JNOS Operators Guide

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Introduction

Using a JNOS packet node can be either a rewarding or frustrating experience, your choice.

The JNOS software is capable of many amazing features, few of which are fully understood by those who use the systems on a casual basis.

My goal on these pages is to shed some light on some of the capabilities that JNOS can provide.

Because JNOS gives the system operator a rather wide latitude on how the system can be configured, some of the commands I will describe may not be available on the node you intend to use. In other cases the commands may be available but the system operator has modified their behavior somewhat.

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Interface	Station	Time since	send	Pkts sent	
80M	KF8KK-3	0:00:39	9:58	33	
Station	Time since	heard Pkts	rcvd	: Station	Time since hear
d Pkts rev	d				
KF8KK-4	0:00:39	9:58	11		
Interface	Station	Time since	send	Pkts sent	
145.09	KF8KK-3	0:00:19	9:55	184	
Station	Time since	heard Pkts	rcvd	: Station	Time since hear
d Pkts rev	d				
KC8TDK-7	0:00:04	4:45	97	: KF8KK-3	0:00:19:55
125					
WSCOL	0:00:35	5:47	483	: KF8KK-4	0:00:39:58
11					
GRTROO	0:02:04	4:48	28	: KF8KK-15	0:02:04:51
26					
COLBBS	0:02:04	1: 52	51	: WA800H-10	0:07:57:12
19					
VE3SSM	0:11:47	7:20	26		
Area: kf8k	k Current r	nsg# O.			
COLARC, GRT	R,EMPIRE,14	45.07, MAPLCI	L, MAPS	5YS,?,Å,B,C,C	ONV, D, E, F, H, I, I
H, IP, J, K, L	, M, N, NR, O, H	P,PI,R,S,T,	U,V,W,	,X,Z >	

Please also understand that JNOS allows the system operator to create new command 'aliases', that are unique to that particular system.

These custom commands appear ahead of the standard commands in the 'alphabet soup' command prompt.

Custom commands created by a system operator are usually designed to provide an added convenience and functionality to the operators and are deserving of your attention.

This operators guide is meant to be a quick course in **USING** JNOS, not in setting up JNOS. It is also meant to be **QUICK** and will therefore not go into minute detail on all the features you may find in JNOS, or into some of the functions that are rare to find configured in a JNOS system.

The 'official' listing of the JNOS operators commands is an appendix at the bottom of the rather large JNOS.doc file (http://www.legitimate.org/iook/packet/jnos/jnos.doc). There is a highly abbreviated text file version called mbox-cmds.txt also available (http://www.legitimate.org/iook/packet/jnos/mbox-cmds.txt).

I've taken the JNOS Operators commands out of the larger official document and created two versions, at least one of which should be handy for you to use. Both http://www.legitimate.org/iook/packet/jnos/jnos-ops-cmds1.pdf or http://www.legitimate.org/iook/packet/jnos/jnos-ops-cmds1.pdf or http://www.legitimate.org/iook/packet/jnos/jnos-ops-cmds1.pdf or http://www.legitimate.org/iook/packet/jnos/jnos-ops-cmds1.pdf or http://www.legitimate.org/iook/packet/jnos/jnos-ops-cmds1.doc contain a full listing of the available JNOS commands accessible to the users (if enabled by the system operator).

Logging In to the JNOS node

While most hams will connect to the JNOS system via their radios, some will connect via a Telnet session across the internet, or via the local keyboard at the JNOS system itself.

Connecting via the radio is usually simple, you connect to JNOS just as you would any other node or BBS.

JNOS does, however, allow that various station **SSID's** (the -# after the callsign) will cause you to enter the system differently.

Most JNOS implementations greet users with the basic JNOS BBS when they connect, and that is what will be described here.

Connecting to the operating side of JNOS from the actual JNOS computer is done simply by typing '**BBS**' at the JNOS command prompt.



Connecting to the JNOS system via Telnet through the internet or across a LAN is not hard either, but there is a major caveat to be aware of.

While the actual **telnet connection to JNOS is simple**, just get to your command prompt and type '**telnet <url or IP of desired JNOS system>**' and in a moment the JNOS BBS login screen will appear. This is nice, and it's simple.

The problem is that for users of Microsoft Windows, the 'telnet.exe' program supplied with Windows has a few serious flaws that make it rather undesirable.

