Soapbox – 2013 CWops CW Open 1200Z-1559Z Session 2

WN4AFP 2013-08-31 07:23:35

Only had a couple of hours for session 2. Thanks for the Q's! 73's Dave

WØUCE 2013-08-31 07:50:41

Conditions can be described with one word Deplorable... 2.5 Hours of not being heard was enough... Fingers crossed for the last session.

N4YDU 2013-08-31 08:35:25

FUN WHILE IT LASTED...

WA8HSB 2013-08-31 08:39:22

Thanks for all the QSOs. 73, John

W4BOF 2013-08-31 08:44:40

Pretty good conditions and good activity. Thanks for the Q's and 73, Tom - W4BQF

W1RM 2013-08-31 09:01:13

Conditions went into the tank!

N3OE 2013-08-31 09:01:25

I often forget how nice a regional band 40M is in the morning! Pretty sweet.

N3JT 2013-08-31 09:01:55

2nd session - terrible conditions but total QSO number down only 10% from 1st session. That means more operators QRV!

KU7Y 2013-08-31 09:02:14

15m acted like it would be good but after a couple of Q's there were almost no stations heard above the noise! Hope the last session is better!

KØRF 2013-08-31 09:03:17

No fast runs.

W1UJ 2013-08-31 09:04:33

Much different from last night for conditions here.

NØTA 2013-08-31 09:05:05

K3+KPA500, Doublet & Vertical, N1MM

W4DXX 2013-08-31 09:05:58

Weather was much quieter this morning. Good to hear 15 & Do both open to Eu and Asia. Last 90 mins activity really went down. No 10m this time either. Tnx for the Q's for the team! Eric / W4DXX GCG #1 Team

S562EB(S56A) 2013-08-31 09:06:26

Late lunch interfered with CWOpen! Dead 10 / 15 m here. 73 de Mario, S56A

EA1WX 2013-08-31 09:06:38

Too much QRM on my simple vertical. Thank you for the Qs. 73s, Juanjo, EA1WX #714

K2ZR 2013-08-31 09:06:46

Rig: IC765 Ants: Center Fed Wire 660' End Fed Wire 425' Logging: N1MM

Conditdions Fair CU all Session #3 73, Dick/K2ZR

VE3KI 2013-08-31 09:07:07

K-line, wire antennas, RBN. Despite spending an hour longer in the chair, couldn't eke out as many QSOs as in last night's session.

NS9I 2013-08-31 09:07:43

UA's coming in great towards the end ... less activity this morning ...Fun anyway! Tnx to all!

73 Dwight NS9I

NN4K 2013-08-31 09:07:45

I used my nickname 'Mac' and the name repeats fell to zero. What a difference. Thanks for the Q's. See you later today. 73

N5AW 2013-08-31 09:08:00

Poor conditions. 15 was a real disappointment - usually my best band. Still fun and felt lucky to break 300 QSOs.

KU8E 2013-08-31 09:08:39

Team: South East Contest Club and Friends See you for the next one...

US2IZ 2013-08-31 09:08:46

4060+2223=6263

N1LN

2013-08-31 09:08:50

Thursday Night Sprinters - team entry.

This 4 hour time slot turned out to be more challenging than I thought. With 10 meters not opening, and 15 meters quite limited, this was pretty much a 2 band event. Fortunately 40 meters was still open to the west during the first hour. Sure wish my second K3 was back from the California Drs. office. See you all in a few hours. 73, Bruce - N1LN

N4AF 2013-08-31 09:09:50

Rough sledding. Good start but condx not the best. 73, Howie

N400 2013-08-31 09:09:57

Zero on 10 and very few on 15. 20 m - K0RF and WD0T consistently the loudest at this QTH. 73 Brian

WDØT(@KDØS)

2013-08-31 09:10:28

Much more like work this session compared to last evening! Really only a 2 band affair, with just a smattering of 15m. Speaking of 15m, N3BB was a BEACON up here on my second rig, he was in there most of the time! Great job Mr. Booga!

Did OK on DX, but conditions sounded disturbed, not very strong and lot of QSB, even stateside was very weak mostly. Did better with mults this session, but Q's WAY down!

Hour Breaks: 90,87,53,63.

I worked the Second rig hard as possible, but after a while nothing new to work, no 40m and everyone I could hear on 15m I had worked. Lots of CQ's on 20m!!

Still very fun, thanks all, and CU at 2000Z session, 73 Todd WD0T

W4NZ 2013-08-31 09:11:20

Really wish people would not send leading zero's, they do nothing but make it harder to copy the number under poor conditions. Last hour was very slow, but still a fun four hours.

Hope to work many of the CWOps in the TENNESSEE QSO Party from W4NZ/m tomorrow afternoon. Thanks for the QSO's! 73, Ted W4NZ

WJ9B 2013-08-31 09:11:47

Waited for 15m to open, but it didn't! Didn't bother to listen on 10m. Worked a few JAs on 40m. Still more fun later today! 73, wj9b

WB5BKL 2013-08-31 09:12:43

K3/10 @ 5w Had fun.

