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GENERAL COMMENTS

First off, I need to apologize for the delay in providing the 2011 results. I have always met my 60 rule before – that means I try to have the results ready to be published within the sixty days following our log reception cut off date, basically mid June. This year has been a struggle. Because of declining mobile activity, I felt that I needed to do a comprehensive discussion on the effect of mobile activity, thusly, I felt I needed to take whatever time I needed to gather the data to do that. Because of the amount of data needed, I mainly struggled with how to present it clearly. I wrote and re-wrote my comments, way too many times, trying to say what I believed needed to be said. Finally, after realizing that I would never accomplish that task in a reasonable report, I decided to just summate my data into what appears below. Once I did that, I had to make sure my data presentations were correct. All of this took time, more than I originally thought it would. I hope I got everything right. Thank you all for being patient during my struggle.

MOBILE EFFECT

Mobile Counties

For years now I have been saying how important I consider mobile activity to be, as a big part of the success of our annual Wisconsin QSO Party. I firmly believe that without mobile activity, the level of participation would be much less. In order to answer the question of what mobile stations REALLY DO for a state QSO party, I decided to spend lots and lots of extra time this year recording data, so that I could show you what I mean by mobile effect, especially as it applies to WIQP specifically. I believe that after viewing the data, you will understand why mobile operations are so important to the success of our state QSO party. This data is not a part of our database. I am only doing it one time. I again apologize for the delay in the results. I felt this was important enough to take the time, as we are seeing reductions in mobile activity, that I am convinced will affect WIQP in the future. I am not sure if a study of the mobile effect has ever been done on QSO parties. It would be interesting to do that, but not here.

As I have said many times in the past, I do believe that we are in a stage of WIQP wherein we are seeing some of the best mobile operations one could hope for as part of a state QSO party. I am positive that our fixed stations are benefiting in a way they do not realize because of those mobile operations, let alone all the out-of-state stations that work a mobile over and over as they change counties - although some of the out-of-state stations do mention how happy they are for the mobile activity.

I am not trying to say that mobile stations are extremely important. While I believe they are important, I am only trying to give you all some idea of how they affect our WIQP. I hope by the end of the discussion, you will have a decent picture of their effect(s). And more importantly, I hope that it encourages other mobile stations to participate, so WIQP activity remains at as high of a rate as it presently enjoys. My opinion.



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I think the best way to start this discussion is to go thru the 14 mobile stations that sent in logs this year (25 in 2010). I begin with a table of the number of counties they were in, to give you a small flavor of their efforts this year. The table also includes their total Qs by band, so you get a bigger picture of our mobile operations, although the Qs part is not really related to the mobile effect discussion I am going through. Just interesting information, since I had the data anyways.

Call	Class	Counties	80C	75P	40C	40P	20C	20P	15P	2	440
K9BTP	SOM	5		8		92					
K9IK	SOM	8						93		69	16
K9TY	SOM	16				476					
KB9LRD	SOT	12								138	38
KE0G	SOM	4	31		145		72				
NE9U	SOM	17	106		589		190			2	
NG9T	SOM	19	44		500		208				
NR0T	SOM	10		8		184					
W9DND	SOM	15	88		649		157				
W9HB	MMM	20	110		476		179			42	4
W9MSE	SOM	18	35		480		311				
WA9GON	SOM	6	2		8		2			41	11
WI9WI	SOM	7	2		358		62				
WX9EP	MOM	12		25		26		138	12	7	

The next table gives you a list of the actual counties they were in, not in the order they drove the counties, but instead in alphabetical order. Those counties add up to 169 total counties, 57 of which were unique ones. That means they only missed activating 15 of our 72 total WI counties.

K9BTP	ASH IRO ONE PRI VIL
K9IK	BRO CAL GRL MAN OUT WAP WIN WSR
K9TY	ADA CHI CLA COL DAN DUN EAU JAC JUN MAR MON MRQ POR SAU TRE WSR
KB9LRD	BRO CAL DOD DOO FON GRL KEW MAN OUT WAP WIN WSR
KE0G	JAC LAC MON TRE
NE9U	ADA BRO FLO FON FOR GRL JUN LAN MRQ MEN OCO OUT POR SHA WSR WIN WOO
NG9T	BRO CAL DOO FLO FON FOR GRL KEW LAN MEN MRQ MRN OCO OUT POR SHA WAP WIN WSR
NR0T	BUF CHI CLA DUN EAU JAC PEP PIE STC TRE
W9DND	BUF CHI CLA DUN EAU JAC JUN LAC MON PEP PIE STC TRE VER WOO
W9HB	ADA BRO CAL DAN FON GRA GRL IOW JUN LAF MAN MIL MRQ OUT OZA SAU SHE WAL WAU WIN
W9MSE	ADA CRA DAN GRA GRE GRL IOW JAC JUN LAF MON MRQ POR RIC SAU VER WOO WSR
WA9GON	BRO CAL MAN OUT SHA WIN
WI9WI	GRL MAR MRQ POR SHA WAP WSR
WX9EP	ADA COL DAN IOW JAC JUN MON MRQ RIC SAU VER WSR



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Based on the logs sent in, not Qs in logs, and in order to gauge the significance of the mobile activity, one needs to be aware of what counties were represented by our fixed stations also. So I did three more tables, the first for the “mobile counties,” the second for the “fixed counties,” **and the important one – the “difference.”** In other words, the third table shows the counties put on the air by just the mobile stations that would not have been activated otherwise.

COUNTIES ACTIVATED BY MOBILES

ADA	ASH	BRO	BUF	CAL	CHI	CLA	COL	CRA
DAN	DOD	DOO	DUN	EAU	FLO	FON	FOR	GRA
GRE	GRL	IOW	IRO	JAC	JUN	KEW	LAC	LAF
LAN	MAN	MAR	MEN	MIL	MON	MRN	MRQ	OCO
ONE	OUT	OZA	PEP	PIE	POR	PRI	RIC	SAU
SHA	SHE	STC	TRE	VER	VIL	WAL	WAP	WAU
			WIN	WOO	WSR			

COUNTIES ACTIVATED BY FIXED STATIONS

BRO	BUR	CAL	CHI	COL	CRA	DAN
DOD	DOU	EAU	FON	GRA	GRE	GRL
JEF	JUN	KEN	LAC	LAF	MAN	MAR
MIL	MRQ	OCO	OUT	OZA	PIE	POL
POR	PRI	RAC	ROC	SAU	SHE	STC
TRE	VER	WAL	WAP	WAS	WAU	WIN

DIFFERENCE TABLE – MOBILE ONLY COUNTIES

ADA	ASH	BUF	CLA	DOO
DUN	FLO	FOR	IOW	IRO
JAC	KEW	LAN	MEN	MON
MRN	ONE	PEP	RIC	SHA
	VIL	WOO	WSR	

I realize this is probably more data than most of you wanted. However, I think it CLEARLY shows my discussion point here – the importance of mobile activity, specifically as it relates to 2011 WIQP. I suspect it also applies to other state QSO parties too. Rather than have you go through a counting exercise, I will summate the “difference” table for you. Bottom line - **23 WI counties would not have been represented in the 2011 WIQP without those 14 mobiles having been on the road and operating.**

No Mobile Activity

Part two of our mobile effect discussion – the effect of no mobile activity. I spent time doing recalculations of a number of our top fixed stations, in and out of Wisconsin, to see how it would have affected them. What I did I find? Having done this data job for so long, pretty much what I expected – WI stations and out-of-state stations would have seen score reductions, some large



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and some not so large. Since a lot of our mobile stations do mainly CW, the effect is going to be greater for CW Q entries. Trying to do specific percentage numbers would have required lots and lots of paper for this report. I decided not to do that. Instead, I just want to note that I believe our out-of-state stations would have suffered a lot more because a lot of them chase mobiles. How much suffering would depend on how many stations worked mobiles, which in some cases, were quite a few and in other cases, not many.

For example, WI entries. Our top WI fixed station entry would have lost 39 CW Qs and 4 phone Qs, and 12 county multipliers, which would have reduced his score by just over 18% as his “mobile effect.” He worked a lot of stations, not a lot of mobiles, so he would not have suffered a lot. His “loss” difference is basically my score. I chased mobiles again this year. While I did not connect with as many as I wanted, due to band conditions, I would have suffered big time. I would have lost 29 CW Qs and 3 phone Qs. My county multipliers would have dropped by 12, and my score would have tanked by 34 percent. A couple of years back, when I worked mostly mobiles, I would have been devastated.

How about the out-of-state stations? Let us look at that too. Our top station, from MN, as a QRP entry, as his “mobile effect,” would have been reduced dramatically. He would have lost 56 % of his CW Qs (163 down to 72), 8% of his phone Qs (98 down to 90), and 30% of his multipliers, reducing his 50,880 point score down to 19,565 points, OR a reduction of over 61 %. Look at number two station from OH. Low power entry. He would have lost 40% of his CW Qs (161 down to 97), maintained all his phone Qs, and would have lost 8 multipliers (63 down to 55), reducing his score (45076 points down to 28792 points) by 36 %.

Bottom line. I believe my discussion on “mobile effect” is clear. I think my extra time doing all of the data, clearly shows what I intended to show - even though I am not presenting pages and pages of data - mobile stations are important to a state QSO party. As it relates to our WIQP, with our mobile participants, I think the results dramatically show what they do for “us” and what could happen if we continue to see reductions in the number of mobiles that take to the highways for our party. I did mobile once. Not a great score, but I really enjoyed it. I would hope others would do the same. I plan to again. As a mobile operator, you do not have to do 100 Qs per hour over the seven hours of our party. You just need to visit counties, so others can work you. That activity will continue to support WIQP as one of the top state parties around. It will certainly benefit your fellow hams who participate. Without activity, WIQP might not be. Please consider doing a mobile effort.

