Results of the 2024 CQ World Wide WPX CW Contest

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"The King of Contests, an unmissable event for a spectacular competition..." - IZ8GUQ

"One of my favorite contests... I like being an almost unique multiplier!" - AC2YD

"A real barrel of fun. Nice that anybody works anybody" - AD4ES

"Great pileups generated by the unique set of contest rules" - DK4LX

"As always, the WPX did not disappoint" - IO6A

It was dicey trying to figure out what the Sun had in store for the 2024 CQ WPX CW contest. There were Earth bound coronal mass ejections in the second week of May that caused severe geomagnetic conditions, and the solar flux was quite variable in the days prior to the start of the contest. Fortunately, space weather settled down, and the Sun's good behavior was no doubt a major contributor to the unprecedented number of records that were shattered. The amazing 2024 CQ WPX CW contest results drove updates to 7 world and 23 continental score records, along with 8 new category records for total number of prefixes worked. Two new club aggregate scores records were achieved, as well as one new 60-minute rate record. The number of Youth participants also hit an all-time high. It was incredible and delightful to behold.

Over 5,400 logs were received from 136 DXCC entities, slightly surpassing 2023 levels as shown in Figure 1. The number of QSOs grew to 2.6 million, up 12% from 2023, as did the average number of QSOs per log. The most productive bands were 20M and 15M accounting for two thirds of all activity. Europe was the source of 56% of all QSOs and dominated both 160M and 80M. Unfortunately, there were reports of over-the-horizon radar interference in Asia, which may have suppressed activity on 40M.

	Continent							
Metric	AF	AS	EU	NA	OC	SA	ALL	2023
Logs	31	919	2,712	1,434	172	166	5,434	5,394
Operators	46	1,028	3,062	1,586	201	192	6,115	6,076
DXCC	12	26	55	17	12	14	136	137
Prefixes	19	272	823	493	77	79	1,763	1,690
Reported QSOs By Band (Post Log Checking)								
160M	194	328	11,215	138	11	0	11,886	12,000
80M	2,261	5,582	92,413	8,694	206	149	109,305	102,382
40M	7,185	23,380	314,101	115,915	5,670	9,042	475,293	452,407
20M	11,056	82,642	507,267	239,495	14,586	15,252	870,298	768,477
15M	14,037	126,273	415,951	264,361	21,130	24,234	865,986	766,196
10M	10,207	33,006	135,169	49,753	16,306	39,570	284,011	225,133
All	44,940	271,211	1,476,116	678,356	57,909	88,247	2,616,779	2,326,595
Average Productivty								
QSOs/Log	1,450	295	544	473	337	532	482	431
QSOs/Opr	977	264	482	428	288	460	428	383

Figure 1. 2024 Activity Level Summary by Continent

Single Operator Passion

Figure 2 shows the breakdown of the 4,949 single operator entries by category and continent. The data shows a slight shift from Single Band to All Band entries as compared to last year. The Single Operator, Low Power, All Band category was the most popular overall, and the highest number of single band entries was on 15M.

	Continent							Average per Entry		
2024 Category	AF	AS	EU	NA	OC	SA	All	Op Time (Hours)	Score Reduction	All 2023
Single Op High Power Entries										
All Band	5	154	537	519	31	16	1,262	15	9%	1,241
160M	0	0	11	1	0	0	12	9	6%	12
80M	1	3	18	3	0	0	25	11	12%	32
40M	1	6	43	15	6	2	73	13	10%	67
20M	1	9	68	21	4	5	108	15	10%	103
15M	1	34	63	21	9	4	132	13	10%	167
10M	1	20	67	4	7	13	112	15	11%	111
Single Op Low Power Entries										
All Band	6	346	1,016	561	45	53	2,027	12	10%	1,965
160M	0	1	4	0	0	0	5	5	10%	10
80M	1	6	25	2	1	0	35	8	11%	31
40M	1	12	60	14	1	3	91	10	12%	128
20M	1	45	145	39	6	4	240	10	13%	196
15M	1	110	88	45	19	10	273	10	12%	301
10M	3	49	65	23	13	25	178	9	12%	177
QRP Entries										
All Band	0	25	95	51	10	7	188	11	11%	188
160M	0	0	6	0	0	0	6	8	6%	8
80M	0	4	5	0	1	0	10	5	10%	7
40M	0	3	11	5	3	0	22	8	16%	30
20M	0	6	35	8	1	2	52	9	16%	41
15M	0	16	16	8	3	1	44	10	9%	60
10M	3	9	24	9	3	6	54	8	21%	44

