

Results, 1981 ARRL Novice Roundup

Over 600 take part in initiation rites of contesting!

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The 1981 Novice Roundup produced 615 entries (492 Novice/Technician) — up from last year and the biggest total since 1978. Average scores of the top stations were down slightly from last year. If you spent any time at all in the NR, you would have been surprised to hear the amount of activity. Hard to believe how much difference one week of Novice Roundup can make in someone's operating abilities, including code speeds. The same Novice heard struggling along at 4 or 5 wpm on the first day is often heard doing quite well at 10 or 12 wpm by the finish.

As usual, several Novice/Technicians reported upgrading during or shortly after the NR; the on-the-air experience often proved to be much more important than listening to code tapes.

With the renewable Novice license, some of the call signs don't appear to fit the Novice slot anymore. This year, as in past years, many people who have been licensed for several years finally got the chance to get on the air for the first time. You can be sure that after all that waiting, their Novice careers will soon be shortened after visiting the local FCC offices.

In checking through the entries from this year's NR, several things were very apparent. Everyone had something to say after the contest, and everyone seemed to send in a picture. Sorry we don't have room for more photos, but the extras sometimes do sneak into other ARRL publications. As for the logs themselves, nearly all were done with great care. There were a few, of course, scratched onto yellow legal-sized paper; but on the

whole, it was a pleasure to go through the logs.

As for next year, most of you will (should) have upgraded, but don't forget to check back and give a few QSOs to those starting out. The first-timers may have a little trouble with the 2 × 1 and 2 × 2 call signs at first, but they sure do learn quickly. If you have a friend who is still a bit slow in the code-speed department,

make sure you encourage him or her to get on the air in next year's NR. You should be able to provide all the answers to any questions.

SOAPBOX

I have had my license for five years now, but never had a rig until October 1980. Never thought I would work so many states! I'm looking forward to it next year as a General! (WB2FQE/N). My first and last NR — upgraded to General on February 5 (KA4JRY/MI). Amazing what operating NR does for your code speed! (KA6FMZ/N). This contest almost caused me a divorce, but what a way to go! (KA4OUN/N). I didn't do too bad considering my equipment is older than me (KA8KWB/N). Running up points is only half the work; checking after the contest is over is the "tuffist" (KA3ESU/N). After I contacted KL7KR, I yelled so loud that my mother thought I had electrocuted myself (KA2KPP/N). Provides best situation to learn band conditions on a time-of-day basis (KA6LDP/T). The single most difficult thing about planning for the NR is which 30 hours to operate. I guessed wrong by not operating more the first day (WH6AMR/N). After 400+ contest QSOs, I'm looking forward to a good old rag chew! (KA6JWZ/N).

Top Ten Novices		Top Five Technicians	
WB5LVL	91,476	WP4BDS	50,138
WB1AVA	75,621	N8BCQ	38,556
KA9CHM	69,498	KA0IQR	34,710
KA7FPP	67,988	WD8QJD	34,200
KA5DGR	67,760	WB9TJY	29,600
WB1DEU	65,790		
WD0BWH	65,772		
KA0GFA	65,535		
KA5CIB	61,152		
KA8IYM	60,192		



The number one Novice score in the country was turned in by WB5LVL/N, who will probably have upgraded by the time you read this.



Third place among the Novices was earned by Linda, KA9CHM, entering a contest for only the second time.

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Neil, KA0GWK/N, pounded out QSOs with a straight key giving an Iowa QSO to many.

Division Leaders	Novice	Technician
Atlantic	KA3DRR	KA2EXY
Central	KA9CHM	WB9TJY
Dakota	WD0BWH	KA0ATM
Delta	WD5EAE	KA4INX
Great Lakes	KA8IYM	N8BCQ
Hudson	KA2BNF	—
Midwest	KA0ANR	KA0IQR
New England	WB1AVA	WB1EIH
Northwestern	KA7FPP	KL7KE
Pacific	KA6HSM	KA6ING
Roanoke	KA8LJD	KA4PJQ
Rocky Mountain	KA0GFA	N0BRI
Southeastern	KA4OTP	WP4BDS
Southwestern	KA6LCI	WA6EEH
West Gulf	WB5LVL	KA5FBG



One of the newest Novices in the NR this year was Brian, KA2KWY. Licensed only two weeks, he took the top spot in Eastern New York.

