

School Club Roundup, 2001

The 15th School Club Roundup enjoyed improved propagation conditions February 12-17. Most returning stations increased their scores from last year, and many doubled their score. There were 58 entries involving over 700 operators in this annual event. The comments show the scores are not the whole story. It is the fun of getting on the air that brings the “kids” back for more.

KC7KFF, at Carl Hayden Community HS ARC, returned to lead the high school division with 288,288 points. W7ASU at Arizona State University turned in the overall high score of 348,159. That is not bad for a club in its second year, and still with no permanent operating site!

KB9TYU at Franke Park School ARC lead the elementary schools with 75,262, nearly triple their previous score. The number of these schools was stable at 12 entries. The Junior High/Middle Schools numbered 12 compared to 16 in 2000. The Sacajawea Middle School HRC improved its score to 113,007 to lead.

A significant improvement in participation came from colleges and universities: They went up by 4 to 10. For the first time in many years, W2CXM (Cornell University) and W2CXN (Brooklyn Technical High School) were operating in the same contest. Operators needed to be very careful in listening and logging because of other similar call signs such as W5ASU (Arkansas State University) and W7ASU (Arizona State University).

For more information about the School Club Roundup, try our e-mail reflector. You can subscribe at www.groups.yahoo.com/group/SCR-L or by sending an e-mail message to SCR-L-SUBSCRIBE@yahoogroups.com. You can also receive information by postal mail. Please send a return address label and two units of First Class postage to Lew Malchick, N2RQ, c/o Brooklyn Technical High School, 29 Fort Greene Pl, Brooklyn, NY 11217.

The 16th SCR will be during the week of February 11-15, 2002.

Soapbox

Three different 6th grade classes participated in SCR 2001 at Jefferson Middle School in Rochester, NY. The activity was well received by the students and teach-



Wesley Keisler, KB9YWI, licensed through school.

ers. About 40 students participated. They rotated among three activities: 15 minute orientation to short-wave communications, 15 minutes on the air with a control operator, 15 minutes of geography and radio propagation and QSL preparation.—Peter Fournia, W2SKY, Rochester Amateur Radio Association Radio Coach Program

Once again we had a wonderful time in the SCR! We almost doubled our previous high score. We worked a lot more on 10 meters this year, including a lot of DX. This is a great event. We got a taste of contesting (usually not possible during the school week) and the contest bug bit some students hard. We also had a chance to get a number of students on the air for the first time. The folks we talked to were very nice, and strongly supported the idea of using the SCR to help kids get interested in amateur radio. Thanks again!—Tom Thompson, KA3WSQ KB3BKW

Wow, what a year! Our students were highly motivated and had a great time “Working the World.” Our biggest hurdle this year was making sure everyone got a turn at the mike, because nobody wanted to relinquish it!

The ham community needs to be commended for their participation this year. We had many pile-ups and their slow exchanges and conversational attitudes helped the students be at ease. It is sometimes difficult to understand younger students over the air and their gentle coaching was valuable and effective. The encouraging words really made our students

smile.—Greg White, N9EYO at KB9TYU

Highlights from Manchester School Radio Club, KD4RCW: I enjoyed talking to people from Maine to California, literally! The best part of the SCR was on the last day when I worked 26 stations in a little over an hour! The SCR really made me want to upgrade to General! I can't wait until next year to participate as a General Class ham. One of the stations we talked to was the club station at the FBI Academy in Quantico, VA. It was fun talking to a G-man!

Paso Robles High School was back for a second year in the School Club Roundup contest as W6PRB. Ham radio still lures those young people in as they hear their peers talking, real time, with people from all over the country and world. We received great local media coverage, including a front-page article in our school newspaper. Our Superintendent stopped by to observe the kids in action. He was impressed with our list of DX contacts. A great conversation ensued with the kids regarding world geography and radio. The highlight of the contest took place on the last day when we completed our WAS. A freshman operator, Jace, was sitting at the microphone and working the pile up when suddenly he heard Jim, N7SPH, signing his call from Wyoming! That was number 50! The cheers coming from our small radio room sounded as though the school's football team had just won a championship game. I don't think Jace, or the rest of the kids that were present, will soon forget the fun they had with radio throughout the week of SCR 2001. A big thank you goes out to all the hams who made time in their operations to respond to the many school clubs calling, “CQ CQ CQ School Club Roundup!” See you next year, 73.—Rob Thoresen, AG6RT, W6PRB Club Trustee

Pam, KD7LGL, and her friend Merle had the rig by themselves on Tuesday night. They started calling CQ at 3:30 local time. This was their first time on HF and they did a great job of working the BIG pileup. I was nearby but let them handle the crowd. They were pros. About 5:30, Pam looked up at me and said, “How do I stop?” She and Merle worked a two-hour pile-up, non-stop. Welcome to HF!—Allan Cameron, N7UJJ

