Results, 1988 September VHF QSO Party

Au = Gold = Aurora = Buzz-buzz = VHF DX!

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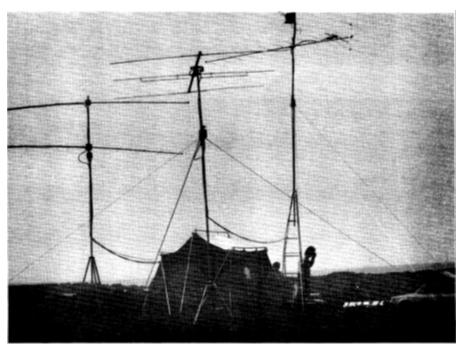
Assistant Contest Manager

oing for the gold was the battlecry of participants in the 24th Olympiad in Seoul. Likewise, Mother Nature provided the golden opportunity for DX in vast areas of the continent in the September 1988 VHF contest. According to Mendeleev's periodic table of the elements, the chemical symbol for gold is Au. To the VHF world, Au means AURORA. Yes, aurora-the buzzsaw mode-which made a dramatic appearance in the September fracas, much to the delight of the world above 50 MHz. Joy was not confined to just the northern latitudes either, as such well-equipped stations as WQ4V in North Carolina experienced extensive golden Au propagation.

The aurora was certainly the highlight of the contest, as WB2JSJ facetiously offered: "I found the aurora on 50, 144, and 220 MHz very annoying. Here I was ready for a nice quiet Sunday afternoon of painfully slow QSO rates when, all of a sudden, all hell broke loose and I didn't know which mike or keyer, on which band, to grab first." "The aurora was fantastic. This goes to show you that if you're patient the propagation gods will eventually smile upon you."-N8DGN. From 9-land: "Sunday morning was wild—all bands were open with simultaneous aurora and tropo! The three aurora openings totaled about nine hours here."-WØUC/9. WA4VWV rasped: "It sounded like spark gap!"

DX was also to be had by other routes, as WB8K took advantage of "very short and selective tropo openings on 432 MHz." In the Southwest, some limited F2 6-meter openings were recorded by W5FF, whose "contest highlight was logging LU8YYO," and K5CM, who found it "great to hear some rare South American grids coming in at the end of the contest.³

Amazing as it may seem to the VHF contest faithful, some have not yet discovered the joy of VHF competition. N4LBJ here destroys the myth that you will get a nosebleed above 29 MHz. "After 32 years on HF exclusively, I decided to take the VHF plunge only recently. I was afraid



The Northern Michigan hilltop location of the KB8JI team.

if I operated above 10 meters, I would get altitude sickness. In fact, it was a blast. Having duked it out in many a DX and 160-meter contest, I found I could take time off to be civil to the family, and eat three meals a day, without blowing the whole thing." Let's all work to get a few more converts from the dc bands.

In our regular "rare squares" feature, marine mobile W1TUM earned the coveted 52^2 award with 52 contacts from FN52, off the coast of Cape Cod, Massachusetts. Running 6-meters through 432 MHz, Dex reports nobody got seasick! Please give us your rare square escapades for future consideration (and a player to be named later).

The ultimate measure of success of the contest is in the scores produced. This one saw eight Division records tumble: single ops KØIR in Dakota, K5CM in West Gulf, and VE3ASO in Canada; multiops W1XX/3 in Atlantic, NV2D in Hudson,

WBØDRL in Midwest, W2SZ/l in New England and VE3LNX in Canada.

Multiop W2SZ/l on Mt Greylock utilized the microwave bands extensively to break all previous September records with 751k points. This superlative effort illustrates what happens to the scores with a little propagational enhancement. W1XX and his band of merry men put on the Central Pennsylvania rare square FNØØ in a big way, finishing second with just over 600k. This effort beat out a fine performance by the K3YTL group at 554k, finishing in show position. Of special note is the big Roan Mountain effort of WQ4V, making the top ten listing.

In the single-op category, we're glad to note that contest regular WA2TEO made it to the top, edging out a very competitive field. Jeff was the only station to break the 100k mark. Hats off to VE3ASO, KB3QM, W9IP/2 and N2WK who finished two through five in that order, all bunched in

| Single Operator Top Ten | | |
|--------------------------|--------------------|-------|
| Call | Score | |
| WA2TEO | 109,475 | |
| VE3ASO | 99,188 | |
| KB3QM W9IP/2 | 95,850 94,872 | |
| N2WK | 90,216 | |
| K1RZ | 88,128 | |
| WB3JYO K2UOP/4 | 82,137 76,076 | |
| W3IP | 67,539 | |
| W1RIL | 65,611 | |
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| Multiop | perator Top | o Ten |
| Call | Score | |
| W2SZ/1 | 751,215 | |
| W1XX/3 K3YTL | 600,655 554,000 | |
| K1TR | 367,310 | |
| WQ4V | 331,890 | |
| W2DRZ WBØDRL | 301,653 267,384 | |
| KA1ZE | 249,613 | |
| K1WHS VE3LNX | 199,690 189,435 | |
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| | ortable To | n Ten |
| | - | |
| Call | Score | |
| WA5NFC K6LMN | 2,166 | |
| (CM94) | 1,911 | |
| N1EWB | 1,470 | |
| (FN32) KH6CP/1 | 1,470 | |
| (FN31) | 1,160 | |
| KB4NFY N1EWB | 943 | |
| (FN42) | 585 | |
| NN1G | 560 | |
| KB6MEG K6LMN | 200 | |
| (DMØ4) | 91 | |
| KAILMR | 84 | |
| C ^{11/2} | | |

at 90k points plus.

