



## Emergency Service Corps Monthly Activities Report: June 2024

### Summary

We missed holding the June 3<sup>rd</sup> ESC meeting due to Brad being out of town for so long and not coordinating the planned presentation. As a result, the Introduction to Radio in Scouting presentation is being rescheduled to the Wednesday, September 4<sup>th</sup> ESC Meeting. We will cover use of FRS Walkie-Talkies, the amateur frequency (Ham) radios used for Scoutnet and the Wilderness Protocol and the commercial radio frequencies used by the staff at McNeil Scout Ranch. This presentation includes the different types of radios, their use and restrictions, how to get started using them and the radios available for check-out through the ESC Radio Library.

The request for help finding a weatherproof Traffic Control box to install new radio repeaters at McNeil Scout Ranch at Peaceful Valley resulted in several leads to close on.

We have loaned out several sets of FRS (Walkie-Talkie) radios from the ESC Radio Library to support Pack and Troops camping activities.

There are now the beginnings of an ESC Website. Thanks to Richard Hall, Centennial District, we have an ESC Website in development. There is not much content there yet, but it looks great. Check it out at CGGESC.org and keep coming back as content is added. **Thank you, Richard!**

### Updates & Reminders

**REMINDER:** The BSA Incident Reporting tool and requirements have been updated. All Scouters are responsible for properly reporting any Incidents, Accidents or “Near Misses” during Scout events and activities. The new website, form and instructions can be found on the BSA Incident Landing Page. <https://www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/incident-report/>

### Upcoming ESC Activities & Events Support

- **ESC Meeting: Wednesday, July 3, 2024, 7pm In-Person & Video Call @ Hamilton Scout Center**
  - Work in Process / Annual Planning Session
- **ESC Meeting: Wednesday, August 7, 2024, 7pm In-Person & Video Call @ Hamilton Scout Center**
  - Annual Planning / Colorado Council Jamboree ESC participation discussion.
- **ESC Meeting: Wednesday, September 4, 2024, 7pm In-Person & Video Call @ Hamilton Scout Center**
  - Introduction to Radio in Scouting

**NOTE:** For More information on upcoming ESC Activities & Events

- GCC Calendar: [ScoutingColorado.org/activities](https://scoutingcolorado.org/activities)
- GCCESC.org website (in-process)
- Brad Johnston: [Johnston.Scouters@gmail.com](mailto: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](https://join.freeconferencecall.com/johnston_brad) Meeting ID: johnston.brad

### Current Staffing Needs

- Training Program Lead



## ESC Programs

### Medic Training & Support Program – Bryan Faulkner

- **Medic Training Program:** Pending Medic Training program and schedule update.
- **American Red Cross online 90-minute course for "immediate responder" orientation**  
<https://www.hmpgloballearningnetwork.com/site/emsworld/news/red-cross-releases-new-course-immediate-responders>  
American Red Cross and ACEP have released a 90-minute online orientation course for "immediate responders" at trauma or medical emergency scenes so that they know what to do and what not to do until trained responders arrive. Only a very small percentage of the public have any concept of appropriate steps to take to help victims of medical emergencies or trauma until trained first responders arrive to render care. This also would be very good for "**safety moments**" introductions on the website and to open meetings with to encourage participation by Scouts and Scouters.
- **Mental Health 1<sup>st</sup> Aid Support:** Training is available through the "Able Scouts" website - which leads to the Inclusion Toolbox, and in this case specifically, The Inclusion Toolbox, "J" which is Understanding Anxiety, Depression, and other Mental Health Concerns. The link is <https://ablescouts.org/toolbox/j/>. Another section deals with recognizing and communicating with Scouts who have needs at <https://ablescouts.org/toolbox/c/>.
- **Calling 911:** We have been promoting a protocol at Scouting events that emergency response teams, including Medical First Responders are available on-site. Contacting on-site resources first can increase response time and prevent potential confusion and delays. While we should not say not to call 911 we can encourage language in planning and event guides to contact on-site resources first. Bob Fager, John Selstrom and others are working on language to apply to the upcoming Fall Council Jamboree planning and Leaders Guide.
- **Standardized GCC Medic 1<sup>st</sup> Response Kits:** DJ Rasco, Bob Fager and Taylor Yexley have been requested to develop an standardization of Medic 1<sup>st</sup> Response kits to be stocked and distributed at the McNeil Scout Ranch and deployed to GCC events off-site.
- **Medic Call List:** The Medic Call list ranges from Basic 1<sup>st</sup> Aid to Doctors. With this list of volunteers, we have fulfilled every GCC event request for Medic Support we have received. **THANK YOU ALL.**

### Amateur Radio Program George Weber

- **Radios in Scouting:** The "**Introduction to Radio in Scouting**" class is now scheduled for the September ESC Meeting.
- **McNeil Scout Ranch Radio Shack:** A procedure to authorize Scouts and Scouters to operate the station is available.
- **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. Provide audio (your call sign) and it will give a voice ID response in reply. Work is continuing to find a new home for the repeaters in the form of a large Traffic Control box or other outdoor weatherproof electronics box.
- **Radio Library:** The ESC/Radio Scouting team has a large number of FRS Walkie-Talkie radios as well as some Amateur HF, VHF and UHF requiring Ham license available for check-out. FRS radios do not require any training or license to use. These radios are packaged into convenient carry boxes with instructions. The radios are available for all Scouting Units to check out. Email Brad at [Johnston.Brad@outlook.com](mailto:Johnston.Brad@outlook.com) for more information.
- **Annual Jamboree on the Air / Jamboree on the Internet:** The annual JOTA/JOTI event is scheduled for October 18-20, 2024. Planning has begun and preliminary posters are in review. The ESC team and Radio Scouting folks are again planning an Open House at the Hamilton Scout Center on Friday evening as well as an Open House and Radio Merit Badge event on Saturday October 19, 2024.



