



This year your broom had to be that much bigger!

On a Friday afternoon in August, 3114 BCE, one Maya walks up to another and says "Let's go for a beer." The other Maya puts down his stone-cutting tools and says "Yeah, if I don't finish this calendar, it's not the end of the world."

The year 2012 was supposed to be the end of the world for a number of reasons, not the least of which was a misunderstanding of the Maya calendar. Listening to some of the contesting chatter, 2012 was supposed to be cataclysmic for Sweepstakes, as well. The Ontario section ceased to exist, replaced by four new sections, Ontario North, Ontario South, Ontario East and Greater Toronto Area. A sweep would require 83 sections. Anarchy would surely result!

It didn't. Stations posting a sweep came in at a healthy 258. Ontario North (ONN) became the new rarest multiplier, but interestingly, many stations who missed a sweep did so by more than just ONN, and some who missed a sweep did so despite snagging ONN. The section was reported in 790 QSOs among logs submitted, but close on its heels was, perhaps oddly, Northern New York (NNY), in 803 QSOs. Even perennial sweep-busters Manitoba (1,190 QSOs), North Dakota (967) and Northern Territories (811) showed more QSOs than ONN.

Clean Sweeps

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Clean Sweeps	258
Stations missing a Clean Sweep by	one section
	118
Fewest QSOs for a Clean Sweep	83 (N6MW, Unlimited, HP)
Most QSOs with a Clean Sweep	1,424 (N2IC, SOHP)
Most QSOs without a Clean Sweep	1,120
Rarest section	ONN (790 QSOs)
Most-worked section	VA (22.650 QSOs)

By the way, if you missed Virginia, you just weren't trying. It was the most populous section, good for 22,650 QSOs in the 1,086 logs submitted.

Ken, WM5R operating at K5NA, took the optimist approach: "I think there was significantly more

activity from Ontario this year," he wrote. "By the end, I had worked at least eight stations in each of the new Ontario multipliers."

Arnie, N6HC squeaked in a sweep. "My very last QSO was with VE3CX for my first ONN multiplier on 80 meters," he wrote.

Jim, WI9WI missed a sweep, but it wasn't because of ONN. "This is at least the fourth or fifth time I've worked all sections but VE4," he writes, adding he does it the old-fashioned way, with no CW Skimmer (www.dxatlas.com/cwskimmer) or spotting network connection at his Wisconsin cabin.

Not everyone was as lucky. "OK, RAC (Radio Amateurs of Canada), I was in for a sweep this year when my 13th mult was J (VY1JA) in NT and things were really humming along," begins Paul, WN6K. "I thought 'No panic, I always work a boatload of VE3s and ONN will surely show up sometime." But it wasn't to be; he missed a sweep by two sections.

Facts and Figures

Number of logs		1,290
Number of QSOs claimed		500,739
Earliest Check	16 (W7DK, Radio	Club of Tacoma)
Most Common Check		1962 (54 ops)
Section Submitting the Mo	st Logs	VA (75)
Section Submitting the Fev	west Logs	ND (2)

Only one national record fell in 2012, with Fred, KE7X (at KØPP) taking over the Unlimited Low Power (UL) record with a score of 171,644 (1,035 QSOs in 83 sections). The previous record holder was KK7S at 168,480 points set in 2011.

Single-Operator, High Power

Steve, N2IC continues his mastery of this contest, edging out Gator, N5RZ for the top spot with 1,424 QSOs and a sweep for a score of 236,384. "Seems like this was an excellent year to be in New Mexico," Steve writes. "Got off to a great start and just kept my distance from the competition during the really slow stretch on Sunday." Steve reports

that 15 was his money band in daylight and 40 was hot after dark. "Thanks to CCO (Contesting Club Ontario) for encouraging activity from the new Ontario sections." Gator, N5RZ beat Number 3 W7RN (N6TV, op) by only eight QSOs. Rounding out the Top 5 were NØNI (AG9A, op) and Dave, K5GN.

