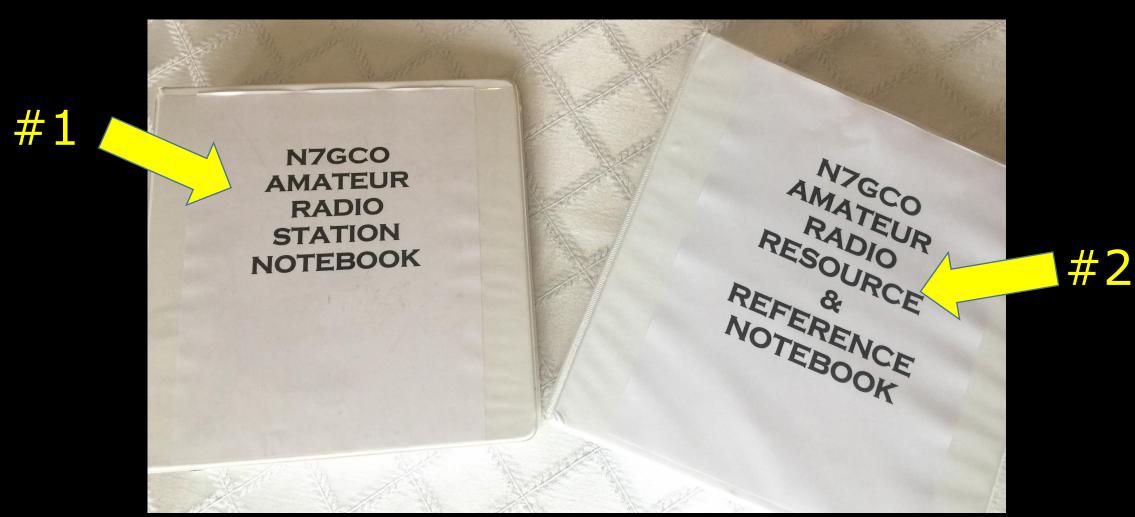
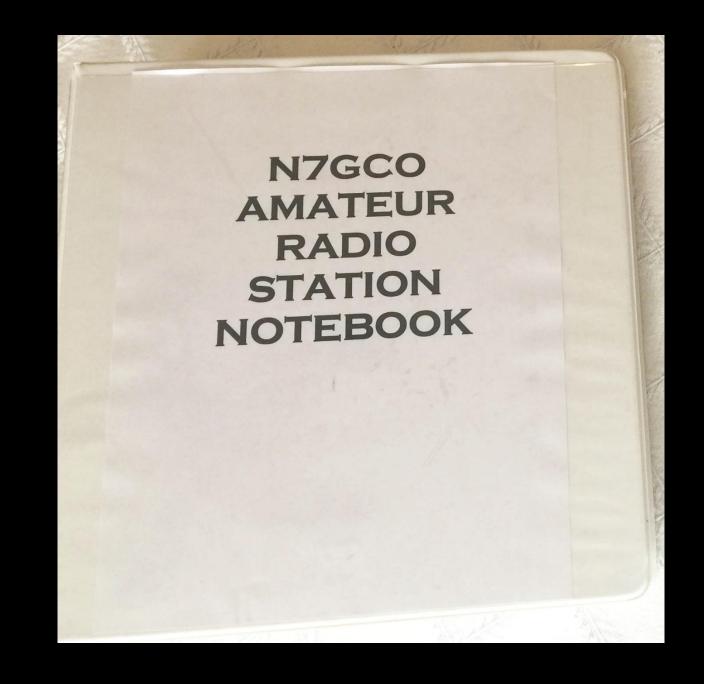
Station Notebook(s) Mel Ming - N7GCO



Why have a Station Notebook?

- 1. Puts all you notes on your station in one place (Equipment serial numbers, Software license numbers, etc.)
- 2. Is reference to remind you of what you did and why (Example, What order your put your equipment in: radio, tuner, amp, SWR/Power meter)
- 3. Ready reference for procedures (Example, What are the settings I use for Winlink VARA FM with Icom 7100)
- 4. Should you become a silent key, this will be extremely helpful to whoever is helping your family sell your equipment.

