

Announcements / Revisions:

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22:00 September 21, 2007:

Rain Totals not posting in 'Blocked Area' I believe that the newer software (5.7.1) package has something to do with that.

11:50 September 22, 2007:

The KE6JDC Weather Server/Site will experience periods of downtime while different software packages are tested/evaluated and the final server box brought up and online. This will be a continuing endeavor for the next 15 to 20 days.

The current software package powering the KE6JDC weather site is: Weather Link 5.7.1 (www.davisinstruments.com) The new software package to be tested and evaluated is: Weather Display Live (WDL (www.weather-display.com/wdlive.php)) We will try and keep all of the forecasting and imagery currently on the site. And I have viewed a few of the linked examples (on wdl) and believe that it is possible to keep this stuff.

The HW for the new server is being worked on finally! We should have the server box up and running by Friday Sept. 28.

06:45 September 23, 2007

Rolled back to Weather Link 5.4 for testing purposes.

11:30 September 23, 2007

I have started working on the 'WDL' page. You may check it at:
<http://mysite.verizon.net/res0cjap/KE6JDCwthrstn.htm> (Please let me know what you think by emailing me at: zingers@verizon.net)

22:20 September 24, 2007

The new server box was brought up, software loaded, and configured. WeatherLink 5.4 is now running, and updating to the KE6JDC Weather Net.

09:50 September 27, 2007

I had to go back to square one by rebuilding the weather net page from scratch. If you're a regular, you've noticed that I'm rebuilding the page a little at a time during the day and early evening. The KE6JDC Weather Net Page should be back up with all graphics with in the next couple of days. The good news is that all of the weather values coming from the weather station are being updated to the weather net site.

Additionally, we may just use Weather Link. As I remembered from my last try of getting 'Weather Display Live' up and running... well I never did, and when I tried configuring WDL this time, I had a heck of a time trying to get it going.. As for the 'Live' portion, I tried.. but could not get the darn thing to post out to the web.

22:24 September 27, 2007

Site re-built. If you see anything wrong please email me at: zingers@verizon.net.
Thanks!

22:20 October 5, 2007

Updated Weather Link to 5.7.1

We have a new page on the Weather Underground which updates every 2.5 seconds using "Rapid Fire".
Go Here:

http://www.wunderground.com/swf/Rapid_Fire.swf?units=both&station=KCALONGB3

07:48 October 14, 2007

I would like to hear from the users of the 'Rapid Fire', and main KE6JDC weather net page on which type of program you would like to use. I have noticed that when running the rapid-fire update, the main ke6jdc weather page suffers. What happens is that 'rapid-fire' basically takes over and continues to run whilst pushing the main ke6jdc updates to between 2 and 4 minutes. This said, I have disabled the 'Rapid-Fire' update until I hear from it's users. If the consensus is to move forward to a 'rapid-fire' page, I will work on building the 'Weather Display Live' software.. but as I mentioned, (at least for me) it took several hours and I still could not get the 'live version' up and running correctly.

If no correspondence is received, we will ditch the 'Rapid-Fire' page. (IMHO, the WDL is not giving the same amount of detailed information as our current page, and updating every 60 seconds seems to be OK)
Email me here: zingers@verizon.net

15:49 November 5, 2007

Re-Enabled Rapid-Fire for testing if any problems occur, please let me know by emailing me. thx.!

09:00 December 22, 2007

Rapid Fire has not interfered with the WeatherLink Reporting software therefore Rapid-Fire will continue it's 2.5 second feed.

NEW:

We're moving!!! I have created a new domain for the KE6JDC Weather Net. The new domain (in testing mode) is: wx-ke6jdc.ronsoto.net.

The domain has been created and I'll be working on moving this site by Monday December 24th.
Additionally URL forwarding will be enabled from:

http://mysite.verizon.net/res0cjap/Current_Vantage_Pro.htm

To:

wx-ke6jdc.ronsoto.net

17:25 December 23, 2007

I've noticed that the time required to upload the files needed to drive the KE^JDC Weather Net is slower than before. We will either discontinue the Rapid-Fire page or have a two minute update. We're in a testing phase again for the Rapid-Fire page.

The new domain is now in use and a forward has been placed at:
http://mysite.verizon.net/res0cjap/Current_Vantage_Pro.htm with a note to update bookmarks.

21:00 December 29, 2007

Added Google Weather Bonk for Los Angeles basin and Orange County.. Very Cool!

The KE6JDC Weather Net page is getting too long. This said I will be adding links on the left side for everything under the basic weather station values. Stay tuned for a new look!

07:45 December 31, 2007

My brother died yesterday, and I am going to dedicate my Weather Net page to him. Just to let you know, I shutdown the server last night in honor of him.

07:00 January 14, 2008

Quick Update! First of all... **Happy New Year!** We're in the process of moving hosting companies. This said, I've already started working on a new look for this site.. it will be powered by 'Joomla' a very cool front end. Basically the site will have links on the left for everything but the weather station data, and forecast. This transition will be taking place over the next two weeks or so...

20:45 January 31, 2008

The wx-ke6jdc weather net moved hosting companies today. The change was from ixwebhosting to hostmonster. And what a change!! The upload times for the entire data package ix was between 14 and 20 seconds. Now the upload time is a real quick 6 to 7 seconds!!

As for the site change, I've been real busy and just haven't had the time to work on it.

Side note: on jan. 24th we posted over 900 visitors.. Our largest yet.

