

## Monday Night Net Script and Instructions

*[Intended to be a guideline. You may deviate from script, but be sure to call the net on time, plus or minus 30 seconds. If NCS is more than 30 seconds late, the backup NCS is usually the next week's scheduled op.]*

### NET STARTUP

This is <your call>, standing by for priority or emergency traffic before the Combined York County Club and ARES/RACES Net begins. *(pause and listen for 10 to 15 seconds)*

Good Evening. This is <your call>, my name is \_\_\_ and I am your net control station for the combined York County Club and ARES/RACES net. This net meets every Monday evening at 8:30 PM for the purpose of exchanging information among York County amateurs, promoting amateur emergency radio services, and special event communications. This is a directed net. We ask that you transmit only when requested and not to secure your station until the net closes. The net may be broken at any time for priority or emergency traffic. *(pause and listen)*

All amateurs are invited to check in. The net will call for a block of callsign suffixes, those letters after the call sign district, starting with A-C. To check in, transmit "This is", pause and unkey, checking to be sure that you are not doubling with another station, re-key and give your callsign. Please state if you have traffic for the net after you give your callsign. *(pause)*

### CHECK-INS:

This is <your call> the Net Control Station for the Combined York County Club and ARES/RACES net, I am now taking check-ins from suffix block:

Echolink	A – C	D – F
G – M	N – R	S – U
V – Z	any station A - Z	

*[Instructions: check off the attached list, try to acknowledge stations by name, and if it is a new station ask for the name and location before proceeding to next call block. Hold all traffic until first round of check-ins are completed. Mark stations holding traffic with a "t" instead of an "x". If there is no response for 10 seconds, move on to the next suffix block.]*

### TRAFFIC:

Before we proceed with traffic, the following nets are scheduled:

1. The Keystone VHF Club Tuesday **Digital net** will resume on September 5 at 8 PM.
2. The Keystone Club hosts a ELMER NET on Tuesday at 9:00 PM on this 146.97 MHz repeater. We encourage new HAMs and Elmers to participate in an informal round table Net.
3. The PENN MAR Club invites you to the 10 meter NET on Friday at 8:00 PM on 28.495 MHz
4. A 6 meter activity NET is held Wednesday evenings at 8:30 pm on 50.140 USB. Topics include week signal VHF, UHF, and microwave activity, but suggestions are welcome.
5. REACT holds a GMRS NET on Monday evenings following the York 2 meter Amateur NET on the 462.675 MHz repeater in Shrewsbury, with a tone of 141.3. A GMRS license is required to participate.

*[Net should announce all dates to end of year.]*

**VE exams** will be sponsored by **SPCG** on the second Saturday of even months at 9:30 AM, and are held at the Shrewsbury Borough Building, 35 Railroad Ave. Exam dates for 2017 are: Aug 12, Oct 14, Dec 9. Registration is not required, but it's nice to know who's coming. Contact Carol, KC6GMN, at 717-235-0273, or email Nate at [wn3i@comcast.net](mailto:wn3i@comcast.net).

The **Laurel VE Group** requires pre-registration for their exams hosted by the Keystone VHF Club held on the second Saturday of the odd months at 10 AM at the York EOC. The last exam date for 2017 is: Nov 11. Note that the Sept 9 test session has been cancelled. Contact Ralph Brandt, at [k3hqi@arrl.net](mailto:k3hqi@arrl.net).

The Cross Keys Village Amateur Radio Club in New Oxford also hosts VE Exams on the third Saturday of the odd months at 9:30 AM. Exam dates for 2017 are: Sept 16, Nov 18. Pre-registration is not required, but would be nice. Contact Rich Harley, N3BVT, at [reharley16@gmail.com](mailto:reharley16@gmail.com).

This is <your call> the Net Control Station for the Combined York County Club and ARES/RACES net, now on to our stations bringing traffic to the net.

*[Call for stations holding traffic to make their announcements. After the second or third station gives traffic and again at the end of listed traffic, give your call sign as net control, and ask for late check-ins and further comments on the traffic presented to the net.]*

#### **TRAINING:**

*After traffic is passed, present any training scheduled for this date. If none is scheduled, ask:*

*Has anyone has prepared and ready to present a brief training topic?*

*If no training is provided, ask for New HAM questions, or questions about any project.*

#### **CLOSING THE NET:**

This is <your call>, net control for the Combined York County Club and ARES/RACES Net asking for late check-ins, any stations that I may have missed, or additional comments for the net before we close. *(pause)*

May I remind our listeners of the following club meetings:

The **Hilltoppers** meet on the **first Tuesday** of the month at 7:30 PM at their club house in Felton.

The **Southern Pennsylvania Communications Group** meets at 7:00 PM on the **first Tuesday** of the month at the Mason-Dixon restaurant in Shrewsbury.

The **Keystone VHF Club** meets on the **first Thursday** evening of each month at 7 PM at the York County 911 Center, Davies Dr., From October to April, and at their clubhouse on Deninger Rd. from May through September.

The **York Amateur Radio Club** meets on the **second Tuesday** of each month from September through May at 7:30 PM at the Red Cross Building on South George St. in York.

The **Penn-Mar Club** meets on the **second Thursday** of the month at 7:30 PM at the Midway Fire Company in Hanover. Their club net is Tuesday evenings at 8 pm on the 147.33 repeater.

The **York Co. REACT TEAM** now meets on the **4th** Tuesday of each month at 7:30 PM at the Shrewsbury Township EOC, 11505 S. Susquehanna Trail (entrance around back).

*(pause)*

This concludes tonight's session of the Combined York County Club and ARES/RACES Net. Please join us again next week at 8:30 PM when <next NCS call> will be our net control station.

Thank you to all amateurs who participated tonight as well as the operators and trustees of the W3HZU repeater. The net is closed at \_\_:\_\_ local time and the repeater is returned to normal use.

This is <your call>. [end]

**Other notes:**

*Do not rush the net in order to complete it before 9 PM, be thorough and complete and give adequate time for traffic, comments, check-ins, and training. A good NCS station listens and acknowledges stations in a prompt manner, with a block of 3 or 4 check-ins a efficient number; always “drag your feet” before transmitting.*

*If the net manager, KR3EE, is not present, please email him ( [kr3ee@frontiernet.net](mailto:kr3ee@frontiernet.net) ) the list of stations who check in, the length of the net in minutes, and the callsigns of those stations who brought traffic, made announcements, or the callsign of the station providing the “training” topic for the evening. R.A.C.E.S. Members are required to participate a certain number of hours each year to maintain their active status and tracking of their net participation is essential.*