

Contest Tips, Tricks, and Techniques by W9XT Index of the 100 Columns

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1986			Hints on Station Layout (from Black Hole)			Point antenna to 2nd area (from Kettle Drums)
1987	10m meteor scatter (from Kettle Drums)	-----	-----	Sharing Ideas (#1)	Keeping contesting skills sharp	Mental and physical prep
1988	CQ or S&P?	Duping	Turning hodge-podge into a station	1 & 2 tower contesting	Operating Sprint	Small pistol
1989	Analyzing old logs	Specialty contests	WPX	Operating QRP	Getting the last mult	SS strategy
1990	Low band contesting	Using packet	Putting together a team	What do you do when rate drops?	Where is next generation contesting coming from?	World work specific area
1991	Tactics for special situations	Humorous side of contesting	Creature comforts Part 1	Spending \$1000 to improve station	Creature comforts Part 2	number ops for multi-op
1992	Best tips from years past	What category?	FD – contest or not?	Modern radios – what are best features?	Be propagation user, not victim	State QSO parties
1993	Contest clubs	Operating NAQP	Contest irritations Part 1	Contest irritations Part 2	When you're DX	PC in shack Part 1
1994	PC in shack Part 2	Pre-contest checklist	Computer RFI Part 1	Computer RFI Part 2	Creating new contesters	Tips for little pistols
1995	Low sunspot years	Part-time contesting	FD antennas	Bonehead mistakes Part 1	Bonehead mistakes Part 2	Contesting and family

1996	S&P techniques	Specialty contests	SO2R	Low band contesting	Split freq operation	General tips
1997	Single tower antenna farms	Low cost improvements Part 1	Low cost improvements Part 2	A look back and a look forward	Category selection	Pre-contest planning
1998	Contest activity levels	Contest clubs	Motivation	Building a contest team	Packet in contesting	Small homebrew accessories
1999	No tower contesting	Contesting with sunspots	Tips for beginning contesters Part 1	Tips for beginning contesters Part 2	Domestic contests	Searching for the last dB
2000	Contesting in the past	Measuring improvement	Design your own contest	State QOS parties Part 1	State QSO parties Part 2	Attracting young contesters
2001	Rating system?	Fatigue and concentration Part 1	Fatigue and concentration Part 2	Station layout Part 1	Station layout Part 2	Station layout Part 3
2002	Interstation interference	UBN reports	Contesting as sunspots decline	Best Weapons of Little Pistols Part 1	Best Weapons of little Pistols Part 2	Contesting from Outside Target Area
2003	Open Mic	Reconfiguring your station	Unusual antennas & equipment Part 1	Unusual antennas & equipment Part 2	Annual Station Maintenance	W9XT's favorite contest tips
2004	Reader's favorite contest tips (#100)					