



**IDAHO MONANA NET (IMN)
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IMN for September: Sessions 30, QNI xxx, QTC xx

NCS and Liaison to Other Nets

Day	NCS	RN7	MTN
SUN	KM7SM	W7XT	AI7H
MON	WB6N	WB6N	KA7YYR
TUE	AI7H	AI7H	AI7H
WED	KF7QNS	AI7H	KF7QNS
THU	VA7QQ	WB6N	AI7H
FRI	AI7H	AI7H	KA7YYR/AI7H
SAT	WB6N	WB6N	KA7YYR

Getting Close to Contest Time

As you may have heard on some recent weekends, RTTY stations are everywhere, including the IMN “home” frequency. Modern RTTY stations “typically” do not listen for stations operating in other modes at all, they just view the waveform of other RTTY stations. They are involved in one of the many Amateur Radio contests that typically take place on weekends. There is no ‘defense’, we just have to go with the flow. If you can’t hear IMN NCS because of the racket, try tuning UP or DOWN a bit, the net may have moved to “accommodate” the interfering station(s). If (just for curiosity) you are interested in viewing a list of scheduled contests, go to an excellent contest calendar www.contestcalendar.com, maintained by Bruce Horn (WA7BNM)

Now It’s Hamfest Time (or not)

The “Spokane Hamfest” aka the ARRL Washington State Amateur Radio Convention was cancelled due to Covid concerns. The next big Amateur Radio Convention event is “Pacificon”, officially known as the ARRL Pacific Division Convention. That event will be held at the Marriott hotel in San Ramon, CA from 10/15 through 10/17/21. For more details Google ‘Pacificon 2021’.

Antenna Farm Maintenance Time

As the really hot weather slows down to modestly warm weather, all IMN'ers are encouraged to go out and review the antenna farm. While it is a known fact that the best antenna farming is done in the cooler months, with temperature below 35 degrees F and freezing rain or sleet falling, it is sometimes more pleasurable to do the tiny details on a warm afternoon in October.

Bull Sheet: Yes we have Bull!

A Small editorial from your Editor:

We often encounter new (or newer) (or older) hams who we consider to be crazy people. But then that's what they thought of us oh-so-many-years-ago. One detail of crazy is that of "fitting in". If an Amateur Radio operator puts on a huge public display of (something) that might be considered offensive to the general public, that gives all of us a bad name. As more senior operators, we might consider 'counseling' some of those crazy people and ask if they could do a better job of blending in. For an example see the picture on the following page.

October QNI and QTC (30 OF 30 DAYS IN AT PRESS TIME)

QNI: VE6ADM-2, VE6AWI-29, K7BFL-7, WW6D-24, N0DA-1, KA7FTP-14, W7GB-8, KJ7GNB-12, AI7H-21, K9JM-21, K7JV-16, WB6N-16, KF7NUN-14, W6PAP-2, KF7QNS-21, VA7QQ-21, WJ7S-21, KM7SM-26, K0SN-1, K7TRT-21, K7URU-25, W5UYH-10, W7XT-1, total QNI 344

QTC: AI7H-10, VA7QQ-4, KM7SM-4, WB6N-3, total QTC 21

Total Net Time: 288 Minutes (Average about 10 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

Artwork of the Month

Wouldn't two or three mobile antennas be considered enough?

