## 2012 CW WW DX SSB CONTEST DX & USA QRM

## DX QRM

Really huge signals into GD land, just a shame a lot of stations could not hear me. Thank you to those that did and maybe next year I'll have more success :) Best 73 and thanks to CQ for a great contest ... 2DØYLX. Very good conditions but heavy QRM ... 2EØFRC. I remember one station called me whilst I was calling another station on their freq. I quickly told the caller "it is not my freq." They replied and said "it doesn't matter" then continues to give me the report and exch. That station is not in my log! . . . 2E1FVS. Hello friends, contesters, best regards from Chile to the Team DX Scorpions www.grz.com/db/ce1z...3G1Z. First idea was to do with the call 3V8BB MS, but we decided the qualifications for WRTC 2014 is very important to make high amount of points in this contest and Ashraf worked SOAB LP. The first time I worked SO 160 from Africa and after much problems and magnetic storms. I said never again. Interference was impossible. But at the end I was happy with the score . . . **3V8CB.** Station from 3V8SS: TS450S, 100W, 7 Ele. Multiband Yagi, QTH was in the city Sousse, Tunesia, north Africa, Locator JM55HU. Thanks very much for the local support by Halim and Ash (QRV with 3V8BB) and the team from the scout groupe for the perfect dinner between the pileups and the nice singing songs in the background. This was my first activation from this African country. Thanks for all QSOs. It was a pleasure to give a lot of calling stations a new multi. Meet you soon on the bands. 73 Mirko - DJ1AA . . . 3V8SS. Best wishes to all, CQ WW has great time on air, best 73! . . . **4K6FO.** Due to other commitments only a couple of hours operation. Enough time to notice increased number of TU QRZ? without an ID, even from non-DX, ordinary stations. I find it unfair for those who have just tuned in and have to wait for three, four or more QSOs to hear whom they have worked or want to work. 4U1GSC (9A3A/E73A opr.) . . . 4U1GSC. Very good conditions in all band, but 40 and 80 impossible to make any QSO if not 1000W or more; I'm so sorry. See you in 2013 . . . 4Z5FI. I enjoyed the contest . . . 7L1EPY. I enjoyed the contest . . . 7M1MCY. New LFA Yagis played well. Couldn't be on the radio most of Saturday . . . 8P2K. Kenwood TS-450S, 90 W, ground plane antenna, age 71, ham since 1957 . . . 9A2DI. New antenna, OB-11-5, 40 feet up, IC-7400. Fair conds but very hard with 100W. Not too many JA's and Pacific. SA only LP. Big static on Sunday afternoon. After all I am satisfied. Chasing my own best score. Hear you next year. CW is next. 73 Dino . . . **9A2NO.** I have worked like a tourist because we are four hams in diameter of 200m. 73 to all de Daki . . . **9A2WJ.** Part time during business trip in West Malaysia . . . 9M8DX. Was fun, thanks to all for calling! . . . 9Y4W. Looking forward to more contests, enjoyed this one . . . A65CR. Thanks again to the organizers for a wonderful contest! This was another successful cross-cultural team, lots of radio fun and new friendships made . . . A73A. Despite the troubles of equipment we did our best. Thanks to all the stations who had QSO with us. See you in next contest. :) . . . AHØBT. Good contest, good contacts with all, good propagation, especially at high bands . . . BA1SN. TNX 2012 CQWW SSB Contest . . . BA4SD. FB to meet OMs on the air . . . BV4VR. Conditions were fantastic. I could not believe the DX QSOs I made and the pileups I broke just with 5W! Changed call this year from H22H to C45T. I hgope it was easier to copy and that this will reflect in my log check report . . . C45T. Many thanks to 5B4XF who hosted me at the very last minute! It made my day and although the station is weak

on the low bands it has amazing potential and style . . . C4W. Great cndx. Unfortunate a chest infection allowed only a part time entry. The amount of room available for SSB is amazing on 10 mtrs, a rare chance to find a bit of room away from the splatter. Bring on the CW leg . . . C4Z. Bad conditions in Sunday. Horrible interference from some industrial device from 270 deg (57 on the meter). However we are very happy with our "field day" setup to come a small bit over the HUGE station at HK1NA. Hope for the better during the CW leg . . . C5A. Only 11 or so hours on air due to power outages from Hurricane Sandy. Had fun . . . C6AQQ. Hurricane Sandy wiped me out. Only managed 5.5 hours. Amazing result for such a short time with a borrowed generator. The antenna system blew down during the morning prior to the contest . . . C6AZZ. My very first contest! It was fun :) . . . CA6GBM. Worked many new countries for DXCC on 40m . . . CE3GDR. Mi primer Contest! Fue una bonita y novedosa experiencia. La pase muy bien con mis colegas del Osorno Contest Team. 'Roger-Roger' . . . CE6RFP. Very good contest for all world . . . CO2RVA. Loud noise down here all the time! . . . CO8ZZ. Very good propagation during the CQ WW SSB contest from my location. The antennas used were: Cushcraft R-6000, Antron A99 for 10 meters band and one Ez-Wire monopole. The rig used was: Yaesu FT-920 TX with only 100W . . . CT2JBD. My favorite contest with a lot of stations on the air. 73's . . . CT2KFA. Hard contest only a hand mike and no CQ machine . . . DC3RJ. A contest ham would feel much better if the bands were free of splatter. TNX . . . DC9ZP. My first WWDX log! . . . **DD8IL.** Not enough time, but CW will be enough . . . **DF1LX.** Wow what great condx on both days. I "glued" formally tied on the 10m band, what pretty propagation there, so in any years we will miss it badly ;-). Hope you will pick up me again in the next year . . . DF2SD. Nice condition makes it possible to reach almost every multi I heard with low power to a quad-antenna. Thank you to all for the QSOs. 73 . . . DF5BM. Is for me the first world contest . . . DG6PW. Sorry, my 2 year old grandson occupied me - no time for CQWW . . . . DH4PSG. Best CQ WW ever here, just west coast USA and VK/ZL missing . . . DH6DAO. Just a part time entry. See you in CW part from OHØV ... DJ2QV. Really an excellent contest. Never had a better result while I was so relaxed during and after the contest. Most contacts were made by searching the bands, there were so many multis to work. 10 meters was just super and also 15 meters was running wonderful. But I also had a nice early morning run to South America. Since my neighbor needed his acre himself this year there was only one long Beverage. Direction JA, KHØ and 9V. This beverage gave excellent result. Put up a K9AY loop, but that was not as good as I hoped it would be. Still I put up, in the dark, 2 days before the contest a 80m vertical with 4 elevated radials. My thanks go to Annette my daughter (no, not the Ham PE2T) who helped me. The transmitting was much better as expected. Only RX gave problems. Could copy EX2B only in second run. Only a shame that some stations were not running CQWW but had the beam only to North America like some Central and South American stations. I do not know why my fellow hams called me several times as PJ5AN or AJ5AN since the calls are not in QRZ.com so they could not be familiar. So my ham radio friends I thank you for a wonderful and exciting weekend. Jan de DJ5AN (JAN With a 5 in the middle and a D in front) 73 and 88 . . . **DJ5AN.** Sorry, but SSB is not my mode . . . **DJ6TK.** Unfortunately I had not much time this weekend, but made at least a million due to great high band conditions . . . DK5TX. Japan was really very far east . . . **DK7AN.** A nice contest as usual. Not enough time for contest (marriage). I can't remember so huge 10m activity on SSB between 28250 kHz till 29000 kHz:-) See you in CW part on 80m. I used DXLog.net contest log developed by Kreso, 9A5K. A great software! :-) . . . **DK8ZZ.** First contest with new beam (Optibeam OB9-5) and 100 W . . . DLØESA. It's been a long time since I saw / heard 10m in such good shape. The band was full of loud signals and from 28.300 up to 29.000. It was nearly impossible to find a free channel for calling CQ. My participation was limited to a few hours, but these were pure fun . . . DL1EAL. Great fun on 10m . . . DL1NFG. VY 73 & best DX . . . DL1VJL. Only a small participation . . . DL2GBB. Nice condx on 10 meters. It was pure fun! ... **DL20E.** It was great fun again. I'm happy to look forward to next year! . . . **DL3SG.** It was a fine contest. Unfortunately I did not have the time to be active the complete distance. Maybe next time . . . DL3UX. Good condx on 10m this year, but my ant only simple dipole 5m up. Hope next year same gd condx Angela . . . DL4DXF. Nice 10m condx !... **DL4HG.** Very good conditions especially on 10m and 15m. That was fun! ... DL4JLM. FB conds on 10 m, wkg all with 100W and monoband GP! ... DL4KUG. Tnx to DL6LSM for hospitality. Good propagation. I enjoyed it! ... DL4LAM. Excellent condx on 10m, topband not vy busy . . . DL7CX. First million points contest. I like it . . . DL7LIN. Mein Fazit: Gebts ma a gscheide Station dann geht a wos :-) Die Clubstation des OV Landshut U08 leistete hervorragende performance! . . . **DL8RDL.** Logged with SD by ED5DI it is fun . . . DL9ZWG. Third try, now I'm hopeful. 73 . . . DM3KXL. Three kids operator with training-call DN5NDH. Trainer is DK5NAD . . . DN5NDH. TNX for the nice contest! . . . **DO1DJJ.** The band is open > strong signals away mny grm:-) vy 73 . . . **DO4TP.** Quite successful operation from the fine station of Robert, DL3KO. We beat the 1999 DL record for M/S by about 2M points, which we did not expect in the beginning. We have to see if that cushion is enough to stand the more delicate log checking process introduced this year (checking of correctly copied zones). Murphy stayed mostly away, except for some CAT issues on the run radio, which did not slow down us too much. Everything else held up very fine. The high bands were fun, although we felt 15m more worth running, so that we have more QSOs on 15 than on 10, unlike most others. 20m is the new 40m: S9 QRM from wall to wall, very exhausting. Thanks to all stations calling us. We enjoyed it! . . . DR1D. Typhoon stymied plans for an MS participation of DZ3Z. But was able to visit and operate at DX1M. There will be other contests. 73 . . . DU1VHY. Working with a dipole was a real challenge! I will try harder next year . . . **DU3/W6QT.** My third CQ WWSSB contest. Great and fantastik, 73 . . . DU7HF. New EA record in QRP! :) So hard, but i did it!! . . . **EA1BP.** Never help - 68 years old . . . EA2QU. Special and short calls must more repeat and spell. I enjoyed using SD programs . . . **EA3KT.** Good propagation on 10m, 73 . . . EA3TI. Nice experience. More than 15 years without taking part in a contest. Enjoyed . . . EA3WL. Had a blast this year but my radio died 10 hours before the end of the contest . . . **EA6/AA5UK.** I started fine with good numbers of QSOs. Unfortunately winds of around 100km/h with the vibration, take out the screws of my antenna rotator and was turning free, making damage to the tower and doing difficult QSOs. I had to repaired frozen for 2 hours fighting with the wind in the tower. As usual enjoy although this. Thanks to everybody for calls. 73 . . . **EA6SX.** I think that the propagation was very good in this contest because I've listened many stations on 10 meters so that I've enjoyed so much. See you in the next contest. 73 es GL... EA7FRX. Very Fun!... EA7VA. Nice pile-up to the west