COUNTY POPULARITY

What Counties Are More Active Than Others?

One more item that you might be interested in, since I had the data to present it also. I have been asked many times what are the popular counties, or what county should I activate. Those are hard questions to answer, since county activation is really dependent on what route a mobile



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decides to travel OR where a portable station wishes to operate from. It varies each year. Fixed entries, not so much variation I suspect.

Although there is no definitive answer to those questions, this year I also took extra time to gather some data to help. I think the best way to approach this discussion is by presenting two more tables – one for fixed and the second for mobiles – and let you decide for yourself. Of course this data is 2011 specific. I suspect fixed counties will be similar next year, while mobile county popularity will probably change, since mobile county popularity is determined by the mobiles. Also, this should aid in your planning for the 2012 WIQP.

As you can see, I did this one by most popular counties first.

FIXED COUNTIES

15 – MIL	12 - DAN	11 - WAU	9 - FON	7 - OUT	5 - LAC	5 - WAS
4 – LAF	4 – RAC	4 – ROC	4 – SAU	3 – GRA	3 – OZA	2 – BRO
2 – COL	2 – JEF	2 – KEN	2 – POL	2 – PRI	2 – STC	2 – WAP
2 – WIN	1 – BUR	1 – CAL	1 – CHI	1 – CRA	1 – DOD	1 – DOU
1 – EAU	1 – GRE	1 – GRL	1 – JUN	1 – MAN	1 – MAR	1 – MRQ
1 – OCO	1 – PIE	1 – POR	1 – SHE	1 – TRE	1 – VER	1 – WAL

MOBILE COUNTIES

8 - WSR	7 - GRL	7 - MRQ	6 - BRO	6 - JAC	6 - JUN	6 - OUT
6 - WIN	5 - ADA	5 - CAL	5 - MON	5 - POR	4 - DAN	4 - FON
4 - MAN	4 - SAU	4 - SHA	4 - TRE	4 - WAP	3 - CHI	3 - CLA
3 - DUN	3 - EAU	3 - IOW	3 - VER	3 - WOO	2 - BUF	2 - COL
2 - DOO	2 - FLO	2 - FOR	2 - GRA	2 - KEW	2 - LAC	2 - LAF
2 - LAN	2 - MAR	2 - MEN	2 - OCO	2 - PEP	2 - PIE	2 - RIC
2 - STC	1 - ASH	1 - CRA	1 - DOD	1 - GRE	1 - IRO	1 - MIL
1 - MRN	1 - ONE	1 - OZA	1 - PRI	1 - SHE	1 - VIL	1 - WAL
1 - WAU						

YEAR OF THE QSO PARTY EFFECT

At the end of the 2009 WIQP, I was not sure if the record we set in 2009 for the most entries to date was due to WIQP continuing as one of the most popular state QSO parties, OR was it due to the ARRL's having done the "Year of the State QSO Party" event. For 2010 WIQP, we saw a nice increase again. This year we went to other way, as you will see below. I think that we can now say, without doubt, that the ARRL event did affect our activity, as we saw an increase in 2009 and 2010. I believe that 2011 shows that we are probably back to normal activity. I think we have enough information in hand (data points as I called it last year) to end this discussion once and for all. My final conclusion is that the ARRL event in 2009 certainly did affect our WIQP. End of subject.



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RESULTS

2011 WIQP. No new records. I was surprised in the number of entries in the Beginner category. In fact, this year we have a few Beginner entries from out of our state, for the first time, which was pleasantly surprising to me. When we decided to change the former Novice category to Beginner, we were not sure what it would produce. It now appears to have been a good move. Perhaps because there are some new people interested in contesting, that did not want to enter before? Or perhaps they now have a category to enter that has them compete with other Beginners? Whatever the reason, I thank all of you Beginners for entering. Just a reminder, the Beginner category was created as a two-year category, to get you started. Two years - meaning you can only enter as a Beginner two times, and then you will need to move to a different category. WIQP and contesting in general must still be providing interest, which is very encouraging. I did list them on their own results page this year. Take time to thank them for their participation.

So how did we do this year? Well, entries are down for 2011. We received 275 entries this year, about a ten percent decrease from last year (304), and a five and a half percent decrease from 2009 (291), the “Year of the QSO Party” ARRL event year. Of the 275 entries, we had 143 from and 132 out of Wisconsin.

The electronic logs received this year were 233 total, which is almost a 2 % increase over last year. Paper logs went down percentage wise - 42 this year – to about 1.5% lower than last year. Both numbers are going in the right direction – electronic log entries up and paper log entries down. Just to restate, we will continue to accept both. It is not a problem for us either way. If we can help in any way to have you do an electronic submission, please let us know. It does not have to be anything fancy. A plain old text file works every time. By the way, a good number of the paper logs come printed in chronological order anyways, not hand written, which means those logs should be able to be sent to us electronically.

TOTAL CONTACTS

With reduced entries, I expected the total number of contacts to decrease this year, which they did. Since I did all this extra data work this year, I am able to give you the contacts by band and mode, which is something you might be interested in. The next two tables will show that data. Once you look at it, you will get a real good idea of what band was the most active this year. How it compares to past years is not available, as I have never kept that data in prior years. You might want to comment about this data – if you feel it is worth the extra time pulling the information out of the logs or not? By the way, this data is only taken from the electronic logs.

What jumped out at me was the high percentage number of CW contacts compared to the phone contacts on the same band by the out-of-state stations. Maybe you have a different take. Anyways, the data is there for you. And yes, we do have some decent VHF and UHF activity during WIQP that is reflected in the data too.



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CONTACTS BY BAND AND MODE WISCONSIN

160M	80C	75P	40C	40P	20C	20P	15C	15P	10C	10P	6C	6P	2C	2P	1.25	70
1	2571	2796	7222	8987	2083	3924	16	191	3	53	1	8	2	432	1	66

NON-WISCONSIN

160M	80C	75P	40C	40P	20C	20P	15C	15P	10C	10P	6C	6P	2C	2P	1.25	70
0	1247	557	3496	2143	1383	1121	4	13	1	1	0	1	0	2	0	0

To pick up on comparable data from past years, I did the next table.

TOTAL CONTACTS IN WIQP

YEAR	ENTRIES	IN - WI	NON WI	TOTALS	CW Qs	PHONE Qs
2011	275	28,356	10,303	38,659	18,029	20,630
2010	304	35,701	11,083	46,784	23,198	23,586
2009	291	24,734	9,481	34,215	N / A	N / A

As you can see from the next table, we still have more entries from WI stations than out-of-state entries, but just barely. (The exception was in 2009, which in my opinion was due to the “Year of the QSO Party” ARRL event). The significant point in this table is that there appears to be a reduction in the ratio between WI logs and out-of-state logs the last 2 years. If this trend holds true in the future, I am not sure why.

WISCONSIN ENTRIES VERSUS OUT-OF-STATE ENTRIES

YEAR	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
IN WI	143	159	139	156	160	145	134
OUT OF	132	145	151	112	103	95	99
TOTAL	275	304	290	268	263	240	233

COUNTIES AVAILABLE

We were a bit short of all 72 WI counties being on this year, for the second time in a row. Based on entries, we had 70 WI counties on in 2011. Last year it was 69, when Florence, Iron and Rusk do not appear anywhere in the logs. This year we were missing BAYFIELD and RUSK. Both are in the far Northwestern area of the state. All 50 states and 9 Canadian Provinces were in the logs. DX logs were received from the Netherlands, Russia and the Virgin Islands.



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My usual table of the top twenty by counties worked is below.

TOP TWENTY BY COUNTIES WORKED

	WISCONSIN					OUT-OF-STATE			
	CALL	QSO's	CTY's	ENTRY		CALL	STATE	QSO's	CTY's
1	W9EAU	1325	68	MMF	K0TI	MN	272	65	
2	AF9T	478	61	SOF	K2KW	OH	316	63	
3	N9NE	565	61	SOF	N4PN	GA	254	61	
4	K9WM	513	61	MOF	N0UR	MN	261	60	
5	KB9OWD	636	61	SOF	W8TM	OH	216	58	
6	W0EAR	582	60	SOF	NT2A	NY	159	58	
7	N9CK	379	58	SOF	K0RC	MN	209	58	
8	NS9I	386	57	SOF	N8II	WV	213	58	
9	KX9M	269	54	SOF	WA1UJU	MI	204	57	
10	W9NA	346	53	MMF	K8MR	OH	182	56	
11	K9BTQ	570	53	SOF	N4VV	TN	183	56	
12	W9GA	311	53	SOF	N2BJ	IL	138	55	
13	W9WLX	201	52	BEG	K8ES	OH	181	55	
14	KO9LR	526	52	SOF	N9DJ	IL	211	55	
15	ND9Z	320	52	SOF	K0DEQ	MO	145	54	
16	K9IMM	522	52	SOF	K0TK	MN	156	54	
17	KC9FFJ	412	51	SOF	N0RPI	MN	134	53	
18	K9EN	125	51	SOF	N4IG	FL	137	53	
19	AG9G	240	51	SOF	NA0N	MN	150	53	
20	NI9Z	368	50	MOF	W4SIG	TN	115	53	

CONDITIONS & ACTIVITY

The weather was really decent again this year. So was activity. I think it best to defer comments to our Soapbox pages, which are rather lengthy this year. Once you read them, you will get a much better idea of conditions and activity than having me spend several pages commenting on it.

