
2012 CQ WPX CW Contest QRM

An amateur is balanced. Operating CW in between household errands and chores. Enjoyed!! . . . **4GØLD**. Sorry for the delay. Thanks for the awards for the previous participation (2011, 2010). Best regards . . . **4L1MA**. Enjoyed working some old friends, giving out another 4U1 multiplier, and having 4U1GSC on the air again. Despite regular teething problems like adjusting antennas during the contest, fixing SO2R problems whilst operating, still managed full 36 hour effort (4U1GSC (E73A/9A3A op) . . . **4U1GSC**. First time doing a CW contest as still learning Morse. Used 100 watts and Bigir in back garden. Thanks to all those that slowed down the Morse for me to read it easier . . . **5B4AIF**. Enjoyed this contest. 73 . . . **7J3AOZ**. Thanks OMs and YLs . . . **7K1EQG**. I operated less than 5W . . . **8J4VLP**. Just a few hours of darkness here in the northern part of Europe made the contest maximized to 21 operating hours (but sleeping hours were quite good!!). Conditions rather bad. I heard a few W and JA but very few Europeans managed to get a QSO with them. This time I used just a simple inv. vee antenna only 14 meters above ground located in the middle of a very small island in the Baltic Sea. My normal 20 meter high vertical was down for maintenance! Anyway my low power (95 watts) worked quite good into Europe and I enjoyed the contest very much. 73 from Leif (SMØDSG) . . . **8S0DX**. Spectacular conditions. 15 was king, opened late into night. One could work all continents in less than 5 minutes. 10 meters gave its share with some multihop Es into NA and F2 to SA. We had lot of problems to convince some operators that we have 2 more numbers after 9A2. It was lot of repeating. For the first time we worked more than 1000 prefixes and more than 5 million points. Our setup is very simple: old faithful TS-950S + TL922 (abt 900 W), Spiderbeam (10/15/20), oblong for 40m, 1/4 wave vertical for 80m and inverted V for 160m. Just 3 boys and one radio and we had lot of fun. See you in the next one! . . . **9A207T**. All the best, 73 . . . **9A2BW**. FT-1000MP+PA, spare location (110m asl.), antennas on 9m agl. Big fun! . . . **9A2U**. Thanks for organizing the contest :-). . . **9M2BDX**. Had a great time and did OK in spite of only spending a little time on the air . . . **AA3CS**. Good propagation & low noise . . . **AA6EE**. 1st time CQ WPX. Thrilled with QRP contacts using simple wire antenna. Will use logging software next test . . . **AA8RT**. Bands again cooperated just in time. Great 15m openings to JA . . . **AB1QP**. Great fun running JA's at 3 AM on 20 meters! They are excellent operators . . . **AB1U**. K3, 600W, 80m dipole (used 10-80). Lots of fun. Some strange prop condx (JA on 15m my local morning!) and good activity . . . **AE5X**. First HF test from US. My gratitude to George, NR5M. Whatta blast! . . . **AE5XQ**. A fun contest every year. 73 Doug . . . **AI3G**. Wow. Never heard 15 meters that good for a whole weekend . . . **AK1W**. Just a few QSOs while having a break from the KL7RA M/M operation. Lacking a Morse key, I had to use a cinch plug to generate the CW. Slow, but it worked OK . . . **AL7NJ**. Rig: IC-7000, Ant: 3 Band Spiderbeam @2.5MH . . . **BA1SN**. TKS 2012 WPXCW Test 73 GL CUAGN . . . **BA4SD**. Cndx on this band were not great but it was always open to somewhere. Openings to west Eu, USA & JA, where most of the mults are, were limited, Summer E's brought in lots of near in stations not normally workable on this band. DX to Carib, SA & Pac were great. Partial fadeouts called for many repeats and total fadeouts brought many lost QSOs. The band suffered atmospheric noise, especially first day, very noticeable how it increased as

the beam was turned towards the sun as it moved throughout the day. Because mults count only once in this test there was no incentive for guys to leave a hot band for an unstable one, so, whilst it was slow, it was not that bad, as my log shows: 106 DXCC countries with 100w and less than 1k Q's can't be bad . . . **C4Z**. We have been located on Culatra island, EU-145, close to the ocean which gave us great propagation thanks to the salt-water. As antennas we used a Spider beam 10m up, a 40m delta loop and a 80m wire ground plane. See you next again from Culatra island . . . **CS2W**. Thanks to all for the Qs. Had a lot of fun in this one. Hope to meet you all again soon on the air! . . . **DA2C**. TNX and vy 73 . . . **DC9ZP**. Rig: FT-817, mobile whip. Thanks for your good ears! . . . **DF1HF**. Great result for my mini antennas and LP . . . **DF1LX**. RIG: Elecraft K3, Triple-Leg Monobander 20 Meters Locator JO54SA. It was a lot of fun. I had a nice weekend at the Baltic sea, bicycle tours, windsurfing, antenna building and some contest QSOs . . . **DF1OE**. Nice to be in this contest again! Thank you to all for the QSO's. Till next year de Uwe . . . **DF5BM**. Working first time CW with Elecraft K2 Nr. 6809, 5W, 20m-band only . . . **DG1KTS**. Just giving out a few points on Saturday . . . **DJ2QV**. QRP 5 Watt from FT817 via tuner Z11 to an off-center-fed dipole, 21m long, 8m high. Very nice contest again with good conditions, so I could contact many DX stations, but I heard and called many more. Many thanks to the organizing team . . . **DJ3GE**. Very good condx, lot of fun even with low power. See you next time again . . . **DJ3HW**. WPX is one of my favorite contests. For M2 we used ICOM-7800 for the running station and ICOM-756 PRO III, micro keyer II, and two computers with WinTest . . . **DKØIU**. A nice contest again! Thanks for QSOs! Hpe cuagn sn! Vy 73 es gl! Dieter . . . **DK5ZX**. Testing my new 40m-groundplane was successful. Nearly all S&P stations I called I could work . . . **DK7AN**. Tnx to Burkhard, DL3KZA for using his station on Ruegen Island - EU-057 . . . **DK7YY**. My first ever serious effort from our new QTH. We just moved 3 months ago, and WPX was a nice chance to see how things work from a small village in the contests :-). Still no antenna tower so I decided to take a part on 40m, low power, overlay T/S. Thanks to all who called me, especially for all German station with so many PFX and multipliers :-). WPX Contest is very good contest for European station because it is not too bad if you miss some rare zones or DXCC as in CQ WW, and all German station counts 1 point + Prefix MTPL. :-). I have no JA's in log, heard several but too many EU STNs called them. Worked VK2, VK4, VK6. Best ears has NH2T and the biggest patience had CX9AU to receive my number. As a small pistol station, it is not always easy to find CQ frequency or to hold frequency from all big gun stations, but I must say this time a lot of stations were more than fair and moved a little bit up after I asked them. CU in WPX Contest 2013 :-). 73, Zrinko (Zik) DK8ZZ, VE3ZIK, YT3ZZ . . . **DK8ZZ**. Working from time to time from my garden with a little longwire foldet 3 times because I have not enough place. But it made fun . . . **DL1DTL**. Tnx for nice contest. See you 2013 . . . **DL1THB**. Excellent conditions on 15m. Never heard the band in this shape in the last ten years or so . . . **DL4FN**. Very good conditions on 15m. I had a lot of fun . . . **DL4JLM**. I had a lot of fun with my TEN-TEC "Eagle" 50 Watt of power and a 4 0mtrs ended 15 mtrs up. Thank you to all who replied to my call . . . **DL5CL**. CQ WPX CW Contest is the best. Thanks for a great weekend. See you again next