Although QRP portable entries did not yield big scores this time, the fun factor was nonetheless S9. Finishing one-two were WA5NFC and K6LMN, the latter operating from two different grid squares. Incidentally, this category has been extended to the January Sweepstakes, although this will probably appeal only to

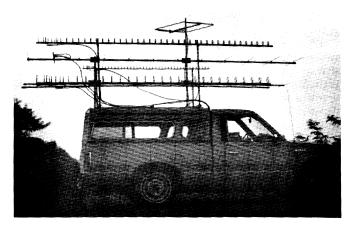
| By Band | | 432 MHz | | By Ba 50 MH |
|-----------------------|------------|------------------|------------|------------------|
| 50 MHz | 450 | | 400 | |
| W3EP/1 W9IP/2 | 159 157 | K1FO K2OS | 130 103 | VE3AS0 W9IP/2 |
| VE3ASO WA1TRE | 136 | WB8K | 90 | W3EP/1 |
| WAITRE | 129 | WA2TEO WB2DNE | 77 75 | WA1TR KB3QM |
| WA2TEO WA1VRH | 125 105 | KB3QM | 75 | WB2DN |
| K9ES | 104 | N8DGN | 69 | KU8P |
| KB3QM | 100 | K1RZ | 68 | WA4NJ |
| WB2DNE K3ZO | 92 91 | N2WK KD5RO | 67 66 | K9ES WA1VR |
| KIRZ | 85 | W1RIL | 65 | K2UOP |
| K2UOP/4 | 84 | K2UOP/4 | 62 | WD4M0 |
| WB1GQR | 84 | W9IP/2 K9ES | 61 57 | K5CM K1RZ |
| (WB2JSJ,op) K5CM | 77 | W2HRW | 57 | VESOZ |
| WA4NJP | 75 | | - | K3ZO |
| 144 MHz | | 902 MHz | | 144 M |
| | | W1RIL | 24 | |
| WB2QOQ KA1KRJ | 294 283 | KD5RO WB3JYO | 23 17 | N8DEJ W9IP/2 |
| WA2TEO | 269 | N2WK | 16 | KD9JQ |
| K9ES | 251 | WB2YEH | 15 | VE3OZ |
| KA2WKA | 250 249 | WB1FKF N5WS | 13 12 | VE3AS N8DGN |
| WB1BXS VE3PCW | 239 | WA3JUF | 12 | K1RZ |
| WA1VRH | 214 | K2GAL | 11 | VE3PC |
| N3FYD VE3ASO | 211 208 | VE3ASO AB1U | 10 10 | KØIR W3ZZ |
| VESASO | 208 | WØRAP | 10 | W3IP |
| K1RZ | 202 | W3IP | 9 | WA2TE |
| KB3QM | 201 | KF6AJ WA1MBA | 8 8 | WA8TJ |
| WB1GQR (WB2JSJ,op) | 189 | | 0 | WA4VV WB9MS |
| N8DEJ | 188 | 1296 MHz | | KD5RO |
| 220 MHz | | W1RIL | 41 | 220 M |
| WA2TEO | 66 | WA2LTM K2GAL | 41 38 | N2WK |
| KA2WKA | 53 | KB3QM | 36 | WA2TE |
| N2WK | 52 | WB3JYO | 35 | WBØW |
| WB3JYO K1RZ | 51 45 | KD5RO K2UOP/4 | 31 28 | WØVB W9IP/2 |
| WBIGQR | 40 | WB2YEH | 26 | W3ZZ |
| (WB2JSJ,op) | 45 | WA3JUF | 25 | K1RZ |
| K2UOP/4 | 45 44 | WA2TEO N2WK | 25 22 | W3IP KB3QM |
| KB3QM K9ES | 44 | W3IP | 22 | K2UOP |
| WBØWAO/8 | 41 | WB1FKF | 21 | VE3AS |
| W1RIL W3ZZ | 40 40 | K1RZ | 21 19 | KA2WK WB3JY |
| W9IP/2 | 40 39 | W6CPL W3ZZ | 19 | K1LPS |
| W3IP | 38 | K1PXE | 19 | WB1GC |
| WB2YEH W6CPL | 37 37 | 2304 MHz | | (WB2. |
| WA1HYN | 37 | WB3JYO | 12 | |
| | | WA3JUF | 10 | |
| | | WB2YEH | 9 | |
| | | KD5RO WB1FKF | 9 8 | |
| | | W1RIL | 7 | |
| | | W1JR | 3 | |
| | | NI1W WA1MBA | 3 | |
| | | N2WK | 3 | |
| | | | | |
| | | W5RCI WA4GPM | 2 2 | |

e Operator Multiplier Leaders and

| | By Band | | | |
|--|---|--|--|--|
| | 50 MHz | | 432 MHz | |
| 130 103 90 77 75 69 68 67 66 66 65 62 61 57 57 | VE3ASO W9IP/2 W3EP/1 WA1TRE KB3QM WB2DNE KU8P WA4NJP K9ES WA1VRH K2UOP/4 WD4MGB K5CM K1RZ VE30ZB K3ZO | 60 59 47 45 41 40 39 38 38 38 37 36 34 33 33 33 33 | WB8K K2OS N8DGN K1FO K1RZ KB3QM WB2DNE W91P/2 NØLL K2UOP/4 N2WK WA2TEO W32TEO W32TEO W32TEO W32FO W32FO W32FO W32F | 43 40 36 31 29 29 28 28 28 27 26 26 26 26 26 26 |
| 24 | 144 MHz | | N2WK | 15 |
| 24 23 17 16 13 12 11 10 10 9 8 8 8 | N8DEJ W9IP/2 KD9JQ VE3OZB VE3ASO N8DGN K1RZ VE3PCW KØIR W32Z W3IP WA2TEO WA8TJL WA4VWV WB9MSV KD5RO | 76 65 64 62 61 54 55 52 51 51 50 | N2WK KD5RO WB3JYO WB3JYO W23ASO W1RIL W2YEH WA3JUF N5WS K2GAL AB1U WB1FKF KF6AJ WA1MBA W3IP 1296 MHz | 15 9 9 9 8 8 7 6 6 5 5 5 4 |
| 41 | 220 MHz | | K2GAL | 16 |
| 41 38 35 35 28 26 25 22 21 21 21 19 19 19 | N2WK WA2TEO WBØWAO/8 WØVB W9IP/2 W3IZZ K1FZ W3IP KB3QM K2UOP/4 VE3ASO KA2WKA WB3JYO K1LPS WB1GQR (WB2JSJ,op) | 30 28 28 25 25 25 23 23 23 23 23 23 23 22 22 22 22 22 22 | WA2LTM N2WK KD5RO KB3QM WB3JYO K2UOP/4 W3ZZ W1RIL WB2YEH WA3JUF K1RZ WA2TEO WB9MSV WA2EOQ K2GK | 16 15 15 13 13 13 12 11 11 10 10 10 |
| | (1102030,00) | 20 | 2304 MHz | |
| 12 10 9 8 7 3 3 3 3 2 2 2 2 | | | KD5RO WB3JYO WA3JUF WB2YEH WB1FKF NI1W W1JR WA1MBA N2WK W5RCI WA4GPM VE3ASO | 744433222222 |

