

# Results, 53rd ARRL November Sweepstakes

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Shooting for the sweep is the ultimate goal for the serious contester in this event. Even making the top ten or winning the entire contest is not complete without that satisfying feeling of scratching the last ARRL section off your multiplier check list for the "clean sweep"! Ever since the early days of Sweepstakes, contesters have been trying to accomplish each time out what only a relatively small percentage of participants manage to do each year. If your goal is to work all sections with the least number of contacts, or in the shortest length of time, or just working them while piling up a big score, it still gives you that same satisfying feeling known only to those "who have worked them all." This year, only 15% of the 1594 entries managed to get that "satisfying feeling." On CW,

100 single ops and 9 multiops made a sweep, but only 25 of them did it with low power. On the phone weekend, sweeps were made by 90 single ops and 32 multiops but only 21 on low power. This means that 85% of us will just have to push a little harder next year if we want to join those select few.

Phone remains the most popular mode this year, boasting of 831 entries. Single-op phone entries totaled 725, and the remaining 106 played multiop. Interestingly enough, phone operators seemed to prefer low power to high power (about 60% were low power). Low-power CW, also, remains a favorite among the 701 brass pounders who ran no more than 150 watts during the contest. Out of the 746 logs received for the CW weekend, only 45 entries tried their

luck at multiop.

During the CW weekend, the place to be was Puerto Rico! Randy, K5ZD, was guest op at NP4A, Pedro's super station, and walked away with first-place honors, beating second place K6NA by 27k. Third on the totem pole was K5GO with 165k points. It was East Coast against West Coast for a close battle on the low-power scene, with only 364 points separating first place, K3RR, from second place, KZ6E. N6ND wasn't far off the top mark with nearly 132k points to win third place. Oklahoma multiop K5CM took top honors among the multiop crews by beating Wisconsin's leader, W0AIH/9, by 36k. The W8LT crew took third-place honors while only missing the second place spot by 148 points! What a close battle!

## Single Operator Top Ten

CW		Phone	
Call	Score	Call	Score
NP4A (K5ZD,op)	195,656	N6BV	262,108
K6NA	167,980	N2IC	260,480
K5GO	165,760	W7EJ	257,372
N5AU		W5WMU	253,968
(N5RZ,op)	164,428	WS4Q	252,636
N2IC	163,540	NR5M	249,084
VE7CC	163,096	W7WA	243,460
K5RX		K0DD	240,056
(KR0Y,op)	162,800	W3LPL	236,504
K3LR	162,504	(WD4AXM,op)	
N6TR/7	162,208	N5AU	
K0RF	162,060	(WB5VZL,op)	235,616

## Low Power Top Ten

CW		Phone	
Call	Score	Call	Score
K3RR	134,976	KE5CV	201,724
KZ6E	134,612	N5DX	
N6ND	132,904	(K5GO,op)	194,620
W2GD	132,756	K5FUV	143,704
KY2P	127,724	WB0IKN	132,312
W2TZ	125,800	W7ZRC	131,572
KB1W	122,056	NT5V	125,800
W0JNR	116,216	K7LXC	124,468
K4XU	115,884	W7YAQ	115,048
KV0I	114,912	K0SCM	110,320
		KQ8M	108,624

## Multioperator Top Ten

CW		Phone	
Call	Score	Call	Score
K5CM	172,280	K5LZO	267,288
W0AIH/9	135,864	WB8JBM	228,068
W8LT	135,716	K0JUK	226,736
W1OD	130,536	K5CM	219,188
KE7C	128,772	W0CEM	216,524
K0WA	126,874	A17B	194,620
K0SR	126,096	K1TO	191,552
K8AQM	120,960	K1NG	190,032
VE3ART	120,672	K5RVK	186,628
W5EHM	112,712	NN7L	183,816

## Division Leaders

### CW

Division	High Power	Low Power	Multioperator
Atlantic	K3LR	K3RR	NB3I
Canada	VE7CC	VE3VN	VE3ART
Central	K9KM	K9WA	W0AIH/9
Dakota	WA3PWL	K3WT	K0SR
Delta	K5GO	KZ5D	K5MC
Great Lakes	K8CC	KQ8M	W8LT
Hudson	N2NT	W2GD	KT2B
Midwest	K4VX/0 (AH2U)	KV0I	K0WA
New England	K1ZZ	KB1W	W1OD
Northwestern	N6TR/7	W7ZRC	KE7C
Pacific	N6BT (WA6VEF)	W6JTI	WR6O
Roanoke	K4PQL	AA4FF	K4IX
Rocky Mountain	N2IC	W0JNR	KA0QFF
Southeastern	NP4A (K5ZD)	N8GG/4	N4NWT
Southwestern	K6NA	KZ6E	WA6WZO
West Gulf	N5AU (N5RZ)	N5AW	K5CM

