Operating your Radio Remotely

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The Issue: My Ham Shack is in the Garage ----



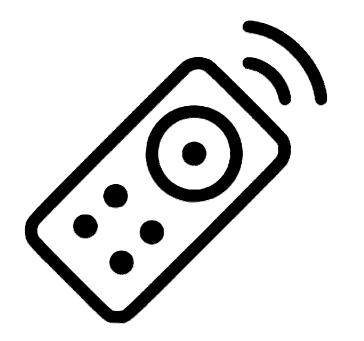
Provides Easy access to the antennas in the attic

- two large Cushcraft beams, one 70 cm beam,

- 20 meter dipole, and lots of VHF/UHF/CB antennas



The ham shack is nice, but it can be too hot or too cold ... I'm a lazy guy who dislikes leaving the office chair...



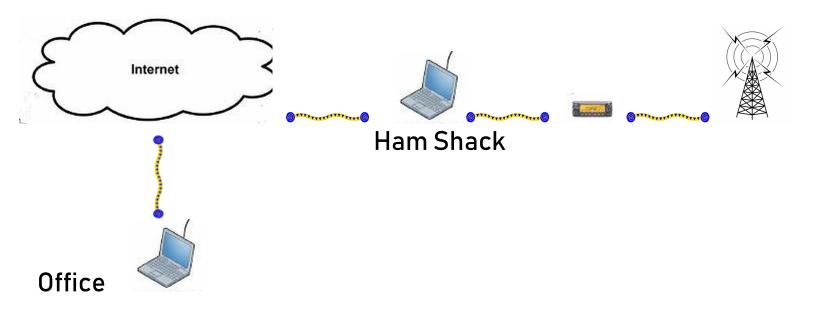
Ineeded Remote Control

Remote Radio Control:

Examples of <u>three</u> methods

- Ham Radio Deluxe
- Chrome remote
- RC Forb

- formerly used by SCC & KP ARC
- easy method for digital modes like FT8
- method formerly used by TARC

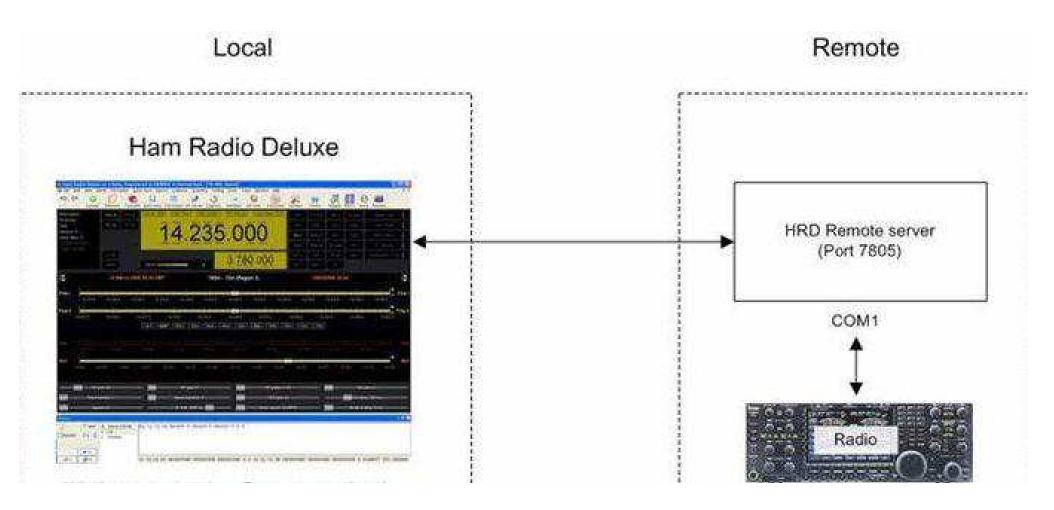


To accomplish remote:

- Office connect to the internet
- remote PC must be on, connected to internet & radio
- radio must be able to turn on/off (or leave on)
- antenna must be able to turn on/off (or leave on)

Method 1 – Ham Radio Deluxe

Overview - start HRD at Office and "dial-up" the remote PC



Setup- start the remote server

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Method 1 – Ham Radio Deluxe (cont)

