



Happenings 1176

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Operators/Monitors Wanted for the Meteor Scatter QSO Party on 12 and 13 December

HamSCI - the Ham Radio Citizen Science Investigation programme - is looking for "ping jockeys," or amateur radio operators who enjoy making contacts via meteor scatter (MS), to take part in its Meteor Scatter QSO Party during the Geminids meteor shower on 12 and 13 December 2025. Operation will take place on the 10-metre and 6-metre bands only (28,145 and 50,260 MHz), using the MSK144 digital protocol. The event is a combination on-air contest and data collection for what HamSCI describes as an experiment "to analyse the feasibility of HF meteor scatter for future scientific research."

HamSCI pointed out that little research has been done on 10-metre meteor scatter, due to past symbol rate limits imposed by the FCC. Those limits were removed in early 2024.

The group is looking for both active operators (seeking and making contacts) and passive monitors, recording .WAV files of MS contacts and uploading them to PSK Reporter. Researchers will collect contact data from both 10 and 6 metres and will analyse that data offline, using PSK Reporter raw data, operator contact logs, and .WAV files.

HamSCI says the best operating times will be between 8 PM and 8 AM local time, and suggests announcing CQs on "Ping Jockey Central" (<https://www.pingjockey.net/cgi-bin/pingtalk> - especially for 10 metres) and the groups.io page (<https://groups.io/g/FrontRange6Meter/topics>) of the Front Range Six Metre Group (especially for 6 metres). For more information, including suggested operating procedures, visit www.hamsci.org/msqp.

The ARRL 10 Metre Contest

The ARRL 10-Metre Contest is right around the corner on Saturday 13 and Sunday 14 December. The contest has something for everyone, whether you are a newcomer with low power and wire antennas, or a long-established station with directional antennas. It is a 48-hour contest using CW and SSB, starting at 00:00 UTC on Saturday and running to 23:59 UTC on Sunday and you can operate as much as you want, there are no mandated off-times, as there are in some other

- December
- 10 - International Human Rights Day and Provincial school close (officially)
- 11 - International Mountain Day
- 12 and 13 - the Meteor Scatter QSO Party
- 13 and 14 - Geminids Meteor Shower and the ARRL 10 m contest
- 14 to 22 - Chanukah
- 16 - the Day of the Covenant
- 21 - Summer Solstice @ 15:02 UTC, Chanukah and the Ursids Meteor Shower
- 22 - Chanukah and the Ursids Meteor Shower
- 24 - Christmas Eve
- 25 - Christmas Day
- 26 - Day of Goodwill
- 31 - Old Year's Eve; the end of the YOTA Month, the SARL Centenary Marathon QSO Party and the DX Marathon

contests. There are entry categories for Single Operators and Multi-operators, so you can choose to operate with friends or go it alone. There is more information at <http://arrl.org/10-meter>, with the complete rules at <https://contests.arrl.org/ContestRules/10M-Rules.pdf>.

The SARL Happy Holidays Hunt

The SARL Happy Holidays Hunt aims to promote activity on air over the year-end holidays. Whether you are lucky enough to go on a vacation or must bargain on a staycation, with some extra time on hand, this is the perfect opportunity to enjoy the hunt for those Work all ZS (WAZS) and Work all Grid Squares (WAGS) QSOs.

The Holidays Hunt will run from 22:00 UTC on Sunday 14 December (00:00 CAT 15 December) to 22:00 UTC on Thursday 15 January 2026. Phone, CW and digital (FT8, FT4, VARAC) QSOs can be used on all the HF bands, 2 m simplex and 70 cm simplex – No repeater QSOs.

A station may be worked only once per band and per mode for points. E.g., a 40 m CW QSO and a 40 m Digital QSO with the same station counts 2 points and subsequent QSOs with that station on CW and Digital do not count for points.

Only QSOs with SADC countries will count towards points – Angola D2; Botswana A2; Comoros D6; Democratic Republic of Congo 9Q; Eswatini 3DA; Lesotho 7P; Madagascar 5R, 6X; Malawi 7Q; Mauritius 3B8, 3B9; Mozambique C8, C9; Namibia V5; Seychelles S7; Tanzania 5H; Zambia 9J; Zimbabwe Z2 and South Africa, ZU, ZR, ZS, ZT.

