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<https://mysarl.org.za/hf/>

Somewhere in that confusion are several South African Pico Balloons <https://mysarl.org.za/bacar-balloon-carrying-amateur-radio/>

YOTA Contest 2025

The second session of this year's YOTA Contest, organized by the IARU R1 Youth Working Group in cooperation with the Hungarian Amateur Radio Society (MRASZ), will take place on Saturday 19 July (10:00 - 22:00 UTC) on the five classic bands CW and SSB. Everyone can work everyone. The complete rules can be found on <https://yotacontest.mrasz.org>.



The SARL Winter QRP Contest

You have less than one week to finalise your plans. The Winter QRP contest takes place this coming Saturday 19 July from 07:00 to 09:00 UTC, with the key objective to experiment and have fun with QRP.



The first hour is dedicated to the 40-metre band and the second hour is open for use on any or all the 40, 20 and 10 m bands to allow you to experiment and pick the band with the best propagation conditions for your purposes. Grab the local stations on 40 m, switch to 20 m to get those further afield and finally, why not try and grab some DX on the 10 m band.

Remember that you can have fun and experiment using any or all the following modes, phone, CW and/or FT8. There is even an award for the contestant that achieves two QSOs on each of the three modes. You can even experiment by changing power levels between QSOs and modes. All QRP QSOs qualify for the QRP awards, whilst all QRO QSOs will qualify for the chaser awards.

July

- 15 - World Youth Skills Day and Delville Wood Day
- 19 - the YOTA Contest and the SARL Winter QRP Contest
- 20 - International Moon Day and the ZS2 QSO Party
- 22 - Provincial schools open
- 26 - the SARL Saturday 40 m Club Contest
- 26 and 27 - the RSGB IOTA Contest
- 28 and 29 - the Delta Aquarids Meteor Shower
- 30 - International Day of Friendship and the Sandton Power Hour Tech Talk

August

- 2 - the ZS4SRK Club meeting
- 3 - the SARL HF Phone Contest
- 8 - International Cat Day
- 9 - Women's Day and SARL YL QSO Party
- 10 - the SARL HF Digital contest
- 12 - International Youth Day
- 12 and 13 - the Perseids Meteor Shower
- 16 - the SARL Youth QSO Party
- 16 and 17 - Lighthouse Weekend - ILLW
- 19 - World Humanitarian Day
- 20 - SARL Wednesday 80 m Club Contest
- 24 - the SARL HF CW contest
- 26 - International Dog Day
- 27 - the Sandton Power Hour Tech Talk
- 30 - the West Rand Boot Sale

The exchange is a realistic RS, RST or RSQ report, your six-character grid square and transmit power in watts. This provides a view of signal strength and distances achieved for various power levels and bands.

You can participate from your QTH or a field station, and you can use any equipment. In the spirit of experimentation, those who get out into the field or use a home-built radio even qualify for bonus points.

The QRP contest is also an ideal opportunity to invite a buddy to participate with you. Why not grab a friend, an existing amateur or new RAE candidate and share a station, as its always more fun operating with someone.

Oh, did we mention that anyone submitting a log sheet will also receive a unique certificate. Even another incentive to have fun and submit your log once the fun is done. Do you enjoy playing with your radio? Then this is your personal invitation to come along and have fun during the Winter QRP contest this coming weekend, Saturday morning 19 July from 07:00 UTC. Please visit page 42 of the SARL Contest Manual for further details.

The ZS2 QSO Party

This is a fun activity to promote contacts between radio amateurs in the Eastern Cape and radio amateurs in Southern African countries. The aim for stations outside ZS2 is to work as many ZS2 stations as possible! The QSO party runs from 14:00 to 15:00 UTC on Sunday 20 July 2025. The exchange is RS(T) and provincial or country abbreviation. More information is available in the SARL Contest Manual, the log sheet is available on contest.sarl.org.za.

The July Power Hour Tech Talk

The July 2025 Power Hour Tech Talk is scheduled for Wednesday evening 30 July at 19:00 CAT and this month we will be learning and discussing a new and popular keyboard to keyboard digital mode, VarAC. Without giving too much away, VarAC is one of the newer Digital Mode Chat Programmes for Amateur Radio. This mode uses highly efficient error correction techniques to ensure reliable communications even in weak signal conditions, whilst also offering faster data transfer rates and lower power consumption when compared to many other modes. It is a FREE, modern HF P2P real-time chatting and emergency communication application for amateur radio operators, leveraging the VARA protocol, and it has become very popular.

