

ROAD AND WEATHER NET-
GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION SHEET

WHAT DO I SAY AND WHEN DO I SAY IT?

You are net control so as such, you are in charge and can operate about anyway you wish (within reason) as long as you do not violate any laws. We have found, however, that the following “script” seems to help those who are a bit shy. Feel free to improvise as you see fit.

“This is (*your call*), acting as net control for the Kern County Road and Weather net. My name is (*your name*), and I am located in (*your location*). This is an informal net conducted by the members and friends of the Kern County Central Valley Amateur Radio Club. I will be monitoring the following W6LIE repeaters: The Road and Weather Net is held on the Breckenridge Mountain repeater 145.150, negative offset down 600, tone 100 hertz, linked to the Grapevine Peak repeater 146.910, negative offset down 600, tone 100 hertz.. The purpose of this net is to relay information that would be of value to the traveling amateur operator. We are also here to assist in the event of any emergency. Does anyone have any traffic, weather or emergency conditions to report, please come now. (*If no response*) This is (*your call*) monitoring.”

DO YOU HAVE ANY HINTS?

Yes we do, we have found the following to be helpful:

1. Remind people of the net every 10 to 15 minutes if radio traffic is slow.
2. **Keep careful notes**, as the information may be very important later in the day when some one else takes over for you.
3. Be friendly! Many people are bored and/or sleepy and they just want to chat.
4. Allow routine traffic on our repeaters, but remind the users that a net is in progress and to leave space for people to break in with road, weather or emergency information. Everyone is usually very cooperative.
5. Most of all have some fun! You are doing a great service for your club and your community.
6. **Have ready access to a phone!** An emergency is not the time to run from room to room looking for the phone. A computer and police scanner are also handy!

WHAT IF I HAVE A PROBLEM?

If you have a problem do not hesitate to call one of the following:

Neal (N6YGG) 831-6027

Larry (KF6JOQ) 834-3204

Randy (KC6ZRF) 833-1438

If you cannot make your time slot, try to find someone to cover for you. Failing that, call one of the previously listed committee members for advice.

The final attachment is a list of frequencies and important **PHONE NUMBERS**, keep it handy! If you think there is an important number that should be listed, please advise one of the committee members. Good luck!