

August 1996 NAQP CW Results

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Participation was a bit down, as it usually is, for the summer running of the CW NA QSO Party. Of the 160 logs submitted, nearly half came via the Internet. The award for most interesting log goes to KB6HRB for 20 sheets of Braille log. Fortunately, he also provided a copy I could read! Judging from the logs, it looks as if there may have been around 600 "active" participants.

Once again taking top Single Op honors was Don, N4ZZ. Don has become the guy to beat in the NAQP. Note also that Don managed to win both modes this time around; congrats Don. Very close behind ZZ were other frequent NAQP Top Tanners KM9P, NM5M and K0RF. The competition was very close for the most part.

Don, N4ZZ and Eric, NM5M led the pack in the Top Combined Score category with KF3P, AC1O and NA5Q rounding out the top five positions with very close scores. The Multi-Operator competition was also reasonably close with W5WMU taking the title from frequent winner, WB5VZL. The gang at N2NU also did well as did NAQP CW Multi-Op regular, K9MMS.

Team competition continues to be very popular with 19 teams preregistered for the event. The top positions this time went to the TACOs, Tennessee Contest Group, and the ad-hoc team, Coast to Coasters. It's nice to see many teams continue to be good supporters of the Team Competition. It's also nice to see younger ops getting interested in contesting as evidenced by 12 year old Extra class operator, KG2HV, a member of the LIMARC Team.

There have been a number of requests for adding additional categories to the NAQP. Requests for QRP, Single Op Assisted and Multi-Multi to name a few. Every contest is unique and adding new categories isn't likely to happen any time soon, however, I will make it a point to highlight QRP scores (such as K3WWP) in the listings.

That's it for this round. The January contests are happening shortly so plan ahead and get your team registrations sent in before the contest starts. Also, take a look at the NAQP rules elsewhere in this issue. There have been some changes made in reporting requirements that you should take a look at. Thanks and hope to work you on six bands!

Soapbox

Ten Minutes before the contest started I found a bad coax fitting, Oh Murphy!...WT8P.

161 band changes and 67 second radio QSOs. Fair conditions. Thunderstorm caused QRT for about an hour that caused me to run outta 10 hours earlier than I had hoped. Great fun, Howie...K4PQL.

Always fun!...W6TKF.

As usual, participation down from January. Perhaps it's worth waiting till Labor Day. Guess the Olympics also played a part. Missed the 10 meter opening as I was so glad to see 15 open at the start. 40 was a vast wasteland for me...but then the beam was missing the reflector. Next time perhaps a full effort. Good fun...W5ASP.

Boola Boola, it was fun!...AB7GM.

Did this contest half asleep as I was up all night before fiddling with the station. Mults up from last year and CW continues to improve with practice. Thanks to the TCG folks for getting on the air...WR3O.

Enjoyed working the contest with Matt, KG2HV, currently the youngest Extra class operator in New York state at 12 years old as part of my team! It's great to see more young operators getting into contesting. He is one of many good CW operators to come out of LIMARC's junior operating group. It was also nice to share some contesting tips and techniques with him. I guess that means I've become an old-timer now!...N2LSK.

First full-time effort in a CW contest. Still a long way to go, but experienced brief periods of feeling competent, followed by total terror...WA7BNM.

First NAQP in a couple of years, and score shows it. Single radio effort, no logging software, etc. Just the "old fashioned" contest methods. I can see this won't cut it. Will try two radios and logging software next time out...K9BG.

Glad to see a little propagation on 10 and 15 meters for a change...K4LTA.

Great contest! See Ya'll next January...KA5GJU.

Great summer fun and a good pre-season warm-up! Thanks to all!...NJ9C.

Great time at K3WW. Too much time watching the Olympics. Go NERDS!...WN3K.

Had a great time in spite of the noise on the low bands and weak sigs on high bands. Next time I'm gonna shorten my name!...KJ5WX.

