# Results, 1991 ARRL June VHF QSO Party 

# There was a little something for everyone in this one. —Larry Filby, K1LPS 

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Larry spoke the truth in more ways than one when he penned the opening quote. This year's June VHF contest offered us more than the usual excitement. Band conditions thrilled the masses and two recently introduced operating categories paved the way for new kinds of operation that made things more fun for all of us.

In the propagation department, sporadic E was-as usual in June-the staple. The entire North American continent was treated to long openings and even double-hop propagation for most of the contest. An unusually good aurora spiced things up further on Saturday night for the northern US and Canada. Sunday night's coastal tropo treated the East Coast and nearby areas with another kind of excitement. WA1T summed it up: "We had aurora, tropo and $\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{S}}$ all at once. Does it get any better?"
One of our goals in administering the VHF QSO Parties and VHF Sweepstakes is to make them interesting and enjoyable so that participation will remain high. This requires periodic adjustments, as technology and times change. This year, we added two categories
to the ARRL June VHF QSO Party: Rover and Limited Multioperator. Good intentions are one thing, but the proof is in the pudding. Both categories proved extremely popular, with the Limited Multiop class providing the bigger draw of the two. The Contest Branch received an impressive 88 Limited Multiop logs- 50 more than the 38 Multioperator logs-showing that there's widespread interest in smaller multioperator stations and in traditional huge, dozen-plus-band efforts. Roving, too, suits participants-Rovers and nonRovers alike. Perennial roving operator Hal, WøMXY, operated from four states and 10 grids, proclaiming, "I can't wait until next year!" N8UM finds the Rovers "an excellent addition to the contest." Scores in all classes were up this year, indicating that conditions and the new categories stimulated activity.
The multitude of stations on the air and propagation enhancement drove scores higher in most categories this year. Past winner Rick, K5UR, put in an outstanding single-operator effort, winning the first-place plaque with more than 307 k points, marking the first time a single-op station has broken the 300 k mark



Mike, WA3TTS, operates 220 MHz at W3KWH from grid EN90 in Western Pennsylvania.

## Division Leaders

## Single Operator

| Division | Call | Score |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Atlantic | K1RZ | 175,720 |
| Canada | VE5UF | 50,299 |
| Central | WA8R/9 | 98,010 |
| Dakota | WADBWE | 91,182 |
| Delta | K5UR | 307,784 |
| Great Lakes | *WD8ISK | 152,802 |
| Hudson | N2CEI | 188,892 |
| Midwest | NGLL | 213,597 |
| New England | WA2TEO | 270,712 |
| Northwestern | KE7CX | 55,860 |
| Pacific | K7ICW | 19,153 |
| Rocky Mountain | N5JHV | 50,240 |
| Roanoke | K2UOP/4 | 100,848 |
| Southeastern | WS4F | 73,350 |
| Southwestern | WB6FCS | 17,756 |
| West Gulf | WD5BKV | 223,916 |
| Multioperator |  |  |
| Division | Call | Score |
| Atlantic | K1TR/3 | 832,734 |
| Canada | VE3ONT | 344,112 |
| Central | WouC/9 | 407,008 |
| Dakota | WOOHU | 7,735 |
| Delta | KC4YO | 143,775 |
| Great Lakes | N4EQT | 230,100 |
| Hudson | WD3R | 261,360 |
| Midwest | WQOP | 166,278 |
| New England | W2SZ11 | 1,240,048 |
| Northwestern | NU7Z | 57,596 |
| Pacific | * K6AAW | 53,390 |
| Rocky Mountain | *NOKV | 153,090 |
| Roanoke | WJ8G | 228,473 |
| Southeastern |  |  |
| Southwestern West Gulf | K6MEP | $\begin{aligned} & 207,358 \\ & 183,481 \end{aligned}$ |
| Limited Multioperator |  |  |
| Division | Call | Score |
| Atlantic | *KZ2S/3 | 192,050 |
| Canada | *VE3BQN | 83,620 |
| Central | *AA9D | 345,477 |
| Dakota | *KB0ZQ | 210,392 |
| Delta | *W4BFB | 101,672 |
| Great Lakes | *WA8NJR | 91,948 |
| Hudson | *AB21 | 9,800 |
| Midwest | *WB0DRL | 468,470 |
| New England | *W1TKZ | 133,956 |
| Northwestern | *K7CW | 59,649 |
| Pacific | *K16CG | 59,200 |
| Rocky Mountain | *WØKEA | 150,552 |
| Roanoke | *W41Y | 185,571 |
| Southeastern | *W4AQL | 24,108 |
| Southwestern | *WA7JTM | 58,310 |
| West Gulf | *K5CM | 290,928 |
| *denotes new division record |  |  |