coast. Unfortunately I had only the Saturday to share the zone 33 with you all. See you next year . . . **EA8/DL3FCG.** Good conditions on 20m and 15m, although the work was hard mode QRP contact with the seasons, but has been a very positive experience. Thank you all for your patience in the contacts, 73 . . . **EA9CD.** Very good conditions on 10 meters. Had a lot of fun over there. Thank you, see you next year. 73 . . . **EC1CT.** Great contest always challenging. High bands quiet open, some HF blocks during Sunday morning but great participation and having fun with a group of friends. The high winds on Sunday twisted one of the towers but survived enough to keep the rates high ... **ED3X.** Very very nice contest. See you and all best to all 73. Ham since August 2010 . . . EF5B. First attempt in SSB 48 horas category. Thanks to EA5RS . . . EF5Y. Operating only 5 hours, big troubles, thiefs, etc  $\dots$  **EF8S.** Outstanding propagation, good weather with no antenna broken before or during the contest make me enjoy SO2R operation in field day like conditions. My best contest result ever made . . . El1A. Spent most of my limited time on 10m. Picked up a few new ones on 40 and 80 but had a blast on 10m. First real effort in a SSB contest and it won't be the last . . . El2GLB. Better conditions all round this year meant conditions were frantic on 20, 40, and 80. We need bigger band allocations for sunspot maximums:) . . . El4GNB. Only had limited time this year because of guests staying. Pity because the bands seemed good . . . EI5GSB. Took the opportunity to work a few new ones. Great fun! . . . EI7IG. Although we have spent a lot of time working on our station over the last twelve months, last year had been very kind to us with 10m being a star performer so we really did not know what to expect of CQWW 2012. Our summer project (new tower with 3 x OB11's) was in the air, but we had a really big push over the past two weeks to get everything working. At T-14 days we had no RF equipment in the shack as we had decided to gut it for insulation and painting:-) Thankfully, everything worked when we put the station back together, a big relief! The contest started with good rates on 40m but quickly went downhill. We had huge S9 noise problems on the low bands, 160m especially, so at dawn we were a long way behind 2011. Matters improved greatly as we moved onto HF which was very good for us on Saturday. We were delighted to finish with a score only slightly down on last year. Our poor start did not help, but conditions here were not as good as 2011 which was exceptional. Mult total is down (it is harder to get mults here than it is farther east!) but QSO total is up which would seem to suggest our hard work all year did help. Thanks to the crew who made the effort to travel (Pete G4CLA, Enda El2II & Dan El3JZ) and special kudos to Mark El3KD & Neil El3JE for 12 months of station building! Congrats to all in the M/S category for making it such fun. John, El8IR . . . EI7M. 73 from Moldova! . . . ER1BF. FT-950 100 Watt, Antenna FDV4, RCKlog, hoping to do more, but with this material, and against the big guns, difficult. Hope to work more next year . . . F/LX1ER. QRP operation from Manche, Normandy (50) using 2 watts and a G5RV wire antenna . . . **F/M5AEF.** First participation from Paris downtown, what a blast! Thanks to all entrants and organisation for making this possible! . . . **F4ETG.** While working to prepare for the CQ WW CW I was not able to resist doing some QSOs. Lovely propagation! . . . **F5CWU.** All my thinks to US ham radio from east coast. Hope they won't lose too much with Sandy hurricane. A great contest. See you in CW. 73 Phil ex FO8RZ . . . **F5PHW.** Just a part time effort to work a few friends. However, the flux was good on 10 meters on Saturday but not so great on Sunday to the USA . . . F5VHJ. 28 MHz was open all the day . . . **F5YJ.** Great contest but hard working barefoot. Best 73's and see you next year! ... **F800I.** Fun event ... **GØAZH.** SD worked

fine and enabled a fairly casual entry . . . GØEYR. Had a great time working on 10 meter band. SD used for the contest. Had no problems . . . GØFPU. My first go at CQWW . . . GØMBA. Operated from Kings Heath Birmingham, ICOM-735 half-size G5RV . . . GØRAH. I really must stop doing low power stuff. I have a linear here. But at least it saves on my barber's bills as I tend to pull out my hair . . . **GØW.** Grreat condx, great fun . . . G3RAU. Condx very good on Saturday, slightly down on Sunday. Enjoyed long stateside runs on on 10 meters. Mult count down from last year, maybe too much running! . . . G3TBK. Used single 4-el Yagi at 80ft and tried to work everything that I could on 10m . . . G3TXF. Great condx!! . . . G3VYI. Magnificent introduction to contesting for all the members who have just obtained their licences. Thanks to everyone for taking part and for those who were patient with the young operators . . . G3YNN. Band conditions excellent on 10m. SD Log used again this year, very simple for an OT like me! A very enjoyable contest but need more time to check the log over before sending . . . G4ADJ. A treat to hear the band open! Too many stns rely on being spotted without repeating their calls often. This is unfair to non-assisted entries and to those stations that do spend their time doing so. Please change the rules! . . . G4CWH. I managed to work all bands for the first time. 10 meters was amazing as was 15. Even 20 was open till late to Ws. Only managed 20 hrs due to wedding, etc., and aging bones Hi. Most enjoyable and SD worked fine with no problems. CU in CW . . . G4DDX. Great to see 28 in such good shape. Easy to work many stations with simple antennas. IC-756ProIII, 100w, 2 wire sloping dipoles . . . G4FKA. This year at last my works shift roster allowed me to participate, loved every minute of the contest. Roll on CQWW in 2013! . . . **G40CO.** Once again, no time for a serious entry, but a little playing on and off at home . . . G4PIQ. Just a token checklog to confirm some QSOs . . . G4PKP. Thanks to all who worked me. Mainly S&P using a Par end fed wire for 15m up at about 20 feet. Great fun and hope the band stays in grerat shape for CQ WW CW . . . **G5N.** Great contest, picked up some new DXCC's . . . **G6VMR.** Conditions poorer on Sunday. Pleased with using SD as logger. Visit by plumber and wall plasterer all day Sat limited my activity . . . G8AFN. Nearly made WAZ but could only operate for 17hrs 44mins . . . **G8APB.** Good contest, best number of QSOs. SD did not recognise Macedonia callsign, Good on 10 metres, other bands open for long periods . . . G8ZRE. Just a few isolated QSOs this year. 73 Alex . . . GD3UMW. Only operated a few hours. Lots of fun just like the old days. 73 Alex . . . GD6IA. Another great contest and nice to see the higher bands in action. Introduced another new licensee to contesting and he went away buzzing. This is the last year at our present site as the lighthouse is now on a very long term let. Sad as it is a great location . . . **GM2T.** Great contest as always. I like the new rules! 73 Chris . . . GM2V. Simple delta loop antennas for 10,15,20m. Nice DX esp on 10 metres . . . GM3TAL. Our Club is the West of Scotland [Glasgow] ARS Entered with a Yaesu FT-920, 100W on all participated bands, WX cold and wet, but fun had by all. In the club shack ants were XD-7 for 10, 15, 20, and dipole for 40, delta loop 80 and 160 . . . GM4AGG. Thanks for running the contest I used SD by EI5DI for logging, a great program . . . GM4HQF. Low power Top Band you must be daft! I hear you say this late in the cycle. Well I only operated in the evenings when the band opened to low power and got plenty of apologies when asked for repeats. I just like top band even from my tiny garden. Enjoyed it as I always do 73s . . . GM4UBJ. Operate from IO77CU NG739918 and a great time had by everyone. Great recovery on Saturday to the team who made the full size 1/4 vertical for 80! Size 1/4 vertical for 80! . .

