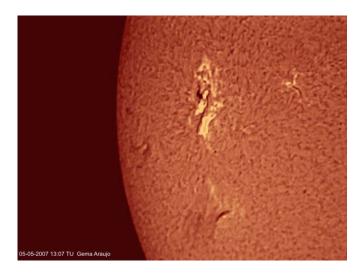
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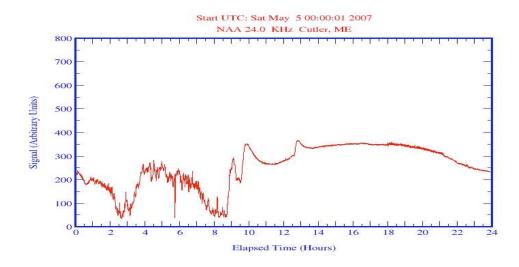
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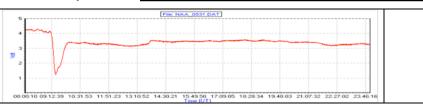
Gema Araujo's H-alpha image on May 5, 2007 at 13:07 of region 10953 showing the flare recorded below



The above SID plot from the Moore Observatory VLF monitor in Brownsboro, Kentucky showing a nice C4 flare just before 1300UT. It was nice to see both sunspot and flare activity this month. Have a happy solstice.

Sudden Ionospheric Disturbance Report

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Sudden Ionospheric Disturbances (SID) Recorded During May 2007

(Analysis performed by Michael Hill, SID Analyst)

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Date	Max	Imp	Date	Max	Imp	Date	Max	Imp
070502	1603	1+						
070505	1246	2						
070509	1401	2+						
070515	1537	2						
070516	1740	2						
070517	1256	1+						
070519	1303	2						
070530	1401	3						
070530	1407	2+						
070531	1253	1+						

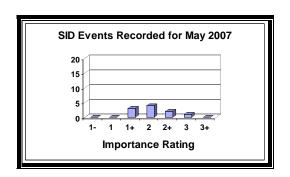
Importance rating: Duration (min) 1-: <19 1: 19-25 1+: 26-32 2: 33-45 2+: 46-85	3: 86-125	3+: >125
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Observer	Code	Station(s) monitored	Observer	Code	Station(s) monitored
A Clerkin	A29	NAA	L Loudet	A118	DHO
P King	A80	FTA	J-P Godet	A119	GBZ GQD ICV
M Hill	A87	NAA			
G Di Filippo	A93	DHO			
R Battaiola	A96	HWU			
J Wallace	A97	NAA			
F Steyn	A102	NAA			
L Observatory	A107	DHO			
P Mortfield	A108	NAA			
K Hubal	A117	NML			

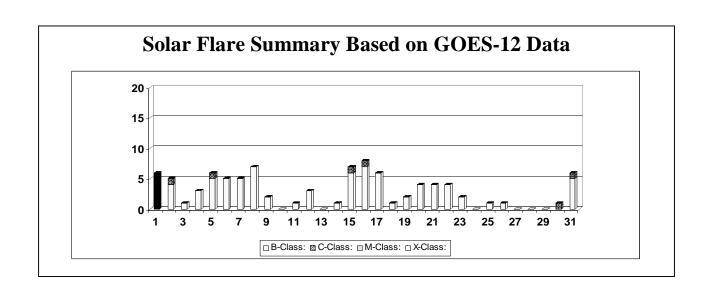
The events listed above meet at least one of the following criteria

- 1) Event reported by two or more observers within ± 5 minutes
- 2) Event matched to GOES-8 XRA event to within ± 15 minutes and event time $< 1000\ UT$
- 3) reported by observer with a quality rating > 8 (scale 1-10)

Solar Events



May showed a slight increase in SID activity with 10 correlated events reported by observers. A welcome change from the last few months. The solar activity was spread pretty evenly throughout the month with a surge of activity at the beginning and again at mid-month. There were 70 X-Ray flares detected by the GOES satellite. Most of these were lower class events. There were 5 C-Class events and the rest of them were lower B-Class events. Thanks to all our observers for reporting in this month. Your continued observations are appreciated.



