

Results: North American Sprint, RTTY — September 2025

The 52nd North American RTTY Sprint ended with 46 logs, with 35 multipliers and 56 participants. This is one of the lowest participation totals for the March contests, all of which are historically lower than the September contests. Figure 1 shows that participation remains far below the peak of 290 in March 2009. We are still searching for ways to increase participation and make the Sprint more fun for everyone. If readers have any suggestions, send them to me.

Ron, WV4P, jumped into the High-Power category for the first time and squeaked past Tim, N3QE, for the win. Ron seems to have a knack for dark-horse entries. The first time I'd ever seen his contest participation was the 2018 FT Roundup, when he won the Single Op World category less than 2 years after earning his license! This time, Ron had 6 more QSOs than Tim to nullify the additional multiplier in Tim's result. The top seven finishers were tightly spaced, with Dean, NØXR, only 8 points behind Tim for third place.

Half of the top ten were operating SO1R, highlighting the ability to "catch up" to the early SO2R leaders due to low overall participation. For the same reason, the geographic distribution was even east to west. The top Low Power finisher, Dave, AA4DD, made it into the overall top ten. Ron, WQ6X, was the only QRP entry.

Although 35 multipliers appeared across the entire log set, Tim, N3QE, nabbed 31 of them for the top spot. There were an amazing 13 Golden Logs sent in with no errors, led by Ken, K4ZW, and Ray, WQ5L, with 99 QSOs, plus Tim, N3QE, with 98. Four of the 13 were in the Top Ten. Excellent job, guys!

Figure 2 shows the activity per band throughout the 4-hour contest period. The low activity resulted in a decrease to 45% of the initial rate at the end. During the first half-hour, the SO2R participants were essentially

SO1R while 40-meter activity was slowly building. There were no QSOs on 80 meters for the first 80 minutes and only 3 on 20 meters in the final hour. QSOs were distributed 38%,

