

Welcome to *PolarConnect*



Antarctic Automatic Weather Stations

With PolarTREC Teacher George Hademenos

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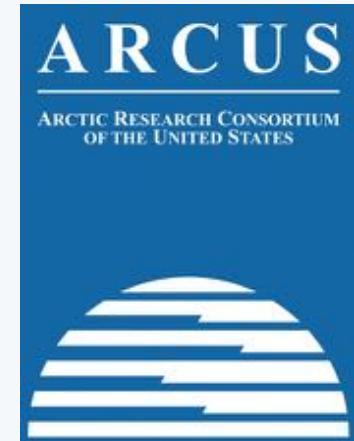
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What is PolarTREC?

- Since 2004, the Arctic Research Consortium of the United States (ARCUS), a non-profit organization, has been administering the PolarTREC Program.
- PolarTREC is professional development for K-12 teachers. They are paired with researchers for 2-6 week research experiences in the polar regions.
- Over 150 teachers from around the United States have joined scientists in the Arctic and Antarctica to learn about science, the polar regions, and to share what they have learned with their students and communities.



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 - Speak loud and clear, directly into the computer microphone or the phone to ask your question.

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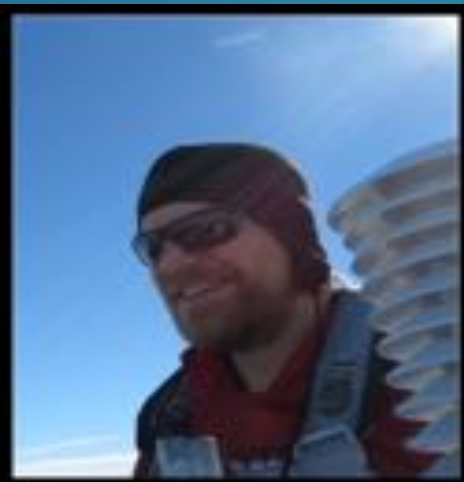
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- Current UW AWS Map



AWS Team



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Lee Welhouse



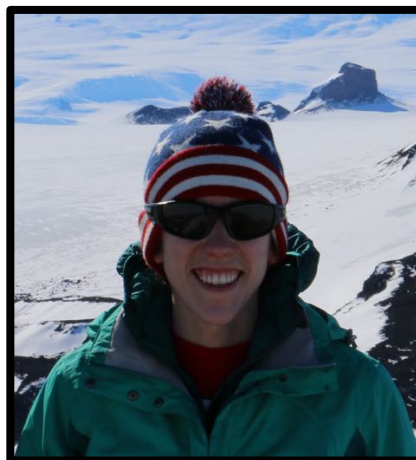
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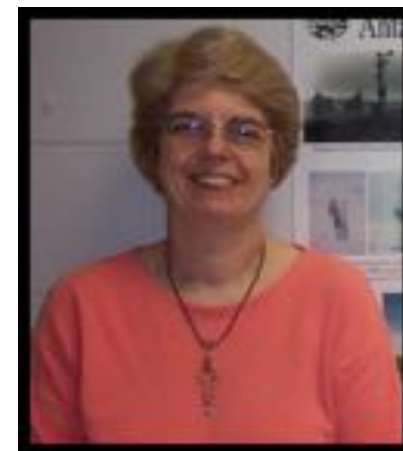
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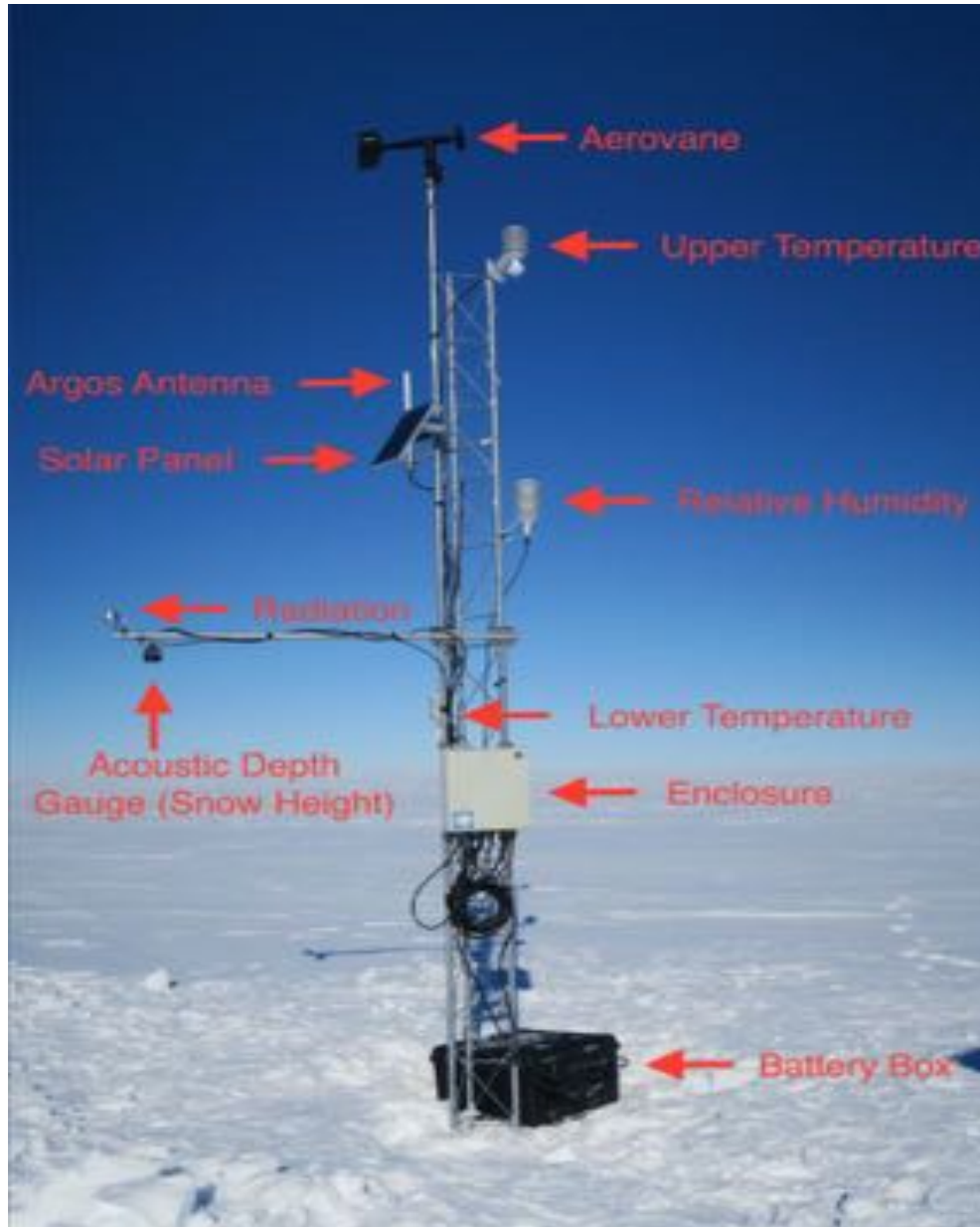