American Relative Sunspot Numbers (Ra) for May 2007 [**boldface** = **maximum**, **minimum**]

Day	N	Raw Mean	Ra
1	30	31	23
2	36	29	23
3	39	19	15
4	34	18	13
5	37	16	12
6	33	13	10
7	32	12	9
8	34	9	7
9	34	16	12
10	39	21	15
11	35	23	16
12	36	21	16
13	35	19	14
14	41	28	21
15	33	27	19
16	30	30	23
17	24	32	25
18	34	36	26
19	30	31	22
20	25	21	15
21	34	17	12
22	35	13	10
23	37	14	10
24	35	3	2
25	31	0	0
26	28	0	0
27	33	2	1
28	33	4	2
29	39	10	7
30	34	8	6
31	30	2	1

Means 33.5 16.9 12.5

No. of Observers: 63

Total No. of Observations: 1040

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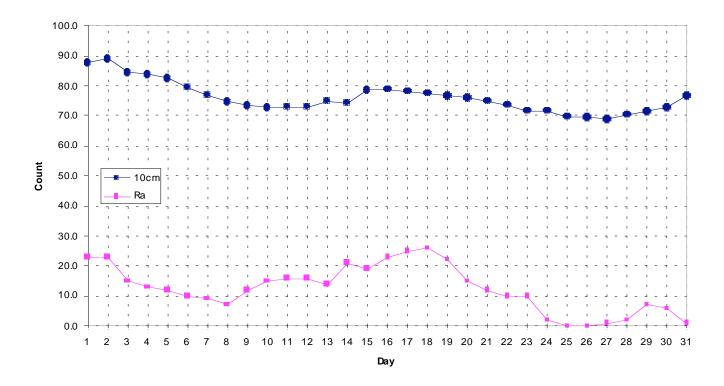
SID Flare Reports – email: noatak@aol.com Postal Mail: Mike Hill, 114 Prospect St., Marlboro, MA, 01752

May 2007 Sunspot Observers

AAP AJV ARAG BARH BATR BEB BERJ BMF BRAB BRAD BRAM BRAR BROB BCC CAMP CHAG CKB CLZ CNT COMT DEJV DEMF DGP	A. Abbott J. Alonso G. Araujo H. Barnes R. Battaiola R. Berg J. Berdejo M. Boschat B. Branchett D. Branchett M. Bradbury R. Branch R. Brown A. Buck P. Campbell G. Morales B. Cudnik L. Corp D. Chantiles T. Compton J. van Delft F. Dempsey G. Dyck	19 21 29 12 11 17 11 18 31 18 1 29 30 31 3 28 24 4 3 11 15 7
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DUBF	F. Dubois	24
FERJ	J. Fernandez	12
FLET	T. Fleming	26
FUJK	K. Fujimori	25
GFT	F. Gobet	6
GOEM	M. Goetz	4
HALB	B. Halls	7
HAYK	K. Hay	22
JENS	S. Jenner	3
KAPJ	J. Kaplan	26
KNJS	J. & S. Knight	12
KROL	L. Krozel	3
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MMI	M. Moeller	9
OATS	S. Oatney	26
OBSO	IPS Observatory	21
PEKT	R. Pektas	29
RICE	E. C. Richardson	15
RITA	A. Ritchie	20
SCGL	G. Schott	27
SCHG	G. Scholl	18
SDP SIMC	D. SharplesC. Simpson	2 15
STEM	G. Stemmler	18
STQ	N. Stoikidis	21
SUZM	M. Suzuki	27
SZUM	M. Szulc	25
TESD	D. Teske	28
TJV	J. Temprano	9
URBP	P. Urbanski	24
VARG	A. Vargas	21
VIDD	D. Vidican	10
WILW	W. Wilson	30
WRP	R. Wheeler	1

$10\ cm$ Solar Flux and American Relative Sunspot Numbers (Ra) for M ay 2007

10 cm source: http://w w w .drao.nrc.ca



Smoothed Mean Sunspot Numbers (Rsm) from January 2000 to November 2006 (Waldmeier Method)

