

Results, July 1998 NAQP RTTY Contest

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The third running of the North American RTTY QSO Party was definitely better than the second running. Propagation was up this year. Scores doubled from last year. New records were set in both NA and DX Single Operator categories. Some 150 logs were submitted this year (breaking our first year log submission record) making this the largest RTTY NAQP Contest to date. Nearly all logs were sent via Internet saving me a great deal of trouble preparing the results. A total of 24 logs were received from DX stations competing for the new DX category plaque. Judging from the logs received, I would estimate there were approximately 600 active stations in the contest this year.

Things picked up from last year to say the least. Again this year, there were quite a few "first timers" to RTTY contesting. We really appreciate your participation in any RTTY contest. Maybe one day we will have as many logs submitted in RTTY mode as are received for CW/SSB modes NAQP contests.

Single Operator Category

The top spot was sought after the hardest from W1, W3, W4, W5, W7, W8 and W9s — all producing entries good enough for a Top Ten slot. At the end of

the contest, it came down to K3MM, AA5AU and K5DJ. This year was K3MM's year to have computer software problems. Tyler had the rare privilege of using only one radio, but he still managed to make a decent showing with 399 contacts and 143 mults by living up to his saying of "Never Never Quit." Don, AA5AU, again logged the most contacts with 479 Qs and 139 mults. Don has held on to second place for three years in a row now. I think Don will definitely be out for blood next year. Ron, K5DJ, seemed to have the rabbit's foot this year taking the Top Slot with a combination of 455 contacts and 154 mults.

Twenty and 40 meters were the workhorse bands. K5DJ had the most contacts on 20 meters with 253, followed by WT4I with 207. K9TM lead the Top Ten on 40 meters with 134 contacts, while AA5AU pounded out 126. Eighty meters declined a little from previous years. But 15 meters picked up a little, making things a bit more interesting — especially for operators using two and three radios. (I personally know of three ops using three radios in this year's NAQP RTTY Contest. All three finishing in the Top Ten.)

This year we received 24 logs from DX stations. Our top DX station submissions included LU3HY with 197 contacts and

89 mults and 17,533 points. HA2SX made a nice showing from Europe with 218 contacts and 87 mults scoring 18,966 points. LT1F topped them all with his 276 contacts and 100 mults, scoring 27,600 points and picking up this year's DX Plaque.

I had several inquiries before the contest asking if DX stations could participate in the Multiop category for the DX plaque. This year, it wasn't possible. We only had the Single Operator DX category plaque to offer. However, next year we will have a DX plaque for the Multiop Category. We hope this will stimulate even more DX participation.

Multiop Category

We still have great hopes that the Multiop category will grow as conditions and participation improves in RTTY mode! This year's plaque winner was KH7R with 423 contacts and 118 mults for a whopping final score of 49,560 points. Congratulations!

Team Competition

This year saw a slight downturn in team numbers. We will work on this concern before the next running of the contest. Team competition is one important way to get more people involved in this fun contest. The Crown Royals took top honors this year with a combined score of 205,753 points, narrowly beating last year's second place team, The Purveyors of Doom, who came uncomfortably close with 203,911 points.

Plaque Winners

Plaque winners were: K5DJ—Single Operator Plaque. KH7R—Multioperator Plaque. LT1F—DX (Non-North America) Plaque. George, N7GC, picks up the '98 Best Name Plaque labeling himself "Geezer." ■

Top Ten

Call	Score	Qs	Mults	10	15	20	40	80	Team
K5DJ	70,070	455	154	12/7	84/37	253/52	70/34	36/24	Crown Royals
AA5AU	66,581	479	139	11/1	65/22	199/44	126/44	58/28	P. of Doom
K3MM	57,057	399	143	12/7	79/26	151/40	109/42	51/28	P. of Doom
WT4I	45,120	376	120	3/1	47/14	207/45	76/34	43/27	Florida Boys
N1RCT	43,434	381	114	0/0	42/12	203/43	85/33	51/26	
K7WM	43,306	367	118	2/1	85/35	181/44	99/38	0/0	Crown Royals
KK5OQ	41,958	378	111	4/0	49/10	151/38	121/37	53/25	Jet Stream
K9TM	41,301	353	117	2/0	39/12	110/31	134/41	68/33	P. of Doom
N8PR	40,368	348	116	7/1	45/14	190/46	68/33	39/22	
WS7I	37,072	331	112	1/1	62/25	183/45	70/32	13/9	Crown Royals

