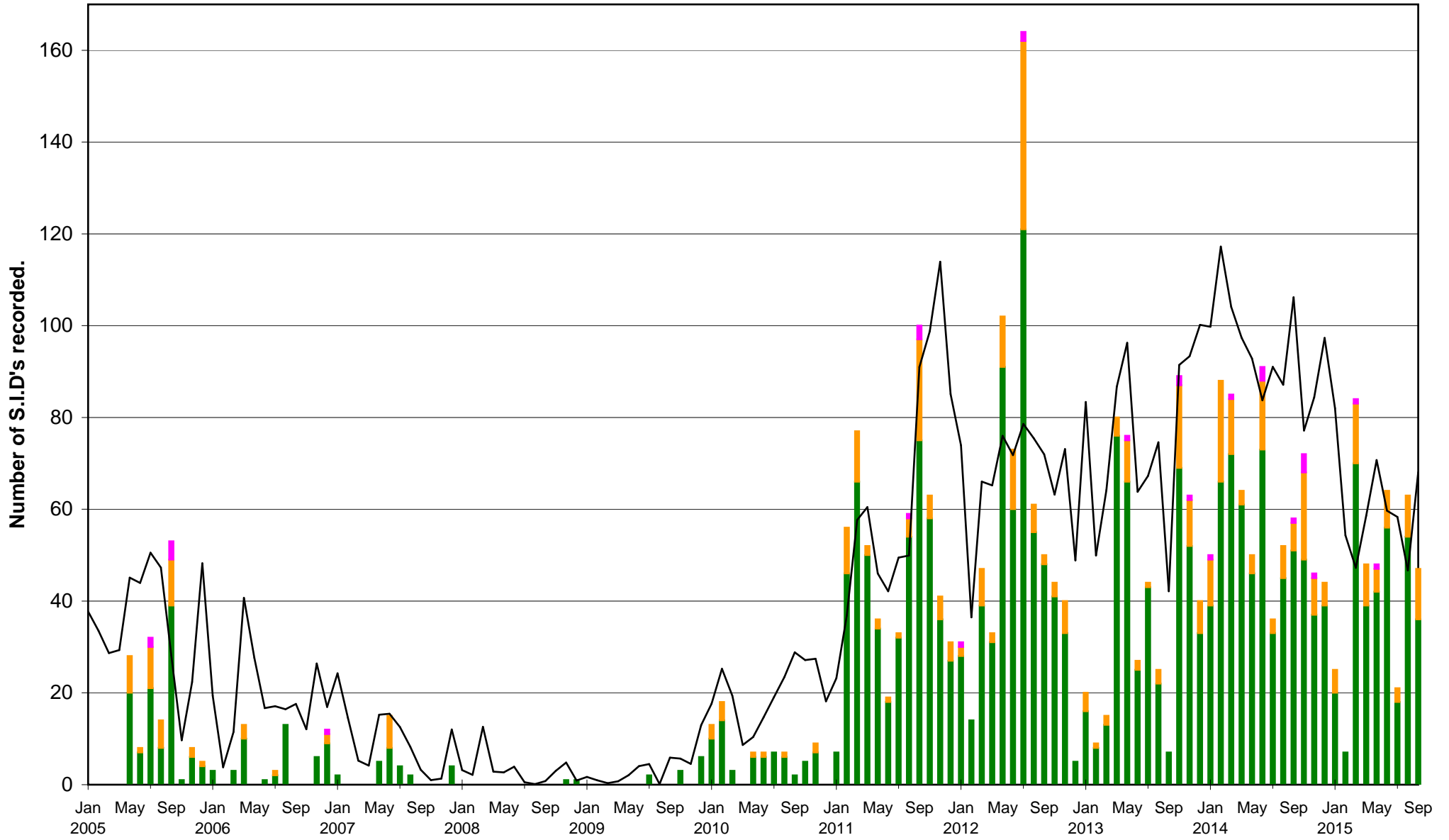


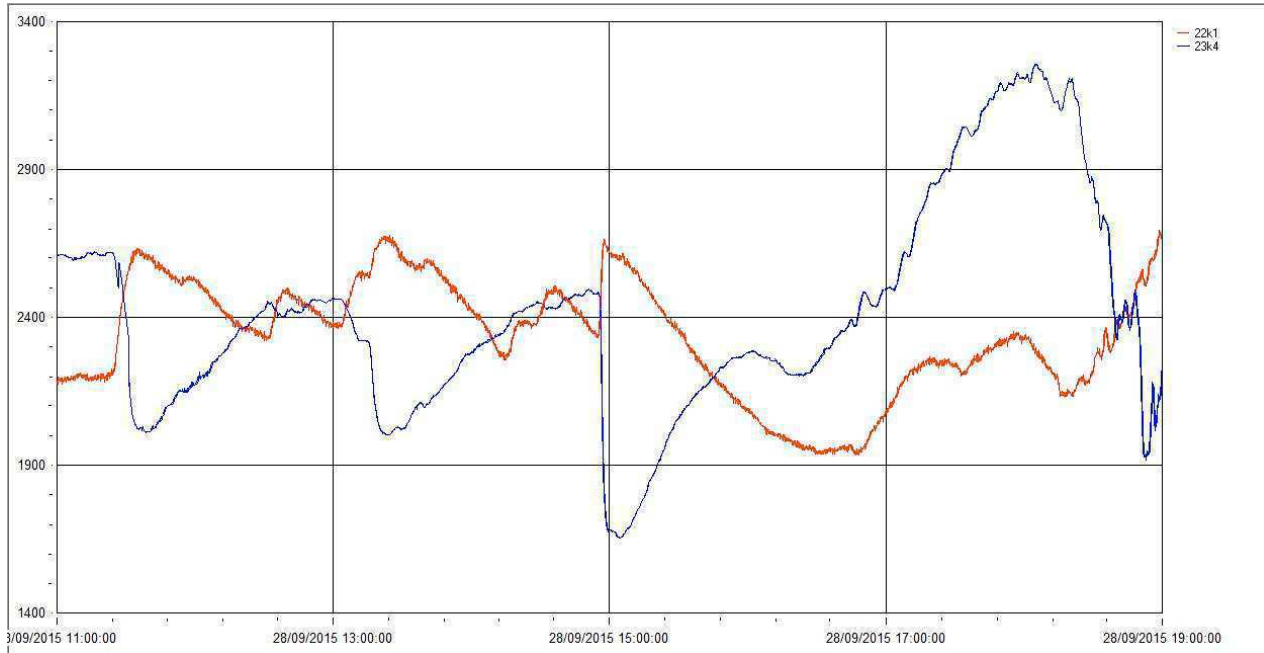
DAY	Xray class	Observers	John Cook (23.4kHz/22.1kHz)				Roberto Battaiola (20.3kHz)				Paul Hyde (22.1/23.4kHz)				Mark Edwards (22.1/24.0/19.6kHz)				Colin Clements (23.4kHz/22.1kHz)			
			Tuned radio frequency receiver, 0.58m frame aerial.				Modified AAVSO receiver.				Tuned radio frequency receiver, 0.96m frame aerial.				Spectrum Lab / PC 2m loop aerial.				AAVSO receiver, 0.76m screened loop aerial.			
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16	C3.0	5	15:25	15:30	15:46	1					15:24	15:32	16:15	2+	15:24	15:36	16:12	2+	15:22	15:37	16:58	3
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17	B7.9	1																				
17	C1.3	1													17:22	17:25	17:39	1-				
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18	C1.4	3	11:31	11:35	12:09	2									11:33	11:37	11:59	1+				
18	B9.1	1													13:09	13:13	13:18	1-				
19	?	1													16:38	16:45	16:50	1-				
19	C1.5	1													17:12	17:13	17:16	1-				
20	CME	2									07:42	07:59	08:31	2+	07:39	07:46	08:00	1				
20	C2.6	5	09:34	09:36	10:04	1+					09:34	09:37	10:18	2	09:34	09:42	10:00	1+				
20	C1.4	1													14:12	14:18	14:32	1				
20	M2.1	1													17:38	17:59	18:53	2+				
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VLF flare activity 2005/15.

