

Smithtown ARES/RACES Net Official Script

Date: __/__/__, Time Start: __:__ hrs (local time).

Opening the ARES/RACES Net

CQ, CQ, CQ, All Amateur Radio Operators. Does anyone need the repeater for emergency or priority traffic? (drop)

Calling together the Town of Smithtown combined Amateur Radio Emergency Service and Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service Net. This is (Your Callsign), (Your callsign phonetically) , (Title if any). I will be your net control station for this session of the Town of Smithtown ARES / RACES Net for (date). This net meets on Monday evenings at 20:30 hours local time through the facilities of the W2LRC repeater system. (drop)

During times of declared disaster or emergency, or during official training and Exercise sessions, RACES communications are conducted on behalf of local government and are considered as official governmental communications. This weekly net is a directed net and is conducted for the purpose of RACES training, operating procedures, and routine administration. (drop).

A directed net is created when there is a number of stations needing to use the frequency or the volume of traffic cannot be dealt with on a first-come first served basis. The net control station will determine who uses the frequency and what traffic will be passed first (drop).

Please do not break into the net without direction from net control. If you do have an emergency during the net please state the word "emergency" followed by your call and the frequency will be turned over to you for the duration of the emergency. If you have information for the net please use the word "info" followed by your call. If you have a question for the net please use the word "query" followed by your call (drop).

When checking into this net please use the hesitation method. The procedure is as follows: say "THIS IS ...". Release your push to talk switch to see if you are doubling with anyone. If you do not hear anyone else talking then proceed to give your call-sign phonetically, using the standard ITU phonetic alphabet and your name and state if you have any information dealing with emergency communications for the net by saying "I have traffic", then stand by and wait for net control to acknowledge you before doing anything else within the net (drop).

You do not need to be an ARES/RACES member or a Smithtown resident to check into this net. All amateur radio operators are welcome.

Please do not leave this net unless you first inform net control and receive permission to do so. I will now stand by for anyone with emergency or priority traffic only (drop).

(IF THERE IS NO TRAFFIC THEN PROCEED.)

If the group is small, then:

Since this is a small group, I will ask for check-ins. Please state your call-sign, your

name, and if you have traffic (drop).

OR

If the group is large, then:

The check-in procedure for this net is in two phases. First is a roll call of the ARES/RACES members. When you hear your call-sign, respond with your callsign

and state if you have traffic for the net. The second phase will allow for all others to check-in. Net control will call each member that has traffic, respond with your call-sign and traffic (drop).

(acknowledge all stations that check into net. Stop the net and ask the net to stand by when you need to, so you can write down everyone Checking-in. When no further stations check into the net then proceed With the net. Remember to ask for new check-ins or if anyone has Anything for the net every few minutes [APPROX. 5 - 10].

TOTAL CHECK IN'S (Including the net control operator) _____
LIST CHECK IN's

ARES/RACES Net Operation Procedure

(list any bulletins or priority messages you might have for the net. List any Current and additional ARES/RACES information for the net you might Have. Have each individual station that stated they have info for the net List what they have and pass it. Handle any educational information to be Covered during this net. Remember to have a pause to see anyone that Comes into the net late wishes to check-in.)

MESSAGE TRAFFIC HANDLING DRILL.

This part of the drill can be passed over if the net is 15 minutes old or later or by order of the EC/RO or officer acting in designation of the EC/RO.

As an exercise drill, I would like to pass the state message traffic from the New York RACES net. This drill is solely for the purpose of practicing message traffic handling skills. This is only a drill! Message is as follows: (drop)

If the message traffic from NYS-RACES is not available, you may make one up of your own and state so rather than saying , " from the New York RACES net"

Number Precedence Station of Origin Check Place of Origin Time Filed Date

_____ (drop)

TO: _____

_____ (drop)

_____ (drop)

_____ (drop)

_____ (drop)

_____ (drop)

_____ Break. (drop)

Signature _____ By Authority of: _____ (drop)

Does anyone need fills of any missed groups? (drop)

Any questions or comments pertaining to the message traffic procedure? (drop)

At this time, I will ask for a station to read back the message. Please give your call, then stand by to be acknowledged. (drop)

Wait for station, acknowledge and ask station to proceed. If nothing heard, net control announces the total group, ends the message traffic drill and moves on to routine messages.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

In the event this repeater is out of service, we will hold this net on 147.55 MHz simplex.

The Suffolk RACES Net meets Mondays 21:00 hours on 145.330 mhz, -600 offset, 136.5 PL

[Other Announcements](#)

(Closing the ARES/RACES Net)

Are there any final stations wishing to check into the net? (drop)

Are there any comments or questions?(drop)

(IF THERE IS NO FURTHER ACTIVITY PROCEED TO CLOSE THE NET.)

This is (your callsign), (your title) for Smithtown and net control station for this session of the Town of Smithtown combined ARES and RACES net thanking all of the stations that checked in today for participating and supporting the net. I also want to thank those stations that did not check in for standing down while the net was in operation. Your help in maintaining this net is greatly appreciated by one and all (drop).

The Town of Smithtown Amateur Radio Emergency Service and Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service wishes to again thank The Larkfield Amateur Radio Club for the use of this repeater for the operation of this net. All stations may now secure. This net is now secured at (local time). This is (Your Callsign) returning the repeater to its normal amateur operation. Good evening everyone. (drop)

Time End: __:__

Net man hours = number of check-ins x total net minutes = __ x __ = __ minutes

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