St. Mary's County Amateur Radio Association

ARES Meeting

Chris, KB2SKP opened the meeting at 1900 hrs local. He went over some highlights that he thought the group could accomplish. We need members for area manager, local manager, a north and south manager, plus others as needed.

Chris has been in touch with MDC coordinator, and has been made the ST. Mary's county local representative. He will be talking with St. Mary's Hospital to coordinate exercises with them, after they get set up. The goal is to be able to transmit messages of importance, well being, and needed supplies out of the area if this area loses normal communications. He is going to try and put together a communications plan, so there will be something that members can access for frequencies to use.

Chris also stressed that we don't have to make this like a dry classroom environment, but to have some fun while learning how to react in an emergency. He said the two mail servers, KB2SKP-12 in Hollywood firehouse are up and running and the KB2SKP-13 is at his house for the present but will eventually be housed at the museum. It is on low power and may not be accessible at the present.

We had a small group of participants, of which I didn't get a list of this time. I will make sure that we have a list of participants for these nets.

The meeting was closed at 1939 hrs local.