

2012 CQ WW WPX RTTY CONTEST QRM

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First licensed 2011-07-13 . Power 50 watts pep. Antenna home made dipoles on single feeder . . . **2EØRKS**. Hi Ed I was not planning on entering but since you need the log, why not . . . **6Y1X**. I was able to enjoy this contest. Tnx for a fine contest again. . . . **7N2UQC**. I enjoyed the contest . . . **7N4QCQ**. . . . **7S5S**. in two logging mistakes we put 9A1A call . . . **9A1A**. MY FIRST TIME IN THAT CONTEST. SEE YOU NEXT CONTEST. 73 TO ALL DAKI, 9A2WJ . . . **9A202WJ**. Nice contest. 40 & 15 were money bands . . . **9A206B**. Great contest as usual. Good chance for me to test new 3/8 L vertical. and "car-radio" Yaesu FT-817ND. Great combination for real fun. Congrats to all who heard me on band. See you next year . . . **9A209L**. QRV from Kuala Lumpur, West Malaysia . . . **9M2JI**. Thanks and 73 from Borneo to the Contest organisers and all participants . . . **9M6XRO**. part time ops . . . **A65BR**. TNX NICE CONTEST CUAGN . . . **BA4SD**. Gracias very Good Rene Acosta Habana ,Cuba . . . **CM2RVA**. Not very good prop, but very nice contest . . . **C02AJ**. Saludos desde Cuba . . . **C02MS**. This is my first contest. Very good contest I wait soon for the next . . . **C020Q**. QTH was the island of Flores, CU8, Azores. Station was a K3 100 watts into simple one el. loop antennas for 10m-40m. For 80m I used the formerly 23m high ground plane, destroyed SOAPBOX: during the CQWW 160m contest. During the whole contest another storm hit the island and destroyed more antennas, after I went QRT Sunday evening. Murphy is resident on Flores! . . . **CR2V**. K3, TL922, 500W; TH5DX & Dipol outside. I had a temperature of -20C and a lot of powerline QRM . . . **DFØBV**. Nice contest! . . . **DF6JF**. Nice Contest, good conditions, but at least a non rotating beam . . . **DF6YC**. Great fun, even without much time , but some operators have a challenge to correct calls picked wrong at first time. Meet you next year . . . **DF7JC**. FT950 , microham digi keyer 3 element 3 band home made inv-L 80mtr /40 mtr RCKlog testing my new home made antenna for this reason also low power, and giving out some points , nice contest , just not enough time to work i t in full time. hope next year 73 de . . . **DJ1ER**. Nice contest again. Got three new DXCC with QRP. Many thanks to the big guns for their patience and to the organizer . . . **DJ3GE**. It was not so easy to work without a beam against the big Guns . . . **DJ6TK**. Nice contest, see you next year again, vy 73 de tom . . . **DL1ASA**. Could not imagine that RTTY is a big fun . . . **DL2MDU**. My very first RTTY activity ever after 23 years being a ham. Really fun! Will see you again . . . **DL20B0**. Nice Contest, see you 2013 again . . . **DO6NIK**. Tu for the nice contest. It was the first RTTY contest for me and also the first contacts in RTTY mode. I like this mode. Cu next year. Vy 73 . . . **DO6PS**. Very good contest, to next year . . . **EA5XC**. Need more time for play, but nightwork and sleep, sniff . . . **EA7KP**. 10m was very poor, had hoped to spend more time on 20m but a late start on Saturday put pay for that . . . **EI2GLB**. For fun! . . . **ES5KJ**. Good conditions on all bands for this contest. But, no much time for take part this year. Only 346 contacts mainly on 80 and 40m. Thanks to all who worked me. See you again next year . . . **F5RD**. Other family activities . . . **F6FTB**. New baby daughter = No time for WPX this year. I'll be back! . . . **GØMTN**. Enjoyable Contest as always. Great condxs on all bands . . . **G3LHJ**. Wasted time due to 1) operator sleeping on keyboard 4 hours. 