



Contest News

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CW, "Even a Caveman can DO IT!"

By: wa4pgm

Yes, even a Caveman can DO IT with a little practice.

Today we have many ways to learn the Morse Code thanks to the internet. Freeware and shareware of many types are available for free! But still I think one of the best ways is by getting on the air as much as possible. Some are reluctant to do so in fear of making mistakes, others don't have the time with other commitments.

Morse Runner is available

free of charge and is certainly one of the best CW contest simulators that'll give you the realistic feelings of being on the air!

Morse Runner has many options in setup like QRM, QRN, QSB, Flutter, CW speed, Amount of callers, Pitch, Bandwidth, and others. You'll have to give it a try; it has the familiar look and feel of Writelog and NIMM.

Before a contest I start practicing several weeks in advance of the contest

with 5 to 15 minute sprints. This helps prepare yourself for the pileups. and with practice you're learn to copy more than one caller. Morse Runner has certainly helped me and I find it a lot of fun while improving my operating skills.

Try it for yourself and you'll be surprised how 5 or 10 minutes of practice will improve your CW.

<http://www.dxatlas.com/MorseRunner/>

January NAQP CW

W4MYA and crew wins 1st place Multi-2 in the 2007 January NAQP CW contest.

From the Goochland County super station of Bob Morris, operators K2WK, N3UA, W4MYA, WA4PGM, and WK4Y took the title with 1621 QSO's and 232 Mults for a total score 376,072 points.

Read up about MYA all the NAQP happens on the web:

http://www.c-v-c-c.us/w4mya/w4mya_m2_naqp.htm

ARRL Field Day

Field Day was held at the Goochland Firehouse located at the intersection of Route 522 and Fairgrounds Road in Goochland County.

AE4ID, K2WK, KA3CCE, KB3GQK, K4KJL, K4KML, K4RCK, K4ROG, K4WNW, KF4QQY, KF7NN, KI4DX, KI4MCZ, KI4PXU, KI4TOQ,

N3UA, N4HOK, N4MI, N4PKP, NK4H, NW4V, W1ZA, W4FEG, W4HJ, W4HZ, W4MYA, WA4PGM, WD4IKL, WD4LBR = 29 ops.

1487 CW contacts and 1009 SSB, 149 GOTA. We worked 49 of the 50 states, only missing KH6.

See: http://www.c-v-c.us/Field_Day/2007/



**Congrats to
WD4LBR!!!!**

**Bruce who
won the
Roanoke
Division
Plaque as
Multioperator
Low Power in
the 2007 ARRL
RTTY
Roundup**

PJ2T - Signal Point

PJ2DX, Geoff sent a email looking for operators for the 2007 CQWW CW. If you've never participated in a expedition before Signal Point is a great place to start.

Curacao offers world class diving and snorkeling. Incredible marine life plus warm weather all

year round makes this a popular island.



PJ2T - The Caribbean Contesting Consortium is online at:

<http://asgard.kent.edu/cccl/>

Contact WA4PGM for more details if interested.

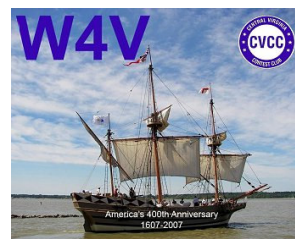
Special Event Station - W4V

On May 24, 1607 the Virginia Company of London established the first permanent English settlement in North America at Jamestown Island. This location is on the James River near present day Jamestown, Virginia. To commemorate the 400 year anniversary of the founding of James-

town, the Central Virginia Contest Club used the callsign W4V from March 10-25 and May 12-27.

The photograph to the right was taken on the James River and is a replica of the Godspeed, one of three ships to land on Jamestown Island.

To learn more about The Commonwealth of Virginia please visit: <http://www.virginia.org>.



**“Make plans now
to improve your
station or skills
before next
contest season”**

IARU

IARU HF World Championship 1200Z, Jul 14 to 1200Z, Jul 15

Complete details can be found at:

<http://www.arrl.org>

Eligibility: All licensed amateurs worldwide.

Object: To contact as many other amateurs, especially IARU member society HQ stations, around the world as possible using the 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 meter bands.

Date and Contest Period: The second full weekend of July, beginning 1200 UTC Saturday and ending 1200 UTC Sunday (July 8-9 2006). Both Single and Multi operator stations may operate the entire 24-hour period.

