



Emergency Service Corps Monthly Activities Report: September 2024

Summary

- Installation of the new radio repeaters at McNeil Scout Ranch at Peaceful Valley is in progress with placement of the Control Cabinet on a new pad to be poured next to the Mesa Wellhouse.
- ESC supported the Colorado Jamboree with a Radio and Risk Management team.
- The first Radios in Scouting session was well attended, more Radio Training opportunities are in development including Ham Radio licensing classes and testing.
- Several great training opportunities are coming up in the next few days, weeks and months.

Upcoming ESC Activities & Events Support

- **International Jamboree on the Air / Jamboree on the Internet**
 - Friday, October 18, 2024, 4pm-9pm @ Hamilton Scout Center / CAP Ham Shack
 - Saturday, October 19, 2024, 9am-5pm @ Hamilton Scout Center / CAP Ham Shack
 - This is a **FREE** event; no registration is required.
- **Radio Merit Badge**
 - Saturday, October 19, 2024, 9am-5pm @ Hamilton Scout Center / CAP Ham Shack
 - This is a **FREE** event; no registration is required. Walk-ins are welcome.
- **Colorado State Boating Safety Course**
 - Saturday, October 26, 2024, 9am-5pm @ Hamilton Scout Center
- **Red Cross Wilderness First Aid / CPR Certification Training**
 - October 26-27, 2024, 8am-5pm, Advent Health-Porter Hospital
 - E-Prep Colorado Training – <https://bit.ly/EPrep>
- **Stop the Bleed Trauma First Aid Training**
 - Wednesday, November 6, 2024, 7pm In-Person **ONLY** @ Hamilton Scout Center
 - This is a **FREE** training
- **Winter Camping Tips & Tricks**
 - Wednesday, December 4, 2024 @ Hamilton Scout Center & Video Conference

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
- 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 Staffing Needs

- Training Program Lead

ESC Programs

Medic Training & Support Program – Bryan Faulkner

- **Mental Health 1st 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/>.

Douglas County has initiated a free mental health first aid training program.

<https://www.douglas.co.us/mental-health/mental-health-first-aid-training/>

Amateur Radio Program George Weber

- **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.
- **Radios in Scouting:** The September **"Introduction to Radio in Scouting"** class was well attended. Based on this and several requests for more information we are working on setting up a Ham Radio licensing class and test specifically for Scouts and Scouters. There is no age limit for earning an amateur radio license.
- **Hamilton Scout Center and McNeil Scout Ranch Radio Shacks:** A procedure to authorize Scouts and Scouters to operate the stations 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 many 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 for more information.

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



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- **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 begun renovation of the enclosed 4'x8' utility trailer to be used for evacuation and program support. In the event evacuation of the McNeil Scout Ranch is required this trailer will provide an initial Operations Base at the evacuation site to assist Administration (Check-In/Check-Out and Records Management), Cooking and cleaning (cooking gear, stoves and serving tables, cleaning and laundry equipment), Shelter with tarps, and Program activities with tables, tools and other supplies. Refurbishments and enhancements to the trailer and its equipment are in process.
- **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.

