# Results, 1987 June VHF QSO Party 

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wow! Greatest openings ever! That sums up the whole contest weekend in just four words. With tropo, E-skip, meteor scatter, EME and possibly aurora openings, what more could you ask for? Conditions were fantastic on all bands.

Six meters was the hottest spot to be with terrific openings reported from all parts of the US and Canada. Grid-square totals looked like what one would expect to see for QSO totals. NE4L worked VUCC in just eight hours. K4WRP reported working 45 different states on 6 meters during the contest. W5SXD claims 6-meter openings to the entire country for hours at a time. W6CPL reports great 6-meter openings from the West Coast. WB2QLP worked all US Call Areas and seven countries on 6 meters. We were blessed with some of the best 6-meter openings in years, but this wasn't the only band with great conditions.

Two meters was another hot topic, especially in the South. E-skip brought smiles to the faces of many 2-meter contesters. WB4BKC picked up seven new states all on 2 meters. Great openings into Texas on Sunday were reported by KJ4HF. Three hours of 2-meter $\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{s}}$ made this the most exciting VHF contest W5UWB has been in. KA5TJI claims the Sunday morning 2-meter opening sounded like 20-meter pileups. N4FAC says this was the craziest June contest ever. Their twoman crew had to work hard to keep up with 2-meter openings to both coasts. With all these high spirited comments, one would think everything was golden-not so! W1AIM complains that his QSO and gridsquare totals on the higher bands suffered as a result of everyone being on 6 meters. K1FO reports that 432 MHz was pretty slow and he had a sneaking suspicion where everyone was. Actually, all the bands, six through light, were represented with great amounts of activity.

The first confirmed Sporadic-E contact on 220 MHz was reported between W5HUQ/4 (near Jacksonville, FL) and K5UGM (Irving, TX) during the contest on June 14 at 1544 UTC. Was this the only one? Did anyone else make any unreported records?

There were 691 entries processed by the Contest Branch this year. Thanks to all who got their logs in early! With only a couple of weeks to process all logs and put everything together, those few extra days are really appreciated. Out of the 590 single op entries only 15 of them tried their luck at QRP Portable. 102 multiop entries were received.

Twenty-seven of the thirty-two division records were shattered with record high scores being turned in most all sections. Check the division leader box for the new division records ( 13 single op and 14 multiop).

This year's single-op crown goes to Rick, K5UR in Arkansas, who operated five bands for a whopping total score of 367,734 points. His best band was 6 meters with 587 QSOs and 206 grids, all done running barefoot! Rick's 2-meter effort wasn't too shabby either with 184 QSOs and 81 grids. Mark, AA2Z, guest oping at WA2OMY, was right on his heels with 305 k to claim second place with KB3QM following with 272 k for third.

Clarke, K1JX, showed us all how to win running away in the QRP portable class with 120k points. West Coaster Larry, N6NVF, won second place with 15 k , and W8FK/7 took third with 10k. Don't forget QRP Portable is for single ops only. Check the rules for full details.

The multiop scene brought fierce fighting as usual with no one sure of a win 'til the end. When the dust finally settled, W2SZ/1 was the clear winner and remains as "King of the Mountain', with a new record of 947,226 points. The crew of W2SZ/1 piled up a total of 1772 QSOs and 399 grids on all bands,

50 MHz through 24 GHz , from the highest peak in Massachusetts, Mount Greylock. The 14 operators and helpers of Murgas ARC drove K3YTL to a second place win among the giants with a fantastic score of 887 k . Kansas-based WBØDRL and crew took third place with 865 k by working 1414 QSOs and 494 grids. The Illinois multiop gang of AA9D showed what they could do, making 1361 QSOs and 499 grids for a fourth place win. West Coasters from Santa Barbara manned N6CA and joined the fight ignoring the East Coast advantage and broke their way into the top ten with 752 k for a fifth place finish. The seven Oklahoma operators of K5JL took advantage of the great openings and smashed their way to sixth among the big boys.

By popular demand, we have revitalized some of the boxes for more useful information. They should be more helpful in telling the story for those analyzers. Use this info in
designing your next game plan and tune in again Sep 12-14 for the next QSO Party.

## SOAPBOX

The Sunday evening E-skip was delightful! (WB2PID). Without a doubt this contest epitomized the so called " 6 -meter factor" (W1JR). Six meters was super! Best contest in the 20 years I have been a ham (WA1GDR). I didn't mind the rain, or the thunder, or the broken wires, or the splatter, but when a bat flew in the shack, I got upstairs and so did the YL (KA1BJ). Six meters-Wow! (W1RIL). Our best effort ever! I still did a double take at the call of ZF2BL when I worked him, even with 6 wide open (N1CPE). Double E-hop to AZ and CA with only 10 watts made the whole contest great (NIIW). Working portable on Mt Kearsage went fine even though I had more bug bites QSOs than anything else (KA1LMR). Timed contest perfectly-six was hot all weekend. Had a ball (NE1A). Thunderstorms and power failures nixed my ambitions (N2FGZ). Unbelievable conditions on 6! First time I have broken 100 k , but suspect a lot of others did, too

