



**IDAHO MONANA NET (IMN)  
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IMN for October: Sessions 31, QNI 346, QTC 25

### 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

### Time Change (Daylight Saving Time to “Standard” Time)

Almost as scary as Halloween, it’s time for the dreaded change back to “Standard” time. Some nets stay on “local” time all year long, but IMN is on “Zulu” time, meaning we’ll be hearing your great signals one hour EARLIER than before (new times are 7:45PM MST, 6:45PM PST). Set your old-fashioned clocks BACK before you go to bed this Saturday evening, 11/04/17.

### California Wildfire Impact

We sadly report that long-time IMN’er Doug (WW6D) lost his home in Santa Rosa, CA during the wildfires last month. Doug says things happened so quickly they only had minutes to make their escape, so had to abandon almost everything at their home. We’ll provide an update when we hear more from Doug.

### Band Conditions

We frequently find band conditions trying in January and February, but this year we have had some situations like that in October. We’re (maybe) in the “minimum sunspots” part of the 11-year cycle, when the band “goes long” in the evening. Your editor witnessed this last week one evening when (on another net) we were only able to raise one station. (But right after that, we copied W1AW (in CT) code practice, and also worked an XE1 station, all on 160 Meters.

## Idaho SET

Last month we talked about an annual communications event called the “Simulated Emergency Test”. The SET was quite easy this year, just a check to see that hams could originate and send a message in proper form (and participation was not required). We’re pleased to report that all IMN stations who asked to “play” were successful! Thanks for joining in on the SET this year.

## DOD / MARS / Amateur Radio “Comex 17-4”

Another SET that we didn’t plan on... Please read the link for more info:

<http://www.arrrl.org/news/communications-interoperability-training-with-amateur-radio-community-set>

We don’t know too much detail about this event other than “All Amateur Radio Operators are invited to participate”. Listen to the Federal station broadcasts mentioned in the link on Saturday evening or Sunday morning for more detail. Status reports from your Counties are welcome on IMN – your editor will be happy to forward them to a nearby MARS station.

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

Last month IMN regular Otis (KM7SM) reported that he was saving box tops to eventually get a Collins filter for one of his rigs. Box top collecting must have been real good as he has the filter installed and it works well but is extremely narrow. In other tribulation, his antenna farm encountered the hiss of white noise on 80M and 20M, but worked well when listening to WWV on 10.0 Mhz. After moving antenna legs a bit Otis says the hissing has diminished.

On a completely separate subject, we have learned that KM7SM is a “Lexophile” (which is perfectly legal). It means “to have fun with words”. A few of his favorites are included below.

## Humor Division

Alexa Joke (yes she tells jokes): When is a door not a door? When it’s ajar.

Lexophile phrases (courtesy KM7SM):

When fish are in schools, they sometimes take debate.

A thief who stole a calendar got twelve months.

When the smog lifts in Los Angeles U.C.L.A.

The batteries were given out free of charge.

A dentist and a manicurist married. They fought tooth and nail.

A will is a dead giveaway.

With her marriage, she got a new name and a dress.

A boiled egg is hard to beat.

When you've seen one shopping center you've seen a mall.

Police were summoned to a daycare center where a three-year-old was resisting a rest.

Did you hear about the fellow whose entire left side was cut off? He's all right now.

A bicycle can't stand alone; it's just two tired.

When a clock is hungry it goes back four seconds.  
The guy who fell onto an upholstery machine is now fully recovered.  
He had a photographic memory which was never developed.  
When she saw her first strands of grey hair she thought she'd dye.  
Acupuncture is a jab well done. That's the point of it.  
Those who get too big for their pants will be totally exposed in the end.

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

QNI: VE6ADM-5, AC7AF-6, VE6AWI-19, K7BFL-8, KA7FTP-21,  
W7GB-9, AI7H-28, K9JM-19, K7JV-1, KE7LKW-6, AB7MP-2, WB6N-  
22, W6PAP-2, W7PKL-8, KF7QNS-21, VA7QQ-18, W7SAG-20,  
VE5SDH-5, KM7SM-7, K7TM-16, W4TVI-7, WI7U-6, K7URU-27,  
KE7UUJ-1, W5UYH-13, W7XT-10, KA7YYR-28, AB5ZA-10, total 346

QTC: AI7H-10, WB6N-5, W7XT-4, VA7QQ-4, KM7SM-1, WI7U-1,  
total 25

**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