| 50 MHz |  | 144 MHz |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| WөUC/9 | 630 | K1TR/3 | 599 |
| W2SZ/1 | 578 | W2SZ11 | 519 |
| K1TR/3 | 561 | W3CCX | 455 |
| NØKV | 477 | N2WK | 400 |
| W3CCX | 450 | WD3R | 352 |
| VE3ONT | 429 | WJ8G | 338 |
| WQ5S | 426 | WøUC/9 | 273 |
| K1WHS | 415 | K1WHS | 266 |
| W2CRS | 377 | K3YTL | 247 |
| KC4YO | 345 | VE3ONT | 245 |
| WQ9P | 311 | AE6E | 237 |
| N4EQT | 309 | WW8M | 237 |
| WD3R | 288 | K6MEP | 23 |
| WB5VYE | 272 | N4EQT | 228 |
| N2WK | 262 | K6AAW | 198 |

Multioperator Multiplier Leaders By Band

| 50 MHz |  | 144 MHz |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| WøUC/9 | 243 | WQUC/9 |
| VE3ONT | 192 | N4EQT |
| K1TR/3 | 181 | WJ8G |
| WQ5S | 180 | K1TR/3 |
| W2SZ/1 | 172 | WW8M |
| N0KV | 164 | K3LNZ/8 |
| W2CRS | 155 | W3CCX |
| K1WHS | 154 | W3KWH |
| W3CCX | 149 | VE3ONT |
| N4EQT | 149 | W2SZ/1 |
| WQ0P | 147 | K9VGE |
| KC4YO | 143 | K3YTL |
| KC0OQR | 133 | WD3R |
| K9VGE | 128 | N2WK |
| WD3R | 118 | K6MEP |
|  |  | WQ0P |

220 MHz
W2SZ/1
N2WK
W3CCX
K1TR/3
AE6E
K6MEP
WW8M
WD3R
WJ8G
K3YTL
K3LNZ/8
K1WHS
VE3ONT
K6AAW

| 432 MHz |  | 902 MHz |
| :--- | :---: | :--- |
| W2SZ/1 | 266 | W2SZ/1 |
| K1TR/3 | 197 | W3CCX |
| N2WK | 176 | N2WK |
| W3CCX | 140 | K1TR/3 |
| K3YTL | 112 | K3YTL |
| K6MEP | 112 | K1WHS |
| WD3R | 91 | WD3R |
| AE6E | 89 | WW8M |
| WW8M | 89 | K3LNZ/8 |
| K1WHS | 85 | W3KWH |
| WJ8G | 84 | WJ8G |
| K3LNZ88 | 78 | VE3ONT |
| K6AAW | 76 | N4EQT |
| VE3ONT | 74 | WQ5S |
| WOUC/9 | 69 | WB5YYE |

1296 MHz
W2SZ/1 K1TR/3 W3CCX N2WK
WW8M
K1WHS
WD3R K2BWR W3KWH
K6MEP
WQOP
K3YTL
KEAON
K3LNZ/8
in the June contest since 1987-a year when conditions were so good that 23 Division records were broken. Placing second was another past single-op winner and frequent top-tenner, Jeff, WA2TEO, who defeated third-place Stan, KA1ZE, by less than 1800 points. That's just a bit more than six tenths of a percent! The top three single-ops would have finished in the Multioperator top 10. Outstanding efforts, guys! Sporadic E is known as "the great equalizer" for a reason; this year it allowed single operators from seven call sign areas to make the top 10.

The QRP-Portable class is most popular in the June contest. This year, N1DJB scored a decisive victory over second-place KM4MP.


Wayne, KH6WZ, operating at NI7T. Through the courtesy of Kenwood USA Corporation, he helped sponsor some of the plaques awarded in this year's contest.

