

WNA Meeting December 13, 2025

The quarterly meeting of the Wisconsin Nets Association, Ltd. was called to order by NX9K at 12:18 PM on 7268 KHz. The purpose of the WNA was reviewed.

Roll: Chair: NX9K, Acting Secretary: KB9ROB, Treasurer: N9VC, Members-at-Large: SM: KC9FXE STM: K9LGU, ASTM: N9VC.

BWN: AG9G – DELEGATE -

BEN: NX9K/NM -

WSBN: AG9G/NM -

WSSN: KB9ROB/NM –

WIN/E: NONE -

WIN/L: W9RTP/NM -

WARES HF: WB9WKO/NM

WARES VHF: NONE

WARES DIGITAL: NONE

VISITORS: WJ9L, W9CPY, KB9CBL, WB9NRK

KB9ROB: Minutes from the meeting of 9-13-25 have been emailed. Motion to approve minutes (K9LGU, KC9FXE) – Carried

NX9K, Chair - NX9K The next quarterly meeting will be MAR 7. Thanks to net controls and traffic handlers for keeping our net working well.

Secretary's Report – KB9ROB – No reports since last meeting

N9VC: Treasurer's Report- Balance \$350 has not changed. Filing with the state was done in October Motion to accept (AG9G, KB9ROB) - Carried.

KC9FXE: Section Manager Report – Jason reported a meeting with N9VC and K9LGU about expectations on the nets. As an example, he reminded net controls to be concise. He encouraged individuals to ask themselves if they could improve in this respect. Happy holidays from the Section Manager,

K9LGU: Section Traffic Manager Report –

1. Please encourage your net controls to send their net reports in a complete message –including the full preamble with a number, precedence, call, check, place of origin, and date. We're setting an example.
2. The prosign “Roger” means received. One “Roger” is enough. “Roger, roger” is a vestige of Citizen Band. “Roger” means “received.” It does not mean “Yes.” It For that, you want “Affirmative” or “Yes” or “Confirm.”
3. Remind net participants that the receiving station calls first when establishing contact with a station with traffic – both on the net and if they move off to handle traffic.
4. Net controls do not need to add long comments responding to remarks made from each station. When *you* are net control, your turn is on a subsequent net.

5. The phrase “End with your call” means your call is the last thing you say. The FCC requires identification at the end. A one-word addendum is okay, but a long speech after your call doesn't make it the last word said. So “This is K9LGU and thanks everyone for your cooperation and support of the nets and I am clear.” would be less than ideal. Just say the other stuff first and then put your call at the end.
6. Remember that numbers are introduced with the proword “figures” and said individually.
7. Yearly net totals to the end of November were promising. Check-ins: 29,232 Traffic: 58, 921 Time: 136,982 min. or 2,283 hours Sessions: 2100.

N9VC : ASTM Report: Jim noted the lack of messaging during the government shut down. Eleven month total for the board is 47,857 .At the current pace there should be over 5,000 messages passed on the digital board this month. He updated the meeting with his current health situation and offered special thanks to recent net control volunteers.

N9VC : Digital Report: The board is functioning well.

BWN Report – AG9G Delegate – The BWN is rolling along from 5:30 AM to 7:15 daily. In Sep, Oct, Nov. the net had 3,159 check-ins passing 4,548 messages in 9,719 minutes of 91 sessions. That supports an average of 35 check-ins per day filing 50 pieces of traffic in an average of 106 minutes per day. Net control slots are still covered with K9STN now assisting Tuesday mornings while N9NBC is on medical leave. The format for weather messages was explained as based on what has been typically reported to the National Weather Service. The net has been active since the 1960's.

BEN Report NX9K/NM The net is doing very well. The past quarter shows 1,082 check-ins, 702 messages passed, during 1,088 minutes of 95 sessions. Year's totals through November were 3,411 check-ins, 2,665 messages, in 4,547 minutes of 327 sessions. The nets are doing well.

WSBN Report AG9G/NM – The net has been starting at 4:50 to beat the propagation. Welcome back AC9F. Starting in January, volunteers (NX9K, N9VC, KB9CBL, K9STN, KC9FXE, and K9LGU) will rotate as NCS in the slot formerly filled by KA9BAE. Thanks to all who serve as liaison, net control, and deliver traffic around the section. For the past quarter, totals of 1427 stations, 477 messages, in 2022 minutes of 90 sessions yields an average of 16 check ins and 5 messages per 22-minute net.

WSSN KB9ROB/NM – Dean offered an invitation to *all* to check in to the 6 PM net on 3555. It's a training net and welcomes everyone. Participation has been slim. New calls occasionally would be celebrated. Even a few times a month would show you have the CW mode as an option. For the health of the net, we need more action. Nets usually last about 10 minutes. As an example of a typical month, November had 160 stations who together passed 62 messages in 365 minutes of 30 sessions. Please join in.

WIN/E – NO REPORT

WIN/L W9RTP/NM – George reported 92 sessions in 91 days resulting from a duplicate session during a severe solar flare. In the quarter, 458 checkins handled 189 messages in 762 minutes (avg. 8 minutes). The net functions primarily as the link from Late 9RN to SSB nets the following day. It averages 5 check ins per night meeting at 10 PM on 3555 with net controls matching the speed of each check in. Traffic arranged for on the net and passed peer-to-peer digitally should include the time spent in net reports. Newcomers welcome.

ARES/RACES HF Net – WB9WKO/NM – Sundays 8 AM on 3967 the net is open to all stations regardless of ARES/RACES membership. Ron explained the months of September-October-November there were 160 check-ins, 27 messages, in 684 minutes on the 17 Sundays. It's a training net. Thanks to those who participate – especially net controls.

ARES/RACES VHF Net – NO REPORT

ARES/RACES DIGITAL Net – NO REPORT

OLD BUSINESS – NONE

NEW BUSINESS – NONE

ADJOURNMENT – (KC9FXE, K9LGU) Carried. Meeting closed at 12:49 PM)