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Carina and I wish you and yours, a Prosperous 2025

CQ DX Marathon

The CQ DX Marathon is a year-long DX hunt, with participants competing to see who can work the greatest number of countries ("entities") and CQ zones during the calendar year. The 2025 edition will start at 00:00 UTC on 1 January and will end at 23.59 UTC on 31 December. See <https://dxmarathon.com/> for complete details. The DX Marathon is also on Facebook at www.facebook.com/61565429540333.

The SARL Centenary Marathon QSO Party

Celebrating one hundred years of organised amateur radio in South Africa.

<https://mysarl.org.za/centenary-marathon/>

On Tuesday 20 May 2025, the South African Radio League celebrates its 100th anniversary. In conjunction with the 100th anniversary of the SARL, the SARL Centenary Marathon QSO Party is set to kick off for a year-long operating event starting from 00:00 UTC on Wednesday 1 January 2025 and ending at 23:59 UTC on Wednesday 31 December 2025.

Participating amateur radio operators worldwide (including Short Wave Listeners) can accumulate points and win awards, by working South African amateur radio stations. During 2025, the SARL, with the aid of its members and associated clubs, will be on the air with a special event



December

- 30 - YOTA Contest
- 31 - Old Year's Eve, the end of the YOTA Month, the 2024 DX Marathon and the SOTA 10 m Challenge

January

- 1 - New Year's Day, the start of SARL Centenary Marathon QSO Party, the DX Marathon and the ISS Contact Session
- 3 and 4 - Quadrantids Meteor Shower
- 4 - ARRL Kids Day and the ZS4SRL Club meeting
- 8 - the NARC opens
- 10 to 12 - the PEARS National VHF/UHF Contest
- 15 - Provincial schools open
- 18 - SARL QRP Contest
- 25 - SARL Saturday 40 m Club Contest
- 29 - the Sandton Power Hour Tech Talk
- 31 - the closing date for AGM Motions and Award Nominations, the May RAE registration opens

call sign ZS100SARL, as well as the permanent call signs ZS6SRL and ZS9HQ and other special event call signs.

To qualify for points all contacts must be two-way, using any legally allowed mode such as CW, Phone (FM, SSB, AM, digital voice), Digital (any digital mode, such as Amtor, Pactor, PSK modes, MT63, MFSK modes, Feld-Hell and RTTY) on 160, 80, 60, 40, 30, 20, 17, 15, 12, 10, 8, 6, 4 and 2 meters, 70 and 23 centimetres as well as via satellites or repeaters.

Points are awarded for every unique South African amateur radio station (call sign) contacted, irrespective of band or mode, as follows:

- ZS100SARL, ZS9HQ and ZS6SRL = 5 points.
- ZS/ZR/ZT prefix (Class A) = 1 point.
- Special event call signs other than ZS100SARL, ZS9HQ and ZS6SRL = 2 points.
- ZU prefix (Class B) = 3 points (note that ZU stations are limited to 80, 40, 10 (partial), 2 m and 70 cm.)

Please note that portable/mobile calls such as ZS9HQ/6, ZS6SRL/3 are considered as unique call signs.

As this is not a contest, QSOs can be in any style or fashion preferred by participants. It is not necessary exchange anything other a signal report.

The SARL Centenary Marathon QSO Party is scored by totalling the values of all eligible QSOs. As this is an honour-based event, to be eligible for any of these awards, applications must be made using the MS-Excel check sheet to record and track progress. This check sheet will serve as the final claim form and is available from the SARL website, to be submitted by e-mail to sarlcentenary@gmail.com by not later than 23:59 UTC on Saturday 31 January 2026.

A valid logged QSO must at least indicate the following - Date of the QSO, time of the QSO (UTC), call sign of the operator, call sign of South African station contacted. The band used (frequency is not required. Satellite QSO: SAT-name of satellite e.g. QO-100 SAT), the mode used and the signal report received. The Awards are available for SWLs - where the rules stipulate QSOs please read as reception reports for SWL claims.