2001 School Club Roundup Scores

| Call Sign | Score | Rank | QSOs | States | Countries | Clubs | Schools | Hours | Operators | Club name | School |
|------------------------------------|--------|------|------|--------|-----------|-------|---------|-------|-----------|---|---|
| Elementary School | | | | | | | | | | | |
| KB9TYU | 75262 | 1 | 311 | 50 | 11 | 3 | 35 | 17 | 10 | Franke Park School ARC | Franke Park Elementary |
| KB3BRT | 33823 | 2 | 149 | 31 | 27 | 2 | 33 | 19 | 22 | Cowanesque Valley School ARC | Westfield Area Elementary |
| WA2RGV | 23322 | 3 | 137 | 38 | 7 | 2 | 24 | 24 | 6 | | Lafayette School |
| KB2VBU | 16324 | 4 | 106 | 32 | 8 | 2 | 22 | 20 | 40 | Intervale School ARC | |
| KB2VAP | 6110 | 5 | 65 | 24 | 3 | 1 | 13 | 11 | 21 | | Shaker Road Elementary School |
| N1IFP | 5341 | 6 | 49 | 23 | 4 | 1 | 16 | 9 | 7 | Bean School ARC | James Bean School |
| KC7OIO | 5044 | 7 | 45 | 17 | 4 | 3 | 14 | 15 | 22 | Lake Washington Ham Club | Franklin Elementary School |
| KD4RCW | 3535 | 8 | 35 | 23 | 1 | 1 | 15 | 5 | 2 | Manchester School Radio Club | Manchester School |
| KC2AHK | 3024 | 9 | 54 | 13 | 27 | 3 | 2 | 16 | 150 | Stafford Intermediate School ARC | Stafford Intermediate School |
| K6LSR | 2380 | 10 | 28 | 16 | 2 | 6 | 11 | 5 | 4 | Nichols Elementary School HRC | Leroy Nichols Elementary School |
| W7EH | 570 | 11 | 15 | 12 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 7 | 2 | | Whiteriver Elementary School |
| KA4NDY | 240 | 12 | 8 | 6 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 6 | | Village School |
| Junior High / Middle School | | | | | | | | | | | |
| K7BZN | 113007 | 1 | 415 | 49 | 30 | 6 | 36 | 24 | 14 | Sacajawea Middle School HRC | Sacajawea Middle School |
| W5ARK | 75335 | 2 | 304 | 43 | 26 | 9 | 32 | 22 | 28 | Dunbar International Magnet ARC | Dunbar Magnet Middle School |
| WD9ITM | 69402 | 3 | 269 | 47 | 17 | 2 | 38 | 19 | 29 | Memorial Park ARC | Memorial Park MS |
| AC4RC | 51023 | 4 | 183 | 43 | 10 | 3 | 40 | 20 | 8 | | Boys & Girls Homes of North Carolina |
| AD8B | 44265 | 5 | 195 | 42 | 14 | 3 | 33 | 21 | 49 | Zion ARC | Zion Lutheran School |
| KC0CXB | 40635 | 6 | 301 | 31 | 9 | 5 | 17 | 22 | 27 | Mt Garfield Middle School ARC | Mt Garfield Middle School |
| KC7LHG | 16940 | 7 | 104 | 32 | 16 | 3 | 20 | 20 | 8 | Omak Wireless League | Omak Middle School |
| KC7VWW | 12555 | 8 | 131 | 29 | 17 | 1 | 9 | 15 | 48 | Klamath County Schools ARC | Henley Middle School |
| KC8KOH | 5800 | 9 | 54 | 26 | 2 | 1 | 14 | 14 | 7 | Ritchie Co Middle School ARC | Ritchie Co Middle School |
| K4BMS | 4386 | 10 | 43 | 17 | 13 | 1 | 14 | 15 | 1 | Blacksburg Middle School ARC | |
| K4B | 552 | 11 | 12 | 10 | 1 | 0 | 7 | 4 | 1 | | Williston Middle School of Math, Science & Technology |
| W2SKY | 221 | 12 | 13 | 4 | 8 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 40 | RARA Radio Coaches | Jefferson Middle School |
| High School | | | | | | | | | | | |
| KC7KFF | 288288 | 1 | 904 | 45 | 51 | 8 | 40 | 24 | 12 | Carl Hayden Community HS ARC | Carl Hayden Community H S |
| W6PRB | 170815 | 2 | 609 | 50 | 23 | 8 | 36 | 24 | 12 | Paso Robles High School ARC | |
| K1BBS | 140304 | 3 | 444 | 39 | 30 | 6 | 47 | 24 | 22 | Burr and Burton ARC | Burr and Burton Academy |
