

Session 1: 2014 CW Open Soapbox

KE3X Single Op HP 6,942 2014-09-05 18:43:12
Only had 45 mins, warmup for NA Sprint

WO1X Single Op LP 1,190 2014-09-05 20:11:56
99% Search and Pounce. Thanks for all the Q's and sorry for the station I left hanging when I attempted to run - something is going badly on my laptop when sending longer amounts of characters. I have to fix this fast to make the other contest timeframes. I was so desperate, I went back to the paddles and paper. 73 WO1X - Tom

WØUCE Single Op HP 25,125 2014-09-05 20:20:06
PVRC Team Member. Nice to see a good turn out. Thanks for the Qs.

N8XX Single Op QRP 676 2014-09-05 21:01:07
Didn't have much time - forgot about a Radio Club meeting this evening. 40 was long and signals were weak, so went to 80. QRN was Fierce, we had a big storm earlier in the evening. Thanks to all who dug my signal out of the QRN!

KL7SB Single Op HP 14,000 2014-09-05 21:02:57
Lots of QRN tonight ..sorry to those I couldn't copy

K1DW Single Op LP 22,568 2014-09-05 21:03:26
BAD WX TO START WILL TRY AGAIN LATER... DE K1DW

NS9I Single Op HP 33,221 2014-09-05 21:03:36
FUN, fun, fun ... tnx to all! 73

WJ9B Single Op LP 45,563 2014-09-05 21:03:51
73, wj9b

KØRF Single Op HP 74,284 2014-09-05 21:04:44
Good fun! Too bad I can't be in the rest of them. Have a VB tournament to coach tomorrow. Then the Sprint. 73 and good luck, Chuck

WN4AFP Single Op LP 2,209 2014-09-05 21:05:05
Had limited time tonight... I had to QRT after the first hour. I returned near the end of the session. Perhaps I'll have better luck in the next one. 73s Dave

WB5EIN Single Op LP 9,520 2014-09-05 21:06:09
This was my first CW Open and what fun! It was great to work some new hams...some I've definitely not heard on CWT. Thanks to all of you who could hear my little weak signal. It's amazing to me what good ears some of these CWOps have!

Highlight: Getting to work Alex, UA5C, on 40 meters. Also, picked up two Czech Republic friends -- OK1RR, Martin, and OK1AY, Josef, both on 40 meters. And, it's always great to work our friend, Jean, FG8NY!

I heard V31MA, but he was answering a CQ, so I couldn't pick him up, but he had a great signal on 40

here in Mississippi. Best wishes to all of you in both other CW Open sessions. Not sure I'll make either one, due to family obligations. But, priorities are priorities, aren't they?

--Dr. Larry S. Anderson, WB5EIN

Tupelo, MS (birthplace of Elvis)

Kenwood TS-480SAT (100w) to Windom at 40'

Kent paddle into Winkeyer USB

MacBook Pro (in my lap out here in the corner of the garage, amongst the boxes, bikes, and yard equipment -- what a sight!)

K7SV Single Op LP 45,570 2014-09-05 21:06:17

Big fun. Low bands were rather noisy, but still able to work west coast on 80. Good activity. Never ran out of stations to work through the end. Thanks to all for all the Qs!

N1DC Single Op LP 21,576 2014-09-05 21:06:21

First 2 hours was a LOT easier than the last 2. 80 and 40 were very noisy here. Thanks for the QSO's. See you tomorrow in session # 2 from K1USN. 73 Rick N1DC

N4YDU Single Op LP 24,924 2014-09-05 21:06:26

Sloppy start for me and I never really recovered. I felt QRP at times...not sure what happened.

At the end of May my dog Sam passed away so I decided to pay tribute to him by using his name. Sorry for any confusion. See everyone in the next two. 73, Nate/N4YDU

N1RR(@K6ND) Single Op HP 47,575 2014-09-05 21:06:37

Will, K6ND worked very hard to get things ready this weekend. Thanks MAN!

N5AW Single Op LP 2,397 2014-09-05 21:06:50

Somehow it completely escaped me that the first CWO session was Friday evening. Just happened to listen near the end. Would not have been able to put in a full effort anyway but could have done more than 20 minutes! Anyway nice to be "fresh meat" near the end of a contest.

NA6O Single Op HP 2,304 2014-09-05 21:07:10

Managed to make it out to the shack for the final hour on 40m. TS-590, KPA500, low dipole. N1MM.

N3HEE Single Op HP 31,680 2014-09-05 21:07:43

WOW! My first CWO. That was fun! K3/500 and dipoles. Lots of QRN on the low bands. Thanks for the Q's. Be back in the AM. -Joe

NN4K Single Op LP 5,184 2014-09-05 21:08:56

Lots of action and great ops tonight. Thanks for the Qs. Radio, computer and antennas all working well again. Nice to meet NX4N and N5RR. I didn't copy any EU DX ops tonight. See you in the morning. 73 Mac

N5RZ Single Op HP 62,744 2014-09-05 21:09:31

Fun little event. Static crashes and QSB relentless on 40-80-160. Thanks to all or the Q's. 73, Gator

K6RQT Single Op LP 9,000 2014-09-05 21:10:14

Lots of fun. Thanks all for the Q's.

KG5U Single Op LP 28,067 2014-09-05 21:09:04

1st CW Open. Great fun! Thanks for the QSO's! 73 de kg5u/dale
Ten-Tec Omni VI/VI+ (2), 12avq ground mounted vertical (10-15-20), 40m inverted vee at 40ft, 80m inverted vee at 70ft, N1MM Logger software, and one old KG5U

KU7Y Single Op QRP 6,552 2014-09-05 21:09:32

Lots of fun. Great to hear so much activity. Thanks to all who managed to pull my little signal out of the noise on 80m!! Hope to see everyone in the next one. Ron, KU7Y

NA8V Single Op LP 16,524 2014-09-05 21:14:09

Kinda rough. There were storms all around me but it was clear at my place at 2330z. At 0z, they hit and I waited 'til they passed. When I got on at 0045z, the QRN was s9 on 20 from the lightning. Quit in a few minutes when it got too close again. Finally got back on at 0145z. Except for the horrible noise, condx and activity seemed pretty good. Haven't been on the air much the last few weeks as I'm back to work. Was good to run into the CWT folks and say hello. greg/na8v team mrrc/ncc

W6SX Single Op HP 13,266 2014-09-05 21:14:42

With left arm in sling, it's uncomfortable operating and tough to keep Butt in Chair. Lots of fun nevertheless. Thanks for the Qs and your patience.

