



HF Happenings 1213

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SOTA Activity for September

There are two opportunities in September for SOTA activity. On Saturday 12 September, you can look towards Europe for DX QSOs during the European SOTA Day. Then on the weekend of 19 and 20 September you can participate in the ZS SOTA Spring Activity Weekend. Get more information on page 72 of the 2026 SARL Contest Manual. Start your planning and share your plans on the ZS-SOTA WhatsApp group.

The October Radio Amateur Exam

The October 2026 Radio Amateur Exam will be written on Saturday 10 October at various exam centres around the country. The closing date for registration for the October RAE is Tuesday 15 September 2026. Do not wait until the last moment to get your registration and the supporting documents to the RAE Team. Visit <https://mysarl.org.za/rae-radio-amateur-examination/> for all the information.

Can artificial intelligence help improve your contesting skills?

John Myers, WG8X, wrote in the current newsletter of the Portage County (Ohio) Amateur Radio Service newsletter that he was inspired to give it a try after a mention of using AI to examine contest logs by Hal Kennedy, N4GG, at last May's Contest University in Dayton. Myers wrote that he gave ChatGPT a link to the rules for the North American QSO Party and "asked for guidance as to how to maximize my score." He reported that the response, "personalized to my own situation, was nothing short of amazing. It broke down the 12-hour contest into smaller bite-size nuggets showing

September

- 11 to 13 - Rosh Hashanah
- 12 - the European SOTA Day and the Africa FT4 DX Contest
- 15 - October RAE registration closes
- 18 to 24 - the IARU Region 1 General Conference
- 19 and 20 - the ZS SOTA Activity Weekend
- 20 and 21 - Yom Kippur
- 23 - the Spring Equinox, provincial Schools close and International Day of Sign Languages
- 24 - National Braai Day and Heritage Day
- 26 - World Maritime Day
- 26 and 27 - the CQ WW RTTY contest
- 27 - World Tourism Day
- 30 - International Translation Day

October

- 1 - the SARL 80 m QSO Party
- 3 - the East Rand Boot Sale
- 4 - the AWA SSB Valve QSO Party
- 5 - World Teachers' Day
- 6 - Provincial Schools open
- 7 - Draconids Meteor Shower
- 9 - World Postal Day
- 10 - Radio Amateur Examination
- 12 - World Migratory Bird Day
- 14 - Early Morning Coffee QSO Party

me when to spend time on a band or move.” Myers said AI also provided impressive after-contest analysis and suggested that it might also help other testers as well.

Musician and ARRL Life Member Lauren Speeth, KK6NGE, has developed a unique way to learn Morse code, using electric bass and puppies!

Her free MorseBass.com website combines music and visuals to help learners recognize and remember CW characters. The site also includes a list of common “CW Chat Words” commonly used in on-air QSOs, helping learners quickly recognize frequently used words.

DX from Africa

(These count towards your All Africa Award)

Tanzania, 5H. Maurizio, IK2GZU will be active again as 5H3MB from Tanzania from 18 October to 18 November, while doing volunteer work at a local school. In his spare time, he will operate SSB, CW and digital modes on 80 to 10 metres and via QO-100. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW and eQSL, or via IK2GZU (direct or bureau).

Democratic Republic of Congo, 9Q. The DXpedition to the Democratic Republic of Congo 9T0MD is still confirmed to take place from 30 September to 11 October. The Mediterranean DX Club is conducting a survey to find out on which bands and modes the DRC is most needed, so that they can plan their operations accordingly www.mdxclub.org/9t0md/survey/.

African Islands

(These unfortunately do not count towards your All Africa Award)

Seychelles, S7. Kasimir, DL2SBY will be active again as S79/DL2SBY from Mahe (AF-024), Seychelles between 11 and 21 September. He will operate CW, SSB and digital on the HF bands with verticals and an inverted vee and on 6 metres with a 5-element yagi. QSL via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS, or direct to home call.

Cape Verde, D4. Harald, DF2WO is active again as D44TWO from Praia, Santiago Island (AF-005) until mid-September. He operates CW, SSB and digital on various bands and via QO-100. See qrz.com for more information. QSL via M0OXO's OQRS.