| KB3BKW | 95121 | 4 | 351 | 46 | 36 | 2 | 37 | 22 | 14 | Belle Vernon HS ARC | Belle Vernon High School |
| W2CXN | 21210 | 5 | 105 | 33 | 20 | 2 | 29 | 11 | 5 | Brooklyn Technical High School ARC&Soc. | Brooklyn Technical High School |
| W5CHS | 16383 | 6 | 97 | 30 | 9 | 0 | 18 | 8 | 8 | Catholic HS ARC | Catholic High School |
| KB0SAL | 16000 | 7 | 80 | 30 | 1 | 2 | 33 | 23 | 8 | Waco Amateur Radio Club | Waco Jr-Sr High School |
| N4LZJ | 15360 | 8 | 96 | 30 | 18 | 1 | 22 | 19 | 6 | | Colonial Forge HS |
| KG4EDK | 14700 | 9 | 100 | 28 | 21 | 4 | 18 | 16 | 8 | | Brooke Point High School |
| KC2AIF | 13728 | 10 | 88 | 33 | 13 | 0 | 22 | 15 | 6 | Pioneer HS ARC | Pioneer High School |
| KC0ENB | 7000 | 11 | 56 | 28 | 3 | 2 | 18 | 8 | 4 | Russell High School Radio Club | Russell High School |
| N4ZRA | 3600 | 12 | 45 | 16 | 5 | 2 | 11 | 6 | 7 | | North Georgia Christian Home Educators |
| KC0EPL | 1292 | 13 | 34 | 16 | 5 | 1 | 3 | 12 | 1 | | |
| W2IHA | 918 | 14 | 17 | 10 | 1 | 0 | 8 | 2 | 3 | IHA ARC | Immaculate Heart Academy |
| WA7PZW | 754 | 15 | 13 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 10 | 5 | 2 | Mazama High School Ham-mers | Mazama High School |
| DX High School | | | | | | | | | | | |
| VE7HSS | 200 | 1 | 10 | 8 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 3 | | Eric Hamber High School |
| College/University | | | | | | | | | | | |
| W7ASU | 348159 | 1 | 813 | 50 | 44 | 17 | 57 | 24 | 7 | Amateur Radio Society at Arizona State University | |
| W5ASU | 38925 | 2 | 225 | 36 | 10 | 6 | 23 | 19 | 10 | Arkansas State Technical Institute ARC | Arkansas State Univ |
| W9NIU | 36024 | 3 | 144 | 35 | 14 | 4 | 36 | 16 | 5 | NIU College of Engineering Radio Club | Northern Illinois University |
| NSZQ | 12882 | 4 | 113 | 20 | 15 | 2 | 15 | 10 | 2 | Oklahoma Christian University | Oklahoma Christian University |
| W6YRA | 8680 | 5 | 70 | 29 | 1 | 2 | 18 | 2 | 2 | UCLA Amateur Radio Club | Engineering IV 66-147L |
| K0KUSU | 7725 | 6 | 103 | 23 | 1 | 3 | 9 | 12 | 2 | Kansas State University—Salina ARC | Kansas State University—Salina |
| WB4TOP | 7154 | 7 | 46 | 18 | 14 | 2 | 22 | 14 | 3 | Wake Tech ARC | |
| AG0EU | 6441 | 8 | 57 | 26 | 3 | 2 | 16 | 7 | 1 | Jack Blizzard ARC | Evangel University |
| W2CXM | 4872 | 9 | 58 | 20 | 7 | 1 | 11 | 8 | 5 | Cornell University ARC | Cornell University |
| KC5ZHF | 150 | 10 | 10 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 1 | U. T. A. Amateur Radio Club | University of Texas at Arlington |
| DX College/University | | | | | | | | | | | |
| ON4HTI | 13430 | 1 | 138 | 13 | 35 | 8 | 3 | 19 | 4 | | Higher Technical Institute, K. H. B. O. |
| Club | | | | | | | | | | | |
| K3FBI | 38135 | 1 | 142 | 40 | 6 | 1 | 43 | 14 | 4 | Federal Bureau of Investigation ARA | |
| Individual | | | | | | | | | | | |
| N2IZM | 6105 | 1 | 33 | 22 | 1 | 1 | 32 | 15 | 1 | | |
| KC2FDQ | 4687 | 2 | 42 | 22 | 3 | 2 | 16 | 7 | 1 | | |
| WO8L | 1782 | 3 | 18 | 14 | 0 | 0 | 17 | 5 | 1 | | |
| KB3AGZ | 1472 | 4 | 16 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 16 | 5 | 1 | | |
| N2TDT | 342 | 5 | 18 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 1 | | |
| WB0WG | 24 | 6 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | | |