

RESULTS
FEBRUARY, 1979, NORTH AMERICAN SPRINT

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With 114 logs submitted, the February Sprint was our biggest ever. Sixty-one entries topped the 200 QSO mark, and two of them, Andy, N2NT, and Tim, K3LR, became the first to break 300. Andy's 304 contacts translate to an average rate of 76 per hour -- not shabby by anybody's standards! Oli, ZS6WW, racked up 127 QSOs to set a new non-NA record.

With such an abundance of contacts, one would think old records would fall like the autumn leaves, right? Wrong! Even the increased QSO totals couldn't offset the dearth of multipliers. Jerry, K9BG, found the most, but still had only 41; nobody else even cracked 40. True, we expected multiplier totals to be down somewhat this time because of the rules change eliminating non-NA's as multipliers, but they shouldn't have dropped that much. What happened was that many USA and Canadian areas simply were not on. The low multipliers obviously took a devastating toll on scores. Only six entries broke 10K this time as compared with nine last September; even N2NT's winning score was down 1,616 points from his September '78 record.

The number of pre-registered teams grew to 13 this round, and competition was tough. With an incredible 93,625 points, W2GD's Independent Contesters #1 made it four straight in their unbroken string of victories. They so outpaced the rest of the pack as to be almost embarrassing! Second spot went to The Force, a new arrival on the scene from YCCC territory. NCCC's Paper Club nailed down third place, easily displacing NCCC's other entry, The Golden State Gassers & Friends, by over 10K points. In the cliff-hanger of them all, Independent Contesters #2 nosed out another new entry, The Motley Crew, by only 27 points -- less than the amount which would have been added had anybody on the Motley team made one additional QSO! Paul, NØND, put together two College All-Star teams this time, albeit Stars #2 got an assist from a few YCCC folks who couldn't fit on The Force. The team averages stack up thusly: IC #1 9,363; GSG&F 8,336; The Force 7,688; IC #2 7,271; All-Stars #1 7,220; Paper Club 6,751; MRRC 6,499; Motley 6,460; TDXS 5,911; Ill-Wind et al 5,376; All-Stars #2 4,869; and Owls 2,541. All-in-all, some very impressive showings.

Although there were hot team competitions, there were even hotter races for the individual rankings. K1VR and N6SF ended up in a dead tie; W2SZ squeaked past K9CW by 1 point; N200 topped W1MX by 2 points; N1EE took a 4 point victory over WB3JGP; and 6 other pairs were separated by less than 10 points. Just one more QSO would have reversed these listings. Guess that goes to prove ole Hiram Percy's maxim: Keep slugging 'till the bitter end!

We had lots of guest ops camouflaged behind other callsigns this time. Just so you know who these lads were, K1AD was operated by WA2WDE; W1MX by NØND; K1TA by N2FB; W2SZ by N2FU; K3CR by W3AS; W4AQL by WA2MBP; N4KG by WN4KKN; W6AM by N6TJ; W6JZU by W1ARR; W6YRA by N6PN; W6YX by N7MH; W8LT by K8ND; W9YH by K9GL; WØIO by WBØCHP; and WØQQQ by NØIN.

There were significantly few soapbox comments about the Sprint rules, so I conclude we've finally evolved a set which suit most of us. The one topic which did merit discussion was the suggestion made in the last NCJ that perhaps the Sprint should utilize 15 meters in lieu of 80. Opinion on that suggestion was unequivocal -- the 22 people who commented unanimously opposed any change. The rule will stay as is.

The next Sprint will be September 9th. Full rules are on page 7 of the January/February, 1979, NCJ, or for an SASE, N6SF will send you a copy. Please talk up the Sprint, particularly with stations in rarer areas, so we can get a few more multipliers active this fall.

<u>CALL</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>AREA</u>	<u>SCORE</u>	<u>QSOs</u>	<u>MUL</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>80</u>	<u>TEAM</u>
N2NT	Andy	NY	11,248	304	37	109	115	80	IC #1
K3LR	Tim	PA	10,800	300	36	66	134	100	MRR
K3UA	Phil	PA	10,476	291	36	81	119	91	IC #1
K1KI	Tom	CT	10,450	275	38	86	118	71	IC #1
N6RO	Ken	CA	10,374	266	39	127	93	46	SGS&F
N6TR	Tree	CA	10,224	284	36	115	98	71	IC #1
N4KG	Trey	AL	9,972	277	36	87	112	78	IC #2
W2JJ	Bud	NY	9,620	260	37	75	99	86	Force
K1TO	Dan	CT	9,576	266	36	94	91	81	IC #1
K1GQ	Bill	NH	9,520	280	34	83	113	84	Force