. **GS6NX.** Had a lot of computer problems. Took some time to send it to GØDAY who sent it on as a check log . . . **GW3NAS.** Having experienced medical radiotherapy a couple of months ago, this CQWW was the sort of radiotherapy I really wanted. Not quite strong enough to return to full-time contesting just yet so this part-time 10m QRP was just right for me. My cancer has been removed and I'm really positive about the future . . . **GW4BLE.** Great conditions and great level of activity . . . **GW4EVX.** Conditions Ok but very little short skip to Europe . . . GW4HBK. Many thanks for Q's, see you next time! Rig TS-530SP 100W, ant end-fed wire, 21 mtrs long, above flat roof... . HA2MN. Nice Contest, TNX! . . . HA8BE. Was a good race, thank you everyone! . . . **HA8QZ.** Thanks to all for nice contest. Conditions were excellent on all bands. "Big" stations take a lot of space on the bands. If there is a small one close to the big it is for me not possible to work the small. Hope to cu next year again, 73 . . . HB9MXY. Nice propagation! . . . HGØR. HG6V contest station: IC 765 pwr 5 watt, Ants: 160 m dipole, 80m GP dipole, 40m GP, 20m monoband and tribander Yagi, 15 m monoband and tribander Yagi, 10m monoband and tribander Yagi, GP 80-10m RX: EWE and K9AY . . . HG6C. Total failure in main tower and all antennas to be dismantled in a big hurry, my 40 meter dipole also failed and pull me to make at last minute a 2 ele SDVA on 10 meter at ground level. Really works and played as a big one. Next time better time. God bless to all . . . HI3TEJ. Bad ear infection and SSB contesting do not mix . . . HSØZCW. Conditions not too good but fun as always. GM5X had the most consistent good signal out of Europe . . . HSØZDR. Operated in S&P mode rather than as a run station and looking in particular for long path openings . . . HSØZDX. Could not enter this year as I had other commitments. Also have QRN from power lines noise that make SSB difficult to hear when the noise blanker is turned no. 73... . **HSØZEE**. Enjoyed the contest very much. Had a bit more time to play in this one so set myself a couple of goals - 1000 QSOs and 1m points. I achieved both. Anyone who says amateur radio is dead should have been listening to the contest - signals all up and down the bands with good conditions as well. Thank you to CQ for sponsoring and to all for the QSOs . . . HZ1PS. A good contest! My main objective this year was to beat my own record set last year, and I eventually did that with ease, although towards the end I doubted I would manage it. Conditions were mostly good to excellent, with the 10-meter band in especially good form. Nonetheless, with only a single vertical antenna (no 80M or 160M) it was difficult to hear the other stations through the QRM. My contest callsign I/DM1CM didn't help either. It's most often difficult for the other station to recognize the "Italy portable" in the callsign, so a lot of time is lost there. Still, this was the first time I've beaten the thousand-QSO score, so I was doubly pleased. Equipment- FT-2000, ACOM 1011 amp, SteppIR III vertical, Heil ProMicro Mic . . . I/DM1CM. I operated only on 40 m, only for few hours. I never call, only answer. TX Yaesu FT 857 ( 100 W max , really 50 W peak on SSB ) antenna Homemade inverted V dipole with balun 1:1. Too many overpowered stations don't let place to listen the other weak or far stations. If you admit 3 class of power output, It should better define in each band 3 different zone for calling for the 3 class. For example from 7050 to 7070 QRP, from 7070 to 7120 til 100 watts and from 7120 to 7200 over 100 watts . 73 . . . I1WKN. Bel contest! Added new bev 30° and 45° works great, 25 meters vertical plus top hat . . . I4FYF. I had a trouble in my computer, some stations who made QSO with me not existing in my log . . . I4XNN. Our first attempt to the M/2 category with very nice results. We have tested the monobeam 7 el. monobander for 10m (2200+ QSOs on that band!) and the 20/15m 4+5 el. Yagi. Need more ears on 80m and 160m next time. See you soon on the air - 73 de II9K Team in Marsala, Sicily . . . II9K. First serious participation from our new contest station. We must add good operating skill with some experience. Thanks to Antonello IT9EQO, Marcello IT9CJC and Carmelo IT9AUG for their all summer long hard work! Thanks to Romeo S52RU for the website editing (www.ii9p.com) and to Fred ON4LG, Franco I4AVG, Claudio I4VEQ, Piero IV3YYK for their participation. IT9GSF Fabio was our strategist . . . II9P. Beautiful propagation . . . IKØBZE. Rig Sommerkamp FT-7 boosted by 100w Linear Amplifier Antenna Inverted-V Dipole Max Power Used = 100w, Great job on 10 meter band!!! . . . **IKØVWH.** This time I had the opportunity to work this very nice contest for more hours than usual. Thanks to all for the patience in listening my weak signal. 73 to all . . . IK1BBC. I am sorry for the minimal participation to the event but family problem into weekend haven't permitted to work all time long. Sorry again but I didn't known the new rule for this year of to send the log in the maximum time of 5 day after the end of the contest. I hope that my log is accepted for the ranking even if it has arrived over time. Anyway I would be glad if my log will be useful for control log. I hope anyway that the committee can accept it for the ranking. The best '73 and many thanks to the organization . . . IK1HZZ. Very good contest! . . . IK1MNG. Very happy with 100w power . . . IK2TTO. Good contest for testing my new antenna OB11-3 with only 100w . . . IK2XDE. Many many stations on the air. 73 . . . IK3SSW. It was really enjoyable to be on 10 meters with such good band conditions and huge participation. I was looking for multiplier maximization, and I did not participate full time. Good to work 2 KH6 with ant to long path and many more countries. Ant 3 el Ultrabeam, TS-590, 500W lin. ampl., LP100A meter . . . IK4AUY. Very nice contest tnx gd lk . . . **IK4RVG.** Contest avvincente, poco traffico per me. Far molto meglio il prossimo grazie . . . **IK8JDH.** Operazioni solo in 40 e 80 metri per testare un nuovo sistema di antenne . . . IK8YFU. During contest very bad weather: rain and snow. Hope better next year . . . IN3XUG. This time we participated just to set the organization of a new team and to check the newcomers capability. Few hours on the air but a lot of experience for the next year! . . . IQØRM. Fun . . . IRØR. Only 14 hours of contest due to snow-storm. CU next time de IN3XUG & IZ3GOM! . . . IR3Z. A lot of strong thunderstorms made, too often, QSOs impossible. Good openings on 10m, a lot of fun for all operators. Thanks to Mark W7ZB and Andrea IK4VET for joining our crew for this contest. Congratulations to the TM6M gang for the superb score! . . . IR9Y. Excellent propagation band opened with the United States. Very happy with the score, considering the small working conditions. Vertical antenna for the band of 28 MHz. ICOM IC706 and 250 watt amplifier . . . IR9Z. Amazing contest, but I was quite busy on these days so I sadly operated only 15 hours, losing many many QSOs. Working conditions: FT950, 100W Windom antenna The weakness of my antenna on 15 meters made me lose many many multipliers and QSOs. However all bands were full, impossible for me calling CQ, so I always search the other station. The contest is very useful and fun for those who check for zone, prefix, and rare DXCC. I hope next year to operate full time! . . . ISØBGL. The Best Contest . . . ISØM. Good contest, 73 forever . . . IT9IZY. Band wide open until late; great fun! . . . IT9RYJ. Beautiful operation open 10 meters. Setup: Yaesu FT1000, Optibeam 3/11, 2 elements 40 -Dipole 80, Software QARTest power 100W . . . IV3BCA. TNX to all, nice contest and great propagation . . . IWØHBY. Ciao a tutti e '73 de Fabio . . . IW2FUT. Thanks so much for everything!! See you in the next contest!! 73 . . . IW5ELA. ottimo contest, come seconda volta non A" andata male considerando le

mie condizioni di lavoro Grazie 73' . . . IW8BSR. Very good Contest Forever!! ... IZØDXD. God propagation and activity, but is very hard with 5W . . . IZ1DGG. Meno buona la propagazione rispetto all'edizione precedente. Ho cercato le migliori stazioni e con 100 QSO in meno ho alzato il mio punteggio dalla scorsa edizione. Grazie agli organizzatori del CQWW 2012. 73 de Max ... **IZ1GCV.** My PWR: 5Watts! Terrible weather in my location, wind and strong snow. I love this contest! See you next year . . . **IZ1MHY.** Always wonderful contest! . . . **IZ2JPN.** Great contest . . . **IZ20BS.** Only few hours of operations, made from a new location, Rain, wind & snow made my plans go much longer than expected. Anyway propagation on 10m has been very good, I had much fun. See you next year!! . . . IZ4AFW. Amplifier kaput, antenna rotor stop to work and vertical antenna to regulate for lower SWR, but with good propagation and some luckl will catch 4 new ones and some more countries on 10 and 15 meters. To the next years:) 73... **IZ4IFR.** Hard job with 3 mobile monoband whip by Diamond and KX3. 73 to all . . . IZ5JLF. I have had problem with big storm on my region, very high noise, strong wind, for this region I gone QRT . . . IZ6FXP. Good propagation on 10m. Absolutely the best contest . . . IZ8BRI. Beautiful contest. Good DX de Aldo . . . IZ8DFO. Wonderful contest. I was looking for some new ones for my 10m WAS. I had a lot of fun. See you next year . . . IZ8ESX. It was fun! . . . JAØCLB. I enjoyed the contest . . . JAØGCY. I enjoyed the contest . . . JAØGSG. I enjoyed the contest . . . JAØIOF. Hello! A CQ WW contest is always very magnificent, and it is a pleasant contest. We were not results satisfying for ourselves. Even if that is right, a CQ WW contest will be pleasant for us. The condition of the high band was good this year. Especially 28 MHz was so good that it was a surprise. Happiness that we the omnibus contest clubs can always participate in a wonderful contest. I appreciate your support very much. Thank you. JA1YPA/JA1PEJ . . . JA1YPA. Thanks for the nice fun contest . . . **JA2MOG.** I enjoyed the contest . . . JA2PAC. I enjoyed this contest. I came back on HF band . . . JA2XLV. We operated from QTH "Awaji-City in Hyogo Prefecture" RIG is TS-450 and ANT is DP . . . JA3YPL. We ran with 1kW but all antennas were simple dipoles . . . JA3YQD. I enjoyed the contest by QRP. Power is 5W / Kozo Nishino . . . **JA4TUJ.** Age: 74 (03/Apr/1938 born ) . . . **JA7KY.** I enjoyed this contest and look forward to the CW contest ... JA7LLL. I enjoyed the contest. FT-857DM 283 . . . **JE1CWQ.** I enjoyed the contest . . . JE1GZB. I QRV on 80 single band low power. The condition was not good as last year. The conditions between the U.S.A. and JA was not good as last year . . . JE1SPY. Is participating for first time, mobile station, mobile whip antennas (HV5S) . . . JF1NNK. I enjoyed the contest with small loop ant . . . JF1VNR. Enjoyed good open on 10M . . . **JG1AVO.** Oops, computer crashed just before contest. All logged by hand, great fun! . . . JG10WV. Just part-time participation. But I had a lot of fun. Thanks to all . . . JG5DHX. I enjoyed the contest . . . JG8TDZ. I enjoyed the contest with lots of older hams . . . JH1OAL All logs except 15M are only for Check-log. I enjoyed the contest with the FB DXers & FB condition. MNI TNX!! . . . JH10ES. Experimental operation to figure out how many multipliers can be obtained by S&P only operation from my QTH . . . JH3PRR. Great Contest ... JH4UYB. Very nice contest! 100W ... JH6FTJ. See you again! . . . JH7LRS. CU AGN next test! . . . JH8CXW. I enjoyed 10m band ... JI1LET. I enjoyed the contest ... JI1UCL. I enjoyed the contest on 10m . . . JJ1KZZ. I enjoyed very well. Many Thanks . . . JJ5HUD. I enjoyed the contest. Operator's License: Japanese 2nd class . . . JK8JNH. This is 2nd try for CQ WW SSB. I was QRP last year, but 50W this year... JL6LTB. I enjoyed very much this contest. Thank you . . . JN4VWH.

Thanks. I enjoyed the contest . . . JRØBUL. Thank you. FB DX! 100W . . . JRØJOW. The condx were good. I have enjoyed so much . . . JR1BTG. The condition wasn't so good. I enjoyed having QSOs. The maximum output power in the contest was five watts . . . JR1NKN. Portable: Hachioji City, Tokyo 50W . . . **JR1USU.** I participated at MobileCarShack from Iwakura-city Aichi-pref. Output power is 50 watts . . . **JR2AAN.** I enjoyed the contest by QRP . . . JR2EKD. I enjoyed the contest with handmade delta loop. Thank you :-) . . . JR6HMJ. Thanks for perfect competitions. 73! from Mongolia . . . JT1E. For a new challenge, members of the Sandwich Islands Shortwave Club, KH6TE. chose to enter the Xtreme catorgy as a Multi-Multi operation using the callsign KH6MB. Three sites were used with two remote sites on Oahu linked via Internet. Reliability of the remote sites was excellent with no faults encountered. A tsunami warning and mandatory evacuation on Saturday evening forced us to quickly abandon our central operating position for 5.5 hours. At 1:28 AM we were back on the air at our original location to finish the contest . . . KH6MB. Any antenna is better than no antenna, but the tsunami evacuation didn't help . . . KH6OA. Thanks . . . KH6QJ. Had a great time on 10m in particular. Only thing that could have been better was condx to Europe on higher bands . . . KH7CW. Extremely limited time available, so I opted for a single-band entry on 15. The conditions were remarkably good at times and difficult at others. Saturday morning European signals, normally due north, were skewed east, and oddly enough some of the Caribbean stations were stronger on the north antenna! Weird, and the surprises made sure I never got complacent . . . KL2R. Excellent contest best score yet for us . . . KL7AIR. Excellent and good propagation . . . KP4RV. Condx good all bands but high noise level on low bands 10m big surprise, wide open for first time this year. We enjoyed contest, mni nice DX stns to work! Hope to be back next year! . . . LA2AB. Just fooling around to see if any interesting callsigns show up. . . LA6CF. Operated from new QTH, close to the sea. Great! . . . LA7H. Very good conditions except for the last 6 hours. Good for QRP . . . LA9BM. Operated from Trondheim in mid Norway, remote via Internet, TS-480 and a R-7000 antenna 70 km away. Operated only on 10 meter band . . . LA9GY. Superb conditions! Got some new DXCC, but with 3 youngsters around operating is casual to say the least. Great event and exciting to hear the whole world in a weekend . . . LB4CD. Excellent participation; very variable conditions during all the contest on 15 m. 73 to all . . . LU1FL. Computer crashed, data lost, spent all night recovering, thank God, successfully . . . LU1IBL. South also exists . . . LU3HFA. In memory to Dear Frank LU1VK, big QRP contester, SK yesterday 27-10-2012 . . . LV5V. Thanks Albertas LY5R again for letting me use his shack and improved antennas field again. Despite better antennas and propagation my score is down from the last year. Perhaps it's because an operator getting older? . . . LY9A. Thanks to several stations for your patience with a QRP station . . . MØJBA. SOAB LP again. Only 30 hours this year as the contest clashed with my daughter's birthday! . . . MØMCV. First CQ WW SSB Contest . . . M1BCM. Had radio trouble (and family QRM) so was only able to operate for a limited period . . . M1DST. Great fun with the 10M offering very good conditions. Just like the good old days! . . . M2H. The annual Cambridge University Wireless Society entry in CQWW DX SSB is our biggest event of the year. We use it as an opportunity to show contesting to our latest recruits, many of whom are current students, whilst also inviting some recent graduates and supporters back to help us achieve a respectable score. This year was a very odd contest for us. Saturday saw fantastic conditions, and at one point we were 600k points up