| Division Leaders Single Operator Multioperator | | | | |
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| Call | Score | Division | Call | Score |
| KB3QM WB9MSV KØIR* WSRCI WA8TJL N2BJ KØIFL WA2TEO KE7CX W6RXQ WSFF K2UOP/4 WA4NJP W6CPL | 95,850 32,292 21,944 13,600 33,580 22,308 17,952 109,475 4,050 7,880 3,195 76,076 31,740 31,740 | Atlantic Central Dakota Delta Great Lakes Hudson Midwest New England Northwestern Pacific Rocky Mountain Roanoke Southeastern Southwestern | W1XX/3* WØUC/9 KG5MD WD8ISK NV2D* WBØDRL* W2Z/1* WB6PFJ N6ENU WQ4V K6MEP | 600,655 170,680 10,011 171,580 140,524 267,384 751,215 7,359 138 331,890 46,136 |
| K5CM* VE3ASO* | 43,470 99,188 | West Gulf Canada | WB5VYE VE3LNX* | 10,912 189,435 |

*Denotes new Division record



Dean, WAØTKJ, operated on 7 bands and from 16 different grids totaling over 900 miles.

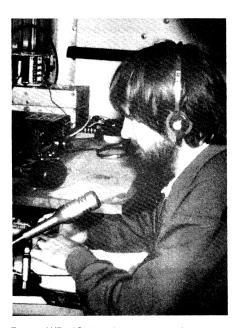
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Multioperator QSO Leaders By Band

| Multioper | ator QS | O Leaders By | Band |
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| 50 MHz | | 902 MHz | |
| K1TR W2USZ/1 W40UC/9 K3YTL W1XX/3 KA1ZE W2QRZ WQ4V K1WHS N2CEI N4EQT N4EQT NV2D K2XR V23LNX W4BFB | 338 297 246 237 230 220 193 186 170 155 155 150 145 116 106 | K3YTL W1XX/3 W2SZ/1 K2BWR K1TR W2DRZ VE3LNX K2XR WBØDRL K41ZE WDØISK W2DMC WB2PSI K1WHS NM8X | 40 38 32 29 28 27 25 24 19 18 17 17 12 11 |
| 144 MHz | | 1296 MHz | |
| W1XX/3 K3YTL W2SZ/1 K1TR KA1ZE W2DRZ W2DRZ W2DRZ W1WHS NV2D WD8ISK VE3LNX N4EQT W18L W3KWH W1QK | 573 551 523 483 383 368 345 340 313 289 276 271 267 254 | W1XX/3 K3YTL W2SZ/1 K1TR WBØDRL KA1ZE K1WHS K2XR WQ4V NV2D W2DRZ W2DRZ W2DRC VE3LNX W3KWH K6MEP | 66 64 59 54 35 34 31 30 25 22 21 |
| 220 MHz | | 2304 MHz | |
| W2SZ/1 K3YTL K6MEP K1TR W1XX/3 WQ4V KA1ZE K1WHS WD8ISK W2BISK K2XR W2DRZ N2CEI N2CEI N2CEI N2CEI N2D VE3LNX WBØDRL | 138 127 118 107 77 73 63 61 58 58 58 58 58 58 58 58 58 58 58 58 58 | W2SZ/1 K3YTL W1XX/3 WBØDRL VE3LNX K2XR N2CEI K1WHS WB2PSI WQ4V W24V W24Z K1TR | 53 21 16 13 9 7 7 7 6 1 |
| 432 MHz | | | |
| W2SZ/1 K3YTL W1XX/3 K1TR KA1ZE WQ4V WD8ISK W2DRZ WBØDRL K1WHS W2DMC VE3LNX K2XR NM8X NV2D | 207 201 200 141 136 123 102 101 99 96 93 80 64 64 61 | | |



Jack, N6XQ, and Dennis, WA5LIG, the operators of XE2GFH, set a new North American record of 595 miles on 10 GHz.



Bruce, WD4JQV, racks up some of the 51 grids that WQ4V earned on 432 MHz during their 5th place overall finish.

those in the warm-weather climes. Or do we have some hardy souls out there with snow shoes and dog sleds?

Speaking of the VHF Sweepstakes, that event is the next stop on the VHF contest calendar, January 14-16-the weekend before the Super Bowl. Get ready to "CQ SS." C ya!-WIXX

SOAPBOX

How about that aurora! It was here in central Connecticut only Saturday and Sunday night, but I could hear stations not much further north running aurora Sunday morning, too. I was also on the edge of the western tropo Sunday evening as well. But what more could a September weekend offer--even if everyone couldn't get in on the aurora and tropo (W3EP/1). After getting off to a slow start, aurora activity Sunday provided me with my best 2-meter DX to date, when I worked W18L (EN82) and N8DEJ (EN74) using an indoor beam! (WA1NLD). Shared the trip with KH6CP/1. At one point we

were both on 2 meters at the same time, but we didn't think to work each other (NN1G). K1WHS was putting out a big signal on 3456 MHz, 59 + 20, from over 80 miles away! (WB1FKF). Since upgrad-ing to Technician this past February, and purchasing my first 2 meter hand-held in June, this contest was the first in which I was eligible to participate. Although I probably hold the record for the fewest contacts and points, I still had a lot of fun participating and look forward to trying again next year (KA11OD). A new 6-meter stacked antenna system was put to good use although there was little DX to be worked. A good aurora Sunday night enabled the 144-MHz and 220-MHz stations to work quite a few DX stations (K1WHS). I missed operating on Sunday, so naturally the bands opened up (NI1W). If it wasn't for the FB aurora on Saturday and Sunday night, this would have been a very dull contest! (W1BDC). 6-meter and 2-meter aurora contacts were very interesting. Other than aurora, 6 meters was mostly dead. 2 meters was also not as active as the June contest (K9ES). Conditions were pretty good and grid square totals on 2 meters were excellent because of the aurora. Contacts were hard to make though (WA2SLY). First aurora of the season . . . what timing! (WB2ZSY). I tried to get my 2-year-old daughter to do logging on the computer for me, but the only thing she typed was