2) Burnt out Balun hampered operations using 40m dipole on HF, 3) Replacement of balun on tribander 1.5 hours. Still good fun anyway . . . **G5D**. Running QRP 5W from an IC-7400 to a ground-mounted trap vertical. Nothing heard on 10m, or on 15m from the west . . . **G6CSY**. First attempt at this contest, operated during daylight hours over the two days and thoroughly enjoyed it. Equipment: Kenwood TS-590S, Acom 1000 amplifier, 400 watts and a Cushcraft MA-5B mini beam at 12m AGL . . . **G6NHU**. Was hoping to do to full 12hr slot but family had to come first good fun strange conditions on 15m Sunday morning in the UK . . . **G7VRK**. Part-time effort only. 73 Chris GM3WOJ/GM2V . . . **GM2V**. Sadly, I was suffering from the flu, and with a chest infection so my score is way down on what I had hoped. Still, I had some fun, and it was good to see so many stations active . . . **GU0SUP**. Average conditions with 40 and 80

poor, not much on 10. Then 15 went crazy on Sunday and stayed open late . . . **GW4SKA**. Great propagation short free time for me. Maybe next year . . . **HAØHW**. Enjoyed the contest. Conditions a bit up and down throughout but still worked some nice DX. Thanks to all for the contacts and to CQ for sponsoring the contest . . . **HZ1PS**. Nice experience. Enjoyed the 7 MHz band . . . **I2DMI**. Just few hours to test my new rig interface and only antenna left after snow storm . . . **I2WIJ**. It is my favorite RTTY Contest. This time I worked few hours in 5 bands with only my Ground Plane. However I enjoyed much even if the propagation wasn't too good 73 . . . **I5JFG**. Nice contest, operating for 36 hours, See you on 2013 rty wpx contest. Simone . . . **IK5RUN**. Great Contest! . . . **IV3XZG**. First time in QRP: a lot of pacience, a lot of calls to reach dx stations, but at the end a lot of satisfaction! . . . **IZ2JPN**. Kenwood TS-950 PWR: 100W ANT: 4 element Yagi. This is the first RTTY contest in my ham life and very fun indeed. I would QRV harder next year . . . **JA7LLL**. I enjoyed the contest . . . **JA9LJS**. This contest was in good condition, so that I could enjoy the wonderful contest . . . **JA9LX**. I enjoyed the contest . . . **JE1GZB**. I enjoyed the WPX RTTY contest. I can do many QSOs. I have a good time . . . **JF1PYJ**. I enjoyed the contest with small loop ant . . . **JF1VNR**. Had so fun. Many thanks to all participants . . . **JG5DHX**. I participated at MobileCarShack from Iwakura-city Aichi-pref. Output power is 30watts . . . **JR2AAN**. I enjoyed the contest . . . **JR2MIN**. 100W . . . **JR3BOT**. I enjoyed the contest . . . **JR7IWL**. My rig: TS50 100W Ant: R7. See you in next Contest. 73! . . . **JT1DA**. Only short openings to EU and USA . . . **KG6DX**. I enjoyed the contest . . . **KH2/JS6RRR**. I opted for a single-band effort, knowing I would have limited time this weekend and no help for a multi-something. I found 15 good at times, but actually rather poor across the board on Sunday. It was a sensible place for me. No strong openings to Europe on the band, but the JAs are always good for a few 3-pointers . . . **KL2R**. I look forward to two things in February, the sun getting high enough over Mt. Healy to shine in our living room window and the CQ WPX RTTY contest. Had to do my first low power effort due to amplifier failure a few months earlier. Wall to wall RTTY signals, auroral flutter on European signals, all music to my ears and my preferred playlist . . . **KL8DX**. Lots of QRN here on the coast this weekend . . . **LA5QIA**. Enjoyable as always but restricted by family priorities . . . **MØØIC**. Just a quick entry from home, lots of activity and some nice DX TU de MØTAZ . . . **MØTAZ**. SMY 1st contest . . . **M1BCM**. Only had a bit of time to have a go at the contest, thought conditions were pretty poor . . . **M2G**. Condx not so good on 10m this time round so traffic rather on the light side! Enjoyable none-the-less. Ken, GØORH/M3i . . . **M3I**. Used the contest call for the first time. Surprised how late 15m stayed open on Sunday evening . . . **M7W**. Well up to standard! . . . **MMØR**. Nice contest, I used 5 Watt on IC-703 73 de Pat, ON2AD . . . **ON2AD**. Nice contest . . . **ON4ANL**. As ex-PAØ I "had to" participate in PACC as well . . . **ON4AXU**. Very nice contest . . . **ON4KGL**. TNX for nice contest . . . **ON7BM**. I was ill, nevertheless managed to make some QSOs with 5W (IC703) and mobile whips on balcony of apartment . . . **ON8NT**. Fine contest . . . **ØØ4B**. Dear OM/YL, I had some nice QSO's on the bands . . . **PE2K**. Thanks for organizing the contest . . . **PF5M**. 