WA2HFI/ø, W2XL and KVøR rounded out the top five in this geographically diverse group.
In the Multioperator category, the Mt Greylock group, W2SZ/1, scored another win, with more than 1.2 million points, down slightly from last year. The up-and-coming K1TR/3 group, operating from Eastern Pennsylvania, mounted a bigger effort this year and narrowed the gap between first and second with their 832k points. W3CCX followed with an excellent 648 k effort from a location close to K1TR/3. N2WK was fourth with 476 k and the WøUC/9 team's 407 k efforts shows how important 6 meters is from the Midwest, with an amazing 630 QSOs and 243 grids for the far-and-away best multioperator showing on that band.


Tony, KC4AUF, made a three-band DXpedition to Virginia Beach, Virginia, in rare grid FM26.

Competition in the Limited Multioperator class was good, with the always-high-finishing team at WBøDRL turning in a 468 k winning score. The groups at AA9D and K5CM followed with 345 k and 290 k , respectively.
An interesting aspect of this June's top finishing scores was the gulf between longtime roving operator Dean, WAØTKJ, and the rest of the entrants in the new Rover category. Dean's 263,725 -point score was more than 200k points ahead of second-place KJ4BF, showing what Rovers can do in the June contest with good preparation and propagation! He certainly provided an outstanding benchmark for others interested in multilocation VHF-contest operating! The new Rover class brought 50 entries, with representation by those using 1-10 bands (WA3UGP and KC1EB put in 10 -band efforts).


Bob, VE3RKK, operating in Ontario on 144 and 432 MHz in the QRP-portable category.

| Single Operator QSO Leaders By Band |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 50 MHz |  | 144 MHz |  | 220 MHz |  | 432 MHz |  | 902 MHz |  | 1296 MHz |  |
| NOLL | 480 | WA2TEO | 282 | N2CEI | 62 | K1FO | 155 | WA2TEO | 22 | WA4VHF | 51 |
| KM5X | 459 | KA1ZE | 273 | WA2TEO | 61 | KA1ZE | 112 | N2CEI | 22 | N2GHR | 44 |
| N5UD | 401 | WB2QOQ | 255 | KA1ZE | 61 | WA2TEO | 104 | KA1ZE | 21 | K2SMN | 41 |
| WD5K | 354 | WA3FFC | 221 | K5UR | 55 | K5UR | 97 | N2GHR | 18 | KA1ZE | 40 |
| N0FFO | 353 | WG8Q | 207 | W2XG | 52 | N2GHR | 93 | K2SMN | 17 | K5UR | 38 |
| K5UR | 352 | K5UR | 204 | K1RZ | 44 | W2HRW | 85 | WA3FFC | 16 | WD5BKV | 37 |
| WB5YWI | 333 | K1RZ | 203 | K2AN | 42 | K1RZ | 84 | N2BFJ | 15 | W3IP | 36 |