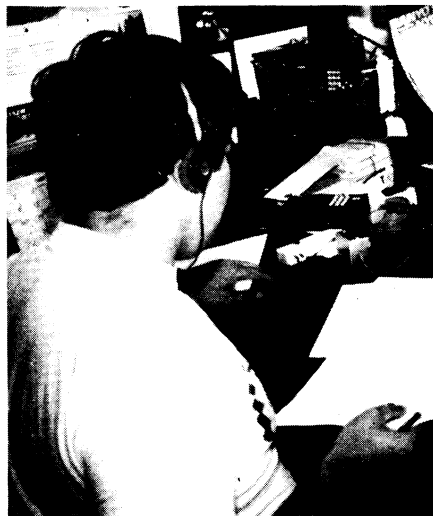
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### Phone

Division	High Power	Low Power	Multioperator
Atlantic	W3LPL (WD4AXM)	N3AOE	NM2L
Canada	VE7CC	VE2MS	VE4UM
Central	WB9HAD	AH2U	W0AIH/9
Dakota	K0DD	WA0VQX	—
Delta	W5WMU	N5DX (K5GO)	N4TG
Great Lakes	W8LT (WD8IXE)	KQ8M	WB8JBM
Hudson	KD2RD	K0SCM	K5NA
Midwest	K4VX/0 (KM9P)	K0SCM	W0CEM
New England	W1WEF	N1CC	K1TO
Northwestern	W7EJ	W7ZRC	A17B
Pacific	N6BV	W6JTI	W6BIP
Roanoke	N4ZC (N5TR)	K4JEX	KC4DY
Rocky Mountain	N2IC	WB0IKN	K0JUK
Southeastern	KV4FV (N6OP)	WC4E	W4AQL
Southwestern	KC7V	W6UQF	KF6OG
West Gulf	WS4Q	KE5CV	K5LZO

## Affiliated Club Competition

	Score	Entries	Phone Winner	CW Winner		Score	Entries	Phone Winner	CW Winner
<b>Unlimited Category</b>									
Society of Midwest Contesters	3,967,558	56	K4VX/Ø (KM9P,op)	K4VX (AH2U,op)	Salt City DX Assn	572,554	6	K2ZL	K2ZJ
<b>Medium Category</b>									
Mad River Radio Club	3,622,504	36	WB8JBM	K3LR	Utah ARC	546,836	6	W7CFL	W7CFL
North Texas Contest Club	3,500,006	36	N5AU (WB5VZL,op)	N5AU (N5RZ,op)	Central Arizona DX Assn	517,156	6	KC7V	K7OX
Murphy's Marauders	2,807,192	37	W1WEF	K1ZZ	Grand Mesa Contesters	504,284	7	KØUK	KJØG
Yankee Clipper Contest Club	2,787,906	39	K1VUT	WB4FDT	Eastern Iowa DX Assn	404,264	4	K1ØJGH	WØEJ
Northern California Contest Club	2,764,492	31	N6BV	N6BT (WA6VEF,op)	Rockford ARA	342,634	7	K9UIY	K9LJN
Potomac Valley Radio Club	2,758,132	38	W3LPL (WD4AXM,op)	KC8C/3	Long Island Mobile ARC	337,092	7	W2SV	K2AU
Minnesota Wireless Assn	2,189,073	32	WØAIH/9	WØAIH/9	Delta DX Assn	336,696	5	KS5M	KS5M
Texas DX Society	2,057,596	16	K5LZO	N5DU	Lincoln ARC	316,612	4	KØSCM	KØSCM
Southern California Contest Club	1,107,750	14	W6UQF	N6TR/7	Rochester (NY) DX Assn	275,870	7	AF2K	W2TZ
Western Washington DX Club	957,062	19	N7TT	N7TT	Northrop Radio Club	252,194	7	W6VPZ	WA6BIL
Frankford Radio Club	875,024	11	N2MM	W2GD	Lynchburg ARC	247,248	5	AA4FF	AA4FF
South Jersey Radio Assn	521,670	23	ND2P	W2LYL	Reading Radio Club	233,224	3	KS3F	KS3F
Radio Club of Tacoma	513,378	14	W7BUN	W7BUN	Penn Wireless Assn	229,600	6	AA3B	AA3B
Motor City RC	495,714	26	K8SB	K8SB	Kingsport ARK	227,133	4	N4TG	N4IR
Central Michigan ARC	284,810	11	KC8LD	W8TJQ	Binghamton ARA	226,780	8	N2CIC	NE2W
Arkansas DX Assn	250,596	3	K5FUV	K5FUV	Utica ARC	216,732	5	NA2A	NA2Q
Warminster ARC	182,009	12	KY3T	WB3EPU	Poughkeepsie ARC	200,760	5	N2BZP	K2TR (WB2KMY,op)
San Gabriel Valley RC	132,160	13	W6RBB	N6IBP	Saginaw Valley ARA	200,270	6	NK8Q	K8DO
<b>Local Category</b>									
Rubber Circle Contest Club	1,230,306	10	W7WA	NN7L	Mississippi Valley DX/CC	198,792	3	WØBH	WØBH
River City Contesters	1,054,160	10	KV6H	N6IG	Eastern Michigan ARC	196,020	7	N8CQA	KJ8A
Overlook Mountain ARC	936,688	10	K5NA	K5NA	Murgas ARC	180,592	6	WB3FAA	KB3JK
Albuquerque DX Assn	662,066	7	N5HH	AIGX	Fox River Radio League	174,698	4	KC9UM	NJ9C
Willamette Valley DX Club	621,550	5	A17B	A17B	Dixie DXers	165,564	3	K4BAI	K4BAI
Kansas City DX Club	605,636	6	KMØL	KBØG	Wichita ARC	164,500	5	N1ØS	WØAWP
Colorado Contest Conspiracy	596,178	7	KØFRP	KCØD	Bollingbrook ARS	163,164	6	NO9D	—
					OH-KY-IN ARS	159,890	9	K8DHK	N8FU
					Rip Van Winkle ARS	159,518	3	W2DW	KW2D
					Zygo ARC	134,336	6	W1ECH	W1ECH
					West Park Radiops	109,272	5	WB8AJF	W8IDM
					Highland ARA	96,884	5	NS8G	—
					Valley RC of Eugene	86,906	4	K7GDN	K7DBV
					Northern Ohio ARS	81,778	3	N8LL	WA8RCN
					Kettle Moraine Radio				
					Amateurs	74,468	3	N9KS	N9KS
					Rowan ARS	63,342	5	KJ4TI	—
					Burlington Co Radio Club	57,928	5	K2KED	K2TD
					Western Pennsylvania DX Assn	34,872	3	K3LL	—
					Great South Bay ARC	6,548	3	KD2SX	—



