



Centralia Amateur Radio Emergency Services Team

2015 Year In Review—Serving Our Community Since 2007

2015 Training Topics:

- AKINS communications trailer idea
- Core training list
- Wound care kits / Survival Pucks
- Emergency / Priority & Routine comms
- Earthquakes by Professor Pat Pringle
- Helicopter landing zone refresher
- Field Day & Centralia Summerfest
- ARES wild land fire deployment
- EOC setup and ICS positions
- National Preparedness Month
- Emergency shelter communications
- Finding the lost child
- Property & evidence search techniques
- Making your own 2 meter antennas
- First 72 hours after an earthquake
- SKYWARN weather spotter training
- Planning the communications trailer
- Centralia communications backbone
- Forward staging area deployment
- ICS System & ARES by Chief Kytta

2015 Training Field Drills:

- Disaster comms - testing Comm II
- Disaster comms - digital in Comm II
- Forward staging area deployment
- Disaster comms - computer logging
- Helicopter LZ / RFA joint drill
- Setting up the forward staging area
- Disaster response area comms
- Setting up shelter communications
- Field Day

2015 Simulated Emergency Test:

We did a 3 evening event simulating what it would be like after an earthquake. Team members used alternate power systems, simplex frequencies and practiced using the Emergency, Priority & Routine reporting system while they deployed in place and performing neighborhood checks.

**5,761 Volunteer Hours
In 2015**
Serving Your Community

**Centralia ARES - Amateur Radio
Emergency Services**
on Facebook and on the Web at
K7CEM.com

**Joint Centralia ARES and
CVARS**
Field Day Event



2015 ARES Flood Deployments:
January 5, 2015
December 9, 2015



**Comm II - Centralia ARES
Communications Van project**
completed after 500 hours and
\$1500 volunteer dollars

New Team Members In 2015
David Ross: KG7PVT
Frank Matalas: KF7RSI
Russ Trentlage: W7HFB

Team Promotions In 2015
James Van Ornum, AE7TF
Assistant Emergency Coordinator
and
Merle Olmsted, AA4QE
Team Advisor

License Upgrades In 2015
Linc Haymaker - Extra Class
Amateur Radio License.
Congratulations Linc!

ARES / Riverside Fire / Airlift Northwest 2015 Drill:

May 18th: Centralia ARES conducted a joint training exercise with Riverside Fire volunteers and Airlift Northwest. Fire volunteers responded to a vehicle accident near Lincoln Creek, locating and treating four ejected patients. Upon request for a medical airlift, Centralia ARES

team members set up a helicopter landing zone and established communications with the Airlift pilot, directing him to the LZ. Fire volunteers were able to practice patient loading onto the aircraft and all volunteers were given practical training on helicopter operations by the Airlift Northwest crew.