Multioperator Multiplier Leaders By Band

| Dy Danu | | | |
|--|---|--|--|
| 50 MHz | | 902 MHz | |
| WØUC/9 WQ4V W2DRZ W1XX/3 K1TR W2SZ/1 N4EQT WBØDRL K3YTL W4BFB KA1ZE K1WHS N4ZD N2CEI VE3LNX | 95 76 73 67 67 63 56 56 54 50 47 47 47 44 | W1XX/3 W2DRZ WBØDRL K3YTL VE3LNX W2SZ/1 K2BWR WD8ISK K1TR K2XR KA1ZE WB2PSI NM8X W2DMC N2CEI | 23 19 18 17 16 15 12 10 9 8 8 |
| 144 MHz | | 1296 MHz | |
| WD8ISK WQ4V W1XX/3 W2DRZ WBØDRL WØUC/9 K9MRI N4EQT W3KWH K3YTL VE3LNX W2SZ/1 WI8L KA1ZE K1TR | 102 93 85 85 84 82 77 75 74 71 71 66 65 | WBØDRL W1XX/3 K3YTL W2SZ/1 WQ4V W2DRZ K1TR WD8ISK KA1ZE W3KWH K1WHS VE3LNX W2DMC NV2D K2XR | 38 30 25 19 18 17 16 14 13 13 13 12 |
| 220 MHz | | 2304 MHz | |
| W1XX/3 WQ4V WD8ISK WBØDRL W2SZ/1 K3YTL W2DRZ KA1ZE VE3LNX K1TR WØUC/9 K1WHS W3KWH NV2D N2CEI | 51 49 41 40 33 33 33 31 30 225 24 23 | W2SZ/1 W1XX/3 WB0DRL K3YTL VE3LNX W2DRZ W2DRZ K2XR W204V N2CEI K1TR K1WHS | 15 12 10 9 6 6 5 5 3 3 2 |
| 432 MHz | | | |
| W1XX/3 WBØDRL WQ4V WD8ISK W2SZ/1 K3YTL W2DRZ KA1ZE WØUC/9 K1TR W3KWH VE3LNX WØRPK NV2D K2XR | 62 62 5 5 1 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 9 9 9 9 9 | | |

GX*/R2B7DHJ! (WA2YEI). The aurora was great in the north, but the 6-meter kW decided to go south (NV2D). The K2XR group is back, a little older and wiser! (K2XR). The aurora was very good to me (W9IP/2). It was a great contest; I had my all-time high on 220 MHz (N2WK). Good to have an aurora during a contest (K2GK). This was my first contest using 432 MHz. I was pleasantly surprised that I did so well using low power (W2WGL). Not much of a score, but we did have fun operating from FM14 (W2HAX). The aurora was the icing on the cake! (WB3JYO). The aurora was a nice surprise. It was still difficult, however, to break through some of the stations on 2 meters (K3ZO). Best DX was N4EQT in EM86. Too bad we didn't stick around for the aurora opening! (K3HKK). Would have been great to have the conditions experienced on September 8th (WA4LIT). Poor conditions, low activity and limited operating time made for a dull contest (WA4CQG). Good activity level on 2 meters, but propagation was nothing special (AB4JA). Everyone in our crew had a great time (WQ4V). Not much action, but still it was fun (WA4JNÉ). Not bad for a September

contest, except that I had to towel dry my 432 Yagi after the rain on Saturday. Special surprise was the three contacts from Argentina, one to Honduras and an opening to Texas, Oklahoma and Louisiana WD4MGB). This was my first time on 220 MHz (W4DO). No exceptional conditions were observed here, but working the old regulars is always fun! Maybe the January contest will give us a break (W5FYZ). Conditions were poor as usual this September. Activity lower on 144 MHz than last year (W5FF). I wish people would spread out from 144.2 to 144.2 \pm 10-20 kHz. It's a real mess sometimes (K9MK/5). There was good tropo Sunday morning to the north, but 50 MHz was dead the entire contest (W5NZS). This was my first contest. I'm 11 years old. I plan to participate in more contests like this, because everyone was so nice (N5JWD). I had a good time on the Glendora Mountain road up out of the smog. I'm looking forward to the next contest (W7ERH/6). Thanks to all the stations who pulled me out of the noise. Due to budgetary constraints, I couldn't get the antenna and amps I wanted. Next contest watch out! To all my friends in 2-land, I'm back! (WY6U). I would like to thank the local cable company for all that interference to the east and west (WB6VYH). There wasn't much activity, but I still managed new grids on 144 and 432 (N7CFC). I missed the aurora opening Sunday afternoon while taking a coffee break, I should swear off the stuff (WB7ATP). This is not like the Northeast corridor in terms of making QSOs (WA1KIR/7). This was the first time on 902 and 1296 MHz for both NM8X and VE3CKU—it worked out great! (NM8X). Excellent conditions from our hilltop location. There was no Murphy amazingly enough (KB8JI). Some of the locals made a special effort to get on 220 MHz in an effort to save 220. Even though not as many turned out as hoped, some of us plan to send a copy of our logs with an explanation to our Senators and Congress-men (N8CCC). I hadn't intended on entering, but things got so wild by Sunday that I decided to give it a shot (KD9JQ). Things were rather dead

until the aurora came along (WA9LZM). This is the third time we've placed EN20 on the air, but the QSLs keep rolling in. We'll be there again in June 1989 (WØRPK). Had a great time, there were a lot of stations on the air (NØIGZ). The VE gang's activity on 50, 144 and 432 MHz is great. Let's get more Canadians on 220, 903, 1296 and 2304 MHz (VE3DSS). My first contest of any kind (VE3OYH). We had a poor location for VHF contesting. There aren't enough hams nearby (VE7PRC). We had a great cruise and a great day, but the number of QSOs was a disappointment (W1TUM/MM).