on our score from the same time last year. On Sunday, however, we found the bands much more flat, which meant that we lost a lot of ground, eventually finishing 1.6M points lower than last year's claimed score. Antennas were much the same as in previous years, but we used K3s instead of the FT-1000MPs we have used in the past. This was a great success, and the diversity feature was especially appreciated on the lower bands. Despite not managing to beat the English M2 record that we set last year, all seventeen operators had a great time during the weekend. Thanks for the QSOs . . . M4A. Nice openings on both days. Sure I can do much better when I get the antenna higher. Looking forward now to CQ WW WPX! Thanks to all for the QSOs. 73 de John, G4ATA . . . M4D. First timer in HF CQ WW DX Contest. TNX for points. 73 all . . . M60XO. Good condx . . . MMØBIM. Great fun. Dipped in and out due to commitments . ... MMØGPZ. Just to take part, from Shetland ... MMØXAU. First time trying . . . MM1EJK. Great conditions. Didn't realise 10m could be so tiring! . . . MW2I. 10m was a real workhorse! My highest number of QSOs ever. Last day was like my callsign was code for tune up on my frequency! . . . NH6AB. Enjoyed working in the contest . . . NL7V. Best condx in any contest since I started operating out of Peru in 2008! . . . OA6Q. My best contest from Austria ever. Great station, super preparation from my hosts (Ivan, OE3DIA and his "helper" Wolfgang, OE3WLB) and excellent to good condx brought me a wonderful CQWW weekend . . . OE3K. First time on 160 m single band /single OP, very interesting and surprising! Never heard so many stations and countries on 160m before! . . . OE3WMW. The shorter deadline is very much appreciated! . . . OE4A. Nice condx. Great participation. Lots of fun. Happy operators. See you 2013 . . . OE5T. Very good conditions, TNX for points, 73 . . . OE6HLF. Managed to get a bit more Q's and points from 2011. It was fun. Thanks for nice contest . . . OG3P. As I had been flu-ridden for a couple of weeks and therefore could not prepare for this contest the way I wanted. I knew that this was not going to be a full bore effort. Just before the contest I managed to repair one of my power divider boxes so that I was able to use my fixed 20m JA beam for the second direction. I was just running with one radio because I just had not enough time to prepare my SO2R setup. This really hurt the multiplier and the QSO count. There seems to be a long list of things to be finished before the CW leg. The propagation was decent but not great declining as the contest progressed. There were nice signals on 10m but the openings were shorter than last year due to the lowish solar flux. We did not have the local evening openings into USA that we often enjoy on 20m and 15m. The propagation on the higher bands took a dive after sunset. This also shows in the number of multipliers. Many multipliers were heard but could not be worked due to the propagation. The lower bands were not very good even when compared to 2011 which was not so spectacular either. On Sunday evening 40m was almost closed to Europe. Last year I was suffering from an inflamed shoulder and that cut down my operating hours. This time I was able to work 400 more QSOs but I was 75 multipliers shy of the last year's result. Nevertheless I managed to break my 2011 score . . . OG6N. Great fun, but good high band conditions ended with nightfall . . . OHØX. Nice contest, FB conditions to US and JA! ... OH1F. Operated remote station . . . OH1O. Tnx for the nice contest. It was fun to participate, even if not with full effort. Sure there were again a lot of good DX stations available . . . OH2KW. Testing the new multistation team for the CW contest:) . . . OH3GGQ. I used XQSO function to five QSO's in the log which didn't meet the M/S rules. OZ7X QSO didn't meet the 10 minute rule and RL3A, KL7RA, P33W and EI7M QSO's weren't multipliers and yet worked on

the multiplier station. 73, Juha OH6XX . . . OH5SM. I was quite amazed what a dipole for 80m, an AP8A vertical and 100w of power can do. 100 % S&P mode and DX hunting in this year's contest . . . OH6GDX. Very good conditions. SRI, I must go on Sunday to my weekend house for necessary work. Thank you for nice contest . . . OK1AIJ. Vy bad wire ant with 100W to SSB is very small pistol, Hi. BUT I'm glad than I could least do "the bushes" . . . **OK1DKO.** Good contest, DX propagation good, thank all for points, GL . . . OK1IE. After a long time vy had a good condx . . . OK1TN. My second QTH with ham shack is without PC, without I-net. only pencil and paper. Your new short deadline is not acceptable for me!! . . . OK2EC. Good contest with many stations. See you again, friends . . . OK2SWD. FB contest with FT/817 + vertical aerial . . . **OK4AS.** Good contest. See you again friends. TCVR: 70 W, ANT: LW 40m ... OK5SWL. Thanks for the nice contest . . . OM6AS. My first great contest! Vy fine and a lot of fun! . . . ON3JEF. Only S&P . . . ON4JM. First participation to famous WWDXC of our club station. Looking for a good position in the final classification despite very poor propagation during the contest . . . ON4RFA. Have had a very nice weekend, with the good propagation on 10 meters as back in the good old days! ... ON4TO. See you next year! ... ON4VP. Only 1h QRV . . . ON6CQ. Nice 10m propagation. 20M antenna broke on first day! . . . **0040.** Great idea by reducing deadline with 200%; hopefully this will bring us the results 200% earlier ;-) . . . OZ6OM. Testing my new Elecraft KX3. A really nice rig . . . OZ7BQ. Great condx on 10m! Band open world-wide . . . **P3J.** Cannot do much in SSB. Activity good but condx were for SSB not good enough to work very much . . . PAØFAW. Set out to beat the previous record for this band which was quite low and think I succeeded even if several double multi's escaped and only 31 zones were worked . . . PAØMIR. Worked with KX3 barefoot 5 W into short G5RV antenna . . . PAØWYS. Few days before contest amplifier broke down, so just barefoot . . . PA1NHZ. Good conditions on higher bands. Although SSB is not my favourite mode, I liked the contest very much! SD logging worked FB! . . . PA2CHM. Vy gd condx! . . . PA3ACA. Operator's restricted Netherlands Novice class amateur and QRP Station Rig: Yaesu FT-817ND PWR: 5W, Ant: MFJ-1778M. Thanks for a nice contest! . . . PDØPMS. I participated just on Sunday, Yaesu FT-950, MFJ-993 tuner for half G5RV (20m & 40m), HyEndFed for 10m, 25 watt power . . . PD3EM. Thanks for the great contest! I will be back next year when I'm more experienced. I'm a brand new radio amateur and this was my first CQ WW DX Contest! . . . PD7MDJ. Nice conditions on 10m! . . . PD9FER. Rig Kenwood TS930SAT; antenna homemade horizontal multiband dipole 17M long. Due to some trouble with the power output of the TS930 not an optimal result . . . **PG1R.** Great weekend! . . . **PG2AA.** 10 was great this time, lots of new DXCC for me. The low bands we're not as good for me, also due to my low band antenna possibilities. TNX to my neighbors for allowing me to put up a 80 mtr. dipole for the weekend. See you in the next contest. 73 . . . PHØAS. Just for the fun, mostly S&P to handout some QSO's . . . PI4CC. First time SO2R SSB ever. That's something I really need to practice. :-) It was a lot of fun again, and I would like to thank everyone who made this contest possible! From the organizers to the op. who made maybe 5 QSO's. And a very very special "Thank You!" to Paul PD2PKM for helping me set up and break down the station, and for keeping me company the entire contest and providing me with lots and lots of coffee! Also special thanks to Marcus PA2DB from Ham Shop for supplying the MK2R+!!!!!! Till next year! ... PI4CG. My first experience as SOAB after years and first CQWW with my new call sign. Fantastic propagation! But I'm not satisfied

with my result on 10m . . . R3BM. TNX for the nice contest! CU next year . . . R3LC. Tnx for contest! . . . R3NA. TNX 73! . . **R3RDC.** TNX 73! . . . **R3RK.** TNX fer contest! 73! . . . **R3ZV.** I suggest to create a new category - SOAB 24 Hours (contest time restriction) . . . RAØFF. Pls note, I'm in FJL. No one CQ in the contest . . . RI1FJ. Good Contest . . . RK4HYT. Last but not least, big thanks to Eugene, OH5DA/RK3AD for technical support . . . **RL3A.** My best 73! de: Igor . . . **RN2FQ.** Thanks for the QSOs in the contest! See you all in CW next month . . . RN3F. Thank you for the contest . . . RN4ACX. Thank you for the contest! . . . RU3FN. Good contest! See you in the next year! . . . RV3LO. Thank you for the contest . . . RW3SZ. Many thanks, 73! . . . RZ3DOT. It was very difficult to be with low power in so good conditions where there was no place to call CQ, so almost all QSOs were S/P. First snow this year came in first day of contest and brought a lot of static and consequently power outage and the close of the operation after 25 hours . . . **\$50A.** Part time effort, electricity cut, snow storms and many other problems :-) . . . S5ØG. After a lot of technical problems at the beginning, heavy rain on Saturday, a snow storm woke me up on Sunday, a lot of QRN and worse than previous day. But still I had a fun on 15m only. More fun would be all bands. Next time . . . \$50R. A fun experience to participate at this contest from the Seychelles with my S79LC call (since 2011). This is the fifth time that I spend my holidays to the Seychelles with my radio, but it is the first that I participate at CQWW contest like a competitor, Luca... **S79LC.** Holiday style operation, we operate in 10m the conditions are nice, other band many QRM and low condition for EU and USA ... S79UN. ONL741 as backup and moral support ... SI9AM. First time, liked it :-) . . . SMØO. 10 meters was really as in the good old days! Wish I had more power . . . SM6FJY. Incredible propagation and impressive activity of stations. Late night opening into Europe generated extra multipliers . . . SN5R. Couldn't operate full time due to family matters. However the propagation helped to work KL7 and VK4 & QRP power. 21 MHz was not attended as it was on 10 meters. Many zones were not represented. Thank you all for picking up my signals . . . SP5DDJ. Amazing conditions. It was possible to work WAC on 10 m within several hours, all with 100w and vertical only, like in old, good times . . . SP5ES. This is my first CQ WW Contest . . . SP8MRD. Station located in Grzmiaca Brzezinski/Lodzkie/Poland loc. JO91UT. Snowfall caused mains failure for many hours. Spiderbeam detuned tribander A3S . . . SQ7DQX. Pretty nice condx on 10m, good for my antennas (mostly G5RV). My impression: less problems with pile ups and splattering than 2010. A great pleasure, taking part (non-assisted) the second time! Vy 73 under my olive trees Juergen . . . SV8/DK3SJ. Wow, got to love propagation on 10m! . . . T6MO. What great fun. I just got my mast up, with 3 sets of cross dipoles for 10m, 15m and 20m each set 1/2 wavelength up. It worked well and gave me all directions with a flip of a switch. On the downside I had no 40m nor 80m. I got most that I heard and had also a good run from time to time. Conditions were great. Distance champions include A65BB (UAE), KH6LC, KL7RA, A73A (Quatar) and JA7YRR. Thanks for organizing this great event . . . TF3AM. Fun checklog on other bands . . . TF3SG. CQWW SSB 2012 was a fun and fantastic weekend in many ways. Our goal was set to break the Zone 40 record, and our claimed score is more than twice the record currently held by JW5E. When arriving we got reports of recent aurora, but the weekend turned out to provide fantastic propagation on higher bands with endless high rate runs on 10 meters. The demand for TF on 10m definitely help keeping the rates high. Thanks to IRA, Icelandic Radio Amateurs, for letting us use the TF3IRA club station, and to the local TF hams who