I entered my first contest last summer and had a lot of fun. I'm still not very good at this, but I figure you can't get better if you don't get started! I was scheduled for major surgery Aug 5th and this was a great way to keep my mind off it!...KG0KR.

I had a good time after being off the air too much for too long. The operators were great...AA9AX.

I had forgotten how enjoyable this contest is. Especially the fun of moving people from band to band...K5ZD.

I wish I had a nickle for every time someone thought I was asking for his name when I sent my exchange. Either a bad name or poor copy. Some gave up on me and restarted sending CQ. Ouch...WR1P.

It was fun using an Olympic prefix and name. It was easy to pick out the good CW operators, as they got both right the first time, while others had to ask for repeats...KB26GID.

It was good to get into a fast paced CW contest during the summer. My ears are still ringing from 80 and 160 QRN. I had an excellent walk up 4 bands with W1WEF and finished off 80 and 160 with him later in the contest...K0RC.

Just got back from vacation. My wife and kids went to bed and I got in at least 2.5 hours. 80 and 40 seemed in good shape but summer QRN was fierce...K0EJ.

My best NAQP CW yet, but still room for improvement. Thanks to AA4NC for the use of his station...KI4HN.

My best NAQP ever! First summer with 160. Sure helped. Discovered and used another "secret" for the first time: Set filters wide at 1.8 kHz (cascaded 2.4Ks) when running, which helped me capture more stations off the side. The biggest downside was missing part of the live centennial Olympics, especially the ladies competing in rhythmic gymnastics (I'm salivating just thinking about it!)...WA6KUI.

My personal best in NAQP to date. Lots of fun as usual...KB3AFT.

New rig + new beam = better score...AB4RX.

Nice to see a little more out of 10 and 15 meters...NA5Q.

One more Q and I would have matched last year's score. Next time I'll definitely use two radios...W1WEF.

Operated at K9ZO station. Finally broke 600 Qs in one of these!...N4OGW.

Really enjoyed the two-radio workout, but now feel like I (we) have multiple personalities. And so do I! Some very nimble band-to-band hoppers out on the bands today, thanks for everyone's willingness to QSY...N0AX.

Sorry, not much time for the contest this time...VE5SF.

Thanks to N9ITX for the use of his station. I didn't have a CW interface so did all sending by hand (and it occasionally showed, badly), or using the TS-850's memories. I wish I could have taken a little more advantage of operating from this "rare" state. I did learn a number of things that I will try and do different next time...WB0OLA.

The 150 W limit sure makes holding a run frequency easier!...AA0OB.

The high QRN levels on 80 and 160 were disappointing, although not unexpected. Guess I need to get some Beverages or something. Apologies to those I couldn't pull out of the mud (sorry Tree)...WA8YRS.

The QRN was terrible on both 40 and 80. Atmospheric noise from those long, hot midwestern summer evenings. Other than that, I had a fine time. Thanks for all the QSOs...KK9W.

This is the absolute best contest for "newbie" CW contesters to get their feet wet and improve their skills. My goal is always to beat my previous score...KE2VB.

This was my first NAQP and I spent too much time being fascinated by the Es on 10 and 15 meters and not enough time slugging it out where everyone else was. 80 and 160 were very quiet, QRN-wise, and should have been more productive than I let them be. The new JST-245 behaved very well in the QRM; I'm very pleased with it...N9AG.

This was my first time out in this contest, and also first time for using NA-10 logging software. Naturally, Murphy struck, anything over 50 W out and the keyboard would lock up. I found this out after the first QSO so I operated the whole contest with a handicap.

But it was great fun...K4JYO.

Thought I was going to be all ready for this one. Put up a new 40-meter loop and had it working before the contest. I hadn't operated since before Field Day and was shocked to find that both my memory keyer and my computer keyer interface were both broken. Ended up keying the contest by hand...KZ8E.

Tribander died at dusk so I spent more time on the low bands. Worked KM9P on 6 bands...KM0L.

Very nice activity, some day I'll operate this one 100 percent...W9RE.