## Division Leaders

| Single Operator Division |  |  | Multioperator Division |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Call | Score | Division | Call | Score |
| WA2OMY* (AA2Z,op) | 305,660 | Atlantic | K3YTL* | 887,760 |
| VE3ASO* | 127,908 | Canadian | VE3LNX | 218,900 |
| WD911X* | 219,114 | Central | AA9D* | 833,829 |
| KøALL* | 103,246 | Dakota | KAguzz | 68,211 |
| K5UR* | 367,734 | Delta | N4FAC/5* | 221,589 |
| WA8TXT | 122,640 | Great Lakes | W8VP** | 582,900 |
| $\mathrm{N} 2 \mathrm{BJ}{ }^{*}$ | 231,990 | Hudson | W1XX/2* | 590,020 |
| KøTLM* | 217,344 | Midwest | WBoDRL* | 865,488 |
| WA10UB | 200,080 | New England | W2SZ11* | 947,226 |
| NU7Z** | 74,090 | Northwest | N7WW* | 186,874 |
| W6RXQ* | 65,985 | Pacific | N6AMG* | 390,633 |
| N4MM | 120,225 | Roanoke | W3CXX/8* | 632,548 |
| KADNNO* | 118,260 | Rocky Mountain | WøKEA* | 129,688 |
| WB4SLM* | 156,104 | Southeast | WW4T* | 125,100 |
| WD6AUP* | 101,896 | Southwest | N6CA* | 752,028 |
| K5CM* (N5CG, op) | 252,160 | West Gulf | K5JL* | 685,069 |


| Single Operator QSO Leaders by Band |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 50 MHz |  | 432 MHz |  |
| K5CM |  | K1FO | 170 |
| (N5CG,op) | 985 | N180 | 112 |
| WD4MGB | 645 | N2BJ | 111 |
| N0LL | 598 | WA8DXG | 104 |
| WA1OUB | 5878 | K1PXE | 88 |
| NE4L | 570 | WAROMY |  |
| W5SXD | 556 | (AA2Z,op) | 83 |
| K1TOL | 550 | WB9MSV | 82 |
| W400 | 545 | WA1HYN | 81 |
| WB2QLP | 534 | N2WK | 81 |
| KN5S | 532 | W1RIL | 80 |
| WB4SLM | 522 | WB2DNE | 80 |
| K4KUZ | 518 | K2KM | 74 |
| KOTLM | 510 | K3HCE | 74 |
| W3EP/9 | 495 | KB3QM | 71 |
| 144 MHz |  | 902 MHz |  |
| N2BJ | 316 | K2SMN | 15 |
| K3NXH | 316 | W1JR | 14 |
| WB1BXS | 308 | W1RIL | 14 |
| WB2Q0Q | 307 | WB1FKF | 11 |
| K1RZ | 305 | WA1JOF | 9 |
| Wa2Rat | 295 | WA2OMY |  |
| K2SMN | 263 | (AA2Z,op) | 9 |
| NGEXU | 262 | WB2YEH | 9 |
| WD9IIC | 255 | W1EJ | 8 |
| AK2F | 249 | N/1W | 7 |
| K3TC WAROMY (AA2Z,op) N4DT | 244 | WA3AXV (WB3KRW,op) |  |
|  |  |  | 6 |
|  | 233 | VE3ASO | 5 |
|  | 227 | W2EIF | 4 |
| KAOTLJ | 225 | N2BFJ | 2 |
| K3ONW | 219 | WB6OPA | 2 |
| 220 MHz |  | (CN84) |  |
| N2BJ <br> WAROMY (AA2Z,op) | 82 | WB7UUP | 2 |
|  | 82 | K9MK/5 | 2 |
|  | 60 | 1296 MHz |  |
| WA2GEZ | 58 | K2SMN | 47 |
| K4LHB | 56 | W1RIL | 35 |
| WB9MSV | 53 | WAROMY |  |
| N2EOC | 48 | (AA2Z,op) | 31 |
| K2SMN | 48 | K6UQH | 28 |
| KB3QM | 45 | WA10UB | 27 |
| WA1HYN | 44 | K1RZ | 27 |
| AB1U | 40 | N180 | 26 |
| W2EIF | 40 | N2BJ | 24 |
| W1JR | 39 | K40IF | 24 |
| N1DPM | 38 | WORAP | 24 |
| N2BFJ | 37 | KøTLM | 24 |
| K9ES | 37 | WABTXT | 23 |
|  |  | N1DPM | 22 |
|  |  | KD5RO | 22 |
|  |  | W7RV | 22 |

(N4JS/2). Excellent 6-meter conditions-lower activity on other bands (K2GK). The rotor broke down and the 2-meter multi-mode rig lost its frequency display. . .must be time for the June VHF contest (WA2RUW). Let's hear it for 6 m ! (N2BJX). New radio, new beam, new personal best! (WB2ZSY). Saturday alternated between operating and sitting out four lines of thunderstorms. Sunday on 6 sounded like 20 meters during Sweepstakes (K4BNC). Six meters was outrageous! I'm sure there are several stations in the Midwest with a singleband score over 100k on 6 (WB2DNE). Six meters was fantastic. As long as it was open I stayed there (WA3GYW). Great 6-meter conditions. Wish I had spent more time on it (WB3IGR). Could have doubled my score except that my son chose this weekend to come into the world! (KA3CXG). Wow! (W3HDH). Super weekend for 6 meters! Heard at least 20 more grids squares than I worked. Got to get a big antenna! (W1GOM). Was just going to make a few contacts and listen for "rare" ones, but-you know what happened! (KB3PD). Really blew it when I fell asleep during small opening to 5 land (K3TC). Six great! But long, long weekendthanks KA4OAK for cold drinks! (NS4W).

