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IMN for June: Sessions 30, QNI 270, QTC 13

### NCS and Liaison to Other Nets

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

### Another “Maunder Minimum”?

If you’re not acquainted with the term – this is something that happened back in the 1600’s. Instead of the normal 11-year sunspot cycles, there were few or no sunspots for over 100 years. It’s not known if the lack of sunspots was what caused the “Little Ice Age” during that period, but many scientific types think sunspots and earth weather are deeply related. Well, if you like cool weather and few sunspots, you’re at a good time, as the experts are talking about the possibility of several “low activity” sunspot cycles coming up. Good reading available at: <https://spaceweatherarchive.com/2019/04/10/experts-predict-the-solar-cycle/>  
 And of course some of the experts are wrong... (And yrs trooly thought it was spelled different all these years. No wonder it was so hard to find using Mr. Google!)

### More on “Book” (usually spelled “BUK” in CW) Messages

IMN regular Otis (KM7SM) recently asked “Is it possible to have Reverse BUK Messages?”. It took me a while to find the place in the rules, but yes it is, sort of. One example is when we have replies to “Kate Grams” (the greetings that Kate, K6HTN sends out to all new hams). If “reply” messages are all going to the same person, and they have the same format and text, why not? So (although quite unusual) it IS possible to send Reverse BUK’s.

### Other Current News

We’re a little short on news this month. Hope everyone had a good Field Day, and please take it easy over the American Independence Day holiday. (Canadian IMN’ers, we’re talking about July 4<sup>th</sup>)...

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

Many thanks to Net Manager Terry (WB6N) who has been covering for yrs trooly on IMN and some other nets. AI7H is on a reduced hamming schedule to manage non-ham family priorities.

### **Humor Division**

Geometry / History Joke (Yes, it's a double header!)

Who designed King Arthur's Round Table? Answer: Sir Cumference

Animal Jokes

Where do sharks go for vacation? Answer: Finland

What happens when you stand between two Llamas? Answer: you get llaminated

Did you hear about the high-tech spiders who got engaged? Answer: they met on the web

Transportation Joke

What's the hardest part about learning how to ride a bicycle? Answer: the pavement

Long awaited Prison Joke

An investigative reporter was invited to visit a prison so he could see how things were going. As the warden was escorting the tour, a prisoner shouted “Seventeen”, and all within earshot (including guards) laughed out loud. They moved to another area and a guard shouted out “Thirty-One” and again, everyone within earshot, including the warden chuckled. So the reporter asked “what's the deal with people shouting a number and everyone laughing”?

The warden explained that everyone had heard all the jokes before, so rather than telling the joke over again, all the jokes were assigned numbers, and when someone felt like telling a joke he just shouted out the number. The warden said, “Nineteen was one of the best jokes ever, why don't you try telling that one”?

So the reporter shouted out “Nineteen”, but only a couple prisoners chuckled.

The reporter was quite disappointed by his results and asked the warden if Nineteen was actually a bad joke. The warden said “No. It's just that some people can tell a joke and some can't”.

Short Poetry Joke

What's the shortest poem about Fleas? Answer: Adam had 'em.

And a Geography Joke

What's the best thing about Switzerland? Answer: I don't know, but the flag is a plus! (You might have to ask Mr. Google to show you a Swiss flag if you don't get this one)

### **June QNI and QTC (28 OF 30 DAYS IN AT PRESS TIME)**

QNI: VE6AWI-27, K7BFL-11, WW6D-21, KA7FTP-22, W7EKB-1,  
W7GB-10, AI7H-8, K9JM-19, K7JV-6, AB7MP-6, WB6N-24,  
W6PAP-2, KF7QNS-22, VA7QQ-10, W7SAG-13, KM7SM-24, K7URU-6,  
W5UYH-12, K7VK-13, W7XT-5, KA7YYR-3, AB5ZA-8, KC8YTV/7-1,  
total 270

QTC: AI7H-6, VA7QQ-2, KM7SM-1, WB6N-2, W7EKB-1, W7XT-1,  
total 13

Net Time: 246 Minutes (average just over 8 Minutes/session)

### **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

(Your interesting story or picture could appear HERE!) Send it if you got it!!