Where was Michigan?...N8AAT.

Top Combined Scores

Call	CW Points	SSB Points	Total Points
N4ZZ	500	500	1000
NM5M	414	396	810
KF3P	306	329	635
AC1O	302	307	609
NA5Q	315	294	609

TOP TEN

Call	Score	QSOs	Mult	10	15	20	40	80	160	Team
N4ZZ	181,299	813	223	34/17	116/38	225/49	217/48	148/43	73/28	TCG
KM9P	175,143	739	237	54/26	100/39	223/56	163/44	131/41	68/31	
NM5M	150,021	711	211	53/20	87/30	206/56	224/51	85/32	56/22	TACO
K0RF	149,586	699	214	27/19	122/40	259/55	177/45	84/37	30/18	
VE3EJ	131,634	618	213	35/14	87/33	140/46	133/48	132/38	91/32	
N4OGW	120,840	636	190	13/9	55/23	189/46	177/47	143/39	59/26	KCG A
AD5Q	117,936	648	182	43/18	80/28	235/50	158/43	110/33	22/10	TDXS 1
K7UP (KN5H)	115,116	636	181	7/6	67/34	251/53	221/47	80/34	7/10	
NA5Q	114,145	617	185	47/21	99/26	214/48	141/42	86/31	30/17	TACO
W5NN (KB5YVT)	113,125	625	181	20/13	93/33	245/47	160/47	85/31	22/10	TDXS 1

Team Scores

Texas Assoc. of Contest Operators		Tennessee Contest Group		Coast To Coasters		Kentucky Contest Group A	
NM5M	150,021	N4ZZ	181,299	KF3P	111,132	N4OGW	120,840
NA5Q	114,145	WR3O	87,348	K4PQL	102,144	AB4RX	104,784
W5FO	110,656	K4AMC	85,760	AA6KX	99,224	NJ9C	71,929
WB5B	90,100	WA6KUI	75,198	KK9W	68,310	AA9AX	64,684
WX0B	85,656	KY2P	24,990				
Total	550,578	Total	454,595	Total	380,810	Total	362,237

5. NERDS 9 (W1WEF, AA3B, N8AAT, WN3K, VC4VV) 321,913
6. Texas DX Society #1 (AD5Q, W5NN, KZ8E) 306,259
7. Florida Contest Group (K1ZX, AC1O, WD4AHZ) 276,950
8. Southern California Contest Club #1 (AB6FO, N6KI, WA7BNM, W6TKF) 266,718
9. Team Alabama #1 (KC4ZV, N4YOS, K4JYO, AD4Y) 258,082
10. Kentucky Contest Group B (K4LTA, AA4NU, W4CN, KJ4VH, N4UL) 163,048
11. Yankee Clipper Contest Club (NX1H, K5ZD, K1KI) 155,044
12. NERDS #7 (WB0OLA, WK2G, AA1AK, AB2E) 108,434
13. Weekend Warriors (WA3HAE, KB3AFT) 92,944
14. Texas DX Society #3 (W5ASP, K5WA) 70,399

15. LIMARC (N2LSK, KG2HV)	52,186
16. LaTex Rookies (W7MAP, KK5ZX).	45,800
17. Texas DX Society #2 (K5DX)	34,800
18. Southern California Contest Club #2 (KI6X, KJ6HO)	10,624
19. Team Alabama #2 (KA9EKJ)	1,891