Contest Exchange:

IARU member society HQ stations send signal report and official IARU member society abbreviation. IARU International Secretariat club station NUIAW counts as a HQ station. Members of the IARU Administrative Council and the three IARU regional Executive committees send

"AC," "R1," "R2," and "R3" as appropriate.

All others send signal report and ITU zone.

A complete exchange must be logged for each valid QSO.

Entries must be post-marked or emailed no later than 30 days after the end of the contest

Entries sent as attachments to email must be sent to:
IARUHF@iaru.org

T15N is looking for contest ops for the 2007 CQWW CW.

2007 CQ WPX CW Results—KF7NN

The team of operators consisted of KF7NN, W4HZ, and W4MYA for the 2007 CQ WPX CW contest this year. Even though conditions were poor they put in an excellent effort.

More information about the contest can be found at:

<http://www.cqwpw.com/>

or

<http://www.cq-amateur-radio.com/>

cqworldwidewpx.html

Station: W4MYA

Band QSOs

160: 34
80: 144
40: 630
20: 1327
15: 302
10: 53

Total: 2490

Prefixes = 835

Total Score = 5,432,510



If interested please contact Kyle, WA4PGM ASAP!

CVCC wins High Club Plaque

CVCC set a new record in the Club category this year during the VA QSO Party.

Multi Op./Multi Transmitter - W4V

Ops: K2WK, KF4QQY, KF7NN, KI4DX, KI4TOQ, KI4UDF, N3UA, W4FEG, W4MYA

934,990 points

Multi Op/Single Transmitter - WIZA

Ops: N3UA, NW4V, W4DR, WIZA
351,694 points

K4JM 34,370

N4DWK 432

W4A 82,938

W4HZ 210,109

WK4Y 56,876

WD4LBR 1,678

*“This outstanding showing is proof of our ability to compete on the highest level and congratulations go out to all who participated.”
Jonathan, W4HZ CVCC*

July-August 2007

Schedule of Events

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 RAC	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10 CVCC	11	12	13	14 IARU
15 IARU	16	17	18	19	20	21 NAQP
22 NAQP	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31	1	2	3	4 NAQP CW
5 NAQP CW	6	7	8	9	10	11 WAE CW
12 WAE CW	13	14	15	16	17	18 NAQP SSB
19 NAQP SSB	20	21	22	23	24	25 OHQP
26 OHQP	27	28	29	30	31	

JULY

- 1 - RAC Canada Day
- 10 CVCC Meeting
- 14-15 IARU
- 21-22 NAQP RTTY
- 21-22 CQ VHF

AUGUST

- 4-5 NAQP CW
- 11-12 WAE CW
- 18-19 NAQP SSB
- 25-26 OHIO QSO Party

PJ2T wins World Multi-2 in the 2007 ARRL DX CW.**From the ARRL Results page:**

One of the more interesting races to watch unfold in 2007 would have to be the Multi-Two contest, which is always among the most hotly contested categories. It was a full-bore effort between the PJ2T team of W8TK, WØCG, WA4PGM, K8NZ, WA9S, NIZZ, NP2L, W9EFL and N8LGP and the team of W9RE, N5OT, W4OC and N4GG operating from HP1XX. Again, it was the additional QSOs making the difference, as the PJ2T were able to overcome their rivals minute advantage of 1 more multiplier with 108 more QSOs — that's just a little more than 2 an hour for the duration of the contest. Both groups are hardware eligible as PJ2T is the winning score from South America while HP1XX is top score from North America.

8182 Q's x 329 Mults = 7,655,172 points

Not only winning M2 but posted the highest score for the entire contest!

Contesting Links

Contesting.Com - <http://www.contesting.com/>

NIMM - <http://www.nimm.com/>

Riley Hollingsworth, K4ZDH, says "Lighten Up!"

Part 1

http://www.therainreport.com/rainreport_archive/rainreport-5-24-2007.mp3

Part 2

http://www.therainreport.com/rainreport_archive/rainreport-5-31-2007.mp3

Submit score to 3830 - <http://www.hornucopia.com/3830score/>

This week's contest - <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/weeklycont.php>

Upcoming Expeditions - <http://www.ng3k.com/Contest/index.html>

Weekly Contest Calendar - <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/weeklycont.php>

Sent your comments,
suggestions, stories, and
photos to:
wa4pgm

We're on the web!
<http://www.c-v-c-c.us>