Please note that the SARL Awards Committee reserves the right to verify claims by reference to operating logs or any other resource and may request further details from an applicant to confirm or validate claimed QSOs.

Award certificates will only be available in electronic (PDF) format sent to the applicant via e-mail. No endorsements for single modes or bands are available.

DX from Africa

(These count towards your All Africa Award)



South Africa, ZS. On 20 May 2025, the South African Radio League will celebrate its 100th anniversary. The SARL Centenary Marathon QSO Party is set to kick off for a year-long operating event starting from 00:00 UTC on 1 January and ending at 23:59 UTC on 31 December 2025. Throughout the year, the SARL, with the aid of its members and associated clubs, will be on the air with a special event call sign ZS100SARL, as well as the permanent call signs ZS6SRL and ZS9HQ and possibly other special event call signs. Several awards will be available, see <https://mysarl.org.za/centenary-marathon/> for more information.

Mozambique 2025 (Postponed). Dear friends, it is with deep disappointment that we must inform you that due to the current security situation in Mozambique, we are compelled to postpone our planned expedition originally scheduled for departure on 17 January 2025.



After careful examination of the travel advisories issued by the US, UK, Germany and the Czech Republic's foreign ministries, all of which have raised their warning levels and currently advise against travel to Mozambique, we have concluded that the risks associated with

carrying out the expedition are too high. The safety of our members and team is our highest priority.

The situation in Mozambique has become unstable due to recent presidential elections leading to demonstrations, roadblocks, looting, and vandalism. Furthermore, a recent prison riot near the capital city of Maputo, which resulted in the escape of several thousand prisoners, only underscores the uncertainty in the region. Additionally, the owner of our planned accommodation has informed us that the situation is unclear, with supply issues and occasional roadblocks.

For these reasons, we have decided not to cancel the expedition but to reschedule it to January/February 2026. We believe that by then, the situation in Mozambique will stabilize, allowing us to carry out our project without unnecessary risks.

Regarding the change in plans, we will be contacting our sponsors individually to discuss further actions concerning their support. We appreciate your support and understanding during these challenging times. We will keep you informed of further developments and the new planning for the expedition.

The Gambia, C5 and Senegal, 6W. Billy, F4GJE, will be active as C5RK and 6W1RD, respectively from The Gambia and Senegal, in January 2025. His activities are:



C5RK – 4 and 5 January from the Brikama district (WW Loc. IK13PK)

6W1RD – 11 and 12 January from Dakar (WW Loc. IK14GQ)

Activity will be 80 to 10 m (depending on the propagation) using SSB and digital modes. QSL via EA7FTR.



African Islands



Contest Calendar

This week's contests as compiled by Bruce Horn, WA7BNM. The period covered is from 30 December 2024 to 6 January 2025.

K1USN Slow Speed Test
00:00 - 01:00 UTC 30 December
Geographic Focus: Worldwide
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW
Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m
Classes: Single Op - QRP, low or high
Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100 watts;
QRP: 5 watts
Exchange: Maximum 20 wpm - name and state, province or country
Work stations: Once per band
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO
Multipliers: Each state, province or country once per band; W/VE do not count as country mults
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults

Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 1 January 2025
Post log summary at: www.3830scores.com
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: www.k1usn.com/sst.html

YOTA Contest
10:00 - 21:59 UTC 30 December
Geographic Focus: Worldwide
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW, SSB
Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m
Classes: Single Op All Band Open
Single Op All Band YOTA (25 and younger);
Single Op All Band YOTA 6 Hours; Single Op 3-Band Open; Single Op 3-Band YOTA; Multi-Single YOTA (2:1 younger to older ops)

