Session 1: 2015 CW Open Soapbox

NØTA Single Op QRP 8,961 2015-09-04 19:43:22 Team Peanut

KBØJSH(@NØAC/Ø) Single Op LP 2,500 2015-09-04 20:02:10 Practicing for tomorrow. Thanks for the QSO.

Amanda, KB0JSH

At the foot of the Rocky Mountains. Rig #1 FT1000MP, Hy-gain 18HT Jr, 2 element 20m vertical array Rig #2 Ten Tec Omni D, 40m dipole Logging N1MM+

K1DW Single Op LP 12,052 2015-09-04 20:26:01 SLOW START AND SLOW END... DE K1DW

WW9R Single Op HP 24,934 2015-09-04 20:56:48

My first cw contest with my new Flex 6300. The filtering was simply amazing. I can't believe DSP can sound so clean. Tight filters with no ringing. Thanks for all the Q's.

Pat aka "Alan" in honor of KO7X WW9R CWop #730

K6RB Single Op HP 67,266 2015-09-04 20:58:39

Ambient noise on 20 and 40 was S5. Lost 80 m antenna two days ago. That cost me. But, had fun. CU at 1200Z

OU2I(OZ1BII) Single Op LP 700 2015-09-04 21:00:40

Rig: Elecraft K3 - 100 Watt Ant: 20mtr wire as Inverted-L up 12mtr See you in the next CW Contest! Best 73 de OZ1BII Henning

W7WHY Single Op HP 14,214 2015-09-04 21:01:47

Just piddlin' around between the CWO and watching Oregon State football on TV. Conditions seemed pretty rough here. Lotsa noise and QRN. Thanks for the Q's and 73 Tom W7WHY

N3QE Single Op HP 65,798 2015-09-04 21:02:14

Huge huge turnout... lotsa familiar calls... some new calls... much fun... only thing more fun is NA Sprint CW:-)

KE6K Single Op QRP 169 2015-09-04 21:03:20

Didn't expect much out of 20 meters but that's where I got my contacts. Signals on 40 and 80 were strong, with QRN and QSB, but no one could hear my peanut whistle except Rob, K6RB. Several stations did give me question marks, so at least I know they could tell I was there and gone. Thanks for the effort to dig me out.

IC-7200, 85' end fed laying on roof

N4YDU Single Op LP 51,744 2015-09-04 21:03:37

Fun event, even with the noise! Only Q on 15 was with ZM2B. See everyone tomorrow. 73, Nate/N4YDU

K7SV Single Op LP 65,670 2015-09-04 21:03:46

Interesting condx. Very good activity. Never slowed down. CU in the next session.

K1GU Single Op QRP 22,140 2015-09-04 21:04:12

Little power, big antennas.

NU7Y Single Op QRP 4,992 2015-09-04 21:04:38

Thanks to everyone for the Q's. Go Team Peanut!!!! Elecraft KX-3 5W to Doublet at 33FT

AD8J Single Op HP 52,650 2015-09-04 21:04:45

Probably messed up by starting on 40 and not 20. Lots of QRN from all the storms in the area but then I guess everyone in the SE was dealing with the same thing.

NS9I Single Op LP 25,452 2015-09-04 21:04:52

Tough ride on 100w but fun! tnx q's 73 C U in the A.M.

NA6O Single Op HP 27,565 2015-09-04 21:04:55

TS-590, KPA500, low dipole, N1MM+. 20 was rough with my anemic antennas and the angry ionosphere. Did well on 40, some good runs. Hoped to make 200 Qs but came up a bit short. Not bad though.

N4AF Single Op HP 101,702 2015-09-04 21:05:06

Not the best condx but activity was good.

73, Howie

CWOPEN SUMMARY SHEET

CONTEST: CWOPEN

START DATE: 05-09-15

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

ADDRESS-COUNTRY: USA

EMAIL: HOWIE.N4AF@GMAIL.COM

OPERATING TIME: 03:59:24

CQ COUNTER: 588

RUN/SEARCH: 297/125 Qs UNIQUE CALLSIGNS: 241

SOFTWARE: TR4W v.4.40.6 http://www.tr4w.net BAND Raw QSOs Valid QSOs Points Prefixes

160CW 27 27 27 3 80CW 92 92 92 13 40CW 198 198 198 136 20CW 104 104 104 88 15##CW 1 1 1 1

Totals 422 422 421

Final Score = 101702 points.

WB5EIN Single Op LP 22,401 2015-09-04 21:05:56

Had a slow start. Repeated computer interfacing problems on 20m between N1MM+ and this silly Lenovo T430 laptop corn-puter. So, I had to abandon the automation of N1MM and use the paddles, then enter each contact manually. Not my idea of proficiency. I gotta 'fligger' this thing out.

Had good runs on 40 and 80, thanks to all you for giving me some Qs. 'Twas great to work so many of my friends from the CWT sessions. See y'all at 1200z, if'n the rooster's crowing knocks me outta bed in time.

73, --Dr. Larry S. Anderson, WB5EIN CW Ops #1327 Tupelo, MS (birhtplace of Elvis)

K3SEN Single Op LP 6,438 2015-09-04 21:06:02

Wasted too much time on 20M at the beginning. I could hear lots but nobody could hear me! I really need an antenna! Thanks for the Qs. 73 Dale K3SEN

WN4AFP Single Op LP 6,308 2015-09-04 21:06:10

Had limited time... my daughter came home from college... Enjoyed the wonderful world of CW with you guys tonight... Y'all are still "???" when I call with my "WN4"... If you hear "WN4" it's going to be me.... Hope to be back for the other sessions as time permits. 73s Dave WN4AFP 1208

N5AW Single Op LP 73,639 2015-09-04 21:06:23

Better conditions than I expected with A of 20. Things slowed down quite a bit for me after the first half hour. 96 S&P QSOs is a pretty high number for me - mostly 2nd radio QSOs. See everyone at 1200. 2000 is very "iffy" for me.

KG5U Single Op LP 47,436 2015-09-04 21:06:30 Great fun. Thanks for the QSO's! 73 de Dale/kg5u

Ten-Tec Omni VI/VI+ (2) AV-640 ground mounted vertical (10-15-20) 40m inverted vee at 65ft, 80m inverted vee at 70ft. N1MM Logger software

NN4K Single Op HP 16,385 2015-09-04 21:06:50

Thanks for the Qs. See you in the 1200Z session. Lots of activity and conditions were what I expected. Fun night! Been looking forward to the CW Open. 73 Mac NN4K

AA4GA Single Op QRP 6,716 2015-09-04 21:07:18

QRP Team Peanut. KX3 at 5 watts to 80m doublet up about 25' tops. I kept falling asleep...long day at work!

AA4CF Single Op HP 12,672 2015-09-04 21:08:29

Could not start until 02:00, then had trouble with logger for about 15 minutes, tomorrow should go better! Otherwise, conditions seemed best on 40 and 80, and made a few QSOs on 160. Team: SECC

KU7Y Single Op QRP 10,904 2015-09-04 21:09:38

That was fun but would have sure been nicer if 10m and 15m had been open. Thanks to all those who had to dig my little signal out of the noise and thanks to everyone for the Q's. Ron, KU7Y

KX3 @ 5w, 3 ele yagi @ 50', 40m vertical, 80m Vee @ 50', N1MM+, K1EL Winkeyer USB

W6SX Single Op HP 53,768 2015-09-04 21:09:59

For the first two hours I was feeling and operating out of sorts. Turns out right side of headphones was dead--was throwing me for a loop and I couldn't figure out what was wrong. Oh well.

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

AE6Y Single Op HP 63,133 2015-09-04 21:11:26

That was fun, but 80 was rough with noise requiring lots of repeats. 73, Andy, AE6Y. CU in CQP, special 50th Anniversary edition, with new awards. I'll be N6R from K6TA/K6KO in Amador County.

N1DC Single Op LP 19,188 2015-09-04 21:12:11

Bands were noisy here tonight. Probably should have stayed on 20M a little longer. Glad I spent a little time on 160. The band wasn't dead. Thanks for the QSO's. See you in Session # 2

Win 7 PC running N1MM, WinKeyer USB, TenTec Omni 7 @ 100W, 4 element tribander at 30ft, 80/40 dipoles at 35 ft, 160M inverted L at 50ft. 73 Rick N1DC

WJ9B Single Op HP 63,832 2015-09-04 21:12:22 73, wj9b

N8BJQ Single Op HP 55,980 2015-09-04 21:12:25

First hour was terrible. Two bad storms went thru just before the contest and the noise level was s7 - s8 on 20 and 40. About 15 min in my wife said it was lightning but no thunder so I kept stumbling around trying to find stations that I could hear. The last 2 hours were much quieter. See you at 1200 weather permitting.

