.670 repeater

Club Events

Jul. 21st, Club Meeting/Test Session

Aug. 21st, Club Meeting 7PM

Sept. 18th, Club Meeting 7PM

Other Events

Jul 13-14, Milton Hamfest

OCT 19-21, JOTA

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The President's Corner

Thanks goes out to the Field Day Gang. We had a fairly decent turn out with Mark, David, Charles, Gene, Jimmy, Dustin, Ben, Travis and Myself. We setup in the hot sun and operated 4A NFL. Mark had enough power to supply a small village juice for a month HI HI. With the exception of the fly away that decided to be just that, everything went very well. The Good Lord blessed us with a breeze for the better part of the day. We made about 50 contacts which is 1/4 what we usually do, but we also usually operate 24 Hours. This year, we broke down before 8:00 PM. We had several hams from out of the area as well as some non-hams

stop buy and ask questions. Several of the non-hams expressed an interest in getting their ticket, so we hope to see them at one of our test sessions shortly.

It was nice to get out and show that we still know how to setup an emergency station in the field, but I think next year we will go back to conducting Field Day at the EOC. I personally value the air conditioning and like the fact that you don't have to fight the very thing that is keeping you comfortable (breeze). Hopefully next year, we can tie field day into the opening of

the new EOC.



Ben K14OEE catching 'em and Bill KG4ZJT cleaning 'em

That is all for now from me. I will be putting some photos up once I get my camera downloaded.

Take care,

Bill Everitt

President—Chipola ARC

Getting The Word Out

It is time to setup another Blitz Weekend. We have several folks that have approached us and I would like to get something going in August. If you know anyone that might be interested have them order the ARRL

Licensing Manual for Technician and start studying. We will try for sometime in the middle of August.

On the same note, we will be offering an ARECC Level 1 Emcom course in

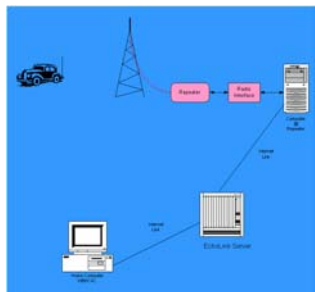
August as well. The date is still not set and may actually slide into September. Will keep you posted as we know more.

ECHOLINK UP AND OPERATIONAL

Echolink system is getting hits from various stations and repeaters worldwide. According to the log, we have even had 2 German stations connected. Please feel free to use the system as often as you like. If you do connect to a remote station, please remember to disconnect when you are finished.

I am having printing problems at the house and will try to get the cheat sheets up on the homepage as soon as I can.

There has been some



Simple Echolink Diagram

interest expressed in calling the Monday PM net on both VHF and UHF so that folks that are out of town will be able to participate via ECHOLINK. Anybody interested in being a co-NCS on Monday's get with me so that we can work out some kind of procedure.

Thanks to Alec for keeping an ear open during the daytime on the UHF repeater. For those that don't know, Alec works right here in Marianna and is generally monitoring local repeaters. He keeps me informed at work about how the

ECHOLINK link is performing that way I can get in and do whatever needs to be done generally by remoteing into the system. If anyone notices ECHOLINK misbehaving please give me a call on the 146.670 repeater, or if it is Mon-Thur between 6:00 AM and 4:30 PM give me a shout at 272-1187.

Thanks,

Repeater Controller Status

A couple weeks ago, during one of our recent thunderstorms, there was a hit out at the Sheriff's office. It did damage on several systems out there, but most important to us is it took out our new repeater controller. Cost estimates place repair costs higher than replacement costs. Renee and Rodney are unfortunately not in a position right now to help out, but indicated that there

might be something they could do after the new fiscal year starts. We will be discussing this in greater detail at the next several club meetings. If you have any ideas, get them to Jimmy, Jeff or myself or bring them up at the meeting.

Thanks,

Bill Everitt

ARES NEWS

Hurricane season is moving right along and hasn't seen any action yet. There has been some activity in the Eastern and Western Pacific ocean, but nothing that would impact CONUS. Please continue to prepare for a hit. We aren't even into the heavy part of the season yet so do not fall complacent. We are

still waiting for the retrofit at the Malone School and Graceville School to bring them up to hurricane shelter standards. Once they are there, we will need operators in those areas that can be the counties eyes, ears and mouthpiece from the shelters during activation.

I would like to welcome the newest member to ARES in Jackson County, Brent Gay KF4JZY. Brent will be working primarily with the Columbia Baptist group which is part of the Southern Baptist Relief Organization. Please welcome him and make him feel like one of the family.