Exchange: Single Op: RS(T) and age (on Jan 1 of year of contest); Multi-Op: RS(T) and average age of ops (on Jan 1 of year of contest)
Work stations: Once per band per mode
QSO Points: (see rules)
Multipliers: Each age once per band
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
Submit logs by: 21:59 UTC 4 January 2025
E-mail logs to: (none)
Upload log at: www.ham-yota.com/contest/
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: www.ham-yota.com/contest/

QCX Challenge
13:00 - 14:00 UTC and 19:00 - 20:00 UTC 30 December and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC 31 December
Geographic Focus: Worldwide
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW
Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m
Classes: Single Op
Max power: HP: >5 watts; QRP: 5 watts
Exchange: RST, name, state, province or country and rig
Work stations: Once per band
QSO Points: 3 points per QSO with QCX station; 1 point per QSO with non-QCX station
Multipliers: (none)
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points
Submit logs by: 04:00 UTC 5 January 2025
Post log summary at: www.3830scores.com
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: www.qrp-labs.com/party.html

ICWC Medium Speed Test
13:00 - 14:00 UTC and 19:00 - 20:00 UTC 30 December and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC 31 December
Geographic Focus: Worldwide
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW
Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m
Classes: Single Op - QRP, low or high
Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100 watts; QRP: 5 watts
Exchange: Name and QSO no
Work stations: Once per band
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO
Multipliers: Each call once

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
Submit logs by: 04:00 UTC 2 January 2025
Post log summary at: www.3830scores.com
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: <https://internationalcwcouncil.org/mst-contest/>

OK1WC Memorial (MWC)
16:30 - 17:29 UTC 30 December
Geographic Focus: Worldwide
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW
Bands: 80, 40 m
Classes: Single Op All Band - QRP or low; Single Op Single Band - QRP or low
Max power: LP: 100 watts; QRP: 5 watts
Exchange: RST and serial no
Work stations: Once per band
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO
Multipliers: Each last character of worked station call suffix once per band
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
Submit logs by: 06:00 UTC 3 January 2025
E-mail logs to: (none)
Upload log at: <https://memorial-ok1wc.cz/index.php?page=logs>
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: <https://memorial-ok1wc.cz/index.php?page=rules21>

Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest
01:00 - 01:59 UTC 31 December
Geographic Focus: Worldwide
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: SSB
Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10, 6 m
Classes: Single Op - QRP, low or high
Overlay: Youth (26 years old or younger); Youth YL (female 26 years old or younger); YL (female older than 26 years)
Max power: HP: 1 500 watts; LP: 100 watts; QRP: 5 watts
Exchange: RS and age group (OM, YL, Youth YL or Youth)
Work stations: Once per band
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO with OM; 5 points per QSO with YL; 10 points per QSO with Youth; 15 points per QSO with Youth YL

Multipliers: Each DXCC once per band
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
Submit logs by: 01:59 UTC 1 January 2025
E-mail logs to: (none)
Upload log at: <https://logs.wwsac.com/>
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: <https://wwsac.com/rules.html>

Bogor Old and New Contest
09:00 - 23:59 UTC 31 December
Geographic Focus: Worldwide
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: SSB
Bands: 80, 40, 10 m
Classes: Single Op; Multi-Op
Exchange: RS and operator age
Work stations: Once per band
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO with same country; 3 points per QSO with same continent; 5 points per QSO with different continent; 11 points per QSO with 7E1A
Multipliers: Each prefix once
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
Submit logs by: 31 January 2025
E-mail logs to: (none)
Upload log at: <http://contest.orari-bogor.org/log-submission>
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: <https://contest.orari-bogor.org/rule/>

AGB New Year Snowball Contest
00:00 - 01:00 UTC 1 January
Mode: CW, SSB, Digital
Bands: 80 m Only
Classes: Single Op - CW, SSB or mixed; Single Op Mixed QRP; Multi-Op; Digital; SWL
Exchange: AGB Member: RST and QSO no and member no; non-Member: RST and QSO no
Work stations: Once per mode per 15-minute period (see rules)
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO with same continent; 3 points per QSO with different continent; 5 points per QSO with AGB member
Multipliers: Each AGB member once; Each DXCC/WAE country once
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
Submit logs by: 22 January 2025

