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June VHF QSO Party Results

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WHILE THE REST of the country basked in the warm glow of sporadic E, the East Coast shivered through poor conditions and unseasonably cold weather. Mountaintoppers in the Northeast found heavy coats and mittens the order of the day as temperatures plummeted as low as zero in some places. The going was rough and only those with above average antennas could cope with the lack of tropo and sporadic E.

Comparing multi-operator scores in an area with past performances is a good way of indicating how good or bad conditions were. In all cases except one, the big multi-op scores in the Northeast were down about 20% from last year. WA1MUG, W1DC/1, K1PXE, WB2GKE/1, and WA2WEB/2 fell prey to the ionosphere although all had excellent scores and finished in the top six. The only exception was the gang at W3CCX/3 who managed to snap their own two-year-old Atlantic Division record by about 2000 points with a score of 76,818. They were helped by an improved antenna system and the utilization of more UHF bands, which resulted in their placing second among multi-ops.

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Northeastern single ops didn't fare too well either. Second and third place K2DEL and K2OWR and tenth place K1GYT were the only ones, two's, or three's in the top 10. A little research shows that this is the only time that these three call areas have had less than 4 entries in the top 10.

But as bad as conditions were in the Northeast, hardy souls in the West and Midwest were supplied with many good openings.

K8LEE took top single-op honors with a fine 26,560 point showing, marking the first time an eight has ever taken the top spot. Wayne also handily broke the Great Lakes Division record of 10,881 set back in 1967. The multi-op division record didn't stand up to conditions this year either as W8CCI added about 5000 points to the year-old mark. One of our two novice entries came from Ohio. WN8ITJ had no intention of entering but he "soon got into the spirit of it all" and gave out a few contacts using A2.

In the Central Division, K9HMB snapped his own three-year-old record with a 18,886 point effort that was also good enough for 6th spot nationwide.

The group at W5UK/5 reached a new Delta Division high with an effort of over 16K and in the West Gulf Division, W5SXD bettered the single-op mark by just under 5000 points with a 19,398 point performance from South Texas.

In the West where the mountains touch the sky, scores scaled peak after peak. W9MHL/Ø planted his 4 element 6 meter beam at 7380 feet and came up with the first score from the Rocky Mountain Division to break 10K. During the contest Mike worked WB6BPI who was running $\frac{1}{2}$ watt.

A new country for many on 6 meters was VP5RS, here manned by Joe, WB4OSN. The group amassed 230 two-ways in the contest and throughout their 6 day stay at VP5 worked 44 states and 4 countries.



It was COLD at multi-op WB2GKE/1 in Vermont. WA2AOL etched his friendly (or funny) greeting in the frost on the window. The temperature dropped to 15 degrees and for the first time in 10 years it snowed in June. Their comments about the weather were real chillers.

It took K6KLY/6 ten years to break their Pacific Division multi-op record of 14K. We hope their new mark of 24,035 doesn't stand until 1982. Multi-op stations K6TJL/6 and WB6KBZ also broke the 1962 record but had to settle for second and third behind K6KLY/6 in the division leader race.

K6YNB drove his camper truck from sunny Garden Grove to the deserts of Nevada and made 303 VHFers happy. Wayne missed breaking 20K but he just about doubled the old Pacific Division record while nabbing fourth nationwide. This is the first time in many a year that a seven has appeared in the top 10. Excellent, Wayne. Dig out your copy of August 1971 *QST* for Wayne's story of his camper.

Washington multi-ops W7DZO/7 and W7VE/7 made good use of the sporadic E openings to snap the 1969 Northwestern Division record with W7DZO/7 coming out on top in the final analysis.

For the June 10-12 QSO Party logs were received from 378 participants, 90 in the multi-op category, representing 67 sections and 3 foreign countries. Certificates are scheduled for an October 15 mailing.

Many thanks to 8P6EN; W4GDS, WB4BND and WB4OSN (the gang at VP5RS); XE2XN, K5HVC, K5KYD, and W5QDB who signed XE2XN from Mexico. Your efforts are greatly appreciated.

