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IMN for December: Sessions 31, QNI 341, QTC 21

**NCS and Liaison to Other Nets**

Day	NCS	RN7	MTN	FARM	NWTN
SUN	W7XT	W7XT	W7XT	W7XT	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	AI7H	AI7H	KA7YYR	AI7H	AI7H
SAT	WB6N	WB6N	KA7YYR	WB6N	AI7H

**Happy New Year to All!**

Now get back to work. (humbug)

**Amateur Radio Parity Act Dead (For Now)**

The “Amateur Radio Parity Act” was designed to require Homeowners Associations to make “reasonable accommodations” for Amateur Radio antennas in HOA communities. (Many HOA’s currently do not allow ANY Amateur Radio antennas). It was tough to get “on the table”, and the combined effort of individual hams and the ARRL finally propelled a bill through the House of Representatives, but it stopped in the Senate, all because of the objection of one Senator who didn’t even want to talk about it. New season this year, do it again, hope for better results! (While antenna restrictions don’t affect too many of us IMN’ers, it is estimated that more than half of all single-family dwellings in the US are HOA communities, and most of the HOA’s have antenna restrictions in their CC&R’s). (Sigh).

**Back to IMN Business**

About every six months we include a reminder copy of the IMN Net Preamble, and it’s time again. Use your copy to “sing along” during the net, and you can have it on hand in case you volunteer to be Net Control sometime during the new year!

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

After a recent wet and heavy snow in eastern Washington and northern Idaho, IMN regular Mark (AB7MP) reports that his “inverted V is no longer inverted, or a V”, due to the weight of snow and ice. Once again the old axiom “the best antenna work is done in below-freezing weather, preferably with frozen precipitation present” is proven!

And when we think the band is REALLY awful, Snowbird Jim (K7JV/7) manages the long haul from central AZ to northern ID with a perfectly readable signal! Thanks Jim.

While many hams see 160 Meters as the “noise band”, some of us sneak down there from time to time. During the recent 160M contest, yrs trooly worked a few IMN’ers, including W7IZ, K9JM, K7TM, and AB5ZA/7. And we sounded like we were all enjoying it!

## **Humor Division**

### **Daffy-Nitions**

Sudafed – When court action is taken against a Federal employee.

Parasites – What you can see when looking down from the Eiffel Tower.

Burrito – A very small statue of the guy who dueled with Alexander Hamilton.

## **And some State Mottos (the unofficial ones)**

**Alabama:** At Least We're not Mississippi

**Alaska:** 11,623 Eskimos Can't be Wrong!

**Arizona:** But It's a Dry Heat

**Arkansas:** Litterasy Ain't Everthing

**California:** As Seen on TV

**Colorado:** If You Don't Ski, Don't Bother

**Connecticut:** Like Massachusetts, Only Dirtier and With Less Character

## **December QNI and QTC (31 of 31 days)**

QNI: VE6ADM-14, AC7AF-2, VE6AWI-23, K7BFL-7, WW6D-10, N7DXT-3, W7EKB-1, KA7FTP-21, W7GB-8, AI7H-22, W7IZ-3, K9JM-27, K7JV-3, AL7KG-5, KE7LKW-9, AB7MP-5, WB6N-17, W6PAP-2, W7PKL-7, KF7QNS-13, VA7QQ-7, VE6QX-2, W7SAG-11, VE5SDH-3, KM7SM-6, K7TM-13, W4TVI-4, WI7U-6, W5UYH-17, KE7UUJ-1, K7VK-12, W7XT-17, KA7YYR-26, AB5ZA-13, total 341

QTC: AI7H-9, WB6N-2, W7XT-10, total 21

## **Newsletter Contributions Welcome!**

If you have an interesting news story, or some reportable activity (ham or otherwise) is happening at your QTH, please send it in and we'll share with all in our newsletter family.

73 // Yrs Trooly – Ed, AI7H