### ESC Training/Information (*We Need a Lead*)

ESC offers in-house training, coordinates training opportunities with both Scouting and outside agencies, keeps a reference list of available on-line training as well as passes on information about other training opportunities. Training is available for Scouts and Scouters. Courses vary in availability from in-person and teleconference, or on-line. To get information on upcoming ESC related training opportunities join the ESC Mailing List.

- **ESC Training Courses:**

- Regularly scheduled trainings at ESC Monthly Meetings – Check the Council Calendar
  - Red Cross First Aid, CPR & AED Certifications
  - ACS Stop the Bleed Bleeding Control Certification
  - Emergency Scenarios
  - Winter Camping
  - Introduction to Radio Scouting
- Periodically Scheduled Trainings - Check the ESC Monthly Reports or Council Calendar
  - Basic Life Support First Aid
  - Wilderness First Aid
  - Wilderness First Responder
  - Radio Merit Badge
- Training on Request
  - Troop Activity Planning / Risk Assessment
  - Emergency Preparedness
  - Outdoor Essentials / 72 Hour Kits
  - Safety Moments
  - Mental Health First Aid

- **FEMA Incident Response Training:** Jeff Mosel has gathered a list of FEMA Free Study courses available on-line that train participants in Event Emergency Planning and Response. Everyone in the Greater Colorado Council planning or executing events (Camporees/Klondorees, NYLT Bighorn and Woodbadge trainings, Cub Scout Day Camps and other activities should review and consider taking the basic 4 classes. The classes list with more detailed training information for people responsible for specific roles is available on request.
- **Community Emergency Response Team (CERT):** We would like to initiate a training program to offer courses to Scouts, Scouters and the general public.
- **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?
- **ESC Website:** We have a new website in development at GCCESC.org. A significant amount of content is in process of being sorted and uploaded. Thanks Richard Hall.
- **Safety Moments:** Scouting USA asks that all Scouting Events include a Safety Moment at the beginning of each meeting, event or activity. ESC has a number of Safety Moment materials and training available.

### Mobile Operations Projects

- **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.
- **PV Support Operations Storage:** 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.



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## GREATER COLORADO COUNCIL



Greater Colorado Council	ESC MASTER SCHEDULE			
Activity	Date	Time	Location	Rm
<b>ESC Monthly Meetings / Trainings</b>				
ESC Update, In-Process Activities Review	Wednesday, July 3, 2024	7pm - 9pm	HSC / Telecon	East Conf Rms
ESC Monthly Meeting	Wednesday, July 3, 2024	7pm - 9pm	HSC / Telecon	East Conf Rms
ESC - What's Next Annual Review	Wednesday, August 7, 2024	7pm - 9pm	HSC / Telecon	East Conf Rms
ESC Monthly Meeting	Wednesday, August 7, 2024	7pm - 9pm	HSC / Telecon	East Conf Rms
ESC - Introduction to Radios in Scouting	Wednesday, September 4, 2024	9am - 5pm	HSC / Telecon	East Conf Rms
ESC Monthly Meeting	Wednesday, September 4, 2024	7pm - 9pm	HSC / Telecon	East Conf Rms
ESC - 1st Aid, CPR, AED Training	Wednesday, October 2, 2024	7pm - 9pm	HSC Only	East Conf Rms
ESC Monthly Meeting	Wednesday, October 2, 2024	7pm - 9pm	HSC / Telecon	East Conf Rms
Jamboree On the Air & Internet	Friday, October 18, 2024	7pm - 9pm	HSC / Telecon	Climbing Lounge
Jamboree On the Air & Internet	Saturday, October 19, 2024	9am - 5pm	HSC / Telecon	Climbing Lounge
Radio Merit Badge JOTA/JOTI	Saturday, October 19, 2024	9am - 5pm	HSC / Telecon	Climbing Lounge
ESC - Stop the Bleed Training	Wednesday, November 6, 2024	7pm - 9pm	HSC Only	East Conf Rms
ESC Monthly Meeting	Wednesday, November 6, 2024	7pm - 9pm	HSC / Telecon	Blue Lab
ESC - Winter Camping / Stocking Stuffer	Wednesday, December 4, 2024	7pm - 9pm	HSC / Telecon	Blue Lab
ESC Monthly Meeting	Wednesday, December 4, 2024	7pm - 9pm	HSC / Telecon	Blue Lab
<b>ESC Other Activities</b>				
GCC Ham Radio ScoutNet	1st / 3rd Sunday of Each Month	7pm-8pm	RMRL Repeater	
GCC Council Jamboree	Friday 9/27 - Sunday 9/29, 2024		McNeil Scout Ranch	