



Repeater net control script (2021-08-26)

This is the script for the weekly Elkhorn Valley ARES net that meets on the 146.730 repeater at 7:30pm CT on Monday's, 7:30 PM.

Before the net, make sure you are ready. You will need to have pencil and paper handy to make notes and make a list of stations that check in. You will need to keep track of each station as the check-in and check-out. You will also need to make notes on any traffic handled (from whom, who traffic was passed to). Make sure your radio is working and you can bring up the repeater.

Don't forget to periodically identify yourself and the fact that you are net control for the Elkhorn Valley Amateur Radio Club net. This will provide information for any strangers in the area or DX stations as to what they are hearing. Of course it also fulfills your FCC 10 minuet identification requirement.

Pre-net – about 30 seconds before net start

This is (callsign) _____. Is the frequency in use?

Start the net (at 7:30 pm local time)

CQ, CQ, CQ. This is the Elkhorn Valley Amateur Radio Club Net, located in Norfolk, Nebraska. This net meets each Monday evening at 7:30 PM Local. Any and all stations within range of this repeater and linked stations are welcome to check into this net. You net control station this evening is (callsign) _____ (repeat your call using the phonetic alphabet). My name is (your name) _____ (repeat it by spelling it using phonetic alphabet).

The repeater is linked into the Nebraska Hub. In order to let the system to link up and all information be transferred, we ask that you pause momentarily after you key up your transmitter and again before you unkey. Also, please pause a 3 or 4 seconds before you start your transmission. This allows links repeaters to unkey and prevents them timing out. The repeater time-out timer is set to three minutes. Don't forget to momentarily periodically unkey to allow the repeaters time-out timer to reset.

As you check in, please give your call sign phonetically. This help me get the call sign correct in my list of stations.

Emergency/any traffic

At this time I invite any stations with emergency or routine traffic for the net to check-in with your call sign and the nature of your traffic. This is (your call) _____, Net Control.

(break 15 seconds or so)

(If someone has traffic for the net then find out the nature of the traffic and handle it as needed)

(If there is no emergency or routine traffic, say "Nothing heard" and continue)

Mobiles and Early Check-outs

At this time I will take check-ins from any stations that need an early check-out or any mobiles in the area. Please call with your call-sign only. This is (your call) _____, net control.

(Handle each of these stations by asking them if they have anything for the net before they need to go. Once you have completed this list, you can consider them checked-out).

Regular Check-ins

At this I'll take regular check-ins for the Elkhorn Valley Amateur Radio Club net. Any stations wishing to check in this evening may do so with your call sign only phonetically. And spread out the check-ins. This is (your callsign) _____ net control.

(Make a list of stations in the order they check in. During a pause in the check-ins, repeat the stations you have heard and ask if there are any more check-ins. By acknowledging stations you have heard, it allows anyone not heard to try again. As long as you are getting new stations, keep repeating this process.)

(Once you get no more check-ins then go back from the start of the list and ask each station if they have any comments for the net. If a station asks to speak to another station, you can OK that contact, but remember you are net control. If the contact between the two stations gets to long then you should break in and suggest they complete the conversation after then net. Try to keep the net moving, so it doesn't get bogged down).

(When you get to the end of your current list, you can ask for additional check-ins to the net. Get any additional check-ins and run that list).

(Toward the end of the net, check to see if there are any announcements for the net. I normally (NR0A) do the announcements, but sometimes others may have a current event they want to mention).

(After the announcements, make one more check for additional check-ins).

Closing the Net

At this time I will close the net. I would like to thank everyone for checking in this evening. Please join us again next week at 7:30 PM for the next regularly scheduled session of the Elkhorn Valley Amateur Radio Club net. At the time, I will close the net and return the repeater and linked stations back to normal use. This is (your call) _____ clear

Post-net

After the net is over, please contact Sue, KD0JE (e-mail is best or over the radio) with the number of stations that checked in and the quantity of any traffic handled during the net.