PALS Net Preamble

Good evening everyone, this is (Your Callsign) now calling the PALMETTO AMATEUR LINK SYSTEM, P.A.L.S. Net into session. The purpose of this net is to handle traffic into and out of the coverage area. This net meets nightly at 9:30 P.M.local time but may be superseded by Sky-warn in the event of inclement weather, or by any other emergency. All Licensed amateurs are invited and encouraged to participate in this net. You may also check us out on the web at www.palsnet.com to find out how you can become a supporter, member or for repeater information.

(Only use the below format for the first few months until people are used to it. Then use it sporadically thereafter for new stations joining the net for the first time.)

Tonight's Net format will be Check for Emergency Traffic, Check for Normal Traffic, Announcement or Bulletins, Echolink Check-ins, Mobile and Short time check-ins, followed by regular rollcall in groups based on the first letter of your callsign suffix.

Is there any Emergency or Priority Traffic for the Net, if so, please callNet Control, now

(Handle Emergency or Priority Traffic first, then move ahead to regular traffic.)

At-this-time do we have any liaison stations or stations wishing to list Traffic, Announcements, or Bulletins? If so, please call net control.

(If you have Traffic Announcements or Bulletins use the following:)

This is Net Control acknowledging (Their Callsign) with (Traffic, or an Announcement or a Bulletin).

I have traffic listed for (location of Traffic). Do we have anyone that can handle this traffic if so please call (Your Callsign). (Run the Traffic, then thank the stations for bringing the Traffic and for taking it).

(Then run Bulletins, and/or Announcements, and thank the stations for bringing the Bulletins or Announcements.)

(If you have no Traffic, Announcements or Bulletins simply say) "Hearing none we will go to Echolink stations."

This is (your Callsign) now calling for Echolink stations only. Echolink stations please call (Your Callsign) at-this-time.

(Due to the long turn around delays built into Echolink, please allow at least10 seconds for the Echolink stations to reply. There will probably be at least 5 seconds between Echolink stations due to this delay.)

(List calls and read them back. Call for Echolink stations twice, then move-on)

This is (Your Callsign) now calling for mobile or short time stations. When checking in, please call net control, let the repeater drop to avoid doubling with another station, then give your call sign phonetically, your name, and your QTH. Please speak clearly and slowly so that I can copy.

(List calls and read them back. Call for Mobile and Short Time Stations twice, then move on.)

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This is (Your Callsign) Net Control. We will now begin regular roll call. Rollcall is called in alphabetical order, based on the first letter of your suffix. When checking in, please call net control, let the repeater drop to avoid doubling with another station, then give your call sign phonetically, your name, and your QTH.

This being (Weeknight) night we will start with the (whatever) group. Please call net control and speak clearly and slowly so that I may copy.

(NET CONTROL INFORMATION ONLY)

Net format is as follows by night of the week, starting with:

Sat. & Sun. A-D Mon. E-H Tue. I-L Wed. M- P Thur. Q-T Fri. U-Z

(FOR NET CONTROL INFORMATION ONLY: If you hear an Echolink station sign on after the Echolink check-ins at the beginning of the net, ask for any new Echolink check ins after you have finished a group.)

(FOR NET CONTROL INFORMATION ONLY: Acknowledge any request for informal contacts but ask Requestor to wait until AFTER the Net report has been given and the Net has been closed to begin their informal QSO.)

(Emergencies, Net related comments, and requests for fills will always be handled as the need arises.)

(Take check-ins and acknowledge. Thank them, call each group twice, then move on.)

This is (Your Callsign) now calling for any late stations. All stations A-Z please all net control now. (Run late stations)

This is (your Callsign) now calling for Echolink stations only. Echolink stations please call net control atthis-time.

(List calls and read them back)

Does anyone have any comments or anything for the good or welfare of this Net,if so call Net control.

(If possible, pass your Net report now or hold as Traffic for the next available night.)

This is (Your Callsign) Net Control thanking everyone for participating inmaking this your net possible. We invite you to come back tomorrow night when the Palmetto Amateur Linking System net will be called back into session. 73's everyone this is (Your Callsign) now clear and returning the system back to regular amateuruse.

(Do not forget about informal QSO's, if you had any listed and tell them to go ahead)