Single-Operator, High Power

N2IC	236,384
N5RZ	225,096
W7RN (N6TV, op)	223,768
NØNI (AG9A, op)	219,618
K5GN	212,480
W6NL (N5KO, op)	210,986
WDØT	210,820
K5TR (N2NC, op)	210,488
K6LA	207,998
W9RE	201,856

SOHP entrant K1FWE was disqualified for operating outside the privileges of his license.

Single-Operator, Low Power

The see-saw continues between Randy, KØEU and Matt, K7BG. It swung back Randy's way this year (194,220 points), as he beat Matt (186,252) by 48 QSOs and Felipe, NP4Z (182,932) by 68 QSOs. But it appears Puerto Rico is back.



Randy, KØEU has had great success over the past 10 years from his impressive Colorado SO2R (single-operator, two radio) station. (Photo by KØEU)

"NP4Z would have won the thing if he hadn't been pulled away from the chair by family matters. I believe he said he lost an hour of operating. One hour is huge in SS, especially when you are a rare mult such as KP4," Randy writes in an email. Matt also lost an hour, which could have made for quite the excitement atop the Low Power category had all three stations put in 24 hours.

Felipe, NP4Z is thrilled with his finish. "Low Power is almost impossible to win from here and that's why I like the LP class. Even if you make it to Top 5 you feel like a winner!" he writes. He plans to be back. "Good 10 meters will get me close to the top, but it will still require great knowledge, talent and luck."

Single-Operator, Low Power

KØEU	194,220
K7BG	186,252
NP4Z	182,932
K4RO	180,276
NØAT (NØKK, op)	177,620
N4OGW	177,454
VA7RR	175,972
N9CK	173,470
K7GK	169,818
NAØN	169,248

A pair of Kirks round out the Top 5, with K4RO at 180,276 points and NØKK (at NØAT) at 177,620 points. Kirk, K4RO writes: "After 10 years of 24-hr QRP SS efforts, I thought I'd try something different this year. So, this is what it's like to be able to hold a run frequency in SS!" He says a lightning storm lurked overhead for the first few hours. "It's pretty hard to play catchup in SS." The other Kirk credited a strong start for his showing. "Was wonderful to work a VY1 on the third QSO," Kirk, NØKK writes. "Took some pressure off. Turns out NNY was the last to fall."

Multioperator, High Power

When you have a good thing going, why mess with success? So it is with the crew at W6YI (W6YI, N6AN, N6KI, N6MJ, K6AM ops), who took the Multioperator title once again, beating Number 2 WØDLE (WØDLE, WØUA, and WBØGAZ, ops) by 89 QSOs, or 222,108 points to 207,334. The U.S. Virgin Islands section was well represented, with KP2M (K1ZE, N3XF, W1EQ ops) in third spot, just 11 QSOs behind WØDLE.

Interestingly, all Top 10 stations in the Multioperator, High Power category made a sweep, but outside the Top 10, only five others did. VY1EI (VY1EI, WJ2O ops) was just behind Number 10

KØHB (+KØCKB) and missed a sweep by one. It wouldn't have helped, however, as they had 11 fewer QSOs.

Multioperator, High Power

W6YI	222,108
WØDLE	207,334
KP2M	205,508
K1LZ KH7X	202,188
W5RU	194,054 191,564
W4RM	173,636
KØS	172,806
W6TK	168,158
KØHB	157,036



WNØL and ABØS were kept busy before the contest, rerouting connections to the shack of the Pioneer ARC where they used the special call KØS in the contest. (Photo by KØBJ)

Multioperator, Low Power

It turns out Ward, NØAX is proficient with more than just a soldering iron and hands-on radio experiments: he and Sterling, NØSSC teamed up as WØEEE to win MOLP, beating out a small but capable field, including Number 2 W1HQ, piloted by ARRL staffers Sean, KX9X and Mike, KI1U. [It is rumored that a dinner wager was on the table – Ed.] NX6T (N6KI, WB6NBU, K4RB, N7VM ops), N6WIN (+N6GP), and N4UW (+N4IR and N4DD) round out the Top 5.

