

RESULTS

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Texas clearly dominated the September Sprint. Six of the top ten, and ten of the top seventeen, scores came from there. Jeff, KRØY, operating from K5RX, racked up 324 QSOs and 38 mults to easily outdistance second-place K5GN. This was Jeff's first-ever Sprint victory. K5GN himself, with the top multiplier total of 39, led the rest of the pack by over 700 points. Scores were boosted by the return of some reasonable high band conditions. Ten stations went over the 100 QSO mark on 20 meters, including East Coaster, K1KI. Numerous other East Coast and Midwest stations checked in with 20 meter totals in the 80's and 90's, something we haven't seen in a long time. Also, 40 meters was a superb performer. Thirty stations cracked the 100 Q mark there, including Steve, N2IC/Ø, who led the bunch with 141 contacts.

After years of near misses, the Texas DX Society #1 finally garnered its first victory in the team competition with a close win over the Southern California Contest Club's #1 team. This victory is particularly noteworthy as it represents the first ever win by a team composed entirely of members of a club as contrasted with non-club teams put together specifically for the purpose of Sprint team competition. Well done, guys. The Western QRP team also made a showing worthy of mention. Remember, those guys are running five watts or less, so their fourteenth place finish is impressive. For a brief moment, it looked as if there was going to be a battle of peanut whistles because a second QRP team entered to challenge the QRP West. However, nobody submitted scores for the challengers.

It was gratifying to see the strong showing from the Pacific Northwest, and once again, that activity can be credited primarily to the fact that somebody took the time to organize a couple of teams. By now, it should be obvious that if we really want to have a great Sprint, we've got to expend the effort necessary to get stations to participate. The best way to do that seems to be through organized teams. I will try to get several new teams on for the February '87 Sprint, so if those of you who have organized teams in the past will do so again in February, perhaps we can have one blockbuster of a contest and blow away a few of the records. And if you've never organized a team before, February is a good time to learn how!

We've harangued before about properly signing callsigns during the exchange, but several stations mentioned in log comments that all too many of us still fail to observe this rule. K6NA's remarks are representative and, hopefully, will serve as a reminder: "Hate to sound like a broken record, but some of these guys just do not follow the callsign exchange rule. Besides the QSY rule itself, the whole essence of the Sprint is wrapped up in

the 'sign both calls during the exchange' rule. This ensures both a fair basis of time used which is critical in a four hour contest, and, perhaps even more significantly, enables the guy just arriving on frequency to decipher who is staying and who is QSYing, and the appropriate callsign. This gives you just enough time to check your dupe sheet to see if you need to dump in your call or not. The Sprint really flows when you work a string of good ops, all of whom sign the calls correctly. But as soon as one guy screws up that part, the entire flow is disrupted." Well said, Glenn.

A lot more guest operators were active in this Sprint than in past contests. KA1GQW was the operator at K1HMO; KRØY at K5RX; NM5M at NR5M; WA6VEF at N6RO; N6TJ at W6MKB; AA6RX at W6UE; WA6OTU at W6AQ; YBØARA at N6IC; W6OAT at WA7NIN; KU8E at W8LT; NL7GP at WL7E; and KB7G at K7MX.

The only new scoring record set in September was posted by VE2ZP who erased the previous mark for Quebec held by VE2DP0 since February of 1984.

The 1987 cw Sprint dates are February 8 and September 13 UTC, so be sure to mark your calendars now. Also, please note that I've moved, so send your cw logs to the new address: Rusty Epps, W6OAT, 651 Handley Trail, Redwood City, CA 94062.

TOP SCORES

Call	Name	20	40	80	QSOs	Mu	Score	Team	Area
K5RX	Jeff	93	136	95	324	38	12,312	Popguns #1	TX
K5GN	Dave	107	110	86	303	39	11,817	TDXS #1	TX
K5MR	Steve	104	115	81	300	37	11,100	Top Guns	TX
N2IC/Ø	Steve	78	141	86	305	36	10,980	Top Guns	CO
N5RZ	Ralph	103	116	89	308	35	10,780	Top Guns	TX
K5LZO	Chuck	86	103	77	266	38	10,108	TDXS #1	TX
N6RO	Gary	107	111	66	284	35	9,940	NCCC #1	CA
KN5H	Steve	88	104	89	281	35	9,835	TDXS #1	TX
W6MKB	Jim	102	104	67	273	36	9,828	SCCC #1	CA
K6LL/7	Dave	108	117	63	288	34	9,792	Top Guns	AZ