E-mail logs to: eu1eu@mail.ru
Mail logs to: Igor "Harry" Getmann, EU1EU, PO Box 143, Minsk 220005, Belarus
Find rules at:
www.gsl.net/eu1eu/agb_nysb.htm

QRP Fox Hunt
02:00 - 03:30 UTC 1 January
Geographic Focus: United States
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW
Bands: 160 m Only
Classes: Single Op - fox or hound
Max power: 5 watts
Exchange: RST, state, province or country, name and power output
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO
Multipliers: (none)
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points
Submit logs by: 03:30 UTC 2 January 2025
E-mail logs to: (see rules)
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at:
www.qrpfoxhunt.org/winter_rules.htm

Phone Weekly Test
02:30 - 03:00 UTC 1 January
Geographic Focus: North America
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: SSB
Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 m
Classes: Single Op
Max power: 100 watts
Exchange: NA: Name and state, province or country; non-NA: Name
Work stations: Once per band
QSO Points: NA station: 1 point per QSO; non-NA station: 1 point per QSO with an NA station
Multipliers: Each US state (including KH6/KL7) once per band; Each VE province/territory once per band; Each North American country (except W/VE) once per band
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
Submit logs by: 03:00 UTC 3 January 2025
E-mail logs to: (none)
Post log summary at: www.3830scores.com
Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at:

[www.perluma.com/Phone Fray Contest Rules.pdf](http://www.perluma.com/Phone_Fray_Contest_Rules.pdf)

SARTG New Year RTTY Contest

08:00 - 11:00 UTC 1 January

Mode: RTTY

Bands: 80, 40 m

Classes: One Radio/All Band; Two Radios/All Band; SWL

Max operating hours: 3 hours

Exchange: RST, QSO no, name and happy new year (native language)

Work stations: Once per band

QSO Points: 1 point per QSO

Multipliers: Each DXCC country, except Scandinavia, once per band; Each Scandinavian prefix once per band

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults

Submit logs by: 31 January 2025

E-mail logs to: sm7bhm@telia.com

Upload log at: <https://ua9qcq.com/hf-logs.php>

Mail logs to: SARTG Contest Manager, Ewe Hakansson, SM7BHM, Pilspetsvagen 4, SE-291 66 Kristianstad, Sweden

Find rules at:

www.sartg.com/contest/nyrules.htm

AGCW Happy New Year Contest

09:00 - 12:00 UTC 1 January

Mode: CW

Bands: 80, 40, 20m

Classes: Single Op; SWL

Max operating hours: 3 hours

Max power: 1: >150 W; 2: 150 W; 3: 5 W

Exchange: AGCW: RST, serial no, "/" and member no; non-AGCW: RST and serial no

Work stations: Once per band

QSO Points: 1 point per QSO

Multipliers: Each AGCW member once per band

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults

Submit logs by: 14 January 2025

E-mail logs to: (none)

Upload log at: <http://contest.agcw.de/hnyc/>

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at:

www.agcw.de/contest/hnyc/hnyc-engl/

A1Club AWT

12:00 - 13:00 UTC 1 January

Geographic Focus: Worldwide

Participation: Worldwide

Mode: CW

Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m

Classes: Single Op - QRP, low or high

Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100 watts;

QRP: 5 watts

Exchange: Member: RST and name

Work stations: Once per band

QSO Points: 1 point per QSO

Multipliers: Each call once

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults

Submit logs by: 6 January 2025

Post log summary at: www.3830scores.com

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at: <https://a1club.org/contest/awt/>

CWops Test (CWT)

13:00 - 14:00 UTC and 19:00 - 20:00 UTC 1

January and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC and 07:00 -

08:00 UTC 2 January

Geographic Focus: Worldwide

Participation: Worldwide

Awards: Worldwide

Mode: CW

Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m

Classes: Single Op - QRP, low or high

Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100 watts;

