



IDAHO MONANA NET (IMN)
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IMN for February: Sessions 28, QNI 201, QTC 13

NCS and Liaison to Other Nets

Day	NCS	RN7	MTN
SUN	W7XT	AI7H	KF7QNS
MON	WB6N	WB6N	KA7YYR
TUE	AI7H	AI7H	AI7H
WED	KF7QNS	AI7H	KF7QNS
THU	VA7QQ	WB6N	AI7H
FRI	AI7H	AI7H	KA7YYR
SAT	WB6N	WB6N	KA7YYR

A New Look for the Liaison Table

After considerable thought, our Net Manager / Idaho Section Traffic Manager Terry (WB6N) has decided to drop the FARM Net and the North West Traffic Net from active partners with IMN. These nets have not passed any traffic to IMN for quite some time, and there has recently been some difficulty getting FARM and NWTN to accept traffic. While we still attempt to drop traffic to a ham as near the destination address as possible, it's not quite as important as back in the good old days when telephone charges could add up fast.

NEW Feature – “Total Net Time”

Idaho Section Traffic Manager / IMN Net Manager Terry (WB6N) is always interested in efficiency. As mentioned last month, Terry monitors the number of minutes taken up by IMN sessions during the month. (The idea is, nets shouldn't last a long time!) Total Net Time in February = 250 Minutes, average just under nine minutes/session.

Victor Seeberger (W7VSE), SK

We sadly announce the passing of another member of the Old Guard. “Uncle Vic” (UV for short) was a very active traffic handler and continued sending magnificent CW with a bug up until early 2017, when a wind storm wiped out his antenna farm. IMN'er Don (W7GB) says that UV also played the guitar and would take it with him to various ham events. Don remembers him as “W 7 Vic Seeberger Esquire”. Vic lived in Medford, OR and became a SK on 02/07/19, at age 97.

Digital Signals on IMN Frequency? (Still There)

In February it was a couple of RTTY contests. Since we don't "own" any frequency, and the contesters don't hear us when they are setting up, they're well into their event when IMN time rolls around. As previously mentioned, if there is a strange signal on 3572 Khz, you might look for NCS a little ways UP on the dial (usually less than 1 Khz).

Government Shutdown and Amateur Radio

Good news. FCC says they are all caught up on Amateur Radio license issues and renewals.

News From Around the Net (Sometimes Known as the "Bull Sh e e t")

Last month your editor neglected to mention that the newer ham YL (Nancy, N1GFV) – who had been copying IMN for code practice and had her first CW QSO with Idaho - is located in Virginia.

Our southern outpost aka chief snowbird station Jim (K7JV) is currently located near Tucson, AZ. He is QNI sometimes, not sure if bad band conditions or other snowbird activities prevent us from hearing him more often.

IMN'er Jim (W4TVI) reports that he is away from the net for a while, attending to a medical situation. Good luck Jim, hope you can make it back sometime soon!

Yours trooly (aka Ed, AI7H) has held the position of ARRL Section Manager since October 2008. I had intended to "retire" at the end of ten years, but nobody offered to take my place so I signed on for an additional six months. As of 04/01/19, Dan Marler (K7REX) will assume the Idaho ARRL SM position. I will return to "civilian life" but plan to continue as usual with IMN.

Humor Division

Computer/Bar Humor:

Four fonts walked into a bar. The bartender said "sorry, we don't serve your type here".

Groaner Groupies:

What do you call a prehistoric reptile with an extensive vocabulary? A thesaurus.

What does a thesaurus eat for breakfast? A synonym roll.

I recently bought a thesaurus, and when I looked, all the pages were blank. I have no words to describe how disappointed I am.

Stoopid name joke:

What do Alexander the Great and Winie the Poo have in common? Same middle name.

North Idaho joke:

The sheriff pulled up next to a guy dumping garbage in the ditch. The sheriff yelled at the guy, saying "What's wrong with you, can't you see that sign right over your head?" The guy sez, "Yep that's why I'm dumpin' it here, cause it says "Fine For Dumping Garbage".

QNI and QTC

28 of 28 days have been recorded at the end of January

QNI

VE6ADM-5, K7BFL-4, WW6D-19, W6DIZ-1, N7EU-1, KA7FTP-20, W7GB-5, AI7H-15, K9JM-21, K7JV-6, KE7LKW-1, AB7MP-3, WB6N-15, KF7NUN-1, KM7SM-7, W6PAP-3, KF7QNS-15, VA7QQ-9, W7SAG-9, K7URU-13, W5UYH-10, W7XT-5, KA7YYR-12, AB5ZA-1, TOTAL-201

QTC

AI7H-7, W7XT-3, VA7QQ-3, TOTAL-13

Help Wanted!

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