The exchange is your name, call sign, the four-character grid square you are operating from, a realistic RS, RST or RSQ report and a holiday greeting! Each QSO claimed for competition credit must be made by a living person.

You can participate as a Stayer – a station operated from your QTH – home; an Awayer – a portable / field station operated from a grid square outside of your QTH grid square or a Mixer – a combination of the above.

You score one (1) point for every QSO with ZS or SADC countries. DX QSOs do not score points. You score two (2) points for every QSO on the 30 m (*the band segment 10 120 kHz to 10 140 kHz may be used for SSB transmissions in Africa south of the equator during local daylight hours*) and two (2) points for every QSO on the 60 m band. (*Please note that most SADC countries have access to WRC-15 5 MHz allocation of 5 351.5 to 5 366.5 kHz with 15 Watt EIRP, only South Africa and Lesotho (possibly Mozambique) have access to 5 350.0 – 5 354.0 kHz. Therefore, arrange your 60 metre QSOs.*)

Multipliers. The first QSO with a ZS grid square counts as multiplier. Each grid square counts 1 point. If you work KG54, your grid multiplier will be 1. If you work KG54 and KG33, the multiplier will be 2. The multiplier increases by 1 for each new grid square worked. The same grid square worked on other bands or modes does not count towards the multiplier.

The first QSO on a band, counts as multiplier. This follows the same logic as grid squares. The first 40 m QSO (irrespective of mode) will earn you a band multiplier of 1. If you work 40 m and 20 m, the multiplier will be 2 and it increases by one for each new band worked.

The first QSO with any SADC country counts as multiplier. The same logic is followed as for the grid square and band multipliers.

Submit your log sheet in MS Excel, Cabrillo or ADIF format by 21:59 UTC on Friday 30 January, by e-mail to contest@sarl.org.za. When submitting your log, your call sign must appear at the start of the file name, e.g. 7P8DG 2025 Holiday Hunt.xlsx. The Excel log sheet is available at <https://mysarl.org.za/contest-resources/>.

An electronic placement certificate will be issued for the top three places and participants will receive a PDF participant certificate.

DX from Africa

(These count towards your All Africa Award)

South Africa, ZS. The special event stations ZS100SARL, ZS6SRL and ZS9HQ celebrate the 100th anniversary of the South African Radio League (SARL) until the end of 2025.

The Gambia, C5. Andre, ON7YK is once again active as C5YK from The Gambia until 25 January 2026. He operates SSB, digital modes and some CW on 20 to 10 metres. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, or direct only to his home call.

Morocco, CN. CN25JIM will be active between 8 and 21 December, and especially on 13 December, from the Middle Atlas mountain range of Morocco. The special call sign's suffix stands for Journee Internationale de la Montagne (International Mountain Day). QSL via operator's instructions.

South Sudan, Z8. It has been reported that Diya, YI1DZ, will once again be active as Z81D from Juba, South Sudan, starting around 14 December. Activity will be on 40 – 6 m using SSB and digital, with a "chance" to operate possibly on 80/60 m. QSL via OM3JW, ClubLog, LoTW or eQSL.

Mozambique 2026. From the Czech DXpedition Web page: <https://www.cdxp.cz/>. Update: CDXP Mozambique DXpedition Rescheduled to September–October 2026.

To our fellow amateurs and supporters, due to overlapping work and personal schedules across the CDXP teams, we are postponing our Mozambique DXpedition from the original January – February 2026 window to September – October 2026. This adjustment allows the full, intended team lineup to participate and helps ensure safe, well-coordinated logistics and the best possible on-air performance. What stays the same: the destination remains Mozambique and our operating goals, band / mode coverage and equipment plans are unchanged (subject to routine refinements). We appreciate your patience and support. We'll share further details as we approach the new time frame. The CDXP Team

African Islands

Down South

Antarctica, ZS7. From the Polar DX Group by F8DVD. Oleg, ZS1ANF, is once again active as ZS7ANF from Which Away Camp in Antarctica. The length of his stay is not known. Today's activity was on 20/15/10 m CW. QSL via RK1PWA, by the Bureau or direct. Do not send QSL cards to South Africa.



