

Results of the 2007 CQ WW RTTY DX Contest

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The 21st annual CQ WW RTTY DX Contest was held September 29–30, 2007 with another record number of entries, this time totaling 1778 logs (up from 1565, or nearly 14%, from 2006), the largest number of logs ever submitted for a RTTY contest. Entries were received from 118 countries and six continents. Total QSOs increased from 615,000 to more than 740,000, and more than 16,000 unique calls were recorded by the log checkers. The most used logging program this time in the contest was N1MM Logger, and the second most used was Writelog. When used correctly, both of these programs produce good Cabrillo-format logs for the robot and for the log checkers.

While the solar flux was only 67 for the weekend, that number essentially marked the end of solar Cycle 23, as NOAA previously predicted (CQ, May 2007, p. 22), with solar Cycle 24 subsequently starting in January 2008 (see CQ, March 2008, pp. 4, 101) for details). Note that the predicted peak for Cycle 24 is 2011–2012. Those who hope to set decade-long records should take note. In the meantime, the level of activity continues to increase faster than the rate of decline in now past Cycle 23. Indeed, this year saw one of the oldest records in this contest—Multi-Single All Band High Africa, set in 1996 by the TY1RY (Benin) team led by the old RTTY war horse, Eddie, G0AZT—finally broken by the great new team of D4C (Cape Verde), which moved the bar from the old score of 2,732,506 points to the new MS High Africa record of 4,857,263 points. For more news on big scores from Africa in several classes, see the details for each class in the following paragraphs.

Given the steady year-over-year increase in RTTY contesting activity, we see the major bands being filled more and more outside of the traditional 15–30 kHz spread on each band. On 80 meters, activity now seems to gravitate around 3570–3600 kHz (note that in the U.S., RTTY is no longer permitted above 3600 kHz), with excursions down to 3520–3525 to accommodate the JA band plan. On 40 meters, activity now ranges from 7025 (remember the JA band plan at 7025–7030 kHz) to 7080 kHz, or up to 7100 kHz in North America. Note that above around 7070 kHz, broadcast stations dominate the band in Europe. On 20 meters,



Serge, FO5PS, operated single op, 20 meters from Tahiti.

activity ranges all the way from 14055 to at least 14125 kHz, but note that the JA band plan ends at 14112 kHz. The spreads on 15 and 10 meters recently have not been as wide because the solar flux has been low, but one can expect to see 200-kHz spreads on those bands as the solar flux rises in Cycle 24.

While these are great and inevitable reflections of annually increasing RTTY contesting activity, we should be mindful of the activities that are fixed on certain frequencies on each band and try to avoid those frequencies. As I noted last year, an important example is the NCDXF/IARU beacons that are located worldwide on 14100. These beacons are, in fact, a good tool for you to see what areas are open to your location at any time of the day—and particularly what areas may just be opening but not yet recognized by local operators. The beacons operate at low power and are easily overwhelmed by any RTTY operation on frequency. For details look at <www.ncdxf.org/beacons.html>. The NCDXF/IARU beacons on 15 meters and 10 meters are located at 21150 kHz and 28200 kHz, relatively higher in each band, but still potentially within the portion of each band where RTTY contesting occurs.

Other frequencies worth avoiding to maintain good relations with our fellow hams are the QRP calling frequencies, located at 14060, 21060, and 28060 kHz. Again, the low-power nature of these operations makes competition with RTTY signals very difficult for them.

Single Operator

Single-Op All Band High Power. The top two scores this year in SOH were both achieved in Africa, with stations located in the Canary Islands. The world champion was EF8M (op: RD3AF), who scored 6,537,842 points (3,517 QSOs, 622 mults), a score substantially higher than the best in 2006, and second only to the 2003 SOH World and Africa record set by D4B (op: EY8MM). In world second place was AO8X (op: EA8AUW), who scored 3,496,992 points. Repeating in world third place was Tyler, K3MM, who scored 2,771,952 points.

Single-Op All Band Assisted. This year Europe was displaced from its leadership in SOA by two South American stations. Winning the world was the 2004 SOA South America champion Wanderley, ZX2B (PY2MNL), who set a new world record with

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a score of 3,935,424 points (2,228 QSOs, 597 mults). Next was LT0H (op: LU3HY), who scored 2,407,416 points. Europe then appeared in world third with EA5RM scoring 2,217,435 points.