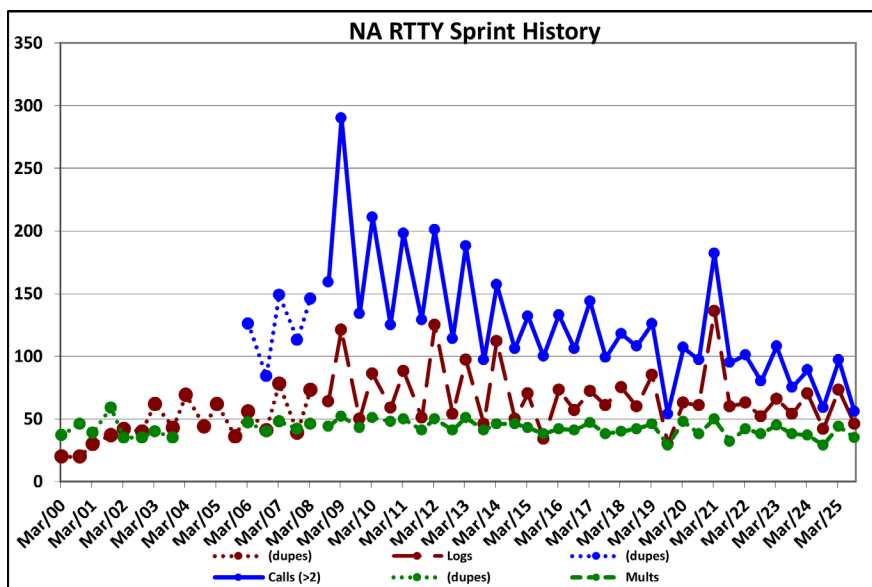


Figure 1 — NA RTTY Sprint History

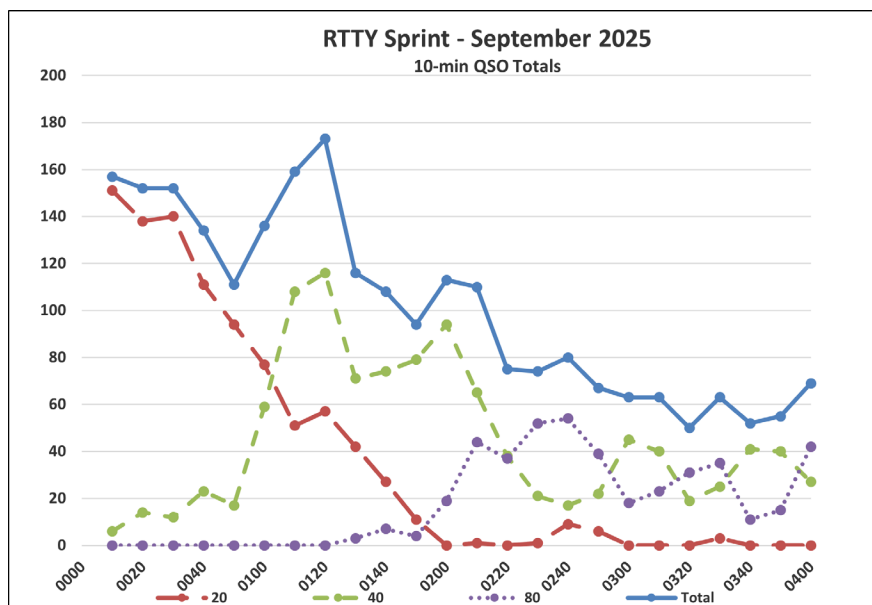


Figure 2 — 10-minute QSO Totals

44%, and 18% across 20, 40, and 80 meters, respectively.

In team competition, SWACC #1, #2, and #3 were the only team entries. SWACC #1 and #2 were nearly tied, with the #2 team dropping down due to Ty, K3MM, being unable to operate at the last minute. Team formation and competition is one way to

raise activity. The future of this contest hinges on more activity.

Your Log Check Report is a valuable analysis of your log accuracy that can lead to future improvement. Request yours from ed@w0yk.com. The next RTTY Sprint begins at 0000 UTC, Sunday, March 15, 2026, which is Saturday evening North America time.

Top Ten Scores

Call Sign	Score	QSOs	Mults	Band						
				Changes	Qs Lost	00Z	01Z	02Z	03Z Team	
WV4P	3,120	104	30	46	4	40	27	20	17	SCCC
N3QE	3,038	98	31	25	0	32	28	22	16	Deep Dixie CC Team Elvis
NØXR	3,030	101	30	52	5	36	24	27	14	
N4ZZ	2,970	99	30	46	2	34	29	23	13	AOCC ROUGH RIDERS
K6LL	2,880	96	30	10	1	37	27	10	22	
K4ZW	2,871	99	29	39	0	37	28	22	12	SFCG Sultans of Vox
WQ5L	2,871	99	29	7	0	34	27	20	18	AOCC ROUGH RIDERS
K5AM	2,464	88	28	10	0	34	26	16	12	MWA Lakers
WK6I	2,295	85	27	5	4	31	28	9	17	KCCC Chickens
AA4DD	2,133	79	27	6	6	24	27	17	11	

Top Ten Low Power

Call Sign	Score	QSOs	Mults	Band						
				Changes	Qs Lost	00Z	01Z	02Z	03Z	
AA4DD	2,133	79	27	6	6	24	27	17	11	
K6GHA	1,998	74	27	9	2	32	23	11	8	
AE1P	1,800	72	25	6	6	24	29	10	9	
K4IU	1,748	76	23	28	5	34	18	13	11	
AA4CS	1,425	57	25	2	5	15	27	9	6	
W1UE	1,408	64	22	4	3	22	28	14	0	
W9FY	1,311	57	23	4	1	13	19	22	3	
VE3FH	1,242	54	23	6	0	12	19	18	5	
K9SAT	1,071	51	21	5	9	9	24	11	7	
VA4HZ	950	50	19	2	4	13	22	11	4	

Top QRP

Call Sign	Score	QSOs	Mults	Band						
				Changes	Qs Lost	00Z	01Z	02Z	03Z	
WQ6X	756	42	18	4	6	13	12	13	4	

Team Scores

SWACC #2	SWACC #1	SWACC #3
N4ZZ 2,970	WV4P 3,120	NØTA 1,650
K4ZW 2,871	N3QE 3,038	K7SV 578
WQ5L 2,871	NØXR 3,030	Total 2,228
K5AM 2,464	K6LL 2,880	
W1UE 1,408	Total 12,068	
Total 12,584		

Top Ten QSO Totals

Call Sign	QSOs
WV4P	104
NØXR	101
K4ZW	99
N4ZZ	99
WQ5L	99
N3QE	98
K6LL	96
K5AM	88
WK6I	85
AA4DD	79

Top Ten Multipliers

Call Sign	Mults
N3QE	31
K6LL	30
NØXR	30
N4ZZ	30
WV4P	30
K4ZW	29
WQ5L	29
K5AM	28
AA4DD	27
K6GHA	27