year . . . **DL5HF**. A lot of fun. Condx not bad, not very good. Thanks to all . . . **DL5JAG**. ICOM-7400 80W, dipole up 10 m. Had fun again, but there are too many high power stations with heavy clicks . . . **DL5KUD**. Vy tks fer the nice contest . . . **DL5MEL**. Rig was K2 running 5W into an inverted L antenna. Amazing conditions on Sunday. This is the result of a bit of S&P in between chores and other obligations . . . **DL7GEM**. Just a few QSOs this time but had fun anyway! 73 . . . **DL7JAN**. Nice contest. Worked QRP and with Vibroplex Bug key. Thanks all, who heard me. 73 . . . **DL7UMK**. QTH Wolfsburg, LOC JO52IJ homebrew trcv K2 Triple Leg Antenna It is a pleasure to participate. Tks for managing this great contest . . . **DL8TG**. We had a lot of fun and prepared us for the IARU Reg I CW-FD. Many thanks to Steve, NY3B, who visited us and enjoyed a contest in FD style. Vy73 Hans, DL9MCC/DL9W . . . **DL9W**. Thank you DL6LSM for offering me his station . . . **DQ5T**. 2012 CQ WPX contest is vy gud condition.. G,L de DS5QLJ Hwang 73 . . . **DS5QLJ**. ICOM IC-725, 70 watts with inverted vee wire antenna for 40, 20 & 15m band @ 10m up. This is my first time in CQ WPX CW contest. I heard many big signal around the world, great and fantastic! 73 . . . **DU7HF**. QRV from Makati city, Metro Manila, Philippines. RIG: TS590+KPA500 (Output 150 to 250 Watts). Long wire using fishing rod 23m length with SG235 auto tuner at 27th floor condo. Built up KPA500 amplifier on Saturday morning and used about 36 hours without failure . . . **DV1/JO7KMB**. Radio used in contest is Kenwood TS-690 with its 100 W, antennas were 3-el Yagi Fritzel Beam for 10/15/20 G5RV for 40 MHz. Good conditions on all bands. Good contest. 73 . . . **E75MC**. Just for fun. KX1 with 2 Watts out and 5m of wire . . . **EA6/DJ2QV**. First real go at a CW contest, enjoyed it but didn't have enough time to get a really good score, . . . **EI2GLB**. Great test . . . **EI7M**. TNX for FB contest . . . **ER2RM**. Greetings from Versailles, with my apologies for being slightly late (thought I had usual month). 73 . . . **F3WT**. Band conditions seemed exceptionally good except for 10m. Many stations on the bands, much QRM. Enjoyed contest, will be back next year! . . . **F4WAX**. Well, this year was not as expected! Saturday, since the start, my computer was out of use. So I had to prepare the portable, install PowerSDR and WinTest on it, wire a cable for CW with 4N23 optocoupler. Plus some housework to do! Beside that the Flex-1500 with 5 what was a pleasure to run! See u next year! . . . **F5UL**. Many QRN on 10 and 15 meters . . . **F8AEE**. I spent a very good weekend. Thank you everyone for the QSO's. Ham radio is a great hobby. Long live CW . . . **FM5BH**. Very enjoyable contest with superb condxs. Tks guys for your good ears for my QRP signal amongst the large activity. First time Single Band on 15m 73 de Derrick . . . **G3LHJ**. Not a serious entry. Just had odd periods of operating over the weekend. Conditions not too good on 10m but other bands seemed normal . . . **G3PHO**. Great fun just skimming around the bands picking up the prefix mults . . . **G3TXF**. Fun weekend, conditions good, good challenge on QRP . . . **G3YMC**. I enjoyed the contest but struggled running 30 watts to a 66 foot centre-fed with one leg lying on the roof and the other leg fitted into my 20 foot garden! . . . **G4CCQ**. Great fun, not done WPX for a while . . . **G4DDL**. Good conditions HF on Sunday but lot of QSB on Saturday. A lot of stations were big signals but had poor reception as they could not copy people with no beam on them good to have club call. Great having SD for logging . . . **G4FOC**. Thanks to G3BJ and G4JKS for hosting me . . . **G5W**. Spent a pleasant Sunday in the back garden, leisurely making contacts in a great contest, using an old straight Czech Army Hand Key and 5 Watts. Great fun! . . . **G7DDN**. Part-time effort - conditions good and great fun . . . **GM2V**. Thanks for running

the contest. I used SD by EI5DI for logging. Great program! . . . **GM4HQF**. Excellent contest with many stations to work. Very disappointed at the inconsiderate attitude of a few operators who persisted in sending at ridiculous speeds when called by slower operators, causing much wasted time with multiple repeats. Why can't they see the problem? The Q in my callsign is a limited time prefix for our Queen's Jubilee celebrations . . . **GQ30OU**. Giving away the GSØ multiplier is always fun in this particular contest. 73 Ray GM4CXM/GSØTOW . . . **GSØTOW**. Lots of static and not too much DX! . . . **GW7O**. Thanks to good propagation it was hard to stop operating. Many thanks for Q's, see you next time! Rig TS-530SP 100W ant end-fed wire 21 mtrs long above flat roof . . . **HA2MN**. Tnx for contest! 73,DX! Jani . . . **HA6PJ**. Only a few hours of fun. Thank you all! . . . **HB9AUS**. Great competition with 9A8M! Thank you all! . . . **HD2A**. Thank you! 73, Jan SP9BRP . . . **HF9Y**. Nice contest, good propagation especially on Sunday . . . **HGØR**. A tropical thunderstorm made this effort to an uphill battle . . . **HP1WW**. I have a problem, Power outage about 8 Hr . . . **HS8FLU**. I have a problem, Power outage about 4 Hr . . . **HS8JYX**. Great contest once again. Tried single band for a change because of work and other commitments. Had a lot of fun and increased my CW country count overall and also for 10 metres. Thanks to all for the contacts and to CQ for sponsoring . . . **HZ1PS**. Great conditions! Unfortunately I didn't have the chance for a full time effort. 