| WA2TEO | 319 | K2SMN | 200 | W31P | 37 | N2CEI | 74 | WA2ONK | 13 | K2LME | 34 |
| W1GCI | 303 | N2CEI | 195 | W3ZZ | 37 | K2SMN | 73 | W3IP | 13 | WA2TEO | 33 |
| N5HHS | 301 | K5MA/1 | 185 | WD8ISK | 37 | WABEUU | 72 | K2UOP/4 | 13 | N2CEI | 31 |
| N8UM | 300 | KFDAU | 176 | W1GCl | 34 | W3z7 | 70 | N1DPM | 11 | K1RZ | 31 |
| WAOCSL | 295 | W3ZZ | 161 | WD5BKV | 33 | W2XG | 66 | N4HB | 11 | WA3FFC | 26 |
| K1DAT | 288 | AABQ | 159 | WA2BAH | 32 | WA3FFC | 66 | K2AN | 10 | K1FO | 25 |
| K1ISJ | 283 | W31P | 158 | WB2ELB | 32 | N4HB | 64 | WD8ISK | 10 | N2BFJ | 24 |
| N5JHV | 283 | W9JGV | 155 | WA1HYN | 31 | WD5BKV | 63 | WA8EUU | 9 | W5UGO | 24 |
|  |  | VE3BGH | 155 | N2BFJ | 31 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | WA3FFC | 31 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | KE8FD | 31 |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| Single Operator Multiplier Leaders By Band |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 50 MHz |  | 144 MHz |  | 220 MHz |  | 432 MHz |  | 902 MHz |  | 1296 MHz |  |
| NOLL | 192 | KFDAU | 59 | K5UR | 30 | K5UR | 42 | WA2TEO | 13 | WD5BKV | 28 |
| KM5X | 183 | K5UR | 57 | WD5BKV | 29 | WD5BKV | 42 | N2CEI | 13 | K5UR | 22 |
| VE5UF | 179 | KU8U | 56 | WD8ISK | 26 | WB90JR | 35 | WA3FFC | 12 | WA4VHF | 21 |
| K5UR | 165 | WA3FFC | 54 | N2CEI | 25 | K1FO | 32 | K2SMN | 11 | W31P | 18 |
| WD5K | 164 | WG8Q | 54 | K1RZ | 25 | WA3FFC | 32 | KA1ZE | 10 | W5UGO | 18 |
| N5UD | 161 | AABQ | 54 | KA1ZE | 24 | K1RZ | 31 | N2BFJ | 8 | KBOHH | 17 |
| WB5YWI | 156 | WD5BKV | 50 | KE8FD | 22 | WAbEUU | 31 | N2GHR | 8 | N2GHR | 16 |
| WD5BKV | 155 | K1RZ | 49 | WA2TEO | 21 | KBoH | 31 | WA2ONK | 8 | K2SMN | 16 |
| WADCSL | 154 | KAOGGI | 49 | W3IP | 21 | KA1ZE | 30 | W3IP | 8 | K1RZ | 16 |
| NOFFO | 150 | VE3FGU | 49 | NOLL | 21 | WD8ISK | 30 | K2UOP/4 | 8 | WA3FFC | 16 |
| NTOV | 150 | WB9OJR | 48 | W3ZZ | 20 | N2GHR | 29 | N4HB | 8 | WD8ISK | 16 |
| W1GCI | 142 | W9.giv | 47 | WA3FFC | 20 | N2CEI | 28 | WABEUU | 8 | NOLL | 15 |
| N5JHV | 142 | WF9M | 46 | W1GCl | 17 | WSUGO | 28 | N1DPM | 7 | K2LME | 14 |
| WA8FTA99 | 140 | WA2TEO | 44 | WB2ELB | 17 | WA2TEO | -27 | K2AN | 7 | N2CEI | 14 14 |
| WA7KHO | 139 | WA9LWJ | 44 | N2BFJ | 16 | K2SMN | 27 | WD8ISK | 7 | K5SW | 14 |
|  |  |  |  | K2SMN | 16 | K4QIF | 27 |  |  |  | 14 |
|  |  |  |  | K2UOP/4 | 16 | KE8FD | 27 |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | N4HB | 16 |  | 27 |  |  |  |  |

