

# Results: North American Sprint RTTY — October 2010

The anticipation generated through the dissolution of the Netherlands Antilles and the creation of four new DXCC entities just as the 20<sup>th</sup> NA RTTY Sprint ended may have affected Sprint participation. Still, a total of 125 active call signs appeared three or more times across the 59 logs received. There were 48 multipliers in the logs, but the highest number worked by a single station was 42. Twenty meters was productive for less than the first hour for all but West Coast stations, who ran out of stations to work on that band. Forty meters provided good propagation the whole period, while 80 had modest activity during the final hour.

Mark, K6UFO, once again led the three QRPers, finishing 10<sup>th</sup> overall. Ron, N0AT, took top honors among the 31 Low Power entrants, as he did in March. He placed 7<sup>th</sup> overall. Despite the strict log checking in Sprint, several Golden Logs were submitted, and N6PE led with his 102 QSO log.

Only five of the Top 10 operated SO2R, which was less of an advantage with the modest activity level this time. Most Top 10 finishers were in the west. Participation outside North America included EY7AD and JA8JC.

In the club competition the South West Arizona Contest Club (SWACC) assembled a fine full team from around the country to best the partial team from the Northern California Contest Club (NCCC). These two perennial teams could use some more competition from additional groups, so consider organizing a team next time.

## Operating

The most frequently busted exchange was that of Tom, K0YR, who verified that he inadvertently sent his name as "TOM," with a zero in place of the letter O. Fourteen logs indicated the unusual "spelling," but most interpreted his name as "TOM," with the letter instead of the numeral. Credit was given for either version, even though it could be argued that the zero should have been interpreted as the letter "O" within the context of a name. This is the same logic for the interpretation of cut numbers. Duplicate QSOs — not counted but also not penalized — were more common than usual this time around.

One or two stations still included a

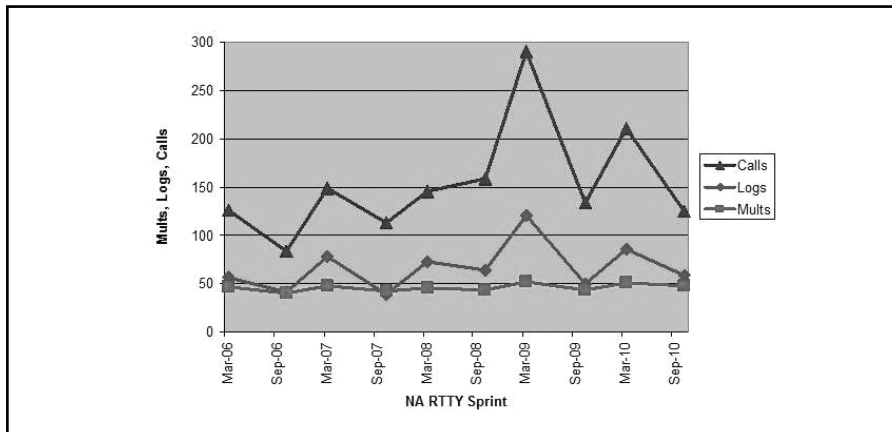


Figure 1 — History of North American Sprint RTTY activity

## Top 10 QSOs

W0YK	173
N6ML	171
N0XR	162
K5AM	156
K7L	148
AD4EB	138
N0AT	138
K6TD	121
N5RZ	118
W6SX	117

## Top 10 Mults

W0YK	42
K7L	41
K5AM	39
N6ML	39
W1UJ	39
AD4EB	37
K6UFO	37
N0XR	36
N0AT	34
VE3KI	34

## Top 10 Low Power

N0AT	4692
WF7T	2944
K0AD	2813
VE3KI	2516
W9TTT	2400
K0HW	2376
VE3JI	2088
AB4SF	1943
WA0WWW	1875
VE7BC	1809

## Top QRP

K6UFO	3922
KX9X	247
N2WN	20

## Top 10 Golden Logs

N6PE	102
VE3KI	74
VE7BC	67
VA7DXC	63
NR1X	52
K17Y	44
W2JU	42
VA7ST	36
K6GEP	33
N4ZZ	31

## Top 10 Band Changes

W0YK	89
N0XR	82
N6ML	64
W7WW	61
AD4EB	60
N0AT	54
K0HW	45
W1UJ	35
K0AD	24
VE3RCN	22

“CQ” or “QRZ” at the end of their S&P exchanges. This is not recommended, since it encourages callers before the receiving station can send their QSL or “TU.” Subsequent callers should stand by until they hear the acknowledgement from the prior station.