TOP QSO LEADERS

K5RX	Jeff	93	136	95	324	38	12,312	Popguns #1	TX
N5RZ	Ralph	103	116	89	308	35	10,780	Top Guns	TX
N2IC/Ø	Steve	78	141	86	305	36	10,980	Top Guns	CO
K5GN	Dave	107	110	86	303	39	11,817	TDXS #1	TX
K5MR	Steve	104	115	81	300	37	11,100	Top Guns	TX
K6LL/7	Dave	108	117	63	288	34	9,792	Top Guns	AZ
N6AA	Dick	112	116	59	287	34	9,758	SCCC #1	CA
WN4KKN/5	Trey	93	117	76	286	32	9,152	Top Guns	TX
N6RO	Gary	107	111	66	284	35	9,940	NCCC #1	CA
K6NA	Glen	92	112	80	284	33	9,372	SCCC #1	CA
N6TR/7	Tree	98	114	72	284	32	9,088	SCCC #1	OR

TEAM SCORES

TEXAS				MIDWEST	
DX SOCIETY #1		SCCC #1		POP GUNS #1	
K5GN 11,817		W6MKB 9,828	K5MR 11,100	K5RX 12,312	
K5LZO 10,108		W6UE 9,768	N2IC/Ø 10,980	KM9P/Ø 8,910	
KN5H 9,835		N6AA 9,758	N5RZ 10,780	K4BAI 8,510	
NR5M 9,695		K6NA 9,372	K6LL/7 9,792	NØSS 8,400	
N5DU 9,590		N6TR/7 9,088	WN4KKN/5 9,152	KØVBU 7,735	
K2TNO/5 9,345		N6ZZ 8,840	W9RE 8,250	K1ZX/4 7,344	
K5TU 8,602		W6AQ 8,820	NE6I 7,854	KBØG 7,223	
KG5U 7,456		N6VR 7,788	NIØE 6,076	KMØL 5,778	
K5WA 6,976		NI6W 7,656	ADØO 1,955		
K5MA/1 5,742		K6VNX 5,022			
89,166		85,940	75,939	66,212	

5. NCCC #1 (N6RO, N6XI, W6SZN, WA7NIN, AJ6V, W6RGG, K6LRN, K6ANP)	59,254
6. Mad River Radio Club #1 (K8MR, K8NZ, W8LT, KW8N, W8FN, W8LNO, WD8IXE, N8ET)	56,607
7. Speed Slugs (K7MX, K9JF/7, KE7V, VE7AHA, AI7B, N7TT, W7ZR, WL7E)	36,349
8. NCCC #2 (N6OP, N6GG, WA6AUE, K6XO, K4TKM/6, K6ZM)	33,950
9. Stellio's (K1KI, K5ZD/1, K1GQ, WIHN, K1HMO, KA1MI)	32,286
10. SCCC #2 (KZ6E, N6CQ/3, N6IC, W6XD, W2KVA/6)	19,365
11. Mad River Radio Club #2 (KD8NS, KQ8M, K8JM)	14,316
12. Texas DX Society #2 (NZ5I, NT5D, N5IVF)	13,219
13. Potomac Valley Radio Club (K3NA, W3YY/4)	11,050
14. QRP Western (N6GA, WB7OJV, KRØU, W6SIY, K7WA, K6MDJ)	8,661
15. NCCC #3 (AD6E, WW6D, K6CSL)	7,557
16. Midwest Popguns #2 (KØVXU, WBØGOB)	7,094
17. Rubber Circle Contest Club (KR7G, K7LXC)	6,520
18. Venerable Trailing Slugs (K7SS)	5,670
19. NCCC #4 (W6REC, N1EE/6)	3,655