QRP: 5 watts

Exchange: Member: Name and member no or CWA; non-Member: Name and state, province or country

Work stations: Once per band

QSO Points: 1 point per QSO

Multipliers: Each call once

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults

Submit logs by: 08:00 UTC 4 January 2025

Post log summary at: www.3830scores.com

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at: <https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/>

Mini-Test 40

17:00 - 17:59 UTC 1 January

Geographic Focus: Worldwide

Participation: Worldwide

Mode: CW

Bands: 40 m Only

Classes: Single Op - QRP, low or high
Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100 watts;
QRP: 5 watts
Exchange: RST and serial no
Work stations: Once per 10-minute period
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO
Multipliers: Each call once
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
Submit logs by: 3 January 2025
Upload log at: <https://ua9qcq.com/hf-logs.php>
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: <http://minitest.narod.ru/>

Mini-Test 80
18:00 - 18:59 UTC 1 January
Geographic Focus: Worldwide
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW
Bands: 80 m Only
Classes: Single Op - QRP, low or high
Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100 watts;
QRP: 5 watts
Exchange: RST and serial no
Work stations: Once per 10-minute period
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO
Multipliers: Each call once
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
Submit logs by: 3 January 2025
Upload log at: <https://ua9qcq.com/hf-logs.php>
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: <http://minitest.narod.ru/>

UKEICC 80 m Contest
20:00 - 21:00 UTC 1 January
Geographic Focus: Europe
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: SSB
Bands: 80 m Only
Classes: Single Op Connected - QRP, low or high; Single Op Unconnected - QRP, low or high
Max power: HP: 1 500 watts; LP: 100 watts;
QRP: 5 watts
Exchange: 6-Character grid square
QSO Points: 1 point per 500 km (10 pts max); multiply QSO points by 2 if low power station; multiply QSO points by 4 if QRP station
Multipliers: (none)

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points
Submit logs by: 22:00 UTC 1 January 2025
E-mail logs to: (none)
Upload log at: <http://logs.ukeicc.com/cgi-bin/hfenter.pl>
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: www.ukeicc.com/80m-rules.php

Walk for the Bacon QRP Contest
00:00 - 01:00 UTC 2 January and 02:00 - 03:00 UTC 3 January
Geographic Focus: North America
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW
Bands: 40 m Only
Classes: Single Op
Max power: 5 watts
Exchange: Maximum 13 wpm – RST, state, province or country, name and member no or power
Work stations: Once per day
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO with non-member; 3 points per QSO with member on same continent; 5 points per QSO with member on different continent
Multipliers: (none)
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points
Submit logs by: 9 January 2025
E-mail logs to: (none)
Upload log at: <https://qrptest.com/pigwalk40/autolog.php>
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: <https://qrptest.com/pigwalk40/>

NRAU 10 m Activity Contest
18:00 - 19:00 UTC (CW) and 19:00 - 20:00 UTC (SSB) and 20:00 - 21:00 UTC (FM) and 21:00 - 22:00 UTC (Dig) 2 January
Geographic Focus: Nordic Europe
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW, SSB, FM, Digital
Bands: 10 m Only
Classes: Single Op; Multi-Op
Exchange: RS(T) and 6-character grid square
QSO Points: (see rules)
Multipliers: (none)

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points
Submit logs by: 16 January 2025
E-mail logs to: 10m@nrrlcontest.no
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: <https://nrau.net/nrau-contests-in-general/>

SKCC Sprint Europe
20:00 - 22:00 UTC 2 January
Geographic Focus: Europe
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW
Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10, 6 m
Classes: (none)
Exchange: RST, state, province or country, name and SKCC no or NONE
Work stations: Once per band
QSO Points: (see rules)
Multipliers: Each state, province, or country once
Score Calculation: Total score = (total QSO points x total mults) and bonus points
Submit logs by: 9 January 2025
E-mail log summary to: (none)
Post log summary at:
www.skccgroup.com/operating_activities/skse/submit-display.php?submit_id=165
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at:
www.skccgroup.com/operating_activities/skse/