Couldn't believe the pileups, especially since I was on the receiving end on 6 meters. All in all-one great contest (KB4GBS). Two sweetest sounds heard here: a call from CT4KQ on CW while I was working a phone pileup, and QRM on 50 MHz CW-it's about time we used more CW (W4WHK). I thought it was nice of everybody to arrange the " $E$ " opening for me as a newcomer to 2-m SSB (WB4MJE). We were blessed with wonderful $\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{s}}$ almost continuously on 6 m . Very intense propagation to all parts of the contiguous US, with short openings to Hawaii, Bermuda and the Caribbean (AA4FQ). If the bands will open like this, let's have a contest every weekend (K4KAE). There were some new records set! (N2CJP). Fantastic! Great Sporadic-E on 2 meters Sunday morning sure livened things up! (WD4AHZ). My first contest in 24 years as a ham. Already looking forward to the next one (WA4GSS). Wow! What a band opening on 6-coast to coast. I worked enough new grids to qualify for VUCC twice over (KB4OLM) It was wild! I worked Seattle and Virginia all in the same minute and without changing the beam! (W4HJW). Worked my first XE after three years of being a ham (KB4KKG). Band was so hot it was hard to decide which way to point the antennas. Sure was proud to work XE1FUX/2 and VP5D (WB4NIX). Greatest thrill: GJ3YHU answered my CQ (K4KUZ). I have been off 6 meters for 6 yearswhat a welcome-back party! (WB4IUX). Had a lot of fun on first contest! (KB4WVI). Fantastic opening on 6 meters, it stayed open most of the weekend (N4HB). Fantastic contest! Murphy had as much fun as we did. He wiped out two rotors and a 432 preamp (WB4LRA). Best contest ever (WA4JNE). My second contest and first multioperator. I will be back for sure! (WW4T). Wow! Six meters sure was great (WB2WIK). Fine 6-meter conditions! Netted 140 grids on 6 m with 10 wattswhat fun! (N5EPA). Great conditions on 6 and 2 Two meters sounded like 20 meters. On Sundayjust fabulous (WA5S). Twenty watts produced 130 grids on 6 m . K6HXW was pinning my S-meter off the back of the beam, and I had W4s S-9 off the front. Missed working my own grid during all this (K7CW). Great $\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{s}}$ Sunday morning. Had power failure while it was happening! Good old Murphy! (KF5PE). What can I say? It was the greates opening in my 32 years operating on 2 meters! (W5FYZ). First contest for the family-they learned a lot and so did I. They will upgrade for sure now! (WD5CAN). This has been the best conditions for a contest on six meters in a long time, and if this holds out for the next QSO Party, I'm headed down the muddy MS to the lighthouse in EL58 (WD5BJT). The good news: I was heard 59+ by GJ4ICD. The bad news: I didn't hear him (N5JHV). Best contest I've ever seen since I've been a ham. Conditions were unbelievable. Worked new states like locals (WB5NAA). Most fun I had in a contest ever! Almost 10k on 6 meters using a $40-\mathrm{m}$ dipole-who says VHF can't be for everybody? (WB5AFY). Great conditions and activity! (W5FF). Unbelievable 6-meter opening. Picked up states 48 and 49 (W6PFE). Saturday, dead. Sunday was like 20 meters had moved to 6 m ! (KK6C). Six meters was very good on Sunday after a slow start on Saturday (W6RXQ). Those darn cows seem to think that rotor wire is better than grass-had to splice our 2-meter rotor no less than four times! (WB6WLE). There isn't enough room in all of QST to list everything that went wrong with my first portable operation-from leaving the microphone at home to convincing to police that what I was doing was not illegal (WA6PMX). Lightning, wind, rain and heat-just another Nevada contest (KD7M). Superb! (K2DNR). Great 6-meter opening Sunday. FB contest-for a change! (W7ABX). The

| Top Ten Single | Operator |
| :--- | ---: |
| Call | Score |
| K5UR | 367,734 |
| WA2OMY (AA2Z,op) | 305,660 |
| KB3QM | 272,538 |
| K5CM (N5CG,op) | 252,160 |
| K2SMN | 250,848 |
| N2BJ | 231,990 |
| WD9IIX | 219,114 |
| K0TLM | 217,344 |
| WA1OUB | 200,080 |
| WB9MSV | 200,043 |