AURORA

The aurora borealis, or "northern lights," is a beautiful spectacle which is seen occasionally by those who live in Canada, the northern part of the USA and Europe...

. The aurora is caused by the Earth intercepting a massive number of charged particles thrown from the Sun during a solar "storm." These particles are funneled into the polar regions of the Earth by its magnetic field. As the charged particles interact with the upper atmosphere, the air glows, which we see as the aurora. And, important to VHFers, these particles also provide an irregular, moving curtain of ionization which can propagate signals for many hundreds of miles.

You'll notice Au by its characteristic hiss. Signals are disturbed by reflection and scattering off the rapidly moving curtain of ionization. They sound like they are being transmitted by a leaking high-pressure steam vent rather than radio. SSB voice signals are so badly distorted that often you cannot understand them unless the speaker talks very slowly and clearly. The amount of distortion increases with frequency. Most 50-MHz Au contacts are made on SSB, where distortion is the least. On 144, 220 and 432 MHz, CW is the only really useful means of communicating via Au.

If you suspect Au... listen with the antenna to the north... Try swinging the antenna as much as 45 degrees either side of due north to peak signals. In general, the longest-distance DX stations peak the farthest away from due north... to work stations far south of you... your antenna is often pointed north... The ARRL Operating Manual, 1987, p.12-10, 12-13.

Scores

Scores are listed by ARRL Sections. Within each section, single-operator scores are listed first and then multioperator scores. From left to right, each line lists: call, score, QSOs, multipliers and bands worked (A = 50 MHz; B = 144 MHz; C = 220 MHz; D = 432 MHz; 9 = 902 MHz; E = 1296 MHz; F = 2.3 GHz; G = 3.4 GHz; H = 5.7 GHz; I = 10 GHz; J = 24 GHz; K = 48 GHz; L = Light). An asterisk before the call sign denotes a QRP-Portable station. Among the single-operator stations, the single-band winners are noted with band letter(s) being in boldface print indicating the band won. For example, in Connecticut, WA2TEO is the section winner as well as the single-band leader on 144, 220 and 1296 MHz. W3EP/1 is the single-band leader on 50 MHz. AB1U is the single-band leader on 902 MHz. K1FO is the single-band leader on 432 MHz.



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| Connecticut |
| WA2TEO 109,475- 562-145-ABCDE |
| W3EP/1 28.670- 284- 94-ABD |
| WA1VRH 25.201- 319- 79-AB |
| K1PXE 24,450- 205- 75-ABCDE |
| AB1U 22,200- 186- 75-ABCD9E |
| KF6AJ 10.251- 129- 51-ABCD9E |
| WB1BXS 9,711- 249- 39-B |
| K1FO 9,360- 130- 36-D |
| WA1NLD 1.608- 67- 24-B |
| *KH6CP/1 1,160- 38- 20-BD9 |
| W1WHL 646- 38- 17-A |
| K1WVX 570- 38- 15-B |
| *NN1G 560- 40- 14-AB |
| KH6CP/1 (FN31) |
| 308- 15- 11-ABCE |
| KE1A 160- 20- 8-B |
| KA1ZE (+AC1T,N1DPM,NC1I,WB1FVS) |
| 249,613- 866-211-ABCD9E |
| W1QK (+KA1RLX,KB1US,N1ABY,NA1S, |
| WA1WXV,WB1CVW) |
| 47,090- 439- 85-ABCDE |
| Eastern Massachusetta |
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| WB1FKF 22,081- 166- 71-ABCD9EFG |

16,472-135-71-ABCD9EF 9,163-145-49-ABCD 2,844-62-36-ABCD 2,147-73-19-ABCDE 1,065-34-15-CE W1JR KX1C K1TQ K1VZI W1GXT KA1DHO 756-34- 18-ABDE *N1EWB (FN42) 585- 28- 13-BCDE WA1TRE 5,805- 129- 45-A 2,117- 73- 29-B 14- 7- 2-B W1PLX KA1IOD K1WHS +K1s LL, MNS, TOL, KK1W, KY1K, WA1s NIE, TFH, W3HQT, KØZK) 199,690- 745-190-ABCD9EFGHIJ New Ham 18,626-200-67-ABCDE 6,930-96-42-ABCD9EF 4,998-119-42-B 2,324-83-28-AB 1,538-64-24-B AC1J NI1W K1KA W1BDC WA1YZN *KA1LMR 11- 6-ABCD **Rhode Island** WA1HYN 11,770- 114- 55-BCDE KB1EM 1,216- 50- 19-BCD W1AQ (K1s AGA,CH,KM1X,NI1S,NO1U, WA1VEK,WA1VPC,ops) 19,668- 240- 66-ABCD Vermon WB1GQR (WB2JSJ,op) 53,788- 372-113-**ABCD**E K1LPS 21,504- 173- 84-ABCDE W1AIM 16,356- 147- 87-ABCDE

 KILPS
 21,304-173-84-ABCDE

 W1AIM
 16,356-147-87-ABCDE

 Western
 Massachusetts

 W1RIL
 65,611-378-103-ABCD9EFG

49,217- 454- 89-**A**BCD 8,773- 283- 31-**B** 4,828- 76- 34-BD9EF 4,290- 77- 30-BCDE K9ES KA1KRJ WA1MBA NA1W 4,2 *N1EWB (FN32) 1,470- 47- 21-BCDE W1KK 1943- 57- 19-A K1JG 63- 9- 7-B W2SZ/1 (K1DH,KA1DZV,WA1s UGE,ZMS,K2s MM,TR,KA2FWN,N2GXH,W2ARQ,WA2s AAU, GFP,SCA,SPL,WB2KMY,AK4L,WA8USA,ops) 751,215-1426-305-ABCD9EFGHIJ 751,215-1426-305-ABCD9EFGHIJ K1TR (+K1s BA,BG,EA,N1AFQ,NR1E,WA1s PBU, VFJ, K3WM, KM3T 367,310-1160-230-ABCD9EFGHI 2 Eastern New York 22,308-236-66-ABCD9E 12,870-171-65-ABCD 10,030-141-59-ABD N2BJ WA2BAH WA2FUZ WA2MJP 9,016-184-49-B KO2IX 1,596-84-19-B W2DMC (K2MME,KA2IBV,KB2s EMB,DJJ, N2s BJ,HIG,W2GQ,WA2s EHI,KFS,WB2NEC, WI2E,ops) 87,483- 496-121-ABCD9E NYC-Long Island

| WB2CMI | 5,694- | 146- | 39- A B |
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| WA2EIO | 5,624- | 116- | 37-B D |
| WA2SLY | 4,375- | 125- | 35- B |
| K2OVS | 2,992- | 72- | 34-ABD |
| WB2ZSY | 2,175- | | |
| WA2EUS | 912- | | |
| | 468- | 36- | 13-AB |
| WA1OUB/2 | | | |
| | 2,093- | 91- | 23-B |