Figure 2 Single Operator Participants by Continent

Operating times by power levels for the Single Operator, All Band categories are provided in Figure 3. About 60% of the entrants exited after 12 hours and 80% by 24 hours. There were 213 ops that lasted the full 36 hours including 189 all banders and 24 single banders; 7 of the 213 were QRP. The number of full-time ops was up by 57 from last year, likely driven by competitors vying for WRTC 2026 UK qualifying points.

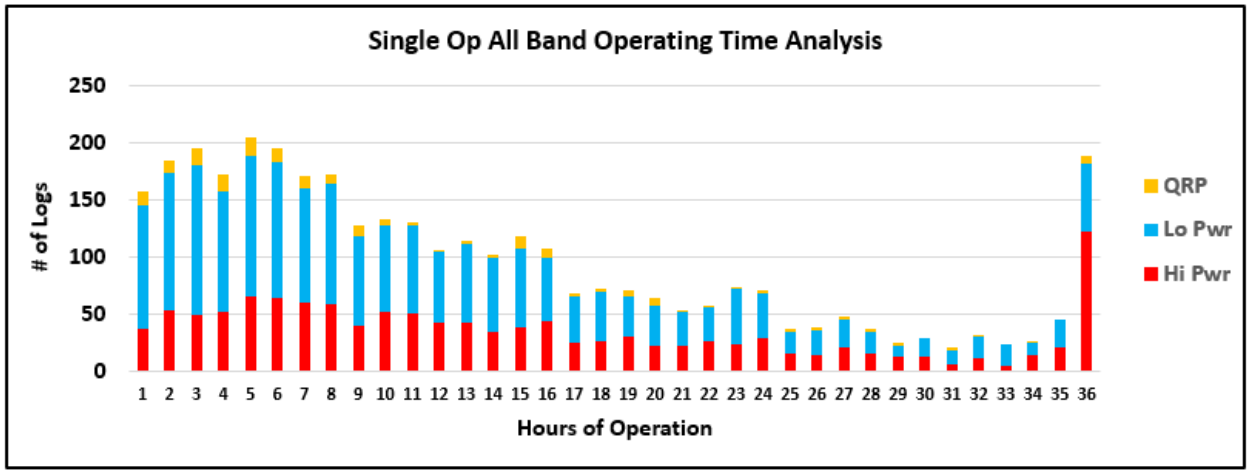


Figure 3 Single Op All Band Operating Time Histogram

8P5A (W2SC) achieved a new personal high and his third win in the Single Operator, All Band, High Power category. Tom's efforts resulted in a new North American record and secured the plaque for the highest combined WPX SSB and CW score in the world. Second place went to H25A (LZ2HM) in Cyprus who moved up from #4 in 2023. Speaking of combined score awards, congratulations to CT1ILT for winning the "World Triathlon" plaque for his combined score of 45 million points from the WPX RTTY, SSB and CW contests. There were four new continental records set in the Single Operator, All Band, Low Power category by the following ops: PZ5DX (RA3CO); UN4Q (UA4Z); LZ8E (LZ2BE), and ZM1A (ZL3CW). The top competitors in the Single Operator, All Band, QRP category both operated for 36 hours; they were LY9A at #1 and DK7HA at #2.

