

ERC Survey Results

Idaho Falls Bishops' Storehouse ERC 2 Meter Training Net
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Here are the results from the survey we conducted on the Storehouse training on April 15, 2015. That night, there were 125 operators that checked into regional nets. I know some asked to be excused from the 9:00 net. We still had 91 respondents.

Thanks again for your participation on the nets. 73, Todd N7TMS

1. When you checked into your regional net tonight, which radio did you use?

#	Answer	Response	%
1	Handheld	25	27%
2	Mobile in my vehicle	7	8%
3	Mobile in my shack	46	51%
4	Base station in my shack	11	12%
5	Other	2	2%
	Total	91	100%

The other responses included "Go-Kit in shack" and "Echolink".

2. When you checked into your regional net tonight, which antenna did you use?

#	Answer	Response	%
1	Stock, Rubber Duck	7	8%
2	Better-than-Stock	5	6%
3	Homebrew Dipole	0	0%
4	Commercial Dipole	0	0%
5	Homebrew J-Pole	25	28%
6	Commercial J-Pole	12	13%
7	Vertical (including mag-mounts)	27	30%
8	Beam	6	7%
9	Other	8	9%
	Total	90	100%

There were 8 “Other” responses. Three of these were Deseret J-Poles, a dual-band vertical, a mobile mounted as a base, a dipole, a disccone, and an elk antenna. I think most of these might fit into one of the above categories.

3. When you checked into your regional net tonight, with how much power were you transmitting?

#	Answer	Response	%
1	less than 5 watts	10	11%
2	5 to 9 watts	30	33%
3	10 to 24 watts	11	12%
4	25 watts or more	39	43%
	Total	90	100%

4. How would you rate the quality of your communication with net control on your regional net tonight?

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#	Answer	Response	%
1	Great! We both seemed to hear each other with no difficulty.	68	75%
2	Fine. There was a little bit of fuzz, crackle, or hum on his signal, but still very readable.	16	18%
3	Okay, but I had to repeat my report before net control got it all.	1	1%
4	Not good. My report had to be relayed to net control.	6	7%
5	Poor. I could not hear net control; net control could not hear me, and my report was not or could not be relayed.	0	0%
Total		91	100%

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		When you checked into your regional net tonight, with how much power were you transmitting?				Total
		less than 5 watts	5 to 9 watts	10 to 24 watts	25 watts or more	
How would you rate the quality of your communication with net control on your regional net tonight?	Great! We both seemed to hear each other with no difficulty.	5	23	9	31	68
	Fine. There was a little bit of fuzz, crackle, or hum on his signal, but still very readable.	3	5	2	5	15
	Okay, but I had to repeat my report before net control got it all.	0	0	0	1	1
	Not good. My report had to be relayed to net control.	2	2	0	2	6
	Poor. I could not hear net control; net control could not hear me, and my report was not or could not be relayed.	0	0	0	0	0
Total		10	30	11	39	90



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		When you checked into your regional net tonight, which antenna did you use?									Total
		Stock, Rubber Duck	Better-than-Stock	Homebrew Dipole	Commercial Dipole	Homebrew J-Pole	Commercial J-Pole	Vertical (including mag-mounts)	Beam	Other	
How would you rate the quality of your communication with net control on your regional net tonight?	Great! We both seemed to hear each other with no difficulty.	4	4	0	0	17	9	21	6	7	68
	Fine. There was a little bit of fuzz, crackle, or hum on his signal, but still very readable.	1	0	0	0	6	2	5	0	1	15
	Okay, but I had to repeat my report before net control got it all.	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
	Not good. My report had to be relayed to net control.	2	1	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	6
	Poor. I could not hear net control; net control could not hear me, and my report was not or could not be relayed.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total		7	5	0	0	25	12	27	6	8	90