MOBILE STATIONS

I JUST WANTED TO VISIT THIS ONE MORE TIME. As I said before, we are seeing a reduction in the number of mobile entries over the last several years. This year it was quite a dramatic drop. I am not sure why that is. Perhaps going mobile is a challenge for some folks? Perhaps they did not do as good as they expected to do and do not participate any longer as a mobile? Perhaps they do not like being cooped up in a vehicle, bouncing around for 7 hours,



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while needing to keep their focus on the radio all that time? Perhaps it gets old after a while? Here I will quote Todd, N9NE, who insists it is a “rush” that is hard to beat. I agree. I know I did mobile two years back and it was a rush, and yes, I did not do as good as I thought I would. It was still fun. I would hope that others would take up the challenge of mobiling during the WIQP. It sure would be nice to have lots of mobiles visiting all of our 72 counties on the air so WI and non-WI participants can contact them. Bottom line, our activity would stay at a high level.

WINNERS

As I have also done in past years, the two tables below are a look at the top ten Single Operator stations by SCORE, both in and out of Wisconsin. With the WI table, I included the entry classes of the Single Operator stations, to give you an idea of the mixture of mobile versus fixed for WI.

TOP TEN WISCONSIN SINGLE OPERATOR BY SCORE

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W9DND	W9MSE	NE9U	NG9T	KB9OWD	N9NE	W0EAR	WE9V	AF9T	K9IMM
SOM	SOM	SOM	SOM	SOF	SOF	SOF	SOF	SOF	SOF

TOP TEN NON-WISCONSIN SINGLE OPERATOR BY SCORE

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
N0UR	K2KW	K0TI	W8TM	N8II	K8ES	K0RC	NT2A	WA1UJU	N9DJ
MN	OH	MN	OH	WV	OH	MN	NY	MI	IL

Beginners

As I said above, we are happy to see entries using the Beginners category. For some additional recognition – here is the list:

N1UXQ, KC2WUF, WM4Z, KF7MGR (now N7KIM), W7POE, KC9LBO, KC9PEG, KC9POO, KC9PPR (now W9POF), KC9RLS, KC9TSY, NX9A and W9WLX.

Thank them when you get a chance

Best Wisconsin Single Operator

The 2011 plaque for highest scoring Single Operator in Wisconsin goes to first time winner, Patrick Cain, K0PC, who operated mobile as W9DND. Pat has operated for years as K0PC. Pat feels he won because he used W9DND. As Pat explains “John W9DND has been my QSO Party driver for the last eight years. John's call was originally held by his uncle Archie Smith (SK in 1995). Archie was an outstanding CW operator who had a 60 wpm Code Proficiency Certificate from the ARRL. Archie lived in Wisconsin his whole life and was very active on traffic nets. A



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few weeks ago Archie's daughter found an old trophy in a box. It was from the 1964 Wisconsin QSO Party, Archie had won 2nd Place in the CW category. That trophy inspired us to use W9DND as our call this year. We thought it was fitting that Archie's call would ring out in CW throughout Wisconsin again.”

I think his other soapbox comments tell the rest of the story. “ The only thing disappointing about the 2011 WIQP was the temperature, it was about 30 degrees less than the 60s we had last year. The weather was just fine with seasonal temps and the roads were clear. 40M was the real money band this year. It was short and it was long at the same time. We had QSOs throughout Wisconsin and through most of the country one after the other. 20M was also in good shape but it was hard to tear away from the rate on 40M. 80M seemed to have a lot of noise this year. Our QSO count on 80 was half what it was last year. The turnout was great. When 0100z rolled around the QSO counter hit 899! With dupes the actual number dropped to 894 but that's not as dramatic. Our mults were down this year but the total score was up about 4%. We had 213 unique calls in the log. Rates were high all day with an average rate of almost 130 for the whole contest. The highest hour was 158 during hour 5. This year 40M was so good during the entire contest it was hard to find time to change bands. I think it helps to go back to the same frequency (as much as possible). I also tried to use the same relative frequency across bands (3.542, 7.042, 14.042) to help people find me quickly. I published a scheduled time for each county and we were able to stick to it pretty closely. I think it all helps.”

Patrick lives in Chanhassen, Minnesota, which is just west of Minneapolis. You can see his picture if you visit QRZ.com. Patrick traveled through 15 of Wisconsin's counties on our behalf, while doing 894 CW contacts, using low power. He worked 25 WI counties, 37 states and 3 Canadian Provinces, for 65 total multipliers. His final score total 181,130 points. Congratulations Patrick. Enjoy your plaque.

Best Out-of-State Single Operator

The 2011 plaque for the highest scoring Single Operator outside of Wisconsin goes to a second time winner, Jim Lageson, N0UR, from Ellendale, Minnesota. Ellendale is 45 miles give or take WSW of Rochester. Jim won in 2005 as a QRP entry, and actually still holds the record he set that year – 52,096 points. This year's entry was also a QRP entry. His win is the 4th time a QRP entry has won WIQP from out-of-state. Jim did 163 CW, and 98 phone contacts, with 60 WI county multipliers, for a total of 50,880 points. While he came close, his old record stands. Congratulations Jim. I know you will enjoy your plaque.

Wisconsin Club Competition Winner

Our 2011 plaque for the Wisconsin Club Competition goes to a repeating winner – the Fond du Lac Amateur Radio Club. This is their ninth win I believe.

Their 18 operators entering the Club Competition scored a total of 714,531 points. They set the standing Wisconsin Club Competition record last year, with 977,185 points, so they did not break their own record. Congratulations to all eighteen of you. Enjoy your plaque.



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Single Operator Fixed

The Single Operator Fixed category was won by Ryan Klavekoske, KB9OWD, from Beaver Dam. He made 305 CW Qs and 331 phone Qs with 61 counties, 44 states and 6 Canadian Provinces, for a total score of 156,676.5 points. I am told Ryan sat down just before 1 PM and did not move until WIQP was over. I believe this is his first win. Congratulations Ryan.

Single Operator Technician

The Single Operator Technician category was won by Brian Long, KB9LRD. This is Brian's 7th first place in a row. He always operates as a mobile, in SOT. This year he traveled through 12 counties, making 176 phone Qs, while working 15 counties, and 1 state, for a total score of 9,224. Congratulations to Brian on your seven-peat. .

Multi Operator Fixed

The Multi Operator Fixed category was won for the second time in a row by the Hidden Valley ARC's team of N9BIL, NN9K and N9YPN. They again used K9WM, the Green River Valley ARS of East Moline Illinois call sign, portable from Crawford County. They made 325 CW Qs and 188 phone Qs with 61 counties, 41 states and 3 Canadian Provinces, with a total score of 132,485 points. They did better their score from last year. Congratulations to Timothy Rogerwall, N9BIL, Peter Beedlow, NN9K and Anthony Padavich, N9YPN.

Multi Operator Mobile

The Multi Operator Mobile category was won by the WX9EP team, representing the Mississippi Valley ARA, for their second year in a row also. They made 208 phone contacts with 21 WI counties, 40 states, and 2 Canadian Provinces, while traveling thru 12 WI counties. Total score was 25,156 points. Congrats to Eric Papenfuss, WX9EP, and Christopher Hearn, KC9GDP.

Multi Operator Multi Transmitter

The Multi Operator Multi Transmitter Fixed category was won this year by W9EAU, the club call sign of the Eau Claire ARC, for the fourth year in a row. Their 11 operators made 533 CW Qs and 792 phone Qs, working 68 counties, 48 states and 9 Canadian Provinces, for a score of 348,375 points, just under their 2010 score, when they set the standing record for this category. Congrats to Paul Bittner, W0AIH, Mark Seyffer, KB9S, Steven Bluem, KA9OMY, Kirk Dahl, N0KD, David Voss, KB9WPC, Catherine Seyffer, K9KTT, David Hanson, K9QC, John Desmond, K0TG, Justin Glasener, K9MU, Stephen Fisher, WB9NTO and Troy Faulkner, KB9AZZ.

Multi Operator Multi Transmitter Mobile

The winner in the Multi Operator Multi Transmitter Mobile category was the W9HB and KF9D team from Illinois. W9HB did 765 CW Qs, and 46 phone Qs, working 35 counties, 37 states and 1 Canadian Province, for a score of 182,572 points. They did not set a new record in this category, but they do hold our standing record in the Multi Operator Mobile category. Congratulations to Harold Burt, W9HB and Roger Scott, KF9D.



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CONTEST ROBOT

I need to mention this again this year - we do not have a contest robot. Nor do we acknowledge every entry as we receive it. Instead, we do a list of logs received on our club website, which we update as entries are received, just like other QSO parties do. Please look for that list of received call signs on our website. Then, if you do not see your call, contact us.

IDENTIFYING

We had some situations this year with IDing. While IDing is your responsibility, it sometimes can confuse others. Over the years, as a suggestion, we have tried to make it easier on other participants by asking that mobile stations ID with their callsign and then with their county abbreviation - for two reasons: 1) **so everyone knows they are mobile**; and 2) so that it is **easy to tell when they change counties**. Almost all do that.