Proper logging technique is shown by K16EZ, while earning 105,696 points.

With more stations to work, scores were a bit higher on the phone weekend. Taking advantage of this was N6BV with 1771 QSOs and 74 sections to take first-place phone. Second-place honors go to N2IC, from Colorado, trailing by only 11 QSOs. W7EJ, with 257,372 points, finished third among the high-power stations. The top 3 on low power looks like a 5-Land pileup. Mike, KE5CV, was the top scorer, followed by N5DX (K5GO, op) second and

Bill, K5FUV, third. It was a runaway by K5LZO and crew as they claimed the top position in the multiop-phone standings. The second and third multiop finishes were closer with only 1332 points separating them. Second goes to WB8JBM with 228,068 points, and third goes to KØUK with 226,736 points.

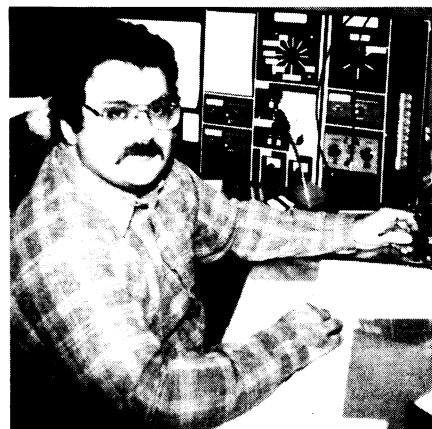
Affiliated Club Competition was as popular as ever, with 64 clubs meeting the minimum requirement of turning in at least 3 logs entries. The only unlimited category entry again this year is the Society of Midwest Contesters with 56 entries and 3,967,558 points. The medium category had 18 different club entries this year. The Mad River Radio Club moved up from 8th place last year to win the medium-club gavel for 1986. The local category was the favorite club competition class, with 45 local clubs competing for the gavel. The Rubber Circle Contest Club improved their total score this year by 200,000 points to take first place again in '86. If your club did not make the listing, check the "Club Competition Rules and Contest Disqualification Criteria," which appears in January *QST*, to see what criteria your club must meet to be eligible in 1987.

### SOAPBOX

#### CW

Good conditions this year; 15 meters was great for KL and KHS! (WB1CNM). I had so much fun during the Sweepstakes. It was an experience especially because it was my first contest! (KB2AOE). Does having four Norwegian Elk-

hounds lending moral support force me into the multi-op category? (KT2D). Once again, I see the super speedsters running away with the SS, but this time my computer kept right up with them (WB2DIN). Just for fun—good to see some old, familiar calls (W2MTA). Entire operation was mobile. In general it was a "hoot"! Never thought a trip to Charlotte, NC would go so fast. Thanks to all for "riding" along with me (W3HDK). I felt the amount of CW activity is decreasing. I am not sure if this may be due to the low sunspot cycle or less interest in the CW mode. I did okay the first half of the contest but it sure got hungry toward the end (K4LTA). Hard to excel when TR relay sticks while exchange coming back! (WD4ELJ). It seems to me that on CW we are in great need of a "Q" signal which means "already worked."



During his 24-hour stint at the helm of KY1H, former HQ staffer AK4L logged 779 Qs, for a total of 113,734 points, on the CW weekend.







