

Net Notes for October 28, 2009

## News and Announcements

### 1) Upcoming Events

- 11/7 CARA Fall Swapmeet
- 12/5 Mesa Community College Hamfest & ARCA Meeting
- 12/5 Sierra Vista Christmas Parade Support
- 12/12 CARA Christmas Party & Monthly Meeting

2) CCCC Bike Race – Great turn out, good effort by all. If you have not sent your hours and any AAR thoughts to me yet, please do. I need those hours for my monthly report that is due on the 1<sup>st</sup> of the month. That is Sunday. Your cooperation in documenting our participation in public service events like this helps us maintain our presence at Green Acres. I have reports from 11 persons and I know approximately 22 volunteers participated.

### 3) MCU Status – Fully operational

4) SV XMAS Parade – We have been asked by the Chamber of Commerce to assist during the staging this year of the annual XMAS parade. Our commitment will be from about 14:30 – 18:00. We will probably set up the MCU near the jump off point and have our volunteers between the Start line at the BST & Fry intersection down to Golf Links. We will be looking for volunteers with handhelds to assist relaying questions back to the command post. If you think you could assist in this event, let me know as we start filling the various control points.

5) Fort Huachuca Force Protection Exercise - At the very last minute we were asked to take the MCU to Fort Huachuca to assist during the Force Protection exercise held on Ft Huachuca this morning. I want to thank both Dale and Charles for stepping up to handle this event. Our relationship with the Fort has been rather tentative over the years based on personalities in some of the leadership positions. Consequently I was very pleased that we were given the opportunity to work with them today. I will ask them to share some of today's activities when we go down the net for comments.

Training – On our last net we covered tasks from the Radio Operator or RADO Task Book from the National Wildfire Coordination Group. Tonight we will continue to cover the basic tasks from 7 – 17.

The Radio Operator PTB includes 17 tasks and some are similar to many of the ones found in the COM-L PTB but are more specific to things that most of what you the operator will do while supporting a mission. So we will start with Task 6 through Task 17 this evening.

Task # 7 - Conduct self in a professional manner.

- *Respectful and courteous*
- *Respectful of public and private property*

Task # 8- Establish and maintain positive interpersonal and interagency working relationships

Task # 9 - Apply the ICS protocols.

- *Follow chain of command.*
- *Maintain appropriate span of control.*
- *Use appropriate ICS forms.*
- *Use appropriate ICS terminology*

Task # 10 - Participate in daily Communications Unit briefings and meetings.

- *Provide information on communication issues (e.g., radio equipment performance).*

Task 11 - Correctly fill out and process appropriate forms.

- *ICS 213, General Message*
- *ICS 210, Status Change Card*
- *ICS 309, Radio/Comm Logs*
- *Telephone Logs*
- *Radio Accountability Log (T-Cards)*

Task 12 - Correctly file communications paperwork.

- *Radio logs*
- *Telephone logs*
- *ICS 213, General Message*
- *Radio Equipment check-in/out information*

Task 13 - Communicate information effectively to incident personnel.

- *Use correct radio/telephone protocols.*
- *Speak clearly and write legibly.*
- *Use standard terminology, symbols, designators, and acronyms.*
- *Acknowledge requests and provide feedback.*

Task 14- Use appropriate communication protocol when responding to emergency situations.

- *Medical transport request*
- *Medevac request*
- *Aircraft emergency*
- *Evacuation*
- *Search and Rescue*

- *Fatality*

Task 15 - Use appropriate communication protocol when responding to routine requests/information.

- *Supply orders (e.g., Operations, camps, helibase)*
- *Locating personnel on the incident*
- *Routing Logistics and Command radio traffic*
- *Phone calls*

Task 16 - Coordinate an efficient transfer of position duties when mobilizing/demobilizing.

- *Document follow-up action needed and submit to supervisor.*

Task 17 - Demobilize and check out.

- *Receive demobilization instructions from incident supervisor.*
- *If required, complete ICS 221, Demobilization Checkout and submit completed form to the appropriate person.*

Don't forget our next Net will be on November 11<sup>th</sup> at 2000 Hrs. Don't forget the CARA net on Thursday evening at 1900 hours on the 146.76 repeater. The net is closed.

Bob

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Thought for the day:

***Life Lesson # 9. Save for retirement starting with your first paycheck.***