Thankfully, there is a **freeware download called Putty**. It is available from the official Putty website on their downloads page at http://www.putty.nl/download.html

Download the '**puttytel.exe**' file and put it somewhere convenient on your Windows PC and it runs flawlessly. It's not a large program and there is no official installation for it. Putty does a great job and it's much more convenient to use than the broken telnet program supplied with Windows.

 Logging 		
Terminal Keyboard Bell Features Window Appearance Behaviour Translation Selection Connection Proxy Telnet Rlogin	Specify your connection by host na Host Name (or IP address) [192.168.1.9 Protocot: C Raw © Telnet Load, save or delete a stored sessi Saved Sessions [selanau-hamgate Default Settings [selanau-hamgate midland monroe washtenaw	me or IP address Port [23 C Riogin on Load Save Delete
	Close window on exit: C Always C Never 📀 Dr	nly on clean exit

Once you connect with the JNOS node you will get the **LOGIN** prompt. **At the login prompt, enter your callsign**.

You MUST enter your **callsign** at this login prompt as it expects your callsign and uses what you enter as the source callsign should you connect to another system from within JNOS.

You will next be prompted for a password.

Pick a convenient password and enter it. JNOS is NOT by default a very secure system -- and some system operators are not up to speed on things like password security.

I would not recommend you using the same password for a JNOS account that you would use for online banking--FYI.

JNOS does not require you to change your password every month, or use 'strong passwords', so pick something easy to remember and keep in mind that not all JNOS systems are very secure.



Ports and Outbound Connections

Now that you've successfully logged into the JNOS node, you need to figure out what the system has to offer.

The I or INFO command should display a text file that the system operator created that describes what capabilities this JNOS system has to offer.

