

Pinellas County ACS / ARES / Skywarn Net Protocol

CQ, CQ... Calling all Amateurs... This is the Pinellas County ACS / ARES / SKYWARN, Training and Information Net.

This is (*call sign*) _____ and my name is _____ and I will be your Net Control station.

Our Alternate Net Control Station is: (Make arrangements prior to the net, If possible)
(*Name*) _____, (*call sign*) _____) Ask station to acknowledge

This is a directed net. Please listen to and follow the directions of Net Control. All stations are asked to remain on frequency until released by net control. If you need to leave the net, please wait for a pause in transmissions, transmit your callsign, wait to be acknowledged and then request release.

Before we continue, is there any priority traffic for this net? If so, please call now.

To participate in this net your radio must be capable of transmitting a sub-audible tone. The W4ACS Repeater System, the 145.170 and the 443.400 can both be accessed using a P.L. Tone of 156.7 Hz. Both also transmit out the same Tone so CTCSS can be used.

The Pinellas County ACS/ARES and Skywarn Training and Information net is sponsored by the following Organizations: Pinellas County Emergency Management, the Pinellas County Auxiliary Communication Service / Pinellas County Amateur Radio Emergency Service and by the ARRL and is held on Tuesday evenings at 7:30 PM or when activated by, ACS Radio Officer/ ARES EC or his designee. Prior to this time at 7:00 PM, a net is held on 28.450 MHz +/- using USB. Please check-in there if you can. The purpose of all these nets is to bring together members of the local Amateur community for training and readiness in times of emergency.

All stations listening are cordially invited and encouraged to check in. You do not need to be a member of ACS, ARES, or SKYWARN to check into this net.

I will now take check-ins, beginning with stations whose prefixes begin with the letter A (Alpha) or the letter K (kilo) or the letter N (November). Please call now.

(Acknowledge check-ins by call sign)

I will now take check-ins, from stations whose prefixes begin with the letter W (Whiskey). Please call now.

(Acknowledge check-ins by call sign)

I will now take check-ins from stations checking in by EchoLink. Please call now.

(Acknowledge check-ins by call sign)

I will now take check-ins, from all stations. Please call now.

(Acknowledge check-ins by call sign)

Is Tim, KJ4REX our Official Bulletin Station on frequency?

(If the OBS is on frequency, let them pass the bulletins.)

Do we have A 10 Meter Net Report for this evening? If so, Reporting Station Please call now.

Staff Reports:

Call Deputy Radio Officer – Dave KA4EBX: Repeater Trustee for Report on the Repeaters.

Call on SKYWARN Coordinator – Tim KJ4REX: for SKYWARN.

(Note: Before calling on EC/RO call for additional Check-ins)

Call on EC/RO - Clayton, KJ4RUS

Do any other ARES or ACS staff members have traffic or announcements for the net? Call signs only. *(List and acknowledge calls in order)*

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Training: (Training or other activities now.)

(Note: Before calling on Training Officer call for additional Check-ins and again for those *check-ins from stations checking in by EchoLink. Please call now.*)

Call on the Training Officer **Currently Open**, : for any Training he might have for the Net.

This is _____, Net Control for the Pinellas County ACS / SKYWARN / ARES Training and Information Net.

(Note: Before proceeding, call for additional Check-ins)

If you would like to have additional information about ACS, ARES, Skywarn, or Amateur Radio in general, please go to www.pcacs.org or www.arrlwcfc.org or you can contact one of the following: *(Repeat Name & Phone # when giving the following information.)*

Tim, KJ4REX, SKYWARN Coordinator at: 727- 480-2547

Clayton, KJ4RUS, ACS Radio Officer /ARES EC 727- 215-8140

One last call for questions, comments or late check-ins before we close the net. *(Handle them, if there are any.)*

I would like to remind everyone to check in to the 550 Simplex Net every Sunday at 8 PM on 147.550 MHz. The 550 net is an informal net and is not affiliated with any Club, Group or Organization. Its purpose is to promote good will and fellowship in the Amateur radio community and to test our equipment in simplex operation for emergency communications.

Remember our Pinellas Simplex Plan is:

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Pinellas County ACS Simplex Plan “A”
All of Pinellas County is on same Freq. 146.430

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Pinellas County ACS Simplex Plan “B” & Frequencies:
North - All of Pinellas Co. North of Ulmerton Road 146.430
South - All of the Co. South of Ulmerton Road 146.470

Remember our Section ARES Nets which are on Sat. Mornings at 8:30 AM on 3.940 MHz (alt. 7281 MHz) and on Monday Evenings at 7:30 PM on the

NI4CE Repeater System. Also Don't forget the WCF Section Information Net on Sunday Evenings at 7:30 PM on the same repeaters.

I would like to thank everyone for participating in tonight's net.

Call the Net Manager (xxxxx) and PASS the NET REPORT.
(See next page for message format)

The net is now closed at _____ Local time.

This is (*Call sign*) _____, returning the frequency to normal Amateur use.

NET REPORTS

Note: USE **PLAIN** Language on **VOICE Nets** - Not Q Signals which should only be used in CW and Digital traffic.

NET REPORT FORMAL TRAFFIC FORMAT
(Standard ARRL Radiogram format)

No.# (*you assign*) Routine (Your Call sign) Check # City, FL (Date/Time)

TO: (Net Manager)

Break for text

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Check ins (number)

Bulletins (number)

Formal traffic passed, (will always be at least one)

Minutes (How long the net ran)

Break for signature

Your name and call sign.

*****SEE Next page for Message Example*****

EXAMPLE MSG:

#1 R (Your Callsign) 14 (Your City), FL 18 SEP 07 19:58 Local

TO: (Net Manager) (Callsign)

BT

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Stations 14

Bulletins None

Traffic 1

Minutes 30

BT

(your First name),(Your Callsign)

Any questions, Contact Clayton, KJ4RUS at clayton_parrott@yahoo.com

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