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K1KI	Tom	100	81	91	272	33	8,976	Stellio	CT
K5ZD/1	Randy	80	103	77	260	33	8,580	Stellio	MA
K1GQ	Bill	65	87	74	226	33	7,458	Stellio	NH
K5MA/1	Jan	51	91	56	198	29	5,742	TDXS #1	MA
K8HVT/1	Hal	71	40	72	183	30	5,490		CT
W1IHN	Bert	40	38	51	129	28	3,612	Stellio	MA
K1HMO	Dave	29	43	38	110	26	2,860	Stellio	RI
NB1B	Dennis	0	58	17	75	25	1,875		MA
KA1MI	Dave	19	6	15	40	20	800	Stellio	MA
KH6CP/1	Zack	42	0	0	42	15	630		CT
K2SX	Dennis	46	80	75	201	36	7,236		NY
K3NA	Eric	84	73	73	230	30	6,900	PVRC	MD
W3UM	John	38	67	55	159	27	4,293		PA
N6CQ/3	Bill	53	22	55	130	27	3,510	SCCC #2	PA
K4BAI	John	73	62	95	230	37	8,510	Popguns #1	GA
K1ZX/4	Spock	95	90	31	216	34	7,344	Popguns #1	FL
K4TEA	Ken	69	51	86	206	32	6,592		GA
WC4E	Jeff	86	76	43	205	30	6,150		FL
W3YY/4	Bob	58	66	42	166	25	4,150	PVRC	VA
K5RX	Jeff	93	136	95	324	38	12,312	Popguns #1	TX
K5GN	Dave	107	110	86	303	39	11,817	TDXS #1	TX
K5MR	Steve	104	115	81	300	37	11,100	Top Guns	TX
N5RZ	Ralph	103	116	89	308	35	10,780	Top Guns	TX
K5LZO	Chuck	86	103	77	266	38	10,108	TDXS #1	TX
KN5H	Steve	88	104	89	281	35	9,835	TDXS #1	TX
NR5M	Eric	88	122	68	277	35	9,695	TDXS #1	TX
N5DU	Bob	65	117	92	274	35	9,590	TDXS #1	TX
K2TNO/5	Bill	75	120	72	267	35	9,345	TDXS #1	TX
WN4KKN/5	Trey	93	117	76	286	32	9,152	Top Guns	TX
K5TU	Kim	72	102	79	253	34	8,602	TDXS #1	TX
KG5U	Dale	73	92	68	233	32	7,456	TDXS #1	TX
K5WA	Rich	90	76	52	218	32	6,976	TDXS #1	TX
NZ5I	Ken	45	124	0	169	31	5,239	TDXS #2	TX
NT5D	Brent	49	77	41	167	30	5,010	TDXS #2	TX
N5IVF	Chuck	36	36	38	110	27	2,970	TDXS #2	TX
N6RO	Gary	107	111	66	284	35	9,940	NCCC #1	CA
W6MKB	Jim	102	104	67	273	36	9,828	SCCC #1	CA
W6UE	Dave	89	115	60	264	37	9,768	SCCC #1	CA
N6AA	Dick	112	116	59	287	34	9,758	SCCC #1	CA
K6NA	Glen	92	112	80	284	33	9,372	SCCC #1	CA
N6ZZ	Phil	110	94	56	260	34	8,840	SCCC #1	CA
W6AQ	Mark	80	126	46	252	35	8,820	SCCC #1	CA
N6XI	Rick	84	113	61	258	34	8,772	NCCC #1	CA
W6SZN	Kip	85	107	73	265	33	8,745	NCCC #1	CA
NE6I	Dennis	57	129	52	238	33	7,854	Top Guns	CA
N6VR	Ray	107	81	45	233	33	7,788	SCCC #1	CA
N6OP	Bill	83	97	55	235	33	7,755	NCCC #2	CA

