

JOHNSON COUNTY SKYWARN NET 10 AUG 2020

SUMMARY

The Johnson County Skywarn Net was called at 1150 (L) upon issue by NWS of a severe thunderstorm warning that included Johnson County. The main weather event was straight winds with gusts in excess of 70 mph and 40+ mph continuous winds. Several participants reported medium to large downed trees and large broken branches, especially in North Liberty and Swisher. Rain was also heavy at times, with some ponding observed, especially in North Liberty. There were numerous reports of brief and extended power outages. One station in North Liberty noted that cell service was degraded. Cable and internet outages were reported. Most severe WX reports were relayed to NWS by landline or NWS chat. The net stood down at 1334(L) after the last warning box was cleared from Johnson County.

PARTICIPANTS

KIOJP (IC at JECC), net control
KCOWLO (IC)
W0JWC (IC)
KE0CHQ (IC)
K2JLA (east of Iowa City on US 6)
KC0JFQ (North Liberty)
KD0ZBI (Solon, near HWY 1)
W0W0Q (Coralville)
KD0JHW (Tiffin)
KE0JMF (IC)
KE0DLJ (North Liberty)
KOLUM (IC)
KB0GVI (North Liberty)
NOBPK (Oxford)
K0IVY (IC, NWS Chat)
KC0JUX (mobile, then IC)
N0YWB (Middle Amana)
KD0JHZ (North Liberty)
K0WLC (Tipton)
K0CF (IC)
KC0JFQ (North Liberty)
W0ABC (Swisher)
KOLUM (IC)
K5QZM (IC)
W3AC0 (IC)
W8UBC (IC)
NO0B (south of Tiffin)
KD0VTI (Coralville)
KF0AWG

W9EAA (Amana, campground)

LOG

1150 Net stood up

1222 NOYWB reported that the front reached Middle Amana, winds around 19 mph

1227 NOBPK estimated wind at 50 mph in Oxford

1229 KCOJFQ reported brief power outage, North Liberty

1232 WOABC estimated winds in excess of severe limits; report to NWS

1232 KDOJHZ reported extensive power outage in North Liberty

1234 KEODLJ provided additional report of power outage in North Liberty

1237 KDOJHZ estimated wind 40-50 mph, North Liberty

1237 KOLUM estimated wind 40 mph, Beaufort 7-8, IC south of West High

1237 KE0JMF estimated 40-45 mph wind in IC near VA Hospital

1239 W3ACO estimated wind of 35 mph at his home in IC

1243 NOYWB reported a wind gust of 70 mph in Middle Amana

1244 K2JLA reported wind estimated 46 mph and heavy rain just east of Iowa City

1245 KOLUM reported cable out in Iowa City, but power OK

1245 W8UBC reported both cable and power lost at Lakeridge Mobile Home Park IC

1247 K2JLA reported wind gust 66 mph east of IC

1248 KDOZBI reported wind gust estimated 60 mph, plus heavy rain in Solon at hwy 1

1248 KCOISV reported heavy rain west of Sycamore Mall

1250 NO0B reported wind estimated 55 mph south of Tiffin

1252 NO0B reported wind gust measured 73 mph south of Tiffin

1252 KCOJFQ reported cell service as "degraded" in North Liberty

1257 K2JLA reported his 45-foot radio tower down

1258 KEODLJ reported loss of internet North Liberty

1300 KIOJP reported power flickers at JECC (some time later Internet was lost)

1306 W0JWC reported power outage in west IC

1310 W9EAA reported 1-2" branches lost from trees in Amana campground

1313 KEODLJ reported 1.5 foot tree down near his location in North Liberty

1315 NOYWB reported that peak wind was about 28 mph and that rain had stopped

1317 W3ACO reported 55mph gust near his location in IC

1324 WOABC reported that there was significant tree damage in Swisher

1334 Last warning box cleared Johnson County and the net stood down. At this time winds at JECC were strong, but not damaging.

– Jeff Dodd , KIOJP, reporting