

# Results: North American Sprint SSB — February 2012

With 93 stations submitting logs, participation was up, and so was the fun. The February 2012 running of the North American Sprint SSB saw a significant and welcome uptick in participation as compared with previous events. There has been quite a bit of behind-the-scenes discussion regarding ways to boost participation. The ideas coming out of these talks are starting to bear fruit and inject new life into the SSB Sprint.

I like to call Sprints “contests for the rest of us.” Offering much less chair time, yet calling for a bit more concentration and agility than conventional contests, these events offer a chance to compete with those within the Amateur Radio contesting community who have families, health issues or other factors that preclude putting in up to 48 hours of “BIC” time.

This running of the NA Sprint SSB saw a convergence of veteran sprinters, senior contesters and plenty of folks new to sprinting energetically taking advantage

of the 4 hour Sprint format.

## Top Scorers

There were some stellar performances. Leading the High Power pack was Bob, KW8N, who dominated the contest with 262 contacts and an incredible 46 multipliers, landing him at the top of the stack in his category as well as overall. Danny, K7SS, chose to exercise his Sprint skills in the Low Power category. He managed to secure the top spot with 234 contacts, also snagging 46 multipliers in the process. In the QRP category, Mark, K6UFO, operating as NN7SS, once again put in a dazzling performance with his incredible QRP signal and iron man persistence. As the only QRP entrant, he logged 119 contacts and 34 mults. Perhaps he’s scared off the competition.

## Team Competition

The Southeast Contest Club (SECC) team, with six members and many years of combined contesting experience, handily secured the top position, edging out the equally proficient and respectable showing of the seven operator Is this Mic On? team. The four member Society of Midwest Contesters #1 (SMC) team, with

notable showings from veteran sprinters KA9FOX and W9RE, narrowly edged out the Southern California Contest Club #1 (SCCC) team for third place.

Remember that *NCJ* Sprints offer the opportunity to form teams within or outside of club circles. This allows groups of up to 10 operators from throughout North America, normally restricted by geography, to join together in a team. Consider putting a team together for the next running of your favorite event.

Thanks to all operators for joining in on the fastest 4 hours of SSB contesting. I had a great time operating this one and look forward to the summer edition in August. Tell your friends, and get them involved, either as individuals or as part of a team.

*An important note!* We are changing the date of the winter SSB North American Sprint. Because several major contests already are on the February calendar, it was decided that moving the SSB Sprint to the third weekend of March would present fewer conflicts. So, winter SSB Sprint will take place Saturday, March 17, 2013. 0000 to 0359 UTC (the evening of Saturday March 16, in US time zones). Mark your calendar, and spread the word!

Top 10 QSOs		Top QRP	
KW8N	262	NN7SS	4046
KA9FOX	260		
WDØT	252	Golden Logs	
W9RE	235	N9CK	139
K7SS	234	K3TN	84
K4BAI	210	KK9V	51
K9JF	210	K5ZD	44
K6LA	209	K9NW	21
KØUK	208	N2TBC	2
KU8E	205		

Top 10 Multipliers		Top 10 Band Changes	
K7SS	46	W9RE	43
KW8N	46	KØUK	41
W9RE	46	KW8N	40
K9JF	42	W1UJ	39
KA9FOX	42	NN7SS	24
N1LN	42	K6LA	21
W4SVO	42	KØAD	19
K6LA	41	K9BGL	16
KU8E	41	N1LN	16
N4PN	41	WDØT	16

Top Low Power	
K7SS	10,764
KØUK	7280
N4OX	5738
WØETT	5610
KB9UWU	4726
NY4S	1320
K7BG	594
K8MR	176
VA3PAW	135

## Top 10 Scores

Call Sign	Score	Bnd Chgs	Qs Lost	00Z	01Z	02Z	03Z
KW8N	12,052	40	3	85	54	68	55
KA9FOX	10,920	15	2	74	66	71	49
W9RE	10,810	43	7	65	51	68	51
K7SS	10,764	9	6	78	75	47	34
WDØT	10,080	16	3	78	63	68	43
K9JF	8820	7	5	70	59	44	37
K6LA	8569	21	7	60	60	49	40
N1LN	8568	16	3	59	58	48	39
KU8E	8405	6	4	61	54	54	36
W4SVO	8274	4	7	64	56	46	31