Score listings indicate call sign, score, QSOs, ARRL sections plus DXCC countries and total hours (i.e., WB1AVA/N had 75,621 points, made 821 QSOs in 91 sections/countries in 28 hours).

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Connecticut

Table listing Connecticut call signs and scores: WB1AVA/N 75,621-821-91-28, WB1DOV/N 52,020-568-80-32, WB1DUN/N 19,266-323-57-27, etc.

Eastern Massachusetts

Table listing Eastern Massachusetts call signs and scores: KA1FIP/N 20,608-307-64-23, KA1FCS/N 16,306-248-62-20, KA1GHR/N 13,104-234-56-29, etc.

Maine

Table listing Maine call signs and scores: KA1DOD/N 18,550-250-70-22, KA1CN/N 13,568-273-61-17, KA1EAP/N 14,868-236-63-30, etc.

New Hampshire

Table listing New Hampshire call signs and scores: WB1EIH/T 29,110-395-71-30, K1FUB/N 19,719-393-61-25, KA1EBI/N 19,740-217-59-25, etc.

Rhode Island

Table listing Rhode Island call signs and scores: WB1DEU/N 65,790-716-90-30, KA1EVI/N 6,279-153-39-30, KA1DYC/N 720-30-18-4

Vermont

Table listing Vermont call signs and scores: KA1BSZ/N 22,630-365-62-28, KA1FYF/N 13,824-256-54-21

Western Massachusetts

Table listing Western Massachusetts call signs and scores: KA1EBA/N 22,770-330-66-29, KA1EJK/N 27,574-81-34-21

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Eastern New York

Table listing Eastern New York call signs and scores: KA2KWV/N 29,100-378-75-29, KA2CF/N 22,287-309-65-30, KA2EIE/N 15,422-216-67-30, etc.

New York City - L.I.

Table listing New York City call signs and scores: KA2IQV/N 28,938-371-78-23, KA2KH/N 24,589-367-67-27, KA2WYV/N 23,424-369-61-22, etc.

Northern New Jersey

Table listing Northern New Jersey call signs and scores: KA2BNF/N 54,033-611-83-21, KA2EYH/N 46,788-557-84-29, KA2KRA/N 32,550-434-75-28, etc.

Southern New Jersey

Table listing Southern New Jersey call signs and scores: KA2HKN/N 33,418-334-77-30, KA2IR/N 16,415-245-67-30, KA2KGD/N 16,415-245-67-30, etc.

Western New York

Table listing Western New York call signs and scores: KA2IML/N 26,676-351-76-22, KA2EYX/T 22,365-315-71-30, KA2KAG/N 17,424-264-66-28, etc.

Delaware

Table listing Delaware call signs and scores: WN3RGP/N 16,549-247-67-22, KA3DDB/N 2482-63-34-18

Eastern Pennsylvania

Table listing Eastern Pennsylvania call signs and scores: KA3CAN/N 35,298-477-74-23, WA3WSV/N 21,720-352-60-15, KA3DXY/N 15,210-234-65-28, etc.

Table listing call signs and scores: KA8EFA/3N 6846-148-42-27, KA3EHF/N 6533-139-47-18, KA3DXG/N 5292-108-42-12, etc.

Maryland - D.C.

Table listing Maryland call signs and scores: KA3CUB/N 50,402-613-79-30, WB3FSB/N 50,391-489-99-28, KA3CZC/N 16,900-245-65-30, etc.

Western Pennsylvania

Table listing Western Pennsylvania call signs and scores: KA3DRR/N 55,675-655-84-30, KA3MGN/N 30,660-438-70-27, KA3EJX/N 28,075-425-67-24, etc.