supported us with material and good friendship . . . TF3W. We are glad to be able to enjoy another contest gathering of our group of Costa Rican and US ops for the 2012 CQWW Phone contest. While conditions were much improved, we still hope for even better in the March ARRL contest. October is the rainy season in Costa Rica and this year was no exception, which always makes CQWW a challenge, but it's always good to get our group together to operate. We are glad to best our score from last year by about 800 Q's, but our mult count was down a bit. Thanks for the Q's and we hope to see all in March. Bob - W4BW . . . TI8M. GL and 73! ... UA1ZLN. Tnx for nice contest ... UA3YAA. TNX FB TEST! . . . **UA4HBM.** Tnx for TEST 73! . . . **UA4HEZ.** Thank for you contest! . . . UA6HHE. Many old friends in my log! Great fun! . . . UA9MA. MNI TNX & 73! . . . UB3DCO. Trainer School club station - Vladimir Chaplygin /UD3D/ . . . UD3D. FT-950, 3 el. Yagi. Best wishes from Kazakhstan! . . . UN2E. TKS for Contest . . . UR5EFL. TNX for Contest! . . . US1IV. Good Contest! 73! . . . US5ISV. Good contest . . . UX4E. I had a great time in the pile-ups! It is always fun to be the DX! . . . **V31MW.** 15m was great! . . . V47JA. Quite tiring, but very fun! . . . VA3NW. My first entrance to this great contest, loved it . . . VA3PAW. Awesome conditions, my best ever performance. Everyone on the band was friendly and patient . . . VA3RNJ. Great time, 10-15-20 in great shape!! . . . VA3WU. Operating mobile on battery power from Prevost motor coach; antenna - opposing ham sticks 15 feet above coach escape hatch. VE3 Hamilton area, heavy rain ... VA3ZAK. Great conditions. Loved every minute of the contest . . . VA6UK. Had to take a break from the contest to log into the BC Emergency net after the 7.7 Mag earthquake in Haida Gwaii . . . VA7HZ. Conditions could have been better on 80 and 160 but overall it was a great event. I am happy to say there is still room for improvement. I learned some things which should help the score next year, only 365 days to go. :) Member of Team Orca . . . VC3X. Running 100W from output of transceiver. Interesting contest. I originally contemplated a QRP effort, but that quickly changed to low power. My score was not better than last year, but I reached 1m points/1000 Q's in 18.5 hrs, vs a 26 hour operation last year. My Q rate went up from 49 to 56 Q per hour on average and my operation was 99% S&P. I am very happy with that since I improved my operating techniques. Running an FT-1000MkV, triband Yagi @ 15m and wires for 80/40m and an INV-L for 160. Using a pennant antenna for recieve, even on 15m; it was really needed. The low band condx were not as good last year, lots of noise. However, the KH2/AHØ stations were plentiful, which was great! Had lots of fun as usual. Thanks to all participants and the contest committee, Tony VE1ZA... VE1ZA. Band conditions were good and local weather cooperated in Zone 2. It's rare to have both of these in alignment from our northern location. This year our Multi-Two station performance was significantly improved as we added a second beam on 10 through 20 to our antenna setup, used two Elecraft KPA500 amps and the new KAT500 tuner. This greatly increased our band agility on both stations. We had good runs on all of the bands, especially 10 meters. Due to pending Hurricane Sandy and possible RACES responsibility, we decided to return home early for family considerations and only operated 36 hours. After two days of driving, we made it home just in time before roads and bridges were starting to be closed . . . **VE2DXY.** Thank you for this great contest . . . VE2EZD. 10m was great! I lost three hours of good running time to resolve an RFI complaint from a neighbour . . . **VE3AAQ.** I was planning a solid SOAB LP effort with my new callsign. I ended up with a leisurely SOSB on what beforehand I considered my weakest band: 80 m (not counting 160 where I have no antenna at all). Contest started with things falling apart for upper bands, resulting in the operator peeved and gravelled beyond the point of "having fun." I could keep adding to aggravation or regroup for the second night and do 80 with no receiving antennas, "radially challenged" vertical and low power - all no good on lower bands. C'est la vie, c'est la guerre. After I reminded myself that I am not a "serious contester" and recalled my uncle's saying (he had one for everything): "if you don't have what you like, like what you have," I managed to get back into the "fun mode" and enjoy the contest. Thanks to everybody who made it into my log. To those who didn't, try harder next year:) . . . VE3BR. Band conditions were great. We tried multi-multi this year and had a lot of fun with all the operators changing around radios and positions. We definitely had a lot of fun working all the DX stations. Thanks to all that worked us. 73 Rick VE3BK . . . VE3DC. Looking forward hopefully to a fifth straight win using my (TABA) Mobile Screwdriver Antenna design used on the Top Band in this year's CQ WW Contest. TABA - Tunable All Bands Antenna . . . VE3EDY. CW contests are more fun! . . . VE3GFN. It was great to see 10m solid with signals from one end of the band to the other. That should inspire a whole new generation of DXers and provide them with memories for years to come of just how good 10m can be . . . **VE3IQ.** First entry in a contest . . . VE3JEH. Had several ops ask to be spotted . . . VE3KKQ. Great contest, great weekend, worked everyone I heard. No complaints from the neighbors . . . VE3RRH. Learning as we go . . . VE4DRK. This was my first try at the big contests. I made some mistakes. XE2S and PE3PG were contacted but are not in my log. I can only think I hit the delete key instead of the enter key. I enjoyed the test and may try again. Nice to see 10 open . . . VE5BCS. Would have done better but my Yagi was on the ground leaning up against a shed. The tower and beam will be up next week. See you in the CW contest . . . VE5KS. Forgot to check the computer clocks and ended up over a minute fast so last four QSOs are into next day ... **VE5PV.** A wide open 10m on Day 1 made this contest truly memorable. Let's hope Cycle 24 has an even better one in the wings for 2013!... VE6ZC. I enjoyed my first contest... VE7EPP. Was fun! . . . **VE7GL.** 300 watts from the project . . . **VE7JR.** We had a lot of fun operating this contest. Again a few new hams got their first opportunity to work DX . . . VE7NA. It was nice to have 10 meters open for more than a couple of hours this year ... VE7WWW. Just Bill Gipps operating by himself as time permitted. Band conditions were awesome . . . VE7XS. The bands were wide open! Good to make the contacts that I did and glad to help all others out with Zone #1! See you next year!! 73 . . . VE8GER. Max output 100 watts . . . VE9OA. Thanks for the contest CQ! 73's Martin . . . VE9PLS. Enjoyed the contest in short spells . . . VK2BJ. Lost the plot at the end; probably logged on wrong band ;- . . . VK2CZ. Great contest and great conditions on 10 & 15m will be on for more time next year . . . VK2LEE. Shame Australia is so far from the centre of all the activities . . . **VK2TTP.** Great contest. I have never seen so many signals on 15m all at once . . . **VK2XE.** Good fun even with the relatively small number of QSO's. I could hear more stations than they could hear me. May be next year I'll get that 1KW PA.;-) . . . VK3AFB. Thanks for the contest, my first CQ WW SSB Contest. I'll be better prepared next year . . . **VK3MEG.** Great contest and will be in it again next year. Not many impatient operators who didn't allow for low-powered amateurs . . . VK3NRW. Lots of fun as always. Icom 718 100w, ground mounted short wire vertical. Fed with ladder line to homebrew ATU on 20/15/10 meters Conditions down this year, 15 meters was the best band for me. Plenty of stations to work and some that got away, all the things that keep me coming back each year. Thanks to all for the FUN! ... VK4BL. Thanks to all participants for the QSOs. Great conditions on 40, 20, 15, and 10m, A local storm destroyed 80m antennas, 80m vertical; 40m 3-el Yagi, 20-15-10 Yagi, 20-15 dipole, 10m 6 el Yagi, SO2R FT1000MP . . . VK4CT. My 2nd CQWW all vertical antennas only 400w. Great fun . . . VK4GMH. Great to hear so many hams on the bands during this contest. Thanks to all contacts 73 . . . **VK4MON.** Enjoyed the contest very much . . . VK6FT. Great contest! First time I have entered after getting my license a couple of years ago. 100w into 3-ele Yagi (TH3 Jnr) and ICOM IC7000. Only did part time, but had a ball ... VK6MAB. Lots of signals on 10. Missed out on 160m. Maybe next year . . . VK6NC. Great to see 10m open on the first day, an unusual phenomenon here in Tasmania of late. Overall not bad conditions except for the downturn from early Sunday morning onwards. Look forward to next year . . . VK7ZX. This was a new personal best for me as well as a new claimed VP9 record . . . VP9I. Hope the multipliers helped and thanks for the fun! 73 de VP9NNL... VP9NNL. Wow, fantastic contest. My 1st attempt. Thanks 73 . . . VU2EXP. It's always nice to participate in major contests like yours! . . . **VU2JOS.** Not much time to operate this year, about 5 hours. Just went around trying to work DX on 10mM. Hope to see you all for CW. Worked VE2IM Zone 2 on 15m and a huge signal from XQ1KZ on 10m . . . VU2PTT. Enjoyed another QRP work. Lots of screaming and little success. 5W frpom TS-140-S, tp a Diamond vertical . . . VU2UR. I am happy to take part in your contest. Not many YLs heard . . . VU3LMS. I am 14 years old and got my licence in December 2011. It was very nice to participate in CQ WW contest for the very first time ... **VU3TMO.** Daytime condx were fabulous, nighttime condx were rather disappointing. The first night I had a forced off time, no signals from 0341z until 1745z. Much the same the second night. However, I managed to catch an EU opening on Sunday morning to save the day. I hope all had fun and many tnx to all who called! 73 . . . WL7E. Great conditions on 10 meters and on Sunday it felt like Field Day! . . . WP3GW. By night not so much propagation. But in the daylight it was a zoo, very difficult to be heard. I enjoyed the little time in contest . . . XE1AY. Great contest as usual. I was unable to break my own record but next year I'll do it! Thanks all for calling me and thanks to my family! . . . **XE1EE.** Great Contest! Lot of Fun . . . **XE1RCS.** Nice contest and nice openings from Europe and Pacific, but only I was transmitting a few hours. I hope next time I will be trying all time of contest. Thanks to all, best 73's . . . XE3N. It was great to work the CQWWDX Contest again, after 20 years! Last time it was from CE6OS Radio Club Osorno . . . XQ6BQ. Great experience. All was an experiment, location, country/licence, antennas, and rtx. All was arranged for the first time for the contest. The only tech problem was to configure the DVK, so finally I just use my loud and sometime raspy voice. Finally have a good score, but not the expected result. I missed a lot of QSOs with EU especially on Saturday, but a mix of bad propagation and classic "EU wall of QRM" made operations very difficult. Sunday morning I also found a mistake in the antenna direction! The "hand-man rotator" made a mistake and the antenna was not pointing exactly to EU. NA path was really unexpected, low signals but all workable because no QRM. Thanks to Spiderbeam, ZeroFive antennas, David VR2YDC for the support. See you in next contest . . . **XX9TYT.** Assisted selected to allow use of DX Summit (which was not much help). More stns seemed to be enunciating their callsigns clearly - a good trend. Enjoyable contest. Tnx! . . . YB1AQD. Tnx for all station, hpe cu agn soon, 73 . . . YB3IZK. TNX for nice contest QSOs. 73 GL! . . . YL1S. First 19 QSO's made with 5 Watts! It works! Ant - Inv Vee for 80/40 m bands only. Looks that to make SSB contacts

