

Arcata Emergency VHF Net Preamble

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This is (name), (callsign), Net Control for tonight's Arcata Emergency VHF Net.

This net meets every **Monday** night at **1900** hours on **146.430** MHz simplex.

The weekly bulletin is transmitted digitally at 1845 on 3.581MHz MFSK & at 1855 on 146.460MHz MT63.

Everyone listening is encouraged to check in and participate in tonight's net. Also, everyone is encouraged to be Net Control in the future.

- 1- Is there any **emergency** or **priority traffic** for the net?
- 2- **Announcements** - Transmit the weekly bulletin. Ask if there are any additional announcements.
- 3- If you need to **break in** with **emergency** traffic, a **relay**, **information** or a **question** feel free to break in with your **callsign**.
- 4- Are there any **mobile stations** wishing to check in?
- 5- Stations operating on emergency or alternative power please indicate so at check-in.
- 6- Here is the current roster as I have it.....(call the roster)
- 7- Any **late** or **missed** stations?
- 8- Any **visitors**? Ask visitors if they would like to be added to roster!
- 9- **Last call** for late, missed or visiting stations.
- 10-The UHF net starts at 1915 hours on 444.400 repeater.
- 11-Hearing none, this is (name), (callsign) **closing** the Monday night Arcata Emergency VHF Net and **releasing this frequency** to regular Amateur use.

Move to a FWRA repeater link at 1930 to report totals to the DEC

Rosters/Preambles at <https://www.humboldt-arc.org/nets/ncs/>
Please send roster updates to w6zzk@humboldt-arc.org

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You are encouraged to print page one of this preamble & the roster for easy reference as you call this net. Please add date to roster for each week. If you note a station no longer checks in for more than 4 weeks running please line out that station and send an update to w6zzk@humboldt-arc.org. This keeps the roster fresh and wastes less time waiting for hams who aren't able to participate. If missing hams start checking in, add them back to the roster and email w6zzk the update.

Mix up the roster, perhaps start from the bottom and work up on odd or even days.

It might be necessary to ask for a RELAY station to cover any areas covered by this net that you have difficulty hearing. Ask that station to make a RELAY call for stations that might not hear NCS or NCS does not hear at the end of the roster. This doesn't apply for repeater nets.

If you do not have the weekly bulletin for the week, designate a station that does have it available to transmit. We do try to update the HARC website as fast as possible and it may be available here <https://www.humboldt-arc.org/all-posts/>. If there were additional announcements that weren't on the weekly bulletin make sure to note them and pass them along to DEC or the next net. Sometimes we get busy and forgot to pass along important information so this is how we get the word out to the broader ham participants.

Net time is typically short, so mind how long you pause for check-ins. 3-4 seconds is typical. If a station missed their chance, you can pick them up after the roster with your announcement for **any late or missed**. Mind the time as there are other nets immediately following this net.