K3, ACOM 2000A, wire antenna at 46 feet with Matchboxes and MB-V-A, N1MM.

N6RO Single Op HP 62,471 2014-09-05 21:25:36

High bands poor, not much DX activity, low bands noisy. Last hour was painful, resorted to drooling CQs. But, had fun anyway. CU in NA Sprint.

N4PN Single Op HP 44,696 2014-09-05 21:34:59

Fun and fast four hours. Enough activity to stay with it. Thanks for the Q's. See ya in the morning.
73, Paul

KIØI Single Op LP 15,347 2014-09-05 21:35:01

T-storms kept me away abt the first hour. Then noise was awful, I had to ask for a lot of repeats sorry . Always fun to work the CWO. Hope the bands sound btr tmrw. 73 Mark

VE4EA Single Op HP 27,202 2014-09-05 21:37:27

For the most part, signals were not strong this evening. It seemed as though I was off the side of most peoples antennas. Thanks to everyone for the QSO's.

K3, KPA500

TH-7 and 80/40 Dipole, N1MM Logger+ (flawless)

AI6O Single Op HP 9,292 2014-09-05 21:41:45

What a blast! Did mostly S&P but finally got nerve up to call CQ on 40 near the end. Bands were pretty good. No 80 meter antenna, but R7 vertical will load if barefoot, so caught a few Q's at the end. Had to take an hour out for some household duties to keep everyone happy. hi.

TS2000, ALS600, R7 vertical, MIXW software. Thanks for the QSOs. 73

N3AM Single Op LP 20,400 2014-09-05 21:42:32

This was a shakedown cruise for my new K3/0-mini with RemoteRig boxes to control my K3, all sitting jury-rigged on my desk, but connected via the Internet. This was also the first contest operation with my new MacBook Pro, running Parallels and Windows 7. The Mac keyboard functions are different from the PC keyboard I've used all these years, so finding my familiar hotkey equivalents was a bit challenging.

I fired up my amplifier at the start of the contest, but RFI into the control boxes froze my K3/0-mini, so I'll be adding some ferrite snap-on filtering to hopefully clear that up. 73, John, N3AM

KU5B Single Op LP 9,408 2014-09-05 21:49:56

Installed and configured N1MM about an hour in and had a little fun.

Used my real name for a change and, surprisingly, didn't have to repeat it as many times as I thought I would have to. Back to my "radio" name in sprint tomorrow night.

Nice to hear lots of familiar calls and glad the station is working at full potential. As CWOps membership secretary, I look at the membership spreadsheet multiple times daily so I've gotten a CWOps SCP of sorts in my brain from looking at all the calls and names. Hopefully 80 will play as well as it did tonight because it's usually a complete grind for me in Sept sprints. Colin KU5B

W5TM Single Op LP 9,810 2014-09-05 21:50:45

K3, R5

W6KY Single Op LP 7,575 2014-09-05 22:02:08

Had time for 2 hours. All S&P except for about 5 from calling CQ. Lots of fun.. Almost all CWops members. Need to attract more non-member CW operators to this contest.

ICOM IC-756PROII @ 100 watts Gnd Mount GAP Challenger Vert N1MM

73, Art W6KY www.w6ky.com

K4HQK Single Op LP 10,200 2014-09-06 05:03:38

Great to see so much activity. Lots of QRN in the Mid-Atlantic U.S. but good band conditions. Nice start to the Open.

N1CC Single Op LP 8,200 2014-09-06 05:39:01

K4BAI Team. First time in CWOps Open. Fun.

VE9AA Single Op HP 12,500 2014-09-06 05:57:18

Very little time. Thanks to the ones I worked. Mike VE9AA IC-7410, ~500w, HF9V

KC9EE Single Op LP 110 2014-09-06 07:14:09

That was a few minutes of fun. Sorry I couldn't be on more. Did enjoy making sure N1MM+ was working right.....FB!!!! 73 Gary KC9EE

AE6Y Single Op HP 54,810 2014-09-06 08:07:40

Got back from a trip to LA just before the contest and felt pretty QLF at the start, but gradually recalled how it all worked. Thanks for the contacts. 73, andy, ae6y

K3WA Single Op HP 32,007 2014-09-06 08:17:21
Heavy thunderstorms kept real operating time to under three hours.

KJ9C Single Op HP 39,450 2014-09-06 09:10:15
K3/100, KPA500 WHEN HP, STEALTH DIPOLES

WØEJ Single Op LP 5,355 2014-09-06 09:28:10
Tnx for the Qs didn't have too much time.

W8CAR Single Op LP 5,016 2014-09-06 10:30:30
Chased off by Tstorms

W6SZN Single Op HP 26,268 2014-09-06 10:54:14
Started feeling crummy around 8:00 pm but stuck it out to the end. I think I made every mistake one could make in just four hours-good thing 9:00 pm finally arrived. Time to get a tri-bander at 40 feet on the tower. My apologies to myWWDXC teammates.

K4BAI Single Op HP 57,600 2014-09-06 11:20:08
FT1000MP, Alpha 91b, 1 KW, TH6DXX, dipole, zepp, tee vertical. 15M was OK to East and West Coast USA plus CO and WY. Nice to work ZL2B on 15. 20M was OK to most of the US, but weak to Europe until late when there were a few strong signals. 40M seemed OK with some good signals from Europe. 80M was noisy, but signals from all of North America were pretty good. 160M seemed OK to eastern USA, but few stations QRV on that band. Seemed to me activity was down, but the score is very close to last year's for this session. 73, John, K4BAI.