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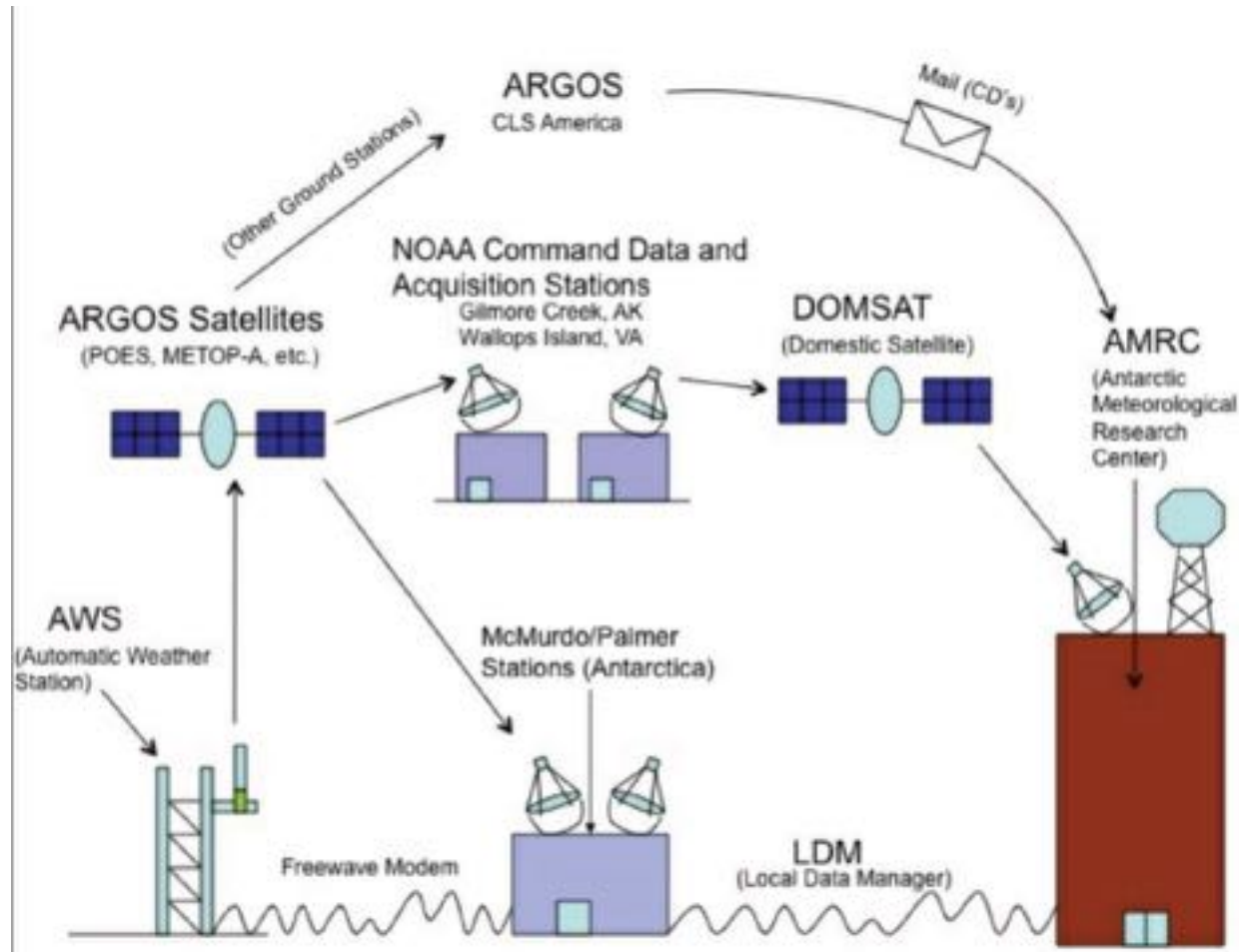