Alabama

Table listing Alabama call signs and scores: KA4PKB/N 30,170-421-70-30, WA4QHI/N 26,136-396-66-30, KA4IUS/N 17,052-284-58-30, etc.

Georgia

Table listing Georgia call signs and scores: KA4QTP/N 44,250-590-75-30, KA4IOU/N 26,880-365-71-27, KA4QLH/N 24,614-397-62-30, etc.

Kentucky

Table listing Kentucky call signs and scores: KA4IKH/N 49,200-575-82-25, WD4KCV/N 42,160-471-85-28, KA4SAA/N 17,829-268-63-25, etc.

North Carolina

Table listing North Carolina call signs and scores: KA4ODX/N 20,075-365-55-20, KA4MBZ/N 19,341-292-63-25, WD4KVN/N 18,396-232-73-25, etc.

Northern Florida

Table listing Northern Florida call signs and scores: KA4OUN/N 25,146-381-66-30, KA4RRN/N 13,440-240-56-15, KA4MRG/N 11,480-205-56-26, etc.

South Carolina

Table listing South Carolina call signs and scores: KA4LRM/N 42,427-531-77-29, KA4LRU/N 17,400-270-60-26, KA4LHV/N 12,760-232-55-28, etc.

Tennessee

Table listing Tennessee call signs and scores: WD4NMD/N 35,285-391-84-24, KA4RXP/N 26,250-375-70-30, KA4RRW/N 12,978-206-61-27, etc.

Virginia

Table listing Virginia call signs and scores: KA4APQ/N 33,440-408-80-30, KA4KOZ/N 27,566-343-76-27, KA4ANA/U 17,019-279-61-28, etc.

West Indies

Table listing West Indies call signs and scores: WP4BDS/T 50,138-583-86-29, WP4BJC/N 10,400-200-52-30

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Table listing call signs and scores: ARKANSAS KA5HWC/N 27,580-379-70-29

Table listing call signs and scores: KA5CKR/N 15,840-225-66-27, KA5KDA/N 12,702-204-58-27, KA5JAO/N 1148-41-28-10, etc.

Louisiana

Table listing Louisiana call signs and scores: WD5EAE/N 42,812-531-77-30, KA5HLL/N 6258-149-42-17

Mississippi

Table listing Mississippi call signs and scores: WD5JLZ/N 39,812-538-74-28, KA5BEE/N 29,008-392-73-22, KA5IJP/N 19,296-288-67-24, etc.

New Mexico

Table listing New Mexico call signs and scores: KA5DIU/N 26,585-409-65-28, KA5GME/N 23,004-324-71-11

Northern Texas

Table listing Northern Texas call signs and scores: KA5GFJ/N 33,990-515-66-30, KA5GKA/N 23,374-403-58-27, KA5HGE/N 19,215-290-63-20, etc.

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Table listing call signs and scores: KA5LX/N 15,555-235-61-30, KA6LUD/N 13,237-217-61-30, KA6KUU/N 12,152-207-56-27, etc.

East Bay

Table listing East Bay call signs and scores: KA6SIS/N 28,050-425-66-29, KA6BPR/N 26,010-286-85-24, WA6CIE/T 4455-97-45-19, etc.

Los Angeles

Table listing Los Angeles call signs and scores: KA6LXD/N 15,555-235-61-30, KA6CUU/N 13,237-217-61-30, KA6KUU/N 12,152-207-56-27, etc.

Orange

Table listing Orange call signs and scores: WD6CUT/N 38,398-526-73-30, KA6NWX/N 17,052-289-58-30, KA6FMZ/T 14,640-234-60-30, etc.

Sacramento Valley

Table listing Sacramento Valley call signs and scores: KA6JWZ/N 29,638-406-73-30, KA6FXF/N 28,490-392-70-30

San Diego

Table listing San Diego call signs and scores: KA6LCL/N 43,364-566-74-29, WA6EEH/T 17,615-271-67-27, KA6IDX/N 16-4-9

San Francisco

Table listing San Francisco call signs and scores: KA6JHM/N 18,876-286-66-30

San Joaquin Valley

Table listing San Joaquin Valley call signs and scores: KA6MSU/N 18,910-165-55-24, KA6EVN/T 1175-37-25-15

Table listing call signs and scores: WB4NVO/T 1512-54-28-11

Washington

Table listing Washington call signs and scores: KA7HDE/N 60,040-775-76-30, KA7RBT/N 29,799-458-63-21, KA7DEW/N 21,420-315-68-18, etc.

