

# Packet Radio Notes

**Download RMS Express** - it is the software that will allow you to function on Packet Radio  
<http://down.loads.winlink.org/User%20Programs>

Then Look for and click on: 24646587 Winlink\_Express\_install\_1-5-36-0.zip

Extract Zip Files and Open **RMS Express**

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**View RMS Express within Drive C; Click on RMS Express - then** scroll down until you see Simple Terminal . It will have a symbol like this :  
Double Click to Open "Simple Terminal".



"Simple Terminal" is a good place to start. You can send and receive messages directly or through a Bulletin Board system (BBS) and do keyboard to keyboard chatting.

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## Bulletin Boards (BBS)

**ABQBBS** C ABQBBS = *Connect to BBS*

*You'll hear some "blurping" then a list of command will appear;*

Commands

L = List All Messages      LM = List My Messages      LB = List Bulletins

S\_Call = to send a msg to a specific station

RM = Read my messages

R\_# = Read a specific message by number

SB\_ALL Call = to send a bulletin to all stations.

B = Disconnect from BBS

**NMABQ**      C NMABQ      *More Options: BBS / CHAT / RMS (CMS)*

/S\_Call = Text sent to specific station

/K = Show Nodes

/CHAT = Connect with a station that is already on the air

/B = Leave CHAT

/Quit = Leave CHAT & Disconnect

## Connecting Through a Digipeater

\* K5BIQ (Gary, can't be reached directly, use the Sandia Crest Digipeater (SCREST)

C\_K5BIQ, C K5BIQ-1 for mailbox OR. C K5BIQ-1 v SCREST , through a Digipeater

C\_NM5RR-1\_V\_SCREST (to send to the Sandoval County ARES Mailbox)

L[Enter] (will list the messages in the Mailbox)

R\_(Msg #) (to READ the message)

K\_(Msg#) (to KILL or Erase a message. BUT only it to you, OR from you)

B[Enter] (to disconnect from the mailbox)

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## Keyboard Chats

To Chat via keyboard with "Jim", KC5RUO

C\_KC5RUO. (Just once to connect)

\* You can chat back and forth once you have connected.

\* Then CMD D, to disconnect

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## RMS via VHF

Messages sent and received through RMS Gateways are the same whether sent on HF or VHF. They will also reach Non Hams.

KC5QOC-10 ( V SCREST?)

N0MTH-10 (V SCREST?)

Open RMS Session as a **Packet Winmore**

When a Digipeater is needed for connection: C KC5QOC-10 v SCREST

KC5QOC-10 (if direct does not work use v SCREST)

N0MTH-10 (Connect via Direct or SCREST) <http://n0mth.com/packet-radio>

NM5HW-10 C NM5HW-10. OR C NM5HW-10 v SCREST

NM5PB-10

\* You may not be able to make a connection for several reasons. Try again at a later time, or try a different RMS Gateway .