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Method 1 – Ham Radio Deluxe (cont)

On the Office PC-

Define the IP, Logon, PW and PTT COM ports

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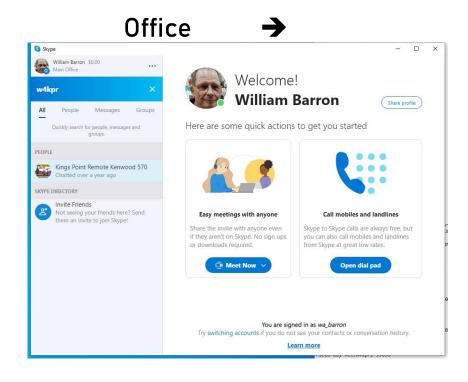
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Method 1 – Ham Radio Deluxe (cont)

Need Sounds!

Start the audio – Skype! – in office \rightarrow connect to the remote \rightarrow and you're off!



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Send message
Start call
Start video call
Start private conversation
Schedule a call
Share contact

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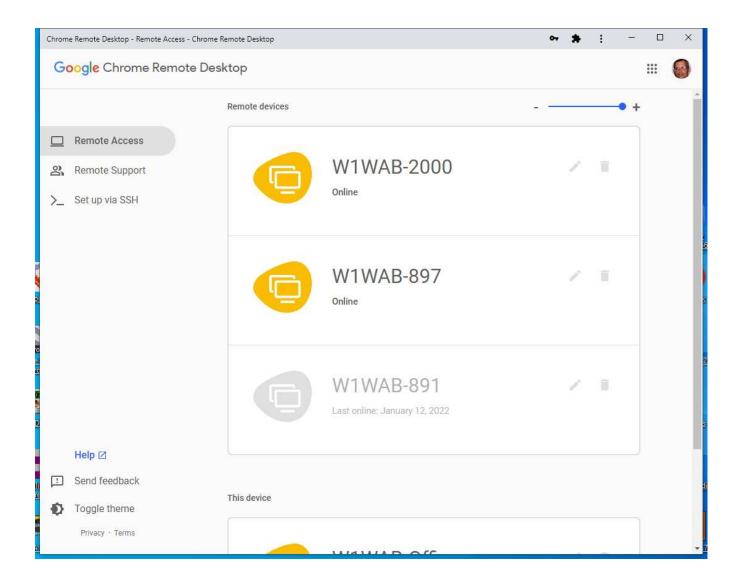
Issues:

- Audio must be driven from microphone or it's very poor
- Must open various remote server ports in router
- Remote PC must be "on"
- Remote Skype program must be running
- HRD must be running Remote Server (no local use)
- Using two Skype names/connections drains PC power
- IP address must be static

