

**Ham 47E – ASL User: Made Simple**  
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1. Welcome to the EGC linked NET.
2. The Net runs on Monday night at 7PM.
  - a. Connect early.
  - b. Invariably someone has a challenge getting connected each week.
3. Call-in using one of the methods with which you have the equipment and know sort-of how to use.
  - a. If you are using a radio, connect to the VHF repeater on 145.250, negative offset, PL 141.3.
  - b. If you are using an AllStarLink node, connect to 584801.
4. Notice: We have a permanent home. It is unnecessary to find the net controller in order to connect.
5. This is the inauguration of a linked system using radios, handi-talkies, AllStarLink, and phones.
6. It is transparent.
  - a. Nothing else changes.
  - b. Use choice of device to connect.
  - c. Use your normal technique and skills to communicate.
  - d. All systems are converted to digital on a Raspberry Pi in a little orange printed case, setting at the repeater.
  - e. The app is AllStarLink.
  - f. Then you are talking to anyone connected, regardless of device.
  - g. It is that simple for the user.
7. Why do we do a Net?
  - a. To test our equipment, to check communications with others, and to develop skills.
  - b. To develop emergency communications, before they are needed.
  - c. Not all emergencies are the same. So, the ability to use many options and tools becomes necessary.
8. For communications to occur in an emergency or just to visit, consider leaving your device of choice on.
  - a. Myself and others leave our radio on 24/7. Although in a separate room, I do turn volume down some at night.
  - b. I also leave on a Local / Link node as a development tool. The end device changes.
  - c. If you prefer, you can now leave EchoLink connected or an AllStarLink device.
  - d. Call someone today. We encourage use of ham equipment often. They need you. Ham takes at least two.
9. Why is this event so significant?
  - a. A year ago, the Evergreen Communications Group (ECG) was just starting.
  - b. The first class was conducted in December.
  - c. The first ham licenses were earned on December 18, 2021.
  - d. In one year, we have 71 on our list.
  - e. Some people have gone from no license to earn their Technician, General, and Extra. Awesome.
  - f. Many have excellent stations to combat our difficult conditions, terrain, and interference.
  - g. The group has a repeater, open to anyone of similar interests.
  - h. Now, with the link system, anyone can communicate from anywhere to the group.
  - i. Further, you can communicate to anywhere to anyone with ham equipment.
  - j. What a difference a year makes. What a difference.
10. Life is good. Enjoy!