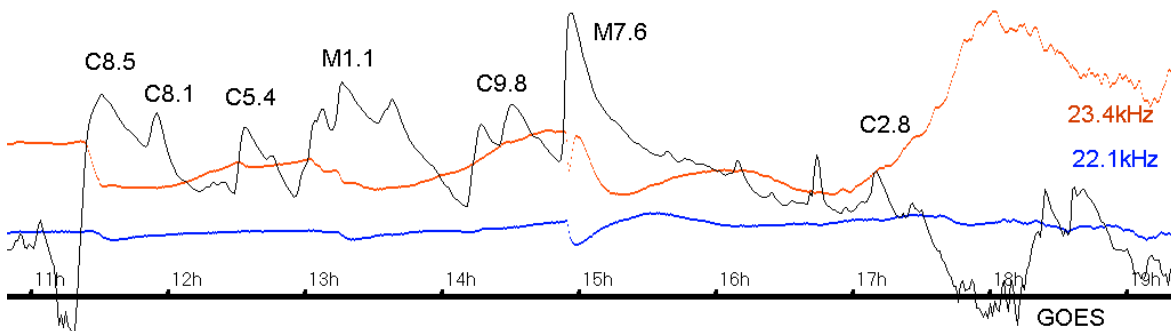
C M X — Relative sunspot number



Following on from August, September was another month of strong solar activity split into two halves. The first three weeks of the month were fairly quiet, the background X-ray flux dropping below the B1 level from the 7th until the 10th. By the 28th the background had risen above C1, remaining high until the end of the month. There were no X-class flares in the GOES record, the most energetic event being the M7.6 Flare peaking at 15:00UT on the 28th.

