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IMN for June: Sessions 30, QNI 359, QTC 25

**NCS and Liaison to Other Nets**

Day	NCS	RN7	MTN	FARM	NWTN
SUN	W7VPK	W7XT	W7VPK	W7VPK	AI7H
MON	WB6N	WB6N	KA7YYR	WB6N	AI7H
TUE	AI7H	AI7H	AI7H	AI7H	AI7H
WED	W7XT	W7XT	W7XT	W7XT	AI7H
THU	WB6N	WB6N	W7VPK	W7VPK	AI7H
FRI	W7VPK	AI7H	KA7YYR	AI7H	AI7H
SAT	WB6N	WB6N	KA7YYR	WB6N	AI7H

**Cascadia Rising Exercise Finally Done With**

The exercise involved a huge number of agencies and individual players (Amateur Radio was a tiny part of the big picture). We have learned that everyone can do a better job, many “rule books” need to be updated, and some fences need to be mended. ‘Nuff said I hope.

**ARRL Northwest Division Convention, aka “SEA-PAC”**

It turned out great. Seaside, OR had perfect weather for the occasion (everyone inland was enduring a hot spell that weekend). The NTS forum was very nice, although it was a fairly small turnout. Interestingly, all NTS attendees looked younger and more handsome (OM’s) or attractive (YL’s) than I remembered.

**News From Around the Net (Sometimes Known as the “Bull Sh e e t”)**

Mark (AB7MP) may be one of the operators at station K7KPH for the “Night of Nights” celebration at the historic RCA Commercial Station KPH, on 07/12. (July 12, 1999 was the day KPH shut down; the Maritime Historical Society now holds commercial license KSM, and will transmit commercial traffic from that station). Mark holds both Amateur and Commercial tickets, so he may be assigned to the KSM side. We’ll update you next month.

Gary (K7EK) is “retiring” from IMN as he recently retired from Boeing and has moved to Kentucky, and is (temporarily) enjoying “apartment living”. Apparently Gary has his eye on some real estate “out in the country”, but the deal won’t be complete until next winter. Best of luck to Gary on his new adventure!

The final Snow Bird report from Jim (K7JV):

“And we are back!! Yay!!! It is unfathomable to me why anyone would live in south Texas by choice. All I can figure is that they’ve never been anywhere else. Crazy weather! High humidity! Scary bugs! Truly frightening spiders! A virtual plethora of snakes and other reptiles! Landscaping destroying wild boars! Wild and fast drivers! Unbelievable thunder storms and mind-blowing hail! Man, do we love IDAHO!!!!!”

Last month Dick (W7XT) wrote that he was a bit puzzled about the “humorous wave” discussion in the instruction manual for his new Chinese oscilloscope.

In reply, Doug (WW6D) says:

“Obviously you are not keeping up with the current technology ;-). The 'Humorous' wave is the in-phase component. Coupled with the 90 degree quadrature wave, dubbed the 'Melancholy' wave, you are able to demodulate human emotion! ;-)”

Also last month, Bill (W7KXB) mentioned experimentation with 160M antennas. In reply, Lorne (VE6AWI) notes that there’s an every-evening SSB ragchew net on 1914 Khz, good for checking propagation. Also, Doug (WW6D) mentioned shorting the center-to-outside conductors in the feedline of an 80M dipole, thereby making it a “T-Top” antenna, and feeding that against a large counterpoise on the ground.

Not certain if this is news or humor - provided by ARRL NW Division Director Jim (K7CEX):

“When you’re dead, you won’t know that you’re dead. The pain is felt by others. Same thing when you’re stupid”

**Humor Division** (items provided by a fellow Idaho ham – Bob (KC7QR))

An “IDIOT SIGHTING”

We had to have the garage door repaired. The Sears repairman told us that one of our problems was that we did not have a 'large' enough motor on the opener. I thought for a minute, and said that we had the largest one Sears made at that time, a 1/2 horsepower. He shook his head and said, "You need a 1/4 horsepower." I responded that 1/2 was larger than 1/4. He said, "NO, it's not. Four is larger than two..."

We haven't used Sears repair since.

The Duck is Dead

A woman took a very limp duck into a veterinary surgeon. As she laid her pet on the table, the vet pulled out his stethoscope and listened to the bird's chest.

After a moment or two, the vet shook his head and sadly said, "I'm sorry, your duck, Cuddles, has passed away."

The distressed woman wailed, "Are you sure?"

"Yes, I am sure. Your duck is dead," replied the vet.

"How can you be so sure?" she protested. "I mean you haven't done any testing on him or anything. He might just be in a coma or something."

The vet rolled his eyes, turned around and left the room. He returned a few minutes later with a black Labrador Retriever. As the duck's owner looked on in amazement, the dog stood on his hind legs, put his front paws on the examination table and sniffed the duck from top to bottom. He then looked up at the vet with sad eyes and shook his head.

The vet patted the dog on the head and took it out of the room. A few minutes later he returned with a cat. The cat jumped on the table and also delicately sniffed the bird from head to foot. The cat sat back on its haunches, shook its head, meowed softly and strolled out of the room.

The vet looked at the woman and said, "I'm sorry, but as I said, this is most definitely, 100% certifiably, a dead duck."

The vet turned to his computer terminal, hit a few keys and produced a bill, which he handed to the woman.

The duck's owner, still in shock, took the bill. "\$150!" she cried, "\$150 just to tell me my duck is dead!" The vet shrugged, "I'm sorry. If you had just taken my word for it, the bill would have been \$20, but with the Lab Report and the Cat Scan, it's now \$150."

### **June QNI and QTC (30 of 30 days)**

QNI: AC7AF-4, VE6AWI-19, K7BFL-7, WW6D-5, N7DXT-13, W7EKB-10, KA7FTP-22, W7GB-11, AI7H-24, K6HRT-1, K7HZ-1, K7IRA-6, K7JV-6, K9JM-21, W7KXB-1, KE7LKW-5, AB7MP-4, WB6N-24, W6PAP-2, W7PKL-2, KF7QNS-16, VA7QQ-13, W7SAG-16, VE5SDH-16, KM7SM-6, K7TM-14, W4TVI-4, WI7U-1, K7URU-6, W5UYH-14, K7VK-10, W7VPK-25, W7XT-7, K7YB-3, KA7YYR-11, AB5ZA-15, total 359

QTC: AI7H-7, WB6N-5, W7VPK-6, W7XT-6, KF7QNS-1, total 25

### **Volunteers Always Needed**

If you are interested in helping us out at IMN, we're all ears! A long list of interesting jobs is available. (For info, all staff members are in the same pay grade).

### **Address Corrections**

Let us know if you change your e-mail address, and / or if you don't wish to receive the IMN Newsletter any longer.

73 // Yrs Trooly – Ed, AI7H