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Think about what you can do to increase participation in the RTTY Sprints, such as forming a team, either within your local club or by assembling stations around your region. The RTTY Sprint will be more “Sprint-like” and a lot more fun with at least twice the participation we now have.

## Soapbox

We may need to bring back the work dupes rule. This was just toooo sloooow-ww. — K5ZD

A few more ops would have made this a real Sprint. — K6TD

Welcome to the new operators. We greatly appreciate your activity! I was also glad to see some folks get on later in the Sprint. This was to be yet another QRP record, but low activity had other plans. Luckily, I had spent many hours getting a new computer installed and cables made so I could operate two-radio, and all the extra CQing and tuning helped pass the time. I was glad to finally cross 100 QSOs, and I could see the mult count was doing fine. I don't know why activity was so low: Makrothen? New DXCC countries in PJ-land? — K6UFO

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**Top 10 Scores**

<i>Call Sign</i>	<i>Score</i>	<i>Bnd Chgs</i>	<i>Qs Lost</i>	<i>00Z</i>	<i>01Z</i>	<i>02Z</i>	<i>03Z</i>
W0YK	7266	89	2	64	45	41	23
N6ML	6669	64	3	57	47	40	26
K5AM	6084	6	7	47	48	41	22
K7L	6068	6	2	46	49	26	27
N0XR	5832	82	4	46	41	48	29
AD4EB	5106	60	2	39	42	35	20
N0AT	4692	54	1	43	41	32	23
K6TD	3993	2	5	43	39	16	23
W6SX	3978	6	11	33	39	30	18
K6UFO	3922	2	3	37	36	14	20

**Top Single Radio**

<i>Call Sign</i>	<i>Score</i>	<i>Bnd Chgs</i>	<i>Qs Lost</i>	<i>00Z</i>	<i>01Z</i>	<i>02Z</i>	<i>03Z</i>
K5AM	6084	6	7	47	48	41	22
K7L	6068	6	2	46	49	26	27
K6TD	3993	2	5	43	39	16	23
W6SX	3978	6	11	33	39	30	18
K6UFO	3922	2	3	37	36	14	20
N5RZ	3658	4	7	39	35	20	25
WF7T	2944	7	2	25	20	27	20
N6PE	2856	6	0	38	28	20	15
K6LRN	2816	2	4	28	29	16	15
K8UT	2805	4	5	21	23	28	15

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First RTTY Sprint, thanks to the K3 and its "CW-to-DATA" mode! — *K9NW*

I was only on for a short time. Very rough going for some reason. Copy was difficult. Too many fills on both ends. — *N0AC*

Great contest! — *N7ESU*

I just got on for a short time later in the evening in case anyone needed the KS mult. I'm still new to RTTY Sprinting, but I'll practice up and try again next time. — *W0BH*

I am still learning. Keeping the transmitter at 40 W due to 100 percent duty cycle. — *VE3RCN*

First RTTY Sprint. Apologies to contacts one and two; I thought my macros were ready, but apparently not! Lots of fun once I got the rhythm (and had made several more macro revisions). It took a while to remember where to go to suppress leading zeroes in *N1MM* *Logger*. — *W2JU*

Just a couple quick QSOs. — *N2WN*

First time for me doing this contest, but I have been CW sprinting for years, so it was easy to get the pattern down and it was fun. — *KL7RA*

Additional soapbox comments are available at [www.ncjweb.com](http://www.ncjweb.com).