| Top Ten Multioperator |  | Top Ten QRP Portable |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Call | Score | Call | Score |
| W2SZ11 | 947,226 | K1JX | 120,268 |
| K3YTL | 887,760 | N6NVF | 15,631 |
| WBODRL | 865,488 | W8FK/7 | 10,419 |
| AA9D | 833,829 | N2FPB | 5,580 |
| N6CA | 752,028 | NY7C | 5,335 |
| K5JL | 685,069 | NG1W | 1,659 |
| W3CCX/8 | 632,548 | KB1XD | 1,416 |
| W1TKZ | 630,576 | KA1LMR | 980 |
| K1TR | 624,024 | KA1CV | 450 |
| W1XX/2 | 590,920 | KAOZLF (DM89) | 270 |


| Multioperator QSO Leaders by Band |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 50 MHz |  | 432 MHz |  |
| K5JL | 969 | W2SZ11 | 206 |
| WBodRL | 835 | K3YTL | 166 |
| W1XX/2 | 759 | W3CCX/8 | 155 |
| AA9D | 750 | K1TR | 148 |
| N6CA | 730 | WBgDRL | 142 |
| W1TKZ | 717 | N6AMG | 135 |
| W2SZ11 | 709 | W1TKZ | 133 |
| K1TR | 689 | N6CA | 132 |
| K3YTL | 660 | AA9D | 130 |
| WøUC/9 | 660 | W8VP | 122 |
| WA7JTM | 656 | W1xX/2 | 112 |
| W7CI | 653 | WB8BKC | 108 |
| WDBISK | 605 | K3LNZI8 | 104 |
| XE1FUX/2 | 584 | WD8ISK | 100 |
| WB5RUS | 566 | WB2PSI | 96 |
| 144 MHz |  | 902 MH |  |
| W2SZ11 | 615 | K3YTL | 25 |
| K3YTL | 609 | W2SZ11 | 24 |
| K1TR | 571 | K1TR | 20 |
| W1TKZ | 518 | W1TKZ | 13 |
| W1xX/2 | 441 | W1XX/2 | 13 |
| W8VP | 422 | VE3LNX | 13 |
| NV2D | 400 | W3CCX/8 | 10 |
| W3CCX/8 | 366 | K1DS | 10 |
| N8DKL | 339 | AA9D | 10 |
| AA9D | 336 | WB2WIK | 8 |
| WD8ISK | 327 | K1WHS | 7 |
| N6CA | 322 | N6AMG | 7 |
| WBodrl | 319 | WB8BKC | 6 |
| K3LNZ18 | 291 | W1XM | 5 |
| W2DRZ | 278 | N7NW | 5 |
| K6BPC | 277 | 1296 M |  |
| 220 MHz |  | K3YTL |  |
| N6CA | 339 | NGAMG | 55 |
| N6AMG | 167 | WBodRL | 54 |
| K6BPC | 143 | W2SZ11 | 52 |
| W2SZ1 | 127 | N6CA | 42 |
| K3YTL | 110 | W1xX/2 | 37 |
| K1TR | 99 | W1TKZ | 36 |
| W3CCX/8 | 94 | AA9D | 35 |
| K2AA | 82 | K1TR | 32 |
| W1 $\times 1 / 2$ | 80 | W3CCX/8 | 31 |
| W1TKZ | 78 | WB8BKC | 31 |
| KE6AR | 70 | W3KWH | 30 |
| W8VP | 70 | WB2WIK | 28 |
| NU8S | 65 | W8VP | 26 |
| K3LNZ/8 | 58 | K5JL | 25 |
| AA9D | 58 | K6BPC | 24 |

[^0]| Single Operator Multiplier Leaders by Band |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 50 MHz |  | 432 MHz |  |
| KAONNO K5CM | 270 | Ni8O <br> WA8DXG | 53 45 |
| (N5CG,op) | 256 | WB9MSV | 43 |
| W5SXD | 225 | K5UR | 42 |
| NE4L | 209 | WA9GCB | 39 |
| KN5S | 209 | K1FO | 37 |
| K5UR | 206 | KR9G | 36 |
| WB4SLM | 204 | K2SMN | 35 |
| WA10UB | 202 | W8AC | 35 |
| N0LL | 201 | K9VGE | 35 34 |
| W53OZI | 198 | NOWK | 34 |
| K1TOL | 195 | WABTJL | 32 |
| W3EP/9 | 192 | WA8TXT | 31 |
| WD4MGB | 188 | WB2DNE | 30 |
| KøTLM | 187 | K4QIF WD5AGO | 30 30 |
| 144 MHz |  |  |  |
|  |  | 902 MHz |  |
| N®EDQ | 72 | K2SMN | 10 |
| N5WS | 66 | W1JR | 8 |
| N4DT | 65 | W1RIL | 7 |
| W4FF | 64 | WA2OMY |  |
| W4ZD | 64 | (AA2Z,0p) | 7 |
| AA4Z7 | 60 | WB2YEH | 6 |
| K5SW | 60 | WA1JOF | 5 |
| W7ZI | 60 | WB1FKF | 4 |
| N9EXU | 59 | N11W | 4 |
| W8NJR | 59 | WA3AXV |  |
| KA@TLJ | 59 | (WB3KRW,op) | 4 |
| W8AC | 58 | VE3ASO | 4 |
| WA8TJL | 57 | W1EJ | 3 |
| WD9IIC | 56 | W7PUA | 3 |
| 220 MHz |  |  | 2 |
|  | 28 | K9MK/5 | 2 |
| WB9MSV <br> K2GK <br> K4LHB <br> N2BJ <br> K2SMN <br> WAROMY | 27 | WA3RMX | 1 |
|  | 26 25 | WB7UUP | 1 |
|  | 25 | 1296 MHz |  |
|  | 25 |  |  |
|  |  | K2SMN | 21 |
| (AA2Z,op) | 24 | WөRAP | 21 |
| WA2GEZ | 22 | N180 | 17 |
| W91P/2 | 22 | K2GAL | 16. |
| N2BFJ | 21 | WA2OMY |  |
| AB1U | 20 | AA2Z,op) | 16 |
| WA4SBC | 20 | K5UR | 16 |
| WA8TJL | 20 | WABTXT | 16 |
| WA8TXT | 20 | WA1OUB | 15 |
| VE3ASO | 20 | WD5AGO | 15 |
|  |  | K4QIF | 14 |
|  |  | KDSRO | 14 |
|  |  | W1RIL K1RZ | 13 |
|  |  | ${ }_{\text {N2BJ }}$ | 13 |
|  |  | N5WS | 13 |