Contest Calendar

This week's contests as compiled by Bruce Horn, WA7BNM. The period covered is from 8 to 15 December 2025.

K1USN Slow Speed Test
00:00 - 01:00 UTC 8 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 10 December 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 8
December and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC 9 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 11 December 2025
Post log summary at: www.3830scores.com
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at:
<https://internationalcouncil.org/mst-contest/>



OK1WC Memorial (MWC)
16:30 - 17:29 UTC 8 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 12 December 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>

Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest
01:00 - 01:59 UTC 9 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 10 December 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>

DARC CW-Training Contest
18:00 - 18:59 UTC 9 December
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW
Bands: 80 m Only
Classes: Single-Op
Max power: LP: 100 watts
Exchange: DE: RST and DOK/NM; non-DE: RST
and serial no
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO
Multipliers: Each prefix; Each DOK

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
Submit logs by: 16 December 2025
E-mail logs to: (none)
Upload log at:
<https://dxhf2.darc.de/~accwlog/upload.cgi?form=referat&lang=de>
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: www.darc.de/der-club/referate/conteste/cwa/darc-cw-training-rules/

NAQCC CW Sprint
01:30 - 03:30 UTC 10 December
Geographic Focus: United States/Canada
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW
Bands: 80, 40, 20 m
Classes: (none)
Max power: 5 watts
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 13 December 2025
E-mail logs to: (none)
Upload log at:
<http://naqcc.info/autologger.php>
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at:
http://naqcc.info/sprint_rules.html

QRP Fox Hunt
02:00 - 03:30 UTC 10 December
Geographic Focus: United States
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW
Bands: 40 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 11 December 2025
E-mail logs to: (see rules)
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at:
www.qrpfhxhunt.org/winter_rules.htm



Phone Weekly Test
02:30 - 03:00 UTC 10 December
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 12 December 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 10 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: 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: 15 December 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 10
December and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC and 07:00 -
08:00 UTC 11 December

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 13 December 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 10 December

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: 12 December 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 10 December

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: 12 December 2025

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

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at: <http://minitest.narod.ru/>

NCCC FT4 Sprint

01:00 - 01:30 UTC 12 December

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: 14 December 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 12 December
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: 14 December 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 12 December
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 13 December 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 12 December
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: 14 December 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>



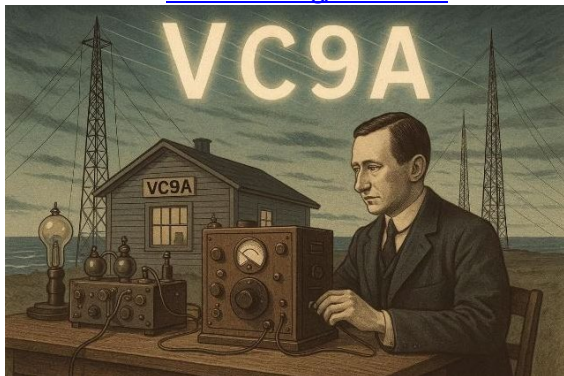
K1USN Slow Speed Test

20:00 - 21:00 UTC 12 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 14 December 2025
Post log summary at: www.3830scores.com
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: www.k1usn.com/sst.html

ARRL 10-Metre Contest

00:00 UTC 13 December to 24:00 UTC 14 December
Geographic Focus: Worldwide

Participation: Worldwide
 Mode: CW, Phone
 Bands: 10 m Only
 Classes: Single Op - QRP, low or high - CW, phone or mixed; Single Op Unlimited - QRP, low or high - CW, phone or mixed; Single Op Overlay: (Limited Antennas); Multi-Single - low or high
 Max operating hours: 36 hours
 Max power: HP: 1 500 watts; LP: 100 watts; QRP: 5 watts
 Exchange: W/VE: RST and State/Province; XE: RST and State; DX: RST and serial no; MM: RST and ITU Region
 QSO Points: 2 points per Phone QSO; 4 points per CW QSO
 Multipliers: Each US State and DC once per mode; Each VE Province/Territory once per mode; Each XE State once per mode; Each DXCC Country once per mode; Each ITU Region (MM only) once per mode
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
 Submit logs by: 21 December 2025
 E-mail logs to: (none)
 Upload log at: <https://contest-log-submission.arrl.org>
 Mail logs to: 10 Metre Contest, ARRL, 225 Main St., Newington, CT 06111, USA
 Find rules at: www.arrl.org/10-meter



