

W9DUP Weekly Net Preamble

*** (Net Control Operators NOTE: There are times when last minute changes are made to the preamble, so if possible, please download the net preamble for YOUR net on the DAY of the net. This will insure that you have the most up-to-date version.)

Also, Sunday night net control operators and "Lunch Bunch" net control operators, please allow several breaks for IRLP or Echo-link check-ins.

Attention all amateurs, This is DuPage Amateur Radio Club Station W9DUP, calling to order the weekly net. DARC is an ARRL Special Service Club dedicated to the advancement of Amateur Radio.

This net meets every Sunday evening at 9:00 PM on our 2-meter and 222 MHz repeaters. The purpose of this net is to pass traffic, conduct club business and relay news of interest to DARC Members and all other amateurs. Everyone is encouraged to check in and participate in this net.

A special notice to all Amateurs that check into this net.... In the event that the DARC 2 meter repeater is inoperative for whatever reason, for the Sunday night Net, the backup system will be the DARC 440 repeater on 442.55 MHz with a 114.8 Hz PL tone.

This is a directed net. Please direct all comments and questions through the net control station. Your net control this evening is **{Your Call}**. My name is **{Your Name}** and I am located in **{Your QTH}**.

The net will consist of Check-Ins, Traffic, Swap-n-Shop, and the *Amateur Radio Newsline Report*. Please limit items listed for Swap-n-Shop to amateur radio or computer related equipment. You may state an asking price, but please don't negotiate prices during the net. Please provide your telephone number and E-mail address so that interested parties may contact you directly.

When checking in, please key-up and call W9DUP. Then unkey and wait for the repeater's courtesy reset tone before transmitting, to allow stations with priority or emergency traffic to be recognized. Then key up and give your call phonetically, name and QTH. Also indicate if you have traffic or Swap & Shop for the net.

----- Check-in Procedure -----

1. First I'll take check-ins from stations on short-time.... Short-Time Stations, Please Call W9DUP

++++++ *RECOGNIZE STATIONS WITH SHORT TIME TRAFFIC* ++++++

2. Now I'll take check-ins only from club officers, club board members or club committee chairpersons. ... Please call W9DUP

3. Next I'll take check-ins from all other stations. Check-ins are not limited to DARC members only. Any amateur radio station may check in at the appropriate time. Please remember to give your name, call sign, and location. Also indicate whether you have Traffic or Swap-n-Shop for the net. Stations with call sign suffixes beginning with **A-Alpha** through **H-Hotel**. ... Please call W9DUP.

4. Now I'll take check-ins from stations with call sign suffixes beginning **I-India** through **Q-Quebec**. ... Please call W9DUP.

5. Next I'll take check-ins from stations with call sign suffixes beginning in **R-Romeo** through **Z-Zulu**. ... Please call W9DUP.

Finally, I'll take check ins from anywhere in the alphabet, Please call W9DUP

***** (NET CONTROL, PASS TRAFFIC & SWAP & SHOP AT THIS TIME)

It has come to our attention that some hams with Baofeng HT's are having trouble programming them. Now there is an easy to use Baofeng UV-5R programming guide that uses the HT's keyboard. The guide is listed on the club's web site. Click on the Education tab & scroll to the bottom for this free programming guide.

In addition to this net we also have several other nets, to which all amateurs whether DARC members or not are welcome to check in:

“Tech Net” meets on Monday evenings at 8:00 pm but will not meet on the Monday of club meetings. This net is less formal and anyone is welcome to join for inquiries or discussion.

The “Lunch Bunch” net meets on Weekdays (Monday-Friday) at 12 NOON.

The “VHF AM Enthusiasts Net” meets on WEDNESDAY evenings at 7:30 pm. The frequency is 50.40 MHz (6-meter AM) and continues on 144.144 MHz (2-meter AM) at approx. 8:30 pm. Transmissions are Vertically polarized.

The “Astronomy Net” hosted by (SWAOG), meets on Thursday evenings at 8:30 pm. On the DARC 2 meter & 222 MHZ repeaters.

The “Slow-Scan TV Net” meets on Sunday evenings at 8:00 pm on the DARC 440 MHz machine, on 442.55 MHz with a 114.8 Hz PL.

The RTTY AUTOSTART Net, is basically an Autostart Net with “live” Radio Teletype whenever stations wish to QSO. The frequency is 145.03 MHz FM AFSK modulation, with a mark tone of 2125 Hz and a 170 Hz shift for space tone, using 5 level, 45 Baudot / 60 wpm code. Transmissions are Vertically polarized. Any questions, contact Murray / W9EHQ or John / N9HRT.

There is also a DARC application on the internet site "Facebook". If you are a Facebook user,

search for "DuPage Amateur Radio Club" and sign up there. You will be validated usually within a day. This is an open application for all interested parties.

The W9DUP Reflector is now on "Groups.io." If you would like to subscribe to this reflector, go to w9dup@groups.io and click the "Apply For Membership In This Group" button. You must be a member of the DuPage Amateur Radio Club to join.

Any DARC member wishing to act as net control operator for the Sunday night net, please contact Murray / W9EHQ for materials, scheduling or training if necessary.

The DuPage Amateur Radio Club normally holds its monthly meetings on the 4th Monday of every month, except July & December. The next club meeting will be Monday March 25th 2019. The meetings usually consist of: introductions, club business, door prize drawings, & a technical program. The technical program for the March 25th club meeting is "VHF Roving". The meeting location is the "Church of the Holy Nativity" located on 55th Street and Richmond, in Clarendon Hills, at the border of Clarendon Hills and Westmont, across and slightly West of Tracy's Tavern. Club meetings begin at approximately 7:30 PM and end no later than 10:00 PM.

The DuPage Amateur Radio Club normally holds a monthly VE session on the 1st Friday of every month, except July & January. The next REGULAR VE session will be on Friday April 5th, 2019. REGULAR VE sessions are held at the Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, located at 4501 Main St. in Downers Grove. It's located two blocks South of Ogden Ave on Main St., across from Downers Grove North High School. VE sessions begin at approximately 7:30 PM. For more information contact Don (N9IZU) at 630-964-6258.

If you would like more information about the DuPage Amateur Radio Club or any of its repeaters, the 2 meter system normally with a 107.2 Hz PL tone which is simulcast with the 222 MHz repeater on 224.68 MHz with a 110.9 Hz PL tone, or the 440 repeater on 442.55 MHz with a 114.8 Hz PL tone, please come to a meeting, contact a club member on the air, visit our World Wide Web site at www.w9dup.org, send an e-mail to info@w9dup.org, or drop us a note at: DuPage Amateur Radio Club / P.O. Box 71 / Clarendon Hills, Illinois 60514-0071

++ *Check for late check-ins* ++
++ *Amateur Radio Newsline Report* ++
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----- **Close the Net** -----

Thank you for checking into the net. We had _____ check-ins this evening. This is W9DUP, closing the net at _____ hours local time and returning the repeater to its normal standby mode. We hope to hear from you again next week at 9:00 PM, or during any of our other weekly net's. Good Evening and 73 to everyone who participated or who might be listening from **{your name and call sign}**.

Nwprmb1 2/26/19
Murray - W9EHQ