Wyoming

Table listing Wyoming call signs and scores: KA7AIT/N 16,698-253-66-26, KA7FPD/N 15,372-242-61-18, KA7HVS/N 12,255-215-57-19, etc.

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Table listing call signs and scores: KA8EBG/N 38,760-408-95-30, KA8EJG/N 36,068-448-71-30, WB8WTZ/N 35,234-446-79-23, etc.

Michigan

Table listing Michigan call signs and scores: KA8EBG/N 38,760-408-95-30, KA8EJG/N 36,068-448-71-30, WB8WTZ/N 35,234-446-79-23, etc.

Ohio

Table listing Ohio call signs and scores: KA8IYM/N 60,192-588-99-30, KA8GCD/N 40,271-523-77-25, NB8CQ/N 38,556-459-84-30, etc.

Missouri

Table listing Missouri call signs and scores: KA8IQR/T 34,710-434-80-28, WB8IYV/N 15,100-230-59-26, KA8IIN/T 12,627-207-61-16, etc.

Nebraska

Table listing Nebraska call signs and scores: WD8HAR/N 29,932-481-72-30, KA8VFE/N 14,300-220-65-20, KA8VYJ/N 1596-57-28-7

North Dakota

Table listing North Dakota call signs and scores: KA8JUD/N 15,281-239-59-14, KA8JJR/N 416-26-16-6

South Dakota

Table listing South Dakota call signs and scores: WD8WBW/N 65,772-741-87-30, KA8VYF/N 4452-106-42-30

West Virginia

Table listing West Virginia call signs and scores: KA8LJD/N 42,840-504-85-30, KA8KOL/N 17,995-295-61-28, KA8EJR/N 15,803-257-61-23, etc.

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Table listing call signs and scores: WB9UIA/N 43,788-534-82-28, WB9TJY/T 29,600-360-80-29, WB9RKY/N 24,375-375-65-30, etc.

Illinois

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Table listing call signs and scores: KA9EKG/N 20,988-318-66-24, KA9IXM/N 17,964-254-66-29, KA9IXL/N 16,146-234-69-30, etc.

Colorado

Table listing Colorado call signs and scores: KA9GFA/N 45,535-751-85-30, KA9IQM/N 62,032-568-74-30, KA9AIA/N 31,296-469-64-23, etc.

Iowa

Table listing Iowa call signs and scores: WD8BNO/N 38,556-444-84-30, KA9JQG/N 28,424-403-68-29, WD8FGT/N 14,592-236-57-16, etc.

Kansas

Table listing Kansas call signs and scores: KA9ANR/N 39,524-467-82-27, KA9IKD/N 37,240-468-80-29, KA9EED/N 38,019-412-87-29, etc.

Minnesota

Table listing Minnesota call signs and scores: KA9BVK/N 16,384-256-64-27, WD9GZE/N 14,994-223-63-11, KA9MTM/T 14,168-253-56-27, etc.

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South Dakota

Table listing South Dakota call signs and scores: WD8WBW/N 65,772-741-87-30, KA9VYF/N 4452-106-42-30

Non-Novices

Table listing Non-Novices call signs and scores: K1K1 23,725, KN5H 23,595, W1FM 22,387, WD9BQG 18,944, K9GDF 18,432, K5HM 17,640, etc.

Check Logs

Table listing Check Logs call signs and scores: SM2COR, SM6GHC, VE1RH, V53BAJ, VE7BWM, AD1Z, K1WJ, etc.

Wisconsin

Table listing Wisconsin call signs and scores: KA9CHM/N 69,498-702-99-30, KA9CHP/N 54,201-623-87-30, KA9PDL/N 28,275-435-65-29