



Emergency Service Corps Monthly Activities Report: January 2024

Summary

The ESC team is preparing to support both upcoming Denver area Klondorees, providing radio comms, a Dispatcher/Medic, Hi-Vis vests and other staff and support. Training opportunities continue to be offered both at the ESC Monthly mtgs and on weekends, Check the Council calendar for upcoming training opportunities.

The annual Rocky Mountain Train Show is coming up the first weekend in April (6-7). This is a great opportunity for Scouts to earn volunteer hours and have some fun. We are looking for Scout and Adult volunteers to help the Train Show get set up on Friday, April 5th and then support several activities during the show on Saturday (4/6) and Sunday (4/7). We will have a Scouting Information Booth as well as working the ticket booth and Kid's Zone. A sign-up website with 2 hour shift rotations will be announced, but in the meantime just email Brad at Johnston.Brad@outlook.com for more information and too sign up. As always the Railroading Merit Badge will be offered both days and ALL Scouts and Scouters get into the event for free!

Several additional winter camping presentations were performed in person this last month. Copies of the presentation and reference materials are available on request.

Upcoming Activities & Events Support

- **ESC Committee Meeting: Wednesday, February 7th, 2023, 7pm In-Person & Video Call**
 - Upcoming Klondoree Support
 - On-Going Projects and Initiatives Status
- **Denver Area Klondoree I & II, February 2-4 / 9-11, 2024**
 - Golden Gate State Park Reverends Ridge Campsite (313 Reverends Ridge Road, Black Hawk, CO)
 - ESC Support of Planning & Logistics, Radio Communications and Emergency Planning & Response
 - We will be co-located with Medics in 1st Aid Yurt
- **Wilderness First Aid: E-Prep Colorado February 3-4, 2024**
 - Wilderness First Aid is \$125.00; CPR/AED Certification is required for this course (If you need to be certified the cost is an additional \$35.00)
 - More Information and Register here: <https://bit.ly/EPrep>
- **Basic Life Support 1st Aid Training: Sunday, February 24, 2024, 6pm-10pm, Hamilton Scout Center, In-Person ONLY**
 - The American Heart Association BLS course trains participants to promptly recognize several life-threatening emergencies, give high-quality chest compressions, deliver appropriate ventilations and provide early use of an AED. Reflects science and education from the American Heart Association Guidelines Update for CPR and Emergency Cardiovascular Care (ECC). The AHA's BLS Course is designed for healthcare professionals and other personnel who need to know how to perform CPR and other basic cardiovascular life support skills in a wide variety of in-facility and prehospital settings.
- **ESC Committee Meeting / Training: Wednesday, March 6th, 2024, 7pm In-Person ONLY**
 - 1st Aid/CPR/AED Certification Training
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- Stop the Bleed 1st Aid Certification Training
- **Rocky Mountain Train Show: Saturday – Sunday, April 6th/7th, 2024, National Western Stock Show**
 - ESC team and Volunteers will be supporting Event operations and staffing Scouting Information Booth.
 - We will have BSA activities displays, Join Information, Jamboree Patch Collections, and HAM Radio.
- **For More information or to attend upcoming ESC Activities & Events**
 - GCC Calendar: [ScoutingColorado.org/activities](https://scoutingcolorado.org/activities)
 - Brad Johnston: Johnston.Scouters@gmail.com
 - ESC Meetings Teleconference Call:
Dial into the conference: Dial-in Number: (607) 374-1189 - United States Access Code: 626966
Online Meeting Link: https://join.freeconferencecall.com/johnston_brad Meeting ID: johnston_brad

Current Needs

- **Training Program Lead**
- **Website / Webmaster**
- **Network Expert to set up network/video system in MOC Trailer**

Prior Month Activities

- **Winter Camping Tips & Tricks Presentations:** Additional Winter Camping presentations were made to individual Troops during this last month.

ESC Programs

Medic Training & Support Program - Cristian Joya (No Updates)

General 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 to be offered throughout the Council including the Denver Metro area, Motrose and Basalt. Training dates are now available on the Council Calendar. The current schedule is attached for your information.