Luka, YT3EWW: #2 Serbia, Single Op All Band, High Power

Single Operator, Single Band highlights include four new world records by CQ9A (DJ1CW) – 80M High Power; HG1S (HA1DAE) – 15M QRP; FY5KE (F6FVY) – 15M Low Power, and PT5J (DJ4CW) – 10M High Power. Four single band continental records were crushed by: UR2Y (US0YW) – 20M QRP; TM8O (F1AKK) – 15M Low Power; YC3GEM – 10M Low Power, and UR7FM/MM (Africa) – 10M QRP. Also, two single band winning streaks remained intact: OL1A (OK1CW) won the 160M QRP category for the twelfth consecutive year, and W3BGN continued for the fourth time as the 80M High Power winner in North America. Finally, congratulations to HG0R (HA0NAR) for his third 160M – Low Power victory.

Salva, ED5R (EA5U), #1 World, Single Operator, 40M, High Power

Mauro, IT9ZMX/IH9: #1 Africa, Single Operator, 15M, Low Power.

Overlay Outbursts

The Single Operator Tribander – Wires (TB-Wires) Overlay is for participants with antennas that meet the following requirements: a single feedline for the single antenna used on 20M / 15M / 10M and single element antennas for 160M, 80M and 40M. Separate receive antennas are not permitted. This was the most popular Overlay in 2024 with 713 entries as shown in Figure 4, which is an increase of 23% from last year. ZF2SS (KO7SS) closed out a three-week diving vacation by winning the High Power TB-Wires Overlay as well as setting a new North American record. CT3KN was a close second. The first and second place finishers in the Low Power TB-Wires Overlay both set continental records – they were EF8R (EA8RM) and 4X7M (4Z4AK).

	Continent							Average per Entry		
2024 Category	AF	AS	EU	NA	OC	SA	All	Op Time (Hours)	Score Reduction	All 2023
High Power Overlay Entries										
TB-Wires	3	15	106	119	8	1	252	16	9%	213
Classic	1	21	61	43	8	6	140	13	10%	155
Rookie	0	0	3	1	1	0	5	13	24%	6
Youth	0	0	9	4	1	0	14	18	16%	7
Low Power Overlay Entries (Includes QRP)										
TB-Wires	2	69	217	143	18	12	461	13	10%	366
Classic	3	83	189	86	15	7	383	11	11%	372
Rookie	0	11	19	12	4	0	46	11	14%	53
Youth	0	12	16	12	3	0	43	8	12%	31

Figure 4. Single Op Overlay Participation Summary

The Classic Overlay is for single operators using one radio, without QSO finding assistance, and their score is based on the first 24 hours of operating time. There were 523 Classic Overlay entries, with 63 of them making it to the 24-hour operating time limit. PJ2T (WI9WI) ran exclusively, which was a winning strategy as he was number one in the High Power Classic Overlay. Number two went to KP2M (KT3Y) who operated for under 16 hours. The Low Power Classic Low Overlay was won by ZM1A (ZL3CW) who also reset the Oceania record. The Low Power runner up was MI5I (GI0RQK).

The Rookie Overlay is intended to attract new contestants licensed for three years or less. The Rookie Overlay saw a decrease of 8 as compared to 2023. Of the 51 Rookies this year, 19 were in their final year of eligibility, 21 in Year 2, and 11 in Year 1. Check out the QRZ.com page for the High Power Rookie Overlay winner WB5SKM – it is all about the steps he is taking to improve his rigs and antennas for contesting; we will see this call often in the future! Congratulations to BG0DLA on operating his first CW contest, 6 months after receiving his license, AND winning the Low Power Rookie Overlay. HA6KG and DS1TUW came in second in the High Power and Low Power Rookie Overlays, respectively.