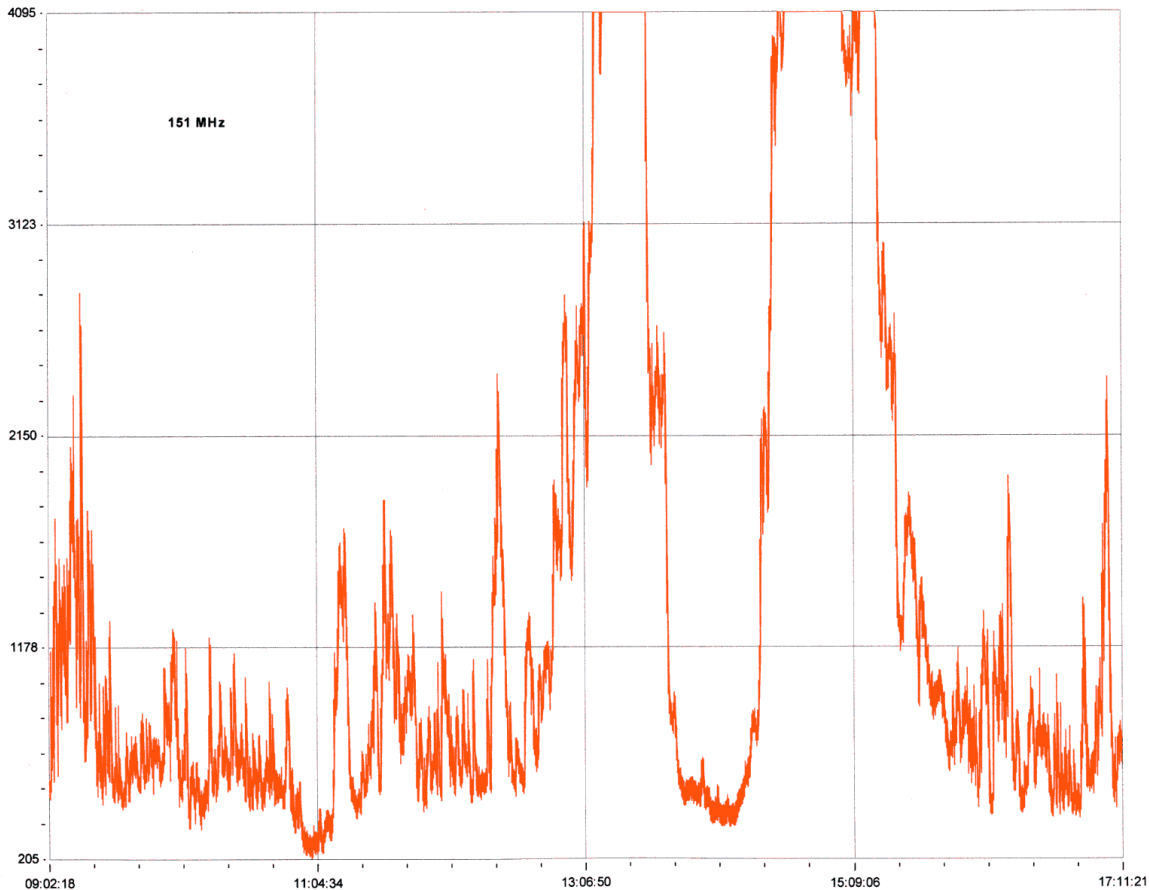


The chart by Paul Hyde, above, shows the multitude of flares on the 28th, the busiest day of the month. 22.1kHz is red, 23.4kHz blue. Analysis of these SIDs was particularly tricky, with flares from two active regions (AR12422 and 12423) firing off in rapid succession.

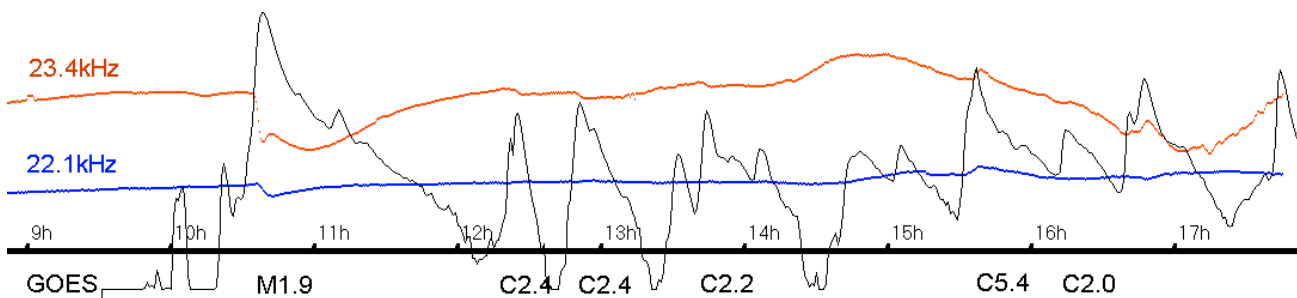


I have added the GOES15 X-ray flux to my own recording of the same period, above, illustrating the high level of flux following the C8.5 flare and lasting until about 17:30UT. The M1.1 flare has produced three peaks, the middle one being the highest. The resulting SID is most unusual, and far from sudden in appearance!

Many of these flares had associated VHF (151MHz) radio bursts, the M1.1 and M7.6 being particularly strong in the recording By Colin Clements shown at the top of the next page. High 151Mhz noise levels were also present during the afternoon of the 27th and for periods on the 29th. Colin also noted some very strong noise and oscillations at 22.1kHz during the first week of the month.



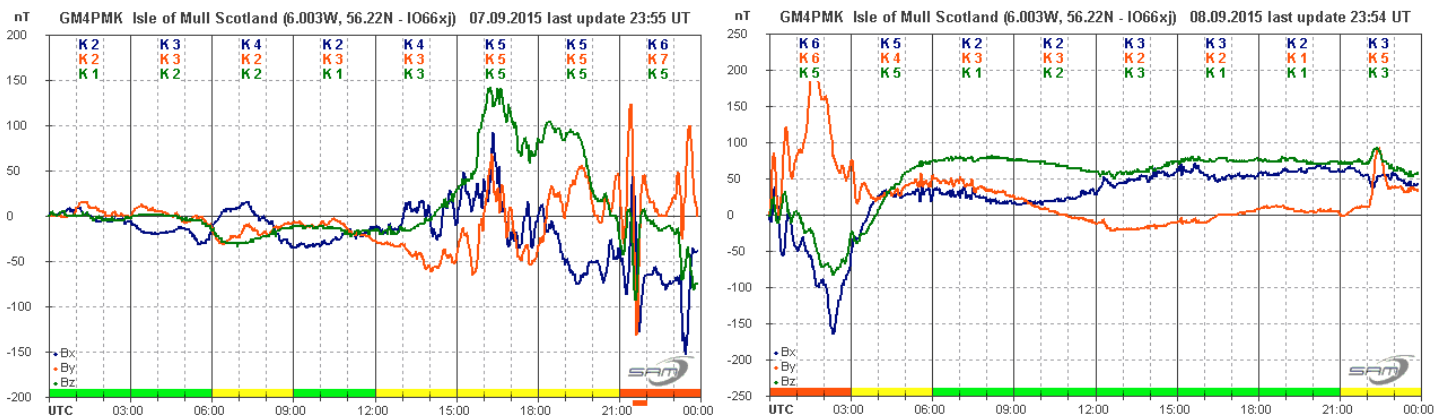
151 MHz, Colin Clements, 28th September.