Contest Calendar

This week's contests as compiled by Bruce Horn, WA7BNM. The period covered is from 7 to 14 September 2026.

K1USN Slow Speed Test
00:00 - 01:00 UTC 7 September
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 9 September 2026
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 7 September and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC 8 September

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 10 September 2026
 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 7 September
 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 11 September 2026
 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>

RSGB 80 m SSB Autumn Series
 19:00 - 20:30 UTC 7 September
 Status: Active historically, but unconfirmed
 Geographic Focus: United Kingdom
 Participation: Worldwide
 Mode: SSB
 Bands: 80 m Only
 Classes: 100 W; 10 W
 Exchange: RS and serial no
 QSO Points: 1 point per QSO
 Multipliers: (none)
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points
 Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 10 September 2026
 Upload log at: www.rsgbcc.org/cgi-bin/hfenter.pl
 Mail logs to: (none)
 Find rules at: www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2026/rautumn.shtml

MI QRP Labour Day CW Sprint
 23:00 UTC 7 September to 03:00 UTC 8 September
 Status: Active, but no recent results
 Geographic Focus: Worldwide
 Participation: Worldwide
 Mode: CW
 Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10, 6 m
 Classes: (none)
 Max power: 5 Watts
 Exchange: RST and state, province or country and member no or power output
 Work stations: Once per band
 QSO Points: 5 points per QSO with members; 2 points per QSO with non-member W/VE stations; 4 points per QSO with non-member DX stations
 Multipliers: Each state, province or country, once per band; Bonus: multiply total points by 1.25 if xmtr or receiver is homebrew; Bonus: multiply total points by 1.5 if both xmtr and receiver are homebrew; Bonus: work WQ8RP for a bonus multiplier (see rules)
 Score Calculation:
 Total score = bonus multiplier x total QSO points x total mults
 Submit logs by: 21 September 2026
 E-mail logs to: N8LJ[at]arrl[dot]net
 Post log summary at: www.miqrp.net/contest-challenge

Mail logs to: Lee Dziekan, N8LJ, 2735 Miller Rd,
Metamora, MI 48455, USA
Find rules at: <https://migrp.net/contest>

ARS Spartan Sprint: 00:00 - 02:00 UTC 8
September
Geographic Focus: North America
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW
Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m
Classes: Skinny or Tubby
Max power: 5 watts
Exchange: RST and state, province or country
and power
Work stations: Once per band
Submit logs by: 10 September 2026
E-mail logs to: (none)
Post log summary at: www.3830scores.com/
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: [http://ars-
grp.com/Spartan_Sprint/Spartan_Sprint.html](http://ars-grp.com/Spartan_Sprint/Spartan_Sprint.html)

Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest
01:00 - 01:59 UTC 8 September
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 9 September 2026
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 8 September

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: 15 September 2026
E-mail logs to: (none)
Upload log at:
[https://dxhf2.darc.de/~accwlog/upload.cgi?for
m=referat&lang=de](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/](http://www.darc.de/der-club/referate/conteste/cwa/darc-cw-training-rules/)



Tuesday's Telegraphy Contest
19:30 - 20:20 UTC 8 September
Geographic Focus: Worldwide
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW
Bands: 80, 40 m
Classes: Single-Op All Band - QRP, low or high;
Single-Op Single Band - QRP, low or high
Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100 watts;
QRP: 5 watts
Exchange: RST and serial no
Work stations: Once per band per 15-minute
period
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO
points
Submit logs by: 20:20 UTC 9 September 2026
E-mail logs to: (none)
Upload log at: <https://spcwc.pl/upload>
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: <https://spcwc.pl/ttc/rules/en>

Phone Weekly Test
02:30 - 03:00 UTC 9 September
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 11 September 2026
 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)



A1Club AWT
 11:45 - 13:00 UTC 9 September
 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: 14 September 2026
 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 9 September and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC and 07:00 - 08:00 UTC 10 September
 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 12 September 2026
 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 9 September
 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: 11 September 2026
 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 9 September
 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: 11 September 2026
 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 11 September
 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: 13 September 2026
 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 11 September
 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: 13 September 2026