Teams Scores

The Crown Royals		Purveyors of Doom		The Florida Boys		The Jet Stream	
K5DJ	70,070	AA5AU	66,581	WT4I	45,120	KK5OQ	41,958
K7MW	42,939	K3MM	57,057	KC4HW	28,712	N8PR	40,368
WS7I	37,072	K9TM	41,301	AF4Z	28,512	N9THC	21,297
W7MMQ	29,472	W6/G0AZT	29,592	KT4FY	25,026	KO4YW	4,002
NA4M	26,200	NH6XM	9,380	KL7/K4QD	2,263		
Total	205,753	Total	203,911	Total	129,636	Total	107,625

5. Kentucky Contest Group: W4LC, N4GN, N4UL, NK4P, K4WW	103,784
6. The Digital Crew: W7NN, KB5BOB, AE5P, W8PT, W4GKM	103,755
7. The Digital Delinquents: N4DXS, NX4W, W4DC, KA4RRU, WA4MME	66,025
8. S & M Team: VE6RAJ, K16DY/0, IK0HBN, WM7D/6	66,066
9. Society of Midwest Contesters: K0BX, AA9RR, N0IT, W0DC	50,939
10. The Jet Set Team: W2JGR, GW5NF, OH2GI	9,058

Scores

**Single Operator
North America**

Call	QSOs	Points	Mults	Score	State	Team	Call	QSOs	Points	Mults	Score	State	Team
KI6DY/0	256	254	89	22,606	KS	(S&M)	N6VH	107	107	52	5,564	CA	
W0ETC	234	234	79	18,486	IA		W6IWO	87	87	51	4,437	CA	
W0DC	199	197	82	16,154	MN	(SMC)	WN6W	91	91	48	4,368	CA	
N0IT	188	185	76	14,615	MO	(SMC)	KF6BIR	62	62	38	2,356	CA	
KA0WWT	179	179	75	13,425	CO		KO6OP	64	64	31	1,984	CA	
W2JGR	174	174	76	13,224	MN	(TJS)	KQ6QM	53	53	33	1,749	CA	
K0PC	151	72	72	10,872	MN		WB6BOB	28	28	14	476	CA	
K0BX	150	150	65	9,750	MO		W6ZL	23	23	11	253	CA	
KI0MI	102	102	52	5,304	MO		K7WM	367	367	117	42,939	AZ	(TCR)
K0RY	80	80	69	5,520	KS		WS7I	331	331	112	37,072	WA	(TCR)
KI0MB	77	77	40	3,080	MO		W7NN	343	339	107	36,273	WA	(TDC)
N0QT	34	34	25	850	CO		W7MMQ	307	307	96	29,472	MT	(TCR)
N1RCT	381	381	114	43,434	ME		AA7CP	159	159	68	10,812	OR	
W1ZT	206	206	93	19,158	MA		*N7GC	154	154	61	10,472	WA	
WB8IMY	100	100	58	5,800	CT		K7ON	126	126	56	7,056	AZ	
KC1YF	50	50	24	1,200	ME		K9TM	353	353	117	41,301	MI	(POD)
W2KI	262	261	98	25,578	NY		N8NR	321	315	111	34,965	OH	
W2HCA	136	136	67	9,112	NY		W8PT	177	177	76	13,452	WV	(TDC)
K2YG	55	55	34	1,870	NJ		WA8RPK	159	159	75	11,925	OH	
N2OSL	28	28	23	644	NY		N8JF	127	127	57	7,239	OH	
K3MM	403	399	143	57,057	MD	(POD)	KA8YQL	84	84	43	3,569	OH	
4U1WB	225	223	90	20,070	MD	(op AJ3M)	W8IDM	74	74	39	2,886	OH	
W3KB	180	180	76	14,400	PA		N9THC	232	229	93	21,297	IL	(SMC)
W3IZ	132	132	67	8,844	PA		AA9RR	222	222	92	20,424	WI	(SMC)
K3FH	129	129	65	8,385	PA		N9CK	100	100	53	5,300	WI	
K3PP	74	74	42	3,024	PA		K9WX	70	70	42	2,940	IN	
N3OGT	70	70	32	2,240	PA		KB9HAY	73	73	33	2,409	IL	
WT4I	376	376	120	45,120	FL	(TFB)	K8CV	54	54	37	1,998	WI	
N8PR	349	348	116	40,368	FL		NH6XM	141	140	67	9,380	HI	(POD)