Hopefully, this file is accurate and not too large in size for the link you are using to connect (I can see that I need to update mine!).

```
R,0,P,PI,R,S,1,0,V,W,X,2 >
i
JNOS version 2.0e (Linux)
This system runs WG7J/N5KNX's version of KA9Q's NOS.EXE, called JNOS
It provides both 'regular' bbs services and some tcp/ip services.
To get help, type 'H' , or 'A help' and read the messages.
Local user messages are in the area 'users'
For a brief list of all commands, type 'D mbox.hlp'.
Equipment:
    133 MHz Pentium, 10 gig harddisk, port on 431.9 MHz
    that speaks to the BEN205 port on the Empire/GlenArbor
    wIOOK packet nodes.
If you are interested in learning more or have questions
    regarding the use of the system, tcpip services etc...
73 John, KF8KK
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After you have read the **INFO** provided by the I command, you should issue the 'P' command to get a readout of the available **PORTS**.

JNOS allows for the connection of many different 'ports' for connecting into and out of the system.

Many JNOS systems are equipped with more than one radio port, and therefore are not just BBS's with an internet gateway, but actual RF crossband gateways too.

When you issue the 'P' command it shows the available 'AX.25' (that's 'packet radio' if you're new to this) ports that are connected to the JNOS node.

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R,O,P,PI,R,S,T,U,V,W,X,Z >
p
Available AX.25 Ports:
RF : Primary VHF packet (145.07MHz via 433.1MHz backbone
80M : Experimental 3.610MHz HF packet port
145.09 : interim backup-testing
Available HFDD Ports:
Area: kf8kk Current msg# 0.
COLARC,GRTR,EMPIRE,145.07,MAPLCL,MAPSYS,?,A,B,C,CONV,D,E,F,H,J
R,O,P,PI,R,S,T,U,V,W,X,Z >
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Standard AX.25 connections:

You need to know the ports available in order to make an outbound packet connection.

If you just type 'C' for 'Connect' you will get some helpful hints as to how to properly format your connect request command.



For example, I will enter the command to connect via the 145.09 port to the COLBBS mailbox.

To make this connection I type the following:

C 145.09 colbbs



As you can see above, the connection was successful. If there was a problem and I needed to abort the connection, I could have typed the CTRL-T (hold down the 'control' key and hit T at the same time).

If I wanted to use a digipeater in the path I would issue the following command:

C 145.09 colbbs v grtr00

Whereas 'grtr00' is the digi.

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c 145.09 colbbs v grtr00

Trying... The escape character is: CTRL-T

*** connected to COLBBS

[KPC3P-8.2-HM$]

79165 BYTES AVAILABLE

THERE ARE 14 MESSAGES NUMBERED 1971-3530

°±* Welcome to Chain O'Lakes PBBS *±°°

Please read Messages to "ALL"

ENTER COMMAND: B,J,K,L,R,S, or Help >
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NetRom / TheNet connections:

In areas where **NetRom** is in use **[TheNet X1j nodes function as NetRom]** the connections are a bit easier to make in JNOS as you don't have to specify the port.

NetRom nodes exchange routing information amongst the nodes that allow the users to make connections without having to worry about the underlying network paths.

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1		
BENOO:W8BNZ-7	BEN11:WIOOK-7	BEN12:WIOOK-2
BENQMN:WIOOK-8		
*** 4 nodes displa	ayed	
area: kf8kk Curren	nt msg# 0.	
COLARC, GRTR, EMPIRE	E,145.07,MAPLCL,M.	APSYS, ?, A, B, C, CONV,
,E,F,H,I,IH,IP,J,	K, L, M, N, NR, O, P, P	I,R,S,T,U,V,W,X,Z >

In the case of my JNOS system, issuing the 'N' command for 'Nodes' shows a short list of the available nodes I can _ connect through.

You can see there are four nodes shown. The node 'alias' j

I know that the **BEN11** node is the main 145.07 node in the area and I can connect to it by issuing the simple command: **C BEN11**

D,E,	,ľ,H,⊥,	тн,ть,	υ, К, Ь,	, M, N, NR, O,	Р,РІ	,R,S,I,U	γ, ν
c be	en11						
Tryi	ing	The e	scape	character	is:	CTRL-T	
* * *	connec	ted to	BEN1:	1:WIOOK-7			

Ancillary Comment:

NetRom is a wonderful mode. '**BEN11**' is accessible as one of the ports on the three port node stack in Empire, MI. My JNOS system uses a 433.1mhz UHF transceiver to connect to the node via the '**BEN12**' port. Access to the **BENQMN**, **BEN11**, is via the internal wiring of the Empire node.

