

VALENCIA COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION

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Tommy Sanchez,
Belen Assistant Chief
EMO announced a
LEPC Meeting this
month.

VCARA Minutes of March 23, 2009 Meeting

Meeting was called to order at
7:00 PM.

New business:

Ralph announced the Kids
Roundup 2009 Amateur Radio
Contest. It will be held on
Saturday May 30, 2009 from 9AM
to 2PM.

If you can please
help by
contacting on as
many of the four
frequencies as
you can.
Contact them
on UHF/VHF
repeaters, HF, 6 meters and IRLP.
The kids will be using Ralph's call
sign NM5RC.

Last year Phil, KE5LZX helped
coordinate the event. If you or
someone you know would like to
help, or if you know of any kids
that are interested, let Ralph
know.

The nomination committee
announced that they have a
nominee for all offices except for
the president.

Presentation:

Don Wood W5FHA, the NM
section manager for ARES did a

presentation on ARES for the state
and gave everyone a section
manning chart. This chart gives
you the name of the person,
county they live in, and the
position that they hold. It also
gives you an idea of how things
are structured.

Since he has become manager,
Don has filled most of the open
positions around the state.
Currently, 57 out of 65 positions
are filled. In some of the
positions, people are performing
double duty until the empty
positions are filled.

Don also gave everyone an ARES
roster with the names of the
ARES officers for each
county. There are gaps (no
hams) in some counties around the
state. Hams in neighboring
counties help cover these areas.

The door prize was a 13 piece
Hole Saw Kit, which was won by
Pat, K5PAT.

Meeting ended at 7:55 PM.

*Dawn Torres KE5LZZ
Secretary VCARA*

2009 KIDS ROUNDUP CONTEST

Four rigs will be on the air as 20-
30 kids at the Valencia County

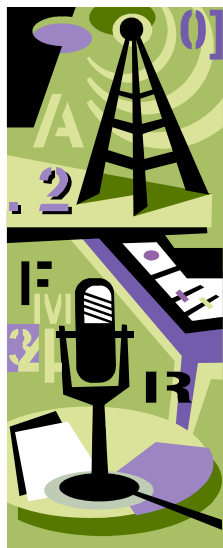


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multiple operator station attempt to again earn a first place national finish plaque in the Kids Roundup Contest. In addition to getting some hands-on Ham Radio experience, the kids will be earning certificates and lunching on hotdogs.

While the contest runs over the May 30-31 weekend, the drop-in basis Bosque Farms station will only be on the air from 9 AM to 2 PM on Saturday, May 30th. All kids under 18 are invited to participate; an Amateur Radio license is not required.

Licensed Hams are needed as mentors and support staff. If you hear the kids (or any of the other



Kids Roundup stations around the nation) on the air, please give them a contact on VHF and UHF repeaters, IRLP, 6-meters and HF. Again this year, Phil (KE5LZX) will be coordinating and supervising the operation of the rigs and

mentors.

Additional information and copy of the flyer can be obtained by contacting Ralph (NM5RC) at nm5rc@msn.com, Ginger (KC5MTI) at apoemge@q.com or Phil (KE5LZX) at philshaw13@yahoo.com.

Ralph Clark NM5RC

Homeland Security Courses available

G300 – Intermediate ICE for Expanding Incidents Course offered in Tucumcari, New Mexico on May 16 & 17, 2009. This is a No-Cost training. Registration is required for this course.

Should you have any questions after reviewing the document, please feel free to contact Xavier Anderson at 505-476-0632 or Xavier.Anderson@state.nm.us.

G300 – Intermediate ICE for Expanding Incidents Course offered in Albuquerque, New Mexico on May 27 & 28, 2009. This is a No-Cost training. Registration is required for this course.

Should you have any questions after reviewing the document, please feel free to contact Ken Martinez at 505-476-0871 or KennethF.Martinez@state.nm.us.

There is also a No-Cost Training for a **MGT313 – Incident Management / Unified Command Course** offered in Deming, New Mexico on July 14-16, 2009. Registration is required for this course.

Should you have any questions after reviewing the document, please feel free to contact Felecia Schreier at 505-476-9633 or Felecia.Schreier@state.nm.us.

Events Calendar

Wed, April 15, 2009 10am
Los Lunas Fire Station
LEPC Meeting
Regular Quarterly Meeting

Wed, April 15, 2009 8pm
VCARA Net 146.700 mhz
See Net Operator schedule.

Wed, April 22, 2009 8pm
VCARA Net 146.700 mhz
See Net Operator schedule.



Tues, April 28, 2009 7pm
Belen Municipal Court-
house, Belen NM
VCARA Meeting
Monthly Official Meeting.



Wed, April 29, 2009 2pm
Village Inn, Los Lunas
Coffee Klatch
Bi-weekly unofficial meet.

Wed, April 29, 2009 8pm
VCARA Net 146.700 mhz
See Net Operator schedule.

Wed, May 6, 2009 8pm
VCARA Net 146.700 mhz
See Net Operator schedule.

Wed, May 13, 2009 2pm
Village Inn, Los Lunas
Coffee Klatch
Bi-weekly unofficial meet.

Events Calendar – continued

Wed, May 13, 2009 8pm
VCARA Net 146.700 mhz
See Net Operator schedule.

Sat-Sun, May 16 - 17, 2009
Tucumcari, New Mexico
G300 Intermediate Course
feel free to contact Xavier
Anderson at 505-476-0632 or
Xavier.Anderson@state.nm.us.

Wed, May 20, 2009 8pm
VCARA Net 146.700 mhz
See Net Operator schedule.

Wed, May 27, 2009 2pm
Village Inn, Los Lunas
Coffee Klatch
Bi-weekly unofficial meet.

Wed, May 27, 2009 8pm
VCARA Net 146.700 mhz
See Net Operator schedule.

Sat, May 30, 2009 9-2pm
Bosque Farms Station
Kids Roundup Contest.
Call Ralph at nm5rc@msn.com,
Ginger at apoemge@q.com or
Phil, philshaw13@yahoo.com
for more info.

Wed, Aug 19, 2009
Las Cruces, NM
G191 ICS/EOC Course
For info call Ken 505-476-0871
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Another No-Cost Training for a **G191 Incident Command System/ Emergency Operations Center (ICS/EOC) Interface Course** is being offered in Las Cruces, New Mexico on August 19, 2009. Registration is required for this course.

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And **G191 Incident Command System/ Emergency Operations Center (ICS/EOC) Interface Course** offered in Deming, New Mexico on August 20, 2009. This course is also a No-Cost course. Registration is required for this course.

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And another No-Cost Training for **G191 Incident Command System/ Emergency Operations Center (ICS/EOC) Interface Course** offered in Albuquerque,

New Mexico on September 1, 2009. Registration is required for this course.

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A No-Cost Training for a **G775 Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Management and Operations Course** offered in Albuquerque, New Mexico on September 2 & 3, 2009. Registration is required for this course.

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**KC5OUR Repeater &
Net Operators**
Every Wednesday at 8pm

VHF repeater - 146.700 MHz
Negative 600 KHz, 100 Hz tone
UHF repeater - 442.700 MHz
Positive 5 MHz & 100 Hz tone

Apr 22 - KD5UJQ Elvira H.
Apr 29 - K5WMH Mark H.
May 6 - NM5RC Ralph Clark
May 13 - K5EMH Goose G
May 20 - KE5KFP Val Lucero
May 27 - KD5IAI Joyce R

If you can't run the NET when
scheduled, please find some-
one to take your turn

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*It is not the class of license that the Amateur holds,
but the class of the Amateur that holds the license.*

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