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 Ladder
 02:30 - 03:00 UTC 11 September
 Geographic Focus: North America
 Participation: Worldwide
 Mode: CW
 Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 m
 Classes: Single Op
 Max power: 100 watts
 Exchange: Serial no, name and QTH
 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 KL7 and KH6) once per band; Each VE province 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: 13 September 2026
 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 11 September
 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 13 September 2026
 Post log summary at: www.3830scores.com
 Mail logs to: (none)
 Find rules at: www.k1usn.com/sst.html



K1USN SST Open
 20:00 - 23:59 UTC 11 September
 Status: Active, but no recent results
 Geographic Focus: Worldwide
 Participation: Worldwide
 Mode: CW
 Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m
 Classes: Single Op - QRP, low or high; Academy Single Op - QRP, low or high
 Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100 watts; QRP: 5 watts
 Exchange: Name and state, province or country
 Work stations: Once per band
 QSO Points: 1 point per QSO 50 additional points for each QSO with K1USN
 Multipliers: Each state, province or country once per band; Speed Mult: 20 wpm or less: x1, 15 wpm or less: x2, 10 wpm or less: 3x
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total SPC mults x speed mult
 Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 13 September 2026
 Post log summary at: www.3830scores.com
 Mail logs to: (none)
 Find rules at: www.k1usn.com/sso_rules.html

WAE DX SSB Contest
 00:00 UTC 12 September to 23:59 UTC 13 September
 Geographic Focus: Europe

Participation: Worldwide
 Mode: SSB
 Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m
 Classes: Single Op - high or low Multi-Op
 Max operating hours: Single Op: 36 hours, off times of at least 60 minutes; Multi-Single: 48 hours
 Max power: HP: >100 Watts; LP: 100 Watts
 Exchange: RS and serial no
 Work stations: Once per band
 Score Calculation: (see rules)
 Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 20 September 2026
 E-mail logs to: (none)
 Upload log at: <https://dxhf2.darc.de/~waessblog/upload.cgi?form=referat&lang=en>
 Mail logs to: (none)
 Find rules at: www.darc.de/der-club/referate/referat-conteste/worked-all-europe-dx-contest/en/



SKCC Weekend Sprintathon
 12:00 UTC 12 September to 24:00 UTC 13 September
 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 20 September 2026
 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/



SEANET Contest

12:00 UTC 12 September to 12:00 UTC 13 September

Status: Active, but no recent results

Geographic Focus: Southeast Asia/Oceania

Participation: Worldwide

Mode: CW, SSB

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

Classes: Single Op - high or low; Single Op Youth (age 19 - 25); Multi-Single

Exchange: RS(T) and serial no

Work stations: Once per band

QSO Points: SEANET: 5 points per QSO with SEANET station; non-SEANET: 2 points per QSO with SEANET station

Multipliers: Each SEANET prefix once per band

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

Submit logs by: 15 October 2026

E-mail logs to: [contest\[at\]dxindia\[dot\]in](mailto:contest@dxindia.in)

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at: <https://dxindia.in/seanet-contest-2026.html>

Colorado QSO Party

14:00 UTC 12 September to 03:59 UTC 13 September

Geographic Focus: United States/Canada state/province QSO party

Participation: Worldwide

Mode: CW, Phone

Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, 10, 6, 2 m

Classes: Single Op Fixed - CW, phone or mixed - QRP, low or high; Multi-Single; Colorado Mobile Single Op - CW, phone or mixed - low; Colorado Portable Single Op - CW, phone or mixed - QRP or low

Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100 watts; QRP: 5 watts

Exchange: CO: RS(T) and county; W/VE: RS(T) and state or province; DX: RS(T) and "DX"

Work stations: Once per band per mode per CO county

QSO Points: 2 points per QSO

Multipliers: CO Stations: Each CO county, state, VE province, 1 DX, once per mode; Non-CO:

Each county once per mode

Score Calculation: (see rules)

Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 19 September 2026

E-mail logs to: (none)

Upload log at: <https://coqp.contesting.com/>

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at: <https://coloradoqsoparty.org/>



