

Results of the July '96 RTTY North American QSO Party

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The first running of the NCJ RTTY North American QSO Party was a great success. Activity on the bands was fantastic and 132 logs were received. Many entries were from contesters entering their first RTTY event. Everyone seemed to enjoy the NAQP contest format and indicated they would be back next year looking to improve their scores.

The race for the top spot was hotly contested with stations from the W3, W4, W5, W6, W7 and W0 call areas making the top ten. At the end, the battle came down to three operators. KF3P, AA5AU, and AB5KD battled it out for the top slot. Don, AA5AU, logged the most contacts with 460. Tyler, KF3P, topped the pack in multipliers with 136. But Ron, AB5KD, topped them both in total score with a winning combination of QSOs (454) and multipliers (132). Twenty and forty meters were the workhorse bands. WA7FAB had the largest QSO number on twenty meters with 253 contacts.

All three of the top operators were using two radios, making it possible for them to call CQ on one band while tuning another for new contacts and multipliers. Although this has been done for years in CW and SSB contesting, it is somewhat new to RTTY contests. It seems that after this contest a big discussion has flared up on the RTTY mail reflector with some saying that folks using two rigs should be in the multiop category. Others feel that it is just another test of operating and station building skills towards the goal of putting together a bigger score.

The multiop category was won by AA7UN. The NAQP multiop category is a two-transmitter type of multi and it has proven to be a very popular and competitive class of entry in the SSB and CW events. We're sure it will grow to that level of popularity in the coming RTTY NAQP contests, too. It should be noted that this is the first RTTY contest to have a two-transmitter category.

The team competition seemed to go over quite well with fifteen teams submitting scores. The RTTY Rats took top honors with a combined score of 207,085.

Although this is a North American event, there was also quite a bit of DX activity. In fact, Tapani, OH2LU, even formed a team of four DX stations and one US station. Other DX calls heard were OH2GI, G3YJQ, GW5NF, ON9CNC, SM3KOR, S57W, FO5OF,

PT2BW, KG4AU, NP2E, TG9AXB, HK0JOM, and ZD8DEZ.

We want to pass a big thank you to everyone who made the first running of the RTTY NAQP contest a great success. We hope to see you in next year's contest, so get that RTTY gear warmed up!

SOAPBOX

I had a lot of fun in the first RTTY NAQP test. I also like having NAQP RTTY in July...WF1B. The contest was great. Shorter contests will encourage more to participate...WA4VQD. This contest will be a great one when it gets going...VE3UR. RTTY NAQP test gave me a reason to get my RTTY back in operation. Hopefully, next year I'll be able to devote a full effort...WA4DYD. Lost 20 meters in the 3rd hour of the test. 10 was open but no activity heard here...KA2CYN. Activity was slow across the pond. Wish we could work other DX stations for a point and U.S. stations for mults...OH2LU. Had a lot of fun...N6HC. A heartfelt thank you for the hard work that makes the NAQP possible. I'm looking forward to the next one...AA6TY. I enjoyed the NAQP test. I learn something new in every test...KC4ZHQ. I sure had a lot of fun. Let's do it again...KF4BU. Had a great

time in my 1st RTTY test...NA5Q. Been active in RTTY almost two years. Enjoyed the contest very much...N2LEB. A very competitive event...N1RCT. My first RTTY contest. Had a ball...AE2T. The test was great fun...W8FDV. This was my first real attempt at a RTTY test. Look for me in the next test, with a higher score of course...WF2S. I was impressed that the QSOs are becoming more rapid fire, like CW. This should help the top scorers get better rates. Thanks to the NCJ and AB5KD for their efforts...WW6D. Only operated on 20 meters. We had a Hum-Dinger of a rain and lighting storm. But it was fun anyway...WA6LOD. My first-ever attempt at RTTY. I will definitely be upgrading my RTTY operation with improved filtering and better logging capability. Thanks for sponsoring another great contest...AB5SE. Log somehow got deleted after the first 5 hours! Isn't it funny how you never get past fundamentals...AA5BE. Hoping for improved conditions next year...N8FEH. This was my first RTTY contest and my first RTTY contacts. I really enjoyed it, and I'm looking forward to the next test...KD4LTR. Thunderstorms caused me to unplug during the test, but I had a lot of fun. See you in the next one...N4AN. This was the first RTTY test I've ever participated in and found it interesting...K5YAA.