If I were to connect to the '**BEN00**' node in Benzonia,MI. The NetRom system would connect me automatically through **BEN12**, then to **BEN11** and then across 145.07 to **BEN00** which is about 20 miles south of the Empire node. All I would need to do is issue the '**C BEN00**' command and all the connections would be setup automatically for me.

When I issued the 'B' command to the **BEN11** node I was returned to my '**KKBBS**' JNOS system.

Please note in the 'alphabet soup' line the word **EMPIRE** near the beginning.

d
BEN11:WIOOK-7) Goodbye.
*** reconnected to KKBBS:KF8KK-3
Area: kf8kk Current msq# 0.
COLARC, GRTR, EMPIRE, 145.07, MAPLCL, MAPSYS, ?, A, B, C, CONV,
D, E, F, H, I, IH, IP, J, K, L, M, N, NR, O, P, PI, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Z >

EMPIRE is a special **'alias' command** that will make the NetRom connection to the **BEN11** node. It's been added as an operator convenience.

If a user forgets the route to the primary local frequency of 145.07, or to BEN11, they can just type 'EMPIRE' and the JNOS system will take them there.

Any commands shown BEFORE the '?' in the list are 'alias commands' created by the system operator for the convenience of the system users.

Packet Messages and Pmail

'A <areaname>'

Sending and receiving packet mail in a JNOS system uses the typical commands that most other packet systems use.

Issuing the 'L' command will list all unread messages in YOUR AREA.

In JNOS ' AREA ' is a subsection of the mailbox that can be viewed separately from other 'areas' in the mail system.	Area: kf8kk Current msg# 0. COLARC,GRTR,EMPIRE,145.07,MAPLCL,MAPSYS,?,A,B,C,CONV,D,E, F,H,I,IH,IP,J,K,L,M,N,NR,O,P,PI,R,S,T,U,V,W,X,Z > a
Each station gets their own area. Your 'AREA' will be named by your callsign .	Current message area is: kiokk Available areas are:
If you want to see a listing of the various 'AREAS' available in the JNOS node, issue the 'A' or 'AF' command. 'AF' gives a bit more information than the simple 'A' command. By separating messages into various areas, a user does not have to wade through long message listings for topics that might not be of interest.	kf8kk ares antennas repeaters gossip dirt gravel Type AF to get description of areas. AF <name> tells more about that area. Area: kf8kk Current msg# 0. COLARC, GRTR, EMPIRE, 145.07, MAPLCL, MAPSYS, ?, A, B, C, CONV, D, E, F, H, I, IH, IP, J, K, L, M, N, NR, O, P, PI, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Z ></name>
Explore the various areas by issuing the command	

When you are done exploring the various areas available, you should return to your personal area with 'A <callsign>'.

As you would expect, the 'R' command followed by a message number will **READ** a message.

In your area, the 'K' command followed by a message number will delete a message. You might think that 'D' would make more sense, but it's being used for file downloads-- 'K' for 'KILL' the message is how JNOS likes to think of it.

Please note in the image to the right that the 'L' command used near the top just showed the 1 'new' message in the ARES area.

To show ALL the messages (new and old) I needed to issue the 'LA' [that's short for LIST ALL] command. Mail area: ares 2 messages - 1 new It is best for you to get used to issuing 'LA' so that you St. # ТО FROM DATE SIZE SUBJECT don't miss viewing a message by mistake. 2 ares Dec 18 499 this is a test > N n8nco Area: ares Current msg# 2. COLARC, GRTR, EMPIRE, 145.07, MAPLCL, MAPSYS, ?, A, B, C, CONV, D, E, F,H,I,IH,IP,J,K,L,M,N,NR,O,P,PI,R,S,T,U,V,W,X,Z > la Mail area: ares 2 messages - 1 new St. # TO FROM DATE SIZE SUBJECT 1 ares kf8kk Dec 6 333 Info Ν 2 ares n8nco Dec 18 499 this is a test

> Area: ares Current msg# 2. COLARC,GRTR,EMPIRE,145.07,MAPLCL,MAPSYS,?,A,B,C,CONV,D,E, F,H,I,IH,IP,J,K,L,M,N,NR,O,P,PI,R,S,T,U,V,W,X,Z >

If you get lost in JNOS and need some help, there is plenty available for you!

Just typing the question mark '?' at the command prompt will get you a quick listing of commands that are commonly used. This is a handy hint should you forget a commonly used command.

Below is a listing that you get with the 'H' or 'HELP' command. This is more detailed and allows you to get specific assistance on all the subcommands available for the respective commands.

