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WEEKLY TRAINING NET

This net meets each Thursday evening at 8:00 PM local time.

Duties of Net Control

1. Be prepared to start the weekly training net.
2. Record the call signs of all stations that check-in to the net, and their traffic.
3. E-mail a Net Control report, consisting of the check-in count and total net time, to the EC as soon as it is practical to do so after the conclusion of a net.
4. Keep the original records of the weekly training net for one (1) month. If the net was an emergency net, and not a drill, maintain the records for twelve (12) months or transfer to the EC. The type of records created and retained may depend on the type of net controlled.

Duties of Backup Net Control

1. Start the Net if the Primary Net control fails to come up with 5 minutes of schedule.
2. Start the Net if specifically requested to by the scheduled Primary Net Control.
3. Be prepared to assume net control at the request of Primary Net Control.
4. Take over as Primary Net control if Primary Net Control drops off without notice.

The primary and backup Net Control Station should be prepared at 7:50 PM local time. At 7:50 PM and 7:55 PM local time, make the following announcement on the net frequency.

This is <your call>

I will begin the Waller County Amateur Radio Emergency Service Net on simplex frequency 146.46 in <10 or 5> minutes. We will appreciate a clear frequency for the net.

NET PREAMBLE SIMPLEX NIGHT

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This is <your call>, my name is <your name>. I will be the primary net control station for tonight's net. Is tonight's backup net control station on frequency?

This net is a simplex net on the last Thursday evening of the month and uses 146.46 simplex.

For information in becoming an ARES member, please list traffic for Ken Miller (W5KAM). For further information about the Waller County ARES group you may also check out the web site at: www.csmith.cc whiskey whiskey whiskey dot Charlie Sierra Mike India Tango Hotel dot Charlie Charlie.

Also, please join our Yahoo Group "wallercountyares" where you will find further information on membership and our activities

This net may be interrupted at any time for any emergency traffic.

The purpose of this net is to practice radio-operating procedures, testing communications equipment, and providing information and training about the Amateur Radio Emergency Service. This net is open to all Amateur Radio operators. You do not have to be a member of ARES, or a member of any amateur radio club, to participate in this net.

This is a directed net, please address all transmissions to Net Control by giving your call sign only, and then wait for acknowledgement and instructions from Net Control. All stations are requested to remain on frequency until the net closes.

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We also accept digital check-ins. Please check-in digitally by sending a Winlink message to W5KAM and KD5JBT before the end of the net.

I will now take check-ins from stations with call sign suffixes beginning:

A alpha through M mike

Acknowledge the call signs you hear before asking for more stations; continue when no one answers.

ASK YOUR BACK-UP NET CONTROL TO PUT OUT A CALL FOR suffixes A alpha through M Mike

Acknowledge the call signs you hear from your back-up net control before asking for more stations; continue when no one answers

After doing this put out a blind call “Do I have any relays?” If you hear NO Relays move on.

I will now take check-ins from stations with call sign suffixes beginning:

N november through Z zulu.

Acknowledge the call signs you hear before asking for more stations; continue when no one answers.

ASK YOUR BACK-UP NET CONTROL TO PUT OUT A CALL FOR suffixes N november through Z zulu.

Acknowledge the call signs you hear from your back-up net control before asking for more stations; continue when no one answers

After doing this put out a blind call “Do I have any relays?” If you hear NO Relays move on.

This is (your call sign) (your name) now closing the Waller County ARES simplex net on 146.46. I am requesting all stations to QSY to 146.72 with tone 123.0 for our training and announcements. Please stand by on that frequency for roll call by net control.

After moving to 146.72 announce the following:

This is <your call>, my name is <your name>. I will be the primary net control station for tonight’s net. Is tonight’s backup net control station on frequency?

Conduct a net check in from simplex by their ham call sign **NOT NAME.**

I will now take late check-ins from stations with call sign suffixes beginning:

A alpha through Z zulu.

Acknowledge all calls heard before asking for more stations; continue when no one answers.

I will now take check-ins from stations WITH TRAFFIC. Stations with traffic please check-in now by giving your call sign only and please use **ITU Phonetics only.**

Acknowledge the call signs you hear before asking for more station.

Call each station that checked in with traffic, in the order they checked in, asking each one:

Their name, and the nature of their traffic.

Based upon the nature of their traffic, **YOU** decide if the traffic should be passed now, or if it is part of the training. If appropriate, call each station that listed traffic, and have them pass it now.

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Present the training material, or call for the station with the training assignment to present the training.

After the training has been presented, call each station in the order they checked in, asking each one: Their name if needed, and if they have any questions or comments on the training.

This is <your call>, my name is <your name>.

I will now take any late check-ins for the Waller County ARES net. Please check in now by giving your call sign only.

I will now take a count of the digital check-in. W5KAM or KD5JBT, can you give a report please?
If report is not available, check after the net is closed.

Is there any further business for the net?

This is <your call> now closing the Waller County ARES net. This net meets each Thursday evening at 8:00 PM local time on the 146.72 Rosehill repeater.

I'd like to thank the Tomball Repeater Group and the other users of this repeater, for giving us a clear frequency to conduct this net. This repeater is now available for normal amateur radio use. <your call> clear.

(After closing the net prepare a radio gram and send the net report to Ken Miller W5KAM@aol.com. You will need total normal & digital check ins, total time of the net, with list of call signs that checked into the net)