73 . . . **I2WIJ**. Prop good for SA, absence of NA. Good openings to SA and Asia, fair for AF . . . **IB1W**. Sorry for the delayed despatch, but I had lost the paper log, couldn't find the logging programme and so on. I'm only 76, but feel old. 73 Gio . . . **IK2AIT**. MNI TKS to all. Ciao . . . **IK2AOO**. Tnx fer nice contest . I need only much time and good radio es antenna . Bye 73 . . . **IK2REA**. I completed all 3 test wpx for triathlon trophy cup entry. Ciao Daniele . . . **IK2SND**. The unexpected conditions made us break our stated target just before the half of the race – Amazing! Most of the game was spent on 15 and 20m, with very nice runs on 10m too. What a really big fun after many hungry years! . . . **IR9Y**. First time use of YCCC SO2R+ Box - Some problems at the start of the contest but then I realized how to use that wonderful machine . . . **IU9T**. Again a great contest! Ciao & 73 Salvatore . . . **IV3DYS**. Just few hours in spare time. Nice and long openings on higher bands. Little pistol station FT-897 barefoot plus vertical multi band antenna . . . **IW5EIJ**. My 1st WPX CW ever, with limited time available, but it's been great fun, with different "new ones." Thanks a lot! . . . **IX1CKN**. Just after 2 hours operation I had lost my amplifier and till end of the contest I used my radio barefoot, 100 W output, but my simple wire-antennas did their job just excellent! . . . **J48HW**. I enjoyed the contest . . . **JAØGSG**. The band condx seems to be very good. I really enjoyed WPX CW contest very much . . . **JA1BNW**. Part-time effort this year due to work commitments . . . **JA1BPA**. Had an enjoyable time, thank you . . . **JA1CP**. Output = 100W I enjoyed the contest. I enjoyed the contest . . . **JA1LJW**. I enjoyed the contest . . . **JA1PTO**. I enjoyed the first CW contest . . . **JA1TBX**. We enjoyed the contest . . . **JA1YCG**. Halo! The condition of a few of the high bands was good. As for us, it is glad to participate in a WPX CW contest and ham radio can be enjoyed. Let's meet in a contest again! Many Thanks Nice Contest . . . **JA1YPA**. 20m band was vy nice condx to USA, of course 15m Band also . . . **JA2DGQ**. First participation in this contest. I was able to enjoy it enough . . . **JA2HYD**. Bad condition on 10m . . . **JA5FBZ**. The band condition of 15meters was very good . . . **JA7COI**. Hams in JA7-area are overcoming the great disaster caused by the big earthquake, and participated this contest. I feel happy to be included . . .

JA7LLL. I enjoyed the contest . . . **JA8DIV.** 20m & 15m were open all day long and enjoyed 40 thru 10m operators. 99% of a whole QSOs made by JFG & KKK. Tnx to Osamu & Nozomu I(RWU); had a good time to clean the rooms and to repair the house. Also tnx everybody keyed "Hi Akira." Maybe cu next time! . . . **JA8RWU.** This is my first submission in this contest . . . **JE1HTV.** I participated in this contest in 160m low power section. The conditions between the U.S.A. and JA were very poor. During the contest, I could not hear the U.S.A station. I use M.V. (Micro Vert) antenna for 160m in this contest. It's gain was nearly equal to full size dipole. And I used a transceiver K2 and 'K3'. I comparing examined these two transceivers during the contest. It was an interesting experiment . . . **JE1SPY.** I thought very good condition on 15m band . . . **JG1FKT.** Thanks to all stations for answering me . . . **JG5DHX.** I enjoyed the contest, but very poor condx at my QTH . . . **JH1MTR.** I joined in this contest at the park. I used HB-1A(QRP 3W) and 1/4 lambda vertical antenna. I enjoyed very much with FB DXers . . . **JH1OES.** Great Contest . . . **JH4UYB.** I enjoyed the WPX CW contest . . . **JH7UJU.** I enjoyed the contest.15m big open . . . **JH7XGN.** I enjoyed the first WPX contest . . . **JJ3WPX.** I enjoyed very well. I will join next time . . . **JJ5HUD.** I enjoyed the contest. Very early in the morning, I could hear many European stations on 15m . . . **JJ6TWQ.** I enjoyed the contest . . . **JK4USW.** TNX for pick up my QRP signal . I used FT-817ND output 5W + dipole ANT 5mH. I tried CQ WPX CW first time . . . **JL6LTB.** TKS FER FB TEST !! . . . **JM1KLO.** I enjoyed this contest on 20/15/10m bands this year . . . **JM1LRQ.** My antenna is CHA-250Bx made by Comet. It is the broadband GP antenna which can appear to 80m-6m . . . **JN1BBO.** I participated in CQ WPX CW for the first time. I enjoyed QSOs with stations from all continents . . . **JO3PSJ.** I enjoyed the contest. I'm 12 years old . . . **JO4DSH.** The condx was good. I have enjoyed so much . . . **JR1BTG.** I'm very glad to have many QSOs. On 15m was amazing condition I've never experienced. The maximum output power in the contest was five watts . . . **JR1NKN.** Portable: Akiruno-City, Tokyo QRP:2.5W . . . **JR1USU.** I participated at MobileCarShack from Iwakura-city Aichi-pref. Output power is 50watts . . . **JR2AAN.** I enjoyed the contest. Thank you :-) Hand-made Delta loop 10mH with ATU . . . **JR6HMJ.** I enjoyed FB condx RIG IC-706Mk2G ANT DP . . . **JS3CGH.** Thanks for perfect competitions. "CW is One World & One Language." See you again on the next contest! Dear my radio friends . . . **JT1E.** I'm still amazed at the results. Nine of the top ten had claimed scores are above the old record and N5WR was just a whisker below. Significantly there were two (real) W5's in the top ten. That's not in the instruction manual! All of that indicates the level of the competition and the uniqueness of this contest. The importance of strategy is significantly enhanced by the requirement to figure out when to take off time, the dramatically different near-summer propagation, and of course the signature scoring system. Those three factors make this a very different and complex affair, at least in my mind. I confess I still don't have a solid concept of a great strategy and the different emphases of the top scorers suggest there are several paths that lead to the top. Whatever the ultimate outcome, it was a really fun weekend! Special thanks to Woody, WW1WW, for letting me command Battleship NEW HAMPSHIRE for the weekend . . . **K0DDQ.** Despite limited op time, had fun with a new half-sloper antenna at the cabin QTH . . . **K0PK.** Very enjoyable, decent propagation, lot of fun! . . . **K3CWF.** What great conditions on the high bands, but thunderstorms here messed up plans for 40 m on Saturday night. Most memorable moment – a very large bee flying into the shack during a nice run. Trying to

shoo an angry bee back out of the window while keeping the run going was a challenge! . . . **K3EL.** Band conditions were excellent for QRP . . . **K3TW.** I only entered to fool around. I just worked DX stations and did not go for any kind of score. Had a lot of fun . . . **K3WWP.** My first contest as a QRP entry and the brand new Ten-Tec HB-1B worked like a charm. What a rig. 4 watts and a Gap Titan vertical . . . **K4UWH.** IC7000 at 75 watts into ground mounted 14AVQ . . . **K5BZH.** Six hours operating off and on with guests here for the week end, all search and pounce. Elecraft K3 and verticals . . . **K5ND.** Using new 40 m dipole on 40/15 meters. Bands were just crazy with activity. Best performance EVER . . . **K7CS.** Started the contest sick, tired, and lacking sleep. It was Sunday morning before I fell like myself again which really limited my time in the chair. Good but noisy conditions with periods of heavy QSB and solar weirdness going on. Nice to see 20 and 15 open late into the evening in seemingly all directions. No 10M Yagi (put 6m back up) so improvised there with a tuner on the 160m Inv L. Wish I had felt better at the start as this event as it had the potential for a very good score. Worked 3 all-time new DXCC entries as well as several new band/modes countries. Station used is as follows: K3, IC-2KL @ 500W, Homebrew 2KW Tuner, 80M/40M Inv V @ 35', 40M 1/4 Vert Elevated Radials, 3 ele 20M Yagi @ 40', 4 ele 15M Yagi @ 40', 175' Wire @ 35' on 10M thru Tuner. KB NCCC!!! . . . **K7XC.