K4WW	301	301	105	31,605	KY	(KCG)	K4QD/KL7	74	73	31	2,263	AK	(TFB)
W4LC	306	306	99	30,294	KY	(KCG)	VE3HOL	113	112	55	6,160	ON	
NX4W	288	288	107	30,816	FL	(TDD)	VE5WZ	70	70	41	2,870	SK	
KC4HW	296	296	97	28,712	FL	(TFB)	VE5SF	63	62	28	1,736	SK	
AF4Z	297	297	96	28,512	FL	(TFB)	VE6RAJ	220	220	82	18,040	AB	(S&M)
KT4FY	258	258	97	25,026	FL	(TFB)	VE7AGJ	305	305	100	31,720	BC	
KA4RRU	201	200	80	16,000	VA	(TDD)	VE7OQ	171	169	65	11,616	BC	
N4GU	195	195	78	15,210	VA								
VE7CPN/W4	160	160	74	11,840	SC		DX						
N4AN	173	173	68	11,764	AL		Call	QSOs	Points	Mults	Score	Team	
W4GKM	166	166	70	11,620	TN	(TDC)	4X6UO	59	58	33	1,914		
W4OX	167	166	64	10,624	FL		DK3VN	88	88	43	3,784		
N4DXS	144	144	65	9,360	VA	(TDD)	GW5NF	36	36	21	756		(TJS)
N4GN	144	142	65	9,230	KY	(KCG)	HA2SX	218	218	87	18,966		
KC4SAW	137	137	64	8,768	TN		HA3LI	59	59	25	1,475		
N4UL	123	123	67	8,509	KY	(KCG)	IK0HBN	159	157	84	13,188		(S&M)
W4JLS	122	122	66	8,052	VA		JA1WSK	49	49	24	1,176		
W4DC	125	125	62	7,750	VA	(TDD)	JA5FP	29	29	15	435		
NK4P	120	120	61	7,320	KY	(KCG)	JR1KSK	7	7	6	42		
AE4ON	112	112	59	6,549	NC		*LT1F	276	276	100	27,600		
K4PX	98	89	45	4,410	FL		LU3HY	197	197	89	17,533		
N4CW	73	73	43	3,139	NC		LU6AM	36	35	19	665		
KD4RGB	64	64	49	3,136	NC		LZ2MP	37	37	25	925		
AE4XW	66	66	36	2,376	FL		OH2GI	100	100	43	4,300		(TJS)
W2YE	58	57	38	2,166	VA		PA0EHF	14	14	14	196		
KL7Q/4	75	75	27	2,025	AL		SM3BYJ	57	57	25	1,596		
WA4MME	70	70	30	2,100	VA	(TDD)	SN7N	50	50	29	1,450		
W4CZ	49	49	23	1,127	TN		UA6LO	26	26	16	416		
*K5DJ	460	455	154	70,070	TX	(TCR)	UT0I	40	40	27	1,080		
AA5AU	479	479	139	66,581	LA	(POD)							
KK5OQ	378	378	111	41,958	MS	(TJS)							
K5ZQ	326	322	110	35,420	TX		Multio						
NA4M	262	263	100	26,200	TX	(TCR)	Call	QSOs	Points	Mults	Score	State	
AE5P	230	230	96	22,080	TX	(TDC)	*KH7R	423	420	118	49,560	HI	
KB5BOB	242	242	76	19,602	OK	(TDC)	KP2D	302	302	97	29,294	VI	
KJ5SF	197	197	83	16,351	AR		K4EA	265	265	93	24,645	GA	
KB5KYO	168	168	74	12,432	TX								
KK5CA	90	90	49	4,410	TX								
KO4YW	87	87	46	4,002	AR	(TJS)							
W5BBR	88	87	33	2,871	TX								
KK5IJ	64	64	32	2,048	TX								
KR6E	301	300	109	32,700	CA								
W6/G0AZT	274	274	108	29,592	CA	(POD)							
N6GG	150	150	80	12,000	CA								
AC6JT	107	107	61	7,062	CA								
WM7D/6	102	102	61	6,222	CA								

* = plaque winner

Check Logs
EA2SN, AA5RF, XE2UQY, KD8FS, N0AO/6, KL7KN,
WA2FVL, LY2CG, W5UIT, W0QDL, N0AO, DL9GGA, W5VBT, UX0Z

Multi/Two Operators
K4EA—K4EA, KU4OZ
KH7R—KH6ND, AH6OZ, AH7R, KH6U
KP2D—KP2N, NP2E, NP2W