



Emergency Service Corps Monthly Activities Report: April/May 2023

Summary

- **Medic Training** - Curriculum and schedule prepared for the entire Greater Colorado Council.
 - *We are delayed getting Curriculum, Schedule and Costs out to GCC Double Knot*
- **Scouting Amateur Radio Program** – Denver Area BSA Repeater is back online.
- **Review ESC Training** – What works and what would YOU like to see we add?
- **ESC Trailers** - MOC is still pending final licensing, Re-Stocking in process.

Upcoming ESC Activities & Events Support

May Meeting & Training Session: Wednesday, May 3rd, 7pm, In-Person & Video Conference

Scenario Training – How and why to do Scenario Training. Types of Scenario Training (Case Studies, Videos, Desktop, Demo, Interactive, etc.) Examples for Scouting.

June Meeting: Wednesday, June 7th, 7pm, In-Person and Video

ESC Steering Committee Meeting – Review of ESC Programs and Activities

ESC Programs

- **ESC Steering Committee:** The ESC schedule has been modified to include four Steering Committee meetings each year. February, June, August and October. These quarterly meetings are held to review ESC Programs progress, activities, and needs. Next meetings are scheduled for Wednesday, June 7th, Wednesday, August 2nd, Wednesday, October 4th.
- **Other Schedule Changes:** The ESC schedule is being modified to combine and provide the Winter Outdoor Cold Weather Training and Outdoor Essentials Gift Ideas Training into a single course in October. This change was requested to allow units to get this information early to better prepare for winter activities and the gift giving season.

ESC Training/Information (We Need a Lead)

Planned Emergency Service Corps training events are all on the Council Calendar.

- **Training Curriculum:** We need to review the current list of training offered and on the schedule. What works, what's popular, what's needed? Shall we do a survey?
- **Training Tracking:** A tracking program needs to be revived. This will lead to award of the BSA Emergency Preparedness pin.
- **FEMA Incident Command / Community Emergency Response Team (CERT):** We would like to initiate a training program to offer courses to Scouts, Scouters and the general public.
- **Mock Disaster:** we need to either find a set of community mock disaster trainings or develop our own.
- **ESC Website:** We need a website and **webmaster** to help coordinate information and activities. We have collected a significant amount of information available in a Dropbox file and we are in the information loop of several other ESC related organizations but have no efficient way to distribute to the general Scouting Public.
- **Safety Moments:** Scouting USA is again asking all Scouting to perform a Safety Moment at the beginning of each meeting, event and activity. ESC has been asked to provide reference materials and Safety Moment training availability. We have a number of Safety Moment training available, from 10minute briefs to longer training sessions.



Medic Support & Training (*Cristian Joya*)

- **Medic Training:** Medical First Responder program with a broad curriculum has been established. Certification courses running from First Aid/CPR/AED to Advanced Wilderness First Aid and First Responder courses, Aquatics and other related programs are being made available with much more to come. Programs are offered throughout the Council and not just in the Denver Metro area.
We have suffered delays in getting the schedule established and posted to Double-Knot. Once we get the schedule locked down and posted, we will send out a general announcement.
- **Medic Call List:** We currently 47 people identified on the Medic Call list with training/skills ranging from Basic 1st Aid to Doctors. With this list of volunteers, we have fulfilled every GCC event request we have received.
THANK YOU ALL.
- **Medic Kits Inventory Standardization:** We continue working with a variety of sources to establish a set of standard Medic Kit inventories and then stock those kits appropriately.
- **Mock Exercise Training:** GCC participation in a Mock Disaster training exercise is being researched.

Amateur Radio (*George Weber*)

- **The High Frequency radio antenna at MSR remains off-line.** We are working to find and install a new antenna mast. Like the one being used at the Hamilton Scout Center. We are waiting for good weather.
- **The Downtown Denver Hamilton Scout Center Commercial Repeater is back in service.** Full range testing is pending.
- Installation of a High Frequency radio and another dual band (VHF/UHF) radio installation in the Mobile Operations Center trailer is pending good weather.
- Installation of a J-Pole antenna at the Tahosa Barn is pending locating the antenna (at MSR?) and good weather.
- We need to get an article on the GCC Amateur Radio Program to submit to various publications including Scouting for Boys, QST, Bryan on Scouting, etc. *Do we have any writers out there looking for a topic?*

Event Support Trailers (*Dan Rasco*)

- **Mobile Operations Center:** Phase II development of the trailer continues.
 - Licensing> Unfortunately we missed our window to have the trailer licensed for street travel and need to start the documentation process over again.
 - The trailer has been moved to its permanent storage location at the new MSR Maintenance yard.
 - Install new HF and VHF/UHF dual band radios and 4 video monitors.
 - Complete shopping list of equipment and supplies, including electrical generator.
 - Set up computer and video system with Raspberry Pi computer.
We are looking for a Laptop donation to support in-trailer networking and radio programming.
- **Support Operations Trailer:**
 - Need to straighten frame and weather seal shell.

Incident and Emergency Procedures (*John Braselton*):

- Working to create or update and enhance Incident/Emergency protocols and procedures.
- A set of Evacuation Support Kits are being developed along with an updated Evacuation Plan for McNeil Scout Ranch.



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Prior Month Activities

- **Stop the Bleed**> Trauma Training
- **Rocky Mountain Train Show**> The annual Rocky Mountain Train Show was held on April 1st and 2nd. The ESC Team and other Scout and Scouter Volunteers supported the train show by doing ticket collection, with Scout Volunteers helping at the Kiddie Corner. We also staffed the Scout Information Booth with patch displays, Ham Radio and other displays.
- **Earth Day: April 22nd**> ESC was in discussions to support various Earth Day activities throughout the Council by providing Medics as well as setting up Field Radio stations. The events did not come to fruition.

Needs

- **Training Lead**
- **Website / Webmaster**
- **Network Expert to set up Network/video in MOC Trailer**
- **Laptop for programming radios, running video system**