

# Results: North American Sprint, RTTY — March 2012

The 23rd North American RTTY Sprint attracted 201 active stations, as reflected within the record 125 logs submitted, which also showed stations in 50 multipliers taking part. Although the number of participants was short of the record of 290 set in March 2009, it was in line with the March events of the past 3 years. In fairness the 125 logs were partially a result of individual e-mail requests for missing logs just a day before the entry deadline. Even so, we still did not receive 42 logs containing more than 10 contacts, including 20 that exceeded 30 contacts and three that exceeded 100 contacts. Results from some of the missing logs were posted on 3830. It's really pretty easy to submit a log for this contest.

Mark, K6UFO, once again topped the QRP category with 112 contacts and 3920 points from Stanford University club station W6YX. In Low Power, Bob, W0BR, took top honors with 6240 points from Pennsylvania. RTTY newcomer and longtime CW contester Don, W4OC, managed a close second with 6048 points from South Carolina. We received 20 Golden Logs. Leading the list were Tim, N3QE, with 136 contacts and Wray, AB4SF, with 110 contacts.

The seven top scorers operated SO2R, and two of the Top 10 were in the Low Power category. Bud, AA3B, was the overall leader, racking up 8346 points. Dave, K6LL, and Dean, N0XR, tied for second place with an identical number of contacts and multipliers. Kirk, K4RO, took fourth, while another RTTY newcomer with decades of CW contesting experience, Ken, N6RO, came in fifth. Stations in the Top 10 were evenly distributed east to west.

The South West Arizona Contest Club assembled a full team from around the country to best a partial team from the Northern California Contest Club again in the club competition. Thanks to the six teams that registered, as this helps build participation in this event.

## Operating

We saw significantly fewer dupes in the logs this time, so maybe the old "legal dupe" rule for RTTY abandoned several years ago has finally taken hold for almost everyone. With few exceptions, accuracy was quite good. Sprint log checking is very strict, with each character in the call

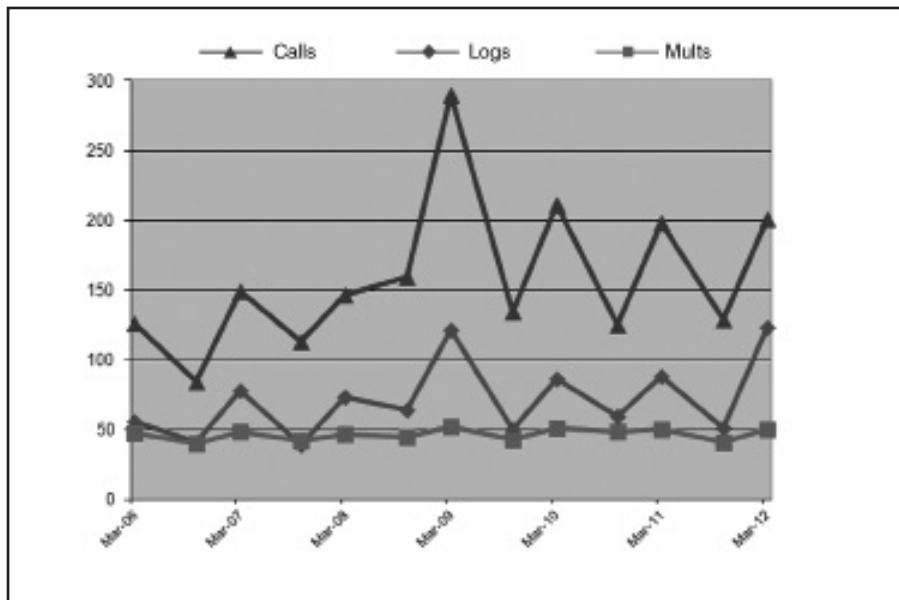


Table 1 — North American RTTY Sprint log submissions over the past 6 years.

sign and exchange required to be perfect. NILs (not in log) are penalized an additional contact. The opportunity in Sprint, of course, is to improve your speed and accuracy in communicating via contest contacts.

Your individual log check report (LCR) is a terrific tool to help you improve. Request yours from [rttysprintmgr@ncjweb.com](mailto:rttysprintmgr@ncjweb.com).

## October 2012 Sprint

As Table 1 shows, the October Sprints tend to enjoy less participation than the March events. Let's work through our clubs and contest buddies to promote this event and get more stations on the air. With higher participation, everyone will have a lot more fun.