New Jersey QSO Party

14:00 UTC 12 September to 02:00 UTC 13 September

Status: Active historically, but unconfirmed

Geographic Focus: United States/Canada

state/province QSO party

Participation: Worldwide

Mode: CW, Phone, Digital

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

Classes: Single Op - QRP, low or high; Multi-Op - QRP, low or high; Mobile/Rover/Portable - QRP or low; Rookie as overlay to any other class

Max power: HP: 150 W or greater; LP: <150 W; QRP: 5 W

Exchange: NJ: RS(T) and county; non-NJ: RS(T) and state, province or DX

Work stations: Once per band per mode

QSO Points: 1 point per phone QSO; 2 points per CW or Digital QSO
 Multipliers: NJ Station: Each NJ county, state (other than NJ), VE province, 1 DX once; Non-NJ Station: Each NJ county once; Power: 4X-QRP, 2X-LP, 1X-HP
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults x power mult
 Submit logs by: 1 October 2026
 E-mail logs to:
 NewJerseyQSOParty[at]gmail[dot]com
 Mail logs to: (none)
 Find rules at:
<https://sites.google.com/view/k2td-bcrc/nj-qp/rules>

Ohio State Parks on the Air
 14:00 - 22:00 UTC 12 September
 Geographic Focus: United States/Canada state/province QSO party
 Participation: Worldwide
 Mode: CW, SSB
 Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m
 Classes: Single Op OH Park - high or low; Multi-Single OH Park - high or low; Multi-Multi OH Park - high or low; Multi-Park - high or low; Ohio Non-Park; Outside of Ohio
 Max power: LP: 100 watts; HP: >100 watts
 Exchange: OH Park: park abbreviation; OH: "Ohio"; W/VE: (state/province); DX: "DX"
 Work stations: Once per band per mode
 QSO Points: 1 point per QSO
 Multipliers: Each OH park once
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
 Submit logs by: 26 September 2026
 E-mail logs to: LOGS[at]ospota[dot]org
 Mail logs to: (none)
 Find rules at: <http://ospota.org/>

Africa FT4 DX Contest
 15:00 - 18:00 UTC 12 September
 Status: Active, but no recent results
 Geographic Focus: Africa
 Participation: Worldwide
 Mode: FT4
 Bands: 80, 40, 20 m
 Classes: Single-Op
 Max power: 100 watts
 Exchange: Signal report and 4-character grid square

Work stations: Once per band
 QSO Points: 6 points per QSO between stations in AF countries; 4 points per QSO between stations in the same AF country; 1 point per QSO between AF station and non-AF station
 Multipliers: (none)
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points
 Submit logs by: 21:59 UTC 17 September 2026
 E-mail logs to: contestatzs6wrddotcodotza
 Mail logs to: (none)
 Find rules at: <https://mysarl.org.za/contest-resources/>



North American CW Sprint
 00:00 - 04:00 UTC 13 September
 Geographic Focus: North America
 Participation: Worldwide
 Awards: North America
 Mode: CW
 Bands: 80, 40, 20 m
 Classes: Single Op - QRP, low or high
 Max operating hours: 4 hours
 Max power: HP: 1 500 watts; LP: 100 watts; QRP: 5 watts
 Exchange: other station's call, your call, serial no, your name and your state, province or country
 QSY rule: CQing station must QSY after QSO
 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; Each VE province/territory once; Each North American country (except W/VE) once
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
 Submit logs by: 04:00 UTC 20 September 2026
 E-mail logs to: (none)

Upload log at:

www.ncjweb.com/sprintlogssubmit/

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at: <https://ncjweb.com/Sprint-Rules.pdf>



4 States QRP Group Second Sunday Sprint

00:00 - 02:00 UTC 14 September

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 September 2026

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_revised_02_2026.pdf

K1USN Slow Speed Test

00:00 - 01:00 UTC 14 September

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 September 2026

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 September and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC 15 September