Single-Op All Band Low Power. Unlike SOH and SOA scores, which increased in 2007 over 2006, SOL scores decreased overall again in 2007 as they did in 2006, showing that power becomes relatively more important at the bottom of a solar cycle. Here the Dominican Republic station of HI3T (op: HI3TEJ)—close to the U.S. but well-positioned to work Europe—won the world with a score of 2,194,803 points (1,872 QSOs, 481 mults). The well-known African contester, Mohamed. CN8KD, operating as 5C5W, was world second, scoring 2,058,575 points. Mohamed was also SOL world second in 2005 and world third in 2006. Another Caribbean station, WP3C, won world third with 1,432,284 points.

Single-Op 10M. Continuing as world 10-meter champ, John, LU1HF, scored 118,085 points (360 QSOs, 113 mults). LQ5H was in second place with 31,850 points, while LW1HR scored 18,408 points for third.

Single-Op 15M. Fifteen meters scores continued in the doldrums this time as worldwide MUF (maximum usable frequency) continued to decrease for most of the daytime. This year LS1D (op: LW9EOC) won the world with a score of 493,614 points (1,033 QSOs, 162 mults). In world second was LU7HN, scoring 403,155 points. NP2/AK2P won world third with a score of 193,233 points.

Single-Op 20M. As on the higher frequencies, 14 MHz scores slid somewhat this time, after having had new world records established for three years in a row. The winner, 9A5W, came close to his 2006 world record score of 868,020 points, with a performance this year of 840,274 points (1,625 QSOs, 206 mults). In world second, TM7XX (op: F5MUX) scored 726,705 points, while LY2IJ won world third with a score of 625,037 points.

Single-Op 40M. Although we might have expected 40 meters to set a new world record at the bottom of the solar cycle, new area records were set, but the top scores were not quite as high as in 2006. The 2005 world winner, 7X0RY, set a new Africa record this year with a score of 547,128 points (1,196 QSOs, 153 mults), a very good score but just short of S57AW's world record. KP2/NP3D (op: EW1AR) set a new North America 40-meter record, scoring 481,650 (1,156 QSOs, 169 mults), substantially higher than the previous record established in 2006. From Europe, I4IKW won world third with a score of 476,432 points. Other new area records were set by KH6ND (OC: 395,012 points) and WW4LL (USA: 289,782 points).

Single-Op 80M. Here, finally, the low solar flux paid off, with the top five finishers, all in Europe, exceeding last year's world record. The new 80-meter world record holder and world champion is now S57AW, who scored 255,375 points (946 QSOs, 125

Important On-Line Resources

To prepare for the 2008 contest, please refer to the following on-line resources:

Contest rules: <www.cq-amateur-radio.com>
Contest records: <www.rttycontesting.com>
Cabrillo specifications: <www.kkn.net/~trey/cabrillo/spec.html>
Cabrillo template for this contest: <www.kkn.net/~trey/cabrillo/cqwww-rtty.txt>
Log preparation tips: <www.i2uiy.it/cqwww.html>
Log Submissions: <rtty@cqww.com>
List of logs received: <www.cqwwrtty.com/logs-received-rtty.htm>. This site will be expanded throughout the year to include more CQ WW RTTY information.

mults). The previous world record holder and multi-year 80-meter champion, Tone, S54E, scored 246,078 points (895 QSOs, 126 mults). The next three places, all exceeding the previous world record were OL6X with 238,833 points, IQ1RY (op: IK1HXN) with 205,335 points, SO4M (op: SP4MPG) with 197,084 points. This was a great and close competition by some very fine operators.

Multi-Operator

Multi-Op Single Transmitter All Band High Power. The unique rules of the RTTY Multi-Operator Single Transmitter class, encouraging the use of a run station and a multiplier station, continues to produce a large number of entries every year, particularly from European stations. As noted above, D4C (ops: YL2KF, YL2KL) set a new MOH Africa record with a score of 4,857,263 points (2,747 QSOs, 593 mults). Another Africa station, CT9L (ops: DJ3NG, DJ6QT, DJ8NK, DL1YFF) was world second, scoring 3,954,717 points and also substantially exceeding the old Africa record. IK4MGP (ops: IK3QAR, I4IFL, IK4DCW, IK4HVR, IK4MGP, IK4WMH, IZ3ESV) came in third with a score of 3,745,764 points.