K9XZ(@WB9Z) Single Op LP 15,912 2014-09-06 12:05:34
WX Storms..Lightning Wind all just before and during first session. QRN 20 over on all Bands. Made this session pure HELL. Too many fills, too many disappeared into the hash. Alas so it goes i the Black Hole in Illinois. To all who actually where able to complete the qso thanks for your working through the storms. Mike K9XZ

N5IR Single Op HP 11,868 2014-09-06 12:15:31
S&P

W9RE Single Op HP 48,574 2014-09-06 16:29:53
Thunderstorm took me off at 03:14.

N5RR Single Op QRP 12,320 2014-09-06 18:43:25
A bit of QRN from storms about 100 miles away. Called many stations over S-9, but a significant number couldn't hear my 5 watts even when no others were calling.

AA4CF Single Op HP 12,065 2014-09-06 21:14:31
Worked the CW Open whenever I had the time this weekend. Fun contest! Session 1.

ZL2B Single Op HP 289 2014-09-06 22:00:28
After the first hour, I had no one to play with.

N1SZ Single Op LP 256 2014-09-07 05:45:08
Due to family obligations I only had a little time to get on and enjoy this contest.

VE7FO Single Op LP 10,146 2014-09-07 01:22:35

Had so much fun in the last CWT, I came back for more. Had the speed set to 29 wpm this time and didn't ask anyone to QRS! (not even NW2K or K0AD). However, I DID slow down to slower callers' speeds (without - ahem - being asked.). Bands, including 20, were very noisy. That and QSB made things quite difficult.

Just for fun I dropped down to 160 briefly near the end, expecting to find no one. Well, well, there's AE6Y, not particularly strong but we made the Q. Then, WHOAH!! WHAT'S THIS? It's N6RO at a solid S9 on my 30 ft high inverted L with radials occupying only a 90 degree sector pointing SE. Probably the strongest signal I've ever worked on the Inv L.

Haven't done many cw contests in the last couple of years and find I'm getting rusty. Things like forgetting to pay attention when the first character of the # is sent don't help. Neither does using a keyboard with one foot missing and occasional characters getting dropped. This last one is easy to fix - get a decent keyboard.

I intend to work on the rust by being a frequent participant in Wed evening sessions.

It was really nice to be called by my old buddy KI7Y a couple of times and certainly recognized lots of calls from other contests.

As part of the Surrey ARC (VE7SAR) ongoing op training I'll be putting on a presentation at the next meeting on what CWops is all about and how it can be used for developing/improving cw skills. For Field Day we currently have four very competent contest cw ops, including a former WRTC competitor, three who are working at it and three who don't know it but I've got my eye on them.

I find it very sad that many of our local clubs count themselves lucky if they have one competent cw op for FD. I suspect that it's the same elsewhere.

Anyone who worked me who is also chasing ARRL Centennial points is due for a pleasant surprise. As a Charter Life Member of the ARRL I'm worth 100 points to you (and so, I believe, is K4BAI). So, I handed out 11,400 points.

73, Jim VE7FO

N4AF Single Op HP 78,324 2014-09-07 05:39:27

Avoided curse of the Tstorms only to realize 160M antenna would not load ;-(73, Howie

CALLSIGN USED: N4AF

LOCATOR: FM15

CATEGORY-ASSISTED: ASSISTED

CATEGORY-BAND: ALL

CATEGORY-MODE: CW

CATEGORY-OPERATOR: SINGLE-OP

CATEGORY-POWER: HIGH

CLUB: Potomac Valley Radio Club

NAME: Howard Hoyt N4AF

OPERATING TIME: 04:00:00

RUN/SEARCH: 369/0 Qs

UNIQUE CALLSIGNS: 214
SOFTWARE: TR4W v.4.33.1 <http://www.n4af.net/TR4W>
BAND Raw QSOs Valid QSOs Points Prefixes
80CW 84 84 84 21
40CW 178 176 176 103
20CW 99 98 98 82
15CW 8 8 8 8
Totals 369 366 366 214 Final Score = 78324 points.

K6IFF Single Op LP 2,080 2014-09-07 08:56:39
A practice session for me - obviously, I really need it.

W7ZRC Single Op QRP 6,375 2014-09-07 11:34:36
Great start and then the power went off. Took Idaho Power (local elec util) just over 2 hours to restore service. So didn't finish. Thanks for the Q's and fun! 73, Rod/w7zrc

N4GG Single Op HP 46,992 2014-09-07 13:55:22
Condx were not great all weekend, but there was enough activity to keep it fun. Four hours is a comfortable time in the chair as well. Lots of thunderstorms around for all three sessions. Without the K9AY loop this would have been a real struggle. FTdx5000, FT1000MP, 2X ACOM 2000A, WRITELOG, Home Brew SO2R, Wires in the woods. The wires are not very good on 15 and 10. A problem in the following sessions...

N5XZ Single Op HP 1,849 2014-09-07 21:28:43
OK for 32 minutes, I suppose. RIG: ELECRAFT K3 AMP: ETO ALPHA 78 ANT: FLUIDMOTION 4-EL STEPPIR AT 75 FT S/W: N1MM V14.8.0

K2ZR Single Op LP 2,209 2014-09-08 03:05:03
K2 @ 95w ANT: CF WIRE Thunderstorms shortened this session. 73, Dick, K2ZR

K4RO Single Op HP 58,354 2014-09-09 14:40:07
1.8 19 19 1
3.5 96 96 30
7 99 99 46
14 103 103 95
21 9 9 7
Total 326 326 179 Score : 58,354

WB5BKL Single Op QRP 2,091 2014-09-09 14:57:57
K3/10 @ 5W to various delta loops and wires. Team "Thunder" Had fun.

VA3RKM Single Op QRP 575 2014-09-12 07:50:23
KX3, 5w, verticals.

OK1RR Horrible CONDX!

DR50RRDXA Poor propagation conditions and little activity, therefore not complete.

N3IQ Had Fun!

Session 2: 2014 CW Open Soapbox

K3WA Single Op HP 9,400 2014-09-06 08:20:43
Poor conditions but at least yesterday's thunderstorms stayed away.

WØUCE Single Op HP 8,200 2014-09-06 08:45:40
PVRC Team Member Conditions? What conditions?