MØCFW(JK3GAD)

2013-08-31 09:18:58

No 10m propagation but happy to be spotted by RBN! Thanks for contacts and see you in next session. 73 Kazu M0CFW, M5Z, JK3GAD

KZ5D 2013-08-31 09:19:02

Great fun. Just imagine what a gas IF decent conditions. Seemed to run out of stations after the first two hours. 88, 94, then 51, and 62. Thanks to all for the Qs. Only part-time in session 3. 73 de Art.

N6RO 2013-08-31 09:21:30

Had a better start than expected, but the fourth hour was slow -15m died early. Hours: 106, 87, 89, 55.

NW2K 2013-08-31 09:33:53

Please consider sending me pictures and stories of your 2013 CW Open experience. They might be included in the writeup and on the CWops website. Email to: NW2K at arrl.net. Thanks!

N4GG 2013-08-31 09:46:14

Nice sometimes to make it on for the end and be " rare." Rate meter was hovering around 200 - better than a strong cup of coffee. Wow did the band sound terrible! FTdx5000, ACOM 2000A, WRITELOG, wires in the woods.

VE9AA 2013-08-31 09:57:53

Some nice ops out there. Just a few minutes here and there between honey-do's, projects and working on cars. 73 de Mike VE9AA IC7410, N1MM, ~500w & amp; HS-1800/pro @ 5' over a km of radials.

W6SX 2013-08-31 10:03:13

This one was tough sledding for me. I sure hope fifteen has more to offer at 2000Z. Lets all get on and light up the ionosphere.

(We've been lucky so far, but today, for the first time, we have significant smoke from the Yosemite Rim Fire.)

K3, ACOM 2000A, wire antenna at 46 feet with Matchboxes, N1MM.

N4FP 2013-08-31 10:15:18

Good activity. Lot of fun operating from a county lot with no one around. Flex 3000, Ameritron 811H, Dentron Super Tuner to 500 ft loop at 40 feet. See you at 2000Z.

AA4FU 2013-08-31 10:17:44

Part time effort.

AC2FA 2013-08-31 10:22:18

K2 @ 100 Watts. Used both a beam and OCF. Sadly everything seemed dead with the exception of 20. Looking for ward to the last session. N4PN - thanks for your patience, a lot of fading on my end. 73, Bob AC2FA CWOPS 1026

W6KY 2013-08-31 10:27:51

Ran out of steam in the 1st 30 minutes. Took a 3 HOUR NAP. Oh well, one more session. I will be awake! ... Should have got more sleep after the 1st session. Stayed up late. Went to bed and the alarm went off for session 2. HI 73, Art W6KY www.w6ky.com

IKØHBN 2013-08-31 10:49:24

Propagation was a pity! I worked every station I heard! I tried also to run without success: it was tough with a - 6m long - fishing pole hanging from balcony . I'll try with 3rd session. Hope better.

DJ1OJ 2013-08-31 10:50:20

FT-1000MP 100 W, ANT: GAP-Titan (8bands vert)

K5OT(@**K5TR**) 2013-08-31 11:32:21

Thanks George K5TR for the station time. Almost missed the start while waiting for coffee to brew - and a slow start after that until the caffeine kicked in. 73, Larry K5OT

K4BAI 2013-08-31 11:53:08

FT1000MP, Alpha 78, 1 KW, TH6DXX, dipole, inverted vee. 80M open to the west coast at the start, but the W6 and 7 stations all worked each other and didn't hear me calling. Eastern US OK on 80. 40M good to USA and Canada. 20M good to most of the US and Europe/RA9. 15M very disappointing. A few strong signals, but most weak and very little DX. Rate very slow the last hour. Thanks for all QSOs. 73, John, K4BAI.

VE1RGB 2013-08-31 12:23:00

Weather today here is waaay too nice to be outside! Time to try something new and different for me. Kinda' fun running into the other regular contesters. K3 + P3 + 80 wire dipole

UAØIT/6 2013-08-31 12:23:50

One band 20m. 100W 4 el Yagi 73!

W2CS 2013-08-31 12:29:02

I thought my antenna was up, but I had to check to make sure. 1 hour was enough. Tnx all for the Qs.

N7XU 2013-08-31 12:29:43

SECC and Friends

N5ZO 2013-08-31 12:56:15

40 was very noisy and 15 not that good.

WB8JUI 2013-08-31 17:01:54

73 - Rick WB8JUI

KJ9C/7 2013-08-31 17:15:39

TOO EARLY FOR ME... Twenty was all there was later

PA4N 2013-08-31 17:17:41

Condx a bit lacking, but still had tons of fun!

WA6URY 2013-08-31 17:19:08

Tnx for the Qs! 73, Dan - Remote in Tokyo

N5XZ 2013-08-31 17:40:13

90 Minutes of fun. K3/P3 Amp: Alpha 78 Ant: 4 el SteppIR @ 75 ft S/W: N1MM v13.7.2

JE1TSD 2013-08-31 18:00:02

I can enjoy this session, even with LP equipment; simple wire ANT.