** had fun. First time CQ WW WPX. Just a few hours I had to operate . . . **K8FZY.** First time sending in my log . . . **K8QA.** Super conditions . . . **K9CC.** First QSO at 0230Z because of a grandchild's graduation. Another great contest and many thanks for all the points! . . . **K9UIY.** First time scoring over 2 million points! Enjoyed every minute as Cycle 24 delivered stellar conditions through most of the event. Highlight was T6X and D3AA on 20m and a near 24/7 opening into Europe on the same spectrum space. I want to thank all 311 JA-stations who went into the log. They made a tremendous difference. 73 . . . **KA3DRR.** 15 meters was wide open. Wish I had more time to operate . . . **KB2MN.** Always a fun event. Thanks to all who make it happen up front and behind the scenes. Set up was my KX3 #85 to PAR EndFedz at 33 feet. 5 watts out. Thanks to all who listened. 73 for now, Randy KB4QQJ . . . **KB4QQJ.** Busy weekend, not enough time to play . . . **KD3HN.** Great contest, third time . . . **KD4JMV.** First CW Contest. Rig: IC7000 Antenna: SRC Vertical . . . **KE5BUS.** No "New Ones" (again) . . . **KE9EX.** If there's a 'right' off-time strategy for single-ops in this contest. I'm pretty sure I haven't found it yet. Surely is exciting, though! . . . **KG0F.** First WPX contest. 5w to all band dipole @ 24 ft. Slow going , but fun. de KG3W Scotty . . . **KG3W.** Great fun operating QRP from a park in downtown Honolulu . . . **KH6CS.** Super activity, wish I could have operated full time . . . **KJ9D.** Storm Beryl in the Atlantic, 10 meter Gods enjoy a CW contest, my radio was on ten meters, there were ten pine cones under the Yagi, the vertical was leaning ten degrees east. So I did a 19 meter single band operation . . . **KN4Y.** Even though I didn't have much time to operate due to the holiday weekend, I still enjoyed the experience operating as a single band entry !! . . . **KO8Z.** Not a contest CW operator, but gave it a try for a few hours. Had a lot of fun. TNX to all who called me . . . **KP2BH.** Conditions were great Saturday night with 20 open to Eu all night . . . **KQ8M.** WOW & WOW! Unbelievable condx. Bands open around the clock and in all directions. This was as good as it can get! 60 years a ham and many, many contests. This tops 'em all for me! Thanks CQ for providing the leadership and many categories . . . **KR4Z.** Best conditions EVER for a WPX CW contest. Must be the sunspots! . . . **KR7O.** Nothing Like a contest to find out the bands are still open! 15 was dead

here most of the time week b4 contest but it stayed open to Eu from sun up to end of contest on Sunday. What a ride! . . . **KS7T**. Wow! Fixed all the things that were broken in WPX SSB . . . **KS9K**. Much improved over last year. More than doubled my score. I was having so much fun on 20 and 40 that I never even got to 80 until the very end of the contest. By then it was way too late. I just couldn't believe that I could run on 15 and 20 meters with the huge antenna farm here - a G5RV and a GAP Eagle DX. Another antenna or two would greatly assist SO2R but that's life I guess. It is what it is. Thanks to all who pulled out the small signal. I'll be looking to see you all again next year. 73 . . . **KV8Q**. Very limited effort for me, but very interesting band conditions. It was wall to wall Europe on 20m at 11pm local! One new one: TA (finally!) . . . **KX7L**. Spent a perfect Sunday afternoon operating QRP in the field for a few hours. My trusty 817ND with a new homebrew 40m ground plane supported with a 40-foot telescoping fiberglass mast played very well, thanks to excellent conditions. QRP from the field is a lot of fun; try it some time! . . . **KX9X**. See all of you next year! . . . **L33M**. Generally good band conditions on 40m Enjoyed contest very much Work prevented me from spending more hours in contest . . . **LA2AB**. Long weekend, nice weather, etc., needs other priorities than radio, therefore a limited participation. 73 de Olaf . . . **LA3RK**. Good contest. Very very good propagation. Saturday afternoon heard (and worked) Poland on 15m with very long echo, may be both short and long path at same time?! See all you next year !!! . . . **LU8EHR**. 73 from 93 years old OT. Hope to see you in WPX 2013 . . . **LY1BX**. Thanks Alex LY1R for letting me use His FB shack and antennas again . . . **LY1R**. Excellent conditions on 15m with propagation to all continents at various times and often simultaneously. I operated from my holiday home on the east coast of England. Rig was FTDX5000 to Quadra amplifier and 5 element monobander at 80 feet . . . **M3W**. FT-817 5W ANT.: GP+EH Thank you for a great contest! . . . **MI6GTY**. Nice propagation on 15m and some Es opening on 10m made decision when to take 12 hours rest more difficult this time. No, I am not complaining about restriction of operating hours, I prefer this! Thanks everyone for QSO. Special thanks to JARS club for use of station . . . **MJ0CFW**. First licensed in December 2010. This was my first "full length" contest where I made a really serious effort and operated (nearly) all the allowed time. I learned a lot from this and hope to do better next time, but my personal goals (of 1000 QSO's and 1M points) were achieved . . . **MQ0TRN**. Wish 10m stayed open all weekend like the old days . . . **MU0-FAL**. 5th CQ WW WPX CW Contest . . . **N1NN**. Working some strong European stations in the last couple of hours Sunday night was unexpected on 10 meters . . . **N1VVV**. Worked the world on five watts – Priceless! . . . **N2EIK**. A disappointment. Conditions were hot at the start with long late openings into SE Asia, but Saturday morning was a bust with little on 40 and 20. Stations were not strong on 15 and there were not as many of them. Conditions never peaked again and the band was noisy. But 15 seemed the money band . . . **N2FF**. I love summer propagation. I opted for 20 meters single band and was treated with some very good propagation. Operators from everywhere were just fantastic . . . **N2PP**. Wx to nice to be inside all weekend . . . **N2WK**. I had three goals, beat last year's score, made 500 multiplier and made 1000 QSOs. Hoped to work A5A, but that woulda been a longshot QRP hihi. Plenty of good DX and an amazing amount of folks with outstanding ears/conditions/stations whatever to pull me out. Numbers seemed to be everyone's curse this weekend, plenty of repeats needed. It was fun and that's what it's all about . . . **N2WN**. Best score ever for me.