Sound interesting? Then please join our special guest, Alistair, ZS2OK, during the next Power Hour Tech Talk to listen and learn more about VarAC and how you can join the over 80 000 amateurs around the world that are already actively having fun with VarAC. The Tech Talk will take place on Zoom to enable everyone everywhere to participate in the conversation and see VarAC in action, so grab a pen as here come the Zoom details. The Power Hour Tech Talk is scheduled for Wednesday 30 July and will start at 19:00 CAT. The Zoom Meeting ID is 891 1944 0458 and the Zoom passcode is 674977. Everyone is welcome, so please diarise to join the next Power Hour Tech Talk on 30 July with our special guest, Alistair ZS2OK.

DX from Africa

(These count towards your All Africa Award)

Morocco, CN. Andre, HB9HLM, operates holiday-style as CN2NE between 15 and 22 July on 40 to 6 m. QSL via eQSL, qrz.com.

African Islands

Ascension Island, ZD8. Larry, KI6LT will be active as KI6LT/ZD8 from Ascension Island (AF-003) between 15 and 21 July. In his spare time, he will operate SSB on 40 to 10 metres.

Rodrigues Island, 3B9FR. (QSL Changes). From Charles, M0OXO web page, 12 July 2025. Robert, 3B9FR, has recently returned to the hobby after a break. He now wishes to pursue the QSO confirmation route personally by himself. He states that he no longer wishes to use LoTW, QRZ.Com or ClubLog and asks that should anyone require a card, they should e-mail him personally. All current QSL Card requests using M0OXO's OQRS have now been completed and are Up To Date (pending the next Bureau shipment). Any further requests should now be made via Robert's own e-mail address and NOT via M0OXO.

Contest Calendar

This week's contests as compiled by Bruce Horn, WA7BNM. The period covered is from 14 to 21 July 2025.

4 States QRP Group Second Sunday Sprint
00:00 - 02:00 UTC 14 July
Geographic Focus: North America
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW, SSB
Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m
Classes: Single Op
Max power: CW: 5 watts, SSB: 10 watts
Exchange: Member: RS(T), state, province or country and member no; Non-member: RS(T), state, province or country and power
Work stations: Once per band
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO with non-member; 2 points per QSO with member
Multipliers: (none)
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points
Submit logs by: 16 July 2025
E-mail logs to: (none)
Post log summary at:
<http://qrpcontest.com/4sqrp>
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at:
www.4sqrp.com/SSS/sss_rules.pdf

K1USN Slow Speed Test
00:00 - 01:00 UTC 14 July
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 16 July 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 14 July and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC 15 July
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 17 July 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 14 July
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 18 July 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=rules2>



Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest
01:00 - 01:59 UTC 15 July
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 16 July 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>

Phone Weekly Test
02:30 - 03:00 UTC 16 July
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 18 July 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_Rule_s.pdf

A1Club AWT
11:45 - 13:00 UTC 16 July
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: 21 July 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 16 July and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC and 07:00 - 08:00 UTC 17 July
 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 19 July 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 16 July
 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: 18 July 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 16 July
 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: 18 July 2025
 Upload log at: <https://ua9qcq.com/hf-logs.php>
 Mail logs to: (none)
 Find rules at: <http://minitest.narod.ru/>

RSGB 80 m SSB Club Championship
 19:00 - 20:30 UTC 16 July
 Geographic Focus: United Kingdom
 Participation: Worldwide
 Awards: United Kingdom
 Mode: SSB
 Bands: 80 m Only
 Classes: (none)
 Exchange: RS and serial no
 QSO Points: 1 point per QSO
 Multipliers: (none)
 Score Calculation: (see rules)

Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 17 July 2025
Upload log at: www.rsgbcc.org/cgi-bin/hfenter.pl
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at:
www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2025/r80_mcc.shtml

Walk for the Bacon QRP Contest
00:00 - 01:00 UTC 17 July and 02:00 - 03:00 UTC 18 July
Geographic Focus: North America
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW
Bands: 20 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: 24 July 2025
E-mail logs to: (none)
Upload log at:
<https://qrcontest.com/pigwalk20/autolog.php>
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at:
<https://qrcontest.com/pigwalk20/>



NAQCC CW Sprint
00:30 - 02:30 UTC 17 July

Geographic Focus: United States/Canada
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW
Bands: 80, 40, 20 m
Classes: (none)
Max power: 1 watt
Exchange: RST, state, province or country and NAQCC no or power
Work stations: Once per band
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO with non-member; 2 points per QSO with member
Multipliers: Each state, province, or country once; Key Type Mult: 2x if straight key, 1.5x if bug, 1x if other
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults x key type mult
Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 20 July 2025
E-mail logs to: (none)
Upload log at:
<https://naqcc.info/autologger.php>
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at:
https://naqcc.info/sprint_rules.html

