

The 31st Annual CQ World-Wide WPX Contest

SSB: March 28—29, 1987 CW: May 30—31, 1987

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.
- 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: Contacts between stations:

1. North America Only

A) Contacts outside of North America count 3 points on 28, 21, 14 MHz, and 6 points on 7, 3.5, 1.8 MHz.

B) Contacts with other North American countries count 2 points on 28, 21, 14 MHz, and 4 points on 7, 3.5, 1.8 MHz.

C) Contacts within own country count 0 points but are permitted for prefix multiplier credit.

2. Europe, Asia, Africa, Oceania, S. America

A) Contacts outside of own continent count 3 points on 28, 21, 14 MHz, and 6 points on 7, 3.5, 1.8 MHz.

- B) Contacts with other countries on own continent count 1 point on 28, 21, 14 MHz, and 2 points on 7, 3.5, 1.8 MHz.
- C) Contacts within own country count **0** points but are permitted for prefix multiplier credit.
- VII. Multiplier: The multiplier is determined by the number of different prefixes worked. A "PREFIX" is counted only once during the entire contest regardless of how many times the same prefix is worked.
- 1. A "PREFIX" is considered to be the three letter/number combination which forms the first part of an amateur radio call (N1, NI1, K2, AZ1, AH2, IT9, JW0, JA1, Y23, HG7, AL7, etc.). A station operating from a call area different than that indicated by its call sign is required to sign portable. The portable prefix must reflect the DXCC country of operation. The portable prefix would then be the multiplier. Example: N8BJQ/6 would count as prefix N6, while W8IMZ/LX would count as LX0.
 - 2. 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.

- 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, Piaques and Donors:

SSB Single Operator, All Band

WORLD - WD8QDQ U.S.A. - Bob Epstein, K8IA CANADA - Ed Sleight, K4SB CARIB./C.A. - Arturo Gigante, Jr., HI8GB EUROPE - Bernie Welch, W8IMZ *JAPAN - Palm Garden Radio Club SO. AMERICA - Ron Moorefield, W8ILC 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 Memorlal Award)

*WORLD - 21 MHz - Lee Wical, KH6BZF WORLD - 7 MHz - William Diggins, WA8LXJ

U.S.A. - 14 MHz - Doug Zwiebel, KR2Q

Multi-Operator, Single Xmtr. WORLD - Mike Badolato, W5MYA

Multi-Operator, Multi-Xmtr. WORLD - Henry Thel, VE7WJ U.S.A. - Bert Curwen, KL7IRT

Contest Expedition WORLD - Kansas City DX Club

CW

Single Operator, All Band

WORLD - Terry Baxter, N6CW
U.S.A. - Steve Bolia, N8BJQ
*JAPAN - Palm Gardens Contest Club
OCEANIA - Tom Morton, KT6V
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, NE6l ASIA - Bruce Frahm, KØBJ WORLD - 3.5 MHz - Lance Johnson Eng. U.S.A. - 14 MHz - Gene Walsh, N2AA OCEANIA - 3.5 MHz - KØSCM

Multi-Operator, Single Xmtr.

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

Multi-Operator, Multi-Xmtr.
NORTH AMERICA - Dick Weber, K5IU

Contest Expedition

WORLD - Ed Roller, K4IA

Club (SSB & CW)

WORLD - CQ Magazine U.S.A. - Northern Ohio A.R.S.

*Donor is responsible for this trophy.

Trophy and Plaque winners may win the same award *only once* within a **TW0** 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.

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: DXpaditions 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.

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

- 3. Logs must be checked for duplicate contacts and prefix multipliers. Recopied logs must be in their original form, with corrections clearly indicated. Computer logs must be checked for typing accuracy.
- 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.)
- 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.

 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. 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, 1987 for the SSB section and July 10, 1987 for the CW section. Indicate SSB or CW on the envelope. From isolated areas the deadlines can be more flexible.

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, via CQ Magazine, 76 North Broadway, Hicksville, NY 11801 U.S.A.

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