St. Mary's County Amateur Radio Association

ARES net

0000Z on 3/6/23

Members present: KB2SKP-Chris, AC3CU-Neil, KC3RWE-Brad, AC3FE-John, W3OST-Rick, KF7AWC-Rachel, KB1YZ-Jim, N3JTN-Larry, KC0WKX-Ed

Chris opened the meeting at 0000Z, with an overview of what we hope to accomplish. Tonight we are going to use the Incident Communication Plan and shift to the northern and southern simplex frequencies, in order to test and see how the frequencies work in this area.

He mentioned that he has been made the area coordinator for St. Mary's County. Jim Montgomery is the Section Manager for the Maryland and District of Columbia ARES. Chris also brought up that the Maryland Emergency Phone Net meets every day on 3820KHz at 5:00P.M. local time. Anyone can check into the net.

AT 0015Z(7:15P.M.)local, we are going to change frequency to the northern frequency of 146.54MHz and see who can hear each other, then at 0017Z we will shift to the southern frequency of 146.55MHz and see who can hear each other, then at 0020Z we will shift back to the primary of 147.39MHz and go over the results. The results were enlightening for everyone. A couple of us were able to hear Chris and one or two others. KC0WKX-Larry, heard everyone. We will probably have to experiment with a few frequencies to find one that may work.

The net was closed at 0044Z.