NCCC FT4 Sprint
01:00 - 01:30 UTC 3 January
Geographic Focus: North America
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: FT4
Bands: (see rules)
Classes: (none)
Max power: 100 watts
Exchange: 4-character grid square
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO
Multipliers: Each 4-character grid square once per band
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
Submit logs by: 5 January 2025
E-mail logs to: (none)
Upload log at: <https://lotw.arrl.org/>
Post log summary at: www.3830scores.com/

Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: www.ncccsprint.com/ft4ns.html

Weekly RTTY Test
01:45 - 02:15 UTC 3 January
Geographic Focus: North America
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: RTTY
Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m
Classes: Single-Op - QRP or low
Max power: LP: 100 watts; QRP: 5 watts
Exchange: Name and state, province or country
Work stations: Once per band
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO
Multipliers: Each call sign once
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
Submit logs by: 5 January 2025
E-mail logs to: (none)
Post log summary at: www.3830scores.com/
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at:
<https://radiosport.world/wrt.html>

QRP Fox Hunt
02:00 - 03:30 UTC 3 January
Geographic Focus: United States
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW
Bands: 80 m Only
Classes: Single Op - fox or hound
Max power: 5 watts
Exchange: RST, state, province or country, name and power output
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO
Multipliers: (none)
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points
Submit logs by: 03:30 UTC 4 January 2025
E-mail logs to: (see rules)
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at:
www.qrpfoxhunt.org/winter_rules.htm

NCCC Sprint
02:30 - 03:00 UTC 3 January
Geographic Focus: North America
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW
Bands: (see rules)

Classes: (none)
Max power: 100 watts
Exchange: Serial no, name and QTH
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
Submit logs by: 5 January 2025
E-mail logs to: (none)
Post log summary at: www.3830scores.com/
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at:
<https://ncccsprint.com/rules.html>

K1USN Slow Speed Test
20:00 - 21:00 UTC 3 January
Geographic Focus: Worldwide
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW
Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m
Classes: Single Op - QRP, low or high
Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100 watts;
QRP: 5 watts
Exchange: Maximum 20 wpm - name and state, province or country
Work stations: Once per band
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO
Multipliers: Each state, province or country once per band; W/VE do not count as country mults
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 5 January 2025
Post log summary at: www.3830scores.com
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: www.k1usn.com/sst.html

PODXS 070 Club PSKFest
00:00 - 24:00 UTC 4 January
Mode: PSK31
Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m
Classes: QRP; Low Power; Medium Power; High Power
Max operating hours: 24 hours
Max power: HP: (see rules); MP: 50 watts; LP: 25 watts; QRP: 5 watts
Exchange: RST and state, province or country
Work stations: Once per band
QSO Points: 1 point/QSO
Multipliers: States, provinces and countries, once
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults

Submit logs by: 11 January 2025
E-mail logs to: (none)
Upload log at: <http://hamclubs.info/scorer/>
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: www.podxs070.com/o7o-club-sponsored-contests/pskfest

Marconi Club ARI Loano QSO Party Day
07:00 - 21:00 UTC 4 January
Geographic Focus: Worldwide
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW
Bands: 80, 40, 20 m
Classes: Single Op
Exchange: Marconi Club Member: RST, "MC" and member no; non-Members: RST and serial no
Work stations: Once per band
QSO Points: 5 points per QSO with member; 1 point per QSO with non-member
Multipliers: Each Marconi Club member once per band
Score Calculation: Score = Total QSO points x total mults
Submit logs by: 12 January 2025
E-mail logs to: qsoparty@marconiclub.it
Upload log at: www.marconiclub.it/
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at:
www.ariloano.it/marconiclub/mcd_reg/regolamentomcday_ENG.pdf