Comments and suggestions about the VHF QSO Party rules may be addressed to your Contest Advisory Committee representative (W1BGD, W2EIF, W3GRF chairman, W4UQ, K5TSR, W6DQX, WA9UCE, W0HP, VE2NV and KH6IJ). Let them know what you want.

Depending on your point of view this contest was great, mediocre, or lousy. We hope that next year is better for all of you.

SOAPBOX

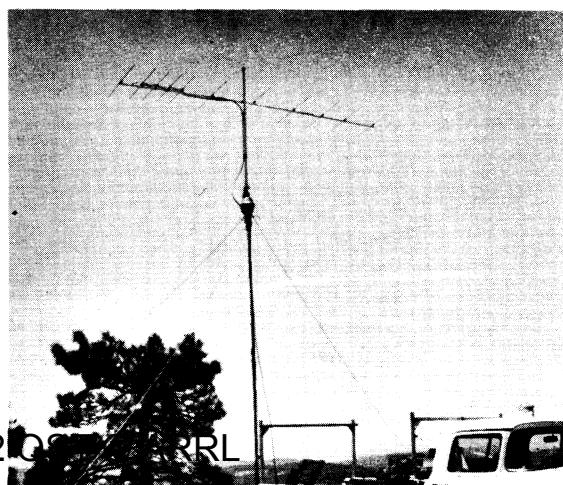
The contest activity from this area was excellent and band conditions were exceptional. — (K7VNU) E skip in this year's contest was poorer than last year. The band was open to the low population west and south. The result was 31 sections but not many contacts. — (WA4VIF) In strict adherence to Murphy's Law the rotor died just before the contest. — (WA3MPO) The most startling part of the contest was the late evening double-hop to Washington that went on for hours. — (WA5IYX/5) Conditions here during this contest were very poor. Skip was not of the best and to very limited areas while tropo was almost nonexistent due to the large cold front that went through just prior to the contest. — (WA3DMF)

The 2 meter SSB position at K6TJL/6 was a little drafty. Operating from the bed of the truck, 2 meter operator K6DTR garnered 10 sections and probably got a good suntan.



DIVISION LEADERS

<i>Single Op.</i>	<i>Division</i>	<i>Multiop.</i>
WA3NZL	Atlantic	W3CCX/3
K9HMB	Central	WB8HUC/9
WBØELN	Dakota	K9UYK/Ø
WA5TTH	Delta	W5UK/5
K8LEE	Gr. Lakes	W8CCI
K2DEL	Hudson	WB2SIH
WAØZWF	Midwest	KØTLM
K1GYT	New Eng.	WA1MUG
WA7KYZ	Northwestern	W7DZO/7
K6YNB/7	Pacific	K6KLY/6
K4PCL/4	Roanoke	K4LVV/4
W9MHL/Ø	Rocky Mt.	W5TDZ/5
W4OJU	Southeastern	...
W6NLO	Southwestern	K6BPC/6
W5SXD	West Gulf	WB5DSH
VE7XF	Canadian	VE3ONT
8P6EN	Foreign	XE2XN





From the top of 8000 foot Mount Frazier in the Santa Barbara section, K6BPC/6 ran up the highest multi-op score west of Ohio, good enough for 8th place among multi-ops. Shown here are the operating positions for 144 and 432 MHz. When this picture was taken the 432 rack was adequately perking but it spewed out clouds of smoke early Sunday morning when it turned out to be the only equipment plugged in when the generator was restarted. Sounds like Field Day.

