

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE EVENTS NEXT WEEK INCLUDING TORNADO DRILL

What follows is a modified message that originally came from David Nadler at the NWS office in Peachtree City Georgia listing next week's events of Severe Weather Preparedness Week. It has been updated to include a breakout of Wednesday's TORNADO DRILL nets taking place around the state.

In conjunction with Georgia Emergency Management Agency – Homeland Security, and our other state and local partners, next week (February 6-10) will be recognized by the state of Georgia as Severe Weather Preparedness Week (http://www.weather.gov/ffc/swpw_17). In light of the devastating outbreak that affected the southern half of the state on January 21-22 (http://www.weather.gov/ffc/20170121_22_tornadoes), a larger number of Georgians have now witnessed the incredible power and impacts severe weather can bring to this state and region. Let us use this preparedness week as a reminder to everyone of just how dangerous severe thunderstorms, tornadoes, lightning, and even flash flooding, can be across this state, and the Southeast region.

SPECIFIC TOPICS AND DAYS THROUGH THE WEEK ARE AS FOLLOWS::

Monday, February 6: Family Preparedness (including NWR and Wireless Emergency Alerts)

Tuesday, February 7: Thunderstorm Safety (large hail/damaging wind)

WEDNESDAY, February 8: Tornado Safety ** including STATE-WIDE TORNADO DRILL at 9:00 am EST **

Georgia State-wide NWS TORNADO DRILL begins at approximately 9:00 am and completes when participating logins cease (usually 30 to 45 minutes). You do not need to be an ARES member to participate in these nets. **WHEN CHECKING IN, PLEASE GIVE YOUR CALL SIGN AND COUNTY NAME.**

HF Net - 3975 MHz - NCS K4GK

D-STAR Reflector 30 Bravo (REF0030B)

D-RATS Reflector 30 Delta (REF0030D) using gaares.ratreflector.com

PSK-125 Net - 3583 MHz

Local Nets – if you run a local net, forward your completed check-ins, including county names, to Charles Pennington k4gk@arrl.net

VHF Local Net will take place from 8:30 to 9:00 am on 146.970 (123.0 Hz Tone)

Thursday, February 9: Lightning Safety

Friday, February 10: Flash Flooding/Flood Safety

Thank you for all your support and help in promoting this very important weather safety week.

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