PODXS 070 Club Triple Play Low Band Sprint
 00:00 UTC 13 December to 23:59 UTC 15 December
 Geographic Focus: Worldwide
 Participation: Worldwide
 Mode: PSK31
 Bands: 160, 80, 40 m
 Classes: HP/MP/LP/QRP
 Max operating hours: 6 hrs per UTC day
 Max power: HP: 100 watts; 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 per QSO on 40 m; 2 points per QSO on 80 m; 3 points per QSO on 160 m
 Multipliers: Each state, province and DXCC country once only
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
 Submit logs by: 22 December 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/triple-play-low-band-sprint

TRC Digi Contest
 06:00 UTC 13 December to 18:00 UTC 14 December
 Geographic Focus: Worldwide
 Participation: Worldwide
 Mode: RTTY
 Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m
 Classes: Single Op All Band - QRP, low or high; Single Op 3 Band - low or high; Single Op Single Band; Multi-Single
 Max operating hours: 24 hrs for single ops
 Max power: HP: >100 W; LP: 100 W; QRP: 5 W
 Exchange: TRC Members: RST, serial no and "TRC"; non-TRC Members: RST and serial no
 Work stations: Once per band
 QSO Points: 10 points per QSO with TRC member; 1 point per QSO with same continent; 2 points per QSO with different continent; 1 point per QSO between TRC members
 Multipliers: Each TRC member country once per band; Each country once per band
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
 Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 21 December 2025
 E-mail logs to: trcdxc@trcdx.org
 Upload log at: <https://trcdx.org/upload-logs/>
 Mail logs to: Atanas Kolev, PO Box 49, 6100 Kazanlak, Bulgaria
 Find rules at: <https://trcdx.org/rules-trc-digi/>

SKCC Weekend Sprintathon
 12:00 UTC 13 December to 24:00 UTC 14 December
 Geographic Focus: Worldwide

Participation: Worldwide
 Awards: Worldwide
 Mode: CW
 Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10, 6 m
 Classes: Single Op - QRP, low or high; Multi-Op
 Exchange: RST, state, province or country, name and SKCC no or none
 Work stations: Once per band
 QSO Points: 1 point per QSO
 Bonus 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: 23:59 UTC 21 December 2025
 Post log summary at:
www.skccgroup.com/operating_activities/weekend_sprintathon/submit-display.php
 Mail logs to: (none)
 Find rules at:
www.skccgroup.com/operating_activities/weekend_sprintathon/

ARI 40/80 Contest
 13:00 UTC 13 December to 12:59 UTC 14 December
 Geographic Focus: Italy
 Participation: Italy
 Awards: Italy
 Mode: Phone, CW, Digital
 Bands: 80, 40 m
 Classes: Single Op All Band - CW, SSB, digital or mixed - QRP or high
 Single Op Single Band Mixed; Single Op
 Overlays: Rookie or Youth; Multi-Single; Multi-Multi; SWL
 Max power: HP: >5 watts; QRP: 5 watts
 Exchange: RS(T) and 2-letter province car code
 Work stations: Once per mode per band
 QSO Points: 1 point per phone QSO; 2 points per digital QSO; 3 points per CW QSO
 Multipliers: Each Italian province once per mode per band
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
 Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 19 December 2025
 E-mail logs to: (none)
 Upload log at: www.ari.it/en/contest-hf/contest-4080/regolamento-contest-4080.html
 Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at: www.ari.it/en/contest-hf/contest-4080.html

International Naval Contest
 16:00 UTC 13 December to 15:59 UTC 14 December
 Geographic Focus: Europe
 Participation: Worldwide
 Mode: CW, SSB
 Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m
 Classes: Naval Single Op All Band - CW, SSB or mixed; Naval Club Station; non-Naval; SWL
 Max operating hours: 24 hours
 Exchange: Naval Club Member: RS(T), Club and member no; non-Naval Club Member: RS(T) and serial no
 Work stations: Once per band
 QSO Points: Naval Club Members: 10 points; non-Naval Club Members: 1 point
 Multipliers: Naval Club Members, once regardless of band
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
 Submit logs by: 31 December 2025
 E-mail logs to: contest@assoradiomarinai.it
 Mail logs to: (none)
 Find rules at:
www.marinefreunde.com/eng/inc.html