W4BQF Single Op HP 30,450 2014-09-06 08:48:16
Fun contest!! Was using NL+ contest logger and right at 3 hours into the test, I made a silly mistake and spent the last hour wondering what I had done to the program. A case where the program function correct but it's operator sure didn't! Thanks for all of the Q's' this was fun. 73, Tom - W4BQF - #149

N4YDU Single Op LP 22,143 2014-09-06 09:02:03
Thanks for the QSOs - hopefully things will pick up for the final session...My amp looks lonely...maybe I'll turn it on for the final session. 73, Nate/SAM N4YDU

KJ9C Single Op LP 5,796 2014-09-06 09:02:24
K3/100, STEALTH DIPOLES

KU7Y Single Op QRP 11,700 2014-09-06 09:03:07
Fun time again! I really need to get my 40m verticals working right! Thanks for the Q's and hope to see you all this evening. Ron, KU7Y

N4AF Single Op HP 63,680 2014-09-06 09:03:07

CALLSIGN USED: N4AF
LOCATOR: FM15
CATEGORY-ASSISTED: ASSISTED
CATEGORY-BAND: ALL
CATEGORY-MODE: CW
CATEGORY-OPERATOR: SINGLE-OP
CATEGORY-POWER: HIGH
CLUB: Potomac Valley Radio Club
NAME: Howard Hoyt N4AF
ADDRESS: 549 Bluebird Trail
ADDRESS-CITY: Blounts Creek
ADDRESS-STATE-PROVINCE: NC
ADDRESS-POSTALCODE: 27814
OPERATING TIME: 03:59:32
CQ COUNTER: 760
RUN/SEARCH: 207/117 Qs
UNIQUE CALLSIGNS: 199
SOFTWARE: TR4W v.4.33.1 <http://www.n4af.net/TR4W>
BAND Raw QSOs Valid QSOs Points Prefixes
40CW 92 91 91 83
20CW 150 148 148 90
15CW 82 81 81 26
Totals 324 320 320 199 Final Score = 63680 points.

W7ZRC Single Op QRP 17,368 2014-09-06 09:03:21

Got a late start. Thanks for the Q's and hearing my QRP signal. 73, Rod/w7zrc

N8BJQ Single Op HP 32,148 2014-09-06 09:03:30

Tough conditions. Took 30 min off for breakfast with my great grandson. Probably didn't miss much. Back later weather permitting.

N5RZ Single Op HP 9,202 2014-09-06 09:03:35

Was able to put in a little time this morning between sleeping in and doing some chores. Hope to see everyone in the NA CW Sprint this evening. Thanks to all for the QSO's. 73, Gator

KU7T Single Op LP 26,445 2014-09-06 09:04:00

Mostly for playing SO2R. Starting to get a little better at it. More practice needed. Thanks for the Qs. Andy KU7T

K1RO Single Op HP 33,552 2014-09-06 09:04:12

Nice to hear a few West Coast stations on 10.

N1RR(@K6ND) Single Op HP 38,742 2014-09-06 09:04:44

@ K6ND SO1R: IC-7700 & ACOM-2000A & C31XR @ 55FT & 2L40 60FT. Software: DXLog.NET

This is my first CW Open and my 2nd session. Slow start until I found everyone on 40M !! Probably left there too early.

NS9I Single Op HP 29,580 2014-09-06 09:05:06

Lots of problems with tribander, mostly wires ... tnx to all 73 Dwight NS9I

N5AW Single Op LP 61,578 2014-09-06 09:05:23

Ran out of gas the last hour. Hour QSO totals: 93 90 82 48.

K7SV Single Op LP 34,419 2014-09-06 09:05:25

Loads of fun once again. I always seem to do better at night when the low bands favor me. Have to think about the hi band antennas! Ten opened well to the west coast with 6s and 7s well over S9. CYA'LL in 4 hours.

N1CC Single Op LP 18,271 2014-09-06 09:05:34

K4BAI TEAM Second Session, first time for CWO sessions. Good, however, ran out of people to work. No propagation on 10 meters for stations spotted there, CQ did no good either. 15 not very populated, again propagation. 73, Jim

K0AD Single Op LP 41,565 2014-09-06 09:07:56

I wish I could have heard more on 15. Once 40 closed, it became pretty much a one band contest from the black hole in Minnesota. 73, Al, K0AD

F5MNK Single Op HP 28,350 2014-09-06 09:08:27

First participation to CW OPEN. 20 meters noisy, 15 meters good conditions. Best 73. LO. F5MNK.

WJ9B Single Op LP 52,870 2014-09-06 09:08:29

73, wj9b

AD1C Single Op LP 13,803 2014-09-06 09:17:04

Radio: Yaesu FTDX-5000 (100W) Antennas: HyGain AV-640 vertical, 1/2 G5RV in attic. WriteLog

I was busy working on "stuff" and forgot about this session. When I started CQing about 1425z, I found the VFOs were split - duh. I now understand why no one came back.

I never heard some of the "charter members" and other CWT regulars like W1RM, N3JT, W6SX, W7OM, and it took me an hour to find/work K6RB.

KG5U Single Op LP 25,984 2014-09-06 09:17:49

Lots of CQing in this one, plus weak signals and QSB made for a lot of time spent repeatedly asking for a fill. Had to say 'ltr' to a couple of stations. See y'all this afternoon! Thanks for the QSO's!

73 de kg5u/dale

Ten-Tec Omni VI/VI+ (2), 12avq ground mounted vertical (10-15-20), 40m inverted vee at 40ft, 80m inverted vee at 70ft, N1MM Logger software and one old KG5U

NN4K Single Op LP 7,546 2014-09-06 09:17:53

Great activity during the first two hours and declined during the second two hours. Conditions seemed good on all the bands except 10 meters. I was trying to break 100; almost made it. Thanks for the Qs and will see you at 2000Z. 73 Mac NN4K

K1DW Single Op LP 784 2014-09-06 09:29:40

TOO MANY DISTRACTIONS... DE K1DW

WØEJ Single Op LP 1,886 2014-09-06 09:30:53

Even less time this morning but still had fun.

