

# BUILDING A 160 METER WINDOM

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A Off-Center-Fed Dipole

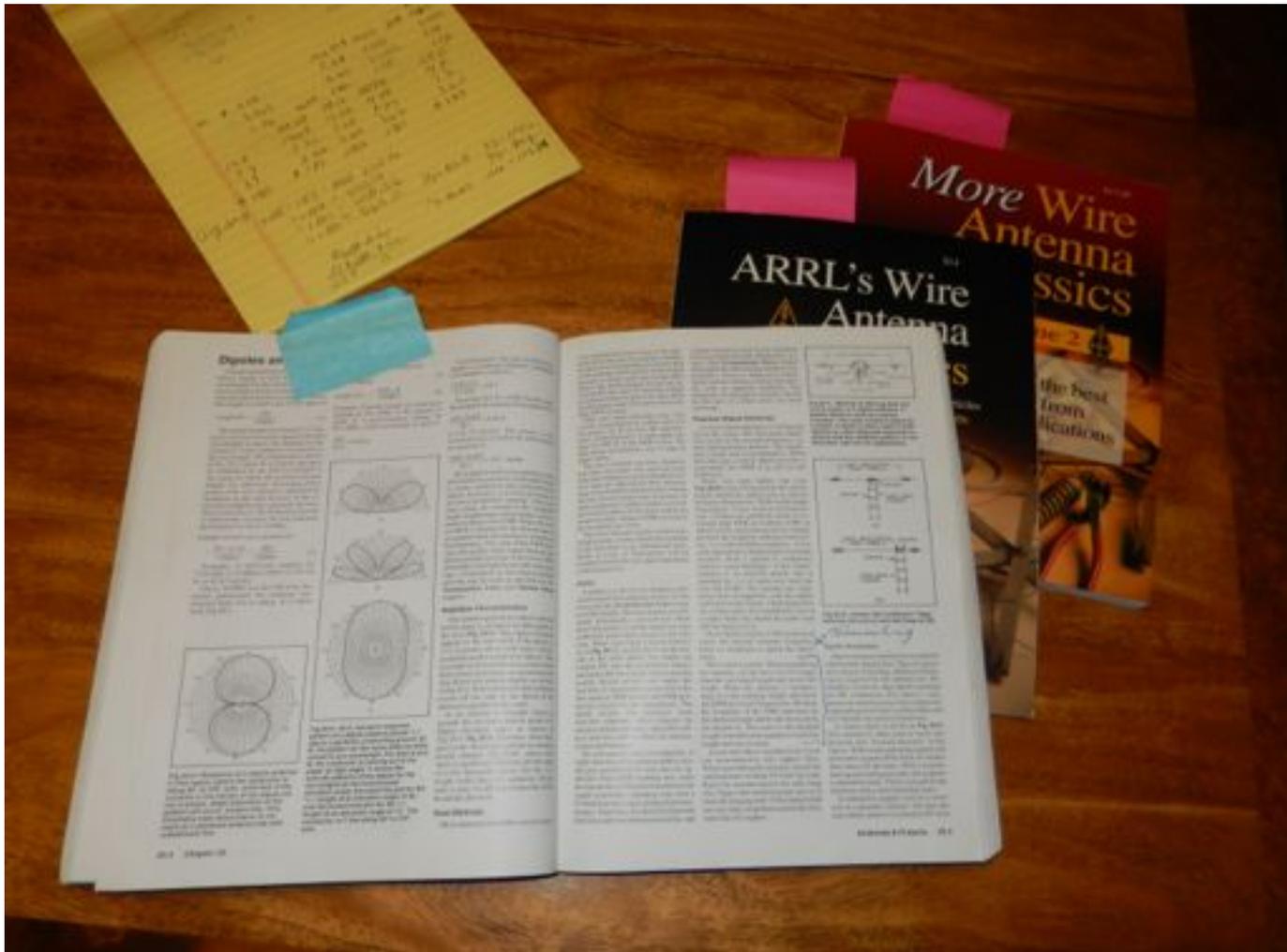
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# What is a Windom

- Designed in 1928 by Loren Windom W8GZ
- Multi-band wire antenna
- Dipole with one leg  $1/3$  and the other leg  $2/3$ 's long
- Fed with ladder line
- Carolina Windom fed with coax

# Homework









166 feet is a long run



# Ladder Loc, Pulley, Insulators, Thimbles



# Start an Inventory









LADDER  
LOCK™

MADE IN  
CHINA





# Pencil soldering iron won't do





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LOC™

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Use Super 88 because Dick said so-  
K9CAN





