

# **Lee County ARES**

## **February 2025**

**Welcome**  
**Pledge of Allegiance**  
**Invocation**  
**New Members**  
**Guests**



# Please Silence Your Devices





Emergency Coordinator  
**Rich Schnieders KR4PI**



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# Florida ARRL® Tri-Section

## ARES® STANDARDIZED TRAINING PLAN

### EMERGENCY COMMUNICATOR INDIVIDUAL POSITION TASK BOOK



#### POSITION TASK BOOK ASSIGNED TO:

Individual Name:	ID (opt):
Call-Sign:	
Phone:	



Education	ARES Level			County Level			Task Code	Completion Date	Evaluator Initials
Task	I	II	III	1	2	3			
R: Required S: Strongly Recommended Empty: Optional									
Education									
IS-100: Intro to the Incident Command System		R	R						
IS-120: An Introduction to Exercises			R						
IS-200: Basic Incident Command and Initial Response		R	R						
IS-230: Fundamentals of Emergency Management			R						
IS-240: Leadership and Influence			R						
IS-241: Decision Making and Problem Solving			R						
IS-242: Effective Communication			R						
IS-244: Developing and Managing Volunteers			R						
IS-288: The Role of Voluntary Organization in Emergency Management			R						
G-300: Intermediate Incident Command System for Expanding Incidents			S						
G-400: Advanced ICS for Command and General Staff			S						
IS-700: Intro to the National Incident Management System		R	R						
IS-800: National Response Framework an Introduction		R	R						
EC-001: Intro to Emergency Communications		R	R						
EC-016: Emergency Communications for Management			R						
Skywarn Spotter Basic Training (Every Three Years)	S	S	S						
AUXCOM Course		S	S						









## **Subpart A—General Provisions**

### **§ 97.1 Basis and purpose.**

The rules and regulations in this part are designed to provide an amateur radio service having a fundamental purpose as expressed in the following principles:

- (a) Recognition and enhancement of the value of the amateur service to the public as a voluntary noncommercial communication service, particularly with respect to providing emergency communications.
- (b) Continuation and extension of the amateur's proven ability to contribute to the advancement of the radio art.
- (c) Encouragement and improvement of the amateur service through rules which provide for advancing skills in both the communication and technical phases of the art.
- (d) Expansion of the existing reservoir within the amateur radio service of trained operators, technicians, and electronics experts.
- (e) Continuation and extension of the amateur's unique ability to enhance international goodwill.

Table 4 Emergency Management Program Primary and Support Organizations

Area of Responsibility	Primary Lead	Support
<b>Administration and Finance</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lee County Procurement Management</li> <li>• Lee County Human Resources</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lee County Office of Management &amp; Budget</li> </ul>
<b>Agriculture and Natural Resources</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lee County Natural Resources</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lee County Parks &amp; Recreation</li> </ul>
<b>Alert and Notification</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lee Control</li> <li>• Lee County Emergency Management (LCEM)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Communications</li> </ul>
<b>Communications</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lee Control</li> <li>• LCEM</li> <li>• Sheriff's Office</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>ARES</b></li> </ul>
<b>Critical Infrastructure and Key Resource Restoration</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lee County Public Utilities</li> <li>• Lee County Solid Waste</li> <li>• Lee County Transportation</li> </ul>	
<b>Damage Assessment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lee County Community Development</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lee County GIS</li> <li>• Lee County Emergency Management</li> </ul>