Why do I bring this up? Well, the reason is going to be part of a discussion about logging mobiles, which over the years has apparently confused a lot of entries. Most log programs are easily confused. As I say above, if mobiles ID with their callsign and their county abbreviation, then when you hear them ID you can "begin" to log them. If the mobile station and county abbreviation is entered into your log program that way (for example - as K9KR/RAC), I am very confident that your program will take that entry without a problem, as it appears as a unique call. And each subsequent entry, for that same station, with a unique "new county" abbreviation, will not cause a problem.

However, if you just entered K9KR for the first Q with K9KR, you probably discovered your program worked fine for that entry. The next entry, or the second K9KR Q is when the problem is going to start. I believe most programs will balk a bit when the program sees a different county, possibly seeing this new K9KR Q as a dupe. You will need to probably fix that before you can move on to a new Q. Fixing it will slow down your Q rate. By the way, doing just K9KR or K9KR/M, each time, is the same problem. This is based on what I have seen in many, many logs while doing the data work over the years – the first log entry K9KR becomes K9KR/M for the second log entry and then K9KR/RAC, K9KR/KEN, etc. after that.

If the mobile station IDs like we suggest above, and you enter the call and county abbreviation the same way, you will more than likely not experience a computer frustration problem. More importantly, you will be able to tell immediately if the mobile is going to be a dupe OR if you want to work them as they are in a new county. No wasted time, except perhaps waiting to Q them.

This year in the logs, there were a number of Qs that reflected this mobile type of IDing, BUT, they were not mobile, they were fixed stations. Fixed stations, in my view, do not need to ID their county when they do a CQ. I think that confuses people into thinking they are a mobile.



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Why do I mention this? This year I found a few of them going back and forth – one time with the county ID and the next time without. That caused confusion for a number of entries, as these fixed stations were in the logs both ways (one time K9KR and the next time K9KR/RAC), with the entry taking credit for both Qs, although one of them was actually a dupe. Since the station was actually a fixed station, it caused me some concern too, because until I learned who the mobiles were, I really did not know whether these Qs were mobiles, or dupes. I had to go back later on and redo those logs. I know that is what I get the big bucks for. However, it would have been less confusing, for me and for the participants, if they had “standardized,” so to speak, i.e. they did their IDing the same each time, not once with a county ID and the next time without. Realize they can ID anyway they want to. My suggestion is that they do it the same way each time, either with their county OR without their county. Better “without” in my opinion, as doing the county too causes confusion for those thinking the fixed station is a mobile. Yes it is less confusing on phone than CW. It is still confusing.

By the way, we did have another confuser. Fixed WI stations without a number 9 in their call, calling CQ WIQP. We had some of them this year too. For example, take a theoretical W3 operating in RAC county. To make sure all know he is in Wisconsin, I believe the W3 should do their callsign AND “/9” if CW, OR their callsign and the words “portable 9” if on phone, when calling CQ. Doing just W3 will confuse big time. Why? There a number of out-of-state stations that call CQ WI during our party, asking for “WI only stations” to come back to them. If our W3 does not ID as “/9,” or “portable 9” when CQing, how do stations know he is in WI? Plus, when he makes contact with another WI station, there will be confusion because he will not ID from a state - instead from a WI county - which will confuse also. I would respectfully ask that calls without a number 9 in their callsign, ID as “/9” or “portable 9,” to avoid confusion.

Thanks for considering these two suggestions. I believe all will benefit in the long run.

BIG THANKS

In this our 32nd year of sponsorship of WIQP, the West Allis RAC is still VERY PROUD to be able to sponsor WIQP each year. However, please remember – it is your contest.

Lastly I wish to say again, as I have said for many, many years – we ARE thankful for all the participants who sent in logs, or were just there for contacts but did not send in logs. Activity levels we continue to see each year in WIQP, both mobile and fixed, are a direct result of your participation. We could not do it without your help. It goes without saying that unless all of you are out there for all, or part, of the seven hours, there would be no WIQP each year. Thanks again.

See you March 11, 2012, good Lord willing.

Lynn, K9KR
Chairman WIQP for WARAC



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BEGINNER

WISCONSIN STATIONS

CALL	HOME WI COUNTY	C	S	P	MUL	PWR	CW Q's	PH Q's	BONUS PTS	FINAL SCORE	CLUB AFFILIATION
KC9LBO *	VER	31	45	4	80	L	0	302		36240	Driftless Zone Contesters
KC9PEG *	PRI	44	12	1	57	L	0	134		11457	
KC9POO *	COL	47	41	2	90	L	0	400		54000	
KC9PPR *	LAF	1	1	0	2	L	0	1		3	Hidden Valleys ARC
KC9RLS *	DAN	11	4	0	15	L	0	14		315	Four Lakes ARC
KC9TSY *	LAF	3	1	0	4	L	0	4		24	Hidden Valleys ARC
NX9A *	RAC	0	22	2	24	L	0	50		1800	Lake Area ARC
W9WLX *	MIL	52	12	1	65	L	47	154		24180	West Allis RAC

NON-WISCONSIN STATIONS

CALL	STATE	COUNTIES	PWR	CW Q's	PH Q's	BONUS PTS	FINAL SCORE	CLUB AFFILIATION
KC2WUF *	NJ	20	L	0	37		1110	
KF7MGR *	UT	31	H	0	46		1426	UDXA
N1XUQ *	NH	5	L	0	7		52.5	
W7POE *	WA	25	L	30	0		2250	
WM4Z *	NC	32	L	0	49		2352	

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WISCONSIN STATIONS

SINGLE OPERATOR - MOBILE

CALL	COUNTIES VISITED	C	S	P	MUL	PWR	CW Q's	PH Q's	BONUS PTS	FINAL SCORE	CLUB AFFILIATION
W9DND **	15	25	37	3	65	L	894	0	7500	181830	Minnesota Wireless Assn Op: K0PC
W9MSE *	18	25	41	2	68	L	826	0	9000	177504	Fond du Lac ARC
NE9U *	17	23	37	2	62	L	885	2	8000	172796	Central WI Radio Amateurs
NG9T *	19	27	39	3	69	L	752	0	9500	165164	M & M ARC Op: K8IR
WI9WI *	7	20	35	2	57	L	422	0	3500	75662	Four Lakes ARC
KEOG *	4	29	32	0	61	Q	248	0	2000	62512	
K9TY *	16	31	29	3	63	L	0	476	7500	52482	
NR0T *	10	34	16	2	52	L	0	192	3000	17976	Minnesota Wireless Assn Op: OA4ABC
K9IK *	8	12	31	2	45	L	0	183	3000	15352.5	Fox Cities ARC
K9BTP *	5	26	10	1	37	L	0	100	2000	7550	West Allis RAC
WA9GON	6	16	4	0	20	L	12	52	2000	4280	Fond du Lac ARC

SINGLE OPERATOR - TECHNICIAN

CALL	HOME WI COUNTY OR COUNTIES VISITED	C	S	P	MUL	PWR	CW Q's	PH Q's	BONUS PTS	FINAL SCORE	CLUB AFFILIATION
KB9LRD *	12	15	1	0	16	L	0	176	5000	9224	Fox Cities ARC
KC9HYC *	CAL	11	1	0	12	L	0	63		1134	Fox Cities ARC
KC9PSO *	FON	10	1	0	11	L	0	30	500	995	

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SINGLE OPERATOR - FIXED

CALL	HOME WI COUNTY	C	S	P	MUL	PWR	CW Q's	PH Q's	BONUS PTS	FINAL SCORE	CLUB AFFILIATION
KB9OWD *	DOD	61	44	6	111	L	305	331		156676.5	Fond du Lac ARC
N9NE *	POR	61	44	3	108	L	334	231		145638	Central WI Radio Amateurs
W0EAR *		60	42	4	106	L	253	329	500	133265	
WE9V *	KEN	46	45	5	96	L	288	302		126432	Society Midwest Contestr
AF9T *	DOU	61	38	2	101	L	319	159		120745.5	Minnesota Wireless Assn
K9IMM *	DAN	52	38	2	92	L	301	221		113574	Four Lakes ARC
N9AU *	MIL	44	45	4	93	L	246	240		102114	West Allis RAC
N9CK *	DAN	58	38	1	97	L	298	81		98503.5	Four Lakes ARC
K9OT *	LAF	43	38	3	84	L	361	41		96138	Hidden Valleys ARC
NS9I *	OCO	57	35	2	94	L	284	102		94470	
W9FN	ROC	45	45	4	94	L	204	219		88407	Four Lakes ARC
WW9R	WAU	43	35	2	80	L	257	192		84720	Society Midwest Contestr
W9ET	SAU	47	43	5	95	L	74	402		78375	Driftless Zone Contesters
KO9LR	GRE	52	44	3	99	L	0	526		78111	Green County Amateur RA
W9LO	WAS	31	37	3	71	L	346	0		73698	Ozaukee Radio Club
N9UA	WIN	46	34	2	82	L	219	146		71832	Fond du Lac ARC
K9BTQ	MIL	53	46	2	101	H	37	533		61307	West Allis RAC
K8ZZV	SAU	43	36	1	80	L	199	112		61200	
KC9FFJ	Dan	51	41	2	94	L	3	409		58515	Tri County ARC
N9UY	OUT	46	45	4	95	L	0	387		55147.5	Fox Cities ARC
K0CD	STC	44	32	3	79	L	197	59		53680.5	
W9NAW	WAU	48	42	3	93	L	0	376		52452	West Allis RAC
KB9OFM	FON	46	43	2	91	L	0	377		51460.5	Fond du Lac ARC
WA9VEE	MIL	27	36	1	64	L	256	0		49152	
K9LGU	JEF	42	27	2	71	L	226	0		48138	Tri County ARC
W9GA	WAS	53	33	2	88	L	53	258		48048	Ozaukee Radio Club
K9TF	MIL	33	34	1	68	Q	171	4		47056	Kite Flyers Radio Club
N9EZF	FON	44	39	2	85	L	0	361		46027.5	Fond du Lac ARC
KK0I	CAL	40	28	1	69	L	214	0		44298	Fox Cities ARC
K9WD	MRQ	45	41	3	89	L	16	297		43921.5	Yellow Thunder ARC
N9WQ	FON	42	30	1	73	L	101	195		43471.5	Fond du lac ARC
K9VS	WAU	45	46	5	96	H	0	446		42816	Badger Contesters
KB0KFX	WAP	28	30	1	59	Q	178	0		42008	Fox Cities ARC
WI9M	MIL	43	37	3	83	L	60	215		41707.5	Ozaukee Radio Club
KD9ZP	FON	43	41	2	86	L	0	295		38055	Fond du Lac ARC
K9IAC	MIL	44	36	5	85	L	0	289		36847.5	West Allis RAC
N9AOT	WAP	50	30	2	82	L	0	285		35055	Fox Cities ARC
ND9Z	OUT	52	20	1	73	L	0	320		35040	Green Bay Mike & Key
W9VBQ	OZA	39	41	2	82	L	49	181		34317	Ozaukee Radio Club
N0OKS	MIL	26	26	2	54	Q	154	0		33264	
KX9M	WAU	54	22	1	77	L	3	266		31416	Black Diamond Radio Group
WA9LJK	DAN	4	39	2	85	H	27	307		30685	Four Lakes ARC
K9KR	RAC	50	24	2	76	L	81	105		30438	West Allis RAC
WB9PUB	WAL	41	35	2	78	L	0	256		29952	West Allis RAC