HB9ARF Single Op LP 1,848 2015-09-04 21:12:58

Thanks to all for QSO's and i hope it will be better in the next session 73 Phil - HB9ARF

N5ZO Single Op HP 85,654 2015-09-04 21:13:01

It was going well until about half-way but then 80 was difficult for me, and 160 non-existent. 15 was open at start but nobody else was there. I have some strange keying problem with my left radio, need to try to solve it before early morning session... See you then if I wake up before 5 am local time... TNX for QSOs, 73 de Marko

N4PN Single Op HP 49,868 2015-09-04 21:13:37

First time using DXLog and couldn't get the keying to behave... Finally, it calmed down... 15m was a wash....20m was not it's best but 40m and 80m made up for it... 160m was fairly quiet but nobody home except for the last few minutes... Lots of fun....gone to bed...see ya at 8am... 73, N4PN

KØNM Single Op HP 21,091 2015-09-04 21:15:18 My first CWO.

N4FP Single Op HP 25,536 2015-09-04 21:15:41

Good activity but I spent a lot of time standing in line, unable to maintain a good run and not at the top of the pack when trying to pounce. Still a lot of fun. Flex 6300 driving AL-811H, 600 watts to 6-BTV inside pvc flagpole. N1MM+ interfaced to the Flex worked well.

N3HEE Single Op LP 24,288 2015-09-04 21:16:51

Got interrupted ten minutes into contest for about 45 minutes fixing DVR for the wife after it got hung up. RFI? Never could catch up after that. Lots of participation. Heard some really high serial numbers. K3/100 and wires.

N8XX Single Op QRP 2,430 2015-09-04 21:17:31

Interesting conditions. Could hardly get anything going until stations started on 80 meters. Then ran for most of the time, making average about 1 Q per 2 minutes, not bad for 5 watts and an antenna proven to be a few dB better than a dummy load buried 6 feet under ground. Lettuce prey that conditions are better next two sessions.

NF4A Single Op HP 19,350 2015-09-04 21:18:43

PART TIME....OPERATED A LITTLE LESS THAN 2 HOURS.....FIRST CWO...HAD HEAVY QRN SORRY FOR ASKING FOR REPEATS.

W1WBB Single Op QRP 9,968 2015-09-04 21:19:51

5 watts out with LOTS of storm noise to deal with...great ears to the many! I may be louder in a follow-on session. 1st timer in CWO -- fun, and like the exchange! Almost hit 10k points. A few interruptions prevented that... Started on 40m like in Sprint (maybe bad idea?)... LOTS of 20m station spots at the start.

Icom 706 turned waaaaayyyy down; Hexbeam on 20m; 88' doublet up above 40' on 40/80m; 160m Inv L. N1MM+ Logger with WinKeyer USB. TNX and 73, Bill W1WBB

WO1X Single Op LP 484 2015-09-04 21:22:30

Had fun on 80. Thanks for the Q's and I hope all accomplished goals set out for yourself. 73 Tom WO1X

K2SG Single Op LP 20,862 2015-09-04 21:29:54

Had a really S L O W start on 20 meters. Just about everything in the house broke including the clothes washer, dryer and a few other mishaps, it never fails. After the early call aways it was a fun time. Lots of good ops and good cw. 73, Tony

OK1RR Single Op HP 1,824 2015-09-04 21:29:58

Horrible condx. Unable to work most of usually worked stations, QSOd big guns only.

NA8V Single Op LP 48,321 2015-09-04 21:30:03

Once i realized that 20 was broken and there were would be no screaming rates anywhere for me, I settled in and had some fun. Was steady throughout. Finally got my west Beverage to work a couple days ago, may have used it too much and missed some guys in other areas? That whole new toy thing...... See everyone in a couple hours. greg/na8v

W6NS Single Op HP 8,415 2015-09-04 21:46:49

Rig: K3 KPA500 Antennas: C3E 20m, Dipole 40m and 1/4 wave Vertical 80m.

This is my first contest as a member of CWOps and on the first day no less, thanks for bringing me in from the dark (oops phone). My ears are sore, the other end of the body is also sore, however, I was able to satisfy Hank's (W6SX) prime directive "I did have fun". Thank you for the warm welcome to CWOps.

AL9A Single Op HP 8,100 2015-09-04 22:12:01

Had a pretty good go on 20M - until everyone left for greener pastures. No joy at all on 40M. High Latitude College Station A index was at 44 which means low bands are DOA. Hope things improve overnight. Thanks to all who managed to hear me.

KM9R Single Op LP 5,226 2015-09-04 22:21:55

Flex 6300 100w, OCF dipole @ 35ft w/ remote kat500, n1mm+

F6HKA Single Op HP 23,738 2015-09-05 01:00:31

Poor conditions on 20m and 80m very QRN. Thanks for the QSOs. 73 and CUL Bert

9A7R Single Op HP 2,352 2015-09-05 03:16:22

Noise level was s7 on 40 and over s9 on 80. After 90 minutes began to thunder so I stopped working

GW4J Single Op HP 6,319 2015-09-05 03:22:11

Difficult conditions from NW EU especially with a single 1/4 wave vertical on 40m and a 100ft doublet on 80m, and with most of the activity being from North America. Should get better....

N3JT Single Op HP 41,895 2015-09-05 03:42:12

PC stopped dead midway - "insufficient disc space"!! Lost an hour, had to restore N1MM+ settings, reboot several times, etc.

WB5BKL Single Op QRP 5,346 2015-09-05 04:15:21

K3/10 @ 5W to various wires. My thanks to all. Had fun.

K1SX Single Op QRP 6,497 2015-09-05 04:43:17

Tougher than expected. Tnx to all the patient ops who stick with the 17wpm repeats. One q with a qrp teammate, KU7Y. Genesis G11 SDR @5w, 270' doublet at 15'.

N3IQ(ND3F) Single Op HP 52,338 2015-09-05 04:46:28

Fun. Had to jump out for 40 minutes. Conditions were very noisy. Glad to work several EUs on 80M. Not much on 160M. Will try to at least get on for the other 2 sessions in between scheduled work...

W1NN Single Op LP 52,250 2015-09-05 04:48:23

No assistance used. I got off to a bad start, missing 15 minutes due to a computer problem. Lots of QRN on 80 and couldn't copy a few callers.

K4BAI Single Op HP 66,504 2015-09-05 04:51:16

FT1000MP, Alpha 78, 1 KW, TH6DXX, dipole, zepp, tee vertical. Bands seemed poor. 15 and 20 were much worse than last year. Only DX on 20 was F6HKA. Did work ZM2B on 15M. Thanks to KU8E for six bands. 80 was noisy and I couldn't get a few calls due to the QRN. Very sorry about that. Felt like it was a struggle for most contacts. But I ended up with six more QSOs than last year's first session which was my high for QSOs last year and many more unique calls, so the score was about 10K higher than last year's first session and actually higher than the highest session score last year. So, don't let conditions keep you down. Keep plugging away and you will have fun and good things will happen.

I expected a pull-down menu for teams, but there isn't one. So: Team is SECC.

Hope to work you all in the next two sessions on multiple bands. 10M was open to South America during the 2300Z hour last night and PY2XC said he would be QRV in CWOpen. 73, John, K4BAI.

W4BQF Single Op HP 24,480 2015-09-05 08:10:50 Stormy night and lots of QRN! Thanks for the Q's and 73, Tom - W4BQF

KJ9C Single Op HP 14,280 2015-09-05 08:47:06 K3, KPA500, stealth dipoles

N1LN Single Op HP 73,030 2015-09-05 09:03:16

The weather held off so got to play for all 4 hours. Sure good to have 40 open as 20 was not much help. Good participation for the entire period. Thanks for the Qs - 73, Bruce N1LN

OK7M(OK1DIG) Single Op HP 19,584 2015-09-05 09:28:24 Very poor conditions, 20m closed 40 and 80m noisy. 73 Dan OK7M (OK1DIG)

KU8E Single Op HP 40,500 2015-09-05 09:31:15 Station 1 : K3 + KPA500 Station 2 : IC756PRO2 (no amp)

Conditions not real good in beginning for SO2R. Picked up some when some guyswent to 80 meters. Not much activity on 160. Jeff

KB4KBS Single Op QRP 961 2015-09-05 17:16:34 TEAM: QRP TEAM PEANUT

N3ND Single Op HP 67,200 2015-09-05 17:17:44

W4QO Single Op QRP 675 2015-09-05 17:21:13 QRP TEAM PEANUT

Lee, AA4GA Dave, K1SX Quinton, NU7Y Newt, N4EWT John, N0TA Ed, K1RID John, WA8HSB Jim, W4QO Scott, KB4KBS Bobby, AK4JA

W2CDO Single Op HP 43,710 2015-09-05 17:50:25

KG3V Single Op LP 3,990 2015-09-05 18:07:23

I was unable to operate from my normal QTH, so I worked this session remote. Internet latency was long, making timing a little tricky. Audio was also a real challenge. This was probably caused by all the static crashes, but it made copying a real challenge. Overall it was a good learning experience.

K4QPL Single Op LP 39,105 2015-09-05 18:30:29

Originally planned to go QRP but a few minutes listening made moving up a notch to LP an easy decision. QRP seemed like too much work for this "low-energy" op! Summer storms and RX antennas down made QRN a big problem for a contest this early in the season. Great contest! Thanks for the Q's and so many "Alan's." Wish I had thought of doing that for KO7X.

