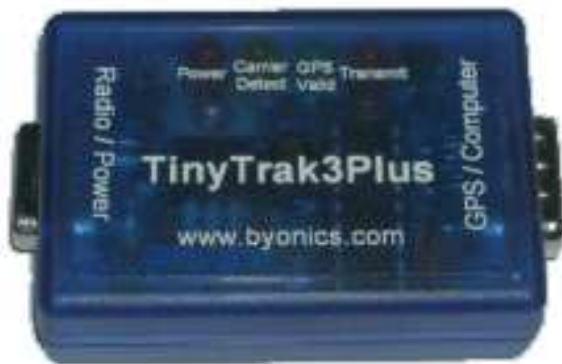


APRS now more affordable!

My Wife, Chatthip (KC2MSH) and I have a great interest in APRS. We don't carry cell phones, so we use ham radio for our mobile communications with each other. By using APRS, we know when the other is available in the mobile.

APRS, or Automatic Position Reporting System Is a great system for tracking your location, weather data, or simply announcing your presence. Years ago the cost of having an APRS system rivaled the price of an HF rig, but now it has become quite reasonable.

I have equipped each of our vehicles with a basic 2 meter transceiver (separate from our 2meter rigs we use for FM voice), an APRS TNC, and a GPS receiver. So here is the price breakdown on the equipment I used plus other APRS TNCs:



The TinyTrak3 Plus Kits from \$24-\$33, or \$38.00 factory assembled www.byonics.com



Open Tracker kits from \$20-\$32, or \$46.00 factory assembled www.argentdata.com



Deluo GPS WAAS receiver \$58.00 www.argentdata.com