## Scoring Summary

Call Sign	Name	QTH	20	40	80	QSOs	Mults	Score	Team
W1UJ	JAY	MA	36	60	40	136	37	5032	YCCC #1
W1UE	*JOHN	MA	25	58	30	113	31	3503	YCCC #1
K1PU	*MARK	CT	18	52	30	100	31	3100	
AB1OD	*MIKE	CT	31	27	26	84	33	2772	YCCC #1
AJ1E	CHUCK	MA	22	42	7	71	28	1988	
KA2KON	*STEVE	NH	33	14	3	50	26	1300	
KX9X	*SEAN	CT	8	17	11	36	18	648	
WA1ZYX	*JOEL	NH	6	19	0	25	16	400	
W1MA	*ED	MA	2	9	17	28	14	392	
KB1GKN	*RUSS	NH	6	0	0	6	5	30	
N2CU	*TOM	NY	37	65	30	132	38	5016	
WF2S	STEVE	NY	21	56	41	118	37	4366	
W2FU	JEFF	NY	16	58	37	111	36	3996	
WB2ABD	*PAUL	NY	20	51	33	104	33	3432	
N2EIK	JOHN	NY	27	48	21	96	32	3072	
W2GR	MIKE	NY	39	41	0	80	29	2320	

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Call Sign	Name	QTH	20	40	80	QSOs	Mults	Score	Team	Top 10 Contacts	Team Scores
AD2TM	*THOMAS	NY	17	26	8	51	24	1224		AA3B 214	<b>1. SWACC</b>
KC2WUF	*DAVID	NJ	0	16	0	16	11	176		K6LL 207	AA3B 8346
KC2RXS	*JOHN	NY	16	1	0	17	10	170		N0XR 207	K6LL 8073
NJ1F	*BRIAN	NY	0	0	15	15	10	150	YCCC #1	K4RO 196	N0XR 8073
AA3B	BUD	PA	60	100	54	214	39	8346	SWACC	W4OC 168	WW4LL 6468
W0BR	*BOB	PA	36	79	45	160	39	6240	SWACC	K5AM 165	W0BR 6240
WW3S	*JIM	PA	38	68	30	136	38	5168		N6RO 163	K5AM 6105
N3QE	*TIM	MD	31	63	42	136	32	4352		W0BR 160	W7WW 4795
K3RWN	*RICH	PA	7	38	12	57	22	1254		KV7DX 159	N4DW 3955
NF8I	*JAMES	MD	3	10	0	13	9	117		W6SX 154	KF5HHD 3596
K3PP	GLENN	PA	0	3	2	5	5	25			K0IDT 2697
										<b>Top 10 Multipliers</b>	<b>Total 58,348</b>
										WW4LL 42	
										K4RO 40	<b>2. NCCC #1</b>
K4RO	KIRK	TN	42	91	63	196	40	7840	TCG #1	AA3B 39	N6RO 6357
WW4LL	FRED	GA	38	81	34	154	42	6468	SWACC	K6LL 39	W6SX 5852
W4OC	*DON	SC	45	79	44	168	36	6048		N0XR 39	W6EU 5508
WF7T	*BRAD	TN	32	63	34	129	37	4773	TCG #1	N6RO 39	W6YX 3920
K1GU	*NED	TN	36	55	40	131	36	4716	YCCC #1	W0BR 39	N6ZFO 2850
N4DW	DAVE	TN	30	48	35	113	35	3955	SWACC	K7HP 38	K6DGW 2240
N4ZI	*BILL	TN	32	58	19	110	35	3850	TCG #1	N2CU 38	N3FAW 286
AB4SF	*WRAY	VA	12	58	40	110	31	3410		W6SX 38	<b>Total 27,013</b>
K4HAL	HANK	AL	22	33	37	92	30	2760			
N4CW	BERT	NC	23	44	18	85	31	2635		<b>Top 10 Low Power</b>	<b>3. North Coast Contesters</b>
NB4M	*CHRIS	TN	22	34	28	83	28	2324	TCG #1	W0BR 6240	WW3S 5168
AJ4CG	MIKE	GA	15	35	29	79	28	2212		W4OC 6048	N2CU 5016
AK4QU	*KEVIN	TN	7	43	21	71	29	2059	TCG #1	NT0F 5180	W2FU 3996
NS4X	BART	TN	25	37	5	67	29	1943		WW3S 5168	ND8L 3712