K2ZR Single Op LP 23,660 2015-09-06 06:08:57

RIG: K2 @95W ANTS: HEXBEAM and WIRES LOG: N1MM. GOOD CONDITIONS THANKS FOR THE QSOs 73, DICK, K2ZR

N5IR Single Op HP 9,288 2015-09-06 11:32:02

S&P. Joined K6RB with 80m ant problems after N1MM lost its mind 42 minutes into the CWO. Sigh...still fun

KC4D Single Op HP 46,137 2015-09-07 06:11:47

HIGHEST QSO COUNT OF THE THREE SESSIONS, BUT FEWER MULTS OVER THE FOUR BANDS DURING THIS INITIAL SESSION. THANKS FOR THE Q'S--73, BILL #419

WA8HSB Single Op QRP 4,690 2015-09-07 08:11:05

On a business trip in Cartersville, GA so operated from hotel parking lot. Put up 2 antennas: a Buddistick mounted on the rear door window and a W3EDP in some trees. Both worked for different parts of the country. It was good to have both available. Should have stayed on 20m a bit longer in hindsight but 40m was hopping! Thanks for all the Qs and the great ears of so many ops!

Elecraft K1 @ 5 watts to Buddistick or W3EDP with Bulldog key and paper log. 73, John

N4ZZ Single Op LP 61,267 2015-09-07 08:32:07 Tks for the Q's C U in the next session 73 Don,n4zz

K2PI Single Op HP 13,208 2015-09-07 17:18:06

My first CWO, and coinciding with the 18th birthday of one of my daughters. You can imagine between everything else, I wasn't going to have much time for most of the sessions this year. I did however, manage to work all of this session.

Enjoyed the chance to participate, and what a great group of Ops. I have been playing with a Bug and SK in the SKCC group recently, and my paddle "fist" has been affected, as several probably noticed, hi.

Enjoyed popping over to 160M and finding activity there, too. I worked several of you, such as KG5U and W6SX, many times on several bands. Surprised to have a few DX callers, notably TF3DC, XE2S, and F6HKA, who is also an SKCC member. In fact, I noticed a lot of the SKCC members in the contest, which is a pleasant surprise.

Given my work schedule, I don't get to operate many CWT's, so this was a great event. It should

happen more often than one a year. 73, and thanks for the nice welcome. Harv, K2PI K3/KPA500/ZS6BKW Dipole at 45 Feet.

DM4CW Single Op LP 25 2015-09-09 21:01:15

Tonight conds were not at their best, however I managed to meet some friends.

SF3A(SM3CER) Single Op LP 784 2015-09-10 07:16:58 Lousy condx.

HB9ARF

Elecraft K3 100 W, Antennas Force 12 C-4s for 28/21/14 and 7MHz - Inverted L for 3.5 and 1.8MHz

HB9DAX

My age is 75 years, Rig is KX3 with 5 Watts and my Antennas 2 El. Yagi and Dipole. Condx on 40m was excellent with 5 watts to east coast. I am Member Nr. 687 Cwops.

KJ9C

Limited time, but squeezed in a few contacts

N4KS

My first CW Open and it won't be my last. Love the four hour format! Looking forward to next year's!

N4PN

NOT MUCH ON 15. 10 DEAD. 20 WAS OK...40-80 GOOD. 160 QUIET WITH LITTLE ACTIVITY UNTIL THE LAST FEW MINUTES...LOTS OF FUN.

N8XX

Wow! what crazy conditions. 20 and 40 were a zoo. Couldn't raise hardly anything. Finally folks started moving to 80, so I picked a frequency around 3839 KHz, called cq almost the time, and worked about 1 per two minutes. Not bad for 5 watts to my antenna proven to be a few dB better than a dummy load buried 6 feet under ground. My beloved computer, with more beloved \$%&#@ Windows 10 can send about as good as I can send with my left foot. Lettuce prey that conditions are better in next two sessions.

OK1RR

Horrible CONDX

OU2I

Rig: Elecraft K3 - 100 Watt. Ant: 20M wire as Inverted-L up 12M

VE3DQN

My 1st CW Open. And trying out my newly raised 80m and 160m dipoles. They performed well. The operator performed fairly. Will do this again.

W6NS

First test as a CWOps member. - Any errors are likely my fault. - My ears are sore, the other end of the body is also sore. I was able to satisfy W6SX's prime directive "I had fun" and TU for the fine welcome to CWOps. I will try to be up for the full next session but will make at least some of it. Missed my 100 Qs by one. Rig K3 KPA500 C3E 20m, Dipole 40m and 1/4 wave Vertical on 80m.

K5OT

NO PACKET - NO SKIMMER - NO REVERSE BEACON ASSISTANCE

WA8HSB

On business trip in Cartersville, GA. K1 @ 5 watts to Buddistick.

EU6DX

Used FT990 80 watts+2x40 m. Zepp

K1GU

I used RBN to find a run freq. FT-1000MP set to 5W with LP-100A RF Wattmeter. 4L SteppIR at 78'. 40M Moxon at 88'. 80M Inv-V apex at 77'. DXE Beverages NE/SW and NW/SE.

SP4AWE

FT990, W3DZ

RA44AZ

Special Dxpedition call. Worked from "Nature Park Khvalynsky": RFF-148

WB5BKL

K3/10 @ 5W to various wires. More than doubled my Score over 2014. My thanks to all. Had fun.

YO3GNF

RIG: IC7600 ANT: Vertical BB-10V

Session 2: 2015 CW Open Soapbox

DL8PG Single Op HP 3,844 2015-09-05 07:37:13 CWOPSOPEN Summary Sheet

CallSign Used : DL8PG Operator(s) : DL8PG

Operator Category : SINGLE-OP Assisted Category : ASSISTED

Band : ALL Power : HIGH Mode : CW

Default Exchange: 001 GERD

Gridsquare: JO30SQ

Name: Gerd

Software: N1MM Logger+ 1.0.5156.0

Band QSOs Pts Mlt 14 62 62 62 Total 62 62 62

Score : 3.844

W4BQF Single Op HP 31,442 2015-09-05 08:08:01 Thanks for the Q's! 73, Tom - W4BQF

KJ9C Single Op HP 4,209 2015-09-05 08:45:44 K3, KPA500, stealth dipoles

K6RB Single Op HP 67,716 2015-09-05 09:02:14 Enjoyed that. 20 was much less noisy than during Session 1. CU at 2000Z. Thanks for the Qs.

N3QE Single Op HP 48,070 2015-09-05 09:02:26 Again, activity levels way above my expectations! Fun!

N4YDU Single Op LP 44,571 2015-09-05 09:02:59 A grind at times but still fun. Thanks for the QSOs. 73, Nate/N4YDU

N8BJQ Single Op HP 54,336 2015-09-05 09:03:11 Thanks for the Q's. Some really loud signals and many more that were not!

N4AF Single Op HP 82,360 2015-09-05 09:03:28 Not good when you are glad it is over - ugh. 73, Howie

CWOPEN SUMMARY SHEET

CONTEST: CWOPEN START DATE: 05-09-15 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 ADDRESS-COUNTRY: USA

EMAIL: HOWIE.N4AF@GMAIL.COM

OPERATING TIME: 03:58:12

CQ COUNTER: 683

RUN/SEARCH: 221/135 Qs UNIQUE CALLSIGNS: 232

SOFTWARE: TR4W v.4.40.6 http://www.tr4w.net

BAND Raw QSOs Valid QSOs Points Prefixes

80CW 22 22 22 21 40CW 145 144 144 116 20CW 163 163 163 92 15CW 26 26 26 3

Totals 356 355 355 232

Final Score = 82360 points.

K1DW Single Op LP 7,954 2015-09-05 09:03:54

MOVED TO THE COUNTRY TO AVOID NOISE AND NOW IT HAS FOLLOWED ME. THOUGHT IT HAD BEEN CURED. BUT WAY TOO MUCH TO ENJOY A CONTEST. THANKS FOR ALL THE REPEATS AND QS. CUL DE K1DW

AD8J Single Op HP 36,120 2015-09-05 09:04:16

Some signals real week and others real loud. Glad 40 was working or this one would not have been any fun.

KU7Y Single Op QRP 11,466 2015-09-05 09:04:32 Another fun 4 hours. Thanks for the Q's. Ron, KU7Y

KX3 @ 5w, 3 ele yagi @ 50', 40m vertical, 80m Vee @ 50', N1MM+, K1EL Winkeyer USB

N3HEE Single Op LP 27,416 2015-09-05 09:04:44

Thankfully no interruptions this session. Good activity but not like last night. K3/100 and wires. Lots of fun.

N5AW Single Op LP 63,440 2015-09-05 09:05:00

Expected to do better this session than the earlier one but not the case. Last two hours really slowed down.

N4FP Single Op HP 24,752 2015-09-05 09:05:03

Really tough sledding. Hope for improvement at 2000. Flex 6300 to AL-811H amp, 600 watts to 6 Band Trapped Vertical in pvc flagpole. N1MM+.

W2LK Single Op HP 54,766 2015-09-05 09:05:06

40 was good at the start and conditions went downhill from there. The last two hours were like pulling teeth to get QSOs. 15 was not good but K6RB and N5ZO were blasting in here. No one else I heard on 15 was very strong. Thanks for the QSOs and hello to all the non CWops who were in there.

