Clay County ARES Weekly Net Preamble

(Updated 02 NOV 2021)

(Approx. 5 minutes prior to the start of the net, the Net Control and Backup Net Control stations should make attempt to communicate with each other to make sure that both stations are prepared for the net and perform a radio check.)

Attention all stations. This is KI4UWC, Net Control for the weekly **Clay County ARES Training and Traffic Net**.

My personal call is______, and I am located near______

The net condition is at:

- **No Leve**l (DEFAULT CONDITION) Note: ARES will be notified by County or State EOC for what level to announce
- Level 1 Full Scale Activation of State Emergency Response Team
- Level 2 Partial Activation of State Emergency Response Team
- Level 3 Monitoring Activation Only Level 3 is typically a "monitoring" phase

Before we begin, <u>(Backup Net Control Call Sign)</u>, are you on frequency? (If no backup, ask for a volunteer)

This is KI4UWC, Is there any station with **emergency** or **priority** traffic, your call sign please?

The Clay County ARES Net meets every Sunday evening at 1930 local time on the Sleepy Hollow repeater. The backup repeater in Clay County is the Orange Park repeater.

The net is also accessible on EchoLink node KI4UWC-R, node number 465626. When checking in via Echolink, please key your PTT and give your call-sign TWICE to ensure you are heard by net control.

The purpose of this net is to increase the readiness of local amateurs and their equipment in the event of a communications emergency, provide a gateway to the National Traffic System, and broadcast information of interest to the amateur community. This is a directed net; all communications must be directed by Net Control. All stations are encouraged to check in with us and pass traffic.

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The use of correct ITU phonetics and adhering to normal net procedures is encouraged. When checking in please speak slowly and give your call sign phonetically ONCE and ONCE ONLY, to ensure your call is correctly acknowledged by Net Control. When checking in to the net, advise Net Control if you have any <u>ARES-related</u> traffic, comments, or announcements. It will not be necessary to advise net control that you have "NO TRAFFIC". Announcements, comments and traffic will be handled after check-ins are complete.

This is KI4UWC, we will now take check-ins from ARRL officials. Please provide status reports if applicable:

- Clay County Emergency Coordinator (K4AWG Adrian Gray)
- Assistant Clay County Emergency Coordinators your call sign please?
- Clay County ARES Board Members your call sign please?
- Clay County ARES Support Staff your call sign please?
- Additional ARES EC's, AEC's your call sign please?
- Liaison Stations for any agency (Red Cross, Utilities) your call sign please?

This is KI4UWC, continuing with regular check---ins:

- Mobile or Portable stations only your call sign please?
- Stations Alpha through Golf your call sign please?
- Stations Hotel through Oscar your call sign please?
- Stations Papa through Zulu your call sign please?
- EchoLink Stations your call sign please?

We will now allow a <u>five-second</u> drop of the repeater. Stations may check in via Simplex and additional stations not acknowledged by Net Control.

This is KI4UWC, do any stations have any relays for the net – your call sign please?

(Handle any announcements, comments or traffic that were noted during check- in starting with the Emergency Coordinator if he has any announcements/comments)

(If there is training for the net, turn over to the person doing training at this point.)

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Is there any further **ARES-related** business for the net before we close?

This will conclude the business for The Clay County ARES Sunday night net. I would like to thank everyone for checking in with us tonight.

If you are not currently a member of Clay County ARES, and are interested in becoming a member, please go to our web site at <u>www.clayares.org</u> and click on the 'Join Our Team' button on the right side of the screen.

Following this net, please refrain from transmitting until Net Control has concluded communication with Backup Net Control.

This is KI4UWC, securing the net at _____(time), and returning the frequency to normal amateur use.

This is _____(Your call sign), OUT.

*** Call the backup net control and confirm the numbers for the net, and submit your net report as soon as possible after the net at www.clayares.org, using the Clay County ARES – Net Control Online Form.