



## Emergency Service Corps Monthly Activities Report: December 2024

### Summary

- **“Stop the Bleed” Trauma First Aid Training** was held on Wednesday, December 11<sup>th</sup>. This class will be offered again in the Spring.
- **Ham Radio Licensing** classes and resource materials are now available at: <https://tinyurl.com/hamtesting>
- **Winter Activity Tips & Tricks** presentation and reference materials are all now available: <https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fo/5cu863oz20ksxdt6yd3a/AORpEJkkTYWyyYfeK29Fr0k?rlkey=npy41p0s30xr7eiltczae9mp5&dl=0>  
*Live presentations are available to Roundtables and Troops on request as schedule permits.*

### Upcoming ESC Activities & Events Support

- **Denver Area Klondoree / Klondike**
  - Klondoree (Denver South) Dec 31, 2024 – Feb 2, 2025
  - Klondike (Denver North) Feb 7-9, 2025  
*ESC Team will be supporting both events again this year with Radios and Medic Back-up.*
- **January ESC - Event & Activity Planning & Support w/Risk Management**
  - **January ESC Meeting; No January Meeting**
    - Meeting Topic; None, No meeting this month
  - **January ScoutNet**
    - Jan 5, 2025; NCS – TBD, Topic – Radio Support at Scouting Events
    - Jan 19, 2025; NCS – TBD, Topic – FEMA Radio Training  
*Let Brad know if you would like to be a ScoutNet NCS, it's great practice.*
- **February ESC - Health & Safety**
  - **February ESC Mtg; Wednesday, Feb 5, 2025**
    - Meeting Topic; Mental Health Training and Resources for Scout Leaders  
*We are looking for someone to lead this discussion. Let Brad know if you would like to be that lead.*
  - **February ScoutNet**
    - Feb 2, 2025; NCS – TBD, Topic – TBD
    - Feb 9, 2025; NCS – TBD, Topic TBD  
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- **March ESC – Weather Safety**
  - **March ESC Mtg; Wednesday, March 5, 2025**
    - Topic; Weather Safety w/BSA/FEMA training, SkyWatch and National Weather Radio and the Wilderness Protocol  
*We are looking for someone to lead this discussion.*

### **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



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### Current Staffing Needs

- Training Program Lead

### ESC Programs

#### Events Support – Brad Johnston

- **2015 Klondoree/Klondike Support:** The ESC Team has been requested to support both the 2025 Klondoree (Denver Area South) and Klondike (Denver Area North) again this next year. Both events will be held at the Golden Gate State Park Reverend's Ride Campground. ESC has been asked to provide the same support as last year with FRS Radios for Programs, Ham Radio for emergency communications and as back-up Medics. We will have the same accommodation as last year with a cabin providing power and heat for operations and bunking. We will have the Ham Radios and other Safety and Risk Management items on display and will be running the First Aid Quiz for the Klondike. The Klondike team has also asked us to help borrow the Crew 911 GP tent to be used as a warming hut.

*We are gathering the ESC event teams now, let Brad know if you would like to participate.*

#### Medic Training & Support Program – Bryan Faulkner

- **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/>. 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/ Greg Ostravich

- **Ham License Testing Resources:** Greg Ostravich has recently qualified to be a licensing examiner and has shared some resources and reference material for others to help gain their Technician, General and Extra licenses. This material can be found at: <https://tinyurl.com/hamtesting>
- **Hamilton Scout Center and McNeil Scout Ranch Radio Shacks:** A procedure to authorize Scouts and Scouters to operate the stations is available. Email Brad at [Johnston.Brad@outlook.com](mailto:Johnston.Brad@outlook.com) for more information.
- **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 on the new home for the repeater in the form of a Traffic Control box donated by the City of Parker and equipment donated by the ARES® of Douglas & Elbert Counties (R1D5). We are now waiting for good weather and availability of time to pour the concrete pad.
- **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](mailto:Johnston.Brad@outlook.com) for more information.

#### ESC Training Programs - *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.

- **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



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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 - Brad

- **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.