N5ZO Single Op HP 80,300 2015-09-05 09:05:15

Rate went South during last 40 mins, I had 6 minutes stretch without any QSOs and 15 never quite opened. Good fun. See you again in few hrs, tnx for QSOs de Marko N5ZO

K3SEN Single Op LP 3,840 2015-09-05 09:05:25

Very Frustrating! I call and call but without a real antenna, very few answer! Thanks for the Qs. 73 Dale K3SEN

K7SV Single Op LP 50,784 2015-09-05 09:05:29

Hoped the bands would improve, but didn't happen so much. 15 was very spotty. The four regular French stations and IK0YVV were pretty consistent but beyond that not much from EU. Within the US 15 was spotty as well. CU for the last one!

K3WJV Single Op LP 14,310 2015-09-05 09:05:34

Fun but tough with 100watts and wires

KZ5D Single Op HP 64,883 2015-09-05 09:06:47

Got off to a fast start but really ran out of stations to work. Missed having any prop on 15.

NN4K Single Op HP 18,228 2015-09-05 09:07:11

That was a load of fun. Everything worked well and if the band conditions had been a little better, my score might have been higher. I just couldn't hear a few stations who called....sorry. My goal was to get to 50Q/hr, fell short but hey, there's one more session. See you then. 73 Mac NN4K

AA4CF Single Op HP 37,653 2015-09-05 09:07:52

Conditions generally not so good, but great participation, thanks!

KG5U Single Op LP 27,608 2015-09-05 09:08:07

That was a grind: weak, weak signals, QSB, coupled with static crashes killing the serial numbers. Sorry for all the requests for repeats. Zero Q's on 10m—as usual--15m barely a signal, 40m seemed to get a bit lively with some activity midway thru the session, but died a sudden death.

Somehow, it was still great fun. Thanks for the QSO's! 73 de Dale/kg5u

Ten-Tec Omni VI/VI+ (2), AV-640 ground mounted vertical (10-15-20), 40m inverted vee at 65ft, 80m inverted vee at 70ft, N1MM Logger software

N1DC Single Op LP 13,161 2015-09-05 09:09:05

40 was OK for a while. 20 was the only productive band with variable conditions. 10 and 15 were both dead. Only 1 QSO on 15 with heavy QRN. Hoped for a 15M opening but with WWV 20Mhz in the noise there was no chance.

Thanks for the QSO's. Not sure about session # 3 due to family activities. 73 Rick N1DC

N1LN Single Op HP 67,540 2015-09-05 09:09:21

Ended up taking about 45 minutes off to get a couple things done around the house. Guess it really hurt the score and I almost missed 15 meters. We are expecting thunder and lightening this afternoon but sure would be good if it went around us again. Thanks for the Qs - 73, Bruce - N1LN

N4PN Single Op HP 52,205 2015-09-05 09:09:23

First hour on 40m showed a lot of promise....107 - but, downhill from there. 15m never did open....a few weak stations..one very loud one, K6RB. 20w was good...not many Europeans around... Thanks for the Q's -- see you at the last session.. 73, Paul

WB5EIN Single Op LP 26,741 2015-09-05 09:10:20

MAJOR thanks to my cross-town rival, AB5OR (Joe), for helping to figure out my huge interfacing problems from last night--and days previously. On 20m only, my computer and Orion would stop talking to each other. Solution? Attaching a resonant counterpoise to the ground lug of the Orion. Solved!

It was great working everyone today. And, this just shows what could happen if we recruit more members into CW Ops so our CWT numbers would grow. Yeah, we need much more QRM on CWTs, don't we? Ha! Thanks for all the Qs. See y'all at 2000z.

73, --Dr. Larry S. Anderson, WB5EIN CW Ops # 1327 Tupelo, MS (birthplace of Elvis)

W1NN Single Op LP 34,320 2015-09-05 09:11:42 No assistance used. Too bad 15 didn't open.

OH2BN Single Op HP 3,364 2015-09-05 09:14:50

CREATED-BY: SD by EI5DI

X-VERSION: SD V18.07: SDCHECK V18.07: Template QCWOPEN.TPL

CONTEST: CW-OPEN
CALLSIGN: OH2BN
CATEGORY-BAND: ALL
CATEGORY-MODE: CW
CATEGORY-STATION: FIXED
CATEGORY-POWER: HIGH

CATEGORY-ASSISTED: NON-ASSISTED

CATEGORY-TRANSMITTER: ONE

CLAIMED-SCORE: 3364 NAME: Jarmo J. Jaakola ADDRESS: Kiilletie 5 C 30 ADDRESS: FI-00710 Helsinki

ADDRESS: Finland OPERATORS: OH2BN

EMAIL: jarmo.jaakola@luukku.com

X-RADIOS: FT-1000MP MARK-V FIELD, SPE EXPERT 1K-FA

X-ANTENNAS: HY-GAIN 12-AVQ VERTICAL

W6SX Single Op HP 4,818 2015-09-05 09:15:45

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

N4OO Single Op LP 3,770 2015-09-05 09:16:26

Yard work (from storm) v. radio. Way too nice outside. Yard work wins this 1.

F6HKA Single Op HP 27,768 2015-09-05 09:17:19

Thanks for the QSOs. 73 and CUL Bert

HB9ARF Single Op LP 8,554 2015-09-05 09:20:09

A little bit better then the first session. Maybe the last one will be better.... Thanks to all for QSO's. 73 Phil - HB9ARF

AL9A Single Op HP 961 2015-09-05 09:21:19

A index still at 20. The beatings will continue until the A index improves!

WJ9B Single Op HP 58,904 2015-09-05 09:22:56 73, wj9b

W6NS Single Op HP 2,544 2015-09-05 09:24:09

Rig: K3 KPA500 Antennas: Dipole 40m, C3E 20 and 15m. Back to the old tricks - late start and not enough sleep - my score shows that combination is not good. Thank you all and may my logging errors be minimal. See y'all for session three.

K2SG(@K3SG) Single Op LP 21,306 2015-09-05 09:25:06 Conditions not that great!

NA8V Single Op LP 35,321 2015-09-05 09:28:53

40 was great, 20 was brutal. Some decent short skip the last hour kept me in the chair. greg/na8v so1r unassisted

KØAD Single Op LP 38,280 2015-09-05 09:30:15

My score is way down from last year. There was a thunderstorm overhead for the first 90 minutes which pretty much wiped out 80 and even made 40 a little difficult at the beginning. 20 was good as usual but 15 was way down. I was only able to work a few locals, a couple South Americans, and a few Gulf Coast (and WJ9B) at the end. The middle session is the only one I will be able to make this year.

Still a fun event with a lot of good ops! 73, AL KOAD

KU8E Single Op HP 1,600 2015-09-05 09:34:30

Only on for last 20 minutes. Had to run some errands this morning. Should be FT for next one. Jeff

WB5BKL Single Op QRP 3,564 2015-09-05 09:34:31

K3/10 @ 5W to various wires. My thanks to all. Had fun.

AA4GA Single Op QRP 6,786 2015-09-05 09:36:46

KX3 at 5 watts to 80m doublet up ~25' or so. And I started late again!

OK7M(OK1DIG) Single Op HP 43,264 2015-09-05 09:37:11

20m was the only workhorse here. Much better conditions to east (AS/OC) where is unfortunately almost 0 activity. However I dug out all what I could some signals were very faint and distorted.

73 and CU ind the 3rd session, hoping in better conditions. 73s Dan OK7M (OK1DIG)

OU2I(OZ1BII) Single Op LP 4,000 2015-09-05 09:42:44

Rig: Elecraft K3 - 100 Watt, Ant: 20mtr wire as Inverted-L up 12mtr

See you in the next CW Contest! Best 73 de OZ1BII Henning

VE9AA Single Op LP 5,751 2015-09-05 09:49:25

A bit over 5 years I've been writing these sometimes quirky 3830 reports.

A guy likes to think that in 350-400 contests (I've lost track...someone figure out a way to count them and lmk) that his skills have improved and he's doing better than he usually does.

Today was not that day. Today my score was down the tubes. but wait...

If you ever become bored and want to blow your mind, try learning two new things at the same time. Not one, but two.

Today I tried SO2R and N1MM+'s ESM (enter sends message) at the same time. To add to the confusion, (because I don't like doing things easy), I did not use a dedicated SO2R controller, so audio was both radios (left in left, right in right, always). Wait, there's more.

My N1MM macros are all changed too. I vowed I would learn to do it "the right way." For 5 years and some 70k contest Q's I have been using modified macros so I only had to punch usually 4 F-keys. That's it. Now I hit the ENTER key and the space bar, when I need fills or corrections my mind is ripped off its hinges (especially with CW in each ear on different bands-remember, no SO2R controller, just a very nice N1MM logging program controlling my Winkeyer USB so CW never can get sent on both bands on the same time.

OK, my mind is being bent in ways I never knew possible - AND- condx up here were punk. I only worked a couple EU's.

In retrospect, it was probably a good thing I could not reach out to the speed demons and truly talented QRQ freaks in EU as I would've surely gone into cardiac arrest.

As it was, to get everything flowing (ha! flowing....there's an exaggeration) well, I had to back the

speed down to 30wpm before the tremors kicked in.

So, I got on late, played for about an hour, then went to mow the very large lawn I have. With AC/DC, Metallica, April Wine, Alice Cooper cranked to 11 in my earphones, I reviewed what had just transpired in the previous hour. It's like a police officer interviewing you after a car accident and asking you if you saw anything. Well officer, I remember being on the bands at the time and then kinda got run over by these QRO stations. I dodge between 20 and 40m but out of nowhere this guy on 15m just kinda blew me away. Alright son, go sit there on the curb and take a deep breath.

I had made some valid Q's. My hopes of a golden log were flung out the window. (which is a shame, as I strive for as few errors as possible in contests.) Ah well....nobody is perfect and certainly that means me too.

As the AC/DC tunes being pumped into my headphones segway'd into some Bif Naked "We're all gonna get in a fight," I thought "How cool was that?"in 5 yrs I have been stalemated, getting mouldy and learning nothing except maybe how to go faster. Now I have only barely even begun to learn something new, but it was fascinating. (no, I am not very good at it and botched a few Q's and sent a few things on the wrong radio and all that) but it was exhilarating for this guy who turned 52 on Wednesday.

I am like a 5yr old learning to ride a 2-wheeler and have skinned my knee a little bit but I am getting back on for the last session A and K index be damned. See you all then!

Mike VE9AA.....not in the MINI......at home: Radio A; IC-7410 and HF9V on my shed. Radio B; IC-746 and ZS6BKW @ 30'

K4RO Single Op HP 75,284 2015-09-05 09:54:29

Rig troubles affecting TX and RX. Sorry for the lousy signal at times. I think I've got it fixed for 2000z.

F5MNK Single Op LP 9,523 2015-09-05 10:35:37 Thanks for the QSOs. Best 73. LO. F5MNK.

K4BAI Single Op HP 63,933 2015-09-05 11:45:57

FT1000MP, Alpha 78, 1 KW, TH6DXX, dipole, zepp, inverted vee. 80 was good at the start coast to coast. 40 was quite good to all of NA. 20M had fair signals from Europe. NA signals varied, but 20M made up a bit for poor conditions last night. 15M was very spotty. A few scatter signals. Two strong signals from South America. A few strong signals from Western Europe. Nothing heard on 10M. Looking forward to the last session. Score for second session was more than 10K higher than the same session last year. Thanks for the QSOs. 73, John, K4BAI.

W1FJ Single Op QRP 11,931 2015-09-05 11:49:26

Thought I would try QRP to see who the good ears guys were. My suspicions were confirmed. 15 was open a lot, but not much activity. Worked some guys on cq's and a few Europeans. Was a lot fun. Thanks all for the sharp ears!

NØTA Single Op QRP 729 2015-09-05 12:19:16 Team Peanut. Had to stop early to do SOTA activation. N4GG Single Op HP 6,622 2015-09-05 13:43:46

Not much time to check in, but always fun to make some Qs with friends. Wow are condx poor! 15 was dead here. 40 was better than 20 right up until the end. Can it get any worse? FTdx5000, ACOM 2000A, Wires

KE6K Single Op QRP 9 2015-09-05 16:35:40

Averaged 1 Q per hour. Really getting the rate up there. Only heard 1 dig in 40. 20 was really busy but no one could hear me. IC-7200 85' end fed wire (on roof)

N3ND Single Op HP 61,360 2015-09-05 17:20:35

W4QO Single Op QRP 8,686 2015-09-05 17:23:47 QRP TEAM PEANUT

WA6URY Single Op HP 1,332 2015-09-05 17:26:02 Tnx for the Qs! 73, Dan - remote in Tokyo

N8XX Single Op QRP 4,026 2015-09-05 17:54:03

Better conditions than during the 0000Z session, but still not great. 15 never opened up for me.

K4QPL Single Op LP 16,356 2015-09-05 18:56:12

So much for morning EU high band openings that little pistols can run! 3 hours was all the fun I could stand. Can't think of anything nice to say about this session except thanks for the Q's from a group of great CW ops.

GW4J(GWØETF) Single Op HP 17,556 2015-09-06 00:31:05

Just about on a par with last year with fewer Qs but more mults. Basically a single band effort from here with 15m lifeless and no action on 40m etc.

K5AX Single Op HP 7,200 2015-09-06 06:13:17 Shut down due to thunderstorms

K2ZR Single Op LP 19,468 2015-09-06 06:13:46

RIG: K2 @ 95W ANTS: HEXBEAM and WIRES LOG: N1MM. FAIR CONDITIONS. THANKS FOR QSOs 73, DICK, K2ZR

KJ5Y Single Op HP 3,364 2015-09-06 07:38:46 CWOPSOPEN Summary Sheet

CallSign Used: KJ5Y Operator(s): KJ5Y

Operator Category : SINGLE-OP Assisted Category : ASSISTED

Band : ALL Power : LOW Mode : CW

Default Exchange: 001 Name

Gridsquare: EL29IM

Name: Pat Cameron

Address: 3908 Travis Lake Ct City/State/Zip: Pearland TX 77581

ARRL Section : STX

Software: N1MM Logger+ 1.0.5156.0

Band QSOs Pts Mlt 14 58 58 58 Total 58 58 58 Score: 3.364

N5IR Single Op HP 676 2015-09-06 11:34:23 S&P. Slipped in for 30 minutes

K5TO Single Op LP 2,346 2015-09-06 20:10:23

1st CW Open. With only dipoles, 100W, and unfavorable band condx I operated only 1:25. Mini-CWT's great learning tool. I'll return with improved antennas and medium power and hopefully much higher scores.

I5EFO Single Op HP 1,369 2015-09-06 22:45:19 300W and 2 elements Hy-Quad

KC4D Single Op HP 52,110 2015-09-07 06:21:21

MY BEST SESSION OF THE THREE---THREE FEWER Q'S THAN THE EARLY SESSION BUT 24 MORE MULTS...I SEEM TO BE STUCK AROUND THE 270 Q LEVEL WITH ONE TRANSCEIVER...INSTALLING AND MASTERING MY SO2R HARDWARE / SOFTWARE HAS GOT TO BE A PRIORITY FOR THIS WINTER. THANKS FOR THE CALLS. 73, BILL KC4D - #419

WA8HSB Single Op QRP 2,300 2015-09-07 08:15:26

On a business trip in Cartersville, GA so operated from hotel parking lot. Just used the Buddistick mounted on the rear door window for this session as I had taken the W3EDP down from the trees last night. Could not do more than 2 hours as I had to get on down the road towards home. Thanks for all the Qs and the great ears of so many ops! Elecraft K1 @ 5 watts to Buddistick with Bulldog key and paper log. 73, John

N4ZZ Single Op LP 54,742 2015-09-07 08:42:23 Tks for the Qs 73 Don, n4zz

K2PI Single Op HP 196 2015-09-07 17:19:59 Barely able to operate this session.

W4VAB Single Op LP 3,712 2015-09-08 15:15:48

I was plagued with computer problems during this contest. I'm sure that the contact numbers that I sent were different at a period of time from what was logged so I am not going to submit an "official" log for this operating period. This year was my first CW Open and I'll chalk it up to experience.

SF3A(SM3CER) Single Op LP 8,370 2015-09-10 07:18:47 Lousy condx.

PA3DBS Single Op LP 2,704 2015-09-11 08:44:43

START-OF-LOG: 2.0 ARRL-SECTION: DX CALLSIGN: PA3DBS

CATEGORY: SINGLE-OP ALL LOW CW

CREATED-BY: MixW 3.0.1 NAME: Peter Hendrikx

E-MAIL: peter.hendrikx@home.nl

ADDRESS: Nieuwstraat 7

ADDRESS: 4661 GA Halsteren

ADDRESS: Netherlands OPERATORS: PA3DBS

HB9DAX

My age is 75 years, Rig is KX3 with 5 Watts and my Antennas 2 El. Yagi and Dipole. Condx on 40m was excellent with 5 watts to east coast. I am Member Nr. 687 Cwops.

GW0GEI

Too tired to write in soapbox for first session! Enjoyed both sessions. Conditions good on 40m and 80m for time of year. Nice contest format.

HB9ARF

Elecraft K3 100W. Antennas - Force 12 C-4s for 28/21/14 and 7MHz. Inverted L for 3.5 and 1.8MHz

IT9VDO

First time in CWO contest! Nice!

JA4GQD

I enjoyed the contest.

KJ9C

TOO EARLY FOR GOOD PROP.

N4KS

My first CW Open and it won't be my last. Great fun and freindly ops.

N4OX

FIRST HOUR ON 40 GAVE PROMISE...107. BUT, WENT SORTA DOWNHILL AFTER THAT. 15M WAS OPEN SOME...ONLY ONE REAL LOUD STATION – K6RB. 20M WAS GOOD, BUT FEW EUROPEANS AROUND.

OU2I

100Watt – Inverted-L

W6NS

Back to my old tricks - late start and not enough sleep - my score shows why that combination is not good. Thank you all and may my logging errors be minimal. See y'all for session three.

K5OT

NO PACKET - NO SKIMMER - NO REVERSE BEACON ASSISTANCE

WA8HSB

On business trip in Cartersville, GA. K1 @ 5 watts to Buddistick.

EU6DX

Used FT990 80 watts + 2x40 m. Zepp.

K1GU

I used RBN to find a run freq. FT-1000MP set to 5W with LP-100A RF Wattmeter. 4L SteppIR at 78'. 40M Moxon at 88'. 80M Inv-V apex at 77'. DXE Beverages NE/SW and NW/SE.

UC4A

Tnx for test!

WB5BKL

K3/10 @ 5W to various wires. Did about the same as in 2014. My thanks to all. Had fun.

Session 3: 2015 CW Open Soapbox

NA6O Single Op HP 11,092 2015-09-05 15:07:01

TS-590, KPA500, low dipole, N1MM+. 15 was good, then switched to 20 which eventually seemed to fall off a cliff here. Two hours was enough. Good rates while it lasted.

HB9ARF Single Op LP 2,209 2015-09-05 15:17:01 Thanks for QSO's 73 Phil - HB9ARF

DL8PG Single Op HP 5,986 2015-09-05 15:45:21 CWOPSOPEN Summary Sheet

CallSign Used : DL8PG Operator(s) : DL8PG

Operator Category : SINGLE-OP Assisted Category : ASSISTED

Band : ALL Power : HIGH Mode : CW

Default Exchange: 001 GERD

Gridsquare: JO30SQ

Name: Gerd

Software: N1MM Logger+ 1.0.5139.0

Band QSOs Pts Mlt 7 21 21 12 14 61 61 61 Total 82 82 73 Score: 5.986

OU2I(OZ1BII) Single Op LP 1,978 2015-09-05 15:48:32

Rig: Elecraft K3 - 100 Watt , Ant: 20mtr wire as Inverted-L up 12mtr. See you in the next CW Contest! Best 73 de OZ1BII Henning

WB5EIN Single Op LP 16,456 2015-09-05 16:12:25

Took afternoon nap while ball game was on TV and woke up, only to realize that you guys were racking up the points...and there I sat in dreamland! So, I got a late start (at least, that's my excuse).

Then, during a good run on 40m about 23:05z, I heard a loud pop in my ears and saw flashes of light...the power had a big surge, then went off momentarily. My MFJ Autotuner had a display that said "Turn power off NOW!" So, I did. Then, in a fw minutes, we had another bang outside and lights went out for a bit. I took that as a clue that my time in CW Open was finished. Didn't want to damage rigs, etc.

OK, that was fun. Thanks to all! Too many names to mention, but I did find myself smiling several times when I heard old friends' calls come through my headphones. Y'all sure make for a fantastic community!

I realized that another reason my score suffered is because, at the beginning, I was just sitting and listening to many of y'all run the Qs. That's bad for my score, but really good for my learning from the pros. Thanks! 73 from here among the Mississippi magnolias! --Dr. Larry S. Anderson, WB5EIN #1327 Tupelo, MS (birthplace of Elvis) Ten-Tec Orion ~100w to 400' horizontal loop at 40'

KU7Y Single Op QRP 529 2015-09-05 16:18:35

Only able to play for a few minutes but still had fun, other then fat fingering the keyboard on almost every Q!!! Thanks for putting up with me! Ron, KU7Y

KX3 @ 5w, 3 ele yagi @ 50', 40m vertical, 80m Vee @ 50', N1MM+, K1EL Winkeyer USB

NU7Y Single Op QRP 4,672 2015-09-05 16:23:31

QRP Team Peanut. Twenty meters went away, and 40 meters not quite ready yet in AZ. Thanks for the contacts. Elecraft KX3 to Doublet at 33ft

AE6Y Single Op HP 49,920 2015-09-05 16:28:48

Had a wonderful first half hour (86 Qs!), but things slowed after that, grinding to a near halt near the end our hour 3, so I decided to call it a 3-hour contest, this time. 73, andy ae6y. CU in CQP, 50th Anniversary edition, with special awards. I'll be N6R from K6TA/K6KO's QTH in Amador County

N4DU Single Op LP 2,856 2015-09-05 16:30:55 100w into tribander and 40M wire. Thanks

K1DW Single Op LP 8,811 2015-09-05 16:31:57

NOISE NOISE NOISE..... BUT NOISE BLANKER HELPED THEN ZUES SHOWED UP... NOT A GOOD DAY... THANKS FOR ALL THE REPEATS AND QS DE K1DW

AL9A Single Op HP 15,500 2015-09-05 16:34:00

The band (singular) was a bit better this session. While calling CQ endlessly to little effect I contemplated that perhaps I should go the SO2R route. But thenit occurred to me that on days like today 10, 15, 40, 80 and 160 were all dead up here anyway so why bother? Given the way the solar cycle is headed I'm not holding out much hope for next year already!

K7RF Single Op LP 11,074 2015-09-05 16:43:17 Tnx for Q's. 73 Jon k7rf

KJ9C Single Op HP 6,675 2015-09-05 17:02:34 K3, KPA500, stealth dipoles... WELL THAT SUCKED

KL7SB Single Op HP 16,500 2015-09-05 17:02:41 Somehow managed to break 100 Qs with A Index of 24

N4YDU Single Op LP 68,476 2015-09-05 17:04:01

A few minutes prior to the start of the contest I was concerned about the lack of signals. That changed for the better. The second half of the event was a blast. Easily the best of the three events for me. Had a ball in all three! 73, Nate/N4YDU

KM9R Single Op LP 12,625 2015-09-05 17:04:03 Flex 6300 100w, OCF dipole @ 35ft w/ remote kat500 N1MM+ VE2FK Single Op HP 25,893 2015-09-05 17:04:14

Very fun contest. Will make sure next year I have full time on it. Thanks for QSOs. 73, Claude VE2FK

KØVBU Single Op LP 46,754 2015-09-05 17:04:19 Very noisy. Great to hear all the activity. Thanks. 73 Bill, K0VBU

K3/100, TH6DXX @ 50', Trap 80/40 Dipole at 35'

N4AF Single Op HP 99,448 2015-09-05 17:05:06 Thanks for the gsos. 73, Howie

CWOPEN SUMMARY SHEET

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 EMAIL: HOWIE.N4AF@GMAIL.COM

OPERATING TIME: 03:59:33

CQ COUNTER: 597

RUN/SEARCH: 249/154 Qs UNIQUE CALLSIGNS: 248

SOFTWARE: TR4W v.4.40.6 http://www.tr4w.net BAND Raw QSOs Valid QSOs Points Prefixes

80CW 60 60 60 7 40CW 148 147 147 79 20CW 147 146 146 117 15CW 48 48 48 45

Totals 403 401 401 248

Final Score = 99448 points.

W4NA Single Op LP 28,032 2015-09-05 17:05:24 Fun 4 hours best on 40m with nice runs.

K6RB Single Op HP 62,624 2015-09-05 17:05:26

Started out at a crazy rate but when 15 was done, 20 was mushy and 40 was late to the party. But, I had great fun. Thanks for Qs. CU next year.

N5AW Single Op LP 65,968 2015-09-05 17:05:34

Not my lowest score of the three sessions but sure felt like it.!

N8BJQ Single Op HP 64,200 2015-09-05 17:05:47

Not quite as noisy. Thanks for the Q's. Think how much fun this could be in the winter with no storms.

N1LN Single Op HP 83,166 2015-09-05 17:05:55

Had to shut down for 45 minutes due to a local thunder/lightening storm. The storms really increased the QRN and static crash levels and that combined with 20 meter QSB made for an interesting time. Even with that much time off I am quite pleased with the score and sure there will be some really high ones submitted. Thanks for the Qs. 73, Bruce - N1LN

K3SEN Single Op LP 8,446 2015-09-05 17:06:11 Thanks for the Qs. 73 Dale K3SEN

AA4CF Single Op HP 54,912 2015-09-05 17:06:36 Team SECC

AD8J Single Op HP 47,439 2015-09-05 17:06:40 Third session seemed to be my best with less QRN from the storms

WJ9B Single Op HP 79,730 2015-09-05 17:06:43 73, wj9b

VE9AA Single Op LP 21,875 2015-09-05 17:07:33

Doubled my time, double my fun! Had to take some time off mid session for supper and family time.

Found that the 4 hour break cleared my head and I was able to work the SO2R and N1MM ESM a little better this evening. Rate was down from this afternoon, but had high hopes for 15m which never panned out. Heard one stn on 10m (a PY) but he could not hear my LP and wee wires. (go figure, hi!)

Lots of big #'s around. Wish I had the fully session behind me to put my own up above the 200's,. but that's life. DIT DIT from NB Mike VE9AA

WN4AFP Single Op LP 4,900 2015-09-05 17:08:29

I didn't have a single "???", I guess because I ran the whole time...What a fast 1.5 hours! Made two contacts on 20m had to break, then started running on 40m and didn't stop until the end. I had to crank up the speed at 38 with a paddle, pen and paper to make the most of the limited time. It was a rush on 40m... had 2 @ 240/hr rates, 3@ 180/hr and 7@120/hr. Enjoyed my total of 4 hours in the CWO this year... Hope to see everyone at the South Carolina QSO Party on September 19th. www.scqso.com for details. 73s Dave WN4AFP 1208. IC-730 with 40m dipole at 10 feet.

NG7Z Single Op LP 5,544 2015-09-05 17:10:29

K2-100 Hustler whips. Added 4 more radials to the antenna before the contest started. But not much time to play today. But it was fun to hear so much activity. CWops are the best operators. Smooth and concise exchanges every time.

KI1U Single Op LP 16,974 2015-09-05 17:10:47

Rig – K3, Antenna - Par End Fed Quad, low end at 6' and high end at 60', Software – N1MM. First time playing in a CWOPS CW Open

NN4K Single Op HP 18,172 2015-09-05 17:10:50

Let's do this again next weekend. hee A lot of great cw ops were in the CWO during all 3 sessions. Wish I had the good ears that some of you have. Pulling some out of the noise was challenging. Thanks for your patience and sorry to those who I couldn't copy. Next time. Enjoy the Labor Day weekend and see you next Wednesday for the CWT. FT2K, Alpha 78, N1MM+, Doublet, Delta loop on 40, Force 12 on 20, 73 Mac NN4K

K9NW Single Op LP 11,877 2015-09-05 17:11:22 Managed a little time in session #3.

WA6URY Single Op HP 2,068 2015-09-05 17:11:09 Tnx for the QS! 73, Dan - remote in Tokyo

K1GU Single Op QRP 23,790 2015-09-05 17:11:26

I originally planned to use my KX3 but I didn't allow enough time before the first session to change all the cables and computer ports. Also, I really wanted to keep my Beverages so I used a MP with power set to 5W with a LP-100A RF Wattmeter.

4L SteppIR at 78', 40M Moxon at 88', 80M Inv-V apex at 77', DXE Beverages NE/SW and NW/SE

OK7M(OK1DIG) Single Op HP 40,250 2015-09-05 17:12:27

Conditions recovered, good activity. Nice contest. Thanks for QSOs in all sessions. CU next year in CWO and next week in CWT. 73 Dan

K4RO Single Op HP 85,557 2015-09-05 17:16:10

Thanks CWOps, it was a fun weekend. All logs submitted.

N4PN Single Op HP 57,330 2015-09-05 17:16:16

Got better as the sessions came along....score improved but still a long ways to go....SO1R makes it real difficult to keep up with the SO2R crowd and all the time they waste of others while working two bands.... Thanks for all the Q's -- it was a lot of fun... 73, Paul, N4PN

FT5000dx/AL-1200, Alpha/Delta 40/80 dipole, Inverted Vee – 160m, Logging with DXLog

K1SX Single Op QRP 2,444 2015-09-05 17:16:49

Many tnx all for patience, I know qrp means qrs and repeats. 5 watts, Genesis G11, 270' doublet at 15'. ---QRP Team Peanut--- tnx AA4GA for putting the teams together!

KB4KBS Single Op QRP 3,906 2015-09-05 17:19:05

TEAM: QRP TEAM PEANUT

N4FP Single Op HP 44,268 2015-09-05 17:19:54

Conditions much improved. Paid attention to advice from my old friend Hank, W6SX, who told me the solution to the problem of waiting in line and being bumped was to find a clear frequency and call CQ. I did that in this 3rd session with good success on both 20 and 40, which seemed to help my score. When someone tried to take over the frequency I just kept calling CQ and they eventually left me alone. Lots of fun and appreciate all the Q's from cw ops. What a great bunch! My Flex 6300 and integrated N1MM+ keying really help a lot. See you Wednesday for CWT.

W1NN Single Op LP 52,353 2015-09-05 17:20:09 No assistance used (or needed or wanted).

W6NS Single Op HP 2,438 2015-09-05 17:22:26

Rig: K3 KPA500 Antennas: C3E 10, 15, 20m Dipole 40m. Thank you all for providing this play ground. That was different; lack of sleep showed it's ugly face around 22:00; N5CW sri F2 finger went down when the F4 finger should have and stayed for a bit, at least it was not my nose this time. This session I was able to get at least one Q in 10, 15, 20 and 40m bands; just not as many as I would have liked. See y'all for CWT, last possible triple for six or seven weeks.

N3ND Single Op HP 74,382 2015-09-05 17:22:58

N5ZO Single Op HP 77,256 2015-09-05 17:24:18

I made almost half of the QSOs during 1st hr, 154 total. I knew that end would be slow as we still have 2 hours of sun after end, and I'm actually surprised of my 75 QSOs on 40. Somehow 15 was not very good at start and I went quite fast to 20, maybe it was just lack of stations on 15, signals were quite loud. This is really neat little contest! As lots of antenna work has been progressed here in recent months, let's list what I got now up:

Tower 1, 89 ft UST crank-up:

5 el 15m OWA design modified from HyGain 155CA (design by K6AM)

4 el 20m OWA design modified from HyGain 204BA (design by K6AM)

3 el 40m M2 linear loaded yagi

Tower 2, 89 ft UST crank-up: 2 el 40m M2 linear loaded yagi C31XR tribander 80m inverted V 160m top fed sloping wire

Mast, 30 ft: A3S tribander

Inside:

Pair of K-3 radios and Alpha 87A amps, YCCC SO2R+ box and N1MM+ logger

TNX for QSOs and see you in next one, probably CQP month from now. 73 de Marko N5ZO

WB5BKL Single Op QRP 4,636 2015-09-05 17:24:39 K3/10 @ 5W to various wires. My thanks to all. Had fun.

K5OT(@K5TR) Single Op HP 78,624 2015-09-05 17:26:21

Got a late start, as my unplanned nap ran a bit long. Oh well, I eventually woke up. Thanks to George K5TR for the station time for the three sessions today ... and to everyone for the QSOs. 73, Larry

K4GM Single Op LP 10,323 2015-09-05 17:26:29

First CWO. Had fun but enjoyed the last session most of all. Probably because I started on 15m and ended on 80m.... 4 bands actually open!! Thanks to all for the Qs. 73, George K4GM

W4QO Single Op QRP 15,400 2015-09-05 17:27:06 QRP TEAM PEANUT

NA8V Single Op LP 47,824 2015-09-05 17:27:48

Like the first two sessions, this one was steady throught. Condx seemed to be getting a bit better as the day wore on. Looks like i should have gone to 80 at the end...Thanks for all the contacts, it was a great time! greg/na8v

K3WJV Single Op LP 22,780 2015-09-05 17:33:26 K3 @ 100watts, OCF80 @ 40ft, 40 mtr inv v @ 35ft

Finally generated some 40 mtr runs, had 3 Europeans call me and it was only around 6pm local time. worked almost all west coast on 15. all in all pretty decent condx for the last session. tried tuning on the sub rx while keeping my CQ freq active, need a lot more practice with that, hi. fun contest, 4 hours is just right. tnx for the Q's and for hearing me.

AA4GA Single Op QRP 13,081 2015-09-05 17:33:29

KX3 at 5 watts...80m doublet at 25' more or less. Will have better antennas by SS...I hope!

WB4OMM Single Op QRP 3,416 2015-09-05 17:39:45

Elecraft KX-3, Vibroplex Iambic Key, Speed-X Straight Key, AT-1000Pro, WinKeyer USB, HP Compaq dc7800 MiniTower dual core; A3S Beam with 10M/15M/20M/40M at 38', Yaesu G-450A Rotator; 280' 40M/80M loop at 35'. N1MM contest software, LOGic Logging Software.

My first CWOps contest entry; Elecraft KX-3 running 5W to an A3S Beam on 20M and a 268' wire loop on 40M. Only had a few hours, but enjoyed it. 20M & 40M were in decent shape here on the Florida East Coast. Worked many familiar calls!

KG3V Single Op LP 24,165 2015-09-05 18:13:04

This session was a pleasure to operate. High activity and the Bands made it easy to copy at my QTH. It was a great opportunity to improve my use of SO2R. Still a long way to go, but it was fun.

NF4A Single Op HP 37,408 2015-09-05 18:15:26

Sorry for asking for repeats had QRN and rain static for most of the contest. Was only making a few Qs every 10 minutes for about an hour due to rain static which made 20 meters useless.

K1RO Single Op LP 7,560 2015-09-05 18:24:51

Too many Labor Day weekend activities to spend much time in CWO...

N8XX Single Op QRP 6,059 2015-09-05 18:28:05 Best Effort of the three

K4QPL Single Op LP 21,948 2015-09-05 18:36:21

Local thunderstorm right at 2000 kept me off the air. Then I fell asleep waiting and woke up at 2105 with storm gone so lost an hour. Decided I was in this one for fun only but had nice, but short, runs on 40 and 80 with another half hour off in between. Thanks for the Q's.

K4BAI Single Op HP 77,850 2015-09-05 18:37:02

FT1000MP, Alpha 78, 1 KW, TH6DXX, dipole, zepp, inverted vee. 10M had PY2XC with a great signal. Heard no one else on that band. 15 had fair signals from South America, ZM2B in for hours, loud signals from far western stations, and some scatter from the east coast. Also KG6DX on Guam late in the afternoon. 20M had some decent signals from Europe and also 4X in Asia, but there weren't many of them. West coast signals were OK. Rest of the country was spotty and 20M was much worse than last year. As a result, a lot of us went to 40 and 80 much earlier than we had planned. Last year I had only 3 QSOs on 80 because 20 and 40 were so good. This year, a lot of QSOs on 80M, but QRN was heavy from some thunderstorms in the area, but none locally fortunately. Thanks for all QSOs. This score was also over 10K points higher than the same session last year. Team was SECC.

