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# The 32nd Annual CQ World-Wide WPX Contest

**SSB: March 26–27, 1988**

**CW: May 28–29, 1988**

**Starts: 0000 GMT Saturday**

**Ends: 2400 GMT Sunday**

**I. Contest Period:** Only 30 hours of the 48 hour contest period permitted for Single Operator stations. **Off periods must be a minimum of 60 minutes in length and clearly marked in the log.** Multi-operator stations may operate the full 48 hours.

**II. Objective:** Object of the contest is for amateurs around the world to contact as many amateurs in other parts of the world as possible during the contest period.

**III. Bands:** The 1.8, 3.5, 7, 14, 21, and 28 MHz bands may be used. No WARC bands.

**IV. Type of Competition:** 1. Single Operator (a) All Band, (b) Single Band (one entry per operator). 2. Multi-operator, All Band only. (a) Single Transmitter (only one transmitter and one band permitted during the same time period, defined as 10 minutes, no exception), (b) Multi-Transmitter (one signal per band permitted).

**NOTE:** All transmitters must be located within a 500 meter diameter or within the property limits of the station licensee's

address, whichever is greater. The antennas must be physically connected by wires to the transmitter.

**V. Exchange:** RS(T) report plus a progressive three-digit contact number starting with 001 for the first contact. (Continue to four digits if past 1000.) Multi-transmitter stations use separate numbers for each band.

**VI. Points:**

A. Contacts between stations on different continents are worth three (3) points on 28, 21, and 14 MHz and six (6) points on 7, 3.5, and 1.8 MHz.

B. Contacts between stations on the same continent but different countries are worth one (1) point on 28, 21, and 14 MHz, and two (2) points on 7, 3.5, and 1.8 MHz. **Exception: For North American stations only—contacts between stations within the North American boundaries count as two (2) points on 28, 21, and 14 MHz and four (4) points on 7, 3.5, and 1.8 MHz.**

C. Contacts between stations in the same country are permitted for multiplier credit but have zero (0) point value.

**VII. Multiplier:** The multiplier is the number of different prefixes worked. A "PREFIX" is counted only once regardless of the number of times the same prefix is worked.

A. A "PREFIX" is considered to be the letter/number combination which forms the first part of an amateur radio call sign (N1, NI1, AH2, W2, AZ1, IT9, UZ9, Y22, Y23, LX50, HG19, etc.). A station operating from a call area or country different from that indicated by its call sign is required to sign portable. **The portable prefix used must be a valid prefix of the DXCC country of operation.** The portable prefix would then be the multiplier. Example: N8BJQ/6 would count as N6, W8IMZ/LX would count as LX0, etc. KH6XXX portable in Ohio would not be KH8 which is normally assigned to American Samoa, but could

sign K8, W8, N8, NA8, etc., or any other prefix authorized for use in the USA 8th district.

B. Special event, commemorative, and other unique prefix stations are encouraged to participate.

**VIII. Scoring:** 1. Single Operator (a) All Band score, total QSO points from all bands multiplied by the number of different Prefixes worked. (b) Single Band score, QSO points on the band multiplied by the number of different Prefixes worked. See VII.

2. Multi-Operated stations. Scoring in both these categories is the same as the All Band scoring for Single Operator.

3. A station may be worked once on each band for QSO point credit. However, **prefix credit can be taken only once** regardless of the number of different bands on which the same station and/or prefix has been worked during the entire contest.

**IX. QRPp Section:** (Single Operator Only). Power must not exceed 5 watts output to qualify for QRPp section competition. **You must denote QRPp on the summary sheet and state the actual maximum power output used for all claimed contacts.** Results will be listed in a separate QRPp section and certificates will be awarded to each top scoring QRPp station in the order indicated in Section X. These certificates will be marked QRPp and will show your power output. QRPp stations will be competing only with other QRPp stations for awards. All other information contained in these rules is applicable to this section.

**X. Awards:** Certificates will be awarded to the highest scoring station in each category listed under Section IV.

1. In every participating country.

2. In each call area of the United States, Canada, Australia, and Asiatic USSR.

All scores will be published. However, to be eligible for an award, a Single Operator station must show a minimum of 12 hours of operation. Multi-operator stations must show a minimum of 24 hours.

A single band log is eligible for a single award **only**. If a log contains more than one band, it will be judged as an all band entry, unless specified otherwise. However, a 12 hour minimum is required on the single band.

In countries or sections where the returns justify, 2nd and 3rd place awards will be made.

**XI. Trophies, Plaques and Donors:**

**SSB**

**Single Operator, All Band**

WORLD - Stanley Cohen, WD8QDQ  
U.S.A. - Atilano de Oms, PY5EG  
CANADA - Ed Sleight, K4SB  
EUROPE - Bernie Welch, W8IMZ  
\*JAPAN - The DX Family Foundation  
SO. AMERICA - Ron Moorefield, WB1LC  
OCEANIA - Down Under DX'ers  
AFRICA - Southeastern DX Club  
WORLD QRPp - Dayton A.R.A.