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| Northern N | lew Jersey |
| WB2QOQ | 13,230- 294- 45- B |
| K4BNC | 8,642- 119- 58-ABD |
| N3AHF | 2,365- 55- 43-B |
| WA2LTM | 2,365-55-43-B 1,968-41-16-E |
| WA2UDT | 1,924- 60- 26-AB C |
| | 1,173- 51- 23-AB |
| NV2D (+K | X2O,N2WM,WE2Z) |
| | 140,524- 638-172-ABCDE |
| | JWE,OWR,KA2UHS,KB2ENE,KC2PX, |
| KT2B,N20 | |
| | 128,370- 510-165-ABCD9EF |
| N2CEI (+\ | |
| | 94,752- 475-144-ABCD9EF |
| Southern | New Jersey |
| WB2YEH | 48,195- 278-105-ABCD9EF |
| KA2WKA | 48.100- 377-100-ABCD |
| K2GAI | 41,370- 246-105-ABCD9E 24,786- 249- 81-ABD 23,023- 208- 77-ABCD9F |
| W2HRW | 24.786- 249- 81-ABD |
| W2EIF | 23.023- 208- 77-ABCD9F |
| W2PAU | 23,023- 208- 77-ABCD9F 7,095- 108- 55-ABD |
| N2BCF | 644- 46- 14-B |
| K2BWR (+ | |
| | 46,410- 252-119-ABCDE |
| Western N | ew York |
| W9IP/2 | 94,872- 436-177-ABCD |
| N2WK | 90,216- 333-168-ABCD9EF |
| KDEDO | 50 950 240 112 PDOEE |
| K2GK | 22,500- 169- 90-ABCDE |
| KU2A | 12,920- 134- 76-ABCD9E |
| K2OS | 8,240- 103- 40- D |
| NM2J | 7,076- 95- 58-ABCD 4,165- 85- 49-AB |
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| W2AWF | 1,053- 39- 27-B |
| W2WGL | 800- 25- 16-D |
| | K2s SMN, TXB, KB2s, CCQ, FLO, NY2Z, |
| NI3X) | 301,653- 798-277-ABCD9EF |
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WB2PSI (KA1AVC,K2OEQ,KD2OM,N2s AJX,AJY,W2AV,WA2ZKD,WB2s KAO,QCJ,ops) 55,544- 287-131-ABD9EFIL NA2O (+WB3JSU) 7.300- 95- 50-BCDE W2HAX (+NV2S) 1,092- 39- 28-AB 3 Delaware KB3QM 95.850- 452-150-ABCDE Eastern Pennsylvania WB3JYO 82,137-386-131-**ABCD9EF** WA3JUF 14,787-115-53.BCD9EF K23X 10,773-142-57-ABD WB3LNZ 9,690-135-57-ABCD K3YTL (WA1MKE,KD2NW,NA2T,K3MKZ, KA3EEO,KB3QI,KS3Y,WA3s JWP,JWV,NVS, YON,WB3s FAA,FYT,WZ,ops) 554,000-1281-277-ABCD9EFGHIJ Maryland-DC 88,128-421-153-ABCDE 67,539-327-141-ABCD9E 63,510-304-146-ABCDE 45,942-328-114-ABD 20,636-268-77-AB 12,383-117-61-BCDE 2,200-505-505 K1RZ W3IP W377 WB2DNE K3ZO WASEOO KB3HH W6AXX 3,330- 78- 30-BD 2,268- 84- 27-B N3FHD 1,100- 50- 22-B 570- 31- 15-ABD 528- 33- 16-B 476- 28- 17-AB 253- 21- 11-ABD W3GN KA3CXG WA3GYW WIMSN Western P nnsvivania 9,495-211-45-**B** 2,144-67-32-**A** 560-28-20-A N3FYD W3HDH W3KJM W1XX/3 (+K1s GX, JX, W1OD, AA2Z, KA3s JRI, MMM,WA3FFC) 600,655-1230-335-ABCD9EF W3KWH (K3s RYA,TP,KA3KSD,N3EQP,W3s HH, SVJ,WA3TTS,WB3EML,ops) 127,282 476-197-ABCD9EFHI K3HKK (AF1T,KA3RRF,KB3KJ,ops) 651- 31- 21-B 4 Alabama 5,508- 86- 51-**BD** 3,002- 61- 38-**ABC**D 84- 12- 7-B 60- 10- 6-B WA4LIT WA4CQG KD4ZO WA4VUG Georgia WA4NJP 31,740- 212-115-ABCDE 8,614- 112- 59-ABCD 4) 6- 2- 2-BD KX4R KJ4BF (EM74) Kentucky KC4EG 3,157- 52- 41-B**CD** KK4BD 2,048- 64- 32-**B** N4EQT (+KA8SSB,W8ULC,WF8Z) 113,322- 516-187-ABCDE WB8IGY (EM77) (+ WA8NJR) 858- 27- 22-ABCD9E WB8IGY (EM87) (+ WA8NJR) 510- 20- 17-ABCD9E North Carolina North Carolina N2CJP 5,400-96-45-ABCD ABJJA 2,112-64-33-B KJ48F (EM55) 286-11-11-BD9EI WO4V (+ N3AH),AAS,N48 AH,OOT,WB4s NMA, SLM,WD4s IIS,JQV,MBK,WS4F,WW4T) 331,800-802-299-ABCD9EFI N4DT (+AJ4N,KJ4X,N5AVD) 34,776-248-108-ABCD9EFI Northern Florida WA4JNE 1,092- 34- 28-ABD South Carolina NB4S 2,077- 67- 31-B N4EJ 1,352- 52- 26-AB WA4LDU 416- 19- 16-ABD KJ4BF (EM84) 77- 8- 7-ABCD W4FFB (WB2NHQ,AA42Z,K4s JQU,TP,KB4UFO, KC4s AIG,AIJ,FSC,KK4L,WB4s PCS,QCS,ops) 65 512- 327 45- APCNE 65,512- 337-152-ABCDE Southern Florida WD4MGB 5.671- 101- 53-ABD 1,827- 57- 29-ABD 1,457- 44- 31-ABD 920- 40- 23-A 768- 40- 16-BD WAHXT K1FJM/4 K4SC WD4AHZ Tenne K4RWP 4,459- 79- 49-ABD 3,280- 82- 40-AB KF4FL WB8IGY (EM76) (+WA8NJR) 1,728- 42- 27-ABCD9E Virginia 76,076-369-143-**ABCDE** 16,538-161-78-ABCD 14,058-150-66-ABCD 10,230-132-62-BD 4,264-85-41-ABD 4,251-109-39-B K2UOP/4 W4DO WA4SBC WA4SBC K9OYD/4 K4FTO WD4GXN