Wow! Six meters sounded like 20 meter Phone during Saturday. — (W6SF) Added new states to my 432 list. Actually I doubled my total, now I have four. — (K2UOP/4) Contest activity seemed to be off this year again to continue a trend I seem to have been noticing for the last three years at least. This problem was compounded by some of the worst propagation conditions I can remember for a VHF contest in the last 15 years. — (W1EIJ) It appeared I was on the edge of the openings, 100 miles west did much better and 100 miles east could not hear what I did. Had a lot of fun but lost twice as many contacts as I made. — (WA3ODA/4) Conditions as poor as I ever saw in June, as far as tropo is concerned what with record low temperatures all through the Northeast. Some E's but nothing like what has been almost daily fare since early May. We are having the best 6 meter summer DX season I can recall but it let up for the contest, of course. — (W1HDQ) Sporadic E was everlasting. — (W7VE/7) Band open every day for 43 consecutive days. The contest comes along and zilch. — (WB4MJY) Generally speaking activity on 6 meter SSB and AM was down and 2 meter SSB and AM were almost nonexistent. — (WA2QLK) Band conditions were below average here due to

the combined high winds and extreme cold. How does 32 degrees grab you for a June evening? — (VE3ONT) [That's a chilling prospect.—Ed.] Best band opening ever experienced. — (WA5QCP) Four North Carolina operators sure had a ball from a small hill in South Carolina. — (K4LVV/4) Our generator worked exceedingly well, producing a measured output of 200 VAC which blew one fuse before we cranked it down to 120. — (W5KA/5) Conditions poor. Weather 28 degrees. — (WA2JQO) Once again we had beautiful E's to the western states prior to the contest, then rather poor conditions during the contest. — (W3CCX/3) Contest propagation was disappointing considering the past month and a half of excellent E's. — (K0LCB)

SCORES

Scores are listed by W/VE call areas and sections within call areas. The top single-operator scorer in each section receives a certificate award. Multiple-operator scores are shown at the end of each section tabulation; in sections where at least three such entries were received, the top multioperator scorer receives a certificate award. Asterisk following call indicates Headquarters staff member, ineligible for award.

Columns show final score, total number of contacts, section multiplier, and bands used. A represents 50 MHz.; B, 144 MHz.; C, 220 MHz.; D, 432 MHz.; E, 1215 MHz. and above.

Canada		VE7ASM/7 (VE7s AFB ASI BN FQ)	Eastern Massachusetts	Rhode Island
Maritime		4224-174-24-ABD		
VE1ASJ 1372- 49-28-A		VE7ARM/7 (VE7s ADE AZG BKX BUU)		
Quebec		1029-145- 7-ABD		
VE2BYG 693- 33-21-A		USA		
VE2AEB 234- 18-13-AB				
Ontario		1		Vermont
VE3ADJ 495- 45-11-B			K1AGB 12,390-179-59-ABCD	K1GYT 12,720-240-53-AB
VE3DNR 14- 7- 2-B			W1EIJ 5670-124-42-ABCD	K1LJG 128- 16- 8-AB
VE3ONT (VE2YU VE3S ASO DOI DSS DXJ EMS FIB)		WA1NGR 7722-198-39-AB	W1IIED 1360- 58-20-ABCD	WB2GKE/1 (K2s LCK OVS WA2s AOL BAT DBD EKK FZV ZOW WB2s UQT WHC WIK)
10,584-178-54-ABCD		WIHDO* 880- 55-16-AB	W1IFCD 1350- 90-15-AB	
VE3FHK (+VE3FHU) 3232-101-32-AB		WA1PHF (WB2CHO, opr.)	K1OQJ 1302- 50-21-BD	
Manitoba		864- 54-16-AB	K9AOPI/1 752- 23-16-CDE	
VE4MA 2860-108-26-ABD		W1QAX 656- 16-37-BD	WA1MKE 592- 74- 8-A	K1LJG 128- 16- 8-AB
VE4AS 784- 46-16-ABD		W1QJL 451- 41-11-AB	WA1NQV 344- 43- 8-A	WB2GKE/1 (K2s LCK OVS WA2s AOL BAT DBD EKK FZV ZOW WB2s UQT WHC WIK)
Saskatchewan		WA1BXI 384- 48- 8-B	KIPTY 105- 15- 7-A	
VESUS (VESUF, opr.) 1656- 69-24-A		WA1FFO 190- 19-10-B	W1JOT 28- 7- 2-D	
Alberta		K1YON 120- 15- 8-A	W1MHL/1 (K1MON WA1s KFJ KPX MYD) 3124-139-22-ABC	45,056-471-88-ABCD
VE6MC 520- 40-13-A		WIWEE 99- 33- 3-B	WA1OZI (+WA1s OAM PBU WN1ONB)	WA1DLA/1 (+W1AIM WA1s JEX LCI MAG NBU NTM WA2GWV WA9TWW)
British Columbia		WA1NES 16- 8- 2-B	1218- 87-14-AB	7095-213-33-ABD
VE7XIF 3496-152-23-A		K1PXE/1 (+K1s DVQ HTV VDF WIFTP WA1JID WA2s LTM NQX W B 4 Y O I D . S p o n b e r g T.Waterhouse)	W1YTW 5360-104-40-ABCD	Western Massachusetts
VE7ANP 2775-111-25-A		52,020-526-85-ABCD	K1MTJ 570- 38-15-AB	K1ULZ 500- 50-10-AB
VE7BLF 2322- 86-27-AB		K1VYU (+WA1s FOK GTP) 3762- 90-38-ABCD	WA1OEG/1 (WA1s DYU IYD MSK OML)	W1FMF 196- 28- 7-AB
		WIARR (+WA1s CQW LWQ NES PID WB2YEW)	3876-204-19-AB	K1ZND/1* 1- 1- 1-B
		2475- 99-25-AB	WA1FSZ/1 1805- 91-19-ABD	WA1MUG (+K1s FXY JMG PQY ZND WIKZS WA1s HCO HSO IQJ JLD MXL NLT K2TXB WA2SPL WB2s DUS MBI OEU SQN)
			W1JSW 198- 22- 9-B	80,634-836-89-ABCD
			W1DC/1 (K1s CQX CRN KEC MUC NZQ SVF TWF W1s BX1 EZA GGM IRH JVL KSI NPN OOP PVF QXX WA1s DRO EIH GHV HON IZO LXU PHR K4GGI)	WA1IAM/1 (+WA1s LIN IJM) 342- 38- 9-A
			73,584-781-84-ABCDE	2
				Eastern New York
				W2CRS/2 12,354-183-58-ABCD
				WA2VTR 910- 41-14-BDE
				W2GKR 630- 42-15-B