73! . . . **RK3BA**. Thank you for the contest . . . **RK3DXW**. Tnx 73 . . . **RK4S**. Rookie . . . **S51JS**. I enjoyed contest in my room . . . **T88TW**. Partial contest participation, not best band conditions, still fun . . . **TG9AJR**. Thank you for the contest and all for the qsos. Less activity on 80 m this year but more on the higher bands (with less points). 36 hours would be more adequate for this big event. Nevertheless, enjoyed it and hope to participate again next year . . . **TM3T**. vy tnx! 73! . . . **U5EX**. Tnx 73 . . . **UAØA**. TNX for CONTEST . . . **UR3LTD**. Tnx for Contest! 73! . . . **UR5LJD**. 1-st LICENCE 18.05.2010 . . . **UR5ZIW**. GOOD CONTEST . . . **UR7EC**. Thanks for a nice contest . . . **USØHZ**. Tnx for nice contest ! . . . **US1IV**. My is love contest . . . **UTØFC**. An excellent test! . . . **UT7CA**. Rookie, 12 years old, 1st license 27.01.2011 . . . **UU1K**. Used only one PA in the contest otherwise 100W with dipoles 80m and 40m in the second night were too noisy and MUF to low to work sta-

tions, so we got 3 hours sleep and started at sunrise nice running on high bands from Belize at 28°C . . . **V31RU**. Had to work, so just a few contacts . . . **VA3XH**. FIRST TIME...IT WAS FUN...TNX! . . . **VE2KY**. Had a great time, great local participation. Doubled our score from last year . . . **VE3FJB**. My first try at RTTY contest running QRP power. It seemed that other stations had to be at least 559 otherwise I was not able to complete a contact; there where a few exceptions. Took me a while to come to terms FLDIGI but once I did operations went smoothly. Lots of fun and noisy. A much slower pace that CW contests . . . **VE3GTC**. BUSIEST CONTEST OF THE YEAR . . . **VE7BSM**. A bit of fun . . . **VK2CA**. Conditions not as good as expected, or even hoped. Very difficult and frustrating for 100 watt VK stations to try to raise Europeans with such power levels. Still lots of fun chasing the band/mode fills, though . . . **VK3FM**. Excellent turnout again worldwide with many fine ops and many newcomers learning the tricks and pitfalls of RTTY contesting. Band condx here were generally good with 15 meters being the mainstay open day and night. 20 had excellent long path openings, 10 provided the usual trans equatorial pipeline for VK to JA but also a few nice openings to Eastern EU. 40 was fair but always a difficult band for RTTY. Never heard a signal on 80. Thanks again for a great contest! . . . **VK3TDX**. I always look forward to this contest. Lots of FUN! 15 Meters was my best band. 100watt rig and wire vertical GP. on 20/15/10 only this year. Better score than last year. Thanks to all for the contacts, and CQ . . . **VK4BL**. Second attempt at trying RTTY contesting . . . **VU2UR**. We had fun during this one, See you next year. 73 WP4WW Team . . . **WP4WW**. Worked with less than 100 watts and a dipole. Tough cookie . . . **XE1L**. Despite limited time, I enjoyed it very much! . . . **XE2B**. Enjoyed the strange short openings, like on 2m Es! 73 Szigy . . . **YO2IS**. Thanks for a nice contest! I will be back next year . . . **YO5BYV**. Nice contest with same contesters from the all continents! . . . **YO6OAF**. Very nice cont! . . . **YT5W**. Couldn't get the full 30 in as my computer crashed, luckily my guru managed to save the log. Thanks to all concerned in running the contest . . . **ZC4LI**. Conditions were not that hot . . . **ZS1JY**.