Multioperator, Low Power

WØEEE	159,028
W1HQ	153,052
NX6T	144,320
N6WIN	142,096
N4UW	127,654
K4FT	98,496
VE4DR	74,240
WA6KYR	54,112
WDØGTY	52,812
KØUK	44,822

And no VE4s were harmed in the seventh-place VE4DR effort, but three VE3s and a VA7 were horribly inconvenienced. VE3BXI, VE3AOD, VE3CFK and VA7DZ teamed up to put VE4 into 464 logs.

Single-Operator, QRP

You have to sweep to win, right? Not exactly. You just need to make enough more QSOs than anyone who does sweep. And that's the story atop QRP, where Dean, NW2K missed a sweep by one section but did lead his nearest rival by six QSOs and one section, and beat sweep artists Steve, KØOU, NN7SS (K6UFO, op) and Gary, N7IR by at least 38 QSOs. Third-place Joe, N7IV put in North Dakota's strongest showing, with 664 QSOs and 81 sections for 107,568 points. He was one of two logs submitted from North Dakota.

Single-Operator, QRP

NW2K	111,684
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NØUR	109,350
N7IV	107,568
KØOU	106,738
NN7SS (K6UFO, op)	104,580
N7IR	102,588
K9ZO	100,860
W6JTI	100,440
KØPC	99,996
W7IY	94,770

School Club

N9GTC didn't win School Club. Indeed, the station's 177 QSOs and 59 sections were but a fraction of the 500,739 QSOs reported. But in a category small enough you'd have to add two stations to even have a Top 10, that's hardly the point.

School Club

KØHC (WØBH, op)	174,466
W4UAL	48,924
N5XU (AA5BT, op)	42,312
W3YI (AB3LS, op)	38,776
N9GTC (WW9R, op)	20,886
W8SH	9,752
W1AF (W1PL, op)	9,682
W2DSC (WB2NVR, op)	6,364

N9GTC is the club station located at Gateway Technical College in Sturtevant, Wisconsin. Pat, WW9R is one of the instructors at the Johnson Integrated Engineering and Manufacturing Technology Center. When he asked the student club members what they wanted to focus on, they said they wanted to learn Morse code. So, he made them a deal: learn enough Morse and they would play in Sweepstakes CW. "It was an amazing thing to see," he writes. "With every contact, their excitement grew. It caused me to relive those first contacts as a Novice so many years ago."

The students were thrilled. "Memories were made that will never be forgotten," he writes. Students rotated in the chair each hour, making an average of 10 QSOs per hour. "But that didn't matter: They were grinning from ear to ear."

Pat goes on to say the experience forged two new hams; Technician-class licensees Melanie, KC9YBR and Shawn, KC9YBX who at the time of this writing were planning on upgrading to General in time to play in the Wisconsin QSO Party in March.

Congratulations to Bob, WØBH who again has KØHC on top of School Club with a respectable 1,051 QSOs and a sweep for 174,466 points. It seems Sweepstakes wouldn't be the same without his big Kansas signal.

Single-Operator Unlimited, High Power

Dave, K6LL continues to make the most of his Arizona QTH. Despite lacking the few dB that come with the rarity of an Ontario North or the exotic-sounding VY1 prefix, Dave continues to rack up the wall hardware. His 1,256 QSOs and a sweep (208,496 points) combined for a nearly 8,000-point victory over Mitch, K7RL.

"Hard to believe 10m was wall-to-wall with great DX signals a week ago. You'd never know it this weekend," pines Mitch, K7RL echoing a common refrain. Indeed, his 25 QSOs on 10 may not have been worth switching bands for. It's amazing how conditions can change in a week. "This time around, rare sections for me were NT, RI and MB. Actually, MB was the last section I needed... thank you VE4YU."