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 September 2026

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 September

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 September 2026
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 15 September
Tuesday's Telegraphy Contest 19:30 - 20:20 UTC 15 September
Phone Weekly Test 02:30 - 03:00 UTC 16 September
A1Club AWT 11:45 - 13:00 UTC 16 September
CWops Test 13:00 - 14:00 UTC and 19:00 - 20:00 UTC 16 September and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC and 07:00 - 08:00 UTC 17 September
Mini-Test 40 17:00 - 17:59 UTC 16 September
Mini-Test 80 18:00 - 18:59 UTC 16 September
RSGB 80m Autumn Series, CW 19:00 - 20:30 UTC 16 September
Walk for the Bacon QRP Contest 00:00 - 01:00 UTC 17 September and 02:00 - 03:00 UTC 18 September
NAQCC CW Sprint 00:30 - 02:30 UTC 17 September
BCC QSO Party 18:00 - 19:59 UTC 17 September
NTC QSO Party 19:00 - 20:00 UTC 17 September
NCCC FT4 Sprint 01:00 - 01:30 UTC 18 September
Weekly RTTY Test 01:45 - 02:15 UTC 18 September
NCCC Sprint 02:30 - 03:00 UTC 18 September
AGB NEMIGA Contest 16:00 - 17:00 UTC 18 September
K1USN Slow Speed Test 20:00 - 21:00 UTC 18 September
FRAPR 10 m Contest 00:00 UTC 19 September to 23:59 UTC 20 September
Scandinavian Activity Contest, CW 12:00 UTC 19 September to 12:00 UTC 20 September
Texas QSO Party 14:00 UTC 19 September to 02:00 UTC 20 September and 14:00 - 20:00 UTC 20 September
Iowa QSO Party 14:00 UTC 19 September to 02:00 UTC 20 September
QRP Afield 15:00 - 21:00 UTC 19 September
New Hampshire QSO Party 16:00 UTC 19 September to 04:00 UTC 20 September and 12:00 - 22:00 UTC 20 September
Washington State Salmon Run 16:00 UTC 19 September to 07:00 UTC 20 September and 16:00 - 24:00 UTC 20 September
Wisconsin Parks on the Air 16:00 - 23:00 UTC 19 September
Feld Hell Sprint 18:00 - 19:59 UTC 19 September
North American Sprint, RTTY 00:00 - 04:00 UTC 20 September
ARS Flight of the Bumblebees 17:00 - 21:00 UTC 20 September
BARTG Sprint PSK63 Contest 17:00 - 20:59 UTC 20 September
Run for the Bacon QRP Contest 23:00 UTC 20 September to 01:00 UTC 21 September
K1USN Slow Speed Test 00:00 - 01:00 UTC 21 September
ICWC Medium Speed Test 13:00 - 14:00 UTC and 19:00 - 20:00 UTC 21 September and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC 22 September
OK1WC Memorial 16:30 - 17:29 UTC 21 September
Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest 01:00 - 01:59 UTC 22 September
Tuesday's Telegraphy Contest 19:30 - 20:20 UTC 22 September

Contest Results (published as received!)

2026 SARL HF Contests

2026 SARL HF Phone Single operator - All Band			
1st	ZS1TG	Gerhard	134
2nd	ZR1CZ	Chloe	123
3rd	ZR6TVK	Veronika	101
4th	ZS1SPB	S.P.	86
5th	ZS2EC	Theunis	81
6th	ZR6LC	Lee	68
7th	ZS6HI	Keith	65
8th	ZS5PL/6	Peter	53
	ZS5ZG	Jurie	53
10th	ZS2OD	Odette	50
11th	V51MJ	Martin	49
	ZS1ZAN	Nico	49
13th	ZS2TW	Toinette	47
14th	ZS1CF	Charles	42
15th	ZS2D	Dylan	40
16th	ZS6BIL	Brett	38
17th	ZR1JS	Juan-Jacques	33
18th	ZS5YH	Heather	30
19th	ZS1RBT	James	27
20th	ZS1YR	Roy	25
21st	ZS6GEB	Gert	22

2026 SARL HF Phone Single Operator - Single Band

1st	ZS1WT	Jasper	145
2nd	ZS5JR	Daniel	136
3rd	ZS5DCF	Deon	103
4th	ZS6LZ	Brandon	95
5th	A25MDV	Matthew	88
6th	ZS1PIG	Trevor	40
7th	ZS5MRB	Martin	38
8th	A2NEW	John Keith	32
	ZS6JOH	Johannes	30
10th	ZS1N	Nick	29
11th	ZS6BK	Bruce	28
12th	ZS6TVZ	Tiens	13
13th	ZS6CRZ	Pauo S	6