not so easy as on CW. 73! . . . YL3AD. Tnx for nice contest . . . **YO2LIM.** Wonderful contest, very nice propagation,73! . . . **YO2MHJ.** Thanks for call and reply to my call. 73 . . . **YO3JW.** 73! Best DX ... YO4AUP. 73s! To meet again 2013! ... YO4BXX. Tnx nice contest vy73 . . . YO4GVC. Nice contest, 73! . . . YO4RST. 73s for all! . . . YO4SI. Great contest, but too difficult at my 76 age (12 dupes!). All the best for all competitors & organisers. See you next year!... YO4US. TNX FER nice test! Seeyou in 2013! 73! . . . YO5KTK. Many stations, tnx to all, 73 gl de Zoli ... YO50HY. TRX: TS 440S, ant: magnetic MFJ, since 1955, age 83 . . . YO6EZ. My first personal contest with my new Yaesu FT-897D and dipole antenna . . . YT1JB. Real noise conditions because a heavy storm around this limited the operation time, anyway great fun . . . YV6BXN. Two power blackouts, quite sad to lose so much time with prop . . . YW4D. On 20 and below we had lots of difficulties. Local noise, rain noise and propagation made our life very tough. We hope that during the CW portion of the contest all conditions will be much better . . . **Z38N.** Mainly a chance to test antennas and hand out points this year . . . **ZL1YE.** Operating from our sheep shearing shed QTH high above Christchurch. Condx at times were fantastic, but only operating on 3 bands was limiting especially for the operators on the graveyard shift. Next time we will be QRV on 5 bands. Second outing for the Quake Contesters and we had a ball . . . ZL3X.

## **USA QRM**

100 watts and a wire. Lots of fun . . . AA2DS. Best 15 meter day I can remember! Several new DXCC contacts! . . . AA4D. Conditions were pretty good but last year was better . . . AA6K. Wish I had more time on. Great conditions on 15 and 10 till well after sunset. 20 was a little disappointing . . . AB1QP. My personal best! ... ACØB. From K8AQM QTH, Adrian, MI. 10 meters wide open! . . . AC8JF. Band conditions are improving. Hope to be back next year . . . AD7UP. First time keeping score in the CQ WW. Hunted for multipliers on 15M and 10M . . . AF9W. Although I didn't plan on participating in the contest, I did have a few minutes and turned on the radio and worked a few just for fun. This was the first time I've worked CQWW DX, but it definitely won't be the last . . . AGØT. Great propagation, great contest, and 16 new entities for DXCC! . . . AG6AN. Wonderful ops the world over, along with some amazing conditions especially on 10m, made for a memorable WW SSB! It was a true privilege to be part of this contest. Thank you to all who responded to our calls. See you in 2013! . . . KØGEO. Four part timers working together to keep one station on the air for the contest. Band conditions were good but did not seem as good as 2011. I noticed more politeness on the bands with many stations thanking the other stations and wishing them good luck. The new C49XR Stack played very well. The new Magnum 240N played very well. The lack of a working 4-square hurt low band performance, 160 conditions were not that great. I could not work all the DX I heard . . . KØMD. Fun contest and great high band conditions! . . . **KØPK.** This is my first contest in about 10 years. I have spent the last 6 months upgrading my station and fixing and replacing antennas. I still have a lot of work to do. I started this contest to "catch up" on some DXing and learn N1MM logger. The more I got into it the more I wanted to do. I did all S&P, searching for zones and countries. It was fun, especially 10 meters. 160 was poor, likely due to the higher solar flux. I did manage to work a few stations. I'm looking forward to CQWW CW . . . K1GG. Too many stations going for excessive periods before giving their calls therefore wasting everyone's time, except of course their own . . . K1LU. Got to love 10 meters! . . . K1TW. First CQWW

SSB, very casual operation . . . K2ACK. My time on air was shortened due to the arrival of hurricane Sandy. Still had fun tho. thanks much Sandy! . . . **K2BBQ.** Lots of power line noise. Just looking for a few DX contacts. First 160 since July . . . K2EUH. Had to QRT early due to approaching storm! Do Zone 5 participants get a special Hurricane Multiplier? . . . **K2MFY.** I haven't done the CQWW in several years, and I'm glad I picked this year to come back as the conditions on 10, 15, and 20 were very good both afternoons. Saturday afternoon 10 and 15 opened to the Pacific with lots of JAs and Bs plus many others. Sunday afternoon was also pretty good. I was in the chair for about 35 hours and was rewarded with a personal best . . . **K3BZ.** Great condx, Great fun! . . . K3CWF. Great fun on 15m and 10m. Will be back next time with a mini beam for 15m or 10m. 73 . . . K3DY. Thank you CQ for sponsoring this contest . . . K3EQ. Only a few hours to play, but it was fun, especially 10 meters!... K3FIV. 10M was in decent shape. Had a good time working only 10 . . . K3FS. High band condx were nice! . . . K3NK. Great propagation . . . **K3SI.** It was nice to be back on the air again for the contest:) ... . K3STL. First time. Great fun! . . . K3SU. "Band conditions were great for QRP. The highlight was working VK6NC on 20m long [ath with my 5 watts and a dipole antenna! . . . K3TW. Excellent conditions for contest. Thanks to all . . . K4KAY. All the bands were great at my QTH. I enjoyed the contest . . . K4REB. It was a stormy contest here on the NC coast this weekend ... K4UWH. Only able to operate on Sunday but the conditions were great lots of fun . . . K5HEM. First timer, it was fun. Thanks . . . K5HTB. It's been a long, long time since I have heard such strong signals on 10 and 15. The MP S-meter just doesn't normally go that high! Obviously conditions were great, but with good conditions come LOTS of competition! That is a good thing but it does tend to trample on us little pistols. But that is my problem! My score is down considerably from last year, but not near as many hours in front of the radio. I have a serious problem that must be fixed this week. Every time I tried to operate on 80 or 40 the MM program would go crazy and I had to restart the computer to get back in play. Most likely RF causing the problems. SS is coming next weekend and everybody knows that there ain't no meters like 40 meters for that. Hope conditions are this good for the rest of the fall and winter contests. 73 . . . K5IID. Great conditions/contest! . . . **K5KDX.** 10m for the win! . . . **K5KVN.** 10 meters was the best I remember since working this contest . . . K5LAD. Enjoyed the contest! . . . K5OMC. Thanks to UPS delivery error, I had no rotator on my only Yagi, a C3E at 110 ft, pointed north. Computer kept locking up the second morning, but mysteriously worked fine after 8 hours down time. That really hurt 10 meters total because I'd already missed the first morning sleeping until 1800Z . . . K5RX. Great conditions! Spent half my time on 10 meters . . . K6ATZ. Ran barefoot 100 watts. What an amazing day waking up to see DX plastered across 10 meters all the way up to 29 MHz! . . . K6JEB. Part-time effort. The only antenna I had up is a 15m Moxon pointed to my northeast, so I worked mostly Zone 14, 15, and 16. Also used the Moxon as a non-resonant dipole on 10m at low efficiency. Kenwood TS-590, 100 watts. I could tell conditions were going to be good on the high bands because on Friday night at 0100 UT I worked three stations in Finland (OH) — my sunset gray line to their local midnight. The next day shortly after my sunrise 15 meters and 10 meters were both open to Europe. The limiting factor for me, as a small station in California, was not propagation, it was competing with so many other stations trying to answer the runners calling CQ. Calling over and over really slowed down my rate. On Sunday the propagation seemed to be one-way, I could hear a lot more stations than could hear me. They were also asking

