Pre-net preparation

Net Control Station should have a Net Log and several ARRL Radiogram Forms on hand and a list of anticipated attendees

If repeater is not functional, go to 147.21 simplex and make announcement that the Traffic Net will be held on 146.52 MHz simplex at 3 minute intervals starting at 10 minutes before NET start.

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Five minutes before the net is scheduled to begin, ask if anyone needs to use the repeater, and if so, let them do so. At scheduled starting, open the net with the preamble.

Is this frequency in use? This is (*callsign*) .

Pause

This is (callsign)   I will be Net Control Operator for the Wet Mountain Valley Traffic & Information Net. The net will begin in approximately FIVE minutes. If you need to use this repeater to make a quick call prior to the net, please do so now. Net control standing by.

One minute before net

This is (call sign) the Wet Mountain Valley Traffic & Information Net will begin in approximately ONE minute.

NET Preamble

Welcome to the Wet Mountain Valley Traffic Net. My name is (your name) , my callsign is (callsign) , and I am net control. This net is an affiliate of Sangre de Cristo Amateur Radio Club Emergency Preparedness Training efforts and is a local affiliate of the ARRL's National Traffic System.

Is there a back-up Net Controller Station available? If so please contact Net Control now

Pause to listen for back-up NCS to id. If somebody ID's as back-up acknowledge. If the assign backup NCS doesn't ID, ask for a volunteer.

Net Control acknowledges (back-up NCS callsign) is back-up net control station.

Our purposes are to move traffic into and out of the Wet Mountain Valley area through the National Traffic System, to provide training for stations interested in traffic handling and to practice radio procedures used in emergencies.

We welcome all licensed stations to participate.

This is a directed net. Please do not transmit unless asked to do so by net control or during any check-in period announced by net control. We ask that you use ITU phonetics and please ID at the end of all transmissions.

Stations that need to check out of the net should do so by rechecking with net control, indicating their need to secure and what should be done with any listed traffic.

Stations with emergency or priority traffic may enter the net at any time using the prosign BREAK, followed by their callsign.

Are there any stations with emergency, priority, welfare, or time sensitive traffic?

Pause for any stations with emergency or priority traffic.

(If any Emergency, Priority, Welfare or time sensitive traffic, call for stations to handle before proceeding)

Stations with traffic check-ins

Take a list of check-ins from stations wishing to list traffic with the net, asking for names and call signs using ITU phonetics only for call signs.

Net Control will now call for stations with traffic. Any stations wishing to list traffic with the net, please check-in now by giving your callsign using ITU phonetics, your name and indicate the geographical destination of your traffic.

Any stations holding traffic, please come now.

The station holding traffic is called the "LISTING OPERATOR". Make note of each geographical destinations announced from those listing traffic

General check-ins

I will now take general check-ins. Any stations wishing to participate in the net, please check-in now by giving your callsign using ITU phonetics only and your name.

*If no traffic is listed, proceed to **Bulletins, Announcements, and Training Questions***

Traffic Handling

Identify those who can help relay traffic to each geographic location by asking who can handle traffic going to each geographic location listed.

I will now identify those stations that can relay the listed traffic

Who can take (call sign)'s   traffic to   (destination) ? Please come now with your call sign phonetically.

Pause and wait for response. Then acknowledge those you agree to take traffic.

I acknowledge (call sign) can take traffic for (destination) .

Repeat the preceding request and response for each listed destination.

It is possible that no one is available to help for some destinations. Just acknowledge that nobody has been identified for those destinations.

Relaying Traffic

*For each traffic item for which a relay operator has been identified, have the **RELAY operator** contact the **LISTING operator** by saying…..*

(Relay Operator name), (relay operating call sign) , please call traffic holder name, traffic holder call sign, and pick up his one traffic to destination A .

Late Check-ins

Are there any late check-ins? Late check-ins either with or without traffic, please check-in now by giving your callsign using ITU phonetics only, your name and indicate if you are holding traffic.

Pause and wait for any stations that wish to respond

Bulletins, announcements, and training questions

Are there any stations who would like to give bulletins or announcements, or wish to ask any training questions regarding traffic handling or directed net operations?

Pause and wait for any stations that wish to respond

Postamble

That will conclude this session of the Wet Mountain Valley Net. All stations are invited to call us on the air following the net if you have any questions.

There were _____ check-ins and _____ messages handled.

The next Wet Mountain Valley Traffic Net will be Monday, (month) the (date) at (time in 24 hr. format)

You can find out more information about this net and how to contact the net managers and ARRL Section Traffic Manager by visiting our website at www.WMVEmComm.org.

Does anyone have any questions or need any fills?

Pause for any stations requesting fills. A fill request is a request for a missing portion of a message. When a receiving station doesn't receive a complete message, or if the word count/check number doesn't match, it will ask for a "fill" to complete the message. This can involve repeating the entire message or specifically requesting the missing portion.

I would like to thank all stations for their participation, and thanks to the Sangre de Cristo Amateur Radio Club for the use of repeater, N0SDC. This is (callsign) closing the net at (24-hour format time)   and returning this frequency to normal amateur radio use.

Record the number of minutes the net was in session, the number of check-ins (including yourself) and the number of messages passed and send the Net Manager or Asst. Net Manager your net report within 48 hours after the net.