ARES District 4 Net Script

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Good Evening everyone and welcome to the South Texas District 4 ARES net. This is

TOM (name) K5BV (call)

ARES EC for ARANSAS and SAN PATRICIO COUNTIES

(position e.g. member, AEC, etc. & County)

I will be the Net Control Station for tonight's net. First, if there are any stations with priority or emergency traffic please call

K5BV (call) at this time. UN-KEY

Either say "nothing heard" or handle the traffic immediately.

All hams in all Counties are welcome to check in to this net. You do not need to be an ARES member to participate in this net.

The purpose of ARES, the Amateur Radio Emergency Service, is to furnish emergency communications via amateur radio when regular means of communications fail or become inadequate during an emergency situation. ARES is sponsored by the ARRL, and supported by area radio clubs and individual hams. The only qualifications for ARES are that you possess an amateur radio license and you have a desire to help others. For more information or off-net questions please contact one of the following by email

The Net is scheduled monthly for the First Thursday at 8 PM. This is subject to change. We are currently using the 147.060 repeater in Corpus Christi with a (+) PLUS offset and a 107.2 Hz tone.

This net is being conducted for the purpose of providing training and information related to emergency communications; to serve as a forum for discussion; and to foster fellowship among Amateur Radio operators.

Next, are there any operators who would like to make announcement or provide information related to EmComm? This is not general check-in. Please State your call now.

Tonight after Check-In We will provide some details of Hurricane Harvey development, data and statistics.

To Check-in if the frequency has been clear a second or two key the MIC and s-l-o-w-l-y give your FCC call sign using ITU phonetics spoken clearly and slowly and UNKEY. Stating your name as well will be appreciated. Writing calls down takes a moment so allow a couple of seconds. Keep checking in and calls will be reviewed for clarifications, errors and missed calls. Please check-in with **K5BV** (Call) now.

(note these actions)

- read each call back.
- ask for corrections
- ask for additional check-ins

We will ask for questions and comments after tonight Hurricane Harvey information.

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This is K5BV

Before we go down the list for comments if there any late check-ins please provide you call now.

(again note these actions)

- read each call back,
- ask for corrections

Net Control K5BV (your call) will now go down the list for comments.

- go down list of check-ins
- now have presenter give their comments)

Final call for check-ins. Additional stations for the net please check-in now with **K5BV** (your call).

(again note these actions)

- read each call back.
- ask for corrections
- ask for comments

THIS IS NET. We had XX check-ins tonight. Thank you all for joining the ARES net tonight, and thanks to the repeater owners and mountaineers for the use of these fine repeaters. I am now closing the net and returning these repeaters back to normal amateur radio use. Stations may remain on frequency to make additional QSOs.

Net Control K5BV (your call) Out.

NAME	Date <u>11-02-2017</u>
	(ENTER NET CONTROL)
	
	
	

Hurricane Harvey Information Based on October 31, 2017 NWS Presentation

On Monday October 31st I attended a presentation for the staff of Aransas Pass on Hurricane Harvey. John Metz of the Corpus Christi Weather Office made the presentation.

I found it very informative and managed to make a few notes from the very intense material heavy with graphics and videos.

Most of what was presented including text, images, graphics and videos are on the WEB site http://www.weather.gov/corpuschristi.

Tonight I will give a few things I made notes on.

- 1) In our area there were "zero" fatalities from the storm. There have been fatalities during the recovery.
- 2) This is the first Major Coastal Bend hurricane since Carla in 1961.
- 3) First US Major Hurricane since Wilma in 2005.
- 4) It appeared Harvey would fall apart in the Carribean 6 days before land fall.
- 5) Harvey went from a Tropical Depression to a Category 4 Hurricane in 40 hours.
- 6) Monday Aug. 21st was the first prediction of any Texas landfall.
- 7) Wednesdays Aug. 23rd ruminants reformed again as Tropical Depression Harvey.
- 8) Wednesday Aug. 23rd 10:00 AM was a prediction of landfall in Texas as a Tropical Storm
- 9) Thursday Aug. 24th 10:00 AM predicted to make landfall in Texas as a Major Hurricane.
- 10) 10:00 AM Wednesday predicted to be Tropical Depression 10:00 AM Thursday predicted to be Major Hurricane 06:00 PM Thursday had undergone rapid intensification
- 11) If there had been 6 hours more over water Harvey would have been a Category 5.
- 12) Inside the Eye there is relative calm.

Rockport had:

- 2-1/2 hours of high winds
- 150 MPH winds at Eye Wall
- Tornadoes just inside Eye Wall
- 1-1/2 hours relative calm then tornadoes followed by high winds.
- 13) Major Events
 - Doppler Radar indicated some 228 MPH winds on San Jose Island 1t 8:31 PM
 - Doppler Radar measured 151 MPH winds in Rockport
 - First ever Weather Balloon was launched inside Eye from Rockport Airport
 - 940 Mbars was low pressure reading. For the Inch folks 27.76" and Most Expensive
 - Record Hurricane \$198 Billion Estimated Cost for all damage from Hurricane