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AJ6V	Ed	77	94	63	234	33	7,722	NCCC #1	CA
NI6W	Kurt	82	91	59	232	33	7,656	SCCC #1	CA
KZ6E	Herb	57	132	40	229	33	7,557	SCCC #2	CA
W6RGG	Bob	92	89	51	232	32	7,424	NCCC #1	CA
N6GG	Rich	75	79	34	188	34	6,392	NCCC #2	CA
WA6AUE	Jim	77	72	38	187	32	5,984	NCCC #2	CA
K6XO	Al	49	85	47	181	29	5,249	NCCC #2	CA
K4TKM/6	Brook	50	99	20	169	30	5,070	NCCC #2	CA
K6VNX	Arlen	68	68	26	162	31	5,022	SCCC #1	CA
K6LRN	Dick	60	66	27	153	29	4,437	NCCC #1	CA
K6ANP	Len	57	55	30	142	29	4,118	NCCC #1	CA
AD6E	Al	38	72	25	135	28	3,780	NCCC #3	CA
K6ZM	Phil	47	61	17	125	28	3,500	NCCC #2	CA
N6IC	Phil	22	74	25	121	28	3,388	SCCC #2	CA
WW6D	Doug	45	46	25	116	27	3,132	NCCC #3	CA
W6XD	Art	22	58	35	115	24	2,760	SCCC #2	CA
W2KVA/6	Tom	33	40	13	86	25	2,150	SCCC #2	CA
N6GA	Cam	39	41	1	81	26	2,106	QRP West	CA
W6REC	DA	27	43	15	85	22	1,870	NCCC #4	CA
N1EE/6	Scott	30	0	55	85	21	1,785	NCCC #4	CA
W6SIY	Keith	26	35	7	68	20	1,360	QRP West	CA
K6CSL	Bert	14	15	14	43	15	645	NCCC #3	CA
K6MDJ	Fred	0	30	0	30	18	540	QRP West	CA
K6LL/7	Dave	108	117	63	288	34	9,792	Top Guns	AZ
N6TR/7	Tree	98	114	72	284	32	9,088	SCCC #1	OR
WA7NIN	Rusty	82	86	85	253	32	8,096	NCCC #1	NV
K7MX	Brett	81	105	35	221	34	7,514	Speed Slugs	WA
K9JF/7	Jim	54	106	35	195	33	6,435	Speed Slugs	WA
KE7V	Jon	70	87	30	187	31	5,797	Speed Slugs	WA
K7SS	Dan	73	79	37	189	30	5,670	Trail Slugs	WA
AI7B	Bob	63	87	52	202	25	5,050	Speed Slugs	OR
KR7G	Bob	46	59	31	136	35	4,760	RCCC	WA
N7TT	John	52	60	27	139	27	3,753	Speed Slugs	WA
W7ZR	Dick	21	49	32	102	19	1,938	Speed Slugs	OR
K7LXC	Steve	56	13	19	88	20	1,760	RCCC	WA
WB7OJV	Buck	35	47	1	83	21	1,743	QRP West	WA
K7WA	Jim	29	23	12	64	20	1,280	QRP West	WA
K8MR	Jim	55	104	77	226	35	7,910	MRRC #1	OH
K8NZ	Ron	51	91	74	216	34	7,344	MRRC #1	OH
W8LT	Jeff	48	80	93	221	33	7,293	MRRC #1	OH
KW8N	Bob	64	93	68	225	32	7,200	MRRC #1	OH
W8FN	Randy	61	60	80	204	34	6,936	MRRC #1	OH
W8LNO	Joe	84	62	77	223	31	6,913	MRRC #1	OH
WD8IXE	Steve	39	68	94	201	34	6,834	MRRC #1	OH
N8ET	Bill	76	63	74	213	29	6,177	MRRC #1	OH
KD8NS	Mike	40	75	69	184	31	5,704	MRRC #2	OH
AD8P	Bill	50	78	65	193	29	5,597		OH
KQ8M	Tim	35	63	61	159	31	4,929	MRRC #2	OH
K8DD	Hank	29	71	33	133	28	3,724		MI
K8JM	John	15	73	39	127	29	3,683	MRRC #2	MI

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K8CV	Walt	10	25	30	65	24	1,560		MI
AH2U/9	Dave	65	86	94	245	36	8,820		IL
W9RE	Mike	81	75	94	250	33	8,250	Top Guns	IN
K9ZO	Al	66	75	84	225	33	7,425		IL
AC9C	Mike	69	80	70	219	30	6,570		IL
N2IC/Ø	Steve	78	141	86	305	36	10,980	Top Guns	CO
KM9P/Ø	Bill	78	91	101	270	33	8,910	Popguns #1	MO
NØSS	Tom	81	65	94	240	35	8,400	Popguns #1	MO
KØVBU	Bill	56	72	93	221	35	7,735	Popguns #1	KS
KBØG	Tim	71	98	64	233	31	7,223	Popguns #1	KS
NIØE	Mike	40	102	54	196	31	6,076	Top Guns	CO
KMØL	Steve	57	84	73	214	27	5,778	Popguns #1	MO
KØUK	Bill	44	63	62	169	34	5,746		CO
KJØG	Bob	58	58	62	178	31	5,518		CO
KØVXU	Russ	66	85	35	186	25	4,650	Popguns #2	KS
W2FV/Ø	John	35	66	0	101	28	2,828		CO
WBØGOB	Rodger	27	45	22	94	26	2,444	Popguns #2	NE
ADØO	Tom	3	35	47	85	23	1,955	Top Guns	CO
KRØU	Tim	20	29	19	68	24	1,632	QRP West	CO
VE7AHA	Andy	49	86	40	175	30	5,250	Speed Slugs	BC
VE2ZP	Dave	14	30	0	44	13	572		QU
WL7E	Jon	37	14	0	51	12	612	Speed Slugs	AK