



## Emergency Service Corps Monthly Activities Report: June 2023

### Summary

- **ESC Steering Committee Mtg Training Review** – What works and what would YOU like to see we add?
- **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** – PV Amateur Repeater and Ham Shack HF radio in service.
- **ESC Trailers** - MOC is still pending final licensing, Re-stocking in process.

### Upcoming Activities & Events Support

#### **Emergency Preparedness Merit Badge: May 27, Denver HQ**

[Emergency Preparedness Merit Badge 2023 Registration \(doubleknot.com\)](#) – **BAD LINK / DO NOT REFERENCE doubleknot**

#### **Wilderness First Aid Training: June 3-4, Denver HQ**

[Wilderness First Aid Registration \(doubleknot.com\)](#) – **BAD LINK / DO NOT REFERENCE doubleknot**

#### **June ESC Meeting: Wednesday, June 7th, 7pm, Video Call ONLY**

ESC Steering Committee Meeting – Review of ESC Training, Programs and other Activities

#### **July ESC Meeting: Wednesday, July 5th, 7pm, In-Person (Denver HQ Ham Shack) and Video Call**

Ham Radio – ESC Amateur Radio Program Review, Introduction to Ham Radio, GCC Ham Radio Shack

#### **August ESC Meeting: Wednesday, August 2nd, 7pm In-Person (Denver HQ) & Video Call**

ESC Steering Committee Meeting – New Season Planning

#### **September ESC Meeting: Wednesday, September 6th, 7pm, In-Person (Denver HQ) ONLY**

1st Aid / AED / CPR Certification Training

#### **ESC Meetings Video Call Information:**

- Dial into the conference: Dial-in Number: (607) 374-1189 - United States Access Code: 626966
- Join the online meeting: Online Meeting Link: [https://join.freeconferencecall.com/johnston\\_brad](https://join.freeconferencecall.com/johnston_brad) Meeting ID: johnston\_brad

### 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.



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- **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 1<sup>st</sup> 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 MSR Amateur Radio Repeater is in service.  
We are excited to let you know that there is an FM, Ham Radio repeater available for any amateur radio licensed guests while on campus. KBØBSA is the callsign and the frequency information is: Rx 447.3250 / Tx 442.3250 (-5 khz offset) and 151.4 Hz tone (CTCSS) required. This repeater also requires *spoken audio*, it will not respond to a "kerchunk."
- MSR Ham Shack High frequency Radio is back in service. We have installed a new antenna mast.
- The Downtown Denver Hamilton Scout Center Commercial Repeater is in service.
- Jamboree on the Air / Jamboree on the Internet event (October 20-22) planning is starting. If you would like to participate in the planning, please let us know.
- Packet / Emergency Communications Training is being planned for July. If you are interested in participating in this training, please let us know
- 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 VHF/UHF antenna at the Camp Tahosa Barn is pending locating an antenna 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?*
- Check Out K2BSA Amateur Radio for Scouting [K2BSA Amateur Radio Association | Amateur Radio and Scouting](#)



### 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*):

- Camp Summer Staff Scenario training is scheduled for Wednesday, June 8<sup>th</sup> during and after dinner. This is annual training with a series of emergency scenarios are presented for senior summer camp staff including Summer Camp management, health staff, quartermasters, rangers, office manager to run through as a table-top exercise with a moderator.
- 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. Purchases are in progress and will be completed in time for opening of the summer camping season.

### Prior Month Activities

- **Scenario Training**> A class on how to set up and use Scenario Training for Scout Groups.
- **Denver HQ Commercial Repeater Work**> Antenna settings reworked, and repeater put back into service.
- **MSR @ PV Amateur Radio Work**> A new mast was erected on the roof of the dining hall to support the High Frequency radio antenna. We discovered that adjustment on the HF radio had been made that took it out of service. We are researching purchase and installation of a security gate to prevent unauthorized adjustments of the equipment in the future.
- **MOC Trailer Work**> A storm shutter on the trailer was damaged and has been repaired.
- **Spanish Peaks Scout Camp Equipment Recovery**> An ESC team went out to the Spanish Peaks Scout Camp and recovered a significant number of medical supplies and equipment. This included 2 jump kits.

### Needs

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