



TRYON Amateur Radio Club

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ARES / RACES Net Script

Opening the Net:

- Approximately at 18:55hrs local time, make an announcement that “**The Tryon ARC ARES / RACES Drill will begin in 5 mins, anyone wishing to use the repeater should conclude their transmissions by 19:00hrs.**” You can also make a similar announcement at 1 minute prior to the net.

Activating the Net:

- At 19:00hrs – “**CQ, CQ, CQ, All Amateur Radio Operators. The Tryon Amateur Radio Club ARES / RACES Net is about to begin. Is there anyone holding Emergency or Priority traffic, please call now.**” (Listen for any calls.)
- “**Calling together this session of the combined Tryon Amateur Radio Club & Fulton County Amateur Radio Emergency Service and Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service Net.**” (drop PTT)
- “**This is (your call sign), (your call sign phonetically). I will be your Net Control Station for this evenings session of the Tryon Amateur Radio Club ARES / RACES Net for (today’s date). This net meets on Tuesday evenings at 19:00hrs local time through the facilities of the K2JJI repeater system operating on 146.70 MHz, with a tone of 100Hz.**” (drop PTT)
- “**During times of declared disasters or emergencies, or during official training and exercise sessions, RACES communications are conducted on behalf of the NY State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Service, Office of Emergency Management in the Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service, and or by local government and are considered as official governmental communications. By the authority of the Federal Communications Commission, the Directors of the New York State and Fulton County Emergency Management Offices, and the Tryon Amateur Radio Club, this is a directed net and is conducted for the purpose of a ARES and RACES training drill.**” (drop PTT)
- **(Optional)** “**When checking into this net please use the Hesitation Method. This 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 first name. If at any time you have a question for Net Control, please break in by saying “Query”. If at any point during the net you have timely information, please break in by saying “Info”. If you do break into the Net with the words “Query” or “Info”, stand by and wait for net control to acknowledge you before doing anything else within the net.**” (drop PTT)

- “You do not need to be a member of ARES or RACES or the Tryon Amateur Radio Club to check into this net. All Hams are welcome and we encourage everyone to participate. We ask that you please do not leave the net unless you notify Net Control and are given permission to secure your station. Please Stand By.”
- “Before I begin check-ins, I am looking for anyone who will volunteer to be Assistant Net Control (ANC) for this evening? If so, I would ask that you copy a list of check-ins with me for accuracy and be on-hand for any abnormal events that may take place during the drill. At this time, is there anyone willing to act as Asst. Net Control tonight? (drop PTT) (If you do not get an ANC, just proceed). (If you do get someone to volunteer, make an announcement that “(insert call sign) will be my Assistant Net Control this evening, thank you (ANC call sign). Everyone, Please Stand By”

Accepting Check-Ins:

- “Anyone with Emergency or Priority Traffic, please call now” (drop PTT) (If there is no traffic, proceed, if there is traffic, do what you can to get the message passed)
- “Are there any stations that need to be released from the net immediately?” (drop PTT)
- “Are there any mobile or portable stations wishing to check in, please call now” (drop PTT)
- “Are there any stations with Routine Traffic or Announcements, please call now?” (drop PTT)
- “All other stations, please call now” (drop PTT) *** You have the option here to use a list to call for check-ins.

Acknowledge the Check-Ins:

- Read back the stations that have checked in phonetically by saying the following:
- “This is (call sign), I roger the following check-ins: (read list of call signs phonetically)”
- “Are there any corrections, relays or additional check-ins, please call now”

Traffic or Announcements:

- You can give permission to any stations that have traffic or announcements, if more than one, call them one at a time. Act as if you are a traffic cop.
- Now go to the top of the list and ask for comments. Every 3 or 4 comments, check for any late check-ins.

Closing the Net:

- “Are there any final stations wishing to check into the Tryon ARC RACES Net, please call now.” (drop PTT)
- “Are there any final comments or questions for the net, please call now.” (drop PTT)
- Confirm total of check-ins with ANCS if applicable.
- (If there is no further activity, proceed).
- “This is (your call sign), for the Tryon Amateur Radio Club and net control for this session of the Fulton County ARES / RACES Net. I thank all of the stations that checked in tonight and appreciate your participation and support for this net. I also thank those stations that stood by while the net was in operation. Everyone's help in maintaining this net is greatly appreciated by one and all”. (drop PTT) Fulton County ARES Emergency Coordinator is Steve Kuck K2ALS and Net Manager for this net is John Savage KC2NAS. For information on this net or the TRYON Amateur Radio Club, please visit our website at www.k2jji.org. (drop PTT) “By the authority of the Federal Communications Commission, the Director of the NY State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Service, Office of Emergency Management and the Tryon Amateur Radio Club, all stations may now secure. This net is now secure at (local time). This is (your call sign) returning the repeater to its normal amateur operation. Good evening everyone, OUT”