for a lot of repeats from other W's and K's, so it wasn't just me. Glad I spent some time on this contest. We all need to enjoy sunspots while we have them! . . . K60K. CQ WW DX is without a doubt the best contest in the world, period! . . . K6TUJ. Well, ole ten meters was a hit again. Low bands just not interesting to me so slept both nights. Great time again, thanks to all for QSO's . . . K7ABV. Gotta get a better antenna but it was sure nice to see 10M open . . . **K7DD.** Had to be away all day Saturday, so tried for "40 in 40." Didn't quite make it . . . **K7JA.** Due to conditions I was just trying for DX that I either had not touched, need for LoTW, or just felt like trying to contact. FT897D at 100 W, 40 meter E/W facing dipole up 25 feet feed by a MFJ 927 and 300 Ohm twinlead. Had S9/S9+10 QRM on 15 and 10 M and S5/S8 QRM on 20 M for 98% of the time, 40 M was solid noise. Always interesting how many S9+30 stations cannot hear 100 W. Thanks to those stations who took the time to pull my poor station out of the swarm and my apologies to those who refused to give a second chance/DUP when conditions prevented a firm acknowledgement the first time. Hope to see you all next year, barring real life issues . . . K7RFW. 10 meters was great fun . . . K8BTT. Wow! Thanks! A great time! . . . K8GL. Thanks, was able to reach 1937 country goal for 2012 ARRL DXCC award, finally . . . K9IDQ. After repairing an "ugly" TR-4C on the bench, I had to try it on the air, while still on the bench and upside down! ... K9JU. First time contesting. Had lots of fun ... K9JYX. It was great to hear 10M sigs again! . . . K9MK. Fun . . . K9MY. Glad to see 10 and 15 open and active. See you next year! . . . **KA1DBE.** Want to thank my mentor time for time in the chair this weekend. I had a lot of ham radio fun in my first ever CQ World Wide DX SSB event and it was a big hoot. Good to hear 10m opening into Europe and 15m was lots of fun as well. Thanks for a great weekend! 73 . . . KA3DRR. Planned on being "All Band" until I hit the great opening on 10 meters. What a great time! . . . **KA40TB.** First contest ever worked. Biggest thrill - chasing weak stations on 15m on Saturday night. Learned a lot . . . **KB1TY.** Thanks! ... **KB3YSM.** Great propagation. Fantastic DX ... **KB5EZ.** Great band openings. First time using an amp, 500W ... KB8KE. Had a great time on 10 meters! ... KB8UUZ. First CQWW ever! It was awesome! . . . KB8ZGL. Tnx everyone for a wonderful time es c ya nxt yr . . . KB9YGD. Great activity on 10m! Open early and staying open late, what a party! Why go anywhere else? I had a blast, and hope this will be the trend for a while. Fingers crossed . . . KCØDEB. Nice to have 10M open for this contest. Managed to fill several need ones for the Diamond DXCC . . . KC7QY. Slow start but still fun. 10 meters was GREAT! . . . KC8HQS. Saturday cndx were great, Sunday started slow but got better . . . **KC8IMB.** First contest - thanks! . .. KC9UHH. I'm a small station, 100 watts max, a 10/15/20 dipole in the attic of a deed-restricted home, and a single part-time operator. I think of my participation in CQWW as driving a Yugo in the Indy 500. Nevertheless, my results far exceeded my expectations. I made 75% more contacts than 2011, more than doubled last year's score, and worked some new countries and new zones. Worked JA on 10m - twice! Worked 12 zones on all three of my bands, compared to just five last year. Heard zones 27, 38 and 40, but couldn't break the pileup. Having an unpredictable schedule this weekend, I ran search/pounce exclusively. I wasn't sure I would have had the signal to properly command a frequency of my own, anyway. Still, I had fun chasing the mults. Ready for the next one! . . . **KD4ACG.** Thanks for the DX contacts! . . . **KD6PQF.** Must have to do more contesting. Every year when I do this I have to retrain myself on it. Good time though. Thanks . . . **KD8CWP.** First contest. Had a lot of fun but is more work than anticipated. Logged all contacts by hand . . . **KD8ONC.** 

First contest ever, 11 years old . . . KD8TBS. WOW! Wall to wall JA's and EU and some zones I didn't even know were there! I believe the high bands stole some of the thunder from the low bands but that's ok. It was great! I wish ol' Sol would act right and keep this going! My best moment was my first zone 27 followed by even more of them! 73 . . . **KD9MS.** Trying out the new 2-el SteppIR . . . **KE1V.** My 13 yr old son and I had a great time experimenting with N1MM software using assisted mode. 10m was wide opened as were 15m, 20m and 40m at the right times. ... **KE2D.** Lots of fun, even with a hurricane coming ... **KE4S.** Great to see 10 meters wide open and spread out all the way to 29 MHz . . . KF20. Maximum Prower is 100 Watts. IC-7000 to a fan dipole in my attic. First contest by myself . . . KF5DVH. Limited time to operate, good conditions . . . **KF6HI.** Propagation not as good as last year. No Africa, no Near East, no Pacific . . . KF9TI. Very good 10 meter openings. 100 Watts power output max . . . KGØAL. WOW! In the last hour of the contest I found that 10m was wide open and seemed to have it all to myself. There I found many bread and butter QSOs and several new multipliers in zones 24, 27, 28, 29 & 30. What a surprise! . . . KJ4QDZ. My first contest. I learned a lot during this contest . . . KJ4YQK. From our hilltop hideout high above the Soldiers and Sailors Republic of Renton, the Aardvark Acres Contest Catastrophe is ashamed to submit the following log for your dining and dancing pleasure . . . KJ7QT. K3/N1MM/wires in palm trees. Fun contest thanks to 10m being open. I really struggled to be heard on Saturday on any band, but was happy with cndx on Sunday. Winds related to Hurricane Sandy were very strong all weekend long in Miami, so I had to repair all of my antennas at various times over the weekend, and gave up trying to keep the delta loop in the air (when it was up, worked great, though). Thanks to the organizers and all of the participants who were able to pull me out of the noise. 73 . . . KK4CIS. 100 watts max. First contest for me, Very Excited . . . KK4KYL. Fun contest . . . KR2Q. Good conditions just not enough time . . . KT4FQ. Vacuum tubes forever! HF=Collins . . . KT8D. My last contest for a while, having lost my tower and antennas to Sandy! . . . **KU2M.** For only having wire antennas for all bands in my back yard trees, the results were pleasing and I HAD FUN!! After several months of station improvements it all seemed over too soon. No wind or rain at my QTH during the contest as Hurricane Sandy passed by off the coast of NC; others were not so lucky. 10m bandwidth was wider than Sandy both days, as it was hard to find a spot without being on top of someone. Hope this will NOT be as good as 10 gets for the next 11 years! Used a Pixel PRO-1B for RX on 160/80/40 for the first time and with manipulating RF Gain control it made a big difference hearing the DX and attenuating local stations calling also. If I could hear the station I could usually make a QSO. GREAT start to the contest season! . . . KU4V. Nice conditions on 40 meters. Very enjoyable . ... KV4T. Great contest, plenty of players! ... KW4J. Too bad that work had to get in the way of ham radio this weekend. I was only able to get on the air for a few hours each day in between 12hr night shifts at work. The bands seemed to be in really good shape, especially 10m. I never attempted to get onto a run. I operated almost all casual S&P trying to grab at least a few points for the Orca DX and Contest Club. Thanks to all that worked me! . KW7XX. Great band conditions. Lots of good signals . . . NØSMX. Great experience for a new contester. Made contacts with many new countries for my log. Thanks for everyone's support during the contest. . . . NØWRK. 5th CQ WW DX Contest, SSB . . . N1NN. Hurricane Sandy got me at 5:30 Monday afternoon. We lost power for 52 hours. I also lost my guad and a number of trees into neighbours' yards. Fortunately we had no damage to the house and it's new roof only a month old. A strong gust from the east bent the mast where it came out of the tower. I had been using that mast with same antenna for 30 years. It was bent over at a 45 degree angle. It looked like I was doing reverse moon bounce on 20 meters with the guad pointed at the ground. My biggest loss was my Internet connection. CableVision was out for more than a week and came back at 3PM on Election Day. Great conditions on 10 and 15 so I elected to do a mainly 10 meter single band and see if In could make it to 1K QSOs and a million points. I'll spare you the suspense. I did not make it but I sure had fun trying. Saturday morning during the EU opening (prime time) I lost almost an hour trying to figure out why I had weird windows opening up all over the place and moving around the screen. I thought perhaps it was RF getting into the mouse or the keyboard and reset the computer a few times. Finally I decided to replace the old Focus keyboard which had had too much coffee over the years with a new Logitech wireless version sitting in the corner having never been used. That was the cure. But I lost an important hour. I spent the rest of the contest moving up and down the band map on 10 meters picking off mults and new stations attempting the turn all the spots red. It's not all that easy running 100 watts but it sure is fun. I never used the MFJ voice keyer and I very tried to run. Once in a while I moved back to 15 or 20 to pick off multipliers. Sunday afternoon I really started to get tired and threw in the towel early as there were almost no new stations to work and there were no more multipliers. But more importantly the wind had picked up and there was rain spitting as the hurricane approached. It was about time to crank the tower down. Thanks to all the guys and gals around the world who heard my signal and worked me. The thrill of getting a response from a distant multiplier on the first or second call never gets old with low power. In fact I am always happen when they simply come back no matter how many calls I have made. May East Coast towers and antennas be spared in the coming storm! We still have the CW portion ahead . . . N2FF. Due to Hurricane Sandy, my contest time was reduced from last year. Conditions were very good on Saturday, with many stations from Europe. The Canadians came in late afternoon, then a few South American stations. These conditions were the same both days. The propagation was much better last year . . . **N2SLO.** Part time all S&P . . . **N2WK.** Our club's first effort at contesting. We called this "RadioSport 101" and it gave all the opportunity to see what contesting is like. We may have made several new contesters from the interest they showed!! . . . N3QC. I've done the CQ WW SSB every year starting in 2001, except for 2007. This year I claimed my best score since the high-sunspot years of 2001-2004 inclusive: about 658K, just above my best previous claim of 654K in 2010, and much better than the range of 482K to 59 K I got in the other recent years of 2005-2011. I was also pleased to get the recentbest score this year in 20.2 hrs operating, compared with typical times of 25 to 27 hrs. in the years since 2004. These good results were mostly achieved on 10 and 15 meters, where I was able to run at high rates for a while on Sun. (though not Sat.). I also found lots more countries on 10 and 15 m this year than I did in recent years, more than offsetting just average Qs and mults this year on 80 thru 20 meters. Activity level was high on all bands . . . N3UM. Great Contest! Lots of new countries worked! . . . **N3XUD.** Great contest from new setup but big time problems with RFI my computer . . . N4DB. Halloween parties interfered with contest - oh well . . . N4DXI. Great contest, Great Band Conditions! ... N4DXY. 10 Meters was loads of fun. Thanks for all the QSOs . . . **N4KH.** Great fun! Thanks to CQ for sponsoring yet another king of the contest. Personal score way down.