#1 Station Notebook



#1.1. A list of all your equipment

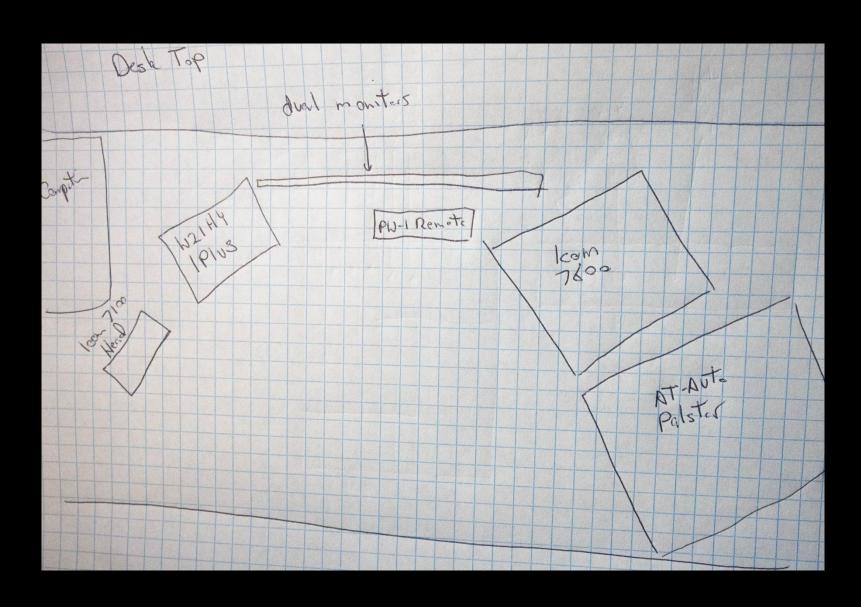
This should include:

- Equipment manufacture (Icom)
- Equipment model (IC-7600)
- Serial number (#0202XXX)
- Where purchased (Ham Radio Outlet-Portland)
- When purchased (11/19/2011)
- Cost (\$
- Where manuals are located (File Cabinet drawer #3)
- Where boxes are located (Top Shelf north side)
- Where extra parts are located (Second Shelf south side)

#1.1. A list of all your equipment

HAM GEAR INVENTORY						
ITEM	Serial #	Cost	Sale \$	Acquired	Date	Info
HF RADIOS & ACCESSORIES						
Icom 7600 (HF)	#0202732	\$ 3,000.00		HRO-Portland	11/19/2011	Binder on behind Shelf, File in Drawer #3, Box on top shelf behind
Icom 7100 (HF/VHF/UHF)	#02010848	\$ 829.95		MTC	3/6/2020	Binder on behind Shelf, File in Drawer #3, Box on top shelf
Kenwood TM-D710G (VHF/UHF) + TNC	#B8910097		0.000	HRO-Portland	11/24/2018	Binder on behind Shelf, File in Drawer #3, Box on top shelf
Icom 5100 (VHF/UHF)		\$ 728.95		HRO-Portland	5/16/2014	Binder on behind Shelf, File in Drawer #3, Box on top shelf
Icom 5100 (VHF/UHF)		\$ 650.00		Icom - Dayton		Binder on behind Shelf, File in Drawer #3, Box on top shelf
Icom 2300 (VHF)	#05020237	\$149.99		MTC	6/3/2020	Binder on behind Shelf, File in Drawer #3, Box on top shelf

#1.2. A Block Diagram of equipment



#1.3. Antenna descriptions

- Manufacture (Arrow)
- Model (OSJ 146/440 J-Pole)
- Where it is located? (Top of mast at 94')
- How it is connected to station? (Coax runs from Kenwood 710 outside shack to Alpha-Delta Lightening arrestor, DX Engineering MAX 400 Coax to base of tower 132', Alpha-Delta lightening arrestor, DX Engineering MAX 400 Coax up tower to grounding mount 90', Flex 213 Coax in rotator loop to antenna)

#1.4. Cable Labeling

Coax:DX Engineering MAX 400

Steppir
 Red

• 160 Meter Inverted L Blue

Butternut Hf2v
 White/Blue

Antenna Switch White/Red

• #1 80 M Inverted V White/White

• #2 80 Meter Loop White

#3 40/80 Inverted V White/Red

• #4 60 M Inverted V White/Yellow

Ah-4 Dipole
 Red/Blue

VHF/UHF Antenna

2m/440 (J-Pole-Top of Tower)
 Yellow

 2m/440 (Diamond on Tower) Yellow/Red

 2m/440 (Comet By Garage) Yellow/Yellow

Receive Antennas (DX Engineering Flooded RG6)

