



**IDAHO MONANA NET (IMN)**  
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IMN for April: Sessions 30, QNI 417, QTC 46

### NCS and Liaison to Other Nets

Day	NCS	RN7	MTN	FARM
SUN	W7VPK	VE7DWG/AI7H	W7VPK	W7VPK
MON	WB6N	W7EKB	KA7YYR	W7EKB
TUE	AI7H	AI7H	KB7QQ	W7GHT
WED	W7EKB	W7EKB	W7EKB	W7EKB
THU	W7VPK	WB6N	KB7QQ	W7GHT
FRI	AI7H	AI7H	KA7YYR	W7GHT
SAT	AI7H	WB6N	KA7YYR	W7GHT

### Idaho QSO Party Really, Really Finished!

The logs (63 in total) have been evaluated and the results are posted at [idhoarrl.info/qsoparty/index.html](http://idhoarrl.info/qsoparty/index.html). 19 Idaho hams sent in logs, but we found that 45 others from Idaho participated, hope they send in logs next year. IMN'er Bob (K7TM) made an 11-county sweep, working gobs of CW and SSB as he went. We did have one case of a DX-Pedition gone wrong, where local friends Vic (K3SHD) and Bill (KF7OPR) went on an outing to Idaho County, but Vic became seriously ill. Fortunately Bill was on top of the situation, managed the medevac to Lewiston, ID, then went back and disassembled the station. Vic reports that he is back up to 99% as of a couple days before press time.

### Idaho ARRL Convention Report

The Idaho ARRL Convention took place in Boise, over the weekend of 04/21-22, and the theme this year was "Ready for Anything". General Bill Shawver (director of Idaho BHS) was the keynote speaker in the general meeting, and he says that BHS is keenly aware of the emergency communication resource that Amateur Radio provides. In addition to the usual emergency preparedness discussions and displays, the point was also made that "anything" could include a shortage of hams, which leads to the idea that it's OK to enjoy ourselves in the hobby (which would look "cool" to prospective hams, hopefully drawing them in).

Although there were no official "traffic" activities, IMN regulars Terry (WB6N), Jim (W4TVI), Bob (K7TM), and Otis (KM7SM) were all sighted in the crowd.

## **Idaho ARRL Convention Report (continued from page 1)**

The vendor lineup was a little different this year. ICOM had a much smaller booth, which was un-attended. Yaesu was not there. But Elecraft and Ten-Tec were both there for the first time.

General attendance appeared to be down a little bit from previous years, this could have been because of the economic situation, or possibly was because this was the same weekend as the local Jet Boat races.

### **Some More “New Ones”**

Thanks to Steve (KE7UUJ), our first WY participant in recent times, who is now a “regular” on IMN. Also, it was good to hear from DJ (N6AWH), who is a brass pounder down in CA. DJ heard us a couple of weeks ago and says he will stop by from time to time.

### **Upcoming Events (listed chronologically)**

#### **Northwest ARRL Division + Oregon State ARRL Convention**

This one is also known as “Sea-Pac”, and will take place on June 1-3. They claim to be the largest Ham-vention in the Northwest, celebrating their 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year. Normally there is a good crowd of brass pounders in attendance, and a huge array of vendors. Check it out at [www.seapac.org/index.htm](http://www.seapac.org/index.htm)

#### **Montana State ARRL Convention**

This event takes place at the Glacier-Waterton International Peace Park on July 20-22. For info, the Glacier-Waterton Hamfest will be celebrating year 78 this year, making it the longest-running (oldest) Hamfest in the world! Complete details at [www.gwhamfest.org/](http://www.gwhamfest.org/)

#### **The Humor Division**

Ham Dictionary: “Social Climber” – The ham working with you on the tower project that talks too much.

Biblical Electrical Safety Comment: “Work thee not on energized equipment, for if thou doeth, thy mates will surely be buying lunch without thee and thy space at the table will be filled by another”.

#### **Help Wanted: Net Control Station operators**

Still looking for a few good men or women to fill in on the extra board. Please call or write to enquire about pay and benefits: [ai7h@arrl.net](mailto:ai7h@arrl.net)

## **Address Corrections**

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## **April QNI and Traffic (30 of 30 days "in" at Press Time)**

QNI: VE6ADM 10, AD7AN 5, K7BFL 5, N7CM 1, WW6D 13, VE7DWG 6, W7EKB 6, KD7FAU 20, W7GB 10, W7GHT 30, AI7H 21, K6HRT 5, K9JM 16, K7JV 6, AL7KG 7, W7KXB 1, NQ7L 9, KE7LKW 9, AB7MP 1, WB6N 25, VE7OM 1, W6PAP 2, W7PKL 14, KVB7QQ 1, VA7QQ 14, N7RR 15, KM7SM 5, K7TM 18, W4TVI 22, WI7U 3, KE7UUJ 18, K7VK 4, W7VPK 22, WA7WBY 16, K7YB 5, W7YV 20, KA7YYR 27, VE6ZE 1, KA7ZUR 1, N6AWH 1, W7JH 1

Traffic: W7EKB 24, AI7H 10, W7VPK 8, W7GHT 2, WB6N 2.

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