



WEEKLY NET SCRIPT

Dane and Iowa County ARES/RACES

[Comments to the NCS are enclosed within brackets, "[]". Cross out any paragraphs that you will not be using before the net begins.]

[Before beginning the net, determine if an event review will be taking place during the net and make the appropriate decision at the bottom of this page (A or B).]

Good evening. This is *[name & callsign]* _____, your Net Control Operator for tonight's Dane and Iowa County Amateur Radio Emergency Service net. We meet at this time each Wednesday evening on the MARA 147.150 MHz repeater with a PL of 123.0. No net is held on the last Wednesday of the month if a general membership meeting is scheduled. For a schedule of meetings, visit the website kb9orn.org. The backup repeater is on 145.370 MHz with a PL of 123.0. For the remainder of the net I will use the call sign of Dane and Iowa County ARES: KB9ORN.

This net is held for the purpose of sharing information about the emergency and public service activities of Dane and Iowa County ARES and to give us all a drill in emergency communications. All listening stations with VHF privileges are invited to check-in. You do not need to be a member of Dane and Iowa County ARES to do so, although you are encouraged to participate in our activities and register as an ARES and RACES Operator. For more information, or to leave a note, contact Jeff, KC9UNZ, Dane and Iowa County Emergency Coordinator by e-mail at KC9UNZ@arrl.net.

If anyone needs to break into the net with emergency traffic, please do so at any time. This is KB9ORN with the Dane and Iowa County ARES Net.

At this time I will take check-ins grouped in call-book order and separated by whether you have traffic. We use the procedure of calling "net control," unkeying the mike and listening that you have not doubled with anyone, and then rekeying and giving your call followed by your first name and your location. Release the mike and wait for the net control to acknowledge your check in. I will take several check-ins before acknowledging them.

[Pick one of the next two paragraphs (A or B):]

- A. After the traffic portion of the net, we will have a second-go around for informal information. If you say "in and out" when you check in, I will not call you for the second go.
- B. After the traffic portion of the net, we will be reviewing:
_____.

[Insert public service event or other event to be reviewed here]

[Feel free to mix up the order that you take check-ins or to use a different, but similar method, such as using the first letter of the call sign, location of the station checking in (such as all stations in Dane County to the north of Madison), etc. If you want stations to check in using ITU phonetics, make that clear at all times and be prepared to gently correct any non-standard phonetics.]



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We will now take check-ins from stations with informational or NTS traffic in call book order using the letter after the number in your callsign. If you have traffic please indicate whether it is local traffic or NTS traffic. If we have NTS traffic we will do a quick poll to see if there is anyone who will be able to relay that traffic. If the letter after the number in your call is:

- A through N; Alpha through November
- O through Z; Oscar through Zulu.
- Finally, anyone else who hasn't checked in and you have traffic for the net, please call now.
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Stations with Traffic

	Time	Call	First Name		Time	Call	First Name
1				11			
2				12			
3				13			
4				14			
5				15			
6				16			
7				17			
8				18			
9				19			
10				20			

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We will now continue with general check-ins from stations without traffic in call book order using the letter after the number in your callsign. Remember to call Net Control and wait to see that you have not doubled with someone and then rekey the mike and check in with your Call and Your Location. If the letter after the number in your call is:

- A through J; Alpha through Juliet
- K through T; Kilo through Tango
- U through Z; Uniform through Zulu.
- Finally, anyone else who hasn't checked in and you do not have traffic for the net, please call now. This is KB9ORN with the Dane and Iowa County ARES net.

General check-ins without traffic

	Time	Call	First Name		Time	Call	First Name
1				11			
2				12			
3				13			
4				14			
5				15			
6				16			
7				17			
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We will now begin the traffic portion of tonight's net.

Before you give your traffic please alert us which form we should use if this is NTS Traffic or that this is local informational traffic.

[Poll each station with traffic to give their traffic. Don't forget to identify as KB9ORN every 10 minutes. As net control, you should give your traffic last, so as not to take a traffic opportunity from others. Make sure to give everyone a chance to ask questions from the person giving traffic, perhaps allowing the traffic originator to temporarily take net control. Clearly indicate if you do this.]

Traffic/Topic

Call Sign	Subject/Notes

[Continue on a blank page if needed. Ask for any late check-ins and/or additional traffic, updating the above check-in lists as needed.]



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This closes the formal part of the net.

[Pick one of the next two paragraphs (A or B), same as on page 1]

A. We will now do a roll-call of check-ins for an informal second go around for any items that you wish to share with the group. You do not have to participate when your name is called.

[Poll all stations except those "in and out". Don't forget the stations with traffic.]

B. We will now have a review of: _____. I will officially close this net, and then that review will begin.

[Officially close the net (below) and then pass net control duties to whoever will handle the review.]

We had _____ check-ins tonight, _____ with traffic. Thanks to everyone for checking in. We also give our thanks to MARA for providing and maintaining the repeaters that we use for our operations, routine and emergency. We are regular users of this repeater. I encourage you to either join or donate to MARA. In addition to the repeaters MARA provides space in their web server for our new website. It is only through memberships, donations and their hamfest that keeps this repeater - repeating. Please visit the MARA website at w9hsy.org for more information.

Be sure to visit our website, now kb9orn.org for announcements, meeting information, and documents.

This is KB9ORN, personal call: _____, signing off. 73.

[The Check-in list must be sent to Steve Geraths at the conclusion of the net]