Summary: Difficult, clumsy

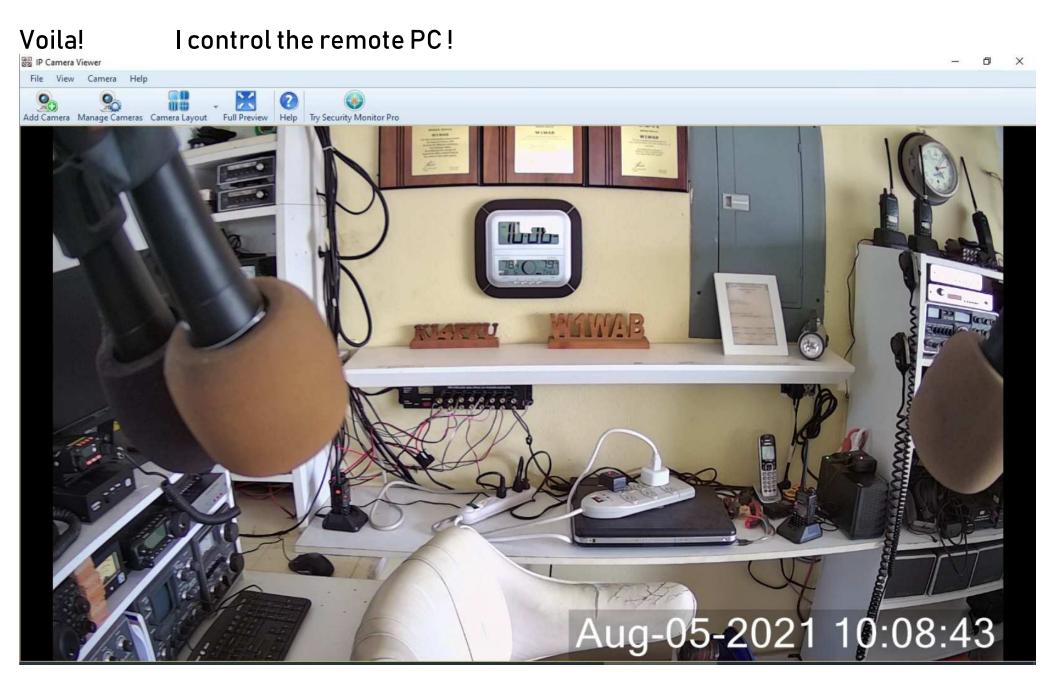
Method 2 – Chrome Remote desktop

Set up Chrome remote on both Office and remote (radio) PC's

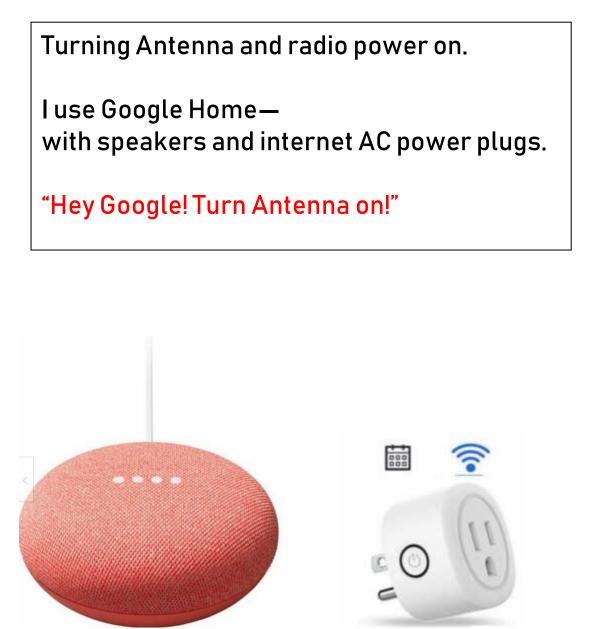


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Method 2 – Chrome Remote desktop (cont)



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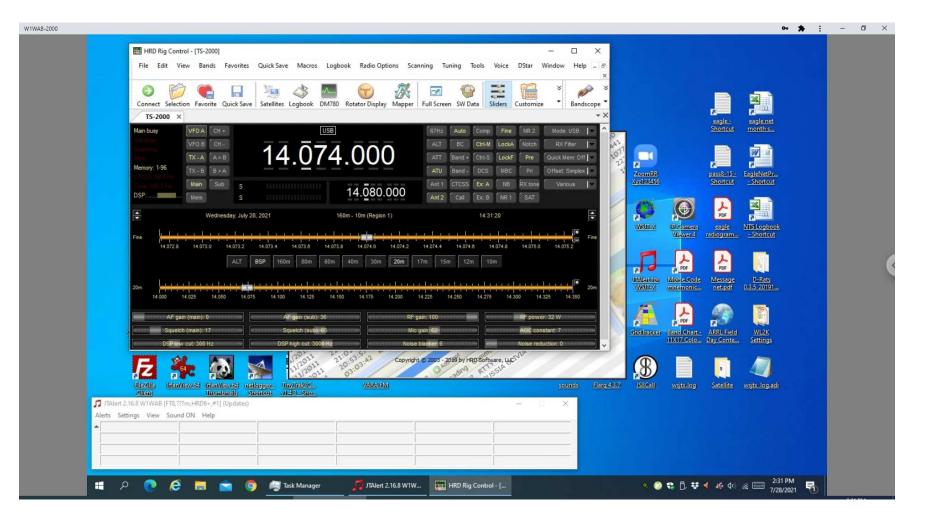
Electric Power on – I can tell as my electric Antenna switch is glowing....