WW PMC Contest
12:00 UTC 4 January to 12:00 UTC 5 January
Mode: CW, SSB
Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m
Classes: Single Op - CW, SSB or mixed - Peace Messenger City or world - QRP, low or high Multi-Op - CW, SSB or mixed - Peace Messenger City or world
Max power: HP: 1 500 watts; LP: 100 watts;
QRP: 5 watts
Exchange: PMC: RS(T) and PMC abbreviation; World: RS(T) and CQ Zone
Work stations: Once per mode per band
QSO Points: (see rules)
Multipliers: Each PMC once per mode per band
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
Submit logs by: 12 January 2025
E-mail logs to: pmc@s59dcd.si

Upload log at:
www.vhfmanager.net/modules/log_reception.php?ContestID=409

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at: www.s59dcd.si/index.php/sl/www-pmc/www-pmc-contest-rules

RSGB AFS CW Contest

13:00 - 17:00 UTC 4 January

Mode: CW

Bands: 80, 40 m

Classes: Single Op/Multi-Op

(Low/Medium/High) (see rules for team requirements)

Max power: HP: 400 watts; MP: 100 watts; LP: 10 watts

Exchange: RST and serial no

QSO Points: 1 point per QSO

Multipliers: (none)

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points

Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 5 January 2025

Upload log at: www.rsgbcc.org/cgi-bin/hfenter.pl

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at:

www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2025/rafs.shtml

ARRL Kids Day

18:00 - 23:59 UTC 4 January

Mode: SSB

Bands: 80, 40, 20, 17, 15, 12, 10, 2 m repeaters

Classes: (none)

Exchange: Name, age, QTH and favourite colour

Submit logs by: 4 February 2025

E-mail logs to: (none)

Mail logs to: (see rules)

Find rules at: www.arrl.org/kids-day

ARRL RTTY Roundup

18:00 UTC 4 January to 24:00 UTC 5 January

Mode: RTTY

Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m

Classes: Single Op - QRP, low or high; Single Op

Unlimited - QRP, low or high; Single Op

Overlay: (Limited Antennas); Multi-Single - low

or high; Multi-Two; Multi-Multi

Max operating hours: 24 hours

Max power: HP: 1 500 watts; LP: 100 watts

Exchange: W/VE: RST and state or province; non-W/VE: RST and serial no

Work stations: Once per band

QSO Points: 1 point per QSO

Multipliers: Each US state and DC (except KH6/KL7) once only; Each VE province/territory once only; Each DXCC country (including KH6/KL7) once only

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults

Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 12 January 2025

E-mail logs to: (none)

Upload log at: <https://contest-log-submission.arrl.org/>

Mail logs to: RTTY Roundup, ARRL, 225 Main St., Newington, CT 06111, USA

Find rules at: www.arrl.org/rtty-roundup

EUCW 160 m Contest

20:00 - 23:00 UTC 4 January and 04:00 - 07:00

UTC 5 January

Mode: CW

Bands: 160 m Only

Classes: A: 150 W or more, member of affiliated club; B: 5 - 150 W, member of affiliated club; C: 5 W or less, member of affiliated club; D: Other stations, no power limitations; E: SWL

Exchange: Affiliated Club Member: RST, name, club and membership no; Other: RST, name and "NM"

Work stations: Once per day

QSO Points: QSO with station in same DXCC country: 1 point; QSO with station in different DXCC country, but same continent: 2 points; QSO with station in different continent: 5 points; QSO with official EUCW club station: 10 points

Multipliers: EUCW clubs, once per day

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults

Submit logs by: 13 January 2025

E-mail logs to: commission-concours@uft.net

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at: www.uft.net/activites-et-concours/concours-eucw-uft-on5me/

