

Town of Huntington ARES/RACES Net

Monday's – 19:30 hours - 147.210 MHz, +600 Hz, 136.5 PL

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 Huntington Amateur Radio Emergency Service and Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service Net. This is (your call sign). (phonetically), (your title), (your RACES ID). I will be your net control station for this session of the Town of Huntington ARES/RACES Net for (date). This net meets on Monday evenings at 19:30 hours local time through the facilities of the Larkfield Amateur Radio Club's repeater WR2ABA. (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).

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 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 call-sign 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).

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).

(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].

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.)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

There is an ARES/RACES meeting at 7:30 pm on the first Thursday of the month at WB2LUA's residence. The next meeting will be on _____. You can find further information at www.wb2lua.com

If the 147.210 repeater does not function, use 147.420 MHz. simplex.

During emergencies, we usually transmit data of some kind. Tonight I will transmit the data from the national weather station.

Closing the ARES/RACES Repeater 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 call sign), Huntington (your title) and net control station for this session of the Town of Huntington ARES/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 Huntington Amateur Radio Emergency Service and Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service wishes to again thank the Larkfield Amateur Radio Club for the use of their repeater for the operation of this net. All stations may now secure. This repeater net is now secured at (local time). This is (your call sign) returning the repeater to its normal amateur operation. Everyone please QSY to 147.420 MHz. simplex to continue this net without the use of a repeater. We will monitor 147.420 for 1 minute before continuing to be sure the frequency is not in use. (drop)

Opening the ARES/RACES Simplex Net

This is (your call sign). (phonetically), (your title), (your RACES ID). I will be continuing this session of the Town of Huntington ARES/RACES Net in the simplex mode of operation. (pause)

The purpose of this section of the net is to establish simplex communications within the Town. In the event of an emergency, repeater equipment may not be available. This practice session allows amateurs to see how their station is operating using the simplex mode. (pause)

Net control will call each station in the order they previously signed in. In turn, each station will give a brief description of their transmitter, power and antenna height. If a station cannot reach net control, have your information relayed through another station. All stations take note of how you are hearing each member on the net. (pause)

At the end, net control will poll each member for a brief, informal, signal report.

NET CONTROL GIVE YOUR STATION INFORMATION. THEN CALL EACH STATION.

I will now call previously signed in stations:

NET CONTROL WILL NOW CONTACT EACH STATION IN ORDER AND TAKE NOTES ON THE SIGNALS. ASK FOR RELAYS AND ALSO SEE IF THERE ARE ANY ADDITIONAL STATIONS WANTING TO CHECK IN. AFTER EVERYONE HAS GIVEN A STATION DESCRIPTION, GO TO THE TOP OF THE LIST AND ASK FOR SIGNAL REPORTS. MAKE SURE TO INCLUDE YOUR NET CONTROL SIGNAL REPORT.

AFTER ALL REPORTS ARE IN, CLOSE THE NET.

Closing the ARES/RACES Simplex Net

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All stations may now secure. This net is now secured at (local time). This is (your call sign) returning this frequency to its normal amateur operation. Good evening everyone.