K2SX Single Op HP 15,042 2014-09-06 09:37:02

Knew I would miss a fair amount of time beforehand so didn't push very much. Managed to make a few QSOs anyway. Condx seemed pretty poor and activity level seemed lower than usual. Oh, well...

NA8V Single Op LP 12,384 2014-09-06 09:38:03

Forgot all about 80? only 20/15 ant fixed west, didn't help my enthusiasm level. Short time, had chores to do. greg/na8v

N5QQ Single Op HP 28,800 2014-09-06 09:38:22

Uh, no excuse, showed up at the radio at 1320Z! Guess I need a UTC to Local Time converter! Thanks for Q's, Ron N5QQ

W6SX Single Op HP 2,809 2014-09-06 09:42:14

K3, ACOM 2000A, wire antenna at 46 feet with Matchboxes and MB-V-A, N1MM.

VE9AA Single Op HP 900 2014-09-06 10:14:41

Just had no time at all to devote. Was doing car repairs, transplanting trees etc. Two thrills were working a JS1 and also K3LR/m. Tim your signal was an honest to goodness 5NN ! Wow, nice sig from the mobile under truly dismal condx. CU guys later maybe.

Mike VE9AA IC7410, HF9V, ~500w, N1MM

OH2BN Single Op HP 2,100 2014-09-06 10:17:43
73 - Jarmo OH2BN
CWops #135

NM5M Single Op LP 2,597 2014-09-06 10:18:16
K3/100, TS590, R5 vertical + homebrew triplexer and KK1L 2x6 Switch. Bad weekend for this contest with Sprint being held tonight. I hope in the future a different weekend can be picked.

Had fun testing out the new SO2R arrangement from this tiny station. 2 more coaxes to run to be able to operate SO2R on 40m. 73, Eric

KC4D Single Op HP 36,391 2014-09-06 10:32:16
MY FIRST EVER SERIOUS FULL PERIOD EFFORT IN A CWO MINI TEST. I HAVE MUCH TO LEARN!!! MOST SIGNALS ON 15 METERS AND EVEN 20 METERS WERE VERY WEAK...HAD TO RESORT TO MENTAL TELEPATHY AT TIMES...HOPE TO BE ON FOR AT LEAST PART OF THE LAST FOUR HOUR SESSION THIS EVENING...THANKS FOR THE CALLS!!! BILL CWOPS #419

KB9OWD Single Op LP 4,392 2014-09-06 11:03:34
Did not think I would have any time to get on but found just over an hour to play and work a few stations. Thanks for the QSO's! 73, Ryan KB9OWD

K1USN Single Op HP 9,191 2014-09-06 11:17:53
This was a first attempt at a CW Open M/M operation from the K1USN club station. We had run a bunch of testing earlier in the week, but failed to try running simultaneously from both stations. This would be our achilles heal. Using N1MM, calling CQ on one station locked out the other. We could only alternate CQ's...no good.

We have more work to do with Dean NW2K and the N1MM development team to sort this problem out. The contest is a single op event and N1MM handles it that way only, although some multi station features did work (we could see each other's activity and score). Maybe next year we will have a M/M category that has been fully debugged.

I ended up running from the 10/15/20 station after wasting the first hour trying various changes. Conditions were not great this morning to say the least! Thanks for the QSO's. 73, Rick N1DC

K4BAI Single Op HP 52,452 2014-09-06 11:27:10
FT1000MP, Alpha 91B, 1 KW, TH6DXX, dipole, zepp. Activity seemed pretty low for his session. About 40 QSOs less than last year's second session. 80M was good to East Coast and out to WJ9B in ID and N6RK in CA at the beginning. 40M seemed good to all of the US, but ran out of new stations pretty quickly. 20M was OK to NA and parts of EU, but again, ran out of new stations to work. 15 and 10M were better than last year. Good Eu signals on 20M plus RF9C. 10M was open to W7s and WO4O in FL. Thanks for all QSOs. 73, John, K4BAI.

N5IR Single Op HP 1,155 2014-09-06 12:04:23
S&P

K9XZ(@WB9Z) Single Op LP 22,743 2014-09-06 12:08:20
Bands much better than the big storms last night. Activity to me seemed to be pretty low. Mike K9XZ

WB5EIN Single Op LP 2,970 2014-09-06 13:15:08

Had serious insomnia after the 1st session, so I didn't go back to sleep until 30 minutes before the start of session #2. Woke up in time to operate just over an hour, so I settled down on 20. Made a few S&P contacts, then just squatted on a freq and started a run.

Thanks to all who stopped by 14.043 and gave me a QSO! I was especially happy to get calls from K6RB, NW2K, K9QVB/9, N4AF, new CWOps member K4EU, N5QQ (fellow member of DFWCG), and then there was Ron, KU7Y, with his QRP signal--right in the clear!

I'll miss session #3, but look forward to CWT next Wednesday.

Funny...while I was nearing the end of the contest on my 20m "run" I checked 40 and 15, but heard NOTHING! Then, with only moments to go, I flipped up to 15 and caught 2 Qs. All others were on 20. Weird! As an aside, I'm considering applying for a short vanity call in early 2015, giving up my lifelong WB5EIN. Two possibilities are W5AB or NA5A. Which would you prefer?

--Dr. Larry S. Anderson, WB5EIN (wb5ein@gmail.com)

Tupelo, MS (birthplace of Elvis)

Kenwood TS-480SAT (100w) to Windom at 40'

Kent paddle into Winkeyer USB

MacBook Pro (in my lap out here in the corner of the garage, amongst the boxes, bikes, and yard equipment -- what a sight!)

KY4F Single Op LP 7,719 2014-09-06 15:33:49

Didn't have much time for this one, but wanted to test new antenna. Seemed to work ok. Still some tweaking to do.... as always! 73 and thanks for the Q's Doug KY4F

KØVXU Single Op HP 39,610 2014-09-06 18:18:22

IC-746PRO TL922A TH6DXX 40 Meter Slopping Vee

N4PN Single Op HP 38,354 2014-09-06 18:34:25

Thanks for another fun 4 hours...15m was really open to Europe, but not much activity. Thought the second session would be better than the first one, but not the case. Was away for the 3rd session...maybe a good thing - may have been the lowest score of the day...

