

## **Packet Bulletin Net - PKTNET@USA**

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WHO: All amateur radio operators

WHAT: Packet Bulletin Net - PKTNET@USA

WHEN: Sunday, May 19, 2024 - 0000 UTC

Saturday, May 25, 2024 - 2359 UTC

HOW: This net will accept check-ins via BBS Bulletins only. Send a check-in via any participating BBS, with active forwarding, any time during the week.

This month, net control has asked participants to attempt making direct connections to N3MEL-2/melbbs using any of the following options:

1. Packet node stack (N4VEM-7 to KN4LQN-7 to N3MEL-2)
2. Direct RF connection via:
  - a. VHF AX.25 on 145.090 (PA)
  - b. VHF VARA FM using the Chester County PA Vara FM Network on 145.670
  - c. HF AX.25 300bd (offset 1000) or VARA HF (BW narrow, offset 1500)  
Daytime dial freq: 7.103.2  
Nighttime dial freq: 3.596.0

### **SB PKTNET@USA**

**Subject: Your Call, Your Name, Your Town & Your State**

**Message: Add any comments you might have about the net or leave blank**

If unable to make a direct or node connection, please submit your check-in as you have in the past.

Example from Central VA:

1. Connect to N4VEM-7 via Packet AX.25 (145.730) or Vara FM (145.090)  
**C N4VEM-7**
2. Connect to KN4LQN-7 (1=AX.25 145.730, 2=AX.25 145.090, 4=VARA FM 145.090)  
**C 1 KN4LQN-7**
3. Connect to N3MEL-2 via VARA HF  
**ATT 5**  
**C N3MEL-2**
4. Send bulletin  
**SB PKTNET@USA**

You could also connect direct to KN4LQN-7 via Packet AX.25 or VARA FM, or VARA HF (7.102.3 / 3.596.0), and start at item #3 above.

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The participant map will be updated throughout the duration of the net at:

<https://www.qsomap.com/QSOmapProduction/qsomapforQRZ.php?call=n3mel>

Don't feel obligated to enter a detailed message if it's difficult; the important part is the Subject line!

The VDEN website (<http://vden.org>) includes information about the Central Virginia BBSes, how to send personal mail and bulletins, and methods for connecting over RF (Packet / Vara via Terminal / Winlink / Outpost).

Bulletins created on the N4VEM BBS will be forwarded over Vara FM to the KN4LQN BBS, which will then forward over Vara HF to the N3MEL BBS and the wider regional packet network.

Reach out if you have any questions!

73,  
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