NTC QSO Party
19:00 - 20:00 UTC 17 July
Geographic Focus: The Netherlands
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW
Bands: 80, 40, 20 m
Classes: Electronic Keyer; Mechanical Keyer
Exchange: NTC Member: RST and member no; non-Member: RST and "NM" - Less than 25 wpm
Work stations: Once per band
QSO Points: 3 points per QSO with PG6NTC; 2 points per QSO with NTC member; 1 point per QSO with non-member
Multipliers: (none)
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points
Submit logs by: 21 July 2025
E-mail logs to: ntcqp@pi4ntc.nl
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: <https://pi4ntc.nl/ntcqp/>

QRP Fox Hunt
01:00 - 02:30 UTC 18 July
Geographic Focus: United States
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW

Bands: 20 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: 02:30 UTC 19 July 2025
 E-mail logs to: (see rules)
 Mail logs to: (none)
 Find rules at:
www.qrpfoxhunt.org/summer_rules.htm

NCCC FT4 Sprint
 01:00 - 01:30 UTC 18 July
 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: 20 July 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 18 July
 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: 20 July 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>



NCCC Sprint
 02:30 - 03:00 UTC 18 July
 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: 20 July 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 18 July
 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 20 July 2025
Post log summary at: www.3830scores.com
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: www.k1usn.com/sst.html

LABRE DX Contest

00:00 UTC 19 July to 23:59 UTC 20 July
Geographic Focus: Brazil
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW, SSB
Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m
Classes: Single Op All Band - CW, SSB or mixed
- low or high; Single Op Single Band - CW, SSB
or mixed - low or high; Single Op All Band
Classic - CW, SSB or mixed; Single Op All Band
Youth - 25 years or younger - CW, SSB or
mixed; Multi-Single; Multi-Two; Multi-Multi
Max operating hours: Single Op: 48 hours;
Single Op Classic 24 hours with off times of at
least 60 minutes; Multi-Op: 48 hours
Max power: HP: 1 500 watts; LP: 100 watts
Exchange: Brazilian: RS(T) and 2-letter state;
Non-Brazilian: RS(T) and 2-letter continent
Work stations: Once per band
QSO Points: 6 points per 160/80/40 m QSO
with different continent; 3 points per 20/15/10
m QSO with different continent; 4 points per
160/80/40 m QSO with same continent
different country; 2 points per 20/15/10 m
QSO with same continent different country; 2
points per 160/80/40 m QSO with same
country; 1 point per 20/15/10 m QSO with
same country
Multipliers: Each DXCC country once per band;
Each Brazilian state once per band
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO
points x total mults
Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 25 July 2025
E-mail logs to: logs@labre.org.br

Upload log at:
www.labre.org.br/contest/en/enviar-log/
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at:
www.labre.org.br/contest/en/regulamento/

Russian Radio Team Championship
07:00 - 14:59 UTC 19 July
Geographic Focus: Worldwide
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW, SSB
Bands: 40, 20, 15, 10 m
Classes: Single Op - CW, SSB or mixed - low or
high; Multi-Op
Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100 watts
Exchange: RRTC: RS(T) and 3-character code;
Non-RRTC: RS(T) and ITU Zone no
Work stations: Once per band per mode
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO with RRTC
stations; 2 points per QSO with non-RRTC
station in same zone; 3 points per QSO with
different zone
Multipliers: Each ITU zone once per band; Each
RRTC 3-character code once per band
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO
points x total mults
Submit logs by: 19:59 UTC 19 July 2025
E-mail logs to: (none)
Upload log at: <https://ua9qcq.com/hf-logs.php>
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: [http://srr.ru/championat-rossii-
po-radiosvyazi-na-kv-rrtc/](http://srr.ru/championat-rossii-po-radiosvyazi-na-kv-rrtc/)

Trans-Tasman Low-Bands Challenge
08:00 - 14:00 UTC 19 July
Geographic Focus: Australia/New Zealand
Participation: Australia/New Zealand
Mode: CW, Phone, Digital
Bands: 160, 80, 40 m
Classes: Single Op - QRP, low or high; Multi-
Single; Multi-Multi
Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100 watts;
QRP: 5 watts
Exchange: RS(T) and serial no
Score Calculation: (see rules)
Submit logs by: 26 July 2025
E-mail logs to: ttlogs@wia.org.au
Upload log at: www.vklogchecker.com/
Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at:
www.wia.org.au/members/contests/transtasm-an/

YOTA Contest
10:00 - 21:59 UTC 19 July
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 24 July 2025
E-mail logs to: (none)
Upload log at: <https://contest.ham-yota.com/>
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: <https://yotacontest.mrasz.org/>