and it was a ball! (WøEUG). From the CT4 contact and two other new countries on 50 MHz to four new states on 1296 MHz , the conditions were beyond my best hopes (K0TLM). Fun! (W0NKO). My first contest-had a ball! Learned a lot about contesting and operating. I am looking forward to


Putting the finishing touches on the 432 and 1296 antennas at W1QK's Cape Cod station.

Multioperator Multiplier Leaders by Band 50 MHz 432 MHz

| K5JL | 279 | WBøDRL | 74 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| N6CA | 253 | AA9D | 71 |
| WA7JTM | 248 | W8VP | 65 |
| W7Cl | 243 | W3CCX/8 | 55 |
| AA9D | 235 | WB8BKC | 54 |
| WBoDRL | 228 | K5JL | 53 |
| XE1FUX/2 | 228 | W3KWH | 47 |
| WB5RUS | 220 | W0UC/9 | 47 |
| WD8ISK | 220 | K3LNZ/8 | 44 |
| W0UC/9 | 219 | WD8ISK | 44 |
| W1XX/2 | 211 | K3YTL | 43 |
| W2SZ1 | 206 | W2SZ11 | 41 |
| K3YTL | 206 | WB2PSI | 38 |
| W8VP | 205 | W1TKZ | 37 |
| WB2WIK | 204 | N8DKL | 37 |
| 144 MHz |  | 902 MHz |  |
| AA9D | 110 | W2Sz11 | 14 |
| W8VP | 96 | K3YTL | 13 |
| WBøDRL | 93 | VE3LNX | 11 |
| K5JL | 83 | AA9D | 10 |
| N8DKL | 75 | K1TR | 9 |
| WD8ISK | 75 | W3CCX/8 | 9 |
| WB8BKC | 72 | W1XX/2 | 8 |
| WD8LND | 71 | WB2WIK | 7 |
| W3CCX/8 | 69 | N6AMG | 7 |
| W2DRZ | 67 | W1TKZ | 6 |
| N5HHS | 66 | K1DS | 5 |
| WøUC/9 | 66 | WB8BKC | 5 |
| K3YTL | 65 | K1WHS | 4 |
| W3KWH | 63 | N7NW | 4 |
| K3LNZ/8 | 59 | K3LNZ/8 | 3 |
| WB5RUS | 59 | N6CA | 3 |
| WøFY | 59 | WD8ISK | 3 |
| 220 MHz |  | 1296 MHz |  |
| W8VP | 50 | WBodrl | 46 |
| W3CCX/8 | 42 | AA9D | 27 |
| WBodRL | 41 | K3YTL | 26 |
| AA9D | 36 | W2SZ1 | 22 |
| K3YTL | 35 | WB8BKC | 22 |
| WD8ISK | 34 | W3KWH | 21 |
| W1TKZ | 33 | W1TKZ | 19 |
| W2SZ11 | 33 | W8VP | 19 |
| WB8BKC | 32 | W3CCX/8 | 18 |
| K3LNZ18 | 30 | VE3LNX | 18 |
| W1XX/2 | 29 | K5JL | 17 |
| K2AA | 29 | W1XX/2 | 16 |
| WB2PSI | 29 | N6CA | 16 |
| K1TR | 28 | K1TR | 14 |
| W3KWH | 27 | K2BWR | 13 |
|  |  | WB2WIK | 13 |
|  |  | N6AMG | 13 |

the next VHF contest (KDØABU). Six meters was like the weather here, hot! (WAøDCB). Band conditions were incredible. Six-meter $\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{s}}$ Saturday was followed by a big tropo opening on Sunday AM, which was later followed by $\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{s}}$ on 2 meters! (WøFY). Enjoyed the contest as usual. Six was great! (KD6SU). Excellent openings produced many new grid squares (VE3VET).

