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IMN for May: Sessions 31, QNI 349, QTC 16

NCS and Liaison to Other Nets

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

Sunspots = about 0

Incredibly, about the same as at this time last year!

Regarding Amateur Radio Field Day

There has been a huge amount of discussion about if/how Field Day stations could deploy this year. ARRL HQ has consistently broadcast that the rules are identical to any other year because Field Day is “an emergency communications exercise”, not a “contest”. One of the ongoing rules has been that “Class D” stations (Home station on Commercial Power) cannot count QSO’s with other Class D stations. But suddenly, a one-time-only change is now allowed, Class D stations may count ALL QSO’s. For we who like the sound of dits and dahs, what an excellent opportunity to do some operating in a pretty busy environment. The link is: <http://www.arrl.org/news/temporary-rule-waivers-announced-for-2020-arrl-field-day>
And the general rules for Field day may be found at: <http://www.arrl.org/field-day#rules>

Rescue of Marconi Station from the Titanic?

Otis, KM7SM brought this to my attention. In brief summary, an expedition has secured permission to cut into the radio room of the Titanic and retrieve the “Marconi Station”. It’s a very complicated situation that involves maritime law, jurisdiction, etc. Here’s the link: www.snopes.com/ap/2020/05/19/judge-salvage-firm-can-recover-titanics-telegraph-machine/
Otis and yrs trooly share the opinion that the Titanic is a gravesite and should not be disturbed.

And a Bit More of Titanic

KM7SM spends a lot of time searching the internet, possibly because he's cooped up at home. While searching, Otis found a You-Tube that is a log of the last messages sent from the Titanic. Here's the link: www.youtube.com/watch?v=FxRN2nP_9dA

Note that Titanic sent "CQD" (not SOS), as the term CQD meant CQ – Distress. The You-Tube is a bit long, but fascinating. Apparently the text is spread out in "real time".

A Short Note on Time

IMN regular Russ (W5UYH) shared a You-Tube link about Big Ben in London. It's an easy to watch but somewhat science-y presentation on the construction and operation of Big Ben. If you'd like to watch, drop me a note and I will send a copy. (It was interesting to note the time keeper used a handheld device to ensure that Big Ben was "right on time"). Sort of reminds me of my first rig!

Annual Windows 10 Update

Yes, even those of us who love (?) Windows hate it when major updates occur. The 2020 update (called "Windows 10 2004") started to automatically download to most PC's on 05/28. Here's a link to help if you have questions about how this will work on your computer:

<https://www.cnet.com/how-to/windows-10-may-2020-update-everything-you-need-to-know/>

Humor Section

WW6D contributed these one-liners that passed by his QTH through a family friend...

Can we uninstall 2020 and reinstall it again?... I think it has a virus ...

After years of wanting to thoroughly clean my house but lacking the time, this week I discovered that wasn't the reason.

You're not stuck at home, you're safe at home. One word can change your attitude and one cough can change your life.

Coronavirus has turned us all into dogs. We roam the house all day looking for food. We're told "no" if we get too close to strangers and we get really excited about car rides.

2020 is a unique Leap Year. It has 29 days in February, 300 days in March and 5 years in April.

Wearing a mask inside your home is now highly recommended. Not so much to prevent COVID-19 but to stop eating.

Does anyone know if we can take showers yet or should we just keep washing our hands???

My Mom always told me I wouldn't accomplish anything by laying in the bed all day, but look at me now! I'm saving the world!

This Picture contributed by Region VII Net Manager Scott (W7IZ)



Just received my COVID-19
rapid test kit from CHINA!
soooooo relieved!!!!!! Thanks beijing!!!!

May QNI and QTC (31 OF 31 DAYS IN AT PRESS TIME)

QNI: VE6ADM-7, VE6AWI-26, K7BFL-5, WW6D-29, KA7FTP-24,
W7GB-7, AI7H-20, K9JM-24, WJ7S-27, K7JV-12, KE7LKW-2,
AB7MP-4, WB6N-25, W6PAP-2, KF7QNS-22, VA7QQ-26, W7RGZ-6,
VE6ROH-1, KM7SM-27, K7URU-13, W5UYH-13, K7VK-7, W7XT-8,
KA7YYR-4, AB5ZA-8, total QNI 349

QTC: AI7H-10, VA7QQ-5, W7XT-3, total QTC 16

Total Net Time: 290 Minutes (Average about 9.4 Min/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