Method 2 – Chrome Remote desktop (cont)

Remote PC on. OK! Power & Antenna on. OK!

Now turn on the radio .. HRD will turn on my TS 2000s or FT 891...



Method 2 – Chrome Remote desktop (cont)

Start the FT 8 software and JT Alert Logging program and we're off!

K5BYN in QSO... and logged

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Method 2 – Chrome Remote desktop (cont)

Issues:

- Remote PC must be "on"
- Remote PC soundcard Audio clear; but no radio audio

Summary:

Very easy and fun for digital modes. No 'overuse' limits like Teamviewer

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Method 3 – RC Forb – solving the Radio Audio issue

Separate software for your Office PC/tablet/cell and remote radio - must have Windows 10 & Net Framework 4.0



← REMOTE PC

← OFFICE

RCForb_0.7.7694.exe
 (2,959 downloads) (Sunday, January 24, 2021)

(694 downloads) (Monday, June 07, 2021)

 RCForb_0.7.7673.exe (1,057 downloads) (Sunday, January 03, 2021)

Method 3 – RC Forb (cont)

Remote Radio Server PC needs 3 ports opened

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→ Software will auto-start my Kenwood TS 2000 ©

Method 3 – RC Forb (cont)

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	5193	N4GYN IC-7610	Ic-7610	Buford	GA	United States United States		
	185	K4MWW PRIVATE CLUB	Ic-7300	Stone Mountain	GA			
	208	КН6АН	Ic-7300	Makawao, Maui	Hawaii	United States		
	154	Кдэн	Ic-7300	West Chicago	IL	United States		
	5672	WB9DQT CLUB STATION near MDW	FTDX-3000	Chicago	Illinois	United States		
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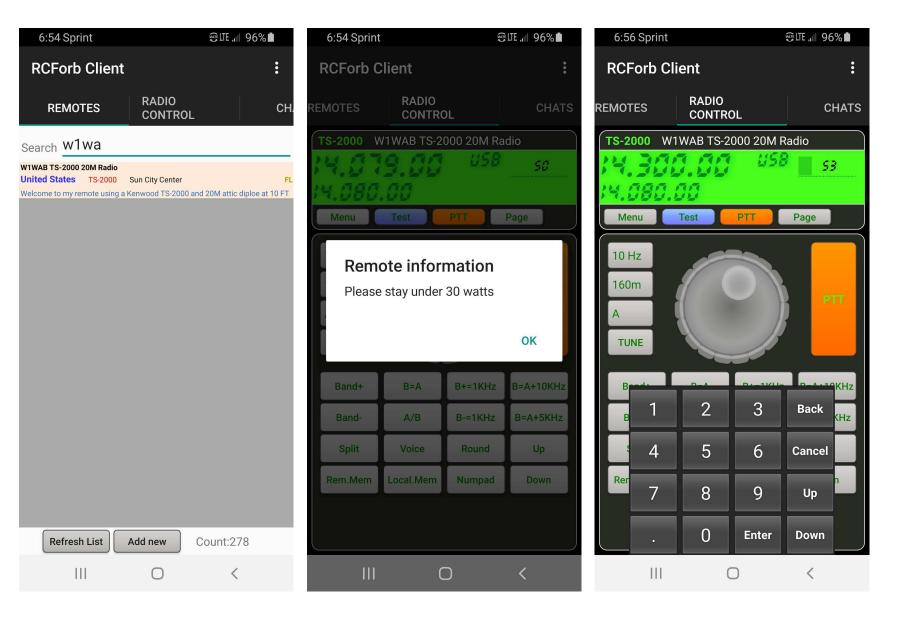
Remote radio Method 3 – RC Forb (cont)

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www.w1wab.com/12-qso.mp4

You can even run this software off your cell phone!



Method 3 – RC Forb (cont)

Issues:

- Audio must be driven from radio microphone or it's very poor
- Must open various remote server ports in router
- Remote PC must be "on" to connect

Summary:

Kinda like Echolink for HF—except you can easily set up your own radio as a 'remote' Solves the Radio Audio issue without Skyping

Easy – Maybe we should set up our Club Station again

Conclusions: Give Remote Radio a try!

Questions?