## Feedback

Please note the following corrections from Sep 1986 QST: K2DNR should have been the A winner in AZ. K6LM/7 should have been K6LMN/7. WB4CTW was listed in TN, but he should have been in VA. AE3T was listed in OR, but he should have been in EPA.


The crew of Roanoke multiop Division leader W3CCX/8 assembling the 432-MHz array.


One of grid-hopper Hal's WØMXY, portable locations in New Mexico (DM76),

## Scores

Call, score, QSOs, multipliers, bands worked $(A=50 \mathrm{MHz} ; B=144 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{C}=220 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{D}=432 \mathrm{MHz} ; 9=902 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{E}=1296 \mathrm{MHz} ;$ $\mathrm{F}=2.3 \mathrm{GHz} ; \mathrm{G}=3.4 \mathrm{GHz} ; \mathrm{H}=5.7 \mathrm{GHz} ; \mathrm{I}=10 \mathrm{GHz} ; \mathrm{J}=24 \mathrm{GHz} ; \mathrm{K}=48 \mathrm{GHz} ; \mathrm{L}=$ Light). An asterisk before the call sign denotes a QRP-portable station; an ( N ) after the call indicates a Novice.


K9RO operating the 6-meter station at the 4th-place multiop station, in Bald Knob, Illinois


Western Massachusetts
W1RIL $\quad 146,828-569-188-$ ABCD9E
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { K9ES } & 105,570-544-170-A B C D \\ \text { N1DPM } & 101675-477-175-A B C D E\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{ll}\text { N1ISW } \\ \text { KA1CRX } & 31,310-239-101-A B C D E\end{array}$ K1JG 288 18-16-AB ZFK,ZMS,WB1s CBH,HIH,K2TR,K2WR, KA2s DEW,FWN,QHF,WRG,KB2DGA,NF2B,
NJ2L,NT2X,N2s BNY,CJJ,WA2s AAU,GFP, SCA,SPL, WB2s KMY,PKO,AK4L, K1TR + AK1A, K1BA,K1EA, K3WM,K52F K8UR,N1AFQ,N1BEM,NG1A,WA1s PBU,VFJ, W1NY (AC1T,KA1MP,W1KK,WA1HFF,ops) KA1KRJ (+ KA1s MEW,MHY,WB1HAB)

Eastern Now York
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { N2B } & 231,990-804-222-A B C D E \\ \text { WA2BAH } & 28,320-220-120-A B C D\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{lr}\text { WA2ZPX } & 20,736-216-96-A B \\ \text { WA2ALV } & 6,552-101-63-A B D\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{lll}\text {-N2FPB } & 5,580-90-62-A \\ \text { WA2FUZ } & 2,046-93-22-B\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{llll}\text { KD21X } & \text { 2,040- } & \text { 53- } & \text { 22-B } \\ \text { KG2H } & 377- & 29-13-\mathrm{B}\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{llll}\text { WB1BTJ/2 (N) } & 200-20- & 5-C \\ \text { WA2RUW } & 180-15- & 6-C\end{array}$ AB21 (+ AB2J,W2AWX,WA2IID,WB2DVV) N1CVA ( + KA1LLX) W2YJO (+KA2Q) $\begin{array}{rrr}15,249-193-69-A B D \\ 2,438 & 99-23-B D\end{array}$ NYC-Long island



A view of 6th-place multiop station K5JL, and its operators.


| WB6DTA (+ K6DYD) |  | 316-170-ABDE |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| San Francieco |  |  |
| WA7KLK 38, | 38,676- | 255-132-ABCD |
| N6GLI 25 | 25,576- | 202-92-ABCDEF |
| WA6JYO | 7,360- | 89- 64-ABDE |
| San Joequin Valley |  |  |
| WB4AYE/6 20 | 20,097- | 178-99-ABCD |
| WB6YIY | 1,615- | 85-19-B |
| N60A | 1,240- | 40-31-A |
| N6EJG | 530 | 53-10-8 |
| K6YK | 315 | 35-9-8 |
| KF6NY (CM96) | 196) $97-$ | $8-7-A B C D$ |
| KF6NY (DM07) | 107) 45- | 5- 5-ABCDE |
| KF6NY (CM97) | 197) 40- | 5- 2-BCDE |
| KF6NY (DM06) | 06) $32-$ | 4. 4-BCDE |
| WA6UZR (+ W6YKM) |  |  |
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|  | 31,787-2 | 238-133-AB |



NJR,OGS,ONQ,WBBSGEX,IGY,W9VNE)
503,366-1099-389-ABCD9EFI

## Weat Virginia

W3CCX/8 (WA1YHO,WA2ONA,WB2S NPE,RVX, AK3O,K3s EOD,ESJ,KA3MGB,N3CX,WA3s AXV,JUF,NUF,YUE,KF6AJ,ops) K3LNZ/8 (K302,548-1182-406-ABCD9EFGHW EOQ,OYW,NZL,ops)
N8DKL (KC3OO N8DKL (KC8OQ,N8s BZS,FWL,FCJ,HTR, WB8CNN, Ops ) WD8PAD) 101,850-464-210-ABCD