Single Operator Scores

Call	Score	QSOs	Mults	QTH	Team
W1WEF	102,420	569	180	CT	NERDS 9
K1VUT	96,492	561	172	MA	
NX1H	81,337	499	163	NH	YCCC
WA1LNP	73,720	485	152	NH	
K5ZD	62,568	396	158	MA	YCCC
AA1AK	35,100	300	117	CT	NERDS 7
WR1P	23,664	232	102	MA	
K1KI	11,139	141	79	CT	YCCC
N1OPZ	3,816	72	53	CT	
WA2SRQ	107,744	592	182	NJ	
N2LSK	48,250	386	125	NY	LIMARC
WK2G	35,840	320	112	NJ	NERDS 7
KE2VB	24,442	242	101	NY	
W2HCA	13,509	171	79	NJ	
W5KI	12,870	165	78	NJ	
K2ONP	10,496	164	64	NY	
W2EZ	8,427	159	53	NY	
W2LRO	6,466	106	61	NJ	
KG2BI	5,454	101	54	NY	
KG2HV	3,936	96	41	NY	LIMARC
AB2E	1,302	42	31	NJ	NERDS 7
WA2BQI	731	43	17	NY	
KF3P	111,132	567	196	MD	Coast to Coasters
AA3B	97,788	562	174	PA	NERDS 9
WF3T	74,998	487	154	PA	
WN3K	51,830	355	146	PA	NERDS 9
WA3HAE	50,944	398	128	PA	Weekend Warriors
KB3AFT	42,000	350	120	PA	Weekend Warriors
K5ME	13,552	176	77	MD	
K3WWP/QRP*	11,100	150	74	PA	
W3BBO	10,512	146	72	PA	
N4ZZ	181,299	813	223	TN	TCG
KM9P	175,143	739	237	GA	
K1ZX	113,050	595	190	FL	FCG
AC1O	109,324	604	181	FL	FCG
KC4ZV	107,835	553	195	AL	Team Alabama 1
AB4RX	104,784	592	177	KY	KCG A
K4PQL	102,144	532	192	NC	Coast to Coasters
K4LTA	97,680	528	185	TN	KCG B
N4YOS	90,304	544	166	AL	Team Alabama 1
K4IQJ	89,180	490	182	AL	
WR3O	87,348	502	174	TN	TCG
K4AMC	85,760	536	160	TN	TCG
AA4NC (KI4HN)	77,989	467	167	NC	

WA6KUI	75,198	453	166	TN	TCG
K4BAI	63,018	389	162	GA	
KB26GID	57,888	402	144	GA	
WD4AHZ	54,576	379	144	FL	FCG
K4JYO	51,891	353	147	AL	Team Alabama 1
KN4QV	48,146	362	133	GA	
AC4ZO	47,190	363	130	NC	
K4BAM	33,579	287	117	VA	
AA4NU	31,372	253	124	TN	KCG B
KY2P	24,990	238	105	TN	TCG
N1GMV	23,674	266	89	NC	
NA4K	19,110	210	91	TN	
W4CN (KI4DC)	17,836	182	98	KY	KCG B
KJ4VH	16,160	202	80	KY	KCG B
N4UL	10,508	142	74	KY	KCG B
K0EJ	9,900	165	60	TN	
AD4Y	8,052	122	66	AL	Team Alabama 1
W4YDD	2,400	60	40	SC	
KA9EKJ	1,891	61	31	AL	Team Alabama 2
WC4E	1,092	39	28	FL	
NM5M	150,021	711	211	TX	TACO
AD5Q	117,936	648	182	TX	TDXS 1
K7UP (KN5H)	115,116	636	181	NM	
NA5Q	114,145	617	185	TX	TACO
W5NN (KB5YVT)	113,125	625	181	TX	TDXS 1
W5FO	110,656	608	182	TX	TACO
N5DX (KB5WWA)	106,944	557	192	AR	
WB5B	90,100	530	170	TX	TACO
WX0B	85,656	516	166	TX	TACO
KZ8E	75,198	498	151	TX	TDXS 1
W5ASP	54,496	416	131	TX	TDXS 3
K5DX	34,800	290	120	TX	TDXS 2
W7MAP	31,800	265	120	TX	LaTex Rookies
KJ5WX	26,448	232	114	AR	
NO5W	26,214	257	102	AR	
KB5IXI	20,140	212	95	MS	
WA5TWL	19,623	211	93	LA	
WD8LDY	18,228	217	84	TX	
K5WA	15,903	171	93	TX	TDXS 3
KK5ZX	14,000	175	80	LA	LaTex Rookies
AA5WE	11,935	155	77	TX	
W5NR	8,448	132	64	TX	
KA5GJU	6,254	106	59	MS	
AA6KX	99,224	628	158	CA	Coast to Coasters
AB6FO	94,308	542	174	CA	SCCC 1
N6KI	69,966	507	138	CA	SCCC 1
WA7BNM	59,640	420	142	CA	SCCC 1
W6TKF	42,804	348	123	CA	SCCC 1
AE0M	34,542	342	101	CA	
W6EMS	21,054	242	87	CA	
N1EE	20,817	257	81	CA	
KB6HRB	17,750	250	71	CA	

AB6YL	12,264	168	73	CA	
KI6X	5,824	112	52	CA	SCCC 2
KJ6HO	4,800	96	50	CA	SCCC 2
N0AX	97,276	586	166	WA	
AA7KF	79,520	568	140	OR	
N5CT	72,065	497	145	UT	
K7NPN	47,795	395	121	WA	
KE7GH	43,200	450	96	AZ	
WB0OLA	36,192	348	104	MT	NERDS 7
AB7GM	23,023	299	77	UT	
N7JXS	16,200	216	75	AZ	
WA7UVJ	9,198	146	63	WA	
AA0CY	6,327	111	57	NV	
K7OX	4,148	122	34	AZ	
N9AG	88,938	486	183	OH	
WA8YRS	67,200	448	150	OH	
N8AAT	56,400	400	141	OH	NERDS 9
K8NZ	53,802	366	147	OH	
K8ZJN (K8KFJ)	20,504	233	88	WV	
WT8P	19,758	222	89	OH	
K8DO	18,954	234	81	MI	
AL7PT	15,372	183	84	WV	
K8MR	15,147	187	81	OH	
KG8QT	10,074	146	69	MI	
K8CV	9,555	147	65	MI	
WB8BUQ	1,500	50	30	MI	
N4OGW	120,840	636	190	IL	KCG A
W9RE	95,000	500	190	IN	
K9BG	90,306	519	174	IL	
NJ9C	71,929	503	143	IN	KCG A
AA9AX	64,684	412	157	IN	KCG A
AA9JY	35,910	315	114	IL	
W9LO	35,360	340	104	WI	
K9VFA	21,600	300	72	IL	
K9OM	14,600	200	73	IL	
K9UQN	13,962	179	78	IL	
K9JWI	13,950	186	75	IN	
KB9AMG	8,246	133	62	WI	
K0RF	149,586	699	214	CO	
N0AT	99,056	604	164	MN	
KM0L	79,707	489	163	MO	
K0RC	75,604	461	164	MN	
KK9W	68,310	495	138	IA	Coast to Coasters
AA0OB	67,896	492	138	MN	
WA0I	63,840	456	140	MO	
KB0IHM	46,980	405	116	MN	
WI0R	42,256	304	139	KS	
WB0O	40,250	350	115	ND	
W0UY	30,798	261	118	KS	
AD6A	24,255	245	99	CO	
KG0KR	22,984	221	104	NE	
VE3EJ	131,634	618	213	VE3	

VC4VV	13,475	175	77	VE4	NERDS 9
VC2AWR	10,320	240	43	VE2	
KP4DDB	7,150	110	65	KP4	
VE1LV	4,140	90	46	VE1	
VE8/AC5BR	3,784	86	44	VE8	
VE5SF	1,683	51	33	VE5	

Multi-Operator Scores

W5WMU	166,242	807	206	LA	(W5WMU, KZ5D)
WB5VZL	155,771	833	187	TX	(KT5V, N5HD, WB5VZL)
N2NU	145,160	760	191	NJ	(WW2Y, KZ2S, K2WI)
K9MMS	127,424	704	181	IL	(K9MMS, K9LUW)

* QRP Entries

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