73, Paul, N4PN

ZL2B Single Op HP 144 2014-09-06 22:04:30

At 1300utc propagation and US activity on 40m was a goner, no prop or activity on other bands, so I was alone again.

N8XX Single Op QRP 4,900 2014-09-07 05:58:03

Had a couple errands of mercy to run at the end, so not full time. Conditions started about a bit slow on 40, but when 20 and then 15 opened up it was fun! Checked 10 a few times, but never heard anything.

DX in log didn't seem to add to multipliers, but then claimed score doesn't mean anything anyway!

N4GG Single Op HP 45,999 2014-09-07 14:01:32

FTdx5000, FT1000MP, 2X ACOM 2000A, WRITELOG, Home Brew SO2R, Wires in the woods.

K2ZR Single Op LP 16,464 2014-09-08 03:10:06
K2 @ 95W ANT: CF WIRE & EF WIRE 73, DICK, K2ZR

DL/HB9FIH Single Op LP 156 2014-09-08 11:24:09
Some issues with TX and LogProg communication. And here on Sailing boat the ant ist not very optimal. Germany nr Denmark. RIG JUMA TRX2A / PA100D. ANT Backstage from ship. My result: I had fun, that's for my result - points are not important.

WN4AFP Single Op LP 380 2014-09-08 14:47:01
I had limited time for CWO.. 73s Dave

K4RO Single Op HP 54,708 2014-09-09 14:41:28
7 57 57 46
14 155 155 124
21 68 68 24
28 2 2 0
Total 282 282 194 Score : 54,708
Passed on the 3rd session to get ready for the CW Sprint.

WB5BKL Single Op QRP 3,536 2014-09-09 15:00:25
K3/10 @ 5W to various delta loops and wires. Team "Thunder". Had fun.

M6O ALL S & P WITH TEMPORARY SETUP - HEXBEAM + 100W K3 AND DXKEEPER S/W

IK0IXI 20M POOR TO USA, 15M CLOSED

DR50RRDXA Poor propagation conditions and little activity, therefore not complete.

KO7I I'm low power, 100W, and ran non-assisted. Thank you, Don KO7I

WB5BKL K3/10 @ 5W to various delta loops and wires. Had fun.

7Q7BP Band conditions were not very good. Unable to break the E/W W/E beamers from/to USA/EU. Vertical antennas would make it fair for all. Enjoyed my little bit of the contest though. Used SD again in this contest. It's good. Try it.

RW3AI Icom 7800, 5 watts, Ant ECO, LW

JR1NKN I'm very glad to have a QSO. Thank you for the QSO. I enjoyed very much. I hope to see you again. The maximum output power in the contest was ten watts.

AB3TM First time trying this contest, looks like I found it a bit late!

JE1TRV RIG: Elecraft K3, ANT: HEXBEAM, Operator's License: JA 1st Class, Enjoyed to exchange numbers with friends.

Session 3: 2014 CW Open Soapbox

N5AW Single Op LP 10,509 2014-09-06 14:04:16

Great start. Too bad could not operate more. Social commitment. Gotta keep the little lady happy ;^)

OH2BN Single Op HP 625 2014-09-06 14:16:48

73 - Jarmo OH2BN CWops #135

N1CC Single Op LP 8,000 2014-09-06 15:18:34

K4BAI TEAM. Session 3 ended early due to thunderstorms overhead.

This was a fun 3-part event. Conditions were poor here, with very high noise level. Lots of repeats needed even with K3 Noise Reduction in play. 7 hours total operation yielded 351 QSO, could have been better with propagation improvement and lower resulting noise floor.

AA2ZW Single Op LP 2,601 2014-09-06 15:51:52

HAD 51 Q's ON FIRST RUN-- EZ MATH THIS WAY. 73S

W3KB Single Op LP 15,704 2014-09-06 15:59:11

Major Thunderstorm Warning issued here in central PA. Shut down for safety reasons near end of third session. 73, Keith W3KB

WØUCE Single Op HP 8,600 2014-09-06 16:04:28

PVRC Team Member

KJ9C Single Op HP 2,538 2014-09-06 16:39:04

K3/100, KPA500 WHEN HP, STEALTH DIPOLES... waaaay too nice outdoors today!

N1DC Single Op LP 17,289 2014-09-06 16:53:39

Had to suspend operation at 2335 due to thunderstorms. Great fun and conditions got better after a cold front moved through Eastern MA. Got a few QSO's on 10M on what seemed like a dead band.

Thanks for everyone's patience. The QRN was tough here with lots of thunderstorms within 100 miles.

Station: TenTec Omni7 @ 100W, 4 element yagi @30ft, 80/40 dipoles @35ft, N1MM, Winkeyer USB

Thanks for the QSO's 73 Rick N1DC

W6SX Single Op HP 5,184 2014-09-06 16:57:40

Lost some prime-time on fifteen brute-force toroiding an RFI problem.

K3, ACOM 2000A, wire antenna at 46 feet with Matchboxes and MB-V-A, N1MM.

N5IR Single Op HP 9,963 2014-09-06 17:02:38

S&P

NS9I Single Op HP 30,247 2014-09-06 17:02:51

Great time, tnx for all the q's ... 73 C U in the TNQP tmw

N4YDU Single Op HP 36,115 2014-09-06 17:02:56

It was nice to be able participate in all three sessions full time. Conditions seemed a bit better in the late session. This was for Sammy. 73, Nate/Sam/N4YDU

KU7Y Single Op QRP 16,610 2014-09-06 17:03:17

Another fun afternoon! Thanks for the Q's. Bands seemed to be in good shape for a change! Ron KU7Y

W7ZRC Single Op QRP 17,596 2014-09-06 17:03:18

Again thanks for the Q's and pulling my QRP out of the noise. 73, Rod/w7zrc

KØVBU Single Op LP 30,535 2014-09-06 17:03:38

Marginal condx. Great to hear everyone. 73 Bill, KØVBU

N8BJQ Single Op HP 35,509 2014-09-06 17:04:12

A bit better than this morning. A few JA's on 15 and EU on 20 and 40. Had fun and nothing broke.