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| WDonx WB9MSV | 219,114- | 740-259-ABCDE |
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|  | 200,043- | 582-279-ABCD |
| WABFTA9 | 77,463- | 413-171-ABD |
| KA9MGR | 51,360- | 288-160-ABC |
| W9UD | 39,334 | 225-142-ABCDE |
| NG9R | 29,643- | 210-123-ABD |
| N9EXU | 15,458- | 262-59-B |
| WD9IIC | 14,280- | 255-56-B |
| KE9DK | 6,566- | 98-67-A |
| W9JGV | 6,255- | 139-45-B |
| WA9GCB | 5,382- | 69-39-D |
| W9NB | 4,704. | 147-32-B |
| KR9G | 3,960- | 55-36-D |
| N9AQ | 1,855- | 53-35-B |
| KA9CLP | 1,633- | 53-23-BCD |
| WA9D (+ K9s PW,RO,KA9s CKI, JYI, |  |  |
|  |  |  |
| N9s EDT,KC,W9s WI,XA,WB9SNR) 833,829-1381-499-ABCD9EFIJL |  |  |
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| AE9M (+ K9CHZ,N9EZC,WB9QPI) |  |  |
| W9YH (KA9KLO,KD9VS,ops) |  |  |
|  | 1,682- | 58-29-B |
| KA9CAI (+ KA9VYZ) |  |  |
|  | 1,155- | 55- 21-B |
| Indiana |  |  |
| NE9O | 123,060- | 555-210-ABD |
| W3EP/9 | 95,040- | 495-192-A |
| KA8MRI/9 | 74,938- | 395-178-ABD |
| K9DZS | 17,442- | 156-102-ABD |
| KC4KK/9 | 17,264 | 168-104-A |
| WA9PKL | 16,300- | 163-100-A |
| W9MBL | 12,642- | 147- 88-A |
| AN9C | 9,858- | 159-62-A |
| KA9COC | 9,308- | 179-52-B |
| K9LQZ | 2,649 | 91-39-B |
| KU9C | 1,938- | 51-38-AB |
| W9YB (KA9CCR,KC9RG,ops) |  |  |
|  | 64,242- | 375-168-ABD |
| Wieconein |  |  |
| K9vge | 90,134 | 425-187-ABD |
| WA9KVS | 40,650- | 271-150-AB |
| WA9LZM | 26,160- | 210-120-ABD |
| WAgOKB | 12,717- | 157-81-AB |
| W9YCV | 3,344 | 72-38-BD |
| KA9HKL | 3,332- | 98-34-B |
| KA9VOK | 2,409 | 73-33-A |
| WA9HCZ |  | 37-27-AB |



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| WBgTEM | 90,200-385-200-ABCDE |
| N0GPD | 60,788- 342-167-ABD |
| WDPFOY | 36,237- 257-141-AB |
| WADDCB | 28,560- 234-112-ABCD |
| KGDAS | 23,956-190-113-ABCD |
| KDOBT | 23,760- 220-108-A |
| KA@TLJ | 13,275- 225-59-B |
| WERAP | 10,340- 82-55-DE |
| KoVm | 9,308-173-52-BC |
| N 0 CH | 5,808-132-44-B |
| WBoUSU | 4,085- 95- 43-BD |
| KOJQA | 4,059- 99-41-B |
| KDERN | 2,655- 59-45-AB |
| KGGT | 2,516- 68- 37-B |
| WOEUG | 2,009 49-41-A |
| WDeGVY | 546- 26- 21-B |
| KAbFTO | 180-15-12-B |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { WBQVYV ( } \\ & \text { KEOBX,Ne } \end{aligned}$ | KBos AGI,AGU,AKB,AKD,ACO, (6HBP,ops) |
|  | 131,208- 555-213-ABDE |
| Kansas |  |
| NOLL | 176,276-677-254-ABD |
| WGRT | 34,704-214-144-ABD |
| WBeISW | 32,292- 252-117-ABCD |
| KCozR | 1,770- $59-30-\mathrm{B}$ |
| K¢FPC | 1,680-56-30-B |
| WDOABU | 1,244 48-28-B |
| WBGDRL (+ ABOS,KOWA,KXGO,NOOY,W8ULC,WAOTKJ) |  |
| $\text { KOबW (+ WA9CFQ) } 17,510-163-103-A B D$ |  |
|  |  |
| Minnesota |  |
| KB6ZQ (EN34) |  |
|  | 27,775-238-101-ABD |
| KBoZQ (EN24) |  |
| Whan 8,128-124-64-ABD |  |
| Weain | 3,111-60-51-ABD |
| WAOBWE 2,610-45-29-D |  |
| KABUZZ (+ KCOP,Wøs OHU,VB) 68,211-363-159-ABCDE |  |
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| Miseouri |  |
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| KøTLM | 217,344-653-283-ABCDE |
| NJOX | 87,612- 401-196-ABCDE |
| KOIFL | 56,144-259-176-ABCDE |
| W0,RP | 54,270-311-162-ABCD |
| NOFQW | 51,792- 301-166-ABD |
| NOGRS | 25,651- 227-113-AB |
| WB9SKE | 4,738-103-46-B |
| WONKO | 2,278- 67-34-B |
| WOFY (+ K | A@GGI,KM0A) <br> 104,346-458-198-ABCD |
| North Dakota |  |
| Kgall | 103,246- 467-209-ABCDE |
| KVOR | 45,436-304-148-ABD |
| Nebraska |  |
| KCOQR | 67,875-314-181-ABCDE |
| NOAJU | 24,069-213-113-AB |
| WEBJ | 23,632-211-112-AB |
| WOKAV | 5,888- 92- 64-A |
| WAGBOK | 3,200-64-50-A |
| NOBQW | 2,816- 64- 44-A |
| AEGG | 840- 40- 21-B |
| South Dakota |  |
| WBoulx | 6,864-100- 66-ABD |
| WBOHHM | 5,673-93-61-AB |
| VE |  |
| Maritime-Newfoundiand |  |
| VE1UT | 29,400-239-120-ABCD |
| Quebec |  |
| VE2DUB | 20,564 184-97-ABDE |
| VE2TH | 12,996-171-76-A |
| VE2YB | 9,956-131-76-AB |
| VE2MLS | 918-34-27-A |
| Ontario |  |
| VE3ASO | 127,908-464-228-ABCD9EFI |
| VE3DDW | 68,134 80-163-ABD |
| VE3EYR | 23,548-180-116-ABCD |