KØTG 2013-08-31 19:46:17

I decided to operate HP in this session. Glad I did. It was good to be heard and have the ability to be heard by some weak signals. It increased the fun factor a LOT. 73, John K0TG

VA7ST 2013-08-31 20:19:43

After 9 Qs, I messed up with N1MM by opening the first session's log so I could post to 3830 -- but I made a couple of Qs before closing it and reopening session 2. The urgency was to work K7IA, which is always a highlight for me.

Hence, my serial number jumped by 76. Got the Qs into the correct log, but couldn't reset back to the correct serial sequence. I suspect I surprised a few by handing out serials in the low 100s after just an hour or so. Sorry for the confusion this may have caused.

It was tough to get attention being this far northwest of most.

AL9A 2013-08-31 20:39:36

Start time for session 2 was at 0400 local AK time, so I was about an hour and half late before getting things turned on and running. Very light activity on 40M here due to solar conditions so had to wait until 20M started to wake up. By the time it started showing some life the clock had run out! Such is radio life in AK.

K9NW 2013-08-31 21:34:58

No time. 73, Mike K9NW

N4PN 2013-08-31 23:03:50

THANKS TO ALL. LOTS OF FUN WITHOUT TAKING UP THE WHOLE WEEKEND GREAT TO SEE SO MANY OLE CONTEST FRIENDS AND SOME NEW ONES.

SP9LJD 2013-09-01 01:31:01

Tnx for QSO's better propagation than in first session.

SP2LNW 2013-09-01 02:11:09

Tnx fer all Q's. 73 Slaw SP2LNW

W4YE 2013-09-01 06:23:00

CWO 1200Z Aug. 31, 2013 73, Buddy W4YE

K4RO 2013-09-01 08:14:05

This went better than session #1. Please look for K4TCG in the Tennessee QSO Party today. Thanks for the Q's.

N5QQ 2013-09-01 08:23:02

Thanks for Q's! From home QTH >> K3/KPA500/Butternut on roof. 73 Ron N5QQ

W4UX 2013-09-01 09:23:04

Working portable from Watauga Lake in NE TN. Added a 20M dipole to go with the 40M vertical. Started out this session at a good rate on 40 then moving to 20 but hit the wall during the last hour for a disappointing finish.

NA8V 2013-09-01 13:20:43

Punk condx

VA3RKM 2013-09-01 14:34:43

KX3, 5w, vertical.

N3BB 2013-09-01 16:05:10

Thanks much for several people who have helped me format my customized TR Log files so that I could get to this point. Especially to Kevin, W9CF. Jim N3BB

IØGOJ 2013-09-02 01:25:13

Great fun. Bad propagation! See you next year 73' Tony

W1NN 2013-09-02 05:56:42

Hour 1: 83 Hour 2: 63 Hour 3: 32 Hour 4: 29

NM2L 2013-09-02 06:10:42

FT1000MP@100W, 80m Tilted Loop, 20m Dipole, Inv L. Limited time to operate, but it was a lot of fun. I love CW! Just wish I could have played a little more in this one. 73 Greg

N3BB/5 2013-09-02 08:43:54

Repost to correct QLF first posting.

JG1VGX/M 2013-09-02 09:02:55

Earth's geomagnetic was a bit unsettled. Fifteen was useless but forty was less affected and I was happy that I made more than a few Qs on forty at this time of year on mobile. At around 15z still one hour left, both 40 and 20m seemed closed and I quit there thinking the bands won't come back. IC-706mkII @50W out Base loading mobile whip (2m long) TR4W

WØBH 2013-09-08 06:28:31

Tower down, so part time to give out the mult. 73, Bob, w0bh

JF2IWL 2013-09-12 04:03:01

I felt that Summer-night path form JA on 20mb is getting closed. Thanks. JF2IWL Dai

JE1TRV

RIG: Elecraft K3, ANT: 2el HB9CV for 40m, HEXBEAM for 20m, Operator's License: 1st Class, I was not able to participate in Session1. On session 2 & 3, the CONDX were not so good.

PF5M

WILL NOT PARTICIPATE NEXT YEAR BECAUSE NO ONE KNOWS MY NAME MARC. SO I HAD TO SPELL IT AND SPELL IT AND SPELL IT AGAIN. THAT IS VERY FRUSTRATING IN A CONTEST. CHANGE OF NAME HOWEVER IS NOT AN OPTION.

JA4MRL

It was very difficult to catch many stations on my tiny ANT.

OH2VZ

SORRY, BUT MY NAME IS TOO DIFFICULT FOR YOUR CONTEST. BEEN ON CW SINCE 1950, COMPUTERIZED LOG SINCE 1990 CONSISTS OVER 50000 QSOS ON CW. GL

DJ6TK

It was the first time to be in this contest

LA8OM

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