**Single Operator, Single Band**

WORLD - John N. Reichert, N4RV  
U.S.A. - 7 MHz - William Diggins, WA8LXJ  
\*CANADA - Gene Krehbiel, VE7KB  
EUROPE - Myron E. Crofoot, WB4VQO  
JAPAN - Ken Ruddock, K6HNZ  
\*JAPAN - 28 MHz - Joe Arcure, W3HNK & Toshi Kusano, JA1ELY (Terry Appleton, W4GSM Memorial Award)  
WORLD - 28 MHz - Jim Hoffman, N5FA  
\*WORLD - 21 MHz - Lee Wical, KH6BZF  
WORLD - 7 MHz - William Diggins, WA8LXJ  
U.S.A. - 14 MHz - Doug Zwiebel, KR2Q  
U.S.A. - 3.7 MHz - Lance Johnson Engineering  
U.S.A. - 28 MHz - Novice/Tech. only - Jon Engelhardt, KA0ZFX

**Multi-Operator, Single Xmtr.**

WORLD - Mike Badolato, W5MYA

**Multi-Operator, Multi-Xmtr.**

WORLD - Henry The!, VE7WJ

**Contest Expedition**

WORLD - Kansas City DX Club

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**CW**

**Single Operator, All Band**

WORLD - Terry Baxter, N6CW  
U.S.A. - Steve Bolia, N8BJQ  
\*JAPAN - The DX Family Foundation  
OCEANIA - Tom Morton, KT6V  
\*CANADA - Canadian Amateur Radio Federation (C.A.R.F.)  
WORLD - QRP/p - QRP A.R.C.I.

**Single Operator, Single Band**

WORLD - Pedro Piza, Jr., NP4A  
(Pedro Piza, Sr., KP4ES Memorial)  
U.S.A. - Kansas City DX Club  
U.S.A. - 7 MHz - Dennis Younker, NE6I  
ASIA - Bruce Frahm, K0BJ  
WORLD - 3.5 MHz - Lance Johnson Eng.  
U.S.A. - 14 MHz - Gene Walsh, N2AA  
U.S.A. - 21 MHz - Wayne Carroll, W4MPY

**Multi-Operator, Single Xmtr.**

WORLD - Ron Blake, N4KE  
U.S.A. - Austin Regal, N4WW  
\*CANADA - Tetrahedral Contest Circle

**Contest Expedition**

WORLD - Ed Roller, K4IA

**Club (SSB & CW)**

WORLD - CQ Magazine  
U.S.A. - Northern Ohio A.R.S. (N.O.A.R.S.)

*\*Donor is responsible for this trophy.*

Trophy and Plaque winners may win the same award **only once** within a **TWO** year period. This does not apply to any QRPp, Club, Expedition, or CQ Special Awards. A station winning a World Trophy will not be considered for a sub-area award. That Trophy will be awarded to the runner-up for that area if the returns justify the award.

**XII. Club Competition:** A trophy will be awarded each year to the club or group that has the highest aggregate score from logs submitted by members. The club must be a local group and not a national organization. Participation is limited to members operating within a local geographical area. (**Exception: DXpeditions especially organized for operation in the contest and manned by members.**) Indicate your club affiliation. To be listed, a minimum of three logs must be received from a club.

**XIII. Log Instructions:** 1. All times must be in GMT. The 18 hour non-operating periods must be clearly shown.

2. Prefix multipliers should be entered only the **FIRST TIME** they are contacted.

3. Logs must be checked for duplicate contacts, correct points, and prefix multipliers. Duplicate contacts must be clearly shown. Computerized logs must be checked for typing accuracy. Original logs may be requested if further cross-checking is required.

4. An alphabetical/numerical check list of claimed PREFIX multipliers must be sent along with your contest log. (A prefix is counted one time only.)

5. Each entry must be accompanied by a Summary Sheet listing all scoring information, the category of competition, and the contestant's name and mailing address in **BLOCK LETTERS**.

Also submit a signed declaration that all contest rules and regulations for amateur radio in the country of the contestant have been observed.

6. Official log and sample summary sheets are available from CQ. A large self-addressed envelope with sufficient postage or IRCs must accompany your request.

If official forms are not available, you can make your own with 40 contacts to the page.

**XIV. Disqualification:** Violation of amateur radio regulations in the country of the contestant, or the rules of the contest, unsportsmanlike conduct, taking credit for excessive duplicate contacts, unverifiable QSO's or multipliers will be deemed sufficient cause for disqualification. (Incorrectly logged calls will be counted as unverifiable contacts.) Actions and decisions of the **CQ WPX Contest Committee** are official and final.

**XV. Deadline:** All entries must be postmarked no later than **May 10, 1988** for the SSB section and **July 10, 1988** for the CW section. **Indicate SSB or CW on the envelope.** Extensions may be granted if requested.

All logs go to: **CQ Magazine, WPX Contest, 76 N. Broadway, Hicksville, NY 11801 U.S.A.**

Questions pertaining to the WPX Contest can be sent to: WPX Contest Director, Steve Bolia, N8BJQ, 4121 Gardenview Dr., Beavercreek, OH 45431 U.S.A.

**Please remember to send in early for the WPX Contest Logs and Summary Sheets.** 