 Vertical Receive Antenna Blue/Yellow

• DHDL SE-NW Blue/Blue

• DHDL NE-SW Blue/Red

#1.5. SWR Measurements

80 Meter Inverted V ANTENNA ANAYLSIS 4/27/2020

Freq	SWR
3.5	2.3
3.573	1.9
3.6	1.7
3.65	1.5
3.7	1.29
3.75	1.22
3.80	1.35
3.9	1.6
3.95	1.8

#1.6. Radio Memories

ID-5100 Programmer - Master 12 21 2018.ID5100

	Receive Frequency	Transmit Frequency	Offset Frequency	Offset Direction	Operating Mode	Name	Tone Mode	CTCSS
410	147.00000	147.60000	•	+DUP	FM	Waldport, Table	Tone	136.5 Hz
411	444.47500	449.47500	5.00 MHz	+DUP	FM	Waldport, Table	Tone	103.5 Hz
412	147.00000	147.60000		+DUP	FM	Waldport	None	88.5 Hz
413	444.47500	449.47500	5.00 MHz	+DUP	FM	WALDPORT	Tone	103.5 Hz
414	444.75000	449.75000		+DUP	FM	Newport	Tone	118.8 Hz
415	442.60000	447.60000	5.00 MHz	+DUP	FM	Lincoln City	Tone	118.8 Hz
416	444.75000	449.75000		+DUP	FM	Newport, Otter C	Tone	118.8 Hz
417	145.39000	144.79000		-DUP	FM	Newport, Otter C	Tone	136.5 Hz
418	145.37000	144.77000		-DUP	FM	Newport, Cape Fo	Tone	167.9 Hz
419	145.47000	144.87000		-DUP	FM	Newport, Courtho	Tone	167.9 Hz
500	145.19000	144.59000		-DUP	FM	SPRAGUE	None	88.5 Hz
501	146.72000	146.12000		-DUP	FM	RITZVILLE	None	88.5 Hz
502	443.70000	448.70000		+DUP	FM	Lind Hill	Tone	123.0 Hz
503	147.14000	147.74000		+DUP	FM	COLLEGE PLACE	Tone	94.8 Hz
504	145.35000	144.75000		-DUP	FM	Othello	Tone	100.0 Hz
505	146.62000	146.02000		-DUP	FM	PASCO	Tone	123.0 Hz
506	147.08000	147.68000		+DUP	FM	KENNEWICK	Tone	94.8 Hz

#1.7. Serial Port Settings

- #2 CIV (Icom CT-17 or USB)
- #3 Yaesu Rotator/PST RotatorAz (Rotorcard DXE)
- #5 Sound Mixer (Behringer Xenyx 1204 USB)
- #6 Silicon Labs USB to UART Bridge (Icom 7600 USB) (Only shows when Radio is on)
- #7 WaveNode WN-2d
- #8 USB Serial Port (Kenwood TM-D710GA) (TNC)
- #10 Silicon Labs USB to UART Bridge (Icom 7100 USB)
- #11 Silicon Labs USB to UART Bridge (Icom 7100 USB)

#1.8. Audio Port Settings

Icom 7600 Microphone (3–USB Audio USB Codex)
Icom 7600 Speaker (3–USB Audio USB Codex)
Icom 7100 Microphone (2–USB Audio USB Codex)
Icom 7100 Speaker (2–USB Audio USB Codex)
Mixer Microphone (5–USB Audio Codex)
Mixer Speaker (5–USB Audio Codex)

#1.9. QTH Information

• Latitude 47.535325

•Longitude -117.465126

• Grid Square DN17gm

•CQ Zone 3

•ITU Zone 6

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#1.10. Maintenance Schedule

Every Summer

- Check guy tension on tower
- Check all coax cables and connections
- Check all ground rods and attachments