Thanks to all ops who worked me . . . **N3JNX**. In recent years I have claimed 2.2 to 2.4 M points in the CW WPX 3 times ('05, '06, '07) and 1.35 to 1.39 M points 3 times ('07, '10, and '11). Feast or famine! This year my dream of a good year after 2 bad years came true: 2.7 M points claimed, my best ever in 10 tries starting in 2002 in the same QTH with comparable equipment. The primary reason: 15 meters is back! I made 46% of my total QSOs on 15 m., and 39% of my total QSO points, roughly twice as many of each as I made on 20 m. The last time I got anything like these 15 m. results was in 2002. The secondary reason: the first night on 40 and 80 meters I did search and pounce for the first 2 hours and called only 6-point stations (except for a few 4-point VE mults). As a result I got somewhat fewer low-band QSOs than in recent good years, but many more QSO points. Propagation was outstanding on all bands with k mostly 1, sometimes 2. Good propagation always brings out good activity. I found lots of SA stations on 10 m. Sun. afternoon, and even a few EUs . . . **N3UM**. Enjoyed the contest. Good conditions on 15m . . . **N4JRG**. Band conditions were unbelievable. I was amazed. Thanks for one of the finest contests on the air. 73, Tom . . . **N5KWN**. Fun. 100 watts and a low antenna (15 feet); I only worked about a dozen hours due to holiday . . . **N5PJ**. Low bands were noisy. My best effort was on 15 meters . . . **N5XE**. 15m was great this year . . . **N6GP**. Operated about 16 hours that the busy weekend allowed me. Worked 4O3A for an all time new one! Good condx = 36 countries with 5 Watts and a 20 foot end-fed wire. Go Arizona Outlaws! . . . **N6HI**. Awesome conditions. Never seemed to run out of stations to work. Personal record for me in this contest. Thanks to the Russians and Germans for the seemingly endless new prefixes. Some incredible signals. Was hoping for a better opening on 10 but not much other than SA and a handfull of EU stations and a couple of ZL's. Did get to use every antenna I have, and could have used a few more. A new W8 record but expect K8GL beat me based on Q numbers . . . **N8BJQ**. 20M open at midnight! . . . **N9GBB**. Thanks to Ray, NBØP for the use of his callsign for the weekend! - WØETT . . . **NBØP**. Had trouble with QRN the first hour, then had to shut down til 1000 GMT because of thunderstorms. Still, I'm happy with my score since I have been getting weekly chemotherapy for the last few months . . . **NCØO**. Just got on for a few minutes here and there to hunt some rare DX. Used the spotting network to make the best of my 30 minutes of operation! . . . **NDØC**. Not enough operators; not enough radios. We ran this as a low-staffed M/2. We were on for only 32 hours. Too few for the good conditions. For many of those hours we operated only a single station. Two of our venerable MkVs have front-end problems so we pressed a Yaesu FT-847 into service. It was only adequate, not what you really want on crowded bands. Nearby stations pumped the AGC. Our own second station desensitized the radio if we used an antenna on the same mast. Apologies to those who called us that we just could not hear. We will hear better next time. It was very windy on Saturday afternoon. Something conductive is thrashing about in the wind creating a lot of radio noise. 15m was the money band this year, offering good runs into the Pacific at the opening and into the Pacific and Europe on Saturday and Sunday. Looking forward to seeing the SOSB15 scores this year. Lots of crazy callsigns, and more than a few crazy fists. We appreciate crazy, it keeps us on our toes. The reverse beacon network is invaluable. We were always spotted before we could utter the third CQ on a new run frequency. And, of course, the spots just kept coming. Thank you to those who run skimmers and the RBN itself. W6YX Stanford University: 10m: 6 el yagi at 70 ft, 5-el at 30 ft 15m: 6 el yagi at 70 ft, 5 el

yagi at 25 ft 20m: 6 el yagi at 60 ft, 5 el yagi at 36 ft 40m: 4 el at 60 ft 80m: inverted vee at 50 ft 160m: "C" antenna off tower Beverage receiving antennas Yaesu FT-1000MP(perfect) and Yaesu FT-847 (hmm) Writelog software . . . **ND2T**. Great contest as always. Glad to see 15 and 20 meters open late into the night. See you all next year . . . **ND3R**. Lots of fun during the 22 hours I operated using only wires . . . **NE5D**. Thanks to George NR5M for the use of his fine station, BOARS for the use of their call NG5A. The noise was tough this year, and the awesome conditions on 15 and 20 may have kept the masses from the low bands as much. Great score by Dave NN1N. Thanks to all for the calls and apologies for the repeats but the noise floor was just awful. Great contest though and glad to see everyone on. Thanks to Randy, K5ZD, and CQ WW WPX folks for the great contest. See you all next time . . . **NG5A**. Some 30 years ago I ran the WPX QRP with a HW8 and a 80 meter dipole. Did it this year with a K3 and a 80 meter dipole. Fun then. Fun now! . . . **NNØQ**. The joys and frustrations of running a contest QRP with a dipole at 25 feet. Thanks to the many stations that were patient until they were sure they copied my exchange correctly. My favorite contest each year . . . **NO2D**. Not a lot of BIC, maybe next year . . . **NQ2W**. I enjoyed the contest very much. I am looking forward to the next one . . . **NR4J**. Wow, busy weekend with family, but had fun with new FTDX-5000, worked well. Seems I need repeats on super fast numbers hi. Old dad time working on me. Always have fun. Thanks to all for a good time . . . **NR7DX**. Great contest conditions. Thanks to Jim, KM4HI, for use of his station: Orion I and KT34M2 tribander along with great food and hospitality . . . **NS1L**. Nice contest and interesting propagation. Rig was a K2 running 5 watts. The antennas were a Butternut HF5B and a Carolina Short 80 Windom . . . **NU4B**. Great fun, back on the air after 25 years QRT! . . . **NW6V**. Propagation not as good as SSB WPX and was really noisy. Still had lots of fun. Only worked 24 hours. Getting too old to go straight thru without sleep . . . **NXØI**. Really excellent condx . . . **NY4A**. First SOAB after several years of QRT. Great contest . . . **OGØZ**. 15m was quite good but the pileups were never anything special. The best hour was 90 QSOs into EU/Asia. There were some JA stations but the pileup was always very thin at times into Asia. I had to S&P for mults a lot to get a decent flow. That was also happening during the afternoon hours on the prime time of the US opening. Later in the night and early morning hours the band opened to the west coast and stayed open longer than I was capable of staying awake. I have experienced this unexpected early morning opening only a few times during my contesting years. The second direction beam was not rotating and should be fixed in the near future. 20m seemed to be open into NA from the beginning of the contest. Too bad I was very tired and could not hear the alarm clock! . . . **OG6N**. Great propagation! . . . **OH10X**. TS-480SAT, open fed dipole, pwr 90 watts, TRLog 6.79, alone on an island in the sea outside Turku. No Internet, only my own ears for reception, cooked the coffee myself, only company a lot of birds singing in the garden and a couple of deers. 73 de OH1SIC/SM5SIC . . . **OH1SIC**. Part-time operation while fixing the station. Thanks for all QSOs . . . **OH4A**. Portable activity from old harbour, FT-817ND w/ 5W and 1/4 wire-gp on fishing pole . . . **OH8GZN**. Very nice condx, I work from my weekend house in the wood. My notebook failure after 4 QSOs, I must write with pencil on the paper all contest . . . **OK1AIJ**. FB Contest . . . **OK1BA**. Rather low activity, about 5 hours spent on 160m. RIG 100W and 27m vertical . . . **OK1CZ**. I love this Contest . . . **OK2BUT**. Tnx for nice contest 73 GL! . . . **OK2MBP**. K3 100 W out + more as 30 year old 3 el tribander. Very good condx, bet-