# Operations Chief

## **AEC Dave Sheppard W2PAX**



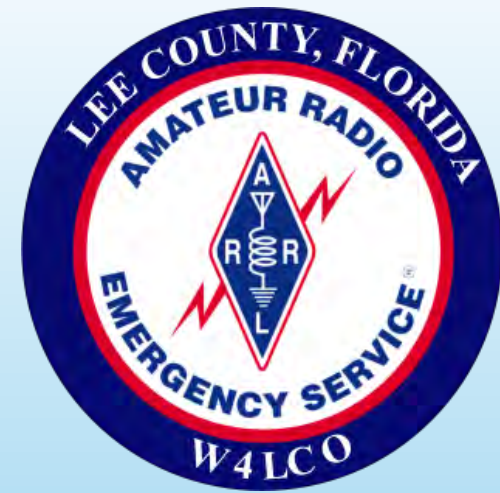
Planning Section Chief & PIO

**AEC Jeff Kennedy NK4AA**

Deputy Planning Section Chief & PIO

**DAEC Carmine Vetrano K1CJV**

# ARES Participation Status



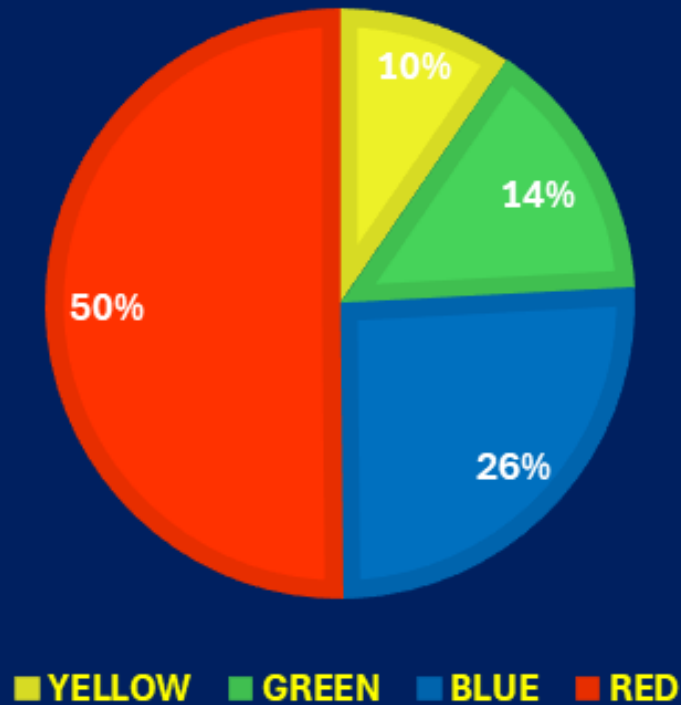
- ARES has approximately 100 numbered members
- 57 members are in the Signal group
- Weekly net participation for the last ten nets was analyzed for further insight
  - Check-ins range from 30 to 40 (including non-members)
  - Analysis of check-ins from the last ten nets (quarter)



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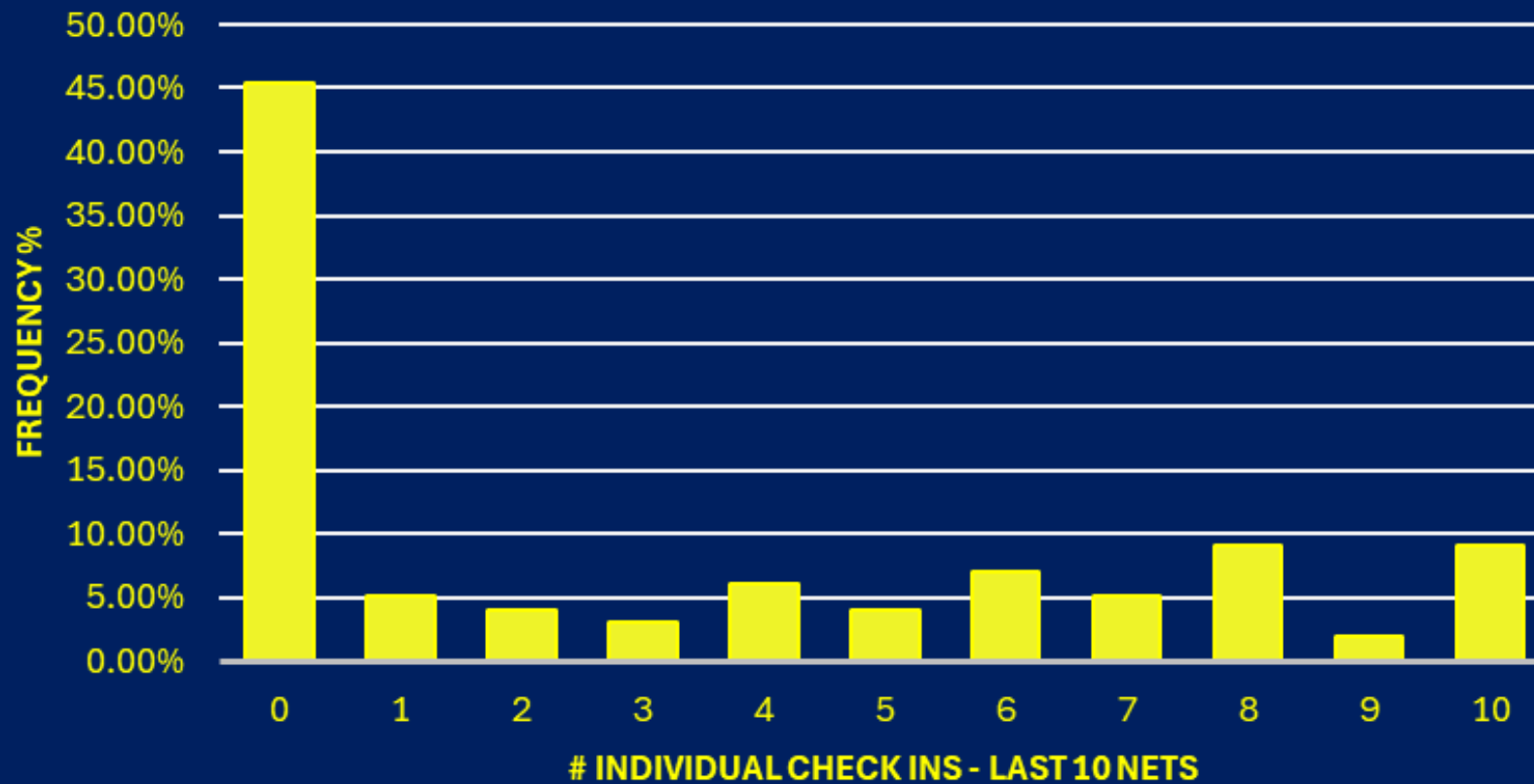
**TOTAL LCAN CHECK INS BY ZONE - LAST 10 NETS**



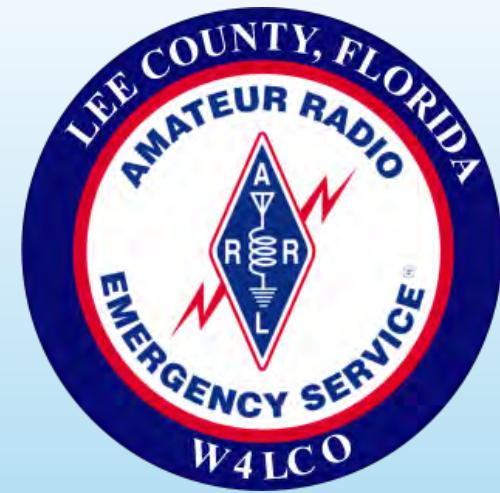
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Frequency vs Number of LCAN Check Ins



# Monthly Zone Net Exercise



- Purpose: increase participation and improve net skills
- When: 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of each month immediately after SWFTN
- Where: on Color Zone repeaters by rotating schedule: Blue > Green > Red > Yellow
- All ARES members can participate regardless of home zone

# Monthly Zone Net Exercise



- Plan
  - NCS volunteer from the home zone is preferred, but anyone can step up (excluding ARES leaders)
  - Follow the Color Zone Net Script
  - All zones may check-in
- Remember: Script, log sheet, and ICS form links are on [LeeARES.com](http://LeeARES.com)
- Monthly exercise net reminder email
- Brief hotwash will be held at the following in-person meeting

# Lee County ARES COP



- COP: Common Operating Picture
- Defined as a shared overview of an incident using data from a range of resources
- Purpose: improve decision-making and increase situational awareness



# Lee County ARES COP



## Hurricane Milton

### Common Operating Picture (LeeARES COP) #1

Operational Period (Date-Time): 10/8/24 0700 – 10/9/24 0700

Date & Time Prepared: 10/8/24 1500

Prepared by: Jeff Kennedy AEC Planning

Approved by: Rich Schnieders EC

#### INCIDENT STATUS

EOC Activation Level: Level 1 full activation

EC & OPS Chief are staffing the EOC Radio room.

All Zone repeaters are in operation.

#### INCIDENT OBJECTIVES

- 1- Shelter staffing (See Table 1): Identify volunteers to staff shelters with no coverage or shelters currently with only one volunteer.
- 2- AREA Net NCS Coverage (see table 2): Identify volunteers to serve as NCSs for all zones. The hours available are TBD.
- 3- Demobilization plans pending decision from EM.

Table 1 - ARES Deployment Assignments:

ARES (Node)	Shelter Name	Location	Date Opening	Time Opening
KG4SCX	Alisa Arena (PGCU)	12181 Copper Lake Pkwy E Port Myer, FL 33913	8-Oct	8:00 AM
K4CHP/KG4ACB	Port Arena	11000 Highway 90 Riverview, FL 33923	8-Oct	15D
KN4LPW/KG4SCA	Shore-Sun Center	9200 Cortezway Pkwy Sarasota, FL 33928	7-Oct	8:00 PM
W4WHS/KC00R	Dunbar High School	3800 Baker Ave Mysa, FL 33916	7-Oct	8:00 PM
	Gateway High School	13820 Griffin Dr Mysa, FL 33913	8-Oct	8:00 AM
EA4AGX/KE1CJF	Island Coast High School	2135 Dr. Patricia Relyea Cape Coral, FL 33909	7-Oct	8:00 PM
AA4X3/KN4WIE	Old Hammock Middle School	5531 Tice St Port Myers, FL 33905	8-Oct	8:00 AM
NDJAE	Ray Patton Elementary	3400 Challenger St Port Myers, FL 33966	7-Oct	ASAP
	Torruja Elementary	1711 Gurney Rd N Lough Acre, FL 33991	8-Oct	8:00 AM
	Teal Elementary	10700 Tealway Ave Mysa, FL 33913	8-Oct	8:00 AM
KG4QHM/KG4RBD	Vander Loo Middle School	801 Gurney Rd N Lough Acre, FL 33971	8-Oct	8:00 AM
	Hans North Elementary School	1800 Widge Ave N Lough Acre, FL 33971	8-Oct	12:00 PM
NTBL/KG4JXT	Hans North Middle School	1820 Widge Ave N Lough Acre, FL 33971	8-Oct	12:00 PM
	Vander Loo Elementary	525 Chocoma Ave S Lough Acre, FL 33976	8-Oct	12:00 PM
	Barlow County High School	713 Thomas Shookin Ave Lough Acre, FL 33976	8-Oct	12:00 PM

Table 2 - AREA Net NCS Assignments

ZONE	SHIFT 1: Call Sign/hrs	SHIFT 2: Call Sign/hrs	SHIFT 3: Call Sign/hrs
BLUE			
GREEN			
RED			
YELLOW			

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Table 1 - ARES Deployment Assignments:

ARES MEMBER	Shelter Name	Location
KQ43CX	Alto Arena (PGCU)	12181 <del>Topu</del> Lake Port Myers, FL 339
K4DHF/KQ4BCF	Hertz Arena	11000 <del>Topu</del> Parkway, Estero,
KM4LPW/KQ4SCA	Estero Rec. Center	9200 <del>Conch</del> Blvd, Estero, FL 33
W4WHS/KC0DE	Dunbar High School	3500 Edison A Myers, FL 33914
	Gateway High School	13520 Griffin Myers, FL 33913
KX4AGX/K1CJY	Island Coast High School	2135 De Haven Cape Coral, FL 3
AA4JS/KN4WIE	Oak Hammock Middle School	3321 Tico St, Port 33905
N0JAE	Ray Patton Elementary	4400 <del>Challenger</del> Port Myers, FL 339
	Tortuga Elementary	1711 <del>Gunnery</del> Lehigh Acres, FL
	<del>Topu</del> Elementary	10900 <del>Topu</del> Myers, FL 33913
KQ4QHM/KQ4RDD	Verity Lakes Middle School	801 <del>Gunnery Rd</del> Acres, FL 33971
	Hans Marsh Elementary School	1800 <del>Unico</del> Ave

# Lee County ARES COP by Winlink



Enter a new message

Post to Outbox Select Template RADIOGRAM ICS-213 Attachments Spell Check Save in Drafts Close

From: NK4AA Send as: Winlink Message ☐ Request message receipt Set Defaults

To: W4CMH;

Cc:

Subject: LeeARES COP #2 Hurricane XXX

Attach:

Operational period (date-time):  
Date & Time prepared:  
Prepared by: Jeff Kennedy AEC Planning  
Approved by: Rich Schnieders EC  
INCIDENT STATUS  
EOC Activation Level:  
ARES activated?  
Zone repeaters available?  
INCIDENT OBJECTIVES:  
1- SHELTER assignments:  
Alico arena -  
Hertz arena -  
Estero Rec Center -  
Dunbar HS -  
Gateway HS -  
Island Coast HS -  
Oak hammock MS -  
Ray Pottorf Elem -  
Tortuga Elem -  
Treeline Elem -  
Varsity Lakes Elem -  
Hanns Marsh Elem -  
Mirror Lakes Elem -  
East Lee County HS -

# Planning Project – Groups.io

- [LeeARES@groups.io](mailto:LeeARES@groups.io)
- Does not compete with FMARC
- Purpose:
  - Exchange of emcomm information
  - Additional outlet for announcements from leadership
- When: TBD – email invite will be sent to all numbered members soon
- Inappropriate posts will be deleted





# Planning Section:

## Questions?





Logistics Section Chief  
**AEC John Wells, W4CMH**  
Deputy Logistics Section Chief  
**DAEC Bill Sowell, W6WHS**

# Logistics

- Awaiting repeater repairs
- All other equipment functioning at this time



# Training



- Winlink Drills continue to offer opportunities to practice the software and options available
- We will conduct a Winlink Drill this weekend where we will utilize P2P transfers
- Some Operational instructions will be included to help you be successful
- The drill will be from 11 AM to 12 PM on 2-22-25, but you can coordinate with others if that time is not convenient for you.



Administration Section Chief

**AEC Joe Rickard NØJAR**

Deputy Administration Section Chief

**DAEC Don Domina KCØDE**



# Welcome Aboard!

Gus Hawkins  
Roy Greunke





# New Badges

Paul Schwan

Ryan Dolce

John Bailey

Vito Gadeleta

Sean Florio

Eric Solomon

Lloyd Blueweiss

Ed Wisniewski

Rick Lawrence

David Hritcu



# Questions