W4DR 1,479- 51- 29-A 1,127- 49- 23-B 943- 41- 23-B N4BDH *KB4NFY W4LMJ 165-15- 11-A WA4MMF 30-5- 5-ABD K4HWG (+KØRI) 32,736- 280- 88-ABCDE KB4VIR (+KB4WYR.KDØR.NQØC) 2.888- 67- 38-ABCD 5 Arkan *WA5NFC 2,166- 46- 38-ABCD KG5MD (+KA5NTT,N5DL,WD5CAP) 10,011- 115- 71-ABD Louisiana N5KWB 741- 35- 19-BC 406- 29- 14-B W5FY7 Mississippi W5RCI 13.600- 102- 85-ABCDEF **New Mexico** 3,195- 71- 45-AB 910- 35- 26-AB W5FF KN5S North Texas 27,090- 252- 88-ABD9E 26,481- 211- 97-ABDE 8,004- 119- 58-ABD K9MK/5 N5WS 900- 33- 20-BE 55- 11- 5-A KF5PE KF5FE 900-33-20-BE KY5N 55-11-5-A WB4GWX/5 (+KC5ST) 840-48-15-ABD NQ5X (+KB5GBN,N5MUJ) 798-42-19-AB Okiał 43,470-284-120-**ABCDE** 10,626-109-66-ABCD 2,926-74-38-ABC 1,431-42-27-BDG 1,350-34-27-ABCD K5CM W5NZS N5JWD W5UGO KB5FCH KA5ZKI 544. 29- 16-ABD (+K5BZH,WA5ZKO) WB5VYE 10,912- 144- 62-ABD9 South Texas 5,811- 110- 39-BCDE 4,005- 69- 45-ABCD 425- 22- 17-ABD WB5OBS W5UWB WD5ERG WA5S (+KC5FP) 2.325- 60- 31-ABCD West Texas W8CM 1,770- 53- 30-ABD 6 East Bay WB6PFJ (+ WB6LRV) 7,359- 174- 33-ABD Los A 19,778-215-58-**ABCD9EI** 2,200-87-22-ABCD 440-55-8-AB 429-30-13-ABC 368-41-9-B 240-24-10-AB W6CPL KB6PHX N6NVF W7ERH/6 WB2ODH/6 W6PFE W6PFE 244 (N6DLU,op) W6UE (DMØ4) (N6DLU,op) 4- 2- 2-AB N6RMJ (+WA6HXD) 17,940- 205- 60-ABCDE Orange 8,800- 136- 50-**ABCD** 4,142- 80- 38-AB**C**D 2,574- 64- 33-ABCD 1,235- 50- 19-BD WB6FCS KAIBY NEN II KI6DJ Santa Barb *K6LMN (CM94) 1,911- 64- 21-ABCD9E 792- 37- 18-ABD WD6BCN NEQOA 29- 16-B 27- 14-BCD 12- 7-ABC 464-462-N6MA 462-*K6LMN (DMØ4) 91-K6MEP (NS6X,W6YLZ,WA6s DJS.FPX.HSI) 46.136- 385- 79-ABCDE Senta Clara Valley
 W6RXQ
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 868 52 14-ABCD

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 572 41 11-BCD
 N6RER 85-11- 5-ABCD 1- 1-C K6KM (CM97) 2-San Diego WA5BNH 4,290- 99- 30-BCDE 363-200-27- 11-BI 20- 5-C W6OYJ *KB6MEG San Francisco WB6FFC 336- 20- 16-ABD San Joaquin Valley W6UE (DMØ5) (N6DLU,op) 1,387 48 19-**ABCDE** WB6COT (+ AA6AH,N6PNZ,WA6YDI,WB6ITM) 3 132-79- 27-ABCD Sacramento Valley

