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Table I. American Relative Sunspot Numbers (Ra) for October 2005 [boldface = maximum, minimum]

Day	N	Raw Mean	D.	
Day			Ra	
1	30	11	7	
2	38	10	8	
3	26	13	8	
4	28	25	18	
5	27	28	21	
6	30	26	19	
7	21	24	16	
8	24	19	14	
9	32	12	9	
10	21	15	11	
11	21	14	10	
12	26	17	12	
13	19	7	5	
14	25	15	10	
15	27	14	11	
16	28	12	9	
17	23	16	11	
18	29	13	10	
19	28	18	12	
20	26	11	8	
21	25	11	8	
22	19	6	4	
23	26	1	1	
24	21	0	0	
25	23	0	0	
26	24	1	1	
27	20	1	1	
28	22	2	1	
29	21	6	5	
30	32	12	8	
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31	28	23	17	

Means:

25.5

12.4

8.9

Total No. of Observers: 56

Total No. of Observations: 791

**Table II. October 2005 Observers** 

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13	AAP	P.Abbott	17	KAPJ	J.Kaplan
		G.Araujo			J.Knight
	ARE	R.Allessi	1	KROL	L.Krozel
11	BARH	H.Barnes	2	KUZM	M.Kuzmin
6	BATR	R.Battaiola	13	LARJ	J.Larriba
5	BEB	Ray Berg	6	LERM	M.Lerman
15	BERJ	J.Berdejo	15	MCE	E.Mochizuki
4	BLAJ	J.Blackwell	27	MMI	M.Moeller
15	BMF	M.Boschat	20	OATS	S.Oatney
1	BOSB	B.Bose	9	OBSO	IPS Observatory
27	BRAB	B.Branchett	1	OYE	Y.Ogmen
1	BRAM	M.Bradbury			E.Richardson
27	BRAR	R.Branch	16	RITA	A.Ritchie
21	BROB	R.Brown	24	SCGL	G.Schott
9	CAMP	P.Campbell	1	SDP	D.Sharples
24	CHAG	G.Morales			C.Simpson
27	CKB	B.Cudnik			G.Stemmler
10	CLZ	L.Corp		-	N.Stoikidis
		T.Compton	f		M.Suzuki
18	DEJV	J.van Delft			M.Szulc
	DGP	-			D.Teske
		J.Fernandez		THR	
		T.Fleming		TJV	k
		K.Fujimori			P.Urbanski
_		M.Goetz			A.Vargas
		B.Halls	•		W.Wilson
		K.Hay			R.Wheeler
11	JAMD	D.James	25	YESH	H.Yesilyaprak
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NOTE: Daily raw group and group-to-spot ratios usually summarized in Table III will not be presented until significant solar activity resumes and meaningful calculations can be made.

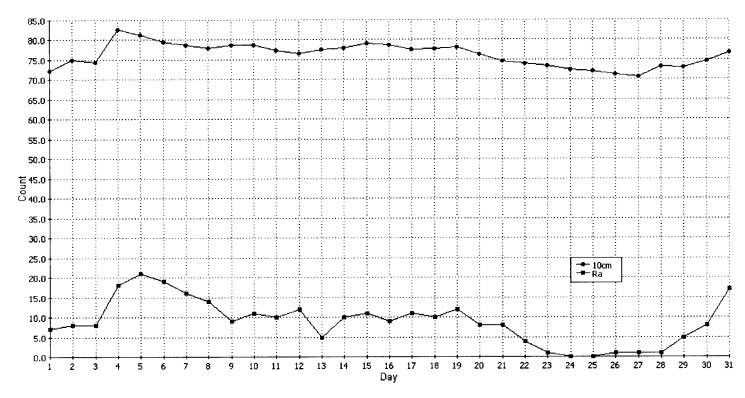


Fig. 1. 10 cm Solar Flux and American Relative Sunspot Numbers (Ra) for October 2005.

10 cm source: http://www.drao.nrc.ca/icarus

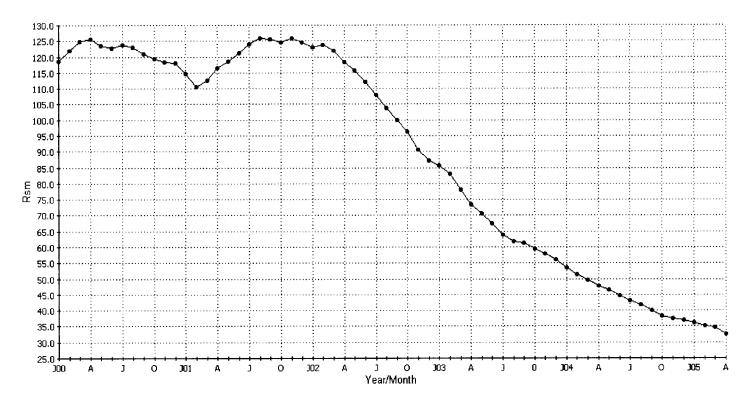
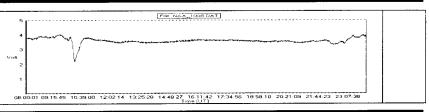


Fig. 2. Smoothed Mean Sunspot Numbers (Rsm) from January 2000 to April 2005 (Waldmeier Method).

## Sudden Ionospheric Disturbance Report





### Sudden Ionospheric Disturbances (SID) Recorded During October 2005

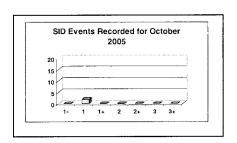
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051012	0544	1							
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Observer	Code	Station(s) monitored	<u> 0</u>	<u>bserver</u>	Code	Station(s) monitored
M Hill	A87	NAA				
J Mandaville	A90	NPM				
T Poulos	A95	NAA				
R Battaiola	A96	HWU				
F Steyn	A102	NWC				
P Mortfield	A108	NAA				

<sup>2)</sup> Event matched to GOES-8 XRA event to within  $\pm 15$  minutes and event time < 1000 UT

<sup>3)</sup> reported by observer with a quality rating > 8 (scale 1-10)





October was by far the slowest month for solar and SID activity that I have seen yet. I'm sure most of you can say the same. Just under half of the reports I received were reports of No SIDS. Those that did report SID's reported very few of them. There were only 2 correlated SID events to report. Even the GOES detectors were very inactive. There were only 25 recorded X-Ray flares and of these two were C Class and the rest B Class events. A slow month indeed.