Single-Operator Unlimited, High Power

K6LL	208,496
K7RL	200,030
W4MR (AA4NC, op)	195,216
KY7M	194,884
N4BP	193,888
KB7Q	193,556
NY3A	192,726
VO1XX (K5KG, op)	184,758
N4ZZ	183,098
N4GG	182,102
K4TD	182,102

Will, AA4NC (at W4MR) took third place by only two QSOs over Lee, KY7M. Baked potatoes were right behind, as Bob, N4BP rounded out Top 5.

Single-Operator Unlimited, Low Power

Congratulations to Fred, KE7X who is now the Unlimited, Low Power record holder with 1,035 QSOs and a sweep for 171,644 points. And could there be a better location to set a record than a place called Opportunity? "Conditions were great on Saturday; Sunday, not so much. Everything in the N1MM band map was grey!" Fred writes. "Even so, Ken's antennas played great." Fred took over Ken, KØPP's station in Opportunity, Montana, and greatly appreciates Ken's and his wife's Rose's hospitality.

Accidentally Unlimited, Dick, K4XU, operating as N7XU, was hot on Fred's heels at 1,013 QSOs and a sweep. He offers a bit of insight into the reality of being a low-power operator. "Knocked off all the usually hard ones early: NL, YT, VI, MB, but sweated out ONN, VT and NNY. It was impossible to break the pile on the only NNY I could find. So I went way up the band on 20, found a cozy spot between two loud East Coast stations and resolved to be a CQ'n machine for the rest of the day. It took about two hours to get them all," he writes.

Single-Operator Unlimited, Low Power

KE7X (at KØPP)	171,644
N7XU (K4XU, op)	168,158
KK7S	163,344
K8BL	159,526
W2CS	153,550
K3AU (K2YWE, op)	147,574
N5DO	145,250
VE3KI	141,598
K7XC	141,532
W9CA (N9CO, op)	141,204

Dick noted he had left his computer on after Thursday's NS Sprint (**www.ncccsprint.com**) and it wasn't until about two hours into Sweepstakes that he decided to open up his N1MM band map and realized he was unintentionally operating in the Unlimited category. "I decided it would be a learning experience," he writes. "It's very nice for finding places to CQ." KK7S, K8BL and W2CS rounded out the Top 5 in SOULP.

Where the Action Was

Like real estate, a winning Sweepstakes strategy requires "location, location, location." Here are the busiest places for Sweepstakes action in 2012:

Busiest bands

Band	QSOs
40	172,197
20	136,676
15	94,718
80	80,251
10	16,492
160	53

Accuracy Leaders

Sweepstakes and its longest exchange of all major contests really puts a premium on logging (and sending) accuracy. No errors is something special – here are the "Golden Logs" for this year:

Golden Logs

No Errors and 100 or more QSOs

Call	Category	Section	QSOs
WS7L	SOHP	OR	529
K7HBN	SOQRP	WWA	226
W1MJ	SOLP	EMA	206
KR2Q	SOQRP	NNJ	184
K9AY	SOQRP	WI	152
W8IDM	SOLP	ОН	137
WA2VQV	SOLP	DE	104
VE9AA	SOQRP	MAR	100

It's not easy to fight through the QRM and QRN for hour after hour and still manage to log less than one error per hundred QSOs. The following stations exhibited world-class accuracy – these are the operators you want on your team!