21:33 February 3, 2008

I checked the weather net this morning (11:25) only to find that the rapid fire updating had basically taken over the WeatherLink Reporting software. Therefore if you checked the site this morning before 11:30 for the weather data totals, you will have found that the site had not been updated since about 23:30 yesterday. I have therefore shutdown the rapid-fire updates. After some research, I'll decide whether or not to re-activate the rapid-fire updating.

21:15 October 3, 2008

Found a new tag for displaying the Console Forecast. I placed the forecast just under the tabled information (right under 'High Heat Index & Rain totals').

16:00 December 8, 2008

When looking at the 'Quality Spread' at APRS, the barometer readings are 4.5 mb lower than most of the stations here in my area. This said, I have begun recalibrating the barometer by setting the elevation setting to 0 (zero). In 24 hours I will reset the elevation to 46 feet. If this does not clear the problem, we will unfortunately have to send the weather station console to Davis Instruments to have the problem repaired by the manufacture.

18:46 December 11, 2008

It took a few days but the 'spread' between APRS and my barometer are right in line. The recalibration was all that was needed.

17:30 December 13, 2008

Server non responsive... I actually had to press the power button for 8 seconds to power down the server. Rebooted, then did a warm-start to make sure everything was ok.

06:30 December 16, 2008

Yesterday I noticed that the Rain-Rate was terribly low. This said I checked to see if the rain guage was somehow broken. What I did find was that a little berry had fallen into the rain receptical and blocked the water from falling into the actual 'tipper'. This said all the water that had fallen was still in the collector. I just removed the berry, and any rain that had been collected proceeded to be measured. When looking at the 'high rain rate' you'll notice that it is upwards of 26 inches per hour. This happened due to my removing the berry, and not the rain falling at that rate.

08:50 December 29, 2008

Well I have been working on a new site look for about a week. I was getting tired of scrolling down a page three feet long! This said **PLEASE** let me know if you like the NEW look and feel. Write me here zingers@verizon.net. The only page which is not working at this point is the Webcam/Pictures page. I'll try and have that up within the next day or so. Additionally, the pages are not complete yet. I still need to tweak most of the pages a little bit. **Unless I receive email regarding moving BACK to the old view, we will be moving forward with our new view.**

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Revisions:

1. Station brought online. **April 2004**
2. Weather Link server crashes and burns! **June 2007**
3. New server HW purchased. POST does not 'see' IDE CDROM The SATA HD is seen, but w/out the cdrom how am I to load XP? **July 3, 2007**
4. Temporary weather server brought up. **13:00 September 21, 2007**
5. Weather Link 5.4 being used to power website. **13:30 September 21, 2007**
6. Upgraded to Weather Link 5.7.1. **16:00 September 21, 2007**
7. Started working on the WDL software package. **18:00 September 22, 2007**
8. Rolled back to Weather Link 5.4. **06:45 September 23, 2007**
9. 10 Minute Wind Average & Wind History added. Marquee was reworked.. (red border / red font) **21:50 September 23, 2007**
10. New server was installed and brought up. Weather Link 5.4 is now running on the new server box and reporting out to the net. **22:20 September, 24 2007**
11. Re-built the Weather Net page from scratch to clear up the values not being reported from the weather station to the weather net web page **13:30 September, 26, 2007.**
12. Site rebuilt. **22:25 September 27, 2007**
13. New banner added **22:30 October 1, 2007**
14. Stat counter moved to the bottom of the page. **13:45 October 2, 2007**
15. Updated Weather Link Software from v5.4 to v5.7.1 **22:20 October 5, 2007**
16. Replaced small Accuweather radar loop with Accuweather's large radar/satellite loop **14:40 October 12, 2007**
17. Disabled 'Rapid-Fire' updating. **08:11 October 14, 2007**
18. Re-Enabled Rapid-Fire for testing purposes **15:49 November 2007**
19. A new domain has been brought up to reflect the site. wx-ke6jdc.ronsoto.net. Testing has begun, and a URL forward has been placed at: http://mysite.verizon.net/res0cjap/Current_Vantage_Pro.htm directing traffic to: wx-ke6jdc.ronsoto.net **17:22 December, 23 2007 Please update your bookmark.**
20. Added Google Weather Bonk for Long Beach **21:00 December 29, 2007**
21. Shutdown Weather Net server in memoriam of my brother who died yesterday. **23:30 December 30, 2007**
22. Weather Net server restarted. **07:00 December 31, 2007**
23. Dedication entry placed on page. **07:45 December 31, 2007**
24. Switched hosting companies. Moved to hostmonster from ix webhosting **20:45 January 31, 2008**
25. Rapid-fire updating shutdown. **12:30 February 3, 2008**
26. Added Forecast from Davis console; Placed under Indexed Tabled Information. **21:15 October 3, 2008**
27. Reset barometer elevation to 0 (zero) **16:00 December 8, 2008.**
28. Barometer was reset to 46 feet on 12/10 and the settings are aligned with all the wx-stations in the general vicinity. **18:46 December 11, 2008**
29. Server rebooted twice. **17:30 December 13, 2008**

30. Rain rate very low on Dec. 15th 2008. Removed a berry that had flown into the rain collector and got stuck in the hole leading to the 'tipper'. **06:30 December 16, 2008**
31. Swapped out the old site for a newer 'link' site. The KE6JDC Weather Net now has links on the left for most of the information which was below the 'current wx-station reporting' **08:50 December 29, 2008**

(All times Pacific (GMT -08:00))