Multi-Op Single Transmitter All Band Low Power. Unlike MOH, the MOL results continued their downward trend, much like the results in SOL. With no sunspots, low power is a tough way to compete. The winner was HG5A (ops: HA5IW, HA5NB, HA1WD, Kiss, Tibor), which scored 1,153,826 points (1,419 QSOs, 359 mults). World second was RZ4HZW (ops: RA4HVX, RN4HBU), scoring 908,742 points. In third place was 9A7T (ops: 9A2EU, 9A2NO, 9A4KJ, 9A5MR, 9A6JLM) with a score of 809,750 points.

Multi-Op Two Transmitter. As has been the case since 2000, the MO2 class winner has been the highest scoring station in CQ WW RTTY. This year HC8N (ops: K6AW, W6OTC, W0YK) returned to first place, scoring 8,910,888 points (4,243 QSOs, 708 mults). World second was OM8A (ops: OM2VL, OM2KW, OM3RM, OM7JG, 9A7R, 9A6D) with 4,715,712 points. In world third, with many of the same team members who operated as Z37M last year, was Z360M (ops: Z31MM, Z32ID, Z33F, Z35T, Z36W, Aleksandra, Roberto), which scored 3,518,916 points. The European MO2 champion, RU1A, was world fourth with 3,004,400 points, and the North American MO2 champion, K11G, was world fifth with 2,561,048 points.

Multi-Op Multi-Transmitter. Top scores in MOM continued to grow this time, with another new Africa record being set. Here, CT9M (ops: CT3BD, CT3DL, CT3DZ, CT3EE, CT3EN, CT3IA, CT3KU, CT3KY) scored 7,304,544 points (3,916 QSOs, 624 mults). Repeating in world second was UU7J (ops: UU0JM, UU1AZ, UU4JMG, UU8JK, UT5UGR, UT9NA, UR5NX, UT4ZX, UT9FJ, UR5FEO, UT0FT, UR5FEL, UT0FF, UR5FJA), scoring 6,073,380 points. World third was 4O3A (ops: IV3IYH, IV3TMV, IV3YWT, S50XA, S50YL, S52X, S55O, S57MM, YU1YV, 4O3A, 4O4A, 4O6Z), which scored 5,970,745 points.

Clubs

After a great start last year, the club competition expanded both in number of clubs represented (51 valid entries) and awards. The PVRC (Potomac Valley Radio Club)-sponsored club-competition plaque became the world championship plaque, and a new plaque, sponsored by the Northern California Contest Club, was created as the North American championship plaque. We invite other clubs to sponsor plaques for other continents and/or countries. If your club is interested, contact Mike, K4GMH (k4gmh@arrl.net), chairman of the plaque program for CQ WW RTTY and for CQ WPX RTTY.

This time, the first three entries all surpassed the score of the 2006 winner. But remaining victorious for the second year running, the Bavarian Contest Club increased its score to 13,005,211 points, almost 2-million more points than in 2006. In second place was the Northern California Contest Club, scoring 11,915,746 points, about 2.5-million more points than in 2006. Within an eyelash of the NCCC score, the Yankee Clipper Contest Club was third, with a score of 11,802,066 points, an impressive increase of more than 3.5-million points over 2006. The Potomac Valley Radio Club increased its score by almost 1-million points, but dropped from third place to fourth with a score of 9,803,782 points. Finishing out the top 5, the Rhein Ruhr DX Association scored 9,046,600 points.

Note: Those of you who are eligible and who choose to designate a club affiliation should write the **full name of the club** on the appropriate line of your Cabrillo header.

Summary

CQ WW DX RTTY has now completed its 21st year, two solar cycles, with activity

2007 CQ WW RTTY CONTEST PLAQUE SPONSORS AND WINNERS

Single Operator High Power

World: Sponsored by John Orton, WA6BOB. **Winner:** EF8M (op: Valery Komarov, RD3AF).

N. A.: Sponsored by Wayne King, N2WK. **Winner:** Tyler Stewart, K3MM.

Oceania: Sponsored by Steve, (Sid) Ceasar, NH7C. **Winner:** Massimo Zenobi, KH6ZM.

Europe: Sponsored by Andrei Stchislenok, EW1AR-NP3D, (in memory of EU1MM). **Winner:** EO5M (op: Roman Tkachenko, UR0MC).

S. A.: Sponsored by Radio Club Cordoba, LU4HH, and Juan Fedelich, LU3HY. **Winner:** Juan Pablo Mercé, LU4DX.

Asia: Sponsored by Darrell Penrod, K9MUG. **Winner:** Vadim Ovsyannikov, UA9CLB.