ter 2nd day. Sorry,= that this participation radio amateurs on CW from all countries world is not every day! This year (in Feb.) was 50 years of my personal licence. I am now 76 years old, on the bands QRV from 1955 as SWL and after 1956 as operator on the clubstations OK1KKJ, OK1KUR and OK2KJU to Feb. 1962, over my study on the technical high school . . . **OK2QX**. Good contest See you again friends . . . **OK2SWD**. Very nice contest - condx on 15 and 20m make me twice score than last year . . . **OK3C**. Good contest with many stations. See you again friends . . . **OK5SWL**. In the contest we had been participating in M/S category. But during log control we found out we broke ten rules for three times. That is why we applied into M/M category. Next time we will be more careful . . . **OK5T**. Super contest! . . . **OK6RA**. Hi everybody, thanks for all contacts. I enjoyed every minute of the contest. I hope to hear you soon in another contest . . . **OK7AW**. Nice contest with SUPER propagation on 15m, nothing spectacular on Low Bands. Actually the whole crowd was thrilled with 15m and omitted 40 + 80m. We almost forgot 160m – there was simply no time to spare there. We just made there one short visit Sunday evening. This contest was peculiar for us since the operators were coming and leaving so to sum it up I was the only one present all the time. Another peculiarity hard to remember was that NOTHING broke - no Murphy at all. The only problem we had was loose connection in one cinch - that is all. We all had good time, and most of the discussions going on among the not operating operators was already concerned about planned autumn C5A operations . . . **OL4A**. Nice contest without 10m band opening . . . **OL7C**. Nice contest. I used 5 Watt on IC-703 73 de Pat, ON2AD . . . **ON2AD**. Fine contest with much activity. 10 m was open and gave fine contacts. I enjoyed the contest . . . **ON5WL**. ICOM IC-775DSP plus small amp and 100 to 300 watts output. G5RV antennne in the ZS6BKW design. Worked ufb on 40 and 20 meters. Added 2 dipoles for 15 meters. One broadside Japan the other broadside America. Both better than the G5RV and the difference between them from 1 to 4 S-units. Also a vertical loop for 10 meters design/idea WØWFO. Condx coming up on Saturday and even during nighttime good on 15 meters . . . **OV3X**. Not many had chosen 80 mtr because of the good band condx on high band. Giving lot of space on 80, but also sometimes far between the fish caught. But fun it was anyway, and gave 7 new ones on this band . . . **OZ1IKY**. First time single band with mag-loop. K2 waiting for KX3! . . . **OZ8A**. Thanks to Carl P49V for an opportunity to use his fantastic QTH on Aruba . . . **P40H**. Really enjoyed going HP in these fine condx. Thanks for another great contest . . . **P49Y**. Tried to do better than last time, aiming for 21 MHz band only but finally did do all band operation even if the 160 m antenna was absent so had to work with tuned 80 m dipole on that band for a very limited entry . . . **PAØMIR**. On 2nd day antenna for 20 and 15 broke down, missed a lot of QSO's . . . **PAØRRS**. FB Contest . . . **PAØWKI**. I had great fun with QRP and QRPP, with an FT-817 and an Inverted Vee. As a milliwatt enthusiast I often use the lowest possible power in each QSO. Power: 2.7 W down to 18 mW with an additional attenuator of 10 dB or 20 dB. I made 100 QSO's with "more than 1000 Miles per Watt" with search and pounce. Total 192 QSO's. About the same number of QSO as last year. Thank you for the activity in this king size contest . . . **PA1B**. Only a few hours, but lots of fun . . . **PA1BX**. Used a K2/100 with GP/ dipole. Thanks to all fr fb qso, 73 . . . **PA2REH**. Dear OM/YL, it was a very nice contest. With some nice DX too. Station info: QSL via buro, FT2000 5 watt QRP Ant: Gb5RV all bands . . . **PE2K**. Great show again! . . . **PG2AA**. Many thanks John K4BAI, Jeffrey KU8E and all the PJ4G group for possibility to operate

from this great position. Especially thanks Hans PJ4LS for hospitality and help with preparation for contest. Sorry, with Murphy's help I reached PJ4G shack when the contest was going on. There was no time for good preparation and rest. Anyway it was a great pleasure for me to operate from this nice station. The Murphy stroke once again 2 hours before the end of the contest. All Bonaire was left without electricity. Thanks everybody for QSOs. See you in contests from my home QTH. Jurgis LY9Y . . . **PJ4Y**. Nice contest . . . **PT8CW**. This was a field day-like operation with a 3-el 3-band wire beam, fixed to EU and a 3-band sloper dipole to NA. And an inverted-V for 40. All antennas were about 10 meters above ground. The antennas were put up on the day before the contest and were taken down right thereafter . . . **PW0F**. Great using ZX5J QTH, thanks Sergio. And thanks for all QSOs! . . . **PW5D**. Big 73,s Tanks Adriano Hinojosa/PY2AXH . . . **PY2TEL**. Fantastic contest, even with the departures family has to play. . . . **PY2ZQ**. Again a great contest. The band of 15 meters was fantastic. The last time I saw this band so it was in 2005. A long time ago. Thanks! . . . **PY4FQ**. MNY TNX for the Contest! CU next year. 73's RIG - IC7000, ANT - DELTA LOOP 160M . . . **R3LC**. Nice CDX! 73 to all participants ! . . . **R7MC**. Great conditions in Asiatic Russia, not a bad score for just a dipole! . . . **RA/KE5JA**. The best WPX!!! . . . **RA4ACX**. TKS for nive contest. PWR 300w, ANT verticals, dipole. . . **RN2FQ**. Good contest! See you in the next year! . . . **RV3LO**. Very nice contest, I have problem with rotator for high band, half contest work with SQ2R and homemade PC program, station FT2000 and FT1000MP, dipole for low band and tribander 4 element for high band . . . **S52P**. 