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K9GDF	MIL	39	20	1	60	L	157	0	28260	W/K ARC
AG9G	PRI	51	11		62	L	41	199	26133	Flambeau ARC
W6BSF	MAN	39	24	1	64	L	0	257	24672	
KB9LIE	LAF	48	27	1	76	L	0	199	22686	Hidden Valleys ARC
KB9KEG	FON	44	22	2	68	L	9	192	500 21920	Fond du Lac ARC
K9EN	COL	51	6	0	57	L	125	0	21375	Yellow Thunder ARC
N9RPU	FON	40	33	1	74	L	0	176	19536	Fond du Lac ARC
ND0L	OUT	46	16	1	63	L	26	142	18333	Fox Cities ARC
W9JA	LAC	44	20	2	66	H	0	264	17424	
AB9IO	WIN	47	16	1	64	L	0	155	14880	Fox Cities ARC
KC9ECI	TRE	35	22	1	58	L	3	155	14007	
AC0AF		44	11	0	55	Q	0	121	500 13810	
WV9E	LAC	33	36	2	71	L	0	126	13419	Mississippi Valley ARA
WI9TOM	MIL	42	13	1	56	L	0	153	12852	West Allis RAC
N9ETD	LAC	39	16	1	56	L	0	151	12684	Mississippi Valley ARA
KA9VHG	ROC	39	8	0	47	L	41	67	10504.5	Beloit Amateur Radio Club
K9FI	WAU	43	6	0	49	L	0	105	7717.5	West Allis RAC
W9IKU	BRO	28	18	1	47	L	0	109	7684.5	
WA9AXQ	MIL	37	7	1	45	L	0	112	7560	West Allis RAC
W9WS	POL	24	32	2	58	H	0	124	7192	
K9WC	GRL	41	6	0	47	L	0	102	7191	Fond du lac ARC
N9PQJ	SAU	35	12	0	47	L	0	99	6979.5	Yellow Thunder ARC
K9ZT	DAN	30	8	0	38	L	58	0	6612	Four Lakes ARC
N9AQ	OUT	34	9	1	44	L	0	99	6534	Fox Cities ARC
KF9AQ	DAN	35	9	1	45	L	0	94	6345	Four Lakes ARC
N9GQ	ROC	32	7	0	39	Q	0	71	5538	Beloit Amateur Radio Club
KB9FTI	WAS	26	15	1	42	L	0	86	5418	West Allis RAC
N9LGD	WAU	28	12	0	40	L	0	84	5040	West Allis RAC
KC9DOA	FON	33	8	0	41	L	0	75	4612.5	Fond du Lac ARC
AA9SJ	SHE	26	14	0	40	L	0	75	4500	Sheboygan County ARC
KA9JAC	OUT	30	4	0	34	L	43	0	4386	
W9JBE	WAU	30	6	1	37	L	0	76	4218	West Allis RAC
KC9DKQ	WAS	29	9	0	38	L	0	70	3990	Ozaukee Radio Club
KC9IVJ	JUN	34	5	1	40	L	0	63	3780	Driftless Zone Contesters
AB9XI	WAU	30	8	1	39	L	0	64	3744	WI Amateur Radio Club
WD9BB	ROC	22	19	0	41	L	0	57	3505.5	Beloit Amateur Radio Club
W9JET	PIE	32	6	1	39	L	0	58	3393	St Croix Radio Amateurs
AA9CI	OZA	33	8	1	42	L	0	50	3150	
AA9W	OZA	34	7	1	42	L	0	49	3087	Ozaukee Radio Club
NK9U	DAN	30	6	0	36	L	0	57	3078	Four Lakes ARC
WA9RUX	MIL	20	6	0	26	L	35	7	3003	West Allis RAC
K9EMG	DAN	32	5	0	37	L	0	48	2664	Four Lakes ARC
KC9MDY	FON	23	9	0	32	L	0	54	2592	Fond du Lac ARC
W9CHD	WAU	4	18	1	23	L	37	0	2553	
N9LB	DAN	28	6	0	34	L	0	50	2550	Four Lakes ARC
KC9NPZ	RAC	26	3	1	30	L	0	54	2430	West Allis RAC
N9IAT	OUT	0	22	1	23	L	33	0	2277	Fox Cities ARC via Paket
N9UDO	SAU	24	5	1	30	L	0	50	2250	Yellow Thunder ARC
KA9PKK	STC	34	2	0	36	L	0	35	1890	St Croix Valley Rptr. Assn
N9WBL	WAU	22	5	1	28	L	0	42	1764	Fond du Lac ARC
W9ROG	RAC	0	18	2	20	L	0	58	1740	
KA9FZR	MIL	18	5	0	23	Q	0	37	1702	West Allis RAC
KA9JCP	MIL	17	8	0	25	L	0	44	1650	West Allis RAC
W9HR	KEN	16	6	0	22	L	25	0	1650	



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KC9GHQ	POL	23	4	0	27	L	0	37	1498.5	Polk County Amateur RA
AF9J	MIL	10	4	0	14	Q	18	4	1120	Society Midwest Contesters
KC9IWE	LAC	17	5	0	22	L	0	30	990	
K9KI	OUT	10	2	0	12	L	0	53	954	Fox Cities ARC
NO9U	JEF	15	5	0	20	L	0	27	810	Fond du Lac ARC
KC9AGX	WAU	10	9	0	19	L	0	28	798	West Allis RAC
N8YHA	DAN	16	1	0	17	L	0	19	484.5	
N9NDP	KEN	12	3	0	15	L	0	18	405	Badger Contesters
AB9LQ	DAN	10	4	0	14	L	0	14	294	Four Lakes ARC
WA9MXQ	WAS	11	1	0	12	L	0	13	234	West Allis RAC
N9NUZ	GRA	7	1	0	8	L	0	7	84	Hidden Valleys ARC
NOEDV	CHI	1	1	0	2	L	0	1	3	
KC9RXI	LAC	1	1	0	2	L	0	1	3	

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WISCONSIN CLUB AGGREGATE SCORES

CLUB COMPETITION

CLUB NAME	SCORE	ENTRIES	CLUB WINNER
Fond du Lac Amateur Radio Club **	714531	18	W9MSE
Four Lakes Amateur Radio Club	428689.5	12	K9IMM
West Allis Radio Amateur Club	397463	20	N9AU
Hidden Valleys Amateur Radio Club	370316	8	K9WM
Eau Claire Amateur Radio Club	348375	1	W9EAU
Central Wisconsin Radio Amateurs	318434	2	NE9U
Fox Cities Amateur Radio Club	254421	13	N9UY
Ozaukee Amateur Radio Club	204847.5	6	W9GA
Marinette & Menominee Radio Club	165164	1	NG9T
Driftless Zone Contesters	118395	3	W9ET
Tri County Amateur Radio Club	106653	2	KC9FFJ
Green Bay Mike and Key Club	80495	2	KS9WI
Green County Amateur Radio Assn	78111	1	KO9LR
Yellow Thunder Amateur Radio Club	74526	4	K9WD
Mississippi Valley Amateur RA	51259	3	WX9EP
Wisconsin Valley Radio Association	48786	1	W9NA
Kite Flyers Radio Club	47056	1	K9TF
Badger Contesters	43221	2	K9VS
Black Diamond Radio Group	31416	1	KX9M
W/K ARC of Greater Milwaukee	28260	1	K9GDF
Flambeau Amateur Radio Club	26133	1	AG9G
Beloit Amateur Radio Club	19548	3	KA9VHG
Sheboygan County Amateur RC	4500	1	AA9SJ
Wisconsin Amateur Radio Club	3744	1	AB9XI
St. Croix Radio Amateurs	3393	1	W9JET
St. Croix Valley Repeater Assn.	1890	2	KA9PKK
Lake Area ARC	1800	1	NX9A
Polk County Amateur Radio Assn.	1498.5	1	KC9GHQ