My own recording, above, from the 27th shows a strong SID from the M1.9 flare, followed by a series of smaller C-class events through the afternoon. The 22.1kHz response is rather weak as I have the gain set low to reduce local interference.

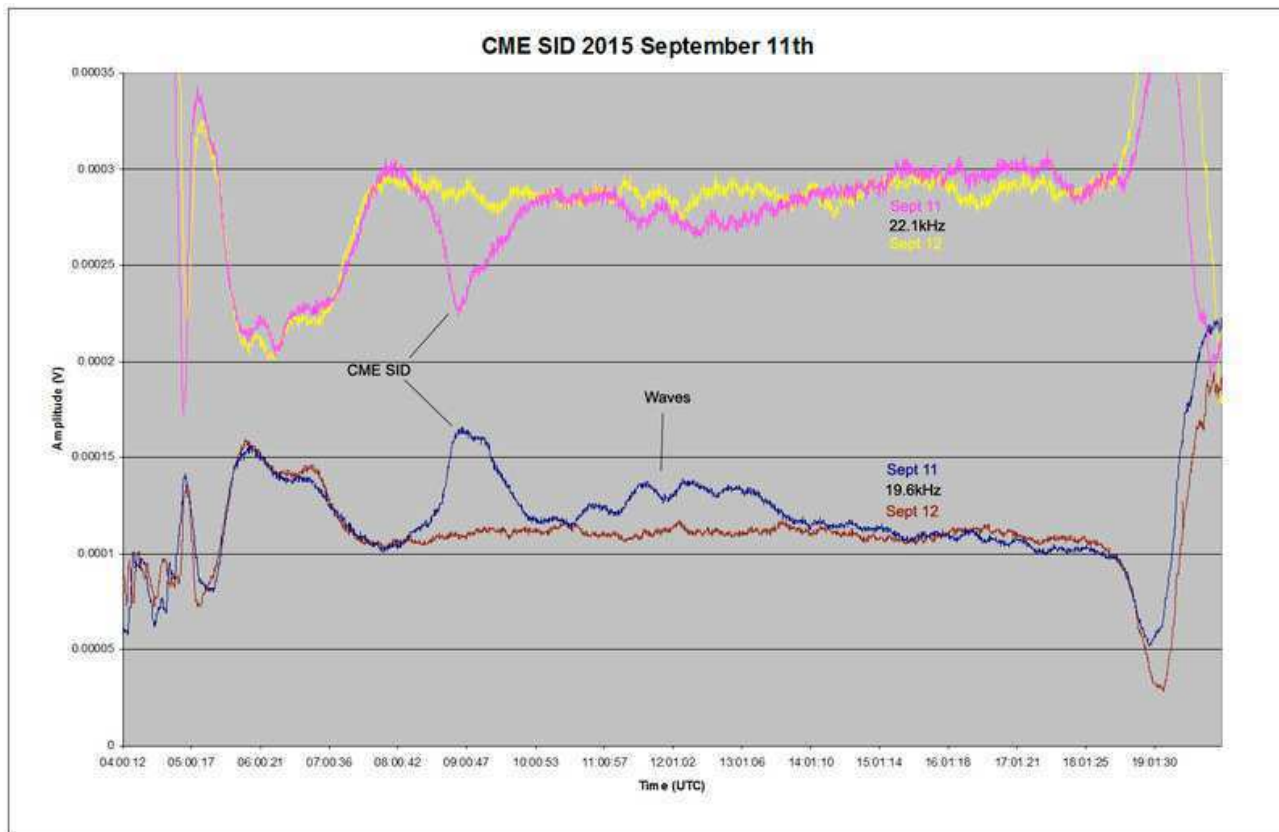
MAGNETIC OBSERVATIONS.