K1RO Single Op HP 50,875 2014-09-06 17:04:18

QRN from nearby storms made this one frustrating.

K3MD Single Op HP 42,588 2014-09-06 17:04:37

Severe thunderstorm/ tornado watch QRT

NN4K Single Op LP 9,976 2014-09-06 17:05:31

Thanks for the Qs. 73 Mac NN4K

K7RL Single Op HP 53,480 2014-09-06 17:06:40

10m was wide open, but not many stations working the contest. 40m started to get going about 15 minutes before the end. Thanks to all for the Qs. 73, Mitch (Ed), K7RL

N3HEE Single Op HP 22,780 2014-09-06 17:07:29

STORMS STORMS STORMS !! Sorry team, had to shut down briefly for storms tonight. QRN was through the roof on all bands !! Managed to work through a minor power hit without missing a beat! That was fun.

GW4J Single Op HP 19,239 2014-09-06 17:09:48

Did the last 2 sessions. Conditions not good for either, particularly difficult in the late session on 40 with qrn and warble/echoes on many NA signals. Thanks for the fun.... K3/Acom 1000, wire antennas

NA6O Single Op HP 7,650 2014-09-06 17:12:11

Worked several short sessions. My low-noise receiving loop decided to die, so 20m was very difficult (plasma TV noise via my vertical is a disaster.) Pleasant surprise was a little DX on 15 (F, DL, ZL). TS-590, KPA500, low dipole and vertical. N1MM.

AI6O Single Op HP 6,708 2014-09-06 17:15:15

For my first CWO I was able to get into the first session (2 hrs.) and in this third session (1.75 hours). Really lots of fun. Thanks to many for your patience in me trying to do CQs. Much harder than S&P! Anyways, bands not the best but 15 did well. Thanks to all for the Qs. 73, Ed, AI6O

K9XZ(@WB9Z) Single Op LP 26,969 2014-09-06 17:19:25

Last session seemed to be better despite the other events being right on the tail end of CWOPS Open. Sprint coming on its heels may have taken a few people away from this event. My first time in CWOP's event and frankly enjoyed it once I got the hang of things. Old dogs can learn new tricks. My Thanks to my gracious host Jerry. My additional thanks to all who labored to work me in the good and bad conditions over this 24 hour period. Thanks to all. Maybe next year I will attempt this QRP.

K9XZ Mike Black Hole of Illinois SMC

WD4AHZ Single Op LP 27,968 2014-09-06 17:20:12

Could only work the last session. Mainly a "test drive" of N1MM+.

VE9AA Single Op HP 5,175 2014-09-06 17:34:41

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KØVXU Single Op HP 29,930 2014-09-06 18:23:25

IC-746PRO TL-922A TH6DXX 40 Meter Slopping Vee

AA3B Single Op HP 44,255 2014-09-06 18:29:31

Thunderstorms...

K1DW Single Op LP 24,030 2014-09-06 18:29:43

Was doing well then Murphy knocked me for a loop. Lightning, computer problems, radio problems are not friendly during a contest.... I'll be back... Thanks for the Qs and sorry for the mis Qs. Am sure some were wondering why there was a steady carrier (locked key down) in the contest. Have to figure out what is happening before the Wed CWT. 73 BCNU DE DALLAS K1dw

N5RR Single Op QRP 2,793 2014-09-06 18:52:09

This was a mess, the number of stations down, bad conditions too. Called many, but few heard me, so I gave up with almost an hour to go.

N5ZO Single Op HP 56,727 2014-09-06 19:07:04

Missed 2 earlier sessions due to other commitments. But this one was fun. Too bad that my 40 m yagi is on ground for some changes and had to use vertical on 40. The end of this session is still too early for me in West coast to get much anything going on 40 with vertical. Antennas: 2 tribanders, one at 80 ft (2 els on each 20-15-10) and A3S at 30 ft and that 40 m vertical. 2x K-3 and 2x Alpha 87A. First time using N1MM+ in contest and no problems found. Perhaps bit heavier to run than old N1MM, noticed it to "think" a bit after logging each QSO. But then I'm running it with quite old laptop. 73 and TNX for QSOs de Marko N5ZO

KIØI Single Op LP 12,596 2014-09-06 19:08:32

Not full time effort this session either. Bands sounded good even copied a few sigs on 10m. 15 was open pretty decent and 20 was good here as well. A lot of fun with the best ops on the air, and the finest radio stations out there. Thanks to all who made qso's with me, I hope we can do it agn soon. 73 Mark

KL7SB Single Op HP 5,796 2014-09-06 20:53:33

Late start ..condx much better on 15 than 20.

WJ9B Single Op LP 35,568 2014-09-06 21:51:39
73, wj9b

ZL2B Single Op HP 1,978 2014-09-06 22:10:55
My best session, some decent signals from the US, plus a few JA station on 15m. 10m was open but not much happening.

G4BUE Single Op HP 8,400 2014-09-07 01:22:18
I couldn't get started until 2145z of the third session - better late than never I guess!

N4FP Single Op HP 2,050 2014-09-07 03:35:39
Only had short time to operate the CWO this year. Flex 3000 driving AL-811H, 600 watts to Hustler 6BTV.

N4AF Single Op HP 73,030 2014-09-07 05:36:25
I love the time slot. If NA Sprint used this, I think the east coast would lead the tally board as it is well dark here by the time NA begins. Problem being that I cannot do the segment justice and keep my powder dry for the NA Sprint. Since NA Sprint will always win that contest (with me), sure wish the CWO date would change. 73, Howie

CALLSIGN USED: N4AF
LOCATOR: FM15
CATEGORY-ASSISTED: ASSISTED
CATEGORY-BAND: ALL
CATEGORY-MODE: CW
CATEGORY-OPERATOR: SINGLE-OP
CATEGORY-POWER: HIGH
CLUB: Potomac Valley Radio Club
NAME: Howard Hoyt N4AF
ADDRESS: 549 Bluebird Trail
ADDRESS-CITY: Blounts Creek
ADDRESS-STATE-PROVINCE: NC
ADDRESS-POSTALCODE: 27814
OPERATING TIME: 03:53:15
CQ COUNTER: 577
RUN/SEARCH: 227/108 Qs
UNIQUE CALLSIGNS: 218
SOFTWARE: TR4W v.4.33.1 <http://www.n4af.net/TR4W>
BAND Raw QSOs Valid QSOs Points Prefixes
80CW 9 9 9 0
40CW 95 95 95 40
20CW 154 154 154 125
15CW 53 53 53 47
10CW 24 24 24 6

Totals 335 335 335 218 Final Score = 73030 points.