NQ4K	*GORDON	VA	0	0	41	41	19	779		N2CU 5016	WB2ABD 3432
W4BCG	*BILL	TN	0	29	0	29	20	580	TCG #1	WF7T 4773	KQ8M 40
WT5L	*JON	FL	17	15	0	32	17	544		K1GU 4716	<b>Total 21,364</b>
KT4Q	*STEVE	FL	0	18	0	18	13	234		N3QE 4352	
KJ4IZW	*DAVID	SC	1	10	0	11	10	110		N4ZI 3850	<b>4. TCG #1</b>
KS4YX	*GIL	SC	7	1	0	8	5	40		K3GP 3729	K4RO 7840
W0QQG	*LOU	VA	5	3	0	8	5	40			WF7T 4773
N3CZ	**VLADO	NC	4	0	0	4	3	12		<b>Top QRP</b>	N4ZI 3850
										W6YX 3920	NB4M 2324
K5AM	MARK	NM	77	45	43	165	37	6105	SWACC	WT6P 1680	AK4QU 2059
KF5HHD	DEB	TX	41	51	24	116	31	3596	SWACC	K0ANS 252	W4BCG 580
N5KWN	*TOM	TX	12	37	0	49	24	1176		KE0WW 100	<b>Total 21,426</b>
W5PQ	*RICH	LA	17	22	0	39	19	741		N7RR 32	
W5JBO	*JOHN	TX	21	14	0	35	21	735		N3CZ 12	<b>5. YCCC #1</b>
AA5AU	*DON	LA	0	17	0	17	12	204		<b>Top 10 Golden Logs</b>	W1UJ 5032
WF5K	*MAL	LA	10	0	0	10	7	70		N3QE 136	K1GU 4716
K6JHU	*JOHN	NM	5	0	0	3	6	18		AB4SF 110	W1UE 3503
										W9ILY 51	AB1OD 2772
N6RO	KEN	CA	71	65	27	163	39	6357	NCCC #1	N7VEA 34	NJ1F 150
W6SX	HANK	CA	70	55	29	154	38	5852	NCCC #1	WA1ZYX 25	<b>Total 16173</b>
W6EU	JIM	CA	59	66	28	153	36	5508	NCCC #1	K0ANS 21	
W6YX	**MIKE	CA	53	46	13	112	35	3920	NCCC #1	AA5AU 17	<b>6. AOCC Gunslingers</b>
N6DQ	RICK	CA	52	27	18	97	31	3007		KC2WUF 16	(KV7DX, K7HP, WT6P)
N6ZFO	*BILL	CA	32	44	19	95	30	2850	NCCC #1	WA7BME 16	<b>Total 13,149</b>
K6DGW	SKIP	CA	44	19	15	80	28	2240	NCCC #1	W6RKC 14	
W6SFK	STEVE	CA	26	38	0	64	26	1664		<b>Top 10 Band Changes</b>	
K6NV	BOB	CA	34	18	0	51	22	1122		N0XR 131	
N6HE	RAY	CA	29	10	14	53	21	1113		AA3B 122	
KR6E	*BEN	CA	37	8	3	48	23	1104		K4RO 98	
WO6M	*DAN	CA	30	12	8	50	22	1100		W0BR 85	
N3FAW	BOB	CA	17	5	0	22	13	286	NCCC #1	WW3S 78	
K6ST	*BARRY	CA	11	2	3	16	10	160		K6LL 70	
W6RKC	*RICK	CA	0	0	14	14	7	98		NT0F 67	
KE6TIM	*TIM	CA	0	0	6	6	3	18		WW4LL 66	
										W1UJ 57	
K6LL	DAVE	AZ	85	86	36	207	39	8073	SWACC	N6RO 54	
KV7DX	STEVE	AZ	65	54	40	159	37	5883			
K7HP	HANK	AZ	54	63	30	147	38	5586			
W7WW	RED	AZ	57	57	23	137	35	4795	SWACC		
W7WHY	TOM	OR	58	41	24	123	31	3813			
K7TQ	*RANDY	ID	31	44	12	87	28	2436			
WT6P	**MARK	AZ	48	22	0	70	24	1680			
W7TSQ	*BOB	WA	18	23	0	41	21	861			
WA0WWW	*JAY	WA	18	13	13	44	16	704			
N7VEA	*BILL	ID	15	18	1	34	17	578			
N3RC	ROGER	MT	26	0	0	26	13	338			
K7ZO	SCOTT	ID	0	16	0	16	13	208			
WA7BME	*RON	UT	0	16	0	16	12	192			