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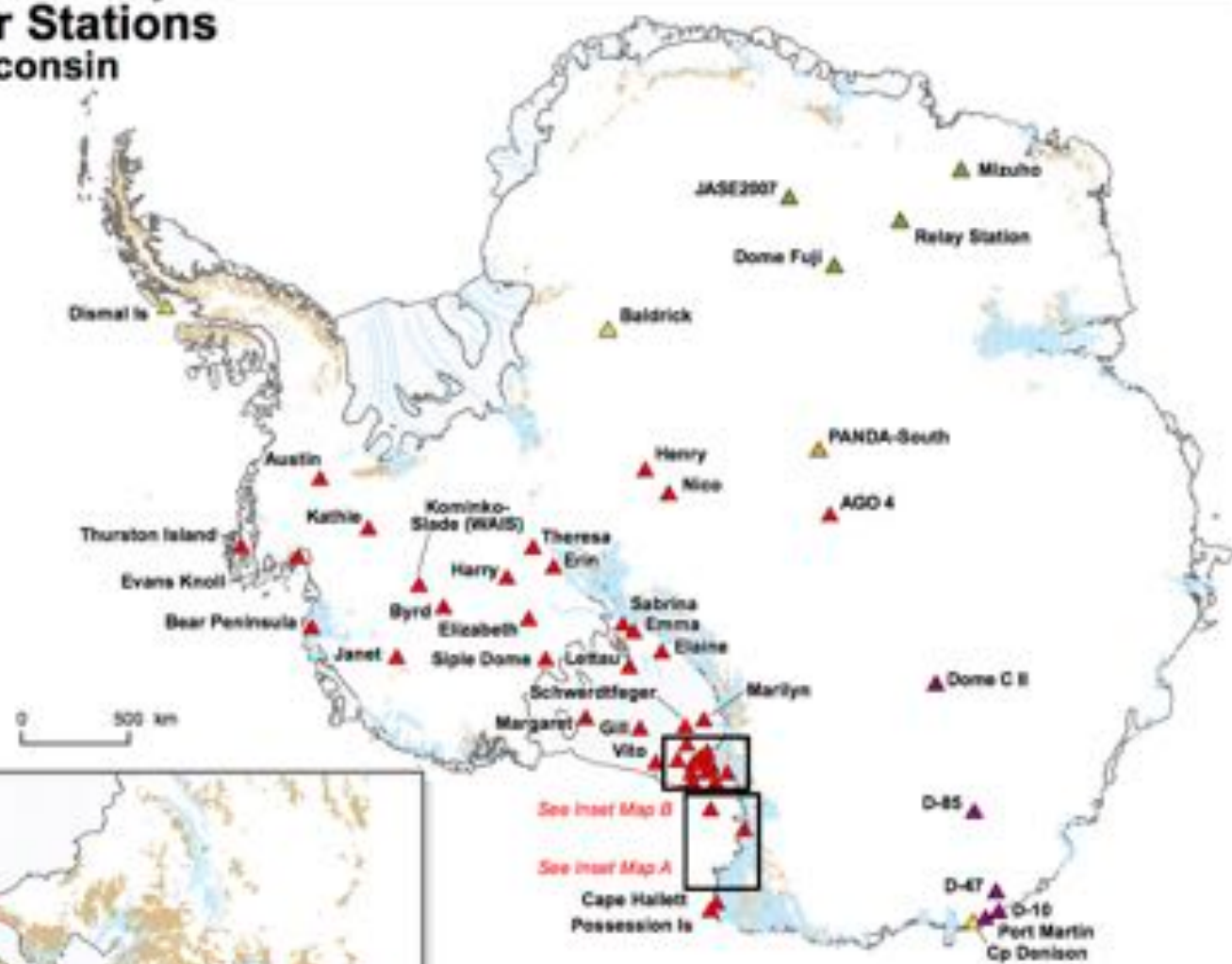
What is an Automatic Weather Station?