160 m, QRP, handkeying into balloon elevated vertical. Saturday and Sunday evening I had to stop transmitting because of TVI in IPTV cable system (QRX 10 hours). Thank you for all good ears which heard and answered my 5W in kW crowd on topband . . . **S53AR**. Managed better than last year; could it be that I spread out the 1 hour breaks during the days and had one full night sleep or were the conditions better? When comparing the result from last year after one day I found that I had 840 QSOs last year and this 841!! I have never believed in the theory that contests activate the atmosphere but after this year I'm not that sure since I beat my old record with more than 200 QSOs and improved the scoring with 1 million points! It is difficult to have an unusual callsign since in more than 50% of the QSOs I had to correct the call mostly from IC3N to SC3N. With 100W and wire antenas you have to work S&P in 98% of the total contest. After the master station say T U you can never get into the pileup again and ask if he corrected the call. Maybe you should not punish us "small pistols" if the master has wrong in his log. You can easily see if the QSO was made in a S&P-mode if you demand the frequency in the log. This year was maybe the last year of full time operations, working single operator and low power takes a lot energy (but my xyl says that this comment I say every year directly after the contest!!). I find it interesting to try to beat my own record so the situation is a bit difficult, but after all having fun is the best motivation. Rig: IC-756. Ants: 160m loop and dipoles. Interesting to compare the result from our summer QTH with the Tenerife QTH where I just have a multiband vertical but the same rig (so I don't have to think about the knobs) . . . **SC3N**. Always happy to give some points to the guys who QSL via the bureau . . . **SF7WT**. Conds really around the world this time! . . . **SI5Y**. Operated only briefly but still fun. Also, remotely operated with a TS-480-SAT = 100W and a LPDA, fixed and a QQ for 40M fixed . . . **SM0BYD**. Many thanks for nice contest . . . **SP1DMD**. Since 1957 SP2LV, from 1997 SP6LV, age 80 . . . **SP6LV**. I had meant to spend more

time on this, but ended up putting in only about an hour or so. Used a new Elecraft KX3 and wire at the beach, at sunrise in the Dodecanese . . . **SV5/N6GQ**. My QTH was apt. Byron, near Tigaki in KOS Isl. (Dodecanese Isl.), IOTA EU-001. My rig: FT897 90W, ant. LW41m - up 5m. Big QRN was problem for 160m band . . . **SV5/OK2BOB**. Testing my new Elecraft K2 with five watts into a 2m long vertical! Amazing conditions! . . . **SV9/DL7VOA**. I enjoyed this contest . . . **T88TW**. Good openings on high bands at night time seemed to reduce activity on low bands. Five electricity breaks ruined the planned break schedule. Actual operating time was well below 35 hours. Nice contest as usual but missed my goal by 20% . . . **TC2X**. It was my first try on 80. 4-square did a splendid performance but wx conditions with sky lights made the band uncomfortable. For sure, see you next year . . . **TM3Q**. Thank you for the contest and all for the contacts. This year there was not really time for a full effort, squeezed some hours in during night. However, 80m was really not the band to be this year, little activity and it went very slowly, but could not resist . . . **TM3T**. Nice contest. 73! . . . **UA3AKI**. Many old friends in my log! Great fun! . . . **UA9MA**. Thanks for the fine contest! 73! . . . **UN8CC**. MNI TNX FR nice contest . . . **UR5IHQ**. Tnx FB test! Vy 73! . . . **UT7LA**. Good Contest . . . **UT7NW**. Great condx on 15 mb! . . . **UU5JZ**. Thank you for this great contest . . . **VE2EZD**. Great fun operating from our sailboat, while sailing Lake Ontario and at the dock! . . . **VE3/K2NV**. Great condx on 20 & 15M . . . **VE4YU**. Fantastic contest, could not ask for more . . . **VE5KS**. Had fun using a FLEX1500 at 3 watts to a 3 ele SteppIR . . . **VE6WQ**. I had limited time for this contest. I took part in a Fox Hunt; our local had a BBQ afterward. I had a lot of fun I got a few Sunday morning and afternoon. I again had a lot of fun on 15 meters. I got 1 contact on 10, a local VE7, but the band did not open to DX . . . **VE7BGP**. A fine contest weekend. If some code 'experts' would slow down and concentrate on code accuracy, it would be a better experience still . . . **VK3FM**. A short burst of activity was fun . . . **VK3GDM**. Interesting and enjoyable contest. Bands were OK, so were operators. Not very good at CW, too long out of it plus my age. Will have another go next year . . . **VK3NRW**. Good quiet band condx but ten meters had disappointing activity. 80 meters was QRN quiet here but propagation was not "long" on the band. 20 meters was excellent all weekend. Thank you to all who called . . . **VK3TDX**. Great contest - excellent band conditions - personal best SO2R with 80m Vertical, 40m Yagi, Tribander, 10m Yagi . . . **VK4CT**. G'day to others in test . . . **VK4TT**. Interesting weekend. Had a lot of fun as it was my first CW contest operation using remote setup. I tried it briefly before on SSB and in both cases it worked. As this is just a prototype, lots of effort will have to go into it to make it a competitive setup. Main item is a Remoterig RRC-1258 MkII with IC706 MKIIG. Remoterig has done excellent job building this little wonder. It is an answer to prayers for many who cannot operate radio from their home location. Tried to join 5 Million Points Club . . . but may be next time :-). Till next one . . . 73 Mirek VK6DXI . . . **VK6DXI**. Operating from Lord Howe island OC-004 . . . **VK9PN**. Though regular in CQ WW this is my first WPX contest !!! . . . **VU2BGS**. Another part time effort due to family commitments, this time about 11 hours in the chair. 15M was the killer band and was open at the same time in all directions all the way into NA. 73 de Prasad VU2PTT . . . **VU2PTT**. Strictly a S&P operation for me. A total of 10 hours just twisting the knob and looking for multipliers. Saturday was a bust as we had to be in Denver for a granddaughter's graduation party. Winds were in the 70 MPH range, so my A3S was cranked down to 20 feet and I kept