The Youth Overlay targets operators aged twenty-five or younger. There was a record number of Youth Overlay participants totaling 57, which is up by 50% from last year, ranging in age from 9 to 25 with an average of 19. DL3ON, age 20, operated the full 36 hours using callsign DQ2C and more than doubled his score from 2023 to capture first place in the High Power Youth Overlay. HA8TA, age 14, was close behind

after operating for 35 hours. The Low Power Youth Overlay winner was BD4VGZ, age 21. DJ4MX, also age 21, was second, while achieving an accuracy rate greater than his more senior peers (see Figure 10).

Multi-Op Mania

Figure 5 shows the metrics for Multi-Operator participation by continent. There were 205 multi-operator stations staffed by 886 operators, which was a minor increase from last year.

The team at UP2L earned their third Multi-Single High Power victory by nudging out P3AA. Third place went to PJ4A who also set a new South American record. The P40L crew debated whether to go Mult-Two, Multi-Single High Power, or Multi-Single Low Power right up until the day before the contest. Their decision to enter the Multi-Single Low Power category was smart as they won the category and set a new world record! Multi-Single Low Power continental records were also busted by CR3W, VP5M and IO6T. There is a new world record for the Multi-Two category thanks to CR3DX, and kudos to the K1LZ players for achieving a new North American record. The CN3A squad narrowly beat their 2023 results to win the Multi-Multi category and their second consecutive world record. Like CN3A, NH7T also exceeded their 2023 score to capture a second consecutive Oceania record.

	Continent							Average per Entry		
2024 Category	AF	AS	EU	NA	OC	SA	All	Op Time (Hours)	Score Reduction	All 2023
Multi-Single HP	1	16	44	19	0	4	84	34	10%	76
Multi-Single LP	1	7	32	13	2	3	58	26	10%	43
Multi-Two	1	4	16	11	1	0	33	42	10%	42
Multi-Multi	1	1	9	6	1	1	19	38	10%	17
Multi-Distributed	0	2	4	2	2	1	11	29	15%	10

Figure 5. Multi-Operator Participation Summary

LY4A: #1 Lithuania, Multi-Single, High Power

Team CE3CT: #1 South America, Multi-Multi. L-R: CE3CT, CE2LR, LW6DG, CE2DX, XYL CE3CT Carolina, CX6DRA, CE2SV, LU9FVS, CE3SPR, Dog Blanquita

Team II9P: #1 Sicily, Multi-Multi. L-R: YL3DW, LY5W, YL2KL, IK2EGL, IT9EQO, IT9CHU, IV3YYK, LY5T

Rate, QSO Points and Prefixes Free-for-All

Europe and North America are the largest sources of QSOs in the WPX contests. Therefore, stations outside of Europe and North America tend to have higher QSO point productivities as shown in Figure 6. Checkout the leading, and nearly identical, QSO points / QSO ratios achieved by single operators ZM1A and VK6T. Further, the top QSO point production for multi-op entries both came from Africa via CR3W and CN3A.

	Highest QSO Points/QSO by Stations Operating 36 or More Hours													
Category	Africa		Asia		Europe		N. America		USA		Oceania		S. America	
Single Op AB HP	ED8M	3.08	P35A	3.55	TM6M	2.73	XM3T	3.29	K1ZZ	3.11	VK6T	3.65	P44W	3.54
Single Op AB LP	EF8R	3.42	UN4Q	3.33	E70T	2.51	KQ1F	3.11	KQ1F	3.11	ZM1A	3.66	PZ5DX	3.61
Single Op AB QRP	-	-	JH7UJU	2.40	DK7HA	2.33	WI0WA	2.46	WI0WA	2.46	-	-	-	-
Single Op SB HP	-	-	-	-	SN3A	2.26	K3LR	2.55	K3LR	2.55	-	-	PT5J	2.90
Single Op SB LP	-	-	BI4JAT	1.66	TM8O	2.23	-	-	-	-	-	-	FY5KE	2.92
Multi-Single HP	D4Z	3.38	UP2L	3.38	DP7D	2.49	NQ1DX	3.02	NQ1DX	3.02	-	-	PJ4A	3.44
Multi-Single LP	CR3W	3.69	B7C	2.48	9A7T	2.59	WP3C	3.08	NY6DX	2.99	-	-	P40L	3.36
Multi-Two	CR3DX	3.46	AT3K	2.82	DR4A	2.45	VC2A	3.21	K1LZ	2.94	-	-	-	-
Multi-Multi	CN3A	3.56	JA3YBK	2.62	9A1A	2.29	NR4M	2.79	NR4M	2.79	NH7T	3.15	CE3CT	3.13
Multi-Distributed	-	-	RF9C	3.09	OG3B	1.99	KQ7I	2.25	KQ7I	2.25	-	-	PV2K	3.21

Figure 6. QSO Point Production Comparisons

There were 2,363 valid prefixes identified in the logs and Figure 7 shows that 72% of them were captured by CN3A, followed by 71% at 9A1A. CR6K (CT1ILT) was the prefix leader among single operators at 58%, followed by 8P5A (W2SC) and AK1W (K5ZD) at 53%. AK1W's prefix yield was particularly impressive given that his overall QSO count was lower than 8P5A's by over 1400 contacts.

	Highest Prefixes Worked/Total Prefixes (%) for Stations Operating 36 or More Hours													
Category	Africa		Asia		Europe		N. America		USA		Oceania		S. America	
Single Op AB HP	ED8M	43%	H25A	50%	CR6K	58%	8P5A	53%	AK1W	53%	VK1A	45%	P44W	49%
Single Op AB LP	EF8R	42%	UN4Q	44%	LZ8E	51%	NO3Y	44%	NO3Y	44%	ZM1A	37%	PZ5DX	46%
Single Op AB QRP	-	-	JH7UJU	13%	LY9A	33%	WI0WA	24%	WI0WA	24%	-	-	-	-
Single Op SB HP	-	-	-	-	IP1M	51%	K3UA	47%	K3UA	47%	-	-	PT5J	45%
Single Op SB LP	-	-	BI4JAT	7%	TM8O	43%	-	-	-	-	-	-	FY5KE	42%
Multi-Single HP	D4Z	52%	UP2L	60%	9A7A	62%	KI7WX	45%	KI7WX	45%	-	-	PJ4A	54%
Multi-Single LP	CR3W	51%	B7C	41%	IO6T	51%	VP5M	50%	NY6DX	42%	-	-	P40L	54%
Multi-Two	CR3DX	70%	AT3K	34%	EI7M	66%	K1LZ	66%	K1LZ	66%	-	-	-	-
Multi-Multi	CN3A	72%	JA3YBK	53%	9A1A	71%	NR4M	61%	NR4M	61%	NH7T	57%	CE3CT	48%
Multi-Distributed	-	-	RF9C	47%	OG3B	58%	KQ7I	50%	KQ7I	50%	-	-	PV2K	46%

Figure 7. Prefix Capture Performance Benchmarks

Speaking of prefixes, new records were set for total prefixes worked in the eight categories shown in Figure 8.

Call	Category	Prefixes
CN3A	Multi-Multi	1,692
CR3DX	Multi-Two	1,654
P40L	Multi-Single LP	1,286
LZ8E (LZ2BE)	Single Op AB LP	1,196
SN3A (SQ2GXO)	Single Op 15M HP	1,185
PT5J (DJ4CW)	Single Op 10M HP	1,060
TM8O (F1AKK)	Single Op 15M LP	1,010
HG1S (HA1DAE)	Single Op 15M QRP	760

Figure 8. New Prefix Capture World Records

Congratulations to all the speed demons highlighted in blue in Figure 9 for placing on the top 20 all-time highest 60-minute rate list for their categories. A special shoutout to the VP5M team for setting a world rate record for the Multi-Single Low Power category. It is interesting to note that Figure 9 includes 24 calls that had rates greater than 200 QSOs per hour; 23 of these 24 calls were 4 characters long, and 21 of the calls were two by one formats.

Call	Rate	Call	Rate	Call	Rate
Single Op High Power		Single Op Low Power		Single Op QRP	
ND7K (N6MJ)	241	LZ8E (LZ2BE)	169	YL3FW	98
CR6K (CT1ILT)	232	DP4X (DJ4MX)	167	UG5R (UA3RU)	88
UW1M	218	EF8R (EA8RM)	166	UZ5DM	76
ED8M (EA8BW)	212	UA7K (RW7K)	161	LY9A	75
EF1A (EA1X)	210	PZ5DX (RA3CO)	150	Multi-Distributed	
8P5A (W2SC)	209	WP4X (NP4Z)	147	OG3B	269
EA2W	205	3V8SS (KF5EYY)	146	RF9C	233
EF6T (EA3M)	200	MD2C (MD0CCE)	145	PV2K	228
NU5A (K5GN)	198	UT4LW	141	KQ7I	195
EF5Y (EB5A)	198	TA3D	141	YU1A	154
Classic High Power		Classic Low Power		Multi-Single High Power	
KP2M (KT3Y)	171	MD2C (MD0CCE)	145	9A5Y	230
9N7AA	141	GE2E	127	UP2L	219
YT3D	140	WQ5L	122	P3AA	208
N2MF	140	MI5I (GI0RQK)	118	LZ5R	195
N5AW	138	ZM1A (ZL3CW)	112	RL3A	190
Rookie High Power		Rookie Low Power		Multi-Single Low Power	
IP0O	35	DS1TUW	100	VP5M	161
HA6KG	31	BG0DLA	80	P40L	139
WB5SKM	28	SO7NA	64	CR3W	132
SA3MGL	16	KN6VQ	54	WK9M	130
YC3BWK	9	OK3SN	51	NP3X	122
Youth High Power		Youth Low Power		Multi-Two	
W0AAE	133	DP4X (DJ4MX)	167	K1LZ	347
ZF1MA (NN1C)	123	N4XTT	117	CR3DX	312
NI9F	118	DJ4MX	102	UF1F	311
YU2NPC	111	BD4VGZ	83	EI7M	272
DQ2C (DL3ON)	110	NB3I	79	ED7W	271
TB/Wires High Power		TB/Wires Low Power		Multi-Multi	
CT3KN	158	EF8R (EA8RM)	166	CN3A	469
M7Q (G4PIQ)	157	3V8SS (KF5EYY)	146	NR4M	454
ZF2SS (KO7SS)	147	UT4LW	141	9A1A	453
CT1BOH	146	EC5K	119	YT5A	410
XM3T (VE3DZ)	141	4X7M (4Z4AK)	119	LZ9W	395

Figure 9. Peak 60 Minute Rates. Stations in Blue made it onto the All-Time Top 20 Rate List for their Categories

The average score reductions were 9.6% for single-op and 10.5% for multi-op entries. The role models for accuracy are highlighted in Figure 10. For example, M1X (G0CKP) missed only one received serial number out of 1123 QSOs. It should also be noted that the callsigns CR3W, YU1A, and OK3SN appear in both Figures 9 and 10 showing that both high rates and accuracy can be achieved. The two most busted calls were NH7T copied as NS7T, and H25A copied as H2HA – a single missed dit costs points! Further, many received exchange errors boiled down to a single character in the serial number being missed or miscopied.

Call	QSOs
Best 10, No Reduction	
JG5DHX	449
KJ3M	284
DL9ZP	255
DG0KS	251
M0TDW	239
W1MJ	229
WD8DSB	205
PA2VS	200
JG3QBJ	183
RU6K	177

Call	QSOs	Reduction
Best 10, Single Op, >1000 QSOs		
M1X (G0CKP)	1,122	0.1%
SP9XCN	1,975	0.5%
K3LR (N2NC)	2,072	0.9%
KR2Q	1,363	0.9%
SP2GMA	1,003	1.1%
OL0W (OK1DSZ)	2,655	1.3%
DM5EE	1,861	1.5%
DL1NEO	1,567	1.5%
RA9AP	1,238	1.6%
E72U	1,177	1.6%

Category	Call	QSOs	Reduction
Best Multi-Op by Category, >500 QSOs			
Multi-Single HP	DJ5LA	1,164	2.5%
Multi-Single LP	CR3W	3,475	3.0%
Multi-2	VC2A	4,665	4.1%
Multi-Multi	W1FM	678	5.8%
Multi-Distributed	YU1A	1,581	4.0%
Best Youth and Rookie, >500 QSOs			
Youth	DJ4MX	1,003	2.5%
Rookie	OK3SN	890	3.9%

Figure 10. Exemplary Log Accuracy

Record Scores Rage

There was a major overhaul to the Record Scores as shown in Figure 11, which includes SEVEN new world records and 23 new continental records. Clearly the conditions were a factor as evident from the number of single band record changes on 15M and 10M, but it is interesting to see a new world record for 80M by CQ9A (DJ1CW) at this point in the solar cycle! Also note that ZM1A (ZL3CW) set Oceania records both in the Single Operator, All Band, Low Power category and Low Power Classic Overlay.

		New Record		Previous Record		
Category	Region	Call	Score	Call	Score	Year
Multi-Multi	World	CN3A	60,583,752	CN3A	60,526,885	2023
Multi-Two	World	CR3DX	46,680,842	P33W	42,511,820	2016
Multi-Single LP	World	P40L	18,337,074	3V8SS	14,577,216	2015
Single Op 10M HP	World	PT5J (DJ4CW)	7,601,260	ZX5J (IV3NVN)	6,787,440	2002
Single Op 15M LP	World	FY5KE (F6FVY)	6,007,992	SU9ZZ	4,905,189	1999
Single Op 15M QRP	World	HG1S (HA1DAE)	1,426,520	4Z7U (4Z4UT)	1,031,400	1991
Single Op 80M HP	World	CQ9A (DJ1CW)	2,290,078	TC3D	2,112,711	2016
Multi-Single LP	Africa	CR3W	15,518,965	3V8SS	14,577,216	2015
Single Op 10M QRP	Africa	UR7FM/MM	73,593	EA8AQM	12,496	2023
Single Op All LP	Asia	UN4Q (UA4Z)	9,587,248	R8CT	8,148,119	2021
Multi-Single LP	Europe	IO6T	8,794,090	YU5R	8,353,065	2021
Single Op All LP	Europe	LZ8E (LZ2BE)	8,703,292	OM2VL	7,291,368	2015
Single Op 15M LP	Europe	TM8O (F1AKK)	3,747,100	MW0EDX	3,437,278	2014
Single Op 20M QRP	Europe	UR2Y (US0YW)	1,080,725	EF3O (EA3O)	1,023,159	2021
Multi-Two	N. America	K1LZ	32,328,432	ZF1A	28,994,049	2014
Multi-Single LP	N. America	VP5M	13,453,535	VP5M	11,628,888	2023
Single Op All HP	N. America	8P5A (W2SC)	18,330,528	KP2M (KT3Y)	16,728,384	2021
Single Op 10M LP	N. America	NP4Z (NP3A)	1,786,367	KP3W	910,623	2001
Single Op 15M QRP	N. America	K0AV	433,650	NA4CW	427,986	2000
Multi-Multi	Oceania	NH7T	23,159,632	NH7T	21,694,587	2023
Single Op All LP	Oceania	ZM1A (ZL3CW)	6,499,770	YJ0PO (K2PO)	4,834,818	2013
Single Op 10M LP	Oceania	YC3GEM	969,016	KH6ZM	644,840	2012
Multi-Single HP	S. America	PJ4A	22,275,270	P49V	19,760,774	2001
Single Op All LP	S. America	PZ5DX (RA3CO)	12,175,808	P49Y (AE6Y)	11,008,296	2011
Single Operator Overlays						
TB-Wires LP	Africa	EF8R (EA8RM)	9,342,094	IH9N	8,041,632	2006
TB-Wires LP	Asia	4X7M (4Z4AK)	7,340,201	UF8T	6,527,260	2021
TB-Wires HP	N. America	ZF2SS (KO7SS)	11,090,304	VC2A	9,801,372	2009
Youth High Power	N. America	W0AAE	3,905,188	-	-	-
Classic LP	Oceania	ZM1A (ZL3CW)	4,152,042	9M6NA	1,890,900	2022
Youth HP	Oceania	YC3CZV	455	-	-	-

Figure 11. New World and Continental Records

Club Competitions Craze

Something fired up the Yankee Clipper Contest Club! They increased their 2023 score by nearly 50% to achieve a victory over rival Potomac Valley Radio Club and set a new USA Club aggregate score record of 303 million points combined in the WPX SSB and CW contests. The winning DX club score of 391 million points came from the Bavarian Contest Club with 263 entries. The second place DX club was the Italian Contest Club with 243 million points and 245 entries. The Bavarian Contest Club also won the World Triathlon award for their combined WPX RTTY, SSB, and CW scores, establishing a new world record of 504 million points.

Contest Administration Excitement

The CQ WPX Contest Committee thanks participants for the timely provisions of their logs, which enhanced the accuracy of our log checking processes - 95% of the reported QSOs were checked against another log. Approximately 95% of the checked QSOs were correct; 2.8% had incorrect received serial

numbers; 1.5% had incorrect received calls, and 0.6% were not found in the other stations log. The Committee also would like to acknowledge the 280 checklogs that were received and leveraged.

Thirteen issues required reviews by the CQ WPX Committee for potential disciplinary actions. Four complaints were received regarding poor signal quality; these were evaluated using SDR recordings. Three cases involved self-spotting, which is not permitted in CQ WPX contests, and the entrants withdrew their logs or were warned. Two Single Operator Classic Overlay entrants were found to have used assistance and were reclassified. One station voluntarily withdrew their log due to an excessive number of QSOs on unauthorized frequencies. No rule violations were found for the remaining three reviews.

Signing Off…

This is my tenth results article, completing my fifth year as the CQ WPX Contest Director. Preparing these articles gives me the opportunity to vicariously share in the experiences of the contesters that are so enthusiastic about their art which I enjoy immensely!

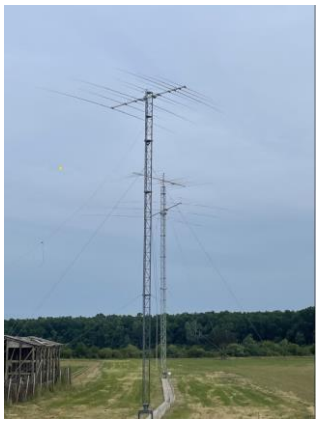
It is my pleasure to acknowledge all the volunteers supporting the 2024 CQ WPX CW contest. They include: F6BEE, G6NHU, I2WIJ, JK3GAD, K1AR, K1DG, K1EA, K5ZD, KM3T, KR2Q, LA6VQ, LU5DX, OH6LI, OK2FD, PA3AAV, S50A, SV1DPI, UX1AA, VE3TM, W0YK, and YO3JR. Their efforts enabled the release of the 2024 CQ WPX CW contest results in 34 days – another new record!

73,

Bud Trench, AA3B

Photo Gallery

Giu, IT9VDQ/IH9: #1 Africa, Single Operator 10M, Low Power

Brane, YT3D: #1 Serbia, Single Op All Band, High Power

NP3X: #2 Puerto Rico, Multi-Single, Low Power

LX/ON9TT: #1 Luxemburg, TB-Wires, Low Power