U.S.A.: Sponsored by Joseph Young, W6RLL. **Winner:** Dennis Egan, W1UE.

Canada: Sponsored by Scott Nichols, VE1OP. **Winner:** Yuri Onipko, VE3DZ.

Single Operator Low Power

World: Sponsored by Don Hill, AA5AU. **Winner:** HI3T (op: Ted Jimenez, HI3TEJ).

N. A.: Joseph Young, W6RLL. **Winner:** Alfredo Velez, WP3C.

S. A.: Sponsored by Trey Garlough, N5KO. **Winner:** Aldo Bajo, YV5AAX.

Europe: Sponsored by George Johnson, W1ZT. **Winner:** Oscar Luis Fernandez Lanza, EA1DR.

Asia: Sponsored by Jim Reiser, AD1C. **Winner:** Sulaiman Saad Aljedaie, 7Z1SJ.

Oceania: Sponsored by Doug Faunt, N6TQS. **Winner:** Imam Raharjo, YB4IR.

U.S.A.: Sponsored by George Johnson, W1ZT. **Winner:** Don Hill, AA5AU.

Single Operator Assisted

World: Sponsored by Mike Sims, K4GMH. **Winner:** ZX2B (op: Wanderley Ferreira Gomes, PY2MNL).

N. A.: George Marsloff, K4GM. **Winner:** Mike Sims, K4GMH.

U.S.A.: Tyler Stewart, K3MM. **Winner:** Jerry Rosalius, WB9Z.

Single Operator Single Band

World 28 MHz: Sponsored by Steve Hodgson, ZC4LI. **Winner:** John Morandi, LU1HF.

World 21 MHz: Sponsored by Charles Anderson, KK5OQ. **Winner:** Silvio Martin, LS1D.

World 14 MHz: Sponsored by Kenny Young, AB4GG. **Winner:** Nikola Percin, 9A5W.

N.A. 14 MHz: Sponsored by Craig Maxey, AH8DX. **Winner:** Craig Maxey, WP2/AH8DX.

U.S.A. 14 MHz: Sponsored by Arie Surkiss, 4X6UO; Lou Dietrich, N2TU; Chiharu Morita, JA3DLE/1; Steve Hass, WB2ZHB (in memory of Arthur Albert, K2ENT). **Winner:** Yuriy Rakushchynets, N2TTA.

World 7 MHz: Sponsored by Neal Campbell, K3NC. **Winner:** Pubal Frantisek, 7X0RY.

N.A. 7 MHz: Sponsored by Don Reed, K2OGD. **Winner:** KP2/NP3D (op: Andrei Stchislenok, EW1AR).

U.S.A. 7 MHz: Sponsored by Charles Morrison, KI5XP. **Winner:** Fred Dennin, WW4LL.

World 3.5 MHz: Sponsored by Glenn Vinson, W6OTC. **Winner:** Robert Bajuk, S57AW.

Multi-Op Single Transmitter Low Power

World: Sponsored by David Robbins, K1TTT. **Winner:** HG5A (ops: HA5IW, HA5NB, HA1WD).

Multi-Op Single Transmitter High Power

World: Sponsored by Tom Osborne, W7WHY. **Winner:** D4C (ops: YL2KF, YL2KL).

Multi-Op Two Transmitter

World: Sponsored by Ed Muns, W0YK. **Winner:** HC8N (ops: W6OTC, K6AW, W0YK).

N. A.: Steve Merchant, K6AW. **Winner:** KI1G (ops: KI1G, NG1G, N1HRA, WF1B, W1AN, K1ATA).

Multi-Op Multi-Transmitter

World: Sponsored by KA4RRU RTTY Team. **Winner:** CT9M (ops: CT3BD, CT3DL, CT3DZ, CT3EE, CT3EN, CT3IA, CT3KU, CT3KY).

Club Competition

World: Sponsored by the Potomac Valley Radio Club. **Winner:** Bavarian Contest Club (DL).

N.A.: Sponsored by the Northern California Contest Club. **Winner:** Northern California Contest Club.

increasing dramatically year by year. We may well reach the 2,000 log milestone in 2008.

Please remember that while the popular RTTY logging programs and others allow one to submit a log very quickly after the contest, they do not necessarily produce an accurate Cabrillo-formatted log. Accordingly, you will usually find it worthwhile to review your log to correct obvious errors—and to refer to Paolo's www site for his tips on preparing your log: <www.i2uiy.it/cqww.html>.