Only time will tell if the Rover and Limited Multioperator categories will be successful in the September and January contests, but indications are that they'll be around for a long time in the June fray (these categories were second and third, respectively, in numbers of entries received for this year's contest).
We'll see how things were distributed in September in the 1991 ARRL September VHF QSO Party results next month. Next is the VHF Sweepstakes, January 18-20. See you then!-Rus Healy, NJ2L

## SOAPBOX

This was the best I'd done working grids in one contest on 6 meters (WA9LZM). We had a fantastic coastal tropo opening Sunday night (K1FO). The sun came through! This was the most fun I've had since '87! (N1ABY). After being off 6 meters for 25 years, it was great to get back on in time for the good band opening (K1 WVX). My satellite station worked great for terrestrial contacts. The opening Sunday on 6 meters was super! (KD1AO). K1WHS, K2SMN and AA2U deserve the "best ears" award for hearing my 100 milliwatts and 3-element beam at more than 100 miles (K1ZZ). I blew the towermounted GaAsFET preamp three hours before the contest, and boy, did I miss it (NY1E). The growing interest in rare grids prompted my DXpedition to a hunting/fishing camp in the north woods of Maine. Saturday's spectacular light show with an aurora, made it difficult to concentrate on the contest (W1AIM). There were good openings on 6 meters, but little activity on 2 meters here (WB1APD). We had a fabulous time! Our view of the aurora Saturday night distracted us from our operating duties! (K1JW). My home-brew 6-meter amplifier helped on the double-hop $\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{S}}$ QSOs. We had aurora, tropo and $\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{S}}$ all at once. Does it get any better? (WA1T). Although I'd only operated three hours, I had a great time (WB1DWK). This was my first time on 6 meters and conditions rolled out the welcome mat (KA1FVG). This was the first
contest I entered seriously. There were great band openings both days to different parts of the country (WE1P). This was my first VHF QSO party and I had a blast! I worked a lot of new grids. My best experience was working Argentina for my first DX contact on 6 (N1GPY). This contest showed many members that there's more to VHF/UHF than FM repeaters. The new limited-multioperator class was a perfect category for us. Everything was near perfect this year (W1TKZ). This was my first VHF contest using SSB and I had a world of fun, more so than on FM (N1FUS). The gods of propagation were good to us this year. The mosquitoes, however, were huge and vicious (N1DJB). 6 meters sure did come alive! (WA2UYL). Band conditions were down from January (WB2OEE). The weather was beautiful! Activity above 432 seemed down this year (KT2B). I enjoyed 6 meters, it was the best I've heard it for a long time. 2 meters was slightly above average (WA2SLY). There are strong similarities between fishing for bluefish and sporadic $E$ on 6 meters, When you hit it right, it's really good and you have no time to think. When it's bad, there's plenty of time to catch up with the paperwork and QSLing (WB2AMU). I still enjoy running the bands to give out multipliers (WA2UDT). The confusion between 220 versus 222 , coupled with a general disgust over what happened to $220-222$, reduced activity. Like last year, 6 meters dominated the activity for a large part of the contest, with no major tropo event to help the activity on the higher bands (K2SMN). Things were slow on 2 meters Saturday, but picked up on Sunday (N3FUJ). This was my highest score ever, even with little time to operate (WA3CSP). It was a good contest with plenty of participants. There seemed to be a shield blocking anything to New England (K3YDX). We improved

## Top Rover Scores <br> Call Score <br> KJADTKJ 263,725 <br> KBDCY ( + WA6TTY) <br> KD2YB (+ WD4RDZ)

our score from last year and learned a few lessons we'll apply next year (WI2T). I'm still figuring out how to use the computer logging program. Maybe I'll have it down by September (NW3C). I highly recommend mountaintopping (KC4IUK). Limited Multioperator is a great new category, as it gives us small-scale mountaintoppers a chance to compete (KZ2S). I've been a ham for 18 years, but got on 2 - and 6 -meter SSB only two months ago. I enjoyed the contest more than any other ham-related activity I've ever participated in (WA4FCM). I wonder how many contacts weren't made on 222 because of having equipment tuned for different frequencies (N5AYD). I wish I could have operated the whole contest, as conditions were great here (AB4RU). It was great to have super $\mathrm{E}_{\text {s }}$ openings during a contest weekend for a change (W1JA). It was great to have 6 open this year (K4KAZ). The people with 6 meters cleaned up (N4YZJ). Two meters was flat all weekend. The line noise here was horrendous at times, limiting the stations we could hear (WB4KPD). This was the best contest I've ever been in! Six meters was great. My goal was to make 50 k ; little did I know that I'd beat that figure by 18k (KK4NO). Band conditions were poor (K4KCF). Now I know why they call it sporadic E! 6 and 2 were sporadic from here in SW Florida (WB2QLP). The contest should have started three hours earlier, when 6 meters was open (WB4BKC). I never knew there were so many other hams in my grid! (W4OO). We didn't know that there was a major flare until it was too late (WM2C). Wow! It was one of the best contests ever! I had a ball! (AD4F). I hope to have $C T$ running by next year to help with the logging and after-contest chores (K2UOP/4). Things got pretty quiet here without 6 meters (AB4SF). My 8 watts didn't set any records, but I had fun (AC4AC). The weather was perfect for mountaintopping and 6 meters was good for high scores. My biggest thrill is still making contacts on 1296 (KM4MP). We had several good $\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{S}}$ openings on 6, but most of them were restricted to the same geographic area (N7JJS/5). I missed the first six hours of the contest, but I had fun (W5FYZ). This was the best contest I've worked so far (WD5CCA). I was chased off the mountain by a lightning storm at noon Sunday (KN5S). My thanks to the portable and Rover stations for their

| Plaque Winners |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Single Operator |  |  |  |
| Position | Winner | Score | Donor |
| 1st | K5UR | 307,784 | Mt Greylock Expeditionary Force, W2SZ/1 |
| 2nd | WA2TEO | 270,712 | Bald Knob VHF Contest Group |
| 3rd | KA1ZE | 268,956 | Kenwood USA Corporