

RACES General Meeting

February 15, 2011

- **Health Department Exercise Review**
 - Health Department is preparing for a Regional Exercise (Kansas & Missouri).
 - They will need RACES participation on
 - Tuesday – April 19, 2011 – 0800 thru 1200 (noon)
 - Wednesday – April 20, 2011 – 1200 (noon) thru 1700.
 - Plans are still being made & discussed – not a lot of information available at this time.
 - RACES will be responsible for all radio communications for the Health Department
 - Web EOC
 - 800 MHz Voice Communications
 - RACES Voice Communications
 - Digital Communications (MT-63)

- **Previous Month's Activations**
 - Wyandotte County – CERT had an exhibit at the KC Metro Remodeling & Gardening show at American Royal Complex on Friday, Saturday & Sunday, February 11, 12 & 13th.
 - Some of our RACES members helped with the Amateur Radio display put on by MECC at the show.
 - Everyone agreed that the foot traffic past Safety City displays was poor this year due to being located upstairs at the complex.
 - The CERT trailer was able to get their radio up and transmitting on a 440 MHz link to a 2 meter repeater.

- **Weather Seminars – We will have both a General Meeting and Weather Seminar in March.**
 - Wyandotte County – KCK Weather Seminar will be at Kansas City, Kansas Community College – Thursday, March 24, 2011.
 - Sign-up begins at 6:00 p.m.
 - Seminar begins at 7:00 p.m.
 - Advanced Weather Seminar in Lawrence, Kansas – will be held on Saturday, March 19th.
 - Larry Eker has put a link on the RACES website to enroll for the Advanced Weather Seminar.
 - Not many people have enrolled as of this meeting.
 - Wy Co Emergency Management will pay for RACES members enrollment fee again this year.

- RACES members attending the Advanced Weather Seminar will meet for BBQ lunch after the seminar again this year.

- **Future training for RACES General Meetings.**
 - March – ICS forms training
 - ICS 214, ICS 309 & ICS Message forms.

- **Training**
 - Mike Baughman led training on WebEOC
 - You can now enter WebEOC from your home computer
 - If you have used WebEOC in the past your User Name & Password should still be the same.
 - Passwords are case sensitive – PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR PASSWORD.
 - Some boards in the new version of WebEOC utilize an “Update Entry/Add New Items to Entry” text box.
 - This prevents anyone from erasing previously posted information.
 - Ed Rust gave a presentation on FLDIGI and the ease of using digital radio.
 - You can now get the FLDIGI set-up from the RACES website.
 - <http://www.wycores.org/membersonly/fldigi.html>
 - WyCo RACES MT-63 Frequency 146.460MHz FM Simplex.
 - Ed Rust or Joe Krout have begun running the new digital net on Monday nights immediately following the RACES voice net.
 - They begin the net by asking for voice check ins first.
 - This allows to check for coverage from either Ed or Joe’s locations.
 - The voice check ins have shown fairly good coverage.
 - Ralph Golubski brought his radio equipment to show how easily digital radio can be set up in a portable unit.