

Cumberland Valley Amateur Radio Club—Sunday Night Net Script

This script is arranged in two columns. The left column is the actual script to be followed; the right column is comments or guidelines for the Net Control Station.

While improvisation is allowed (and perhaps sometimes necessary) on this Sunday Night Net, it is requested that the Net Control Station operator be sure to cover all these items in the order given. Pay attention to the time-flow of the net so that you can identify your NCS station within the regulatory guidelines of every 10 minutes.

Sunday Night Net Script

This is a QST...Welcome to the Cumberland Valley Amateur Radio Club's Sunday Night Net. This Net is held every Sunday at 2100 hours (9 pm) Eastern time, on the 147.120 W3ACH repeater.

Comments, Suggestions, & Hints for the NCS

This is the opening comment to the net. The net starts at 9:00 local time (Eastern Time Zone). If there is an ongoing QSO on the net frequency at this time, politely interrupt and request

Pause.

This means un-key the mike and allow the repeater to drop its signal. There is a 3-minute timeout on the repeater. These pauses also enforce a more measured pace to the net's operation.

The CVARC Sunday Night Net is a directed Net, activated for the purposes of:

- **Promoting fellowship among the Amateurs located in the coverage area of this repeater,**
- **Providing an opportunity for everyone to test their equipment and Net operating skills, and**
- **The dissemination of bulletins and NTS traffic.**

Any station with emergency traffic may break in at anytime during this Net.

Pause.

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Your Net Control for this evening is [callsign], my name is [name], and I am operating from [location].

Substitute appropriately for the tags:

[callsign]
[name]
[location]

Are there any stations with National Traffic System traffic to be listed for the Net?

Pause.

If there is a station with NTS traffic:

1. Find out the destination city—where the traffic is going
2. Inquire on the Net if there is any station willing to handle this traffic
3. If a station is found that is willing to handle the traffic, have both standby until the end of the Net to handle the traffic.
4. If no station is found that will handle the traffic, make another announcement at the end of the Net

Are there any stations with announcements for the Net?

Pause.

If there are any announcements, handle them in the order the station makes the fact known.

When the reporting stations have completed their announcements, repeat this question one last time.

Pause.

The Cumberland Valley Amateur Radio Club meets regularly on the third Thursday evening of each month. The meetings start at 7:30, and are held at the Chambersburg Hospital, Lecture Room C. Our meetings are open to anyone, you do not need to be a Club Member to attend, and we look forward to seeing all of you there.

Details of the upcoming meeting or activity announcement may be emailed to you, or found on the club's website www.w3ach.org. If you have such additional announcement, include the details as part of this portion of the net's script.

Pause.

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Are there any mobile operators who would like to check in at this time?

If there are any mobile check-ins, handle them in the order they check in.

When the mobile stations have completed their comments to the net, repeat this question one last time.

Pause.

Are there any operators who are on emergency power, including handheld radios?

If there are any emergency power check-ins, handle them in the order they check in.

When the emergency power stations have completed their comments to the net, repeat this question one last time.

Pause.

This is [callsign], Net Control. We will now begin the regular check in portion of the Net. All check ins are by callsign suffix, and at the end of the Net, we will standby for general check-ins.

Substitute appropriately for the tag:

[callsign]

The commonly used suffix ranges are:

A to E (Alpha to Echo)
F to L (Foxtrot to Lima)
M to P (Mike to Papa)
Q to U (Quebec to Uniform)
V to Z (Victor to Zulu)

Each week starts with a different suffix range—check the web page www.w3ach.org/NetInfo for the schedule.

Pause.

I will now take check-ins from the callsign suffix range of [suffix range].

Substitute appropriately for the tag:

[suffix range]

Handle check-ins for this suffix range until all have been given opportunity. Then repeat this step for each of the remaining suffix ranges.

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This is, [callsign], Net Control. We will now standby for any new check ins in any suffix range: A-Alpha to Z-Zulu.

Substitute appropriately for the tag:

[callsign]

Handle check-ins for this suffix range until all have been given opportunity. When there are no more, move on to the final activities of the net.

Pause.

Would anyone like to make contact with someone on the Net?

For each contact desired, check to see that the station to be contacted is still on the Net. If so, verify that they copied the contact request and will be standing-by after the Net.

Pause. If there are no NTS messages to be passed, skip this next step.

The CVARC Sunday Night Net has NTS traffic for [town names]. Are there any stations who would be willing to handle this traffic?

From your notes, substitute the names of towns where traffic is to be delivered:

[town names]

Have the station(s) with traffic pass message directly to the volunteer handler. Conclude this segment by thanking the stations that brought the NTS traffic to our net.

Pause.

One last call for new or late check-ins for the Net

Handle last-minute check-ins until all have been given opportunity.

Pause.

At this time, we will now close the CVARC Sunday Night Net. We would like to thank all Amateurs who participated in the Net this evening. This Net will return next Sunday at 2100 hours (9 pm) Eastern time.

Pause.

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If you would like more information about the Cumberland Valley Amateur Radio Club, the sponsor of the W3ACH repeater, please visit our Web site at www.w3ach.org. Or you can write to us at Post Office Box 121, Chambersburg PA 17201.

This is, [callsign], Net Control, returning the W3ACH repeater to normal Amateur use. 73 and good evening to every one.

Pause.

Substitute appropriately for the tag:
[callsign]

End of Script