Accuracy Honor Roll

Error rate below 1% and more than 400 QSOs

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Call	Category	Section	QSOs	Rate %
WA1LWS	SOLP	MDC	435	0.2
WA8ZBT	SOQRP	NTX	425	0.2
W7YAQ	SOLP	OR	920	0.3
N9CK	SOLP	WI	1045	0.4
W9CF	SOLP	AZ	668	0.4
N5DY	SOHP	OK	512	0.4
N4KG	UH	AL	505	0.4
N7DR	SOHP	CO	481	0.4
W6JK	SOLP	LAX	457	0.4
VA7RR	SOLP	BC	1073	0.5
W7ZRC	SOLP	ID	909	0.5
VE3KI	UL	ONE	853	0.5
N8VV	SOLP	ОН	637	0.5
K1GU	SOLP	TN	628	0.5
W6JTI	SOQRP	SF	620	0.5
NUØQ	UL	IA	416	0.5
NAØN	SOLP	MN	1032	0.6
NW2K	SOQRP	WNY	681	0.6
WA6KHK	UH	ORG	659	0.6
AA4FU	SOLP	NC	655	0.6
VE2AWR	SOLP	QC	645	0.6
W7PU (N7EPD, op)	SOHP	WWA	525	0.6
N5XE	SOLP	OK	498	0.6
WQ5L	SOLP	MS	666	0.7
K9WA	SOLP	IL	576	0.7
N5UM	SOLP	OK	573	0.7
WB2ABD	SOQRP	WNY	541	0.7
AC5K	SOLP	STX	529	0.7
N4BP	UH	SFL	1168	0.8
K7BG	SOLP	MT	1122	0.8
W1NN	SOLP	ОН	1016	0.8
AA5B	UH	NM	1066	0.9
W2ID	SOLP	NNJ	924	0.9
W7RM (N6TR, op)	UL	OR	849	0.9
W2JU ` / I /	SOHP	CT	629	0.9
K4ORD	SOLP	VA	526	0.9

Get Ready

Mark your calendars! The 2013 CW Sweepstakes runs Nov. 2-4. This will be the 80th running of the oldest domestic radio contest, so stay tuned for special ways to celebrate!

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Regional Leaders														
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Northeast Region Southeast Region				Central Region		Great Plains Region		West Coast Region						
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W2CS K3AU (K2YWE, op) AB3CX N3SD K3MD	153,550 147,574 126,492 111,618 108,232	UL UL UL UL UL	N3JT N4DW KY4F N4KH W4MPS	127,156 118,080 97,110 94,288 86,560	UL UL UL UL UL	K8BL VE3KI W9CA (N9CO, op) K4FXN KB9OWD	159,526 141,598 141,204 125,496 120,184	UL UL UL UL UL	N5DO KØMPH KTØA KTØR (KØOB, op) WØPI	145,250 139,938 125,132 119,852 107,236	UL UL UL UL UL	KE7X (at KØPP) N7XU (K4XU, op) KK7S K7XC W7RM (N6TR, op)	171,644 168,158 163,344 141,532 140,934	UL UL UL UL
K1LZ KA2D W3LJ	202,188 122,674 56,880	MH MH MH	KP2M W5RU W4RM N4GI N4FX	205,508 191,564 173,636 151,060 121,524	MH MH MH MH MH	W8EDU NT8V KA3MTT W8SH	151,392 91,798 15,680 9,752	MH MH MH MH	WØDLE KØS KØHB NØMA KØJA	207,334 172,806 157,036 89,216 49,896	MH MH MH MH MH	W6YI KH7X W6TK VY1EI K6MMM	222,108 194,054 168,158 153,340 144,342	MH MH MH MH
W1HQ W01N K2CDJ AB2DE	153,052 34,304 30,668 1,972	ML ML ML ML	N4UW W4UAL K3MZ K4FO	127,654 48,924 26,700 8,232	ML ML ML ML	K4FT N9GTC (WW9R, op) N9MT	98,496 20,886 4,472	ML ML ML	WØEEE VE4DR WDØGTY KØUK KEØL	159,028 74,240 52,812 44,822 25,200	ML ML ML ML	NX6T N6WIN WA6KYR	144,320 142,096 54,112	ML ML ML
W3YI (AB3LS, op) W1AF (W1PL, op) W2DSC (WB2NVR, op)	38,776 9,682 6,364	S S S	W4UAL	48,924	S	N9GTC (WW9R, op) W8SH	20,886 9,752	S S	KØHC (WØBH, op) N5XY (AA5BT, op)	174,466 42,312	S S			

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Atlantic Single Operator High Power CW Single Operator Low Power CW Single Operator QRP CW Single Operator Unlimited High Power CW Single Operator Unlimited Low Power CW Multioperator High Power CW Multioperator Low Power CW School Club CW	AA3B NO3M NW2K NY3A K3AU (K2YWE, op) W3LJ K2CDJ W3YI (AB3LS, op)	Icom America Potomac Valley Radio Club Milt Coleman, K4OSO Icom America
Central Single Operator High Power CW Single Operator Low Power CW Single Operator QRP CW Single Operator Unlimited High Power CW Single Operator Unlimited Low Power CW Multioperator High Power CW Multioperator Low Power CW School Club CW	W9RE N9CK K9ZO NE9U W9CA (N9CO, op) No Entrant N9MT N9GTC (WW9R, op)	Society Of Midwest Contesters Society Of Midwest Contesters Sean Kutzko, KX9X Straight Key Century Club Icom America Icom America Icom America Icom America
Dakota Single Operator High Power CW Single Operator Low Power CW Single Operator QRP CW Single Operator Unlimited High Power CW Single Operator Unlimited Low Power CW Multioperator High Power CW Multioperator Low Power CW School Club CW	WDØT NØAT (NØKK, op) NØUR K1KD KØMPH KØHB KEØL No Entrant	Minnesota Wireless Association Minnesota Wireless Association Tod Olson, KØTO Minnesota Wireless Association Icom America Minnesota Wireless Association Icom America Tod Olson, KØTO
Delta Single Operator High Power CW Single Operator Low Power CW Single Operator QRP CW Single Operator Unlimited High Power CW Single Operator Unlimited Low Power CW Multioperator High Power CW Multioperator Low Power CW School Club CW	N8OO K4RO N5EE N4ZZ N4DW W5RU N4UW No Entrant	Icom America
Great Lakes Single Operator High Power CW Single Operator Low Power CW Single Operator QRP CW Single Operator Unlimited High Power CW Single Operator Unlimited Low Power CW Multioperator High Power CW Multioperator Low Power CW School Club CW	AC8E (K8MR, op) W1NN KT8K N4QS K8BL W8EDU K4FT W8SH	Mad River Radio Club Mad River Radio Club Mad River Radio Club KD8LL & K4EQ - N8CVH Memorial John S. Comella N8AA Icom America Icom America In memory of Raleigh Wert, W8QOI

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Single Operator High Power CW K2UF Icom America Single Operator Low Power CW W2ID Icom America Single Operator QRP CW KR2Q Icom America Single Operator Unlimited High Power CW K2ONP Icom America Single Operator Unlimited Low Power CW W2CS Icom America Multioperator High Power CW KA2D Stuart Silverstein, K3UEI, Memorial

Multioperator Low Power CW AB2DE Icom America

School Club CW W2DSC (WB2NVR, op) Icom America

Midwest

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Single Operator Unlimited High Power CW
Single Operator Unlimited Low Power CW
KØNE
Icom America
Multioperator High Power CW
KWS
Icom America
Multioperator Low Power CW
WØEEE
Icom America
School Club CW
KØHC (WØBH, op)
Icom America

New England

Single Operator High Power CW K5ZD Mark Olsen, KF1V

Single Operator Low Power CW K1XM Michael McKaughan, K1DM

Single Operator QRP CW W1QK Mark Olsen, KF1V Single Operator Unlimited High Power CW W1UJ Mark Olsen, KF1V Single Operator Unlimited Low Power CW Icom America AE1T Multioperator High Power CW K1LZ Mark Olsen, KF1V Multioperator Low Power CW W1HO Icom America School Club CW W1AF (W1PL, op) Icom America

