

# Wx/Net - Weather monitoring for penguins

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In my periodical wanderings around the net, I sometimes stumble onto a number of rather unique and interesting applications. Some of these are mainstream, average user applications that make the news and get a fair amount of attention. And then there's the applications that don't. Wx/Net is one of them. This really isn't the fault of the application itself, but rather its uses and target market. Namely, those with personal weather stations. The majority of people out there might not think that an open source application designed to interface with weather monitoring stations is all that exciting. Well, to some I can see that being true. But a lot of it depends on your personal interests and what you like.



A lot of hard core weather fanatics out there, and even some less fanatical ones, have their own personal weather stations. In fact, there's enough of them that the national weather service and a number of TV and radio stations have tapped into them to help provide a much clearer view of the weather over a given area. This is helpful because weather can vary significantly over a one mile stretch of land. But funding thousands of individual weather stations per county is cost prohibitive. Hence why the ability to tap into these personal weather stations has become so important to NWS and so many others.

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