

# 2013 Oktoberfest Operation Plan

**Mission:** Provide continuous radio communications for the Lovettsville Oktoberfest event on Saturday, September 28, 2013. We will be providing the primary essential communication “dispatch” function for the township, police and fire.

**Reference:** Safety plan issued by Mayor Zoldos

## Hours of operations:

**Net Control:** 07:15 to 17:00 (or until event officially over)

**Location:** Corner of N. Light Street and E. Broad Way, Lovettsville, VA 20180

## Procedures:

NOTE: THIS IS A RAIN OR SHINE EVENT. THERE IS A 100% CHANCE THAT THE EVENT WILL TAKE PLACE AND SLIM CHANCE OF RAIN OR ANY SIGNIFICANT WEATHER. THE NCS WILL RUN 100% OF THE TIME ON ALL BANDS IN ANY WEATHER INCLUDING A THUNDERSTORM, UNLESS AN EVACUATION ORDER OR SHELTER IN PLACE ORDER IS GIVEN.

For reference, the “shelter in place” locations are: BB&T, ST. James Church, Town Office (near main tent), Library and the Lovettsville Museum.

Communications will take place on a directed voice net. All communication will be on the primary frequency unless directed by net control to secondary frequencies for the handling of traffic. The net control will be located at the Corner of N. Light Street and E. Broad Way, Lovettsville, VA 20180. Net control will use the call sign of K4LRG. You will address the NCS as “NET”. Occasionally NCS will identify K4LRG on the primary frequency. You will use your call sign when contacting NCS.

The net **primary frequency** will be **simplex 147.480** MHz, no tones. This will be the only requirement for you as a volunteer unless you are operating as network control (see below).

NO REPEATERS WILL BE USED FOR THIS EVENT.

**Town Frequency** - The town of Lovettsville will use FRS radios. Programming for the radios will be **channel 21** with a **PL socket of 121**. Only net control will be required to operate on the FRS system. Of course, you are encouraged to bring an FRS radio if you have them. None will be provided.

**Fire/Police Frequency** - We will have a county radio system to reach out to fire/police. Only net control will be required to operate on the Loudoun County system.

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## Contacting Net Control via the Public Phone Network:

**A list of phone numbers will be attached to this document. If there is a need to contact net control and you are for whatever reason out of radio contact please use this list and your cell phone to contact the person responsible to dispatch information as required.**

### **NOTE:**

**IN AN EMERGENCY WHERE SOMEONE IS CRITICALLY INJURED OR THEIR LIFE OR THE LIFE OF OTHERS IS THREATENED PLEASE CALL 911 FIRST THEN CONVEY THIS INFORMATION TO NET CONTROL. IF SOMEONE CALLS NET CONTROL WITH A LIFE THREATENING EMERGENCY 911 WILL BE CALLED IMMEDIATELY AND WE WILL COORDINATE EMERGENCY SERVICE THE BEST WE CAN FROM NET CONTROL TO THE SCENE IN QUESTION.**

**It is possible that 911 calls may get routed by the cell network to Frederick County instead of Loudoun County if you are on a Frederick cell tower. The suggestion in the event of making a 911 call, verify you are connected to Loudoun 911 or request transfer to Loudoun 911. This will expedite getting help to you.**

### **ALL OPERATORS:**

There will be essentially four roles during the event. 1) network control operations including, 2) scribe to take notes on all traffic directed by the net, 3) frequent patrol of the event area and 4) frequent patrol of the bus service and parking areas.

The weather is expected to be cold in the morning (50°) and temperate in the afternoon (72°). Dress in layers! A red shirt with gold lettering will be provided to you. A red hat with LARG on the front and your name and call sign on the back will also be provided.

Bring a chair to sit in the case there is not one already there for you.

For your radio:

- ★ Hand Held 2m pre-programmed for 147.48 simplex
- ★ Good antenna
- ★ Spare Battery
- ★ If you bring a computer Internet access will be provided

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## Schedule:

**Oktoberfest set-up starts at 08:00. We plan on being on site at 07:15.**

Several people have volunteered to be on site at 07:15 to set up and get ready for traffic by 08:00. Things will be "crazy" at or before 08:00 and will taper off around noon as things get under full swing.

The weather is expected to be excellent. An above average turnout is expected.

## NET CONTROL

Net control will establish the net at 07:45 and will begin station check in at that time. All volunteers should remain operational until told to secure by net control or check out with net control for the day.

## LOGS:

A log of all traffic will be kept as current as reasonably possible and will be turned in to the Oktoberfest organizers for the traffic that was passed and handled. The primary scribe method will be by computer provide at NCS.

## LARG Member Participation

See spreadsheet below for all of the details for participation in the event.

## EPILOGUE

**One last request: Please take photographs! Norm, AI2C, will be putting together a section on the event which will be published to the public. Even if it's one photograph with a few words it will be very beneficial to put on the web.**

If you have any questions don't hesitate to contact me. E-mail is ok, but if you need a quick answer please call my phone number given here.

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### LARG Member Participation:

Name	Call	Cell Phone Number	Time	email
John Westerman	W5ODJ	703-431-9148		<a href="mailto:john@packetwhisper.com">john@packetwhisper.com</a>
Ken Sullivan	KJ4GYL	703-346-8565		<a href="mailto:geeper88@gmail.com">geeper88@gmail.com</a>
Ben Pearson	KD7UIY	520-990-8576		<a href="mailto:kd7uiy@kd7uiy.com">kd7uiy@kd7uiy.com</a>
Ashlee Pearson	KK4QDK	520-990-8249		<a href="mailto:kanapa87@gmail.com">kanapa87@gmail.com</a>
Bill Buchholz	K8SYH	703-430-9136		<a href="mailto:wgbk8syh@yahoo.com">wgbk8syh@yahoo.com</a>
Dave Putman	KE4S	571-271-5710 cell	AM ONLY	<a href="mailto:KE4S@verizon.net">KE4S@verizon.net</a>
Jay Greeley	KI4UTB	703-473-8015		<a href="mailto:jay.greeley@rvainc.com">jay.greeley@rvainc.com</a>
Luther Guise	K5NOB	940-452-5436 cell		<a href="mailto:k5nob@yahoo.com">k5nob@yahoo.com</a>
Sally Guise	K4NOB	703-669-8094		<a href="mailto:sguiserd@hotmail.com">sguiserd@hotmail.com</a>
Norm Styer	AI2C	571-201-6322	AM ONLY	<a href="mailto:AI2C@earthlink.net">AI2C@earthlink.net</a>
Paul Dluhosh	N4PD	571-233-8578		<a href="mailto:N4PD@arrl.net">N4PD@arrl.net</a>
Nancy Dluhosh	N1NCY	571-233-8579		<a href="mailto:N1NCY@ARRL.NET">N1NCY@ARRL.NET</a>
Kurt Reber	KI4FWB	540-705-7827		<a href="mailto:kurt_20120@yahoo.com">kurt_20120@yahoo.com</a>
Henry Weidman	K2BFY	703-444-2074		<a href="mailto:K2BFY@arrl.net">K2BFY@arrl.net</a>
Margaret Gentges	AI4UX	703-759-2218		<a href="mailto:mgentges@mindspring.com">mgentges@mindspring.com</a>
Frank Gentges	K0BRA	703-759-2218		<a href="mailto:fgentges@mindspring.com">fgentges@mindspring.com</a>