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I was looking for DX. Quality over quantity . . . **AA9UF**. What a blast!! . . . **AJ4RW**. Great fun. Personal best hour on RTTY - 161 QSOs! . . . **AK1W**. 06-15-2010 . . . **AK4EM**. Not a terrible showing for a new guy I guess. I missed 5-6 hours of operating time I was counting on Saturday afternoon and have an apparent RF issue on 40m that really hurt my efforts as I had to run at or below 1/2 power. Had a great time though and can't wait until the next one!!! . . . **K0CMA**. Beat my score from last year despite poor DX conditions. More time in the chair helped! . . . **K0PK**. I used my Flex-1500 running 5 watts into my HF Packer Amp resulting in 15 to 40 watts depending on band which I fed to my Amertron AL-572 giving me between 200 and 500 watts output. Everything worked great except the operator got tired near the end and quit a few hours early. Thanx for the qso's, everyone. 73 . . . **K2ZC**. Very enjoyable. Decent propagation. Lot of fun! . . . **K3CWF**. RTTY contests are especially interesting to me, since they involve a lot of technology. I knew that I wouldn't be operating anywhere near "full time." These marathon contests are simply too long for me. After a while it just stops being fun. So I didn't pay any attention to the scoring, or what bands and stations I should target for the most points. It seemed like almost every contact was a multiplier anyway (in fact 75% of mine were), and from my QTH on the western edge of North America, the point-rich stations on other continents are pretty far away behind walls of QRM. But, since there were lots of RTTY signals around, I used the opportunity to hunt out a few new DXCC band/mode contacts, and also to retrain myself in how to operate RTTY. My RTTY setup involves a Flex-3000 radio, running 100W to a 80-meter Carolina Window at 35'. With an antenna tuner below the feedpoint, I can use it on all the bands, with the obvious limitations of performance. For some perverse reason I enjoy seeing what can be done with 100W and a wire. The software for RTTY makes things interesting. With two large monitors connected to the computer, and a bazillion windows open to the Flex PowerSDR programs, N1MM contest controls, and several MMTTY windows decoding two RTTY signals at once, I get the feeling that my operating console could compete with the cockpit of a jumbojet for complexity. So many simulated knobs, buttons, sliders,

meters, displays, and menus that it's hard to count all the controls and instrumentation. Of course the radio does have one real knob - the power button. But I leave that "on" all the time, and let the computer turn it off and on. Of course I always forget how precisely set everything up so that all the signals go to the right places inside the software, and the programs don't seem to be able to remember it all. So there's always an hour or so of setup time, ending with the first contact. Hey! I can hear him and he can hear me. Let's see, that's COM6 here, and COM17 there. Don't forget to set that slider full right, and this one full left. TX gain at +2 so I don't overdrive and distort. Yes, I'll write this all down again, and maybe not lose the paper this time, With lots of RTTY signals, there's plenty of material for experimenting with all the controls to see what works best in different situations. That kept me occupied for hours, mostly S&P'ing, selecting different stations depending on what I was trying to learn, e.g., what filter setup works best for a weak station near a strong one. It was interesting to "eavesdrop" on the superstations running contacts, and see how well I could hear all the different stations calling them. The Flex