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Washington	W8UCI	3990-127-30-ABC	WA8TYF	184- 23- 8-AB	9	
WA7KYZ	9102-246-37-AB	W8NOH	1890- 90-21-AB	WB8FEZ/8	74- 37- 2-B	
WF7FN	8820-252-35-AB	W8DBL	1691- 89-19-AB	W8LGI	70- 8- 5-ABCD	
K7DBR	6815-235-29-AB	WB8EIJY	1580- 79-20-AB	W8EVY	57- 16- 3-ABC	
W7DV8	5510-190-29-A	K8HW	1512- 79-18-ABC	W8RQV	56- 10- 4-ABCD	
K7VNU	4992-156-32-AB	WA8PIE	1480-148-10-B	K8OGH	15- 5- 3-AB	
K7WIA	4592-164-28-A	WA8LBH	1330- 93-14-ABC	WB8C1 (K8s TCR TTV W8ULC GMZ)	18,886-252-71-ABCD	
K7QFW	3000-120-25-AB	WA8LLY	696- 87- 8-B	WA8s EJH LZH N9J PAM TYF	K9HMB 91WI 91V1 945- 65-13-AB	
WA7PVE	1350- 90-15-A	WB8JXF	690- 69-10-AB	WMH WXT ZXE WB8s EEX FAG	W9JGV 462- 66- 7-B	
W7QCW	490- 49-10-AB	W8CVQ	385- 30-11-ABD	(GMZ)	W9MLF 364- 52- 7-B	
W7DZO/7 (+K7s BBO HTZ IDX WA7s BBJ JBG)	15,876-364-42-ABCD	K8NNU	300- 50- 6-B	36,778-486-74-ABCD	K9TSX 252- 28- 9-A	
W7VE/7 (WB6HII K7s GWE TUO WA7s PRG OBS)	15,656-412-38-AB	WB8CKW	270- 54- 5-B	WB8IW/8 (+K8MMM WA8s FCM LRE)	WA9UCX 225- 45- 5-AB	
W7ZSL/7 (+K7WTG WA7s EBH ELI)	8835-280-31-ABDE	WB8ATZ	201- 67- 3-B	24,616-362-68-AB	WA9ZYG 124- 31- 4-B	
K7IEY/7 (+K7M0F WA7EHE)	6650-187-35-ABC	WA8ZCO	148- 37- 4-B	WA8HZK (+WA8s JRX TGX)	WB8AXH 120- 30- 4-B	
W7EK/7 (W7UGK WA7s LZE OJI)	3520-160-22-AB	WB8NITJ	26- 13- 2-B	3780-126-30-AB	WA9QZE (+WA9TCW)	7293-221-33-AB
W7HMJ/7 (+K7IKC W7s FBV JHK YOU WA7AQR)	1407- 67-21-A	WB8IDD	21- 7- 3-AB	W8BI (W8DPW WA8UX WB8s FRQ ILW IMY IOR JKY)	W9BGX (WA9s KIO ULU ZPL WB9ASP)	1140- 76-15-AB
Wyoming		WA8FLK	12- 12- 1-A	2268-108-21-AB	K9DTB (+WB9EUW)	7140-210-34-AB
W7VDZ	8296-244-34-A	WA8JXE/8 (+WA8KDP WB8UJI)	1092- 78-14-AB	W8KEL (+WA8LWR)	4830-161-30-AB	
8		Ohio		1491- 71-21-A	WB9JFT (+WB4VLH)	2304- 72-32-A
Michigan						
WB8PCV	9030-215-42-AB	K8LEE	26,560-415-64-AB			
		WA8PEB	14,076-276-51-A			
		WB8PKY	9456-197-48-AB			
		WB8GZQ	5248-164-32-AB	West Virginia		
		WA8ZUQ/8	4760-136-35-A	WA4TFZ/8 (K3MBO K4RKA WB4s NNO RBW)		
		K8SUB	3420-114-30-A			
		K8UQA	2016- 70-24-ABCD	WA8FSE/8 (K8KML W8AEC		
		K8MPR	896- 64-14-A	WA8YHE WB8s EKG (JJW)		
		K8ZES	759- 61-11-BCD	7783-181-43-AB		
		WA8MEM	455- 35-13-A	W8VA/8 (W8As CGR HVM KCJ		
		K8RPL	300- 15-10-D	WB8AOI) 4867-157-31-A		