2026 SARL HF Phone Multi-operator - All Band

1st	ZS1CRG	ZS1CRG	108
2nd	ZS6WR	WRARC	91

2026 SARL HF Digital Single operator - All Band

1st	ZS6HI	Keith	75
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2nd	ZS6BIL	Brett	66
3rd	ZR6TVK	Veronika	64
4th	ZR6LC	Lee	58
5th	ZS1A	Johan	50
6th	ZS6JVD	Johan	39
7th	ZS1RCM	Richard	38
8th	ZR6AGA	Andre	32
9th	ZS1IB	Ingo	26
	ZS1RBT	James	26
11th	ZS2EC	Theunis	7

2026 SARL HF Digital Single Operator - Single Band

1st	ZS1TG	Gerhard	34
2nd	ZR2SAP	Shaun	33
3rd	ZS1WT	Jasper	32
4th	ZS1SI	Simon	31
	ZS6MDV	Matthew	31
6th	V51MJ	Martin	29
	ZS6GEB	Gert	29
8th	V51MA	Mike	27
9th	ZS6TVZ	Tiens	19
10th	ZR6DJV	Deon	15
11th	ZS6MDX	Mark	9
12th	ZS6JSX	Jean	3

2026 SARL HF Digital Multi-operator - All Band

1st	ZS6WR	WRARK	76
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2026 SARL HF CW Single operator - All Band

1st	ZS5PL	Peter	33
2nd	ZS6UT	Ed	29
3rd	ZS6HI	Keith	28
4th	ZR6LC	Lee	25
5th	ZS2G	Andrew	21

2026 SARL HF CW Single Operator - Single Band

1st	ZS5CN	Ludwig	27
2nd	ZS1CF	Charles	26
	ZS6BK	Bruce	26
4th	V51MJ	Martin	21
5th	ZS6BNE	Eddie	20
6th	ZS6MSW	Michael	18
7th	ZS6MDV	Matthew	17
8th	ZS4AA	Johan	9
9th	J12MED	Manabu	3

2026 SARL HF CW Multi-operator - All Band

1st	ZS6WR	WRARC	39
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2026 SARL HF Aggregate Overall

1st	ZS6WR	The West Rand ARC	206
2nd	ZS1WT	Jasper	177
3rd	ZS1TG	Gerhard	168
	ZS6HI	Keith	168
5th	ZR6TVK	Veronika	165
6th	ZR6LC	Lee	151
7th	ZS5JR	Daniel	136
	A25MDV & ZS6MDV	Matthew	136
9th	ZR1CZ	Chloe	123
10th	ZS1CRG	The Cape Radio Group	108
11th	ZS6BIL	Brett	104
12th	ZS5DCF	Deon	103
13th	V51MJ	Martin	99
14th	ZS6LZ	Brandon	95
15th	ZS2EC	Theunis	88
16th	ZS1SPB	S.P.	86
	ZS5PL	Peter	86
18th	ZS1CF	Charles	68
19th	ZS6BK	Bruce	54
20th	ZS1RBT	James	53
	ZS5ZG	Jurie	53
22nd	ZS6GEB	Gert	51
23rd	ZS1A	Johan	50
	ZS2OD	Odette	50
25th	ZS1ZAN	Nico	49
26th	ZS2TW	Toinette	47
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	ZS6UT	Ed	29
42nd	V51MA	Mike	27
	ZS5CN	Ludwig	27
44th	ZS1IB	Ingo	26
45th	ZS1YR	Roy	25
46th	ZS2G	Andrew	21
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48th	ZS6MSW	Michael	18
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52nd	ZS6CRZ	Pauo S	6
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	ZS6JSX	Jean	3

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2026 SARL HF Digital YL Single operator - All Band

1st	ZR6TVK	Veronika	64
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2026 SARL HF Phone Youth - Single Operator - All Band

1st	ZR1CZ	Chloe	123
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