TEAM SCORES

<u>Independent</u> <u>Contesters #1</u>		<u>The</u> <u>Force</u>	<u>The</u> <u>Paper Club</u>	<u>Independent</u> <u>Contesters #2</u>			
N2NT	11,248	W2JJ	9,620	WA6VEF	8,645	N4KG	9,972
K3UA	10,476	K1GQ	9,520	AA6UO	8,588	N200	8,153
K1KI	10,450	N2IC	8,160	W6JZU	7,140	N4AA	7,560
N6TR	10,224	K1DG	7,986	K6XO	6,902	N4SA	7,360
K1TO	9,576	K2NY	7,936	N6XI	6,460	K1XA	7,285
K8MR	9,450	K1RX	7,533	N6KB	6,402	KØMM	6,303
WØZZ	8,738	W1FJ	6,936	N61G	6,208	AA3B	6,169
W2GD	8,679	K1OME	6,913	AA6DX	5,340	W5VSZ	5,365
K1PR	8,283	K1VR	6,510	N6OP	5,070	Total	58,167
AA6RX	6,501	K1AR/5	5,768	Total	60,755		
Total	93,625	Total	76,882				

The Motley Crew		College All-Stars #1		Golden State Gassers & Friends		College All-Stars #2	
W4YE	8,019	W9YH	8,732	N6RO	10,374	K1MEM	7,488
N4DW	7,854	W1MX	8,151	N6AA	8,995	K1UA	7,200
K4PQL	7,524	W6YX	7,788	W6AM	8,448	W6YRA	5,746
AE5L	7,210	K3CR	7,161	VE5DX	8,208	K9CW	5,642
K5GO	7,029	W4AQL	6,600	W6CF	7,480	N1EE	5,456
WB5YEM	6,750	WØQQQ	6,468	N6SF	6,510	N3ER/8	4,480
WBØPYD	5,539	W2SZ	5,643	Total	50,015	K1AD	2,275
WB5NBC	4,154	Total	50,543			WØIO	666
K4OAQ	4,061					Total	38,953
Total	58,140						

<u>Ill-Wind, NIDXA & VE</u>		<u>Mad River Radio Club</u>		<u>North Texas Contest Club</u>		<u>Texas DX Society</u>	
K9BG	9,389	K3LR	10,800	N5JB	6,634	K5NU	7,955
K9KM	5,888	K8BPX	5,355	W5GN	6,072	K5ZD	6,358
K9RS	4,836	WD8ALG	5,120	N5RM	5,216	KA5CHW	3,420
W9TM	3,690	W8LT	4,721	W5FO	4,935	Total	17,733
W9RW	3,075	Total	25,996	Total	22,857		
Total	26,878						Order of