setup is pretty nice for that, especially the 'brick wall' software filters that I could set way tight to pull a station out of a crowd. All in all, it was very enjoyable . . . **K3FIV**. Band conditions were good for QRP . . . **K3TW**. Rookie . . . **K5HDE**. First timer, casual contestor, lots of fun! . . . **K6IMZ**. The only antenna I have up right now is a 10m dipole so I thought I'd try 10m single band. Propagation seemed limited to mostly trans-equatorial paths (LU, CE, VK, ZL and a ZS). Surprised to only hear one JA. For this contest I'm in the Rookie class (first licensed 06/25/2009) . . . **K6OK**. Good conditions. Thanks to Rick N6XI for allowing me to guest operate and contribute to the NCCC club contest . . . **K6ST**. Just like last year, my goal was to add some new DXCC countries to my "Digital" DXCC total. Lotw showed me at 115 countries and I hoped to add maybe 20 more, final addition was 15 - I guess I already got all the "easy" ones. I found 6 new countries the first night, 5 more on Saturday, 4 more on Sunday. I was only looking for new DX, but if I had already tuned you in, I gave you a call. I certainly sent more cluster spots than I used, and on 20m using the amp would reset the cable modem - no more spots until I reconnected. Anyway, RTTY is fun, even with high power and packet spots . . . **K6UFO**. My first CQ WPX RTTY Contest in USA . . . **K6VHF**. A lot of fun contest where everyone works everyone else (unlike "some" contests we know). Another step towards my RTTY DXCC and the Diamond DXCC. Thank you, CQ . . . **K9JU**. Worked as much of the contest as I could while fighting the flu. Had a blast on 40m this year with the addition of a Hustler 4BTV . . . **KB2HSH**. I had a great time making contacts! Even made a few new DXCC entities! . . . **KB5HPL**. This was a lot of fun! . . . **KC1UX**. Lot of fun. Thrilled worked R9DX "asiatic russia" . . . **KC2KZJ**. CQ WPX RTTY is always one of my favorite contests, and this edition was no exception. The worldwide participation keeps the fun level high and the many multipliers keep you motivated to find more of them. Band conditions overall were pretty good, though there were some strong episodes of QSB on 15m on Sunday afternoon. I hit a new record of repeating my number (to a station in South America) - 24 repeats before it finally got through the deep fade. Had a couple of decent runs on 20m but couldn't get one going on 15 or 10. In hindsight the time spent on those attempts would have been better devoted to search-and-ponce. Hopefully by next year my SO2R setup will be complete and I can have the best of both worlds. Thanks to all for the QSOs! . . . **KC2LST**. Things ran relatively smoothly. I would have liked to operate longer, but sleep sounded too good. Perhaps I'll do better next time! . . . **KC8IMB**. Great RTTY contest. Never got an opening to Europe on 10M, 15M and 20M were hot bands . . . **KD3TB**. Last min. effort QRP!! TNX for all who could hear me! 5 W and a mini beam . . . **KG9Z**. My goal was 100,000 points so I am happy. I really need to get a contest logging program worked out . . . **KI4EEY**. Rookie - License Issued 07/15/2010 . . . **KJ4WLN**. Check log . . . **KK7UQ**. Murphy hung around with me all weekend! . . . **KK9A**. I didn't have as much time as I would have liked to devote to the contest, but I saw familiar call signs and I was able to give out points which was fun and that is what counts the most! . . . **K00Z**. 50w into a 2 el. tribander and you can still have a lot of fun . . . **K03T**. Very good contest . . . **K04PU**. First time RTTY user . . . **K00J**. My best effort ever in this contest. I had a fun weekend . . . **KS0M**. I had a wonderful time . .