## Top 10 Single Radio

Call Sign	Score	Bnd Chgs	Qs Lost	00Z	01Z	02Z	03Z
K7SS	10,764	9	6	78	75	47	34
K9JF	8820	7	5	70	59	44	37
KU8E	8405	6	4	61	54	54	36
W4SVO	8274	4	7	64	56	46	31
N4PN	7995	2	4	64	42	41	48
K4BAI	7560	2	4	65	61	38	46
W4EF	7289	2	8	61	54	47	35
W4NZ	6160	8	3	53	49	41	33
AA6PW	5904	2	10	48	48	32	36
N4OX	5738	2	9	50	41	27	33

## Scoring Summary

Call Sign	Name	QTH	20	40	80	QSOs	Mults	Score	Team	Call Sign	Name	QTH	20	40	80	QSOs	Mults	Score	Team
W1UJ	JAY	MA	52	65	63	180	37	6660	YCCC #1	KW8N	BOB	OH	65	114	83	262	46	12052	MRRC/
W1WEF	JACK	CT	72	80	3	155	36	5580	YCCC #1	NCC									
KK1KW										WD8JLD	LENN	OH	7	11	12	30	19	570	
(@WW1WW)	FRED	NH	49	60	42	151	34	5134		W8VCK	ALAN	MI	0	17	11	28	17	476	
KA1IOR	JEFF	MA	35	53	39	127	34	4318	YCCC #1	AF8A	GARY	OH	13	21	0	34	11	374	
NN1N	DAVE	CT	44	11	0	55	24	1320		N8XX	HANK	MI	0	3	19	22	14	308	MRRC/
K5ZD	RANDY	MA	0	26	18	44	24	1056	YCCC #1	NCC									
W1DYJ	LARRY	ME	3	7	19	29	17	493	YCCC #1	K8MR	*JIM	OH	0	0	16	16	11	176	MRRC/
										NCC									
W2LC	SCOTT	NY	31	56	38	125	35	4375		KA9FOX	SCOTT	WI	63	114	83	260	42	10920	SMC #1
NW2K	BOB	NY	25	39	49	113	33	3729		W9RE	MIKE	IN	64	101	70	235	46	10810	SMC #1
KB2YAN	JOE	NJ	0	14	0	14	9	126		K9BGL	KARL	IL	48	71	56	175	37	6475	
N2TBC	GARY	NY	2	0	0	2	1	2		WT9U	JIM	IN	33	61	48	142	39	5538	Mic On?
										N9CK	STEVE	WI	31	52	56	139	39	5421	Mic On?
KE3X	KEN	MD	21	31	48	100	33	3300	PVRC	KB9UWU	*MATT	IL	31	52	56	139	34	4726	Mic On?
K3TN	JOHN	MD	25	24	35	84	28	2352	PVRC	WW9R	PAT	WI	9	43	62	114	31	3534	SMC #1
N8NA	KARL	DE	9	21	34	64	31	1984		K9PG	PAUL	IL	2	51	31	84	35	2940	Mic On?
NW3H	BILL	PA	0	19	21	40	19	760		W9TC	JAY	IN	24	41	24	89	31	2759	
										AA9RT	LOU	IL	6	32	42	80	27	2160	Mic On?
N1LN	BRUCE	NC	62	76	66	204	42	8568	PVRC	KK9V	MIKE	IN	0	16	35	51	26	1326	Mic On?
KU8E	JEFF	GA	60	89	56	205	41	8405	SECC	N2BJ	BARRY	IL	33	0	20	53	21	1113	Mic
W4SVO	MARK	FL	67	77	53	197	42	8274	SECC	Challenged									
N4PN	PAUL	GA	70	78	47	195	41	7995	SECC	AF9J	ELLEN	WI	8	12	10	30	19	570	SMC #1
K4BAI	JOHN	GA	69	85	56	210	36	7560	SECC	KG9N	CHUCK	IL	0	9	18	27	16	432	
W4NZ	TED	TN	52	70	54	176	35	6160	TCG	K9NW	MIKE	IN	21	0	0	21	9	189	MRRC/