Saskatchewan
VE5LY 11,700-129-90-ABD
Alberta
$\begin{array}{lll}\text { VE6SW } & 1,739-45-37-A B D \\ \text { VEEBCC } & 1,360 & 40-34-A D\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{lrr}\text { VE6BCC } & 1,360 & 40-34-A \\ \text { VE6AFO } & 60-8 & 8-B D\end{array}$
VE6AFO ( + WA2TMC)
VE6WW
8-
46,339-303-149-ABD

## Brtish Columbie

VE7ASI 7,991-122-61-ABD
VETVHF (VE7s ACI,CDX,CFV,CIM,FKM,
FYC,FZX,JAG,ops)
62,208-412-144-ABDI
DX
K1FJM/FM (+ WA1AYS)
XE1FUX/2 $\begin{array}{cc}\left(+\begin{array}{c}4,984 \\ \hline \\ 204,605\end{array}\right. & 89-56-A \\ 726-271-A B D\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{lrr} & 204,605-726-271-A B D \\ \text { ZF2BL } & 2,009 & 49-41-A\end{array}$
Checklogs
KA1ICR, KA2ICH, WB3DNA, WB4RUA, WB9EEA, VE4IN


[^0]:    "mountain toppers" made it more fun by activating rare grids (WB7ATP). One of the best 6-meter openings for the contest I have seen in years (N7DB). Late opening on 6 meters, then things went wild (W7HAH). Great contest! Lots of rare grids on 2 meters! (WA7VHW). In less than one hour, I worked 32 stations in 19 grids and 8 states in SE US (W7RV). Propagation and a contest at the same time? Fantastic! (KC3CL). Too busy working opening on 6 to worry about the other bands. Never dreamed I would get a point total this high (N8CCC). A super contest. Who bribed the propagation gods? Do it again! (KB8JI). My first contest on VHF. Had a good time (N8GWP). First attempt at VHF QSO party even though I have had this call almost 54 years. Be back again with better antenna (W8LHV). My first contest in a long time. Thank you NI8O for all the help (WD8BHO). A really good time (KE8BR). Wow! What a 6-meter opening! Almost qualified for VUCC that weekend! (WB8JAY). What a contest! Conditions were simply tremendous nearly everywhere-what else can one add? (W3EP/9). Sunday morning was a lifesaver due to the openings then or this contest might have been a disaster (W9YCV). No breaks, no sleep, just fun! (WA8FTA/9). Hello 6 meters, goodbye channel 2! (AJ9C). Would have liked more E-skip on 2 meters, but this was the best VHF Contest in my 23 years on the air (NE9O). Tropo and $\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{s}}$ on Sunday morning kept me hopping between radios (WB9MSV). Had a great time (K9VGE). Sure is great to see the spread of 6-meter activity all the way up to 50.280 MHz . With a little effort, one could work VUCC in one contest (WA9LZM). Great conditions on 6 and 2. I wish I had more bands! (AE9M). Somehow I overcame equipment problems at the contest start to enjoy dynamite 6 -meter opening that just wouldn't quit (WD9IIX). Whew! What a weekend.... Six was really cooking. I worked at least ten new states and four new provinces as well as my first XE (NøGPD). Help! E-skip on 6 and 2, tropo on 220 and 432 at the same time! Which band does a single operator use first? (KC0QR). Six-meter conditions were excellent to all call areas. Best DX was W6JKV/V2A! (WØEET). First ever VHF operation and/or contest