How an Automatic Weather Station Works



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- University of Wisconsin AWS**
- ▲ Univ. of Wisconsin (UW)
 - ▲ UW / Australia
 - ▲ UW / China
 - ▲ UW / France
 - ▲ UW / Japan
 - ▲ UW / United Kingdom

Current Plans for this Expedition/Season

- ▶ Helo Visits: Lorne, Cape Bird, Minna Bluff, White Island, Marble Point
- ▶ Inspection, Reset Modem Clock (L)
- ▶ Twin Otter Visits: Gill, Elaine, Sabrina, Alexander Tall Tower
- ▶ Raise, Pressure Check, Power System, Wind Check, Rigger Check
- ▶ Other AWS Sites Planned for this Season in WAIS include: Austin, Kathie, Thurston Isl., Evans Knoll, Bear Peninsula, Janet, Harry

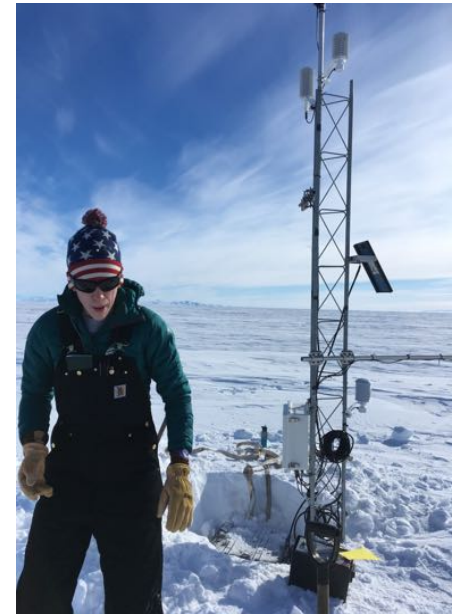
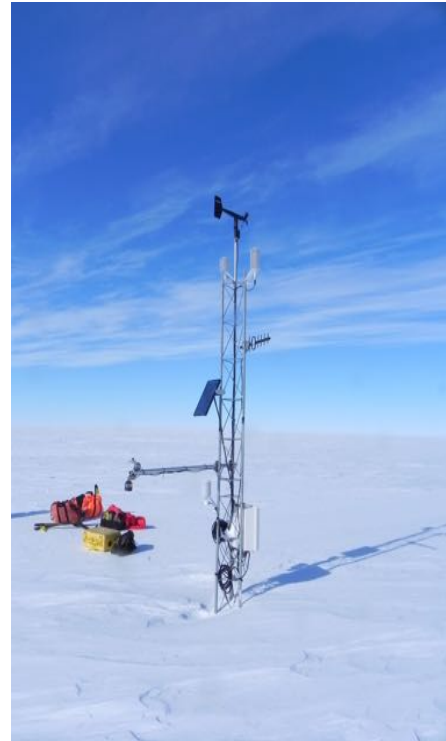


Cape Bird AWS



Lorne AWS

November 6: First Sighting of an AWS (for me, at least)



Life in a Southern Town – McMurdo Station



Weather at McMurdo Station

- ▶ The only constant about the weather is that it is cold and it can change very quickly!
- ▶ It is possible to have sunny, very comfortable days, or cloudy/overcast windy days. It is very important to check the weather forecast to find out about tomorrow's weather (and flight cancellations).



Animals Around Town

- ▶ It is possible to see animals although I haven't seen many in my short stay so far. On a recent hike, I spotted black spots on the ice.
- ▶ When I inquired as to what the spots were, my hiking partners stated that they were seals. Luckily, one of my partners, Scott Landolt, had a zoom lens on a camera...



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