my fingers crossed that it would survive. It did. The noise on 80 & 40 was terrible, and 10 meters was a big flop. I couldn't get a run so I just stuck with S&P. Missed ST2AR but had worked him before. No really all time new ones made their way into my log. But I had fun . . . **W0RAA**. Good band conditions this time . . . **W0TY**. Great Contest!! . . . **W1CCE**. Very erratic condx on 28 MHz and low activity made this effort a struggle . . . **W2AAB**. Boy am I happy I made room for WPX, having missed it in 2011. This was only my third WPX, but I sure picked the right one to go all out. What a blast! I made and exceeded all my goals except 1000 mults (but got close). I doubled my points goal — and I wasn't alone. For me this contest is all about 6-pointers on the run radio and mults (only) on the mult radio. That simple formula kept me focused and going all weekend (except the much-needed, mandated 12 hours off, including a quick brunch Sunday with family and friends). It also, I believe, really maximized my score. Despite poor conditions on 160 and 80 and noise (and limited openings) on 40, I still managed 378 six-pointers. This was key. Even if I had been able to run on 10 (there was just one short EU opening, on Sunday), those points were largely irreplaceable. I did not have the energy (or foresight) to stay up for the all-night 20m EU runs, but tried to make up for it on (an amazing) 15m. Of course, the high scores we are seeing are mostly due not to operator skill, but to participation, prefixes, and conditions. And not only are participation in this contest still going up and prefixes proliferating, but the rare DX was everywhere in this one. Never would I have imagined working, for example, TWO JTs and TWO FKs/TX8s, along with the rest of the juicy stuff. Funny thing is, those mults don't count any more than, say, a WB3 in this contest, but this weekend is when I worked them all (which did not happen in CQWW or ARRL DX). Go figure. Poetic SO2R moment: I interleaved a QSO with K3ZO (who called in) with a mult I was working on the second radio. Fred is one of my heroes and a brilliant contester, but famously not a fan of SO2R. It worked perfectly; there was no way he could have heard even the slightest delay in the exchange. That's one of the many things I love about contesting — perfecting that technique! Lots of records will fall in this one. Congrats to N5AW and N1UR (NV1N), as well as W1UJ and anyone else who broke the previous USA SOAB LP record — no small feat! And congrats to K5ZD for all his efforts in a contest well run. Now back to work — no holiday for me today, but what a weekend . . . 73 and thanks to all . . . **W3EF**. Confused this WPX with CQ WW so thought there was a QRP Assisted category. But after re-reading rules, can't find that there is such a category. So although I ran 5 watts, I am in the SO(A) Low Power category. I would lobby for a QRP(A) category. I feel ALL QRP should allow assisted as we are almost always hunt and pounce, but at least there should be a QRP(A) category at a minimum. To distinguish those of us in the assisted category who are QRP, I would suggest we get at an asterisk by our score. In all, lots of fun . . . **W4QO**. Ten-Tec Scout 555, LDG Z-100 antenna tuner, Logikey K-5 keyer, MFJ OCFD . . . **W4ZPR**. My W6HGF was hard in CW. many came back with WB5GF. Great test- LP and Dipole . . . **W6HGF**. It's getting hard to work 160 QRP with so few running stations on 160. A station will come down and work someone who they have asked to follow them down and then leave while you are calling . . . **W7DRA**. Great propagation for my mighty 4W signal . . . **W9YA**. Conditions great to JA. Thank you to all the JA's that called. A personal best of any CW contest ever. Glad I was here . . . **WA1FCN**. Finally cracked 1.5 million points. Only thing I need now is what all the big boys have — a legal amp and a higher tower! . . . **WA6KHK**. My best score EVER in a QRP category!

ry! TNX ALL. It was a hoot! RIG: FT2000 5 WATTS MOSLEY PRO 57B; 80 M DIPOLE . . . **WA8REI**. Good contest! Great fun with sharp operators on the air! . . . **WB0RUR**. Great fun running DX in this one, excellent conditions the short time I was on . . . **WD0T**. Lost the last seven hours on Sunday when power line noise switched on at S9+. The end was clinched when thunderstorms moved in shortly after . . . **WN1GIV**. Great condx. Nice contest. Congrats to the organizers! . . . **WQ8RP**. Wow! I really need some RX antennas. On track for my best ever 40m effort, but Saturday night's 10+ hours of S9 QRN ruined my effort. Maybe next year! . . . **WX9U**. Great contest and great fun, but first day I had to share frequency with NS2T, maybe some QSOs are his or mine. hi hi . . . **XE1AY**. Propagation so great, too little time to operate . . . **XE2B**. I tried but find that I'm not yet well enough prepared for this kind of race. Maybe next year. Thanks for the opportunity . . . **YB1AQD**. Vy enjoyed WPX test CW. Band is open but my radio trouble power. Tnx fer all station, hpe cuagn 73 es greeting from Surabaya . . . **YC3TKH**. Thanks for QSO with YE3J . . . **YE3J**. Was running again my 'liliput' setup: IC-7000 100W & H.M.trap GP. 73 Szigy . . . **YO2IS**. Good prop on 10, 15, 20M all time . . . **YO3FF**. Thanks Andy YO3JR for letting me use his station! . . . **YO3GLH**. Very nice propagation on 15m . . . **YO3KIA**. Tnx to everybody Best regards . . . **YO4CSL**. 73s for all! . . . **YO4SI**. Bad condx in my area to EU and W/VE . . . **YO8AXP**. 73 and good luck from Romania! . . . **YO9AGI**. Nice contest, thanks to everybody . . . **YO9CWY**. Nice contest as every year, even the storm was around me and the last minute sloping inverted L left me without signal for no reason after few hours of contest! 73! . . . **YO9RIJ**. Special Call 100 year KSE Radio Club . . . **YP100KSE**. Trip to mountain. Score would be much better. if I had DX cluster . . . **YT1BX**. Better than last year. Thanks all for QSOs . . . **YT7W**. Thanks to all concerned in running the contest . . . **ZC4LI**. The standard of operating gets better each year . . . **ZL2AL**. Great fun again, but very difficult to get a run started. Spent more time S&P. Bands sounded quieter this time, not so much QRN . . . **ZL2J**. Fantastic long path openings to Europe prior to the contest set high expectations that weren't quite realised in practice. The long path did open both days but signals were average. The K3's crystal and DSP filtering performed wonders with the QRM: I was easily able to work within a few hundred Hertz of some massive (clean) signals and even worked some QRPers and mobiles. Given the huge number of Skimmer spots available, it was possible to maintain good rates by searching and pouncing for new multipliers. Thanks to all the novices and others with unusual calls who came on to give away a few points, and especially to those who activated various DX locations. I nominate UA5A for this year's Alligator Award. He was usually very loud but only heard me once. I guess he was either running some outrageous QRO or had the headphones on the wrong way around :-)) 73 Gary ZL2iFB (ZM4G) Eqpt = K3 + LK550 + A3S at 12m AGL on a 260m hilltop . . . **ZM4G**. Great contest! Had a bit more success this time after fixing up antennas after big birds damaged my 15m Yagi. Had to turn it into just a rotatable dipole which wasn't very effective. Rig for this contest was a Kenwood TS-50 barefoot (100 Watts) with a 5el OWA Yagi for 10m at 21m high, rotatable dipole for 15m at 23m high, full size lazy H for 20m (favouring North America), halfwave sloper for 40m and 80m inverted vee at 20m high (but nothing at all on 80m!) . . . **ZS2NF**.