To check all-time CQ WW RTTY Records, look at <www.rttycontesting.com>, maintained by Don, AA5AU. For comments by participants, see the QRM below (with expanded QRM and a list of ops of multi stations on the cq website: <www.cq-amateur-radio.com>.

We generally have succeeded in converting RTTY contesters to submitting their logs electronically, with all logs now submitted via e-mail to <rtty@cqww.com>. However, because the participation in this contest continues to grow so rapidly, some newer participants neglect to note that the rules for this contest require recording the received state/province and zone information and submitting the log in proper Cabrillo format. If the submitted log does not include all of

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TOP SCORES

Single Op High Power

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WP3C	1,432,284		

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ZX2B (op: PY2MNL).....	3,935,424	RZ3AZ.....	2,173,314
LT0H (op: LU3HY).....	2,407,416	GM5A (op: GM4FDM).....	1,722,252
EA5RM	2,217,435		

Multi-Op Single Transmitter High Power

D4C	4,857,263	T93M	3,308,618
CT9L.....	3,954,717	HG1S	3,179,914
IK4MGP	3,745,764		

Multi-Op Single Transmitter Low Power

HG5A.....	1,153,826	TI1R	754,972
RZ4HZW.....	908,742	EB2CZI.....	683,162
9A7T	809,750		

Multi-Op Two Transmitter

HC8N.....	8,910,888	RU1A.....	3,004,400
OM8A	4,715,712	KI1G	2,561,048
Z360M	3,518,916		

Multi-Op Multi-Transmitter

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Single Op 3.5 MHz

S57AW	255,375	IQ1RY (op: IK1HXN).....	205,335
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7.0 MHz

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I4IKW	476,432		

14 MHz

9A5W	840,274	ZC4LI	623,840
TM7XX (op: F5MUX)	726,705	ZV5R/1	506,324
LY2IJ	625,037		

21 MHz

LS1D (op: LW9EOC).....	493,614	PR5Z (op: PY5ZHP).....	160,401
LU7HN.....	403,155	D2NX (op: JM1CAX).....	92,560
NP2/AK2P	193,233		

28 MHz

LU1HF	118,085	CT1AOZ.....	7,168
LQ5H	31,850	F8DBF.....	6,358
LW1HR	18,408		

RTTY Results (from page 16)

the critical exchange data (including zones, states, provinces) from the raw log, the log-checkers can do little to salvage the log. Accordingly, please carefully follow the instructions in your logging software (or your Cabrillo-conversion program) to be sure that all of the required fields have been included in your final log before submitting it to the robot. Also remember to read carefully any error message from the robot. The required language in the headers is precise and noted in each category as shown above—not simply anything you or your logging program decide to put there. Those errors are the most prevalent in the logs that required some editing by I2UIY, N5KO, and I2EOW. In addition, Paulo and I2EOW converted many non-Cabrillo logs to Cabrillo format prior to their being submitted into the master log-checking process. As in prior years, we received a large number of check logs, which were very helpful for log-checking. Thanks to all who submitted these logs.

The 2008 CQWW RTTY Contest

The 22nd annual CQWW RTTY Contest will be run on September 27–28, 2008. Please note that Cabrillo-format logs are highly encouraged for all entrants, with e-logs required from all potential high-scoring entrants in any category. Also, any computer-generated log with more than 50 contacts must be submitted via e-mail or on a 3.5-inch diskette via snail mail. For those who submit

diskettes, please remember to send the diskettes in a protective envelope. E-mail is clearly the most reliable and easiest method for log submissions, but we welcome all logs, including (subject to the restrictions described above) paper logs, no matter how they may be sent. Finally, the deadline for log submissions is October 24, 2008. The full text of the 2008 rules will be published in the July issue of CQ and on the CQ website (www.cq-amateur-radio.com). Please read the rules carefully prior to the contest, and please note that all logs submitted via e-mail go to <rtty@cqww.com>.