Magnetic activity in September was again a combination of CHSS and CME effects, with some particularly active periods in the first half of the month. The solar wind speed increased from a coronal hole on the 7th, and was further disturbed by the addition of a filament eruption that occurred on the 4th. By mid-afternoon of the 7th the magnetosphere became disturbed, with a very active period until about 03UT on the 8th. The effects are shown in Roger Blackwell's magnetogram on the next page. Note that the vertical scale is slightly different for the two 24 hour recordings. A quiet period followed until 22:UT when the magnetosphere again became disturbed, lasting through until the afternoon of the 9th.



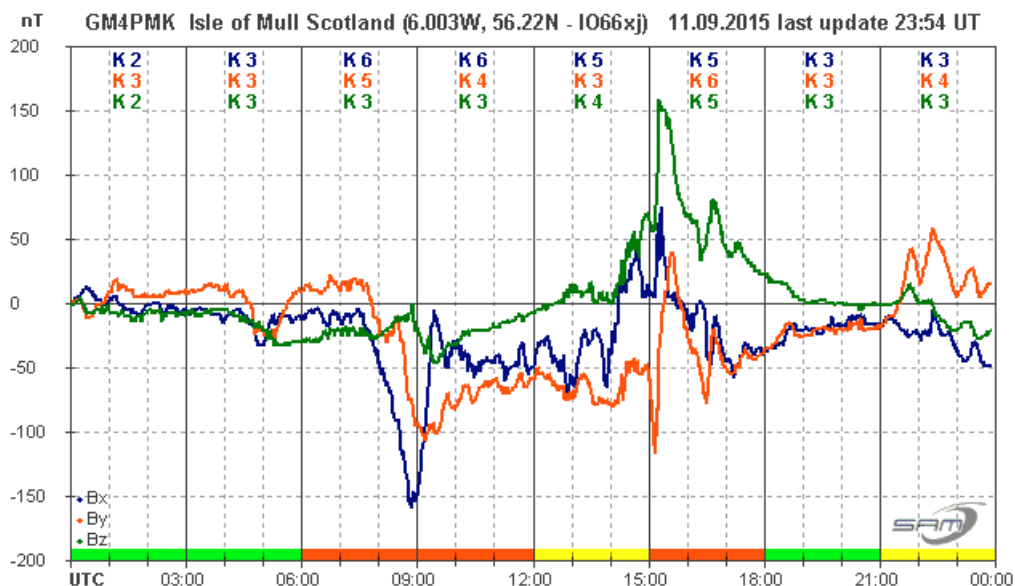
Roger Blackwell, Mull.

Solar wind from a much larger equatorial coronal hole became effective on the 11th. This gap in the Sun's corona spanned 20N to 20S, and produced a sudden jump in solar wind speed around 06:40UT on the 11th. A strong magnetic response was recorded around 09UT, along with a SID -like VLF disturbance. Mark Edwards recorded this, and has overlaid data for the 12th as a reference:



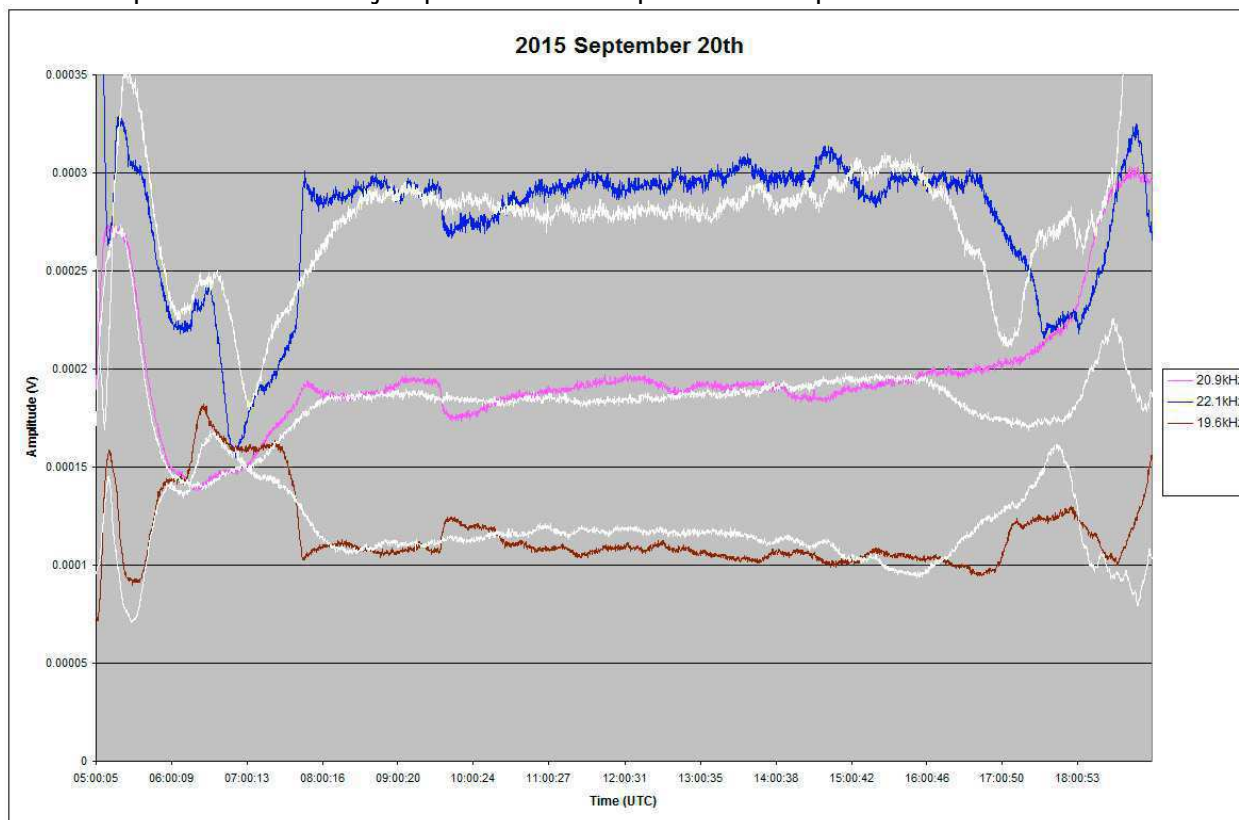
The 'SID' shows inverted responses at the two frequencies, and is followed by a series of waves that are particularly clear at 19.6kHz. There were no flare induced SIDs on either the 11th or 12th.

Data from the Hartland magnetic observatory of the British Geological Survey shows a strong change in magnetic declination from 09UT to 15UT on the 11th, and a drop in horizontal intensity at 09UT. My own recording shows a change of 70 to 90nT during this period. Roger Blackwell's chart shows the changes in much more detail on the next page.



Roger Blackwell, Mull.

Similar circumstances led to another unusual VLF response on the 20th. A C2.6 flare at 06:31 on the 18th (not recorded as a SID) produced a small CME that arrived at Earth early on 20th, adding to existing CHSS effects to produce a sudden jump in solar wind speed and temperature.



This chart from Mark Edwards has data for the 19th added in white as reference. A very sharp change is clear at 22.1kHz (blue) and 19.6kHz (brown) again going in opposite directions just after sunrise. The peak is at 07:46UT in Mark's recording, while Paul Hyde measured the peak at 07:59. Although very close to sunrise, the effect is quite distinctive. A small magnetic disturbance was seen starting at about 06UT, but in this case the temperature change from 10^5K to about $7 \times 10^5\text{K}$ seems to have been more important.

Magnetic observations received from Colin Clements, Roger Blackwell and John Cook.

BARTELS DIAGRAM

ROTATION	KEY:	DISTURBED.	ACTIVE	SFE	B, C, M, X = FLARE MAGNITUDE.	Synodic rotation start (carrington's).																									
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