Top Ten

Call	Score	Qs	Mlts	10	15	20	40	80	Team
AB5KD	59,796	454	132	8/2	32/12	208/45	154/42	52/31	RTTY Rats
AA5AU	57,500	460	125	11/6	48/13	199/42	157/41	45/23	P.of Doom
KF3P	55,624	409	136	14/7	30/13	133/39	145/42	87/35	RTTY Rats
WA4VQD	47,601	378	129	22/15	74/24	185/42	65/29	32/19	FSCT
WA7FAB	40,492	384	106	0/0	8/4	253/47	94/37	29/18	King Salmon
KN6DV	36,396	346	108	0/0	32/17	173/43	117/37	24/11	Left Coasters
K0RC	35,203	336	107	1/1	5/2	133/36	141/39	56/29	Green Keys
N6HC	35,152	338	104	2/1	22/12	182/40	121/41	11/10	Left Coasters
KA4RRU	34,743	320	111	8/4	18/6	142/37	95/39	57/25	Warriors
AD4TG	34,384	307	112	28/16	54/25	150/37	60/25	15/9	Pile Drivers

Team Scores

The RTTY Rats		Purveyors of Doom		Florida Space Coast Team		King Salmon	
AB5KD	59,796	AA5AU	57,500	WA4VQD	47,601	WA7FAB	40,492
KF3P	55,624	K1IU	24,206	HC4HW	30,956	WA7FOE	29,580
NA4M	32,656	N5MTS	23,751	AF4Z	24,108	KD7P	26,574
WF1B	30,200	VE6KRR	22,532	AA4FC	17,846	W7LZP	17,064
WA6VZI	28,809	G0AZT	18,920				
207,085		146,909		120,411		113,710	

5. The Left Coasters (KD6DV, N6HC, WA6SDM, KD6TO, W6SX)	112,421
6. Woodridge Wireless Warriors(KA4RRU,WA4ZXA,WD4KXB,KC4ZHQ,KC4UH)	101,617
7. The Underdogs Team (KE7GH, K7WUW, K17RW/0, W3GG)	69,044
8. Lost MT. Expeditionary Force (WB5B, KI5JC, VE3XAG)	65,274
9. Green Keys (K0RC, KD8FS, WA0ACI)	64,686
10. Pile Drivers (AD4TG, WA4GKM, KT4FY)	49,860
11. MT. Valley Radio Club Mainelacs (N1RCT, WG9B)	47,473
12. Keystones Radio Amateurs of PA (N3KVF, K3SWZ)	19,146
13. Cellar Dwellers (AA6TY, VE7OR, N0IT)	11,065
14. The Jet Set Team (OH2LU, OH2GI, SM3KOR, GW5NF, W2JGR/0)	10,146
15. Texas DX Society (KB5YTV, K5WA)	7,740

Scores												
<i>Call</i>	<i>QSOs</i>	<i>Mults</i>	<i>Score</i>	<i>QTH</i>	<i>Team</i>	<i>Call</i>	<i>QSOs</i>	<i>Mults</i>	<i>Score</i>	<i>QTH</i>	<i>Team</i>	
WF1B	304	100	30,200	RI	RTTY Rats	KD6TO	180	79	14,220	CA	Left Coasters	
N1RCT	299	93	27,435	ME	Maineiacs	K6HGF	121	53	6,413	CA		
K1IU	247	98	24,208	RI	P. of Doom	WA6YOO	112	57	6,384	CA		
WN1E	76	46	3,496	MA		W6SX	106	52	5,512	CA	Left Coasters	
N1AU	33	22	759	MA		KJ6HO	98	50	4,900	CA		
N2DL	211	82	17,302	NY		AA6TY	88	48	4,224	CA	Cellar Dwellers	
AE2T	129	60	7,740	NY		WB6ITM	86	37	3,145	CA		
KA2CYN	116	57	6,612	NY		KD6PRF	77	40	3,080	CA		
WF2S	96	55	5,290	NY		WW6D	41	29	1,189	CA		
WB2WPM	97	53	5,044	NY		N6PC	24	23	552	CA		
KB2SIX	68	43	2,924	NY		WA7FAB	384	106	40,492	OR	King Salmon	
WA2ZZX	58	35	2,030	NJ		WA7FOE	297	102	29,580	WA	King Salmon	
KD2YG	38	23	874	NJ		KE7GH	325	91	29,302	AZ	Underdogs	
N2LEB	29	18	522	NY		WA6VZI	294	99	28,809	AZ	RTTY Rats	
KF3P	409	136	55,624	MD	RTTY Rats	KD7P	309	86	26,574	WA	King Salmon	
N3KVP	203	87	17,661	PA	Keystone	W7LZP	216	79	17,064	WA	King Salmon	
W3GG	213	78	16,614	MD	Underdogs	N7UJJ	213	78	16,380	AZ		
NE3H	172	74	12,728	PA	Keystone	K7WUW	151	70	10,570	WA	Underdogs	
W2UP	141	63	8,757	PA		AA7CP	157	59	9,263	OR		
K3SWZ	55	27	1,431	PA	Keystone	WB4UIC	27	11	297	NV		
WA4VQD	378	129	47,601	FL	FSCT	AB7NV	12	8	97	OR		
KA4RRU	320	111	34,743	VA	Warriors	AA0CY	13	7	91	NV		
AD4TG	307	112	34,384	FL	Pile Drivers	WB8ENR	241	91	21,658	OH		
AA4NC	304	110	33,440	NC		KD8FS	209	86	16,511	MI	Green Keys	
KC4HW	287	109	30,956	FL	FSCT	N8FEH	134	65	8,710	MI		
KT4DI	282	102	28,764	FL	Pile Drivers	K8ODW	111	67	7,439	MI		
K4GMH	255	99	25,146	VA		K8CV	106	53	5,618	MI		
KC4UH	257	96	24,576	SC	Warriors	W8FDV	98	46	4,508	OH		
AF4Z	248	94	24,108	FL	FSCT	WA8YRS	71	40	2,840	OH		
KB26GID	227	91	20,657	GA		KC4IYD	56	27	1,512	OH		
WA4MME	233	87	20,010	VA		WG9B	240	86	20,038	IN	Maineiacs	
WA4ZXA	230	86	19,608	NC	Warriors	WT9Q	152	62	9,424	WI		
AA4FC	203	89	17,846	FL	FSCT	AA9RR	59	24	2,065	WI		
WD4KXB	182	83	14,940	VA	Warriors	KB9KWL	6	5	30	WI		
KQ4QM	166	72	11,952	NC		K0RC	336	107	35,203	MN	Green Keys	
WA4GKM	154	62	9,548	TN	Pile Drivers	WA0ACI	190	69	12,972	MN	Green Keys	
KC4ZHQ	125	62	7,750	VA	Warriors	K17RW/0	184	69	12,558	NE	Underdogs	
W4IF	104	60	6,180	VA		WA0WHT	140	57	7,866	MN		
KT4FY	105	57	5,928	FL	Pile Drivers	N0IT	117	54	6,813	MO	Cellar Dwellers	
N4AN	56	35	1,960	AL		KG0PI	126	54	6,804	KS		
N0AUI	49	26	1,274	KY		W2JGR/0	139	41	5,421	MN	Jet Set	
WA6LOD	54	23	1,242	NC		K0BX	105	43	4,515	MO		
WA4DYD	26	34	884	GA		AA0PU	64	37	2,368	MO		
AE4ON	33	23	759	NC		N0IBT	82	24	1,968	CO		
KD4LTR	26	19	494	TN		VE6KRR	264	86	22,532	AB	P. of Doom	
KX5U	18	12	126	FL		VE6RAJ	190	71	13,419	AB		
AB5KD	454	132	59,796	TX	RTTY Rats	VE2KAD	113	65	7,215	PQ		
AA5AU	460	125	57,500	LA	P. of Doom	VE3XAG	79	46	3,634	ONT	LMEF	
WB5B	326	104	33,800	TX	LMEF	VE2SB	35	25	875	PQ		
NA4M	314	104	32,656	TX	RTTY Rats	VE7OR	7	4	28	BC	Cellar Dwellers	
NA5Q	310	106	32,648	TX		GW5NF	77	42	3,234	GW	Jet Set	
KI5JC	282	100	28,200	TX	LMEF	SM3KOR	53	27	1,431	SM	Jet Set	
KD5ZM	268	94	25,192	AR		FO5OP	43	26	1,118	FO		
N5MTS	277	87	23,751	TX	P. of Doom	G3YJQ	32	19	608	G		
W5PLN	219	80	17,520	TX		OH2LU	56	8	56	OH	Jet Set	
KB5YVT	129	60	7,740	TX	TDXS	OH2GI	2	2	4	OH	Jet Set	
K5WA	100	53	5,300	TX	TDXS							
KI5IB	103	31	3,145	MS								
KA5LGP	76	41	3,116	MS								
WF5T	74	40	2,960	NM								
AB5SE	53	53	1,885	AR								
N5NXS	60	24	1,500	TX								
AB5BE	47	27	1,242	AR								
KN6DV	346	108	36,396	CA	Left Coasters							
N6HC	338	104	35,152	CA	Left Coasters							
WA6SDM	243	87	21,141	CA	Left Coasters							
W6/G0AZT	220	86	18,920	CA	P. of Doom							

Multi-Operator Category			
AA7UN	290	89	25,721
VE3RU	75	36	2,700

Multi-Operator Crews:			
AA7UN + KJ7TH			
VE3UR + VE3PKA			

Check Logs:			
K5AYY, N3SL, KF4BU, NB9C, N5LUQ, WB5YIK, N5VPM, PT2BW.			■