73, Glenn, W6OTC, and Paolo, I2UIY

QRM

5B/DL2MLU: During our holidays on this marvellous island we joined CQ WW RTTY and enjoyed being a mult for many. Unfortunately propagation condx were pretty bad at our end and there were only a handful of stateside contacts. Congratulations to WB9Z, who managed to copy our tiny signal on 20, 40, and 80! **6W1SE:** Bad condition on 10m! **7N2UQC:** I was able to enjoy this contest. Tnx for a fine contest again. **8P6DR:** First time. 100w and wire antenna not conducive to holding a frequency. **9A5W:** Score better than my world record from 2006. Sunday's condx helped. **AA5AU:** Worst high band conditions I've ever seen for a CQ WW RTTY contest. **AA7FK:** Great time even at this low spot in the cycle. My best effort on RTTY to date. Look forward to improving condx and more DX in the future instead of just a few spot openings outside NA. Thanks to all! **AO8X:** Hello guys! Fantastic CQ contest again! I had an entertaining weekend with all you again. Very nice to work HC8N and my friends from D4C on 5 bands! And many more. Thanks to all for your points and QSOs with my station. I hope see you again. I'm very happy for wonderful competition! 73 de EA8AUW (AO8X). **BG7JSQ:** This was my first RTTY contest and I found it is real fun!

CT1AOZ: Propagation was too closed to be true. HC8N is always heard with good signal here but this time no copy at all. USA was out of my receiver and only a few EU. SA I think I worked all of them (hi hi). Many thanks to all I worked. Rig was an IC-725, 50 watts with my old antenna TA-33 classic. Hope conditions are better next year. **DJ8ES:** Great activity in EU, including great QRM. Missed some old DX stations from Asia this time. **DO6SVK:** Very nice contest and my first time in CQ WW RTTY. **5FRD:** Good contest. A lot of stations on 80m to 15m. Some stations on 10m Sunday morning. I contacted a new country (SU). Thanks to all who worked me. See you again in 2008. **GM5A:** This is the first time in a long while I have done single op, 48 hours. In the end I managed almost 38 hours. By the end I think I was brain dead. Conditions were terrible from the start and the K index went up to 5 on the Saturday. I only managed a handful of QSOs on 10m and didn't even hear the States on 15m. **GUØSUP:** Lousy conditions to start, which didn't help. Nice to see so much activity. Thanks to the CQ team for the contest.

HZ1PS: Enjoyed the contest. Thanks to CQ and to all for the Q's. Like others have said it was a battle at times with the conditions. On the other hand some unusual band openings throughout the time I was able to operate. Many highlights for me, 14 new countries in South and Central America. **IKØIZW:** Propagation very poor on 10 meters. For the second year we burned the 80 meter trap. 2008 will be sure all right! **IZ1KGY:** This is my small contribution. It will be used like "check logs," but for me it's a school in order to grow. Thanks to all. **J39BS:** Dipoles only + low power = low score. Had fun. Some good band openings. **JA7MJ:** The condition was not so good, but enjoyed the contest. **JE8NTJ:** This was my first time in the CQ WW RTTY contest. See you next year. **K4FJ:** A true M/S, no mult station. Amp failed on Sunday. K3KG made his first RTTY QSO ever in this contest. **K4MM:** Wow, pretty good condx for this one even though only had a single wire antenna. We mostly S&P'd but had a few small runs at times. Amazing to work VQ9LA on a wire antenna with low power at this point in the sunspot cycle. **K5ZD/1:** Great to see so many new calls. RTTY contesting is alive and well!

K7RE: Friday and Saturday saw abysmal propagation here, but Sunday was much better. Never thought that I would be able to work 60+ DXCC countries on 20m at the bottom of the solar cycle in one easy weekend. I only put in about 20 hours, as my single band effort ran into early 20m band closings. **K8AJS:** I read lots of comments after the contest about the propagation. They're all absolutely correct; it was terrible. The big indicator for me, besides the numbers from WWV, was the contact points. It took me approximately 80 more QSOs this year to get to the same number of contact points I had last year. Last year my points-per-qso average was 2.29; this year it was 2.02. **KI4MF:** Wonderful contest. Had a great time. Band was pretty good Sunday. This is always a great contest. Saw many new call signs which is another good sign. **KØØZ:** Bottom of Cycle 23; low sunspots; low power. I have no place to go but up! I had fun for my first ever CQ WW contest! Look forward to next year's. **KY7M:** Hearing any Europeans was a treat from the West Coast. Only a few on 40m and very limited on 20 meters both mornings. This contest will be so much more fun when the sunspots return. **N3CHX:** Band conditions were great for both days. Nice to see all bands in action. Activity was also fast and furious! A good contest for the low end of the solar cycle! **N5ZM:** Who would do single band 15 with an A index of 26? Got to be crazy.