73, John, K4BAI.

KØDTJ Single Op QRP 6,150 2015-09-05 18:46:08

This is the only session I worked. Lots of fun doing it QRP. Most ops took the time and effort to pull my small signal out of the muck. Thanks!! 73, Brian K3@ 5w, 5 band hexbeam + inverted V, N1MM+

NØTA Single Op QRP 6,642 2015-09-05 19:03:34 Team Peanut

W6SX Single Op HP 24,816 2015-09-05 19:10:55 K3, ACOM 2000A, wire antenna at 46 feet with Matchboxes and MB-V-A, N1MM+

F6HKA Single Op HP 59,584 2015-09-06 00:21:34 Thanks for the QSOs. 73 Bert

GW4J(GWØETF) Single Op HP 20,375 2015-09-06 00:24:05

The best session though it was slow to begin with. Unusually for these short contests my last hour total was the same as first, with 40m being in greatshape. The overnight grind of the first session was taking it's toll at times though and probably a few busts coming my way.... Good fun though!

N1DC Single Op LP 675 2015-09-06 06:00:38 Only 30 minutes available for this session. Thanks for the QSO's. 73 Rick N1DC

NW2K Single Op HP 32,232 2015-09-06 06:32:37 Great Ops!

N4OX Single Op LP 17,250 2015-09-06 06:51:29

Had to shut down due to thunderstorm....S9 static on 40/80 meters after it passed.

N3QE Single Op HP 71,677 2015-09-06 06:52:23 Huge turnout!

K2ZR Single Op LP 256 2015-09-06 07:02:05

RIG: K2 @95W ANTS: CF WIRE 660' LOG: N1MM Had family holiday gathering 1900Z until 2345Z Had 11 minutes and managed to log 16 QSOs that added to the mix. Good Conditions. 73, Dick, K2ZR

W1WBB Single Op LP 20,988 2015-09-06 07:37:33

Missed first 50 mins in this final session. Was unable to play in session 2. Decided on LP (vice the QRP I used in session 1). Again, lots of fun with so many FB CW Ops! Many thanks to all organizers and NW2K.

Icom 706 @ 100w; Hexbeam @ 32' on 20m; 88' doublet above 40' on 40/80m; N1MM+ Logger and WinKeyer USB. Nice to maybe see a 2nd running of this event in 6 months or so?? dit-dit

73, Bill W1WBB

K9GDF Single Op LP 9,568 2015-09-06 07:39:48 Antenna is rain gutter and downspout.

KJ5Y Single Op HP 12,769 2015-09-06 07:44:36 CWOPSOPEN Summary Sheet

CallSign Used: KJ5Y Operator(s): KJ5Y

Operator Category : SINGLE-OP Assisted Category : ASSISTED

Band : ALL Power : HIGH Mode : CW

Gridsquare: EL29IM

Name: Pat Cameron

Address: 3908 Travis Lake Ct City/State/Zip: Pearland TX 77581

ARRL Section : STX

Software: N1MM Logger+ 1.0.5156.0

Band QSOs Pts Mlt 14 113 113 113 Total 113 113 113 Score: 12,769

KG5U Single Op LP 11,817 2015-09-06 08:07:44

Conditions just seemed much worse this session. Weak, weak sigs, QSB, and lots of noise made just about every QSO needing a fill. Plus, wherever I found an open spot to CQ, someone was invariably below the noise level and I was getting his callers. Finally, the 2-hours I had allotted myself to do this session arrived and I went to a party (sorry, Teammates!)

K7SV Single Op LP 11,948 2015-09-06 13:50:29

I really struggled in the last session. I pushed SO2R as hard as I could and having a little over a hundred Qs in two hours was very discouraging. Being tired and a bit cranky I decided to call it quits at the halfway point. It's great to see that Nate managed to beat good friend Marv in the LP category. Now I'll have to study the reports from N4YDU and N5AW! Thank to all for an overall fun day!

KU8E Single Op HP 1,521 2015-09-06 20:04:37

Had a problem with my anteena switching and had to quit.

VE4EA Single Op HP 30,912 2015-09-06 22:03:26

Virtually no propagation on 15m due to significant solar activity. I had to run low power on 40m due to antenna issues. 73, Cary VE4EA K3, 500 Watts, TH-7 and 40m Inverte Vee, N1MM+

N4OO Single Op LP 21,250 2015-09-07 05:44:02

Conditions were simply abysmal from here.

KC4D Single Op HP 45,150 2015-09-07 06:04:20

MY HIGHLIGHT OF THIS AND ALL MY SESSIONS WAS BEING CALLED BY SUMMER, VE5SDH, AND THEN SENDING HER MY NEXT LUCKY QSO NR 88...SUMMER DON'T CHANGE A THING - YOU'RE DOING A SUPER JOB, HAVING FUN, AND BRINGING JOY TO US ALL!!!! THANKS FOR THE Q'S ...SEE YOU ON WEDNESDAY THE GOOD LORD WILLING...73, BILL #419

NP3A Single Op LP 40,420 2015-09-07 06:30:48

It was fun. Glad to work many familiar calls. Thanks all for Qs. 73 Eric G. NP3A

WA8HSB Single Op QRP 625 2015-09-07 08:21:47

Traveling home from a business trip and stopped for gas and a radio break in Greenville, AL. Pulled into a hotel parking lot and set up the Buddistick mounted on the rear door window.

Focused on one band and suspected 20m would be best and it was hopping; really good conditions. Finally made Qs across the pond with Bert F6HKA and Ulf DL5AXX. I had heard EU earlier sessions but they could not hear me. Thanks for all the Qs and the great ears of so many ops!

Elecraft K1 @ 5 watts to Buddistick with Bulldog key and paper log. 73, John

N4ZZ Single Op LP 47,025 2015-09-07 08:49:56

Tuff condx. Tks for the Qs 73 Don, n4zz

W9ILY Single Op HP 35,070 2015-09-07 11:35:31

IC-756PRO2 with Optibeam OB9/5 beam and phased verticals.

N5PHT Single Op LP 2,400 2015-09-07 22:27:57

First CWO - learned a lot I think. Had fun.

W4VAB Single Op LP 11,562 2015-09-08 14:00:10

I thought that I had the computer's power management set up to prevent this but my computer turned off the monitor once, and turned off the mouse and keyboard a couple of times requiring me to reboot.

DM4CW Single Op LP 270 2015-09-09 13:31:29

Conditons not at their best, but it happened after all. Thanks for the Qs and I hope to meet you at 0300

SF3A(SM3CER) Single Op LP 1,023 2015-09-10 07:20:24

Lousy condx.

PA3DBS Single Op LP 196 2015-09-11 08:47:48

START-OF-LOG: 2.0 CALLSIGN: PA3DBS

CATEGORY: SINGLE-OP ALL LOW CW

CREATED-BY: MixW 3.0.1 NAME: Peter Hendrikx

E-MAIL: peter.hendrikx@home ADDRESS: Nieuwstraat 7

ADDRESS: 4661 GA Halsteren

ADDRESS: Netherlands OPERATORS: PA3DBS

HB9DAX

My age is 75 years, Rig is KX3 with 5 Watts and my Antennas 2 El. Yagi and Dipole. Condx on 40m was excellent with 5 watts to east coast. I am Member Nr. 687 Cwops.

N4PN

Lots of fun...I did improve with each session...still got a long ways to go. 80-15 were fairly good considering the "numbers." Thanks to all.

HB9ARF

Elecraft K3 100 W, Antennas Force 12 C-4s for 28/21/14 and 7MHz - Inverted L for 3.5 and 1.8MHz

KJ9C

CONDITIONS PRETTY MUCH SUCKED, HEARD EVERYONE FINE BUT...

N4KS

My first CWO. Love the four hour format! Good ops and a lot of fun!

W0XI

First time, a bit quick!

W6NS

That was different; lack of sleep showed its ugly face around 22:00; N5CW sri F2finger went down when the F4finger should have and stayed for a bit, at least it was not my nose this time. This session got at least one Q from 7 to 28 Mcs, just not many. Thanks for allowing me to learn some more skills. See y'all for CWT, last possible triple for six or seven weeks.

RA/YL2TD

Location near Samara, LO53ED, Rig:Elecraft K-1, 5watts, Ant: Inv-V

K5OT

NO PACKET - NO SKIMMER - NO REVERSE BEACON ASSISTANCE

N5PHT

First CWO.

WA8HSB

On business trip in Greenville, AL. Stopped for gas and some radio fun. K1 @ 5 watts to Buddistick.

G3SQU

Difficult conditions for CW exchanges - need QRS!

K1GI

I used RBN to find a run freq. FT-1000MP set to 5W with LP-100A RF Wattmeter. 4L SteppIR at 78'. 40M Moxon at 88'. 80M Inv-V apex at 77'. DXE Beverages NE/SW and NW/SE.

WB5BKL

K3/10 @ 5W to various wires. Did about the same as in 2014. My thanks to all. Had fun.