## Scoring Summary

Call Sign	Name	QTH	20	40	80	QSO	Mults	Score	Team
W1UJ	JAY	MA	18	37	45	98	39	3822	
K5ZD	RANDY	MA	19	25	16	60	24	1440	
NR1X	AL	CT	13	23	16	52	24	1248	
W2JU	*ALEC	CT	0	12	30	42	21	882	
KB1GKN	*RUSS	NH	2	18	14	34	21	714	
KX9X	**SEAN	VT	2	4	13	19	13	247	
W1MJ	*ELIOT	MA	0	5	3	8	6	48	
NJ1Q	*JOSEPH	RI	0	5	0	5	7	35	
K2DSL	*DAVID	NJ	6	27	26	60	25	1500	
K2OLO	*PAUL	NY	2	22	0	24	16	384	
KA2FHN	*BILL	NY	0	20	0	20	14	280	
AD4EB	JIM	TN	18	65	53	138	37	5106	SWACC
WF7T	*BRAD	TN	10	39	43	92	32	2944	
AB4SF	*WRAY	VA	7	21	38	67	29	1943	
ND4X	*PAUL	KY	7	29	29	66	25	1650	Paducah Amateur Radio Association
N3ND	*DAN	FL	8	24	15	47	19	893	
K4GMH	MIKE	VA	13	11	6	30	20	600	
N4ZZ	DON	TN	16	15	0	31	18	558	SWACC
N2WN	**JULIUS	TN	2	3	0	5	4	20	
K5AM	MARK	NM	46	55	55	156	39	6084	SWACC
N5RZ	GATOR	TX	39	41	38	118	31	3658	
KE5OG	*BILL	TX	32	26	4	61	23	1403	SWACC
K5WW	*ERIK	TX	11	9	0	20	10	200	
W0YK	ED	CA	46	84	43	173	42	7266	NCCC #1
N6ML	MIKE	CA	49	78	43	171	39	6669	NCCC #1
K6TD	KEVIN	CA	44	54	23	121	33	3993	NCCC #1
W6SX	HANK	CA	33	50	35	117	34	3978	NCCC #1
K6UFO	**MORK	CA	41	46	19	106	37	3922	NCCC #1
N6PE	RICK	CA	40	30	31	102	28	2856	
K6LRN	DICK	CA	28	42	18	88	32	2816	NCCC #1
K6GEP	*ZIPPY	CA	0	13	20	33	18	594	
K7L	DAVE	AZ	49	67	32	148	41	6068	SWACC
W7WW	RED	AZ	38	51	27	116	31	3596	SWACC
AL9A	GARY	AK	43	42	5	90	31	2790	
KL7RA	RICH	AK	29	37	3	69	30	2070	
WA0WWW	*JAY	WA	25	30	20	75	25	1875	
K7MKL	*SHELLEY	NV	0	39	20	59	26	1534	NCCC #1
KI7Y	*JIM	OR	0	24	20	44	19	836	
N7ESU	*JIM	ID	1	9	10	20	13	260	
K8UT	LARRY	MI	21	25	41	85	33	2805	SWACC
W9TTT	*MATT	IL	6	32	42	80	30	2400	
KC9AOP	*JIM	IL	1	17	19	36	19	684	
K9NW	MIKE	IN	0	10	0	10	7	70	
N0XR	DEAN	IA	30	70	63	162	36	5832	SWACC
N0AT	*RON	MN	21	62	56	138	34	4692	SWACC
K0AD	*AL	MN	14	53	30	97	29	2813	
K0HW	*JIM	SD	18	43	27	88	27	2376	SWACC
K0XU	*JIM	NE	3	27	14	44	22	968	
W0BH	BOB	KS	0	9	17	26	15	390	
N0AC	*WILLIAM	CO	0	3	14	17	14	238	
VE3KI	*RICH	VE3	5	36	33	74	34	2516	
VE3JI	*IAN	VE3	13	30	29	72	29	2088	
VE7BC	*KEN	VE7	22	44	0	67	27	1809	
VE4EAR	ED	VE4	9	38	13	60	26	1560	
VA7DXC	DAVE	VE7	23	25	15	63	21	1323	
VE3RCN	*KEVIN	VE3	9	19	21	49	24	1176	
VA7ST	*BUD	VE7	0	21	15	36	18	648	
VE5MX	*TODD	VE5	17	3	0	20	10	200	
KP2DX	*JAMES	KP2	0	13	3	15	10	150	

\* Low Power

\*\* QRP

## Team Scores

1. SWACC	
K5AM	6084
K7L	6068
N0XR	5832
AD4EB	5106
N0AT	4692
W7WW	3596
K8UT	2805
K0HW	2376
KE5OG	1403
N4ZZ	558
<b>Total</b>	<b>38,520</b>

2. NCCC #1	
W0YK	7266
N6ML	6669
K6TD	3993
W6SX	3978
K6UFO	3922
K6LRN	2816
K7MKL	1534
<b>Total</b>	<b>30,178</b>

3. Paducah Amateur Radio Association	
ND4X	1650
<b>Total</b>	<b>1650</b>