. **KS4YX**. My first RTTY Contest - Love it! Learning new techniques and strategies on the fly, and set up hassles and computer problems ate into my operating time. But the last 20 minutes of the contest, I was spotted on the cluster and worked a pileup of 28 stations up to the last 15 seconds of the contest. This was a real thrill. I am a RTTY convert! . . . **KU4V**. Wow what a turnout! 40m on Friday night was wall to wall warbles. Easily beat my score from last year. Thanks for the fun! . . . **KX7L**. Fifteen seemed to be the place to be, especially Saturday morning when I sat on a frequency for an hour and worked 65 stations. Unfortunately that experience was not repeated in other hours I had real problems with local QRN at times and heard stations calling that I could not print. The many JAs on 20 at the end of the contest were real fun. Thanks to all who worked me. The linear sure kept the shack warm . . . **N2FF**. 20 Meters was difficult to work this time although not from lack of signals. It's just that there was so much QRM that many signals although very strong were just not copied by the software. 10 and 15 Meters were open but there was very little activity. 40 meters in the early morning was very fruitful . . . **N2SO**. Good conditions on 15m. Thanks for including a QRP category in this contest . . . **N8HM**. Good conditions, I had fun . . . **N9BT**. Just giving it a try . . . **N9DRB**. Very good conditions, this was a lot of fun. One nice thing about RTTY contests is that you can act like you have a much bigger station than you do. It was fun running for an hour or more at a time! . . . **N9OK**. Just playing around filling in some RTTY DX on a few bands . . . **N9TF**. Yes, yes: sunspots and great activity level. No, no: woodpecker on 40m both nights . . . **ND2T**. Did not get to work this one much due to other commitments but plan on working the whole thing next year. Bands were crowded. Great to see that on RTTY . . . **ND3R**. This was my very first RTTY contest. I had a few hours on Friday night and Saturday morning before the Mardi Gras Parade which my wife and I were participating in . Threw 13 cases of beads (each case has 720 beads), but I digress. Had a ball. This will not be my last RTTY contest . It was easier than I had expected to configure Win-Test and MMTTY. Thanks for all who put up with my wrong mouse clicks. See you in the CW and SSB WPX contests . . . **NF4A**. Wonderful, contest again!!! . . . **NK7Z**. Not bad for a part-time effort, while sick! . . . **NR9A**. RTTY contests are always fun . . . **NS2X**. I need to work on my RTTY setup and learn the software better. I could not devote much time

this year so tried QRP. I don't think I'll do that again . . . **NX0X**. Operated from my winter home in Franklinton, LA. Part time effort between Mardi Gras parades . . . **NX8G**. I had to go out of town so could not put in the maximum amount of time that I wanted to . . . **NZ4O**. Wow, what a contest. They just keep getting better. Propagation was not at it's best but had a major opening to South America on 10 meters Sunday PM. Had several issues with SO2R setup but managed to work around them. Had already planned to rebuild the shack next week. Thanks to all who worked me. Every Q is much appreciated. 73 . . . **WOEM**. I forgot this contest was on so I didn't start until late Saturday morning. My main goal was to get Nebraska on RTTY and LoTW to complete my LoTW only Triple Play (50 states on SSB, CW and digital).so I pointed the beam west and operated on 40 meters then 20 meters. In mid afternoon I had a high SWR failure that appeared to be a problem with my 40-6 meter SteppIR so I went off the air until evening when I worked 80 meters until bed time. Sunday morning I realized that my old triband A4S was still on the roof so I got on 15 meters. That worked OK for a while but then I had the same high SWR problem again. I traced the problem to a coax jumper in the shack. Once that was fixed I went back to the SteppIR beam on the tower, which was now working perfectly. I operated 15, then 20 then 10 meters. After a break I finished up on 40 meters. It was fun but not a productive way to operate a contest. I won't know if I got Nebraska until I analyze the logs. Rick W2GPS . . . **W2GPS**. 1st WPX contest. Had a great time. Learned some lessons for next time . . . **WA4DYD**. Rotor broke Friday night. Too slippery to go up and fix. Finally got up on the roof Sunday pm to tie it down. Worked P49X on all bands! . . . **WA9IVH**. Thanks for all the new contacts . . . **WB0PYF**. QRP & dipole antennas, it's a challenge! . . . **WB7CYO**. 1st timer - just for fun. Really enjoyed working this contest . . . **WD9HBA**. Good conditions! My best effort, yet! Thanks to all who worked me . . . **WN0L**. 15 meters turned out to be my 'power band' this year, especially with the help of an amazing 2.5 hour JA run Saturday afternoon. Murphy struck in the last two hours when my remote station antenna developed a problem that required a trip to site and climb up the tower. Came back in time for the last 20 minutes of the contest . . . **WQ6K**. 10m was disappointing. Oh well, wait until next year . . . **WV8BD**.