ESC Schedule



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Greater Colorado Council						
Emergency Service Corps Activities & Events Calendar						
Activity	Date	Time	End Date	Time	Location	Rm
ESC ScoutNet Ham Radio Net	Sunday, August 4, 2024	7pm - 9pm	Sunday, August 4, 2024	7pm - 8pm	RMRL Net	-
ESC - What's Next Annual Review	Wednesday, August 7, 2024	7pm - 9pm	Wednesday, August 7, 2024	7pm - 9pm	HSC / Telecon	East Conf Rms
ESC Monthly Meeting	Wednesday, August 7, 2024	7pm - 9pm	Wednesday, August 7, 2024	7pm - 9pm	HSC / Telecon	East Conf Rms
ESC ScoutNet Ham Radio Net	Sunday, August 18, 2024	All Day	Sunday, August 18, 2024	7pm - 8pm	RMRL Net	-
ESC ScoutNet Ham Radio Net	Sunday, September 1, 2024	7pm - 9pm	Sunday, September 1, 2024	7pm - 8pm	RMRL Net	-
ESC - Introduction to Radios in Scouting	Wednesday, September 4, 2024	9am - 5pm	Wednesday, September 4, 2024	7pm - 9pm	HSC / Telecon	Climbing Lounge
ESC Monthly Meeting	Wednesday, September 4, 2024	7pm - 9pm	Wednesday, September 4, 2024	7pm - 9pm	HSC / Telecon	Climbing Lounge
ESC ScoutNet Ham Radio Net	Sunday, September 15, 2024	7pm - 9pm	Sunday, September 15, 2024	7pm - 8pm	RMRL Net	-
ESC - 1st Aid, CPR, AED Training	Wednesday, October 2, 2024	7pm - 9pm	Wednesday, October 2, 2024	7pm - 9pm	HSC Only	East Conf Rms
ESC Monthly Meeting	Wednesday, October 2, 2024	7pm - 9pm	Wednesday, October 2, 2024	7pm - 9pm	HSC / Telecon	East Conf Rms
ESC ScoutNet Ham Radio Net	Sunday, October 6, 2024	7pm - 9pm	Sunday, October 6, 2024	7pm - 8pm	RMRL Net	-
Jamboree On the Air & Internet	Friday, October 18, 2024	7pm - 9pm	Sunday, October 20, 2024	All Day	HSC / Telecon	Climbing Lounge
Jamboree On the Air & Internet	Saturday, October 19, 2024	9am - 5pm	Friday, October 18, 2024	7pm - 9pm	HSC / Telecon	Climbing Lounge
Radio Merit Badge JOTA/JOTI	Saturday, October 19, 2024	9am - 5pm	Saturday, October 19, 2024	9am - 5pm	HSC / Telecon	Climbing Lounge
ESC ScoutNet Ham Radio Net	Sunday, October 20, 2024	7pm - 9pm	Sunday, October 20, 2024	7pm - 8pm	RMRL Net	-
ESC ScoutNet Ham Radio Net	Sunday, November 3, 2024	7pm - 9pm	Sunday, November 3, 2024	7pm - 8pm	RMRL Net	-
ESC - Stop the Bleed Training	Wednesday, November 6, 2024	7pm - 9pm	Wednesday, November 6, 2024	7pm - 9pm	HSC Only	East Conf Rms
ESC Monthly Meeting	Wednesday, November 6, 2024	7pm - 9pm	Wednesday, November 6, 2024	7pm - 9pm	HSC / Telecon	Blue Lab
ESC ScoutNet Ham Radio Net	Sunday, November 17, 2024	7pm - 9pm	Sunday, November 17, 2024	7pm - 8pm	RMRL Net	-
ESC ScoutNet Ham Radio Net	Sunday, December 1, 2024	7pm - 9pm	Thursday, December 5, 2024	7pm - 8pm	RMRL Net	-
ESC - Winter Camping / Stocking Stuffer	Wednesday, December 4, 2024	7pm - 9pm	Wednesday, December 4, 2024	7pm - 9pm	HSC / Telecon	Blue Lab
ESC Monthly Meeting	Wednesday, December 4, 2024	7pm - 9pm	Wednesday, December 4, 2024	7pm - 9pm	HSC / Telecon	Blue Lab
ESC ScoutNet Ham Radio Net	Sunday, December 15, 2024	7pm - 9pm	Thursday, December 19, 2024	7pm - 8pm	RMRL Net	-

Updates & Reminders

- BSA Incident Reporting requirements have been updated.
<https://www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/incident-report/>
- Douglas County has initiated a free mental health first aid training program.
<https://www.douglas.co.us/mental-health/mental-health-first-aid-training/>
- **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>