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MULTI OPERATOR - FIXED

CALL	HOME WI COUNTY	C	S	P	MUL	PWR	CW Q's	PH Q's	BONUS PTS	FINAL SCORE	CLUB AFFILIATION
K9WM *	CRA	61	41	3	105	L	325	188	500	132485	Hidden Valleys ARC Ops: N9BIL NN9K N9YPN
K9ZMU	GRA	44	36	2	82	L	192	163		67281	Hidden Valleys ARC Ops: K9ZMU N9HDE
NI9Z	FON	50	36	1	87	L	139	229	500	66663.5	Fond du Lac ARC Ops: NI9Z K9GBK
N9KQ	GRA	37	36	1	74	L	216	33		51615	Hidden Valleys ARC Ops: N9KQ WK90

MULTI OPERATOR - MULTI TRANSMITTER FIXED

CALL	HOME WI COUNTY	C	S	P	MUL	PWR	CW Q's	PH Q's	BONUS PTS	FINAL SCORE	CLUB AFFILIATION
W9EAU *	EAU	68	48	9	125	L	533	792		348375	Eau Claire ARC Ops: W0AIH KB9S KA9OMY N0KD KB9WPC K9KTT K9QC K0TG K9MU WB9NTO KB9AZZ
W9NA	MAR	53	39	2	94	L	0	346		48786	Wisconsin Valley RA Ops: W9HDG N9KNY KC9GRD
KS9WI	BRO	46	34	1	81	L	110	150	500	45455	Green Bay Mike & Key Ops: KS9WI K9BOB WB9NRK AB9NN KN2F

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MULTI-OPERATOR MOBILE

CALL	COUNTIES VISITED	C	S	P	MUL	PWR	CW Q's	PH Q's	BONUS PTS	FINAL SCORE	CLUB AFFILIATION
WX9EP *	12	21	40	2	63	L	0	208	5500	25156	Mississippi Valley ARA Ops: WX9EP KC9DGP

**MULTI-OPERATOR MULTI TRANSMITTER
MOBILE**

CALL	COUNTIES VISITED	C	S	P	MUL	PWR	CW Q's	PH Q's	BONUS PTS	FINAL SCORE	CLUB AFFILIATION
W9HB *	20	35	37	1	73	L	765	46	10000	182572	Ops: W9HB KF9D

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NON-WISCONSIN STATIONS

CALL	STATE	POWER	CW Q' s	PH Q' s	WISCONSIN COUNTIES	FINAL SCORE	CLUB AFFILIATION
W5QP *	AR	L	53	2	38	6156	
WU9B *	AZ	L	16	20	20	1560	Arizona Outlaws Contest
WA6KHK *	CA	H	80	55	52	11180	
WA9STI/6	CA	H	0	25	17	425	
KJ6ANT	CA	L	0	1	1	1.5	
NOYE *	CO	L	0	23	16	552	
KD0KQL	CO	L	0	7	7	73.5	
N4IG *	FL	L	93	44	53	18285	Florida Contest Group
K3TW	FL	L	84	43	52	16458	Florida Contest Group
K9IA	FL	L	50	22	32	5856	
W9KUW	FL	L	0	10	9	135	Fond du Lac ARC
N4PN *	GA	H	141	113	61	24095	South Contest Club
K4VIG	GA	L	75	0	33	7425	TVDXA
KB4KBS	GA	L	26	43	41	5842.5	South East Contest Group
KD4QMY	GA	H	0	27	18	486	
WI0WA *	IA	H	32	0	21	1344	Iowa DX & Contest Club Op: NOAC
N9DJ *	IL	L	90	121	55	24832.5	
K9UIY	IL	L	116	0	47	16356	Society Midwest Contesters
AB9H	IL	Q	87	0	44	15312	Society Midwest Contesters
K9WA	IL	L	100	0	47	14100	Green River Valley ARS
WB8RFB	IL	L	55	54	46	11316	
N2BJ	IL	H	16	122	55	8470	Society Midwest Contesters
KB9ZBN	IL	L	35	0	31	3255	
N9VPV	IL	L	0	51	31	2371.5	
K9ZM	IL	H	0	62	33	2046	Society Midwest Contesters
N9YH	IL	L	1	45	25	1762.5	Western Lake County ARS
N9BT	IL	Q	21	1	18	1548	
W9EWZ	IL	H	32	0	18	1152	
WA9OUE	IL	L	0	1	1	1.5	
N4TZ *	IN	L	136	0	51	20808	
K9WX	IN	L	77	84	50	17850	Society Midwest Contesters
W9LW	IN	L	74	71	51	16753.5	Fort Wayne Radio Club
KB9YGD	IN	L	24	52	36	5400	
WB9LRK	IN	L	0	36	23	1242	
K0HNC *	KS	L	80	29	43	12190.5	
W0BH	KS	H	102	43	49	12103	
K4FT *	KY	L	66	0	36	7128	
K4GDB	KY	H	0	1	1	1	
WA5TRX *	LA	L	0	12	11	198	Jefferson ARC
N1NN *	MA	L	48	2	36	5292	
ND3D *	MD	L	26	24	31	3534	Potomac Valley RC
WA1UJU *	MI	L	105	99	57	26419.5	
WB8WKQ	MI	L	74	112	51	19890	
W9TA	MI	L	0	127	52	9906	
N0UR **	MN	Q	163	98	60	50880	Minnesota Wireless Assn
K0TI	MN	L	136	136	65	39780	Minnesota Wireless Assn
K0RC	MN	L	105	104	58	27318	Minnesota Wireless Assn
NA0N	MN	L	150	0	53	23850	Minnesota Wireless Assn



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K0TK	MN	L	118	38	54	22194	Minnesota Wireless Assn
K9DU	MN	L	104	70	51	21267	Minnesota Wireless Assn
NOBUI	MN	L	91	74	52	19968	Minnesota Wireless Assn
K0MPH	MN	L	87	32	44	13596	Minnesota Wireless Assn
W6GMT	MN	Q	70	0	42	11760	Northern Lights RS
NORPI	MN	H	0	134	53	7102	Owatonna Steele Cty ARC
AA0AW	MN	L	32	12	24	2736	Minnesota Wireless Assn
NX0P	MN	L	0	34	20	1020	
WBOENX	MN	L	0	15	12	270	
W0JPL *	MO	L	77	89	52	18954	Society Midwest Contesters Op: K0JPL
K0DEQ	MO	H	95	50	54	12960	Missouri DX & Contest
KC0HPM	MO	L	0	52	31	2418	
KD0JBN	MO	L	0	21	14	441	
AD0DX	MO	L	5	4	8	168	Kansas City Preparedness
K7ZYV *	MS	L	36	0	27	2916	
AA4FU *	NC	L	140	0	51	21420	Potomac Valley RC
WM4Z	NC	L	0	49	32	2352	
KD4DRN	NC	L	0	34	24	1224	
NOJE *	ND	L	0	18	17	459	
W1END *	NH	L	125	0	50	18750	Yankee Clipper Contest
N1IW	NH	H	60	40	40	6400	Yankee Clipper Contest
W1BHC	NH	H	0	34	21	714	
WA1Z	NH	L	16	0	12	576	Yankee Clipper Contest
N1XUQ	NH	L	0	7	5	52.5	
W2UDT *	NJ	H	64	37	42	6930	Frankford Radio Club
W2AAB	NJ	L	38	0	28	3192	
N2NC	NJ	L	39	0	26	3042	Frankford Radio Club
KC2WUF	NJ	L	0	37	20	1110	
KC2WQD	NJ	L	0	8	6	72	Bergen ARA
WA5ZUP *	NM	H	0	76	40	3040	
KB7PVU	NM	L	0	4	4	24	
N7UR *	NV	L	0	17	15	382.5	
NT2A *	NY	L	151	8	58	26970	Yankee Clipper Contest
NQ2W	NY	Q	44	0	23	4048	
KA2FHN	NY	L	6	14	14	546	
K2KW *	OH	L	161	155	63	45076.5	Mad River Radio Club
W8TM	OH	L	147	69	58	31581	Mad River Radio Club
K8ES	OH	L	181	0	55	29865	DELARA Contest Team Op: KV8Q
K8MR	OH	L	104	78	56	24024	Mad River Radio Club
AA8IA	OH	L	96	41	48	16776	Mad River Radio Club
AE8M	OH	L	78	63	47	15439.5	
NR8U	OH	L	0	78	35	4095	Central OH Ops Klub Ex-No
WB8JUI	OH	L	30	0	20	1800	Mad River Radio Club
K8FZY	OH	L	2	0	2	12	
AA5JG *	OK	L	63	6	36	7128	
N7VS *	OR	L	43	21	35	5617.5	Willamette Valley DX
KH6WX	OR	L	0	19	18	513	
K3WWP *	PA	Q	95	0	42	15960	
N3RJ	PA	H	73	29	41	7175	
ND3R	PA	L	35	8	29	3393	
K3GY	PA	L	0	21	14	441	R. A. E.
W1KDA *	RI	L	0	89	39	5206.5	
N4VV *	TN	H	145	38	56	18368	Tennessee Contest Group
W4SIG	TN	L	102	13	53	17251.5	