Feld Hell Sprint
12:00 - 13:59 UTC 19 July
Geographic Focus: Worldwide
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: Feld Hell
Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10, 6 m
Classes: (none)
Max power: Standard: 100 watts; QRP: 5 watts
Exchange: (see rules)
Work stations: Once per band
QSO Points: (see rules)
Bonus Points: (see rules)
Multipliers: (see rules)
Score Calculation: (see rules)
Submit logs by: 23 July 2025
Upload log at:
<https://sites.google.com/site/feldhellclub/>
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at:
[https://sites.google.com/site/feldhellclub/Ho
me/contests/sprints/early-bird-sprint](https://sites.google.com/site/feldhellclub/Home/contests/sprints/early-bird-sprint)

North American RTTY QSO Party
18:00 UTC 19 July to 05:59 UTC 20 July
Geographic Focus: North America
Participation: Worldwide
Awards: North America
Mode: RTTY
Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m
Classes: Single Op - QRP or low; Single Op
Assisted - QRP or low; Multi-Two (Low)
Max operating hours: Single Op: 10 hours;
Multi-Two: 12 hours
Max power: LP: 100 watts; QRP: 5 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/DC (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: 05:59 UTC 27 July 2025
Upload log at:
<https://ncjweb.com/naqplsubmit/>
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: [www.ncjweb.com/NAQP-
Rules.pdf](http://www.ncjweb.com/NAQP-Rules.pdf)

RSGB International Low Power Contest
09:00 - 12:00 UTC and 13:00 - 16:00 UTC 20
July
Geographic Focus: Worldwide
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW
Bands: 80, 40, 20 m
Classes: Single Op - assisted or unassisted -
fixed or portable 10 W; Single Op - assisted or
unassisted - fixed or portable 5 W; Multi-Op -
assisted or unassisted - fixed or portable 10 W;
Multi-Op - assisted or unassisted - fixed or
portable 5 W
Exchange: RST, serial no and power
QSO Points: 15 points per QSO with 10 W/5 W
portable/mobile station; 10 points per QSO
with 10 W/5 W fixed station; 5 points per QSO
with non-QRP station
Multipliers: (none)

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points

Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 25 July 2025

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

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at:

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

Run for the Bacon QRP Contest

23:00 UTC 20 July to 01:00 UTC 21 July

Geographic Focus: Worldwide

Participation: Worldwide

Mode: CW

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

Classes: Single Band; All Band

Max power: 5 watts

Exchange: RST, state, province or country and member no or power

Work stations: Once per band

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: Each state, province, or country once; Multiply mults by 2 if >50 members worked

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

Submit logs by: 26 July 2025

E-mail logs to: (none)

Upload log at:

<http://qrptest.com/pigrun/autolog.php>

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at: <http://qrptest.com/pigrun/>

K1USN Slow Speed Test

00:00 - 01:00 UTC 21 July

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 23 July 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 21

July and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC 22 July

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 24 July 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 21 July

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 25 July 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=rules2>

Next Week's Contests

Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest, 01:00 - 01:59 UTC 22 July
SKCC Sprint, 00:00 - 02:00 UTC 23 July
Phone Weekly Test, 02:30 - 03:00 UTC 23 July
A1Club AWT, 11:45 - 13:00 UTC 23 July
CWops Test, 13:00 - 14:00 UTC and 19:00 - 20:00 UTC 23 July and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC and 07:00 - 08:00 UTC 24 July
Mini-Test 40, 17:00 - 17:59 UTC 23 July
Mini-Test 80, 18:00 - 18:59 UTC 23 July
RSGB 80m Data Club Championship, 19:00 - 20:30 UTC 24 July
QRP Fox Hunt, 01:00 - 02:30 UTC 25 July
NCCC FT4 Sprint, 01:00 - 01:30 UTC 25 July
Weekly RTTY Test, 01:45 - 02:15 UTC 25 July
NCCC Sprint, 02:30 - 03:00 UTC 25 July
K1USN Slow Speed Test, 20:00 - 21:00 UTC 25 July
MARAC US Counties QSO Party, 00:00 UTC 26 July to 24:00 UTC 27 July
FRAPR 10 m Contest, 00:00 UTC 26 July to 23:59 UTC 27 July
RSGB IOTA Contest, 12:00 UTC 26 July to 12:00 UTC 27 July
Alabama QSO Party, 15:00 UTC 26 July to 03:00 UTC 27 July
ARS Flight of the Bumblebees, 17:00 - 21:00 UTC 27 July
K1USN Slow Speed Test, 00:00 - 01:00 UTC 28 July
ICWC Medium Speed Test, 13:00 - 14:00 UTC and 19:00 - 20:00 UTC 28 July and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC 29 July
OK1WC Memorial, 16:30 - 17:29 UTC 28 July
RSGB FT4 Contest, 19:00 - 21:00 UTC 28 July
Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest, 01:00 - 01:59 UTC 29 July

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