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7 Arizona WA6PZL (+N6ENU) 36- 12-BD 552 WB7OHF (+ KB7CRT) 14-7-A Idaho KC7IJ 25-5- 5-**A** Nevada 1,518- 53- 22-**ABD** 1,320- 50- 20-**BD** 420- 35- 12-B 9- 3- 1-**E** W7LOV N7CFC K7KYT KD7YZ Oregon 4,050- 113- 30-ABCDE KE7CX NR6E/7 975- 32- 25-ABDE Utah WA4GPM 180- 10- 9-ABDEF N6ENU (+ WA6PZL) 138-19- 6-BD Washington 152- 19- 8-B 75- 13- 5-BE WB7ATP *WA1KIR/7 Wvoming WA7KYM 1,406- 56- 19-ABD 8 Michigan N8DGN 33,330- 249-101-B**DI** W8ØWAO/8 31,527- 206-113-AB**C**D KU8P 27,621- 245- 99-ABD N8DEJ 14,288- 188- 76-**B** N8FUJ 4,329- 93- 39-BD WB80OA 4,200- 105- 40-B WB80OA 4,200- 105- 40-B N8DGN WI8L (+WB8G) 19,241- 271- 71-B Ohio 33,580- 236-115-ABCD 22,594- 196- 79-BD WA8TJL WB8K 22,394 196 79 80 6,077- 103- 59 AB 3,815- 79- 35 ABCD 3,239- 69- 41-BD 2,664- 74- 36 B KE8FD N8CCC W8HBG N8ZM WD8CTX 2,280- 60- 60-WB8IGY (EM88) 966- 24- 23-ABCD9E WA8SVV 792- 35- 22-ABC 149E 371- 38- 7-BC N8ZM WD8ISK (WA3OJX.KB4QZH.KA8IFC.N8GYE. WA85 OGS,R,W86GEX,W9VNE,ops) 171,580- 512-230-BCD9EF W88IGY (EM78) (+WA8NJR) 819- 23- 21-ABCD9E WB8IGY (EM79) (+WA8NJR) 228- 13- 12-13- 12-ABCD9E q Illinois WB9MSV 32.292- 187-117-ABCDE AF8Z KD9JQ NC9F N9AQ N9HSP N9JF 32,292- 187-117-ABCL 18,252- 196- 78-ABD 11,392- 178- 64-**B** 3,526- 62- 41-ABCD 1,764- 49- 36-B 360- 24- 15-B 273- 21- 13-B Indiana WA4VWV 8,109- 159- 51-**B** K9MRI (+ K9TVZ) 48,824- 312-136-ABCD9 4,024 512 130 ABCD9 WB9EA (+N9KC) 4,988- 79- 43-ABCD9E W9YB (KA9CCR,KC9RG,ops) 364 26 14-B Wisconsin 4,450- 80- 50-ABD 4,418- 83- 47-**BD** 3,040- 76- 40-**A**B 2,856- 84- 34-B 1,269- 47- 27-B WA9LZM W9YCV WA9OKB KD9TH WB9OCY WB9QCY 1,200 KB8ZQ/9 (EN44) 1- 1- 1-A WØUC/9 (+ KØs FVF,GJX,NØs AKC,BSH) 170,680- 565-251-ABCDE . Colorado W1XE 1,968- 66- 24-ABCD 1,955- 51- 23-BCDE WØKJY WØMXY (DM78) W9MXY (DM89) 264- 15- 12-BD 637- 33- 13-ABCD 144-11-9-BD

lowa 12,166- 110- 77-BDE 6,664- 83- 56-ABCD 6,460- 170- 38-B 154- 14- 11-A WØRAP NØCIH KAØTLJ KDØBT WØRPK WAØs BGU, JFS) 24,582- 190-102-ABDE Kansa NØLL KØSMI 16,016- 143- 88-ABD 15,048- 131- 72-BCDE 11,778- 121- 78-ABD WØRT 3,003- 62- 39-BD 2,232- 62- 36-AB 1,769- 61- 29-B KØVUA WDØG NØIGZ NØIGZ ,,, ... WAØTKJ (EM19) 646- 22- 17-ABCD**9**E**F** WAØTKJ (EMØ9) 276- 13- 12-ABCD9EF 312- 13- 13-ABCD9EF 231- 11- 11-ABCD9EF WAØTKJ (DM99) 200- 10- 10-ABCD9EF WAØTKJ (DM98) 200- 10- 10-ABCD9EF WAØTKJ (DM97) WAØTKJ (EMØ7) 112-, 112- 7- 7-ABCD9EF 112- 7- 7-ABCD9EF WBØDRL (+KXØO,NOØY,WAØD,WBØHYV) 267,384- 527-312-ABCD9EFG Min 21,944- 173-104-**AB**DE 11,592- 90- 72-BCDE 2,992- 43- 34-BDE KØIR ₩ØVB ₩ØOHU 2, KBØZQ (EN34) 2,728-1,748-128-60-44-ABD 38-23-D 14-9-B 14- 9-B 12- 5-B 8- 5-B NØHJZ (EN14) NØHJZ (EN24) NØHJZ (EN15) NØHJZ (EN25) 60-40-30-20-6-5-4-5-B 4-B NØHJZ (EN16) NØHJZ (EN26) 12-3-B Missour KØIFL 17.952- 134- 96-ABCDE TOTICL 17,932-134-96-ABCD/E KM&A 16,992-140-96-ABCD W&RP 5,985-83-57-ABCD W&AV 544-32-17-B AJ&E (+N5JJ),K&TLM,N&HOB,NJØX,WBØROQ) 26,656- 174-112-ABCDE North Dakota KØALL 2.368- 48- 37-ABCDE Nebraska NØBTN 10.362- 110- 66-BCD NØBTN 10,222 WAØTKJ (DN90) 420- 16- 15-ABCD**9E** WAØTKJ (ENØØ) 364- 14- 14-ABCD9EF ---- 22- 16-ÅB NØAJU WAØTKJ (EN11) 253- 11- 11-ABCD9EF WAØTKJ (EN10) 200- 10- 10-ABCD9EF 231- 14- 11-ABCD9E WAØTKJ (DN92) 200- 11- 10-BCD9E WAØTKJ (ENØ2) 105-WAØTKJ (DN91) 72-7- 7-BCD9E 6- 6-ABCD9 VE Maritime---NFLD K1GVM/VE1 198- 22- 9-B Onterio 99,188-435-181-ABCD9EF 42,721-310-119-ABD 15,066-137-81-ABCDE 12,906-239-54-B 6,468-104-49-ABDE 2,496-64-39-B 738-30-18-BD 465-31-15-B VE3ASO VE3OZB VE3PCW VE3SMA VESOAT VE3DJ VE3OYH 465-31- 15-B VESEVM 192. 8-BD 18. VE3LNX (+ VE3s ADJ,NSQ) 189,435- 597-219-ABCD9EF VE5LY 100- 10- 10-AB Alberta 1,326- 84- 13-ABD 740- 74- 10-B 84- 21- 4-B VEGAEO VE6BOJ VE6KC **British Columbia** VE7PRC (+ VE7s BEE,EHQ,GSB,SKP,TAJ) 287- 41- 7-B **Marine Mobile** W1TUM/MM (+KB1KM,W1ZNY,WA1s YFZ,ZVA, WB1ABI) 1,679- 52- 23-ABCD DX XE2GBO 1,224- 61- 17-ABCD XE2GFH (WA5LIG,N6XQ,ops) 057---150-8-5.01