Golden Logs

Call Sign	QSOs
K4ZW	99
WQ5L	99
N3QE	98
K5AM	88
VE3FH	54
KM9R	46
KH6CJJ	33
NF6R	28
AA8R	16
KE8Z	11
VE2GT	9
VE3NE	3
PY5AMF	1

Top Ten Number of Band Changes

Call Sign	Band Changes
NØXR	52
N4ZZ	46
WV4P	46
K4ZW	39
K4IU	28
N3QE	25
K5AM	10
K6LL	10
K6GHA	9
K7SV	9

Single Operator Scores

* Low Power, ** QRP

Call	Name	QTH	20	40	80	QSO	Mult	Score	Bnd Chgs	Team	Call	Name	QTH	20	40	80	QSO	Mult	Score	Bnd Chgs	Team	
AE1P	*NEIL	NH	30	31	11	72	25	1,800	6		NF6R	*BILL	CA	21	7	0	28	15	420	1		
W1UE	*DENNIS	MA	24	30	10	64	22	1,408	4	SWACC #2	K6LL	DAVE	AZ	39	40	17	96	30	2,880	10	SWACC #1	
N3QE	TIM	MD	28	41	29	98	31	3,038	25	SWACC #1	K9SAT	*ROBERT	AZ	25	26	0	51	21	1,071	5		
WV4P	RON	TN	37	42	25	104	30	3,120	46	SWACC #1	KM9R	*MIKE	NV	29	15	2	46	19	874	5		
N4ZZ	DON	TN	29	43	27	99	30	2,970	46	SWACC #2	WA8YZB	*JOHN	MI	2	10	0	12	10	120	1		
K4ZW	KEN	VA	31	42	26	99	29	2,871	39	SWACC #2	KE8Z	*CHAD	OH	0	11	0	11	5	55	0		
AA4DD	*DAVE	TN	25	34	20	79	27	2,133	6		KF8I	CLINT	OH	5	0	0	5	5	25	0		
W4NF	JACK	VA	19	31	15	65	25	1,625	5		W9FY	*OLAF	IL	21	29	7	57	23	1,311	4		
AA4CS	*DEL	TN	24	32	1	57	25	1,425	2		KC9K	DAVE	IL	27	24	2	53	21	1,113	4		
NC4SW	STEVE	NC	15	25	16	56	23	1,288	6		WU9D	*MIKE	IL	5	18	10	33	16	528	4		
AC8Y	MIKE	VA	20	22	7	49	22	1,078	4		KC9NBV	*CHUCK	IN	0	2	1	3	3	9	5		
K7SV	*LAR	VA	20	14	0	34	17	578	9	SWACC #3	NØXR	DEAN	IA	30	43	28	101	30	3,030	52	SWACC #1	
KU8E	*JEFF	GA	0	19	9	28	16	448	4		K4IU	*FRED	MN	27	32	17	76	23	1,748	28		
W4SDX	*MATT	TN	1	13	9	23	11	253	2		NØTA	JOHN	CO	28	31	16	75	22	1,650	2	SWACC #3	
AA8R	*RANDY	FL	15	1	0	16	13	208	2		AI6O	*ED	MO	19	21	6	46	16	736	5		
NK4O	*AJ	FL	0	17	0	17	12	204	0		KØXU	*JIM	NE	12	5	0	17	10	170	1		
KB6QPI	*MARIUS	FL	8	3	4	15	11	165	2		VE3FH	*JULIO	ON	15	27	12	54	23	1,242	6		
WQ5L	RAY	MS	37	39	23	99	29	2,871	7	SWACC #2	VA4HZ	*HARM	MB	18	20	12	50	19	950	2		
K5AM	MARK	NM	37	35	16	88	28	2,464	10	SWACC #2	VE7IO	*FRED	BC	17	22	0	39	15	585	1		
WK6I	JEFF	CA	32	38	15	85	27	2,295	5		VE2GT	*PIERRE	QC	6	3	0	9	7	63	1		
K6GHA	*DON	CA	33	33	8	74	27	1,998	9		VE3NE	*LALI	ON	0	3	0	3	2	6	0		
WQ6X	**RON	CA	21	19	2	42	18	756	4		PY5AMF	MAR	PY	1	0	0	1	1	1	0		
KH6CJJ	*KENT	HI	28	5	0	33	16	528	1													