**BIO: DJ0IP**

* **Rick Westerman, DJ0IP and NJ0IP**
* Continuously ACTIVE HAM for 55 years
* First licensed in Oklahoma USA in 1962
* Licensed and active in Germany since 1972
* **Member of Berlin’s ‘Technical University’ Contest Team “DK0TU” in the 1970s. (CW operator)**
* **Member of the BAVARIAN CONTEST CLUB since 1986 (30+ years)**
* Co-founded of Germany’s first Packet Radio Cluster in 1992.
* **Listed on CQ WW DX Contest Score “ALL TIME RECORDS” 5 times:** 
  + 3x as one of the Multi-Multi operators (2x SSB; 1x CW)
  + 1x as one of the Multi-Single operators (CW)
  + 1x as **S**ingle **O**p **A**ll **B**ands High Power (CW)
* **Founded Spiderbeam-US (USA) in 2008**
* **Currently: “Support Manager” for Spiderbeam (world-wide) since 2011.**
* AND Developer of Spiderbeam “Wire Antennas” (non-beam products)
  + Low-band verticals
  + Aerial-51 line of wire antennas.
* **Currently: “Retired Contester”**