### ESC Schedule

Greater Colorado Council - Emergency Service Corps			
Activities & Events Calendar			
Date	Activity Title	Time	Location
1/1/2025 New Year's Day - No ESC Mtg			
1/5/2025	Scout Net - Ham Radio Net	7pm - 8pm	RMRL Repeater
1/19/2025	Scout Net - Ham Radio Net	7pm - 8pm	RMRL Repeater
2/2/2025	Scout Net - Ham Radio Net	7pm - 8pm	RMRL Repeater
2/5/2025	Emergency Service Corps Committee Meeting - Health & Safety	7pm - 9pm	HSC / Telecon
2/16/2025	Scout Net - Ham Radio Net	7pm - 8pm	RMRL Repeater
3/2/2025	Scout Net - Ham Radio Net	7pm - 8pm	RMRL Repeater
3/5/2025	Emergency Service Corps Committee Meeting - Weather Safety	7pm - 9pm	HSC / Telecon
3/16/2025	Scout Net - Ham Radio Net	7pm - 8pm	RMRL Repeater
4/2/2025	Emergency Service Corps Committee Meeting - Back Country Resources	7pm - 9pm	HSC / Telecon
4/4/2025	Rail Roding Merit Badge / Rocky Mountain Train Show Setup	5pm-7pm	National Western Stor
4/5/2025	Boating Safety	9am - 5pm	HSC



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### 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>

### ESC Topics of the Month

Month	Theme	Day(s)	Rotating Trainings	Month	Theme	Day(s)	Rotating Trainings
January	Event & Activity Planning	Wednesday	BSA Event & Activity Planning	June	Summer Ready	Wednesday	Summer Activity Safety Planning
		Wednesday	BSA The Adventure Plan (TAP)			Wednesday	Camping Safely / Goat Book
		Wednesday	FEMA Training Program Overview			Wednesday	Shooting Sports Safely
February	Health & Safety	Wednesday	Mental Health			Wednesday	Climbing Safely
		Wednesday	"Stop the Bleed" Trauma Training			Wednesday	Aquatics Safely
		Wednesday	Camping Safely / Goat Book			Wednesday	Biking Safely
		Wednesday	Aquatics Sports Safely			Wednesday	Boating Safely
		Wednesday	Shooting Sports Safely			Saturday	Boating Safety Certificate
		Wednesday	Climbing Safely			Saturday	Boating Navigation
		Wednesday	Biking Safely			July	Planning & Preparedness
Wednesday	Boating Safely	Wednesday	Fire Safety / Wildfires				
Wednesday	Boating Safely	Wednesday	Cyber Safety				
March	Weather Safety	Wednesday	BSA Hazardous Weather Training			August	Program Planning & Review
		Wednesday	Weather Warning / SkyWatch/SkyWarn	September	Be Prepared		
		Wednesday	Extreme Weather Training			Wednesday	CERT Overview
Weekend	Cold Water Rescue	Wednesday	Douglas Co / Elbert Co EMS				
April	BackCountry Resources	Wednesday	Colorado Search & Rescue Association	Weekend	CERT Training		
		Wednesday	Colorado 4x4 Rescue & Recovery	October	Radio Scouting	Wednesday	Radios in Scouting
		Wednesday	OnTrail Training			Wednesday	Colorado ARES
		Wednesday	Stay the Trail Colorado			Wednesday	ARRL EmComm Training
		Wednesday	Civil Air Patrol	November	Medical Training	Wednesday	"Stop the Bleed" Trauma Training
		Wednesday	AERO Medical			Wednesday	Mental Health
		Wednesday	CERN			Weekend	1st Aid, CPR & AED Certification Training
Saturday	Boating Safety	Weekend	Wilderness 1st Aid				
May	Medical Training	Wednesday	"Stop the Bleed" Trauma Training	December	Winter Ready	Wednesday	Winter Camping Tips & Tricks
		Wednesday	Mental Health			Wednesday	OPIK Overview
		Weekend	1st Aid, CPR & AED Certification Training				
Weekend	Wilderness 1st Aid						