Northwestern

Single Operator High Power CW N9RV Icom America

Single Operator Low Power CW K7BG
Single Operator QRP CW K7BG
NN7SS (K6UFO, op) Phil Yasson, AB7RW

Single Operator Unlimited High Power CW
Single Operator Unlimited Low Power CW
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K60PP)

Multioperator High Power CWKL2RIcom AmericaMultioperator Low Power CWNo EntrantIcom AmericaSchool Club CWNo EntrantIcom America

Pacific

Single Operator High Power CW W7RN (N6TV, op) The Carroll Dean Jensen Memorial (K6CDJ)

Single Operator Low Power CW
Single Operator QRP CW
Single Operator Unlimited High Power CW
Single Operator Unlimited Low Power CW
Single Operator Unlimited Low Power CW
Single Operator Unlimited Low Power CW
K7XC
Robert A. Wilson, N6TV
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Icom America

Multioperator High Power CW KH7X Straight Key Century Club

Multioperator Low Power CW No Entrant Icom America School Club CW No Entrant Icom America

Roanoke

Single Operator High Power CW N4AF Potomac Valley Radio Club Single Operator Low Power CW N4UA Icom America

Single Operator QRP CW W7IY Icom America Single Operator Unlimited High Power CW W4MR (AA4NC, op) Icom America Single Operator Unlimited Low Power CW N3JT Icom America Multioperator High Power CW W4RM Icom America Multioperator Low Power CW K3MZ Icom America School Club CW No Entrant Icom America

Rocky Mountain

Single Operator High Power CW N2IC Grand Mesa Contesters of Colorado

Single Operator Low Power CW KØEU Icom America Single Operator QRP CW WC7S Colorado QRP Club Single Operator Unlimited High Power CW AA5B Icom America Single Operator Unlimited Low Power CW KK6MC Icom America Multioperator High Power CW WØDLE Icom America Multioperator Low Power CW KØUK Icom America

School Club CW No Entrant Icom America

Southeastern

Single Operator High Power CW AD4Z Tom Alderman, W4BQF Single Operator Low Power CW NP4Z David Brandenburg, K5RQ Straight Key Contest Club Single Operator QRP CW K3TW Single Operator Unlimited High Power CW Charlie Wooten, NF4A N4BP Single Operator Unlimited Low Power CW KY4F Icom America Multioperator High Power CW KP2M Icom America Multioperator Low Power CW K4FO Icom America

School Club CW W4UAL David Brandenburg, K5RQ

Southwestern

Single Operator High Power CW Single Operator Low Power CW K6LA Icom America AA6PW Larry Serra, N6NC Single Operator QRP CW N7IR N6HE and W6DLD Single Operator Unlimited High Power CW K6LL Icom America Single Operator Unlimited Low Power CW Icom America KE7DX Multioperator High Power CW W6YI Icom America Multioperator Low Power CW Icom America NX6T School Club CW No Entrant Icom America

West Gulf

Single Operator High Power CW
Single Operator Low Power CW
N5RZ
N5WR
David Brandenburg, K5RQ
David Brandenburg, K5RQ
David Brandenburg, K5RQ
In Memory of Mick Lange, WB5RSS

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Single Operator Unlimited Low Power CW
N5DO
Icom America
Multioperator High Power CW
No Entrant
Multioperator Low Power CW
WDØGTY
Icom America

School Club CW N5XU (AA5BT, op) David Brandenburg, K5RQ

Canada

Single Operator High Power CW VETCC Icom America Single Operator Low Power CW VA7RR Icom America

Single Operator QRP CW VA3DF QRP Amateur Radio Club International

Single Operator Unlimited High Power CW
Single Operator Unlimited Low Power CW
Wultioperator High Power CW
VO1XX (K5KG, op)
VE3KI
VE1EI
Icom America
Icom America
Straight Key Contest Club

Multioperator Low Power CW VE4DR Icom America School Club CW No Entrant Icom America