Ham 26 – QST Net Control

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(People may be checking in via Allstarlink or via radio through the repeater)

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This is (Your Name), KI5XXX and I will be the Net control operator for the Evergreen Communications Group Net this evening.

(Tonight there may be severe weather in the area, therefore I would suggest that everyone connect through Allstarlink to KI5UNR-R. If you are using your radio, I would assume that you have proper lightning protection installed.)

We will give some basic instructions to help understanding and keep everything orderly.

- 1. (One) Everyone should be connected to KI5UNR-R or the repeater frequency for this net. Because we are using the –R node, please keep in mind that when you transmit through Allstarlink, you are physically transmitting on the Evergreen repeater.
- 2. (Two) This is a directed net and all calls will be directed to net control. If you desire to talk directly to another member of the net, simply call net control and ask permission to do so. At the end of your third party discussion, comment "Back to net control" and your call sign.
- 3. (Three) Please remember that when connected over Allstar to press the PTT, wait 1-2 seconds before speaking, say your callsign/discussion, and then wait 1-2 seconds and release the PTT button. This gives the repeater time to key up and down, otherwise the beginning and end of your message will get cut off.

We will give you key words to indicate where we are and what is happening next.

Traffic: Traffic simply means any communications of interest to the group.

Is there anyone holding Emergency traffic? Please call now. KI5XXX (React as appropriate to the stated emergency traffic and continue the net after the Emergency is over.)

(Note to controller: A long wait is not necessary. If it is a true emergency, they are ready to call. About a three or four count is all that is needed.)

Is there anyone holding NTS traffic? Please call now, KI5XXX (If someone states that they do have NTS traffic, ask if there is anyone capable of handling that traffic. State that we will wait to the end of the net to allow the two parties to transfer that traffic.)

Hearing none, if an Emergency develops during the net, use the break tag "Emergency" and we will stop the net to assist you in any way possible.

<u>Purpose</u>: The purpose of this net is to practice our amateur radio skills, and to test our equipment, as well as to communicate information concerning the amateur radio hobby, Evergreen Communications Group, or any other traffic of an interesting nature to the group.

<u>Check-ins</u>: Check-ins are calls from anyone listening. Please call with your call sign, name, and whether or not you have traffic for the net.

Make your call slowly and distinctly, providing your call sign, then your call sign phonetically to allow the net controller time to write it down. Simply state "no traffic" or "with traffic". As an example, Net control, please check in K5CAY, Kilo 5 Charlie Alpha Yankee, Dan, no traffic Please remember that all information passed is hearable by the general amateur public.

First, we will check in the general membership followed by any newly licensed hams or first-time check-ins. Doing in this order will give the first-time check-ins a sample of check-in procedures.

General membership, please call now, KI5XXX.

There will be "doubles" and you may miss some call signs, you can catch them.

After about 10 check-ins,

- 1. "We will take a brief pause on check-ins. First, we will take traffic, then I will repeat list of those I heard check in. If I missed you please call back again.
- 2. Call each station back. To encourage conversation, make ask an open-ended question about them to get talking.
- 3. Continue check-ins.

Newly licensed hams or first-time check-ins, please call now. KI5XXX

Check-ins and discussions.

Other information as necessary. After the discussions are complete, make a "last call" for check-ins.

Last call for check-ins to the Evergreen Communications Group net. Please call now. KI5XXX

If there are no other check-ins, we will close tonight's net .

Thanks to everyone who has checked in to the net tonight. We ask for God's Blessing for you and your family. Have a good evening, and we will talk to you again on our scheduled net next Monday.

I am returning this frequency back to normal amateur use. 73 from KI5XXX and the Evergreen Communications Group.

