

## WNA Meeting June 7, 2025

The quarterly meeting of the Wisconsin Nets Association, Ltd. was called to order by NX9K at 4 PM on 7272 KHz. The purpose of the WNA was reviewed.

Roll: Chair: NX9K, Acting Secretary: KB9ROB, Treasurer: N9VC, Members-at-Large: NONE SM: ABSENT STM: K9LGU, ASTM: N9VC.

BWN: AG9G – DELEGATE -

BEN: NX9K/NM -

WSBN: AG9G/NM -

WSSN: KB9ROB/NM –

WIN/E: NONE -

WIN/L: NONE -

WARES HF: WB9WKO/NM

WARES VHF: NONE

WARES DIGITAL: NONE

VISITORS: WJ9L, KC9UC

**KB9ROB:** Minutes from the meeting of 3-8-25 have been emailed. Motion to approve minutes (K9LGU, KB9ROB) – Carried.

**NX9K, Chair** – The next quarterly meeting will be SEP 13, 2025.

**Secretary's Report** – K9LGU – No reports since last meeting

**N9VC: Treasurer's Report-** Balance \$350 has not changed. Motion to accept (AG9G, K9LGU) - Carried.

**KC9FXE: Section Manager Report** – No report this quarter

**K9LGU: Section Traffic Manager Report** –

1. Thanks to everyone who originates, takes, and delivers messages especially for some places in the section that might not have regular outlets on the nets.
2. We're very grateful to everyone who understands that when they take a message for relay or delivery it comes with an obligation to handle it in a timely fashion.
3. The net frequency is where the net control is. If the NCS shifts up or down, changes bands, or changes sidebands, just be flexible.
4. Net controls are reminded to check the frequency before the net with enough time for stations to adjust or re-tune.
5. When conditions are poor, don't hesitate to try other bands. When you can't hear any signals anywhere, make some calls and contact the net manager even via telephone if needed. Sometimes the solar storms just win.
6. Remember, the net control is boss. Always get recognized before your net contribution, even if it's a relay. Just say your call and get recognized first.
7. If a net control directs a station to handle a second-go from another station, the station assisting automatically has the frequency to ask for and respond to the comments before turning control back to the NCS.
8. To the end of May, we had 2,557 checkins to our section nets and handled 5,376 messages in 194 net sessions despite some poor propagation. Good work.

**N9VC : ASTM Report:** A moment of silence was taken in honor of former net manager and board member-at-large, Wayne Pennings, WD9FLJ, who passed away on March 28, 2025.

**N9VC : Digital Report:** The digital message board is doing fine. Records show for Jan-May a total of 26,030 messages were handled averaging 5206 per month. Thanks to all net members for good work until challenging conditions.

**BWN Report – AG9G Delegate –** The daily Badger Weather Net always meets on 3984. It runs from 5:30 to 7:15 AM . Stats for the last three months are 3290 checkins total. The net handled 4580 messages in 9590 min. (104 min. per session) Without the regular check-ins, net controls, pick-up stations and relay stations it wouldn't have been possible. The net is averaging 36 check-ins per session. K9LUK is net manager, keeps the records, maintains the BWN web site and submits the reports.

**BEN Report** NX9K/NM reported for March, April, and May check-ins of 933, traffic 817, in 1365 minutes in 92 sessions. The grand totals for this year are 1608 check-ins; 1435 messages 2317 minutes of 151 sessions. Traffic handlers are doing a great job keeping messages moving. Since WD9FLJ, a member-at large of the WNA became a silent key we need a replacement on the WNA board. Volunteers should let NX9K of their interest.

**WSBN Report** AG9G/NM – The 3-month totals for the Wisconsin Side Band Net were Stations: 1361 Traffic: 664 Time: 1973 minutes. The net averages 16 check-ins per session, 7 messages per session and 21 minutes per session. The net met all 92 scheduled sessions. Band conditions have been poor so credit goes to the net controls and those assisting. AC9F is still recovering so special thanks to WB9WKO and N9VC for filling in for Chuck on Saturdays. Everyone's participation is appreciated.

**WSSN** KB9ROB/NM – The slim Wisconsin Slow Speed Net meets daily on 3555 at 6PM. Month of May totals are as follows: 140 check ins, 46 messages passed in 336 minutes. In May, one session was missed due to storms. We hope that as the seasons change more operators will check in. Thanks to the net controls AG9G, N9VC K9LGU. Please encourage more to participate.

**WIN/E NO REPORT**

**WIN/L NO REPORT**

**ARES/RACES HF Net – WB9WKO/NM –** This net meets every Sunday at 8 AM on 3967. It usually runs less than 30 minutes and includes some message-handling practice and current ARES/RACES activities. To date, the 21 sessions have yielded 303 check-ins, 51 pieces of traffic in 566 minutes.

**ARES/RACES VHF Net – NO REPORT**

**WARES/RACES DIGITAL Net – NO REPORT**

**OLD BUSINESS – NONE**

**NEW BUSINESS –** N9VC noted that the chair will submit a potential candidate for member at large for the next meeting

**ADJOURNMENT –** (KB9ROB, AG9G) Carried. Meeting closed at 4:34 PM)