CLUB COMPETITION

BAVARIAN CONTEST CLUB (DL)	13,005,211
NORTHERN CALIFORNIA CONTEST CLUB	11,915,746
YANKEE CLIPPER CONTEST CLUB	11,802,066
POTOMAC VALLEY RADIO CLUB	9,803,782
RHEIN RUHR DX ASSOCIATION (DL)	9,046,600
SKY CONTEST CLUB (YU)	8,154,699
LU CONTEST GROUP	6,629,098
FLORIDA CONTEST GROUP	6,070,283
CONTEST CLUB ONTARIO (VE3)	5,724,388
HADXC (HA)	5,712,110
URAL CONTEST GROUP (UA9)	4,609,537
UKRAINIAN CONTEST CLUB (UR)	3,971,064
FRANKFORD RADIO CLUB	3,802,041
KIEV CONTEST GROUP (UR)	3,085,349
LATVIAN CONTEST CLUB (YL)	2,981,679
CONTEST CLUB FINLAND (OH)	2,920,851
CTRI CONTEST GROUP	2,673,775
ALABAMA CONTEST GROUP	2,570,869
TENNESSEE CONTEST GROUP	2,225,422
CROATIAN CONTEST CLUB (9A)	2,002,698
MARITIME CONTEST CLUB (VE1)	1,823,519
SOCIETY OF MIDWEST CONTESTERS	1,750,740
TOP OF EUROPE CONTESTERS (SM)	1,724,419
GUARA DX GROUP (PY)	1,585,236
SPDXC (SP)	1,517,136
CONTEST CLUB KRASNODARSKOGO KRAYA (UA6)	1,465,453
WORLDWIDE YOUNG CONTESTERS (*)	1,420,179
SOUTH URAL CONTEST CLUB (UA9)	1,401,288
KANSAS CITY DX CLUB	1,280,019
MINNESOTA WIRELESS ASSOCIATION	1,250,496
VK CONTEST CLUB (VK)	1,227,622
CONTEST GROUP DU QUEBEC (VE2)	1,197,771
ARAUCARIA DX GROUP (PY)	934,010
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CONTEST CLUB	903,283
KRIVBASS (UR)	860,978
SLOVENIA CONTEST CLUB (S5)	846,281
BRITISH COLUMBIA DX CLUB (VE7)	795,804
CHILTERN DX CLUB (G)	789,564
GRAND MESA CONTESTERS OF COLORADO	727,754
KAUNAS UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY RADIO CLUB (LY)	672,206
RTTY CONTESTERS OF JAPAN (JA)	614,559
LOW COUNTRY CONTEST CLUB	551,536
WESTERN WASHINGTON DX CLUB	511,682
PK RVG (SP)	456,410
TUPY DX GROUP (PY)	404,126
CAROLINA DX ASSN	396,997
BARTG (G)	393,219
GRUPO DIGITAL MEXICO (XE)	331,455
WESTERN NEW YORK DX ASSOCIATION	206,788
ORDER OF BOILED OWLS OF NEW YORK	130,800
CENTRAL SIBERIA DX CLUB (UA0)	67,352

(*) Listed for completeness, however, not within Club Competition rules.