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Boiled Owls

W2AYJ 2,541

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K1KI	Tom	CT	275	38	10,450	W5UN	Dave	TX	238	35	8,330
K1TO	Dan	CT	266	36	9,576	K5NU	Mike	TX	215	37	7,955
K1GQ	Bill	NH	280	34	9,520	AE5L	Sam	AR	206	35	7,210
K1PR	Mark	MA	251	33	8,283	K5GO	Stan	AR	213	33	7,029
W1MX	Paul	MA	247	33	8,151	K5MR	Steve	TX	221	31	6,851
K1DG	Doug	MA	242	33	7,986	WB5YEM	Dave	AR	225	30	6,750
K1TA	Wayne	MA	231	33	7,623	N5JB	John	TX	214	31	6,634
K1RX	Mark	NH	243	31	7,533	K5ZD	Randy	TX	187	34	6,358
K1MEM	Jim	MA	234	32	7,488	W5GN	Barry	TX	184	33	6,072
K1XA	Bob	CT	235	31	7,285	K1AR/5	John	TX	206	28	5,768
K1UA	Stu	MA	225	32	7,200	W5VSZ	Gary	MS	185	29	5,365
W1FJ	Al	MA	204	34	6,936	N5RM	Bob	TX	163	32	5,216
K1OME	Rich	MA	223	31	6,913	W5FO	Lynn	TX	141	35	4,935
K1VR	Fred	MA	210	31	6,510	WB5NBC	Matt	AR	134	31	4,154
N1EE	Scott	MA	176	31	5,456	KA5CHW	Denny	TX	114	30	3,420
K1AD	Joe	RI	91	25	2,275						
N1RC	Bob	MA	96	23	2,208	N6RO	Ken	CA	266	39	10,374
						N6TR	Tree	CA	284	36	10,224
N2NT	Andy	NY	304	37	11,248	N6AA	Dick	CA	257	35	8,995
W2JJ	Bud	NY	260	37	9,620	W6VEF	Gary	CA	247	35	8,645
W2GD	John	NJ	263	33	8,679	AA6UO	Paul	CA	226	38	8,588
K2NO	Doug	NY	246	35	8,610	W6AM	Jim	CA	256	33	8,448
N2IC	Steve	NJ	240	34	8,160	W6YX	Mike	CA	236	33	7,788
N2OO	Bob	NJ	263	31	8,153	W6CF	Jim	CA	220	34	7,480
K2NY	Dick	NY	256	31	7,936	W6JZU	Bob	CA	204	35	7,140
K2BMI	Jack	NJ	222	33	7,326	N6ZZ	Phil	CA	218	32	6,976
W2SQ	Phil	NJ	166	35	5,810	K6XO	Al	CA	203	34	6,902
W2SZ	Tom	NY	171	33	5,643	N6SF	Rus	CA	210	31	6,510
W2GGE	Jack	NY	135	33	4,455	AA6RX	Dave	CA	197	33	6,501
K2GBH	Herb	NY	118	30	3,540	N6XI	Rick	CA	190	34	6,460
W2AYJ	Bob	NY	91	28	2,541	K6KB	Bob	CA	194	33	6,402
						N6IG	Jim	CA	194	32	6,208
K3LR	Tim	PA	300	36	10,800	W6YRA	Bob	CA	169	34	5,746
K3UA	Phil	PA	291	36	10,476	AA6DX	Mark	CA	178	30	5,340
K3TW	Tom	MD	242	36	8,712	N6OP	Bill	CA	169	30	5,070
K3CR	Doug	PA	217	33	7,161	N6TW	Larry	CA	152	29	4,408
AA3B	Bud	PA	199	31	6,169	N6PE	Rick	CA	11	7	77
WB3JGP	Randy	PA	188	29	5,452						
K3WT	Tom	PA	161	31	4,991	K8MR	Jim	OH	270	35	9,450
AF3B	John	PA	114	26	2,964	K8BPX	Dave	OH	153	35	5,355
K3UC	Bob	PA	91	27	2,457	W8ALG	Jeff	OH	160	32	5,120
						W8LT	Jeff	OH	179	29	4,721
N4KG	Trey	AL	277	36	9,972	N3ER/8	Denny	MI	140	32	4,480
W4YE	Bud	VA	243	33	8,019	K8DL	Dave	OH	100	26	2,600
N4DW	Dave	VA	231	34	7,854						
N4AA	Carl	NC	210	36	7,560	K9BG	Jerry	IL	229	41	9,389
K4PQL	Howie	VA	228	33	7,524	W9YH	Bob	IL	236	37	8,732
N4SA	Dan	FL	230	32	7,360	K9KM	Howie	IL	184	32	5,888
W4AQL	Jim	GA	220	30	6,600	K9CW	Drew	IL	182	31	5,642
K4JM	Tom	VA	179	34	6,086	W9HE	Bill	WI	157	31	4,867
K4OAK	Fritz	TN	131	31	4,061	K9RS	Ray	IL	156	31	4,836
WB4QBB	Jay	FL	137	26	3,562	W9TM	Jim	IL	123	30	3,690
						W9RW	Dick	IL	123	25	3,075

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NØNO	Steve	MN	237	34	8,058
WØQQQ	Dave	KS	196	33	6,468
KØMM	Fred	IA	191	33	6,303
NØSS	Tom	MO	215	28	6,020
WBØPYD	Ric	IA	191	29	5,539
AEØR	Russ	IA	126	29	3,654
WBØNIE	JJ	MO	49	25	1,225
WØIO	Tim	IA	37	18	666
VE5DX	Jim	SK	228	36	8,208
VE5AAD	Chas.	SK	70	22	1,540
ZS6WW	•li	RSA	127	26	3,302
AL7H	Al	AK	69	20	1,380
JH3XCU	Joly	JA	5	3	15