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W4NZ	TN	L	108	0	46	14904	Tennessee Contest Group
K4AMC	TN	H	119	0	45	10710	Tennessee Contest Group
KS4X	TN	Q	29	19	32	4928	Tennessee Contest Group
W9WI	TN	L	22	0	17	1122	Tennessee Contest Group
W4BK	TN	L	11	9	15	697.5	Tennessee Contest Group
W0VX *	TX	L	27	5	20	1770	
NX8G	TX	L	0	46	24	1656	Portage County AR Service
K5AEM	TX	L	28	0	19	1596	
NW5Q	TX	L	0	30	21	945	
W5CSM	TX	L	0	26	20	780	
NM5M	TX	H	16	0	16	512	
N5WLA	TX	L	14	0	10	420	
KF7MGR *	UT	H	0	46	31	1426	UDXA
W4AU *	VA	L	85	0	38	9690	Potomac Valley RC
N3TG	VA	L	39	28	33	5247	Sterling Park ARC
W4EON	VA	L	0	43	27	1741.5	
W4ZPR	VA	L	26	0	21	1638	USS Wisconsin RC
N3KN	VA	H	8	30	27	1242	
W7OM *	WA	L	79	35	46	13317	Western WA DX Club
W7GKF	WA	H	98	44	52	12480	Radio Club of Redmond
AB7RW	WA	L	62	0	37	6882	Clark County ARC
W7POE	WA	L	30	0	25	2250	
N8II *	WV	L	142	71	58	30885	Potomac Valley RC
KC9DJQ	WV	L	48	8	33	5148	
WG7Y *	WY	Q	65	0	39	10140	Northeast Wyoming ARA

CANADA

VA3GKO *	ON	L	0	122	50	9150	
VE3GXW	ON	L	0	59	32	2832	
VE2EZD *	QC	H	40	1	23	1863	Contest Group du Quebec

DX STATIONS

Netherlands

PA3ARM *	L	3	0	3	27		
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Russia

UA3AGW *	H	7	0	6	84	Russian Contest Club	
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Virgin Islands

KP2/K9NW	L	34	6	24	2664	Mad River Radio Club	
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SOAPBOX

Attached is my submission for the 2011 Wis. QSO Party. Sorry I didn't have more time on-the-air – W1BHC.

Outstanding activity compressed into a short time - perfect. Hope everyone had as much fun as I did. I think this is my best score in the Wisconsin QSO Party. Thanks to everyone for putting on a great party and also to those who showed up. See you next year - W1END

Great QSO Party. Always Fun. Look Forward To Next Year - W1KDA

6th Wisconsin state QSO party - N1NN

Thanks to you and WARC for sponsoring one of my favorite contests. It seems hard to believe, but this is my 29th consecutive entry. I plan to be back next year for number 30 – WA1UJU

Fine party, special tnx to WIQP commitee and to all mobile operators - NT2A

Horrible conditions here but had a great time for the few I worked..Thanks - KA2FHN

This was my first time in the WiQP, and first full-time entry from out-of-state in a QSO party. It was fun! Propagation between OH and WI was great on 40 for the full 7 hours. 75/80 didn't become active until later in the afternoon and evening which was surprising as there was propagation. Even the mobiles were loud on 80 CW in the first hour of the party. But when WI can work WI + out of state on 40, there wasn't incentive to go to 80 early for most stations. Thanks to all the WI stations who answered my CQs - CQing was very productive on SSB, but not so much on CW. The mobiles did a FB job and it's always chasing them around the state - K2KW

Took a short break from the sun and sand of USVI to check in on the Wisconsin folks. Would have been neat to work the county of St. Croix from the island of St. Croix – KP2/K9NW

Thanks for this great contest – VE2EZD

Enjoyed the QSO party as usual. Did operate most of the contest between chores. Lots of activity between modes. 40 and 80 were noisy here which made copying some sigs difficult. Tnx to the mobiles who put out the counties! Keep the short format and CU next year – W2UDT

This was an excellent QSO party. Lots of activity and the WI stations were strong here in Albany, NY. Listened on 15 and 10 but heard nothing. That was okay, though, because there were enough stations to keep me interested on 20 and 40. Thanks to all the stations that allowed me the privilege of being in their logs and thanks to the organizers. Had a great time...looking forward to next year - NQ2W

Had a great time again this year with 50 counties. Had alot of fun working k9ty/m in eight counties. Lots of fun. See you all again next year – VA3GKO.

Enjoyed the QSO Party. Thanks to the organizers. 73 George VE3GXW

I don't know why Writelog would not compute a claimed score, but it's not like I'm going to win anything anyway. I had fun working Wisconsin stations and appreciate all the QSOs. I'm going to be



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at the AES Superfest in Milwaukee in a few weeks and hope to see some of the contest ops there. 73 - N3KN

Had a fun time. Could only work it about 2 hours due to other commitments but great contest. See you all next year – ND3R

"Greetings from my new QTH in Florida." – K3TW

thanks again for a great time – KD4DRN

Thanks for the mobiles.....W9MSE, W9HB, NE9U, NG9T, W0ZQ, W9DND, WI9WI, K9TIT & KE0G. It was a fun afternoon – N4PN

Always look forward to working this for a few hours. Some wonderful OPS in WI. Thanks - K4VIG

I was unable to operate from the Battleship USS Wisconsin, so I enjoyed the QSO party from my home QTH in Norfolk, VA – W4ZPR

Thanks for the fun in my XYLs home state – W5CSM

Was kind of busy that day and had to get ready to go to Iowa to visit family, but had a great time when I did operate and did my best overall scorewise - AA5JG

Fun contest. Submitting primarily as a checklog to support the stations I worked - NW5Q

Very good participation by the operators in my birth state of Wisconsin (born in Kenosha!). Lot of fun guys - WA6KHK

Thanks for hosting this event. It was fun to learn the counties from my home state. I grew up in Milwaukee and was an engineer at WITI-TV while in college - KH6WX

Thanks for a very nice contest—my first WI QP. Hope I have provided all the necessary information - W7POE

Another good contest. Plan to be back next year. Maybe we will have propagation on 10 and 15. Another Wisconsin QSO Party has come and gone. Please find my log for this year's event attached. Thank you for another interesting contest. Hope to be back again next year - N7VS

It was very interesting using the club calling, K8ES, this year. Things to be a bit slower than usual for this event. My number of Q's were down a bit and also the number of counties. Lots of activity from all over the state. My hat is off to the mobiles who kept it very interesting. Here are the numbers: NE9U = 18 Q's; W9DND = 18 Q's; W9HB = 16 Q's; NG9T = 14 Q's; W9MSE = 13 Q's; W0ZQ = 10 Q's; WI9WI = 7 Q's; KE0G = 5 Q'S. Thanks for all of the QSO's and the fun. It is my pleasure. I will be looking to see all of you again next year - K8ES Op KV8Q

Wow, what a fun way to spend a Sunday. Mobiles were out in full force and identified often. The mobile CW ops were insane. Nice to work K9TY a few times on 40 SSB. Unique were the trio of W9IKU, KC9ECI and KB9FTI, handing us out-of-staters off to each of themselves on the same freq -- three for the price of one! I was able to work 40m phone with a good SWR for the first time. The participation was great. Thanks to all the WI ops who made themselves available. A special thanks to



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those crazy CW mobile ops and their pilots! Kudos to the organizers for a fine contest. This is the first time I have operated in the WIQP, having only returned to amateur radio in 2007. I had absolutely no idea that this was such an active QSO party. Had I known, I would have been more prepared to work much harder at a full effort. It really was a blast. I love all the 80/40 activity since from my OH location my simple inverted V stands as much of a chance of making a Q as the next guy's antenna. Next year I won't make the same mistake -- I'll be there with bells on. - AA8IA

Operated from my winter home in Franklinton, LA – NX8G/5

I took off way too much time for a 7 hour contest, but it was great fun. I could hear a pin drop in WI on 20M, but tough to work much on 40M phone. By the time 40 opened well, the phone band was cluttered with foreign BC - N8II

WiQP is always a fun little contest. It does get my juices flowing in anticipation of my mobile trips later in the year – K8MR

Very nice contest. Hope to be in it again next year – WB8RFB

K9TY/m rules! - NR8U

First QSO was with N4WIS aboard the USS Wisconsin! Beginner: first licensed as KC9REL - NX9A

Thanks for all you folk do – N9AOT

I had a great time. I started on 40M, and later moved to 80M. Both bands were open, and the noise was not an issue. The Orion and the new firmware worked great. I ended with 112 Q's, 45 multipliers, and a total score of 7,560. I think this is the best score that I have ever had - WA9AXQ

Fun! Good Condx. They could even hear my QRP sigs – N9BT

Great conditions and a great ride! Thanks to everyone who participated in 2011 WIQP - K9BTQ

The only thing disappointing about the 2011 WiQP was the temperature, it was about 30 degrees less than the 60s we had last year. The weather was just fine with seasonal temps and the roads were clear. John W9DND has been my QSO Party driver for the last eight years. John's call was originally held by his uncle Archie Smith (SK in 1995). Archie was an outstanding CW operator who had a 60wpm Code Proficiency Certificate from the ARRL. Archie lived in Wisconsin his whole life and was very active on traffic nets. A few weeks ago Archie's daughter found an old trophy in a box. It was from the 1964 Wisconsin QSO Party, Archie had won 2nd Place in the CW category. That trophy inspired us to use W9DND as our call this year. We thought it was fitting that Archie's call would ring out in CW throughout Wisconsin again. 40M was the real money band this year. It was short and it was long at the same time. We had QSOs throughout Wisconsin and through most of the country one after the other. 20M was also in good shape but it was hard to tear away from the rate on 40M. 80M seemed to have a lot of noise this year. Our QSO count on 80 was half what it was last year. The turnout was great. When 0100z rolled around the QSO counter hit 899! With dupes the actual number dropped to 894 but that's not as dramatic. Our mults were down this year but the total score was up about 4%. We had 213 unique calls in the log. Rates were high all day with an average rate of almost 130 for the whole contest. The highest hour was 158 during hour 5. Heavy hitters included: 18 - K8ES; 17 - NA0N; 16 - N4VV, W0GXQ, W8TM; 15 - W0PI; 14 - N0UR, W1END; 13 - K0TI, K2KW, N4TZ,