QRP ARCI Holiday Spirits Sprint
 20:00 - 23:00 UTC 14 December
 Geographic Focus: Worldwide
 Participation: Worldwide
 Mode: CW
 Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m
 Classes: All Bands; Single Band; High Bands; Low Bands; Multi-Op; DX
 Exchange: RST, state, province or country and ARCI number or power
 Work stations: Once per band
 QSO Points: ARCI Member: 5 points; Non-Member Different Continent: 4 points; Non-Member Same Continent: 2 points; Bonus

points per band: 2 000 for HB xmtr, 3 000 for HB rcvr, 5 000 for HB transcvr; Bonus points: 5 000 for battery power portable with temporary antenna (not once per band)
 Multipliers: States, once per band; VE Provinces, once per band; Countries, once per band; Power Mult: x1 >5W, x7 1-5W, x10 250mW-1W, 15x 55-250mW, 20x <55mW
 Score Calculation: Total score = (total QSO points x (state mults and province mults and country mults) x power mult) and bonus points
 Submit logs by: 23 December 2025
 E-mail logs to: (none)
 Upload log at: www.qrpcontest.com
 Mail logs to: (none)
 Find rules at:
<http://qrparci.org/contest/holiday-spirit-sprint>



K1USN Slow Speed Test
 00:00 - 01:00 UTC 15 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 17 December 2025
 Post log summary at: www.3830scores.com
 Mail logs to: (none)
 Find rules at: www.k1usn.com/sst.html

4 States QRP Group Second Sunday Sprint
 01:00 - 03:00 UTC 15 December
 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: 17 December 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

ICWC Medium Speed Test
 13:00 - 14:00 UTC and 19:00 - 20:00 UTC 15 December and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC 16 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 December 18, 2025
 Post log summary at: www.3830scores.com
 Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at:
<https://internationalcouncil.org/mst-contest/>

OK1WC Memorial (MWC)
16:30 - 17:29 UTC 15 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 December 19, 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 16 December
NAQCC CW Sprint, 01:30 - 03:30 UTC 17 December
QRP Fox Hunt, 02:00 - 03:30 UTC 17 December
Phone Weekly Test, 02:30 - 03:00 UTC 17 December
A1Club AWT, 11:45 - 13:00 UTC 17 December
CWops Test, 13:00 - 14:00 UTC and 19:00 - 20:00 UTC 17 December and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC and 07:00 - 08:00 UTC 18 December
Mini-Test 40, 17:00 - 17:59 UTC 17 December
Mini-Test 80, 18:00 - 18:59 UTC 17 December
Walk for the Bacon QRP Contest, 00:00 - 01:00 UTC 18 December and 02:00 - 03:00 UTC 19 December
NTC QSO Party, 19:00 - 20:00 UTC 18 December
NCCC FT4 Sprint, 01:00 - 01:30 UTC 19 December
Weekly RTTY Test, 01:45 - 02:15 UTC 19 December
QRP Fox Hunt, 02:00 - 03:30 UTC 19 December
NCCC Sprint, 02:30 - 03:00 UTC 19 December
AGB-Party Contest, 16:00 - 17:00 UTC 19 December
K1USN Slow Speed Test, 20:00 - 21:00 UTC 19 December
Feld Hell Sprint, 00:00 - 23:59 UTC 20 December
OK DX RTTY Contest, 00:00 - 24:00 UTC 20 December
RAC Winter Contest, 00:00 - 23:59 UTC 20 December
Croatian DX Contest, 14:00 UTC 20 December to 14:00 UTC 21 December
ARRL Rookie CW Roundup, 18:00 - 23:59 UTC 21 December
Run for the Bacon QRP Contest, 23:00 UTC 21 December to 01:00 UTC 22 December
K1USN Slow Speed Test, 00:00 - 01:00 UTC 22 December
ICWC Medium Speed Test, 13:00 - 14:00 UTC and 19:00 - 20:00 UTC 22 December and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC 23 December
OK1WC Memorial, 16:30 - 17:29 UTC 22 December
Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest, 01:00 - 01:59 UTC 23 December

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