K1USN Slow Speed Test

00:00 - 01:00 UTC 6 January

Geographic Focus: Worldwide

Participation: Worldwide

Mode: CW
Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m
Classes: Single Op - QRP, low or high
Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100 watts;
QRP: 5 watts
Exchange: Maximum 20 wpm - name and state, province or country
Work stations: Once per band
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO
Multipliers: Each state, province or country once per band; W/VE do not count as country mults
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC January 8, 2025
Post log summary at: www.3830scores.com
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: www.k1usn.com/sst.html

ICWC Medium Speed Test
13:00 - 14:00 UTC and 19:00 - 20:00 UTC 6 January and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC 7 January
Geographic Focus: Worldwide
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW
Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m
Classes: Single Op - QRP, low or high
Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100 watts;
QRP: 5 watts
Exchange: Name and QSO no
Work stations: Once per band
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO
Multipliers: Each call once

Next Week's Contests

ARS Spartan Sprint, 01:00 - 03:00 UTC 7 January
Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest, 01:00 - 01:59 UTC 7 January
QRP Fox Hunt, 02:00 - 03:30 UTC 8 January
Phone Weekly Test, 02:30 - 03:00 UTC 8 January
A1Club AWT, 12:00 - 13:00 UTC 8 January
CWops Test, 13:00 - 14:00 UTC and 19:00 - 20:00 UTC 8 January and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC and 07:00 - 08:00 UTC 9 January
Mini-Test 40, 17:00 - 17:59 UTC 8 January
Mini-Test 80, 18:00 - 18:59 UTC 8 January
NCCC FT4 Sprint, 01:00 - 01:30 UTC 10 January
Weekly RTTY Test, 01:45 - 02:15 UTC 10 January
QRP Fox Hunt, 02:00 - 03:30 UTC 10 January
NCCC Sprint, 02:30 - 03:00 UTC 10 January
K1USN Slow Speed Test, 20:00 - 21:00 UTC 10 January
Old New Year Contest, 05:00 - 08:59 UTC 11 January

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
Submit logs by: 04:00 UTC 9 January 2025
Post log summary at: www.3830scores.com
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: <https://internationalcwcouncil.org/mst-contest/>

OK1WC Memorial (MWC)
16:30 - 17:29 UTC 6 January
Geographic Focus: Worldwide
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW
Bands: 80, 40 m
Classes: Single Op All Band - QRP or low; Single Op Single Band - QRP or low
Max power: LP: 100 watts; QRP: 5 watts
Exchange: RST and serial no
Work stations: Once per band
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO
Multipliers: Each last character of worked station call suffix once per band
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
Submit logs by: 06:00 UTC 10 January 2025
E-mail logs to: (none)
Upload log at: <https://memorial-ok1wc.cz/index.php?page=logs>
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: <https://memorial-ok1wc.cz/index.php?page=rules2l>

SKCC Weekend Sprintathon, 12:00 UTC 11 January to 24:00 UTC 12 January
UBA PSK63 Prefix Contest, 12:00 UTC 11 January to 12:00 UTC 12 January
North American CW QSO Party, 18:00 UTC 11 January to 05:59 UTC 12 January
NRAU-Baltic SSB Contest, 06:30 - 08:30 UTC 12 January
NRAU-Baltic CW Contest, 09:00 - 11:00 UTC 12 January
DARC 10-Meter Contest, 09:00 - 10:59 UTC 12 January
RSGB AFS Data Contest, 13:00 - 17:00 UTC 12 January
K1USN Slow Speed Test, 00:00 - 01:00 UTC 13 January
4 States QRP Group Second Sunday Sprint, 01:00 - 03:00 UTC 13 January
ICWC Medium Speed Test, 13:00 - 14:00 UTC and 19:00 - 20:00 UTC 13 January and 03:00 - 04:00
UTC 14 January
OK1WC Memorial, 16:30 - 17:29 UTC 13 January
Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest, 01:00 - 01:59 UTC 14 January
DARC RTTY Sprint, 18:00 - 19:29 UTC 14 January

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