N1SZ Single Op LP 240 2014-09-07 05:47:19
Again, family obligations kept me from a serious effort.

K4BAI Single Op HP 65,880 2014-09-07 06:00:00

FT1000MP, Alpha 91b, 1 KW, TH6DXX, dipole, zepp, inverted vee. More activity in session #3. 10M was open to W6/W7 and to W2LK. 15M had Europe at the beginning and ZL and JA toward the end. 20M was pretty good to Europe and EA8. 40M was fair to Europe toward the end. Not much activity on 80M this year. Thanks for all QSOs. 73, John, K4BAI.

WO4O Single Op HP 42,081 2014-09-07 06:58:21

My apologies to the ops of the first several QSOs that won't show up in this log because of an operator error. Once brought to my attention I was able to solve the problem and start over with 001. If you have any dupes for wo4o in your log it's likely because I later remembered your call sign from the earlier error and called you to ensure we had a qualifying QSO. Stuff happens. 73, de ric, wo4o

AD1C Single Op LP 10,296 2014-09-07 07:50:15

Radio: Yaesu FTDX-5000 (100W) Antennas: HyGain AV-640 vertical, 1/2 G5RV in attic, WriteLog

Nice little opening on 10 meters, worked WO4O (FL) and K1RO (NH) with excellent signals. I wish more folks had been on.

KA3DRR(@W6SL) Single Op LP 15,336 2014-09-07 08:44:15

Icom IC-7600

40m 3L at 50ft

20m 6L at 50ft

15m 6L at 60ft

10m 5L at 60ft

N1MM Contest Logger

K6IFF Single Op LP 1,190 2014-09-07 09:01:34

Just offering a few Qs and Mults for others.

K5OT(@K5TR) Single Op HP 67,193 2014-09-07 10:49:57

Stopped early for a quick bite to eat and transition to CW Sprint mode. Not my favorite alignment of two very good contests this year. Thanks to George K5TR for the station access, and to everyone for the QSOs. 73, Larry K5OT

N4GG Single Op HP 49,300 2014-09-07 14:04:12

FTdx5000, FT1000MP, 2X ACOM 2000A, Home Brew SO2R, WRITELOG, Wires in the woods.

NO5W(@W5GAD) Single Op LP 14,190 2014-09-07 17:04:34

Thanks to the Jefferson ARC for allowing me to operate at their clubhouse station. It was a lot of fun with some good participation. Unfortunately I could only operate for a limited time due to other commitments.

Please look for NO5W mobile in the upcoming Texas QSO Party (September 27-28) where we are currently scheduled to have in excess of 200 counties on the air. Check out the planned activity and routes at www.txqp.com.

Thanks for the Qs, 73/Chuck/NO5W

N5XZ Single Op HP 4,544 2014-09-07 21:32:23
OK for 55 minutes, I suppose ;-)
ELECRAFT K3, ETO ALPHA 78, ANT: FLUIDMOTION 4-EL
STEPPIR AT 75 FT, N1MM V14.8.0

K2ZR Single Op LP 14,352 2014-09-08 03:16:29
K2 @ 95W CF WIRE & EF WIRE. I was surprised there was virtually no action on 80M in the last hour except for Dean, NW2K & Bud, AA3B finding my incessant CQn. The RBN told me I was strong all over but seems like 80M was lost in the fray. 73, Dick, K2ZR

K1SX Single Op QRP 1,020 2014-09-08 10:33:34
Tnx all! Genesis G11, 130' end fed wire @ 15'

K7SV Single Op LP 21,840 2014-09-08 15:24:48
I would much prefer that the Open not take place on the same weekend as the CW Sprint. I very much support CWOPS and the Open, but the CW Sprint is my favorite contest and I was rather dragging butt in it after working the three Open sessions. Regardless the Open was great fun and I appreciate the Qs!

WB5BKL Single Op QRP 4,697 2014-09-09 15:03:15
K3/10 @ 5W to various delta loops and wires. Team "Thunder" Had fun.

W9CC Single Op LP 2,842 2014-09-11 17:03:32

START-OF-LOG: 3.0
LOCATION: IN
CALLSIGN: W9CC
CATEGORY-OPERATOR: SINGLE-OP
CATEGORY-BAND: ALL
CATEGORY-POWER: LOW
CLAIMED-SCORE: 2784
CONTEST: CW Open
CREATED-BY: WriteLog V11.04A
NAME: LARRY CARD
ADDRESS: 2953 N. 500 W.
ADDRESS-CITY: GREENFIELD IN
ADDRESS-STATE-PROVINCE: IN
ADDRESS-POSTALCODE: 46140
OPERATORS: W9CC

AD0BI 1 Watt QRP Portable in Warren County, MO

DL/HS0ZLS QTH sailing ship , Germany nr Denmark, RIG KX3 with 10W max. ANT Backstage from ship. My result: don't ask ;-)
I had fun that's important.

JR1NKN I'm very glad to have QSOs. Thank you for the QSOs. I enjoyed very much. I hope to see you again. The maximum output power in the contest was ten watts.

K1SX Genesis G11, 130' e.f. wire at 15' tnx all!

K5OT No packet, no skimmer, no reverse beacon. I just about didn't participate due to my affection

(affliction) for CW Sprint. Stopped at 2345Z to changeover.

KA3DRR Enjoyed every minute in front of the console logging contacts! 73.

KJ9C A gorgeous 70 degree sunny day in Montana.... and a ton of yard work to be done

N4AF Would prefer this session on Friday, or another date. Conflicts with NA Sprint.

WB5BKL K3/10 @ 5W to various delta loops and wires. Had fun.