

## UMARC Weekly 2M Net

*This script is only a guideline of the general format and flow of the net. You do not need to follow it word-for-word. Brownie points for creative questions! You may want to ask a longer question depending on how busy people are or how much traffic is anticipated. Fill out the log at the end to keep track who is present and who has an announcement. Leave it in the "net" folder in the shack when finished.*

### **On the UMARC Repeater**

**15/10/5 Minutes before:** This is [W8UM or *Remote Call Sign*]. The University of Michigan Amateur Radio Club Weekly 2 Meter Net will begin in 15/10/5 minutes.

### **On any other Repeater (optional)**

**15/10/5 Minutes before:** This is [W8UM or *Remote Call Sign*]. The University of Michigan Amateur Radio Club Weekly Net will begin in 15/10/5 minutes on the W8UM Repeater which operates on 145.23 MHz., with a minus offset, and a PL tone of 100 Hz..

### **Opening Announcement**

**Net Control [NC]:** This is [W8UM or *Remote Call Sign*]. Welcome to the University of Michigan Amateur Radio Club's Weekly 2 Meter Net on the W8UM repeater. The purpose of the net is to discuss club events, gain on-air experience and to have fun. This is <NAME> <YOURCALL>.

[Pause]

**NC:** All amateur stations are welcome to participate and encouraged to check in. When checking in, give your call sign and your name. All stations should think about their answer to tonight's question when asked if they have any traffic for the net.

[Pause]

[QUESTION]

Tonight's question is:

<QUESTION>

[CHECKIN]

Any station here for the W8UM Net – Call now.

[Pause]

**STATION:** This is CALL and the name is NAME.

**NC:** Good Evening [NAME or CALL] welcome to the net.

*Record the Call and the Name on a pad of paper. This will be used to make sure each person gets at least two opportunities to talk.*

[Pause]

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[ANNOUNCEMENT]

**NC:** <ANNOUNCEMENT #{1,2,3,...}>

[Pause]

[GOTO CHECKIN or QUESTION]

*When you run out of announcements or you have four or five checkins proceed to the next phase which is to ask for traffic and an answer to tonight's question.*

[TRAFFIC]

*For each name on the checkin list go through the following sequence*

**NC:** [CALL or NAME], Do you have any traffic for the net, and an answer to tonight's question?

[REPEAT QUESTION if required]

Tonight's question is:

<QUESTION>

*Record the traffic and the answer on the pad next to the name and call.*

**STATON:** {one announcement...}, answer to the question. Station should end with "back to net control".

**NC:** Thank you [NAME or CALL]. Any station here for the W8UM Net – Call now.

[Pause]

*Add late checkins to the end of the list*

[GOTO TRAFFIC]

*After each checkin has given their traffic and an answer to the question you want to go through the list a second time to ask if anyone has questions or comments.*

[COMMENTS]

**NC:** [STATION\_1], do you have any questions or comments for the net?

**STATION\_1:** I would like to ask.....STATION\_2.....

**STATION\_2:** OK STATION\_1, the answer is .....”Back to net control”

*Some back and forth among participants is both expected and desirable. Net control can add a follow-up question or ask if there are any other questions or comments on the subject. It is up to net control to suggest that an extended discussion be continued after the net is closed. This is a delicate judgment call. We want to encourage the free flow of information, but we also want to*

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*avoid letting one or two participants monopolize the conversation. The gentleman's agreement on the net is that we all defer to the judgment of net control.*

[Pause]

**NC:** Thank you [STATION\_1]. Any station here for the W8UM Net – Call now.

[Pause]

*Add any late checkins at this point to the bottom of the list. When it is their turn you can ask for traffic, announcements, questions or comments. Don't bother asking late checkins the question.*

[GOTO COMMENTS]

[CLOSING]

**NC:** Are there any club members who would like to volunteer to be net control for next week's meeting, go ahead and call now.

[Pause]

*Repeat [CLOSING] as necessary until a volunteer steps forward. You might mention how much you have enjoyed being net control. In an extreme circumstance you might volunteer to do it yourself the following week or engage in some other negotiation.*

**NC:** This concludes the University of Michigan Amateur Radio Club's weekly 2 meter net on the W8UM repeater. The net will be held again next week at the same time, 8:00 PM. Thank you all for participating, the net is now closed and the repeater clear for normal use. This is [YOURCALL or YOURCALL from W8UM]

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