



**IDAHO MONANA NET (IMN)  
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IMN for May: Sessions 31, QNI 319, QTC 28

**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	VA7QQ	WB6N	W7XT	WB6N	AI7H
FRI	AI7H	AI7H	KA7YYR	AI7H	AI7H
SAT	WB6N	WB6N	KA7YYR	WB6N	AI7H

**The ARRL Northwestern Division Convention (aka “Sea-Pac”)**

The time is upon us! The event will take place on June 2-3-4, in Seaside, OR. They have many learning opportunities, also an unbelievable array of radio equipment vendors, and a fantastic swap-meet, all in the same building. IMN'er Dick (W7XT) is going, we'll quiz him on details after the event.

**Special Event Station W7I**

For fun you may wish to contact Special Event Station W7I (the “I” for Idaho). This station will be celebrating the 127<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Idaho Statehood, from June 29 thru July 7. CW frequencies include 3530, 7035, 14035, 18090, 21035 Khz (or slightly up to avoid QRM). We don't have complete details but understand that 20 operators have been recruited from around the state of Idaho to operate SSB, PSK31 and CW modes during the event. If you are an ARRL member, see more details on page 101 of the June 2017 QST Magazine.

**Two New Net Control Stations**

Thanks and a tip of the hat to AI (officially Allen), VA7QQ, our IMN NCS on Thursdays. Also, Otis (KM7SM) has taken on NCS duties for a trial run on three occasions late May / early June. Otis says he's having a great time, plus this gives him access to the IMN NCS staff car (Inside joke). Unfortunately for Otis, his day job is sometimes at night, but he's working around that.

**Latest News On Amateur Radio Parity Act**

Same story as last month. (Nil).

## **Amateur Radio Field Day Reminder**

As “almost everyone” knows, a very popular operating event called Amateur Radio Field Day happens every year, on the fourth full weekend of June. (This year it will be on June 24-25). This means two things: IMN on the evening of June 24 may be quite hectic, with a lot of QRN from folks that have no idea about traffic nets and such. Also, there MAY be message traffic from Field Day stations to the SEC or Section Manager of their section. In summary, June 24 will probably be a busy night, and there may be some business for IMN.

## **The 2017 Solar Eclipse Reminder**

This will be the first solar eclipse that has swept across the continental United States since 1918. The eclipse path will cross central Oregon and southern Idaho, and all hotels and RV parks in the affected area are fully booked. It is understood (not verified) that all renters of porta-potties are also sold out. The eclipse event will take place on Monday 08/21/17. Here is an online link: [www.eclipse2017.org](http://www.eclipse2017.org) There is plenty of info there, including a map of the sweep area. Some or all of AB, BC, WA, OR, ID, MT, WY, UT will experience at least a partial eclipse, and EYE Protection is very important if you look “at” the sun at all. You can buy them online at the web site above, also you may be able to get them from your eye doctor.

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

As reported last month, Net Manager Terry (WB6N) and XYL attended the college graduation of a grand-daughter in mid-May. Terry says that things aren’t like they used to be! First, the traffic is unbelievable (compared to back-when). And there were so many university graduates they had to have three commencement events to get everyone out the door! (Welcome back, Terry).

RN7 Net Manager Scott (W7IZ) successfully completed his road trip to WI. Details are scarce but apparently Scott avoided weather trouble, had a great time hanging out with a high school buddy, and brought some pre-loved ham gear back with him.

As mentioned above, IMN’er Dick (W7XT) is attending “Sea-Pac” for the first time in his ham history. Dick and his XYL are history buffs and intend to do some “Lewis and Clark” stuff while in the area.

## **Humor Division**

Reasons the English Language is so hard to learn (in a few example sentences):

- 1) The bandage was wound around the wound.
- 2) The farm was used to produce produce.
- 3) The dump was so full that it had to refuse more refuse.
- 4) We must polish the Polish furniture.

- 5) He could lead if he would get the lead out.
- 6) The soldier decided to desert his dessert in the desert.
- 7) Since there is no time like the present, he thought it was time to present the present.
- 8) A bass was painted on the head of the bass drum.
- 9) When shot at, the dove dove into the bushes.
- 10) I did not object to the object.
- 11) The insurance was invalid for the invalid.
- 12) There was a row among the oarsmen about how to row.
- 13) They were too close to the door to close it.
- 14) The buck does funny things when the does are present.
- 15) A seamstress and a sewer fell down into a sewer line.
- 16) To help with planting, the farmer taught his sow to sow.
- 17) The wind was too strong to wind the sail.
- 18) After a number of injections my jaw got number.
- 19) Upon seeing the tear in the painting I shed a tear.
- 20) I had to subject the subject to a series of tests.
- 21) How can I intimate this to my most intimate friend?

**May QNI and QTC** (31 of 31 days in at press time)

QNI: VE6ADM-7, AC7AF-7, VE6AWI-23, K7BFL-10, WW6D-11, KA7FTP-21, W7GB-10, AI7H-24, K9JM-4, K7JV-3, AB7MP-6, WB6N-16, W6PAP-2, W7PKL-7, KF7QNS-13, VA7QQ-21, W7SAG-25, VE5SDH-10, KM7SM-12, K7TM-13, W4TVI-11, WI7U-5, W5UYH-19, K7VK-2, W7XT-10, KA7YYR-10, AB5ZA-17, total 319

QTC: AI7H-13, W7XT-8, VA7QQ-4, KM7SM-3, total 28

**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