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N6PZ	*DAVE	OR	7	4	3	14	10	140	
N7NTQ	*DAVE	WA	8	4	0	12	7	84	
N7RR	**BRUCE	WA	3	2	3	8	4	32	
KK7CG	BILL	OR	1	0	2	2	5	10	
K3GP	*GEO	OH	19	59	35	113	33	3729	
ND8L	*RAY	OH	44	37	35	116	32	3712	
AA8R	*RANDY	MI	24	47	39	110	32	3520	
KE8M	DAVE	OH	31	35	30	96	31	2976	
N8EA	*JOE	MI	21	26	25	72	27	1944	
K8QH	*DAVE	MI	4	20	9	33	20	660	
KQ8M	*TIM	OH	8	0	0	8	5	40	
N2BJ	BARRY	IL	35	76	38	149	37	5513	
W9ILY	*JOHN	IL	37	14	0	51	24	1224	
W19WI	JIM	WI	14	31	8	53	22	1166	
WM9Q	RON	IL	0	36	0	36	18	648	
W9OA	*GEO	WI	10	0	0	10	7	70	
N0XR	DEAN	IA	57	99	51	207	39	8073	SWACC
NT0F	*DON	IA	31	78	39	148	35	5180	
AB0S	*TIM	KS	13	61	36	110	33	3630	
K0IDT	*RON	NE	24	56	13	93	29	2697	SWACC
K0XU	*JIM	NE	21	44	11	76	26	1976	
K0BJ	*BRUCE	KS	32	0	34	66	22	1452	
N0AC	*FOSTER	IA	22	25	0	47	21	987	
K4IU	*FRED	MN	17	23	0	40	16	640	
WG0M	*MIKE	MN	28	0	0	28	19	532	
N0TA	*JOHN	CO	14	12	5	31	14	434	
K0ANS	**LOU	CO	8	10	3	21	12	252	
KE0WW	**MIKE	MN	4	6	0	10	10	100	
N0AJN	*GARY	CO	0	1	0	1	2	2	
VE4EAR	ED	VE4	54	50	13	117	33	3861	
VE2EBK	*DANY	VE2	51	50	7	108	33	3564	
VE2FK	CLAUDE	VE2	41	11	0	52	24	1248	
VE3FWF	*BERNIE	VE3	7	36	0	43	20	860	
VE6SQ	*VILLY	VE6	11	26	1	38	20	760	
VE3JI	*IAN	VE3	18	5	0	23	15	345	
VE6AMI	*HANS	VE6	10	9	0	19	12	228	
CO2AJ	*AL	CM	25	49	0	74	25	1850	

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### Top 10 Scores

Call Sign	Score	Bnd Chgs	Qs Lost	00Z	01Z	02Z	03Z
AA3B	8346	122	2	70	49	50	45
K6LL	8073	70	5	62	59	42	45
N0XR	8073	131	3	61	49	47	51
K4RO	7840	98	11	48	52	54	45
WW4LL	6468	66	18	41	43	39	34
N6RO	6357	54	3	51	45	35	32
W0BR	6240	85	2	43	42	40	35
K5AM	6105	2	8	52	34	43	39
W4OC	6048	7	7	40	45	40	43
KV7DX	5883	4	1	40	35	45	39

### Top Single Radio

Call Sign	Score	Bnd Chgs	Qs Lost	00Z	01Z	02Z	03Z
K5AM	6105	2	8	52	34	43	39
W4OC	6048	7	7	40	45	40	43
KV7DX	5883	4	1	40	35	45	39
W6SX	5852	10	4	54	35	35	31
K7HP	5586	2	3	42	34	40	31
N2BJ	5513	2	1	31	38	39	41
W6EU	5508	3	8	41	38	37	39
N2CU	5016	7	2	27	40	35	30
WF7T	4773	4	9	31	39	31	30
K1GU	4716	2	2	27	37	38	30

### Soapbox

Between church and work, not much time for this one. — AA5AU

This was my first and probably my last RTTY sprint. New meaning to S&P. No joy! — AD2TM

My first contest ever. Things were a little hectic at the start, but once I got the rhythm, the band went dead. — K6JHU

Spent just a short time in the contest. Good rates while I was on. — K6NV

First time RTTY Sprint. — N6DQ

Weird conditions! Part time, wire antennas. — N6HE

I set up a second radio, but it had problems, so I'm sorry if I didn't hear you. I finally gave it up and just operated one radio. 20 meters was good and had people for almost 2 hours! 40 meters was a land of disturbed propagation, but people tried. 80 meters had propagation? Not around here, and not for QRP. — K6UFO@W6YX