Every Quarter

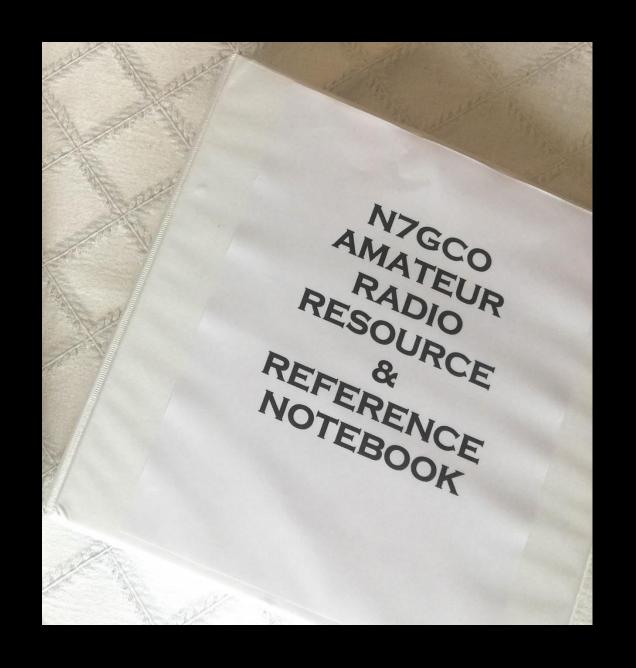
- Check SWR on all antenna's
- Vacuum Computer and amp
- Dust all equipment
- Check all Shack Coax and power connections

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- 9. Antenna: 80 Inverted Vee
- 10. Antenna: 80 meters Full Loop
- 11. Antenna: 60 m inverted Vee
- 12. Antenna: Butternut 80 Meter Vertical

- 13. Antenna: Butternut 40 Meter Vertical
- 14. Antenna: Alpha Delta 40/80
- 15. VHF/UHF Antenna Info
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- 17. Radio: Icom 7600
- 18. Radio: Kenwood 710
- 19. Radio: Icom 2300
- 20. Radio: Icom 5100
- 21. Radio: Icom 51A
- 22. Radio: Icom 32
- 23. AT-AUTO (Kessler)
- 24. Behringer Mixer
- 25. IPlus and other audio

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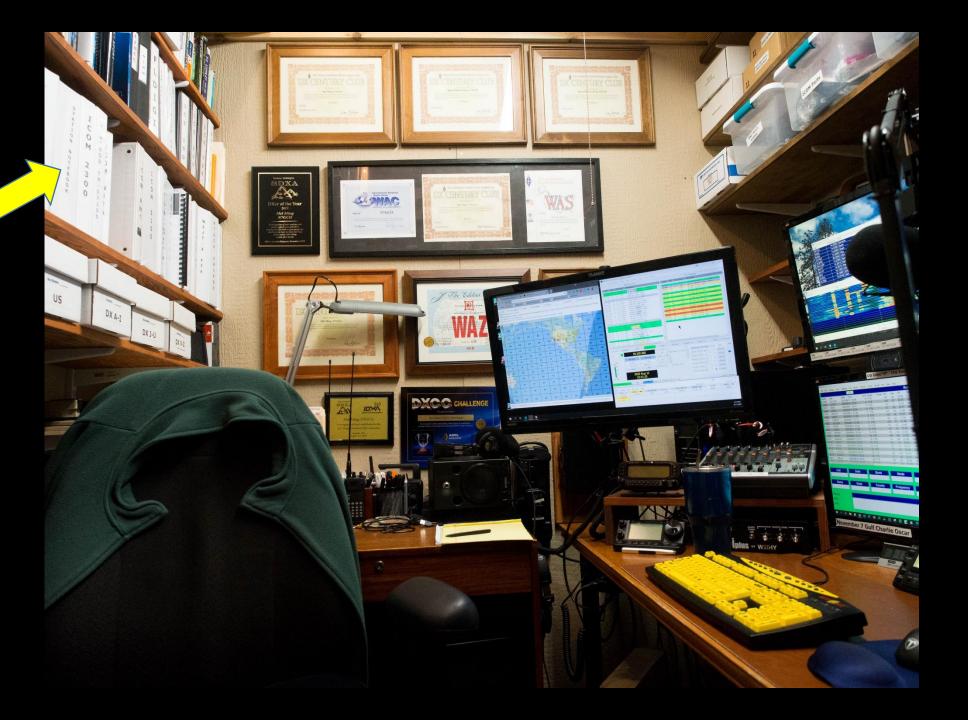
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