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WA3HAE; 12 - K0TK, K8MR, NS9I, NT2A, NU0Q; 11 - K3TW/4, K9EN; 10 - AF9T, N8II, W4NZ, W6GMT, W9EAU. It was also great that Mike KP2/K9NW took some time away from the sun and sand in the Virgin Islands to work us a couple of times. This year 40M was so good during the entire contest it was hard to find time to change bands. I think it helps to go back to the same frequency (as much as possible). I also tried to use the same relative frequency across bands (3.542, 7.042, 14.042) to help people find me quickly. I published a scheduled time for each county and we were able to stick to it pretty closely. I think it all helps. Thanks to everyone who participated and to the West Allis RAC for another great event - Pat K0PC & John W9DND. – W9DND

Great Party! Following Mobiles really made it fun. See you next year - KC9DJQ

Another great party - KC9DOA

This is the first time I have submitted a WIQP log. I hope the format is acceptable. Thanks to the rovers for the fun - K9DU

Attached is my log from the QSO Party. I had a great time running QRP voice for about 4 hours – N9GQ.

We were dissatisfied in the amount of V/UHF activityhad hoped for more. My comments: Another year of great weather and exceptional activity on a Sunday afternoon for the WIQP. Good propagation, over 100 Q's per hour average. Thanks to all the hf operators who followed and worked me in most of the 20 counties we rolled through. Thanks to my driver and v/uhf operator Roger, KF9D! We covered 397 miles with one stop for fuel and antenna change. If the gas prices aren't too high, see you all next year - W9HB

Thanks to WARAC for sponsoring my favorite contest. You will have a ton of work ahead of you, and that is most appreciated! I had spine surgery in September and just could not find the oomph to get the mobile ready (out in the snowy and cold driveway) for another run through the state, so I stayed put for the first time and had a lot of fun. Didn't win anything but that seems less important as I, er, 'mature' - N9NE

Great fun as usual - WV9E

Thanks again for another fun time in the WIQP. Thanks to all who participated again this year - WX9EP

Attached is the log for yesterday. As always had a great time. This is the first year I started out on 20 meters, Incredible participation from the rest of the country! This shows the class act of a contest this really is! – W9ET Op WB9SBD

Great enjoyment - KB9FTI

The first time I entered a contest – KA9FZR

Thanks for this test, always fun – W9GA

Best WIQP Ever! Big thanks to the HF mobiles for tons of mobile contacts this year. Thanks again from the FCARC for an excellent WIQP this year – AB9IO



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Nice event on day first granddaughter born – KC9IWE

HURRAY, 40 Meters was back this year. Was even hearing WI stations on 20m - KA9JAC

As I always say...this contest is the fastest, slowest, bestest 7 hours of the year. It was a fun contest as always. This year I was in Green Lake county. 73 until next year and thanks for the contacts. Randy KB9KEG.

Thanks you again for sponsoring the QSO Party. I know a lot of people who look forward to it each year – K9KI

Added 80 meters this year – N9LB

Had a blast - KC9LBO

This is the main contest I plan ahead for each year – KB9LIE

Thanks for the contacts in the contest! – KO9LR

It was a good contest and a lot of fun - WB9LRK

Had a great time if even for only an hour – WA9MXQ

75M was slow to get going but once it did it was GREAT! We had a BLAST – W9NA

Lots of fun. 20 meters was wide open. 80 meters stunk – KB9OFM

Lots of activity; wish I had more than a minute to participate – WA9OUE

This is the first time I've scored and sent in results – KC9POO

Another fun year! - N9PQJ

First contest ever – KC9RLS

Another fantastic contest - AA9SJ

Work conflict kept me from going mobile so I thought I would make sure that Douglas county was represented - AF9T

Couldn't keep up with last year's rate, but mults the same. 40 in fine shape with plenty of in-state skip. 20 seemed noisy, but productive. I thought there would be more on 15 given the solar numbers. Thanks again to Eric, KG9GH who navigated the course flawlessly – NG9T Op K8IR

I occasionally operate HF from cabin in Eagle River, WI (Vilas County) – WA9STI/6

I sure had fun in WQP with my new Apple/Mac DL2RUM contest program called RUMped. First time I had a real logging program – K9TF

Great fun – WI9TOM



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After missing last year due to a business trip, it was great to do the WIQP again! Personal bests for me in QSO count, counties visited, WI counties worked.. and overall mults, too. 40m was awesome -- never seen it so short -- worked more WI counties than ever before! Hit personal bests for QSO's, counties visited and worked and mult's! New this year was voice recording for logging -- much easier to drive that way! Hi hi. – K9TY

For various reasons, we started the contest from home and ended up at the up-nort cabin on Sunday night. We also planned an entirely new route that, unfortunately, didn't have very many good roads (I am not good with motion sickness and I think I came VERY close to messing up Arts radio on our leg from Shawano to Lily (Shawano, Menomonee, and Langlade Counties) I'm guessing that trip would be very pretty in early October for the fall colors though! Nice hilly, windy road along the Wolf River. We missed a couple turns earlier in the contest that also slowed us down. Our total trip was a bit over 300 miles, down from our usual 350 miles...but we still managed to hit 17 counties and amazingly, we were only 2 miles from my cabin in Florence County when the contest ended. (we really hadn't planned things out that thoroughly!) For the most part, everything went smoothly. Art (N9BCA) had sold our long-time radio (TS-850), so we ended up using his Icom 756 pro III. I may not have had it entirely figured out, but it didn't seem to blank our ignition noise quite as effectively (well when noise blanker was on it distorted signals, so I left it off. Plus it didn't seem as selective in distinguishing the pile-ups as the old 850 (Or maybe I'm not!) But all in all, no real problems. We tried to continue our tradition of an after-contest Steak dinner, but there aren't a lot of eating establishments to choose from in Florence County, let alone finding one open at 9:00 on a Sunday night. Luckily we called a place 15 miles up the road and he was just closing but agreed to stay open and fry us up some burgers. Thanks to everyone for calling in. Great time as usual – NE9U

I really didn't want to do this contest, but somehow couldn't keep away. I started two hours late and went to the end, so operated only 5 of the 7 hours. Part of me wishes I didn't even do the contest, part of me wishes I did the entire 7 hours. Thanks for all who called in. Missed 25 of the 72 counties and missed 5 states, and several VE mults – WE9V.

I thought the party went very well with one or two exceptions. I found that the conditions on 40 and 80 CW were not as good as it was last year and on 20 meters phone, I had a jammer fall in love with me and made reading stations calling me with his "white" noise generation, a bit of a challenge. Other than that, the cockpit issues that I caused myself, I really enjoyed the fun. Again you guys did a great job, once again, thanks - W9VBQ

All QSOs mobile in Nashville.....W9WI/4

Rover numbers seemed down this year. Had fun as usual – KS9WI

18th consecutive WIQP as a mobile. I'm now over halfway toward my goal of operating the WIQP from every county in Wisconsin - WI9WI

tu all fer fb wiqp agn de yr - kb9ygd

Had fun operating for an hour or so – AD0DX

My first experience operating out of state QSO party. Had fun. Just submitting log for cross checking purposes. I wasn't in it for the competition. Glad to help those I contacted – WBOENX



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Consider holding over a Saturday and Sunday - KD0JBN

This was my first real contest and enjoyed working QRP CW. Thanks to those who contacted me and had the extra patience for repeating your calls - KB0KFX

Thanks for a great QSO party. Wish I had had more time to devote to the contest. I was working mobile from one of the high spots in Colorado Springs (Palmer Park) and had a great view of Pikes Peak while making contacts. Not a lot of points, but great fun – KD0KQL

An enjoyable contest again this year. It is hard to beat the activity of WIQP, and the bands have really started coming alive. I can hardly wait until next year. Hard to contest while fighting a cold. Hopefully I can concentrate better next year – at least I didn't get the flu bug that is going around – ND0L

Thanks for a great contest.... Next year I will have a low dipole so I can reach Wisconsin easier... The pile-ups were often a struggle with the verticals....K0MPH

Thank you for all your efforts. The Wisconsin QSO party really is pretty big, so you must be doing a great job. Thanks for hosting a great QSO party - N0OKS

There was a very large increase in signal strength when I switch from my horizontal dipole to the vertical dipole on most 40m signals. I tuned around 20m but could not hear any WI stations on that band – K0RC

Had a great time in the QSO party. 40 meters was fun – N0RPI

Does anyone else remember seeing the bank thermometers last year at 63 degrees? We sure did miss that in 2011. Taty, OA4ABC, "manned" (or is that "XYLed"?) the mike again this year. After a very slow start, only 3 QSOs in the first 45 minutes, things improved dramatically. Our QSO total was up 19% and our multiplier total up 38% compared with last year. But I forgot the 12 QSO minimum per county to get 500 bonus points and we left an additional 1500 bonus points by the roadside! We put on 250 miles during the contest and 320 miles in all. Good times! - NR0T