IZ8HUJ	141	294	8	26	4	11,172	OH1FFN	103	206	6	25	0	6,386	Multi Op, Single Transmitter, Low Power	OF8X	2028	4550	77	251	60	1,765,400							
RV3YR	87	191	13	16	0	10,290	PY2CO	120	13	29	1	1	5,150	HGSA	1419	3214	79	230	50	1,153,826	ZF2DF	1618	3689	79	164	190	1,597,337	
VR2YOU	76	200	14	37	0	10,200	VE3RC1	53	106	10	27	4	4,876	RZ4HZW	1339	2922	75	227	9	908,742	U06P	1401	3864	86	237	12	1,294,440	
RAFFEU	92	262	8	29	0	9,694	DSSJKR	91	190	11	14	0	4,750	T11R	993	2182	61	137	148	754,972	PIACOM	1379	3181	76	240	72	1,234,228	
FBFDN	80	179	11	36	7	9,666	SP9ROH	57	121	7	26	0	3,993	EB2CZI	1158	2414	53	205	25	683,162	DL5AXX	1185	2703	91	265	52	1,102,824	
IZ8JAI	84	189	13	33	4	9,450	W5AJ	48	83	12	21	15	3,984	5B/DL2MLU	1031	3047	45	160	19	682,528	OH2BP	1516	3251	71	230	21	1,046,822	
MSAAV	90	188	7	33	3	8,084	W0LM	54	86	11	13	22	3,956	LS2D	545	1572	67	134	106	482,604	OF2AG	1549	3299	65	231	21	1,045,783	
F0SP5	64	178	13	15	17	8,010	T99D	79	158	4	19	0	3,634	EA1URO	701	1615	50	162	61	440,895	UT3HWW	1388	2980	76	243	27	1,031,080	
IN30WY/12	77	169	12	30	5	7,943	AF6BS	52	79	11	10	23	3,476	IK1TWC	664	1547	59	176	49	439,348	KR7X	1603	2635	79	142	165	1,017,110	
OM5MX	65	166	12	25	10	7,802	W2KKZ	43	73	10	17	16	3,139	I0TIC	733	1660	57	146	36	396,740	ED4URA	1341	2923	63	219	58	995,820	
SP6BBE	87	181	8	33	6	7,544	YL2G	44	97	7	23	0	2,810	YU7W	618	1412	58	153	30	340,292	IQ3CW	1041	2179	51	174	38	573,077	
SP5GDI	77	171	8	29	6	7,353	I191ZY	32	82	8	14	10	2,624	9M4DX	805	2158	40	106	0	315,068	RUJOLL	959	2310	71	133	18	512,820	
DG1RZH	73	160	8	30	1	6,240	NR0L	46	64	8	8	21	2,368	OM7RC	806	1146	50	161	28	273,894	IK01ZW	700	1567	66	187	42	462,265	
JE8CLT	53	141	15	24	5	6,204	SF5XO	23	52	8	23	0	1,612	K4MM	433	748	57	101	95	189,244	W1MAT	701	1379	63	151	108	444,038	
DL9XAW	67	147	8	27	7	6,174	OK1LO	27	60	7	17	1	1,500	JM1NKT	317	741	71	115	12	146,718	W0MU	183	313	28	39	50	36,621	
KP4JRS	62	131	10	10	27	6,157	BD4SI	24	52	8	10	0	936	SP9KRT	349	774	44	113	11	130,032								
K9WXX	70	126	13	22	13	6,048	PULZSM	17	41	8	10	0	738															
W9VD	50	112	15	30	9	6,048	JABUON	16	33	9	10	1	660	W0RAA	501	668	35	48	107	126,920								
KCTV	47	106	17	25	13	5,830	RW0AR	10	28	7	10	0	476															
DL5STR	57	130	10	29	5	5,720																						
BD7JLR	53	151	10	27	0	5,587																						
W6KRC	67	104	13	15	24	5,408																						
RW9SZ	55	153	8	24	0	4,896																						
Y050HY	47	112	12	24	5	4,592																						
ES4MM	58	139	9	24	0	4,587																						
VE6GNU	46	105	12	14	14	4,200																						
KG4NET	41	91	13	23	9	4,095																						
DC3FA	49	261	6	16	0	4,068																						
EC1CTV	45	95	6	30	0	4,200																						
EASKV	61	123	5	18	0	2,829																						
IZ8GNH	35	85	8	15	8	2,635																						
OF6M	39	87	10	20	0	2,610																						
BA3RJ	50	107	10	13	0	2,461																						
IW2KGF	38	85	8	17	3	2,380																						
VA3NWO	28	66	9	13	10	2,112																						
EASAAO	30	68	23	0	0	2,040																						
K3OD	28	60	10	16	0	2,040																						
W1MAW	24	53	11	19	4	1,802																						
N4CW1	41	58	8	14	14	1,740																						
RX3MM	28	67	7	16	0	1,541																						
KL7DX	31	69	5	5	4	966																						
J11LUY	18	44	9	11	1	924																						
SO9FCH	21	49	5	13	0	882																						
W04D	17	43	6	11	3	860																						
GBLYD	24	40	4	13	0	850																						
KC0RET	24	33	8	7	9	792																						
SP5XOV	18	44	7	10	0	748																						
RA4LK	13	35	9	11	0	700																						
EA4FP	10	26	7	10	0	442																						
E42CCG	11	24	4	10	0	336																						
KA4OTB	8	21	3	8	0	231																						
YB0ECT	8	22	4	6	0	220																						
Y0ZCM	5	13	5	5	0	130																						
IW1GNS	2	6	2	2	0	24																						
XE2RV	1	3	1	1	0	6																						