Think it was operator failure. 15m was wall to wall most of the day both days. Nice running into the best operators in ham radio once again . . . N4PN. Another fun part time effort. New amp really worked sweet. Conditions were better on Sunday from my limited observations . . . N4PSE. Great Contest! Thanks to all those who made this contest possible! 100 watts . . . N4RWH. Great being back in the CQWW after 20 years of being off the air! But being in zone 3 when all the logging software defaults me to zone 4 is a pain. I think most of the DX got it right . . . **N5CR.** Wow! What conditions! What fun . . . **N5DTT.** Just got on to help the more serious participants increase their scores . . . **N5XJ.** First contest for the new station . . . **N5ZC.** Only had an hour or two, here and there, bands were great ... N6AJR. Thanks for hearing my low power station! I just want to keep the neighbors happy. Ten was incredible again. It was wall to wall beyond 29 MHz. Unfortunately everyone stayed up there too long! Another disappointment is hearing all the Europeans on 40 and not being heard. I forgot how tough 20 SSB is! Ten was so easy and 15 followed close behind. 160 was wall to wall noise and 80 was noisy and the signals were weak. Biggest let down was not getting through to A73A and 7Z1SJ even when no one else was calling. Also no VU heard here either. We were hearing them LP the week before the contest and actually cracked the A73A pile up barefoot! I do not know what happened maybe a lot of splatter. Radio: Flex 5000A Antennas: 160 Shunt Fed Tower 80 Delta Loop 50 feet 40 KLM 2 El 40 66 feet 20/15/10 KT36XA 78 feet / KT34XA 52 feet Six Pack Stack Match Writelog This contest is a wakeup call. I need to complete the antenna upgrades. The 40 meter beam was on the fritz, the 80 meter loop has been rotten for a long time, both triband Yagis need to be cleaned up and the rotating ring needs to be serviced. The HDX589 is laying in the back yard. Both the 4 element SteppIR and the DB18E are assembled. A new loop on 80 is in order and the shunt for 160 will be completed. Next year it will be rock and roll! The Flex misbehaved through the whole contest. A 50 ohm matching resistor was left out of the design in the DDS for back matching. With the latest software the radio hangs up and the box must be shut off and the software rebooted. By next year I will have my Icom SO2R fully running. See everyone in the CW contest! It will be fantastic! . . . N6RV. Tabulating the entry data was darn near impossible because I do not have a logging program! . . . **N6ZE.** Several new ones for me. Was not able to spend a lot of time. .. N7AME. Enjoyed the opening on 10 especially. Great contest ... N7FF. My first - great fun ... N7MU. Nice to see 10 meters open again . . . N7MZW. Thank you for the invitation to send my check log . . . N7YQ. Spent less time operating but scored the HIGHEST ever! Conditions were terrific, especially 10 meters. Set a goal of trying to beat my highest previous score (600,000 points). When I passed that point, my goals changed to 1,000,000 points and 1000 QSOs ... CLOSE! . . . N8DE. Great condx and activity from EU, 12Z hour rate was 209, 13Z 197 Saturday. The band was not open to deep Asia = zones 23, 24, 26, 28 . . . N8II. I was using a Yaesu FT-817nd and most important a 2000 foot non-resonant rhombic antenna that I put up over the summer just for this type of use. I used also a 3 element wide spaced Yagi but for most part the rhombic blows it away. Stations said I had good signals all over the globe and it only took me 2 or 3 calls to get through the pile ups at times instead of calling for 20 mins at a time. The rhombic is heads above anything I have ever used in more than 20 years of ham radio . . . N8MWK. Great to work KG6DX Guam from Ohio . . . N8NYI. Lots of activity and worked many new countries for my DXCC . . . N8YP. Good conditions on 10M! I wish I could have been on more . . . N9BT. WOW! What a great time!! I was still under the influence

of jet lag, just returning from a month in China. I wasn't sure when I would be able to operate when I would be able to stay awake! I was able to operate some on 40m early Saturday morning and caught some Pacific and one JA. Then I had to attend to a bunch of "honey-dos" Saturday that had accumulated while I was away at work in China. My intention was to hit 40m again Saturday night, as I wanted to break in my new Cushcraft D4 rotatable dipole. Well, I got a little more than an hour in Saturday night when jet lag kicked in and I was down for the count: I hit it as hard as I could Sunday on 10/15 and 20, but ended up napping off and on out of my control! 10m was awesome! I had downsized my antenna in the spring, putting two rotatable dipoles, a D3W for 12/17/30m and a D4 for 10/15/20/40m. My main focus was 30 and 40m. The D4 worked great, as conditions were super. Just wish I had had more time to get accliamated to my time zone before the contest. I should be in good shape for the CW contest later this year! . . . N9TF. This was my first contest and I had a great time . . . N9WNN. 15m and 10m were hot. Great to see the bands open again. 73 . . . NC4MI. This was really fun. Conditions on 10 and 15 were great and 20 was good in the evening. 40 and 80 were very challenging for QRP from the Midwest with mediocre antennas. The DX station ops have great ears - thanks for pulling me though the splatter! Do the guys making QSOs on the band edges get penalized? Or am I just a dufus for passing up the Qs to stay within the regulations and miss points and mults in the process? ... NDØC. Great contest as always. Glad to see 10 meters so open. Hope it stays that way for a while. See you all next month . . . ND3R. 10 Meters .....WOW! ... NF4A. Nice conditions on 10 and 15 meters ... . NF9V. Thank you for running a wonderful contest. 73 . . . NJ2X. 100% S&P. First time operating a contest for my newly-licensed wife, Jessica KB1YJI. Radio Icom 706-IIG Antennas 80M Dipole, 15M vertical. - Matt . . . **NM1C.** Nothing like a great contest to clear the summer cobwebs out of this old brain! . . . NNØQ. Just out to see how many DXCC I can work in one weekend while QRP. Final total 102 unique DXCC entities. Start of contest had 10m good for an hour, then 15m, while 20m was good until 03z when I stopped with 40 DXCC in the log. On my Saturday morning I started at sunrise 15z, and spent lots of time in pileups, but worked dozens of new ones. Lots of stations I called and called but couldn't work. Wow, crowded conditions. Since I was only looking for new countries, it was a joy to skip pileups for countries I no longer needed. By 17z I had lost 10m to Europe so I took a break, and then just worked on and off every couple hours. By end of Saturday I was at 87 DXCC in the log. Sunday morning sunrise to the end of contest I kept plugging away looking for new countries. Lots of new ones I couldn't hear, and lots more who couldn't hear my QRP. New countries slowly rolled in, slower and slower as the end approached. Last year was 116; this year was 102. No problem with the station that I could perceive, I guess conditions weren't quite as good. See you in Sweepstakes! . . . NN7SS. I had big fun! I worked several new countries . . . NR4J. I really enjoy this contest but conditions here weren't as good as last year. I came down with a cold Saturday night and just about lost my voice so I had to retire. Hope to do better in the CW portion in November . . . NXØI. Outstanding condx on 10m so half my QSOs were on that band! ... WØETT. Strictly S&P. Did better than I had anticipated for a part-time effort. Band conditions were great. Even worked a couple ATNO's . . . WØRAA. Best contest conditions in years! Viva la SUNSPOTS! . . . W10P. Had to shut down Sunday morning due to illness . . . W2CG. Busy weekend but did manage some QSOs . . . W2JEK. Hurricane Sandy REALLY put a damper on this year! . . . W2MC. I made extra effort to submit this log despite having to take time from hurricane preparations! ... W2YR. What happened to 75m? ... W3AYT. WOW, best conditions in years, hope I'm operating in 11 years . . . W3TZ. I had limited air time, but unlimited fun! . . . W4DHT. First serious contest entry in almost 30 years (then as WA3RDU or WA4HVC). Worked s&p almost exclusively so I could get into the swing without slowing others down. Logging software sure does help especially with cat rig control. Pretty happy with the results but already making a list of lessons learned for the next one . . . W4GV. My first CQ WW phone contest ever . . . W4NFT. Enjoyed the event but what the heck happened to 160 and 80? Did someone forget to turn them on? . . . W4TUN. I enjoyed the contest. Glad I bought the software before the contest started . . . W5CL. 80 good for the hemisphere, 40 worldwide; 15 & 10! . . . W5CO. Had equipment problems so was just testing during contest. Hope to have everything back up and going soon . . . W5DQ. Thanks for sponsoring the contest! . . . W5ESE. I may have the only P29NI QSO in the contest. Was chatting with Hans SM6CVX, operator at P29NI on 10CW just before the contest and he QSY'd to SSB to give me my first QSO. 10M was wide open this contest and lots of fun cruising up and down the entire band in S&P mode, and to my surprise could work most stations heard. Sometimes, when pileup was big, stored freq. and came back later to get a QSO. . . W5GAI. Operated contest from W6UE in DM04 (LAX) . . . W6DR. It's a dog-eat-dog out there . . . W6FCS. Lots of fun for the group even if the scores were low. It was our 15th reunion operating in Frazier Peak . . . W6P. First try submitting a log to a major contest . . . W6SIY. Just could not put in the time to do a job in the contest . . . **W6XI.** I think I need to find a salt water QTH to play from! . . . W7AT. Great contest weekend. Good propagation on the high bands in daytime. I did not contest strenuously, but tried to fill in countries and prefixes needed. My second CQ WW DX SSB Contest . . . W7DXW. Nice contest, lost amp for last 4 & one half hours . . . W7FP. My best CQ WW Contest ever! . . . W7KAM. When 10 meters is open you can work the world with a coat hanger as an antenna! . . . W8DCQ. Great contest and great fun! . . . W8DGN. 10 Meters was HOT, HOT, HOT! But sadly, I had limited operating time for the contest. However, it was fun! ... W9IL. Great contest ... WA3RGH.

Operating as Hurricane Sandy comes ashore in NJ with an AR-10 Ringo vertical mounted on free standing (un-guyed) 20 foot military stacked fiberglass poles. Stayed up the entire hurricane surviving 70+ MPH gusts! . . . WA3YRI. Lots of fun . . . WA4HXC. Amazingly good 10m condx with a not-so-high solar flux - some Qs made at 29MHz +. All Qs were S&P - never could establish a run. Slightly lower score than last year probably due in part to having to use 40m dipole on 15m . . . WA5IYX. We did the whole contest but since we did so good on 15 meters we decided to enter as 15 meters single band. How about that 3 hour opening to Europe on 10 meters Sunday morning guys! I bet a lot of 5BDXCC hopes were helped out. We're getting a poor man's KW (Heathkit SB-220 and keep the SB-200 for a spare) from another ham next month, sooo, once I get the Harbach mods put in, watch out. We're going to give the antenna farms a run for their money. C'ya . . . WA6KHK. A visit from WØCG/PJ2T and KL2A/W7 stopped things at 1410 of the first day. I did not get back on the air until the next day. We had a lot of fun just visiting! . . . WA7LT. Fantastic conditions! The new "flamethrower" Yagi worked great! I just wish I had more time to put into the contest! . . . WA7PRC. Good condx on 10m & 15m, so I had a lot of fun . . . WA7YUL. Had a ball on 10m mobile operation. Worked Russia, Ukraine, Canary Islands, etc., for the first time mobile. Primary "stealth" antenna had to be taken down for deck resurfacing . . . WBØPOH. Great contest! . . . WBØRUR. Busy getting ready for Hurricane Sandy really limited available time . . . WB2KLD. 1st contest . . . WB4K. This was my first CQ WW contest . . . WB6CZG. Thanks for the contest. Very busy on 10 . . . WB7TPH. First DX contest. First time getting lots of different countries, 42. Thanks a lot . . . WB9QAF. I don't have the contest stamina to go all out, but still had fun . . . WB9VGO. Operated from the former VOA facility . . . WC8VOA. Conditions were great! CPU dead so had to use a paper log: (... WN7T. QRM should be made illegal! . . . WS8K. Good to see 10 meters open . . . WU6W. Fun conditions, but I swear that my participation in this contest is cursed. Last year, I lost power for a week starting Saturday afternoon of the test. This year, my participation was limited due to having picked up an early flu, and needing to get ready for Frankenstorm Sandy . . . WW1MM.