# UV-resistant Dacron double weave



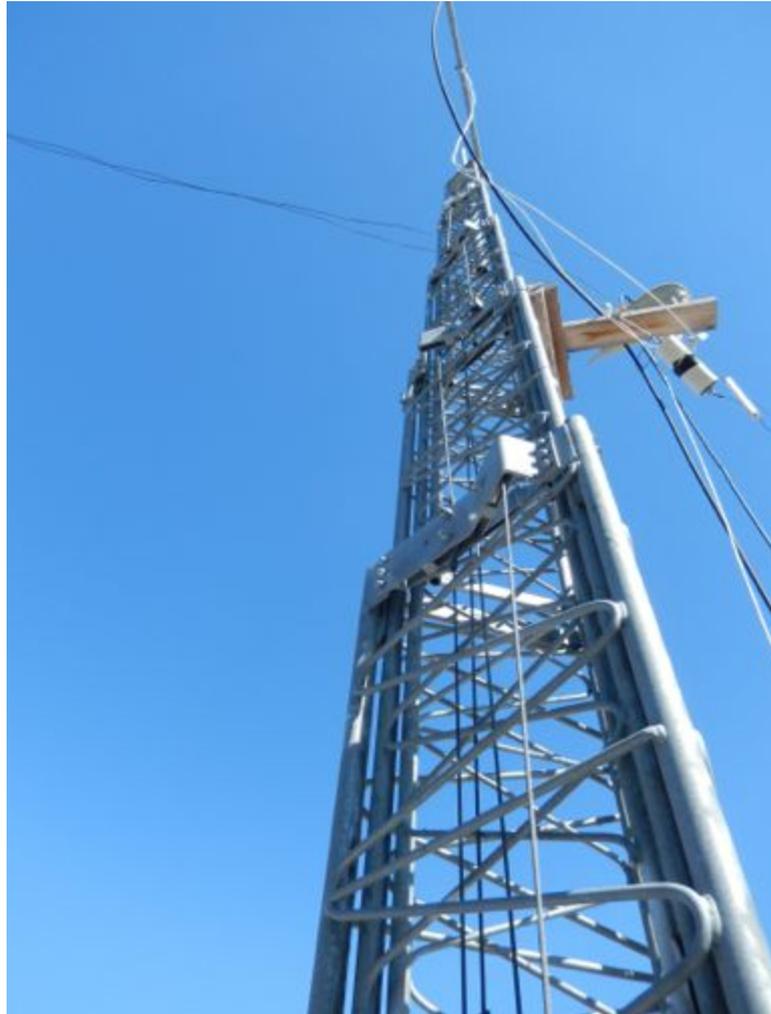
# 10 ft Sections of 1" Conduit







# US Tower Corp TMM-541 SS Crank-up



# Hard Hat Added



Extension ladder readily available?



# Folded Dipole 10 Meter Contact





# A Screen Shot











# Support the weak spot





# Our Friend the Tree

## ARRL Wire Antenna Classics



# Clean Cut Broken Limbs



# The Tree Will Heal Better



# Coax Fed to Lower Level (basement)



# Put a Twist in The Ladder Line



Attach totally biodegradable counter weight









# Two Antennas Got Married

The ceremony wasn't much  
but the reception was great.

# Center CW Band SWR

Band	Window SWR	Folded SWR
160 Meters	2.3	6
80 Meters	2.5	1.5
40 Meters	6.1	2.5
30 Meters	3.1	1.4
20 Meters	2.5	1.2
17 Meters	6.1	1.5
15 Meters	1.2	2
12 Meters	2.1	1.2
10 Meters	6	1.3

# Signal Reports

- Lot of 59 and 599 reports
- Comments on 160, 20, and 15 Meters
  - Good signal into X. Really good signal
  - Great signal tonight
  - Your 59. Very strong signal today
  - Few 59 plus reports
- Sometimes Answered on first call in pile ups

# The Wireman Receipt-Davis wire

The Wireman.pdf - Adobe Reader

Quantity	Item Code	Description	Price Each	Amount
300	5000Q031	SILKY 13 GA TC'S 40%	0.28	84.00T
50	5002553	4500HM 18 GA 16STR. CCS	0.60	30.00T
1	8000805	LADDERLOCK	14.95	14.95T
1	8000810	18Q-2 END INSULATORS (PR)	3.35	3.35T
2	8000890	3/4" PULLEY SWIVEL	3.65	7.30T
2	8000800A	SS THIMBLE PR FITS 1/4GA AND ABOVE	1.00	2.00T
1	FREIGHT	SHIPPING CHARGES	21.81	21.81
		UPS Package 1 Tracking #: E27142190345491953		
		Out-of-state sale, exempt from sales tax	0.00%	0.00
			<b>Total</b>	<b>\$163.41</b>

E-mail

# Menards Receipt

Menards Conduit.pdf - Adobe Reader

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Barcode

Sale Transaction

1" X 10' EMT CONDUIT *			
3651388	5 @5.49		27.45
3/4"X5' SCH40 PVC CONDUIT			
3652065			1.04
1" EMT CAP			
3654732	2 @2.49		4.98
TOTAL			33.47
WASHINGTON Co-WI TAX 5.60%			1.87
TOTAL SALE			35.34
VISA 6001			35.34
87337B			
Swiped			
TOTAL SAVINGS	1.50		
TOTAL NUMBER OF ITEMS =	8		
GUEST COPY			

# Even Better If:

- Solve RFI Issue
- Stronger Tee Bar at Tower Top
  - Conduit is already bent
- Longer runs of Dacron rope
- Higher
  - Higher at center is possible
- Remote tuner at ladder line
  - Yaesu FT-920 built-in auto tuner doesn't meet today's standards
    - Fussy (rain, dew)
    - Slow
    - Limited memory