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Wisconsin

W9YT (K9OXY, opr.)
11,220-204-55-AB
W9DJ 18- 7- 2- BC

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Colorado

W9MHL/Ø 10,250-250-41-A
KØCLJ 6708-156-43-A
WAØSYS/Ø 4080-120-34-AB

Iowa

WAØZWF 5115-165-31-AB
WØPFP 3780-105-36-A
WAØATY 1392- 48-29-AB
WØMOQ 247- 19-13-AB

WAØVJF Kansas
 2852- 92-31-A

Minnesota

KØGUV 3168- 96-33-A
WBØFVL 648- 36-18-A
WØPHD 592- 35-16-ABD
WØRLI 232- 29- 8-B
K9UYK/Ø (+WØOHU)
 9412-181-52-AB

Missouri

KØLCB 2952- 82-36-AB
WAØABI 2080- 80-26-A
WAØHHB 768-48-16-A
WØKC 234- 26- 9-AB
KØTLM (+WØYZS)
 6566-130-49-ABDE

Nebraska

KØTVD 2727-101-27-AB
WØEOM 1071- 50-21-ABD

South Dakota

WBØELN 3297-157-21-A
KØWLW 152- 19- 8-B

FOREIGN

Turks & Caicos Is.
VP5RS (W4GDS WB4s BND OSN)
 8970-230-39-A

Mexico

XE2XN (+K5s HVC KYD W5QDB)
11,316-276-41-AB

Barbados

8P6EN 264- 24- 11- A
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W7SNP (K7ICW, opr.)

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