,V,W,X,Z >
?
Aliases: COLARC GRTR EMPIRE 145.07 MAPLCL MAPSYS
Mail : Area Kill List Read Send Verbose
Gateway: Connect Escape Nodes NRroute Ports PIng Telnet
File : Download Upload What Zap
General: ?-Help Bye CONVers Finger Help Info IHeard
IProute Jheard Mbox Operator Xpert
Area: kf8kk Current msg# 0.

COLARC,GRTR,EMPIRE,145.07,MAPLCL,MAPSYS,?,A,B,C,CONV,D,E, F,H,I,IH,IP,J,K,L,M,N,NR,O,P,PI,R,S,T,U,V,W,X,Z >

To get hel	p for a spe	cific comman	as, type ? d, enter 'h c	:ommand',	
The follow	ing command	ls have help	descriptions	available f	or them:
alias	area	bye	connect	convers	download
escape	finger	help	iheard	info	iproute
jheard	kill	list	mboxuser	nodes	nroutes
operator	ping	ports	query	read	register
send	telnet	upload	verbose	what	xpert
zap					
ea: kf8kk Cur	rent msg# 0).			
LARC, GRTR, EMF	IRE,145.07,	MAPLCL, MAPSY	S,?,A,B,C,CON	V,D,E,F,H,I	, IH, IP, J, K, L, M, N, NR
P,PI,R,S,T,U,	V,W,X,Z >	MAPLUL, MAPSI	ວ,/,A,B,C,CON	V, D, E, F, H, I	, I N , IP, O, K, L, M, N, N

Sending packet mail via JNOS is just the same as with any other packet mail system.

Sadly, we must realize that we're not reliving the packet heyday of the 80's where BBS message forwarding was ubiquitous and countrywide.

If the other ham was local to this JNOS system you could send the mail by issuing the 'S' command followed by the guys callsign.

Not all JNOS systems are setup to forward mail. The capability is there in JNOS, it's just that the ham networks have become defunct in many areas.

On the plus side, **JNOS can send internet email** if the JNOS node is connected to the internet. JNOS implements SMTP mail just fine and sending internet email is a no-brainer for JNOS.

F,H,I,IH,IP,J,K,L,M,N,NR,O,P,PI,R,S,T,U,V,W,X,Z >
s kf8kk@iook.org
Subject:
Greetings from JayNoss
Enter message. End with /EX or ^Z in first column (^A ab
orts):
Hello,
I'm not sure if I'm talking to me, myself, or I.
Oh well... I guess it's me... it cannot be I.
73 me!
/ex
Msg queued
Area: ares Current msg# 2.
COLARC,GRTR,EMPIRE,145.07,MAPLCL,MAPSYS,?,A,B,C,CONV,D,E,
F,H,I,IH,IP,J,K,L,M,N,NR,O,P,PI,R,S,T,U,V,W,X,Z >

In the above image I sent an email to my internet email address. After ending the message with the '/ex' it asked me if I wanted to send it, and then I hit a 'Y' and then the system responded with 'Msg queued'. The JNOS system will send this message out on the internet within the next couple of minutes.

Again, I must bear sad news--- inbound email from the internet is rarely enabled in JNOS. This is due to the spam issues that it would cause. JNOS itself will handle mail just as well as any other mail server -- but few JNOS machines are setup for inbound email.

As you can see, the JNOS outbound email appeared moments later in my Microsoft Outlook regular email client [I have emails sorted with colors depending on the particulars of the address-- that's why it's in teal and not black].



The actual message showed up just like any other message.

As you can see, the hostname of the JNOS hamgate appears in the 'from' header. If the recipient just hit '**REPLY**' to this their email would be bounced back as there's no public access allowed for inbound internet email at 'hamgate.leelanau.ampr.org'.

The line at the bottom starting with 'Originated...' is part of a signature line that can be optionally configured into JNOS nodes by the system operator.



Converse and Telnet

One of the more useful functions often found in JNOS nodes is the Converse mode.

Converse allows multiple JNOS users to talk amongst each other, whether the users are all logged into a particular JNOS node, or if they are logged into a remote JNOS node that is linked into the conference.

You can look at the converse mode as the ham equivalent of a multi-room chat server.

In 'CONV' you can select a 'CHANNEL' to use and converse with other hams in that 'CHANNEL' just as people do on any of the common internet chat systems (instant messaging, etc).

(,O,P,PI,R,S,I,O,V, :onv	W, X, Z >
Conference @ LEELAN	AU Type /HELP for help.
Welcome to the	KF8KK-6 converse node near Empire MI.
/?	Print this help.
/CHANNEL [n]	Switch to channel n, or show avail chnls.
/EXIT	Terminate convers session (same as /bye).
/HELP	help info (same as /?).
/INV user	Invite user to join channel.
/LINKS [L]	List all conns to other hosts. L - long fmt