- **Medic Call List:** We currently have 47 people 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 for Medic Support we have received. **THANK YOU ALL.**
- **Medic Kits Inventory Standardization:** We are assisting 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 Program George Weber (Updates)

- **Amateur Radio Operator uniform patches:** Patches are available to licensed operators, contact Brad Johnston for more information.
- **Ham Radio Activities for Scouts:** ARRL has provided a large set of Ham Radio related STEM games and activities for Scouts. If you would like a copy of these items, contact Brad Johnston.
- **McNeil Scout Ranch Radio Shack:** A procedure to authorize Scouts and Scouters to operate the station is still in process. A security gate like the one used at the CAP Ham Shack has been ordered to prevent unauthorized manipulation of the equipment. There have been several occasions where it has been found that radio settings have been improperly adjusted rendering the radios out of service.
- **McNeil Scout Ranch Ham Radio Repeater:** The KB0BSA repeater at camp (PV) is on 447.325 with a MINUS offset and a 151.4 Hz tone - required. The big thing is that the repeater will not respond to a "quick klick" or "kerchunk". You must provide audio (your ID!) Then it will give a vice ID.



- We are working on getting an article on the GCC Amateur Radio Program to be submitted to various publications including Scouting for Boys, QST, Bryan on Scouting, etc.
- Check Out K2BSA Amateur Radio for Scouting [K2BSA Amateur Radio Association | Amateur Radio and Scouting](#)
- **Radio Library:** The radios available in the Radio Library have been cataloged and packaged into convenient carry boxes with instructions. These radios are available for all Scouting Units to check out. Most do not require an Amateur Radio License to operate.

ESC Radio Library					
Box	Qty		Make	Model	License
Radio Case 1 (Toolbox)					
	10	FRS/GMRS Radio	Motorola	MR 350	None
	4	FRS/GMRS Radio	Motorola	MT 352	None
	7	FRS/GMRS Radio	Motorola	EM1000	None
	60	AA Batteries	-	-	-
Radio Case 2 (Toolbox)					
	16	FRS/GMRS Radio	Motorola	MR 350	None
	60	AA Batteries	-	-	-
Radio Case 3 (Ammo box)					
	9	FRS/GMRS Radio	Motorola	MJ BG	None
Radio Case 4 (Ammo box)					
	14	FRS/GMRS Radio	Motorola	T5950	None
Radio Case 5 (Ammo box)					
	16	FRS/GMRS Radio	Motorola	T5420	None
Radio Case 6 (Ammo box)					
	12	FRS/GMRS Radio	Motorola	MC	None
Portable Shack 1 (Carry box)					
	1	HF Radio	Yeasu	FT 880 R/E	General
	1	VHF/UHF Radio	Yeasu	FT 450	Technician
	1	Power Supply	SEC	1235M	-
	1	Antenna System	Buddipole	Delux	-
	1	Antenna	Nagoya	2m/70cm	-
Portable Shack 2 (Toolbox)					
	1	VHF/UHF Radio	Yeasu	FT450	Technician
	1	Antenna	Nagoya	2m/70cm	-
	1	Battery Power Supply	Powerwerx	-	-
	1	Solar Panel	Powerwerx	-	-

Event Support Trailers - Dan Rasco (Updates)

- **Mobile Operations Center:**
 - Phase III with upgraded Audio Visual and Network support is pending. Requires setting up a network w/video capability includes setting up a Raspberry Pi or similar computer. Visited the trailer w/Bob Fager this month to review the network and Audio/visual system and desires. Bob is looking at what needs to be done to outline a plan.
 - Updates to the MOC Operations Manual and supporting documentation including a supply of blank forms are in process.
- **Support Operations Trailer:**

We have a new enclosed 4'x8' utility trailer to use for evacuation and program support. The trailer needs to be surveyed to determine how we want to proceed with refurbishments and enhancements.
- **Support Operations Storage:**



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A 20' shipping container has been set up at McNeil Scout Ranch to store camping gear available for use in an emergency or support to those at camp in need. The container needs to be surveyed and the gear available inventoried. Additional donated camping gear is pending to be placed in the container. Just pending availability of ESC Team and Camp personnel.

ESC Training/Information (We Need a Lead) No New Information

Training events are on the Council Calendar.

- **Training Curriculum:** We need to review the current list of training offered and 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.