N4OX	*JAY	FL	55	66	30	151	38	5738	SECC	NCC									
NA4K	STEVE	TN	27	34	52	113	32	3616		WDØT	TODD	SD	73	104	75	252	40	10080	Mic On?
NY4S	*ROD	TN	16	15	24	55	24	1320	TCG	KØUK	*BILL	CO	61	93	54	208	35	7280	Rockies
										WØETT	*KEN	CO	54	63	48	165	34	5610	Grand
N5DO	DAVE	TX	6	78	48	132	35	4620		Mesa									
WQ5L	RAY	MS	50	48	30	128	32	4096		ACØW	BILL	MN	20	60	52	132	36	4752	
WDØGTY	JEFF	OK	0	49	0	49	25	1225		KØAD	AL	MN	34	50	44	128	34	4352	MWA
K5IID	TOM	TX	27	3	14	44	19	836	SECC	WØBH	BOB	KS	15	41	41	97	31	3007	
K5HEM	HAL	TX	0	27	0	27	18	486		WDØECO	TOM	MO	25	37	42	104	27	2808	
										WØCEM	JOHN	KS	21	47	13	81	27	2187	
K6LA	KEN	CA	60	106	43	209	41	8569	SCCC #1	KØHC (WØBH)	MIKE	KS	11	38	28	77	26	2002	
W4EF	MIKE	CA	70	74	53	197	37	7289	SCCC #1	KDØJBN	DON	MO	2	11	3	16	12	192	
AA6PW	BOB	CA	60	68	36	164	36	5904	SCCC #1	KTØT	BOB	MN	0	3	0	3	4	12	MWA
N6WM (@N6RO)	CHRIS	CA	41	73	52	166	34	5644	NCCC #1	VE3RZ	TONY	ON	29	51	58	138	36	4968	
N6MJ	DAN	CA	82	33	18	133	32	4256		VE3OI	DAVE	ON	40	54	15	109	31	3379	
ND6S	RAY	CA	33	44	14	91	32	2912		VE3RCN	KEVIN	ON	16	25	33	74	29	2146	
NN3V	CHARLIE	CA	51	39	0	90	32	2880	SCCC #1	VA3PAW	*PAUL	ON	0	13	2	15	9	135	
W6FB	JACK	CA	50	22	0	72	30	2160	NCCC #1										
K6GHA	DON	CA	29	25	14	68	29	1972	NCCC #1	PJ2/WI9WI	JIM	PJ2	46	0	0	46	21	966	Mic
NQ6N	MATT	CA	20	40	6	66	23	1518	NCCC #1	Challenged									
K6XX	BOB	CA	38	14	0	52	23	1196		NP2X (K9VV)	ED	KP2	0	35	0	35	20	700	
K6CSL	BERT	CA	20	7	4	31	16	496	NCCC #1	* Low Power									
WA6DLM	JIM	CA	14	10	0	24	12	288		** QRP									
KE6TIM	TIM	CA	0	2	4	6	3	18											
K7SS	DAN	WA	94	120	20	234	46	10764											
K9JF	JIM	WA	72	100	38	210	42	8820											
N7VS	STEVE	OR	42	48	38	128	37	4736											
NN7SS (K6UFO)	**BURT	WA	77	32	10	119	34	4046											
KO7X	NEWT	WY	3	77	44	124	32	3968	Grand Mesa										
W2AJW	ANDY	AZ	31	43	18	92	28	2576	Outlaws										
WØPAN	LARRY	AZ	34	37	10	81	28	2268	Outlaws										
N7LOX	BRIAN	WA	47	28	0	75	26	1950											
K7BG	*MATT	MT	31	2	0	33	18	594											
K7JKM	JERRY	OR	0	15	0	15	11	165											
W7JSD	SID	AZ	4	0	0	4	4	16											
K7OJL	ROLAND	ID	1	1	0	2	2	4											