/MSG user text	Send a private message to user.
/NAME call [cha	n#] Log in as user "call" per ftpusers
/PERSONAL text	Set or show personal text (QTH, etc).
/SOUNDS y n	Turn bell on or off.
/VERBOSE y n	verbose mode
/WHO [L name @h	ost] List users and their info.

In Michigan, the ARPSC JNOS nodes are setup to link their converse modes to a statewide converse server.

This allows multi-user conversations to take place statewide. It has been determined that the numbered county designator for the county a node is in determines the default 'channel' users from that node use.

This is especially handy should there be an event in a particular county as officials from across the state will know what 'channel' to convene on in order to provide support for a particular county. It also allows for individual counties to organize their efforts without being disturbed by similar traffic from other counties if the event encompassed more than one county.

To enter converse, issue the 'CONV' command.

As you can see from the listing in the above photo, the converse mode has it's own commands.

'/who' lets you know who else is on converse. It does show users on all channels on the linked servers.

'/L' will show any linked servers. Washtenaw is the main converse hub in Michigan.

'/chan' shows a listing of just a few of the available channels. There are something like 36,000 channels available. This listing is created locally as a convenience to the users. As a 'thanks' to my friend Craig N8KMY I assigned him his very own converse channel #1002-- isn't that nice!

'/chan <chnl #>' will change your station to using a different channel.

'/b' exits the converse mode.

тат *** Tue May 30 22:01:48 2006 Channel Users 45(Leelanau) kf8kk * * * /1 *** Tue May 30 22:02:24 2006 Host State Software Since WASHTENAW Connected JNOS2.0a May 28 * * * /ch*** You are on channel 45 (Leelanau). Channel names: 45 Leelanau 10 Benzie 5 Antrim 28 Grand Traverse 40 Kalkaska 51 Manistee 83 Wexford 100 Gossip 101 DX 1001 IOOK 1002 KMY Channel

Telnet via JNOS

JNOS provides a full Telnet client that allows you to telnet to other computers across the internet.

You are **NOT** limited to JNOS computers-- you can telnet to any computer that accepts telnet connections.

Telnet provides a handy method to make a connection to other packet hamgates across the world.

It is via this telnet capability that a station can enter the JNOS node via the radio in one part of the state, telnet across the internet to another JNOS node elsewhere, and then come back out on the radio in that distant location.



In the image above where I'm connecting to the *HamGate.Washtenaw.AMPR.org* via telnet, I am greeted by a normal JNOS login screen. Once I am connected I can use all the JNOS commands on the Washtenaw system.

[JNOS-2.0a-BFHIM\$] Welcome kf8kk, to the HamGate.Washtenaw.AMPR.org TCP/IP Mailbox (JNOS 2.0a (As you can see from this image, the look of the Washtenaw JNOS system is very much like that of Leelanau .
6)). Currently 1 user. ***** Welcome to the WB8TKL-3/-4 BBS & TCPIP "HamGate" *** Located in Ypsilanti, Michigan	I issued the 'P' for 'PORTS' command and find that a 145.76 port is available.
<pre>! This is not a full service BBS ! (yet) You have 0 messages. Area: kf8kk Current msg# 0. ?,A,B,C,CONV,D,E,F,H,I,IH,IP,J,K,L,M,O,P,PI,R,S,T,U,V,W,X,Z > p Available ports: 145.76 : 145.76MHz AX.25/IP Local Access port </pre>	You will note there is no 'N' command, the 'N' command is only available if the NetRom function is available on that node. Once you get setup on JNOS you should send an email to Jay TKL and tell him he's missing out on all the NetRom action! [but please don't tell him I suggested you write him he'll have my head].
Area: kf8kk Current msg# 0. ?,A,B,C,CONV,D,E,F,H,I,IH,IP,J,K,L,M,O,P,PI,R,S,T,U,V,W,X,Z >	

You can see the result of issuing the 'J' for 'J-HEARD' command that allows you to see what stations were heard by the system. You will note Ulrich, DH0GHU on the heard list. Ulrich certainly didn't enter the system via 145.76mhz, but he was able to telnet into the system via the internet and access our packet system from Germany.

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]	j											
	Interface	Station '	Time s	ince	send	I	Pkts sent					
	145.76	WB8TKL-4	0:	00:01	:59		8957					
1	Station	Time since 1	heard	Pkts	rcvd		Station	Time	since	heard	Pkts 1	cvd
1	N8EOC-3	0:00:00	:02		909		WSSWL		0:00:00):23		133
η	KASE-4	0:00:01	:48		423		WB8TKL-4		:00:01	L:59	81	791
η	WASEOC	0:00:02	:23		614		WASEOC-3		0:00:03	3:06	4)	528
5	WASEOC-4	0:00:06	:02		176		WSDWL		0:00:07	7:36		128
5	WB8TKL-3	0:00:15	:01		148		NSMWD		0:00:18	3:02		157
s	KSDTX	0:00:27	:02		436		NSEOC		0:00:42	2:41		63
-	N8EOC-10	0:00:59	:52		113		N8KUF-5):01:18	3:38		67
[WC8EOC-4	0:10:20	:19				WCSEOC		10:24	1:48		18
2	N8XTN-8	0:19:18	:01				MAYVIL):19:28	3:37		25
5	KC8KGZ-4	0:21:27	:28				K8DTX-2):21:44	1:31		
5	DHOGHU-15	1:09:00	:21		13		N8EOC-1	2	2:20:42	2:44		55
5	Area: kf8k	tk Current ma	∋g# O.									
5	?, A, B, C, CC	NV, D, E, F, H,	I,IH,I	P,J,K	,L,M,	Ο,	,P,PI,R,S,	r,u,v,	W,X,Z			

Downloads & Special Stuff

JNOS also allows you to download files and upload files to the hard drive of the JNOS server.

The 'W' command gives you a listing of what is available on the hard drive. Below is a listing from the 'W' command on my JNOS system. It shows a typical directory with 15 files.

W											
AMPR-subnets-by-	-county.j	jpg 2	296,870	21:59 5,	/10/06	JNOS-MAN.T	XT :	326,296	1:24 1	2/15/05	
amprnet-ip-addr	.txt	320	21:59	5/10/06	jdoc11	l1.asc 3	35,501	1:20 13	2/15/05		
jdoc_asc.zip	111,297	1:20	12/15/0	5 jdocı	w6.zip	278,217	1:20	12/15/0	5		
jnos.doc	871,936	1:20	12/15/0	5 lclma	ap.txt~	2,505	21:55	5/10/0	6		
lclmap.txt	2,477	21:55	5/10/0	6 mail	oox.doc	24,374	1:20	12/15/0	5		
maplcl.txt	2,477	23:20	5/28/0	6 mapsy	ys.txt	1,998	23:20	5/28/0	6		
mboxcmds.txt	6,378	1:20	12/15/0	5 sysma	ap.txt~	2,115	21:51	5/10/0	6		
sysmap.txt	1,998	21:51	5/10/0	6							
15 files. 3,707	,617,280	bytes	free. D	isk size	4,079,4	48,064 byte	s.				
Area: kf8kk Curi	rent msg#	≠ O.									
COLARC, GRTR, EMP	IRE,145.0	D7, MAPI	LCL, MAPS	YS,?,A,B	,c,conv,	D,E,F,H,I,I	H, IP, J	,K,L,M,N	,NR,O,P	,PI,R,S	, 1
Z >											

The 'D' command for 'DOWNLOAD' will send to your screen the desired file as a text file. This is fine for the text files, but for the 'zip' files shown you will need a 'uudecoder' to convert the files back to 'zip' format.

Before you use this function via the radio be sure to make note of the file sizes so that you don't attempt to download a large file that will tie up the packet channel for a week.

As you remember, any commands on the command line before the '?' are 'Alias' commands placed there by the system operator for the users convenience. In Northern MI (ARPSC D7) it is our local standard to provide information on the local packet nodes within reach of a particular system. I have implemented these as the 'MAPLCL' and 'MAPSYS' commands.

MAPLCL is an alias command that calls up the 'maplcl.txt' file on the hard drive. Users just have to type 'MAPLCL' and the textual map of the local packet nodes will appear on their screen as shown here.



'MAPSYS' is yet another of those convenient 'alias' commands and calls up the 'mapsys.txt' file from the hard drive.

The **MAPSYS** file is more technical than graphical and gives a depiction of the local area packet nodes from a different perspective. An abbreviated image of the MAPSYS file is below.

mapsys THIS SYSTEM: hamgate.leelanau KKBBS kf8kk-3 : call kkbbs : node kf8kk-4 : jnosBBS 44.102.152.1 : ip 1 mi E empire apt / 1 mi S M72 & 1mi E Co Rd 6 : loc 44.52.4556 : lat | 85.02.4332 : lon 15w @ 20' 433.1mhz / 40w @ 20' 145.09 / jnos2.04linux : stn 5mi : range via ben11/12/qmn or COLARC : path NEARBY PRI: Empire Node 145.07 (multiFreq) wiOok-7 : call ben11 : node THENET kkbbs : jnosBBS 44.102.152.23 : ip 1mi N M72 0 CO Rd 675 5mi S Glen Lake 4mi N Empire Apt : loc 44.52.4556 : lat | 85.02.4332 : lon 60w @ 100' TheNet X1J4 multiport : stn 40mi : range c BEN11 : path co-located bengmn/145.76, ben12/433.1rpt, 444.725 voice : notes Benzonia 145.07 w8bnz-7 : call BENOO : node THENET 44.102.150.20: ip US31 2mi N Beulah : loc 44.52.3000 : lat | 85.02.3223 : lon 40w @ 40' TheNetX1j : stn

While there are more commands that JNOS provides, I hope those that I've described can get you off to a good start and are not overly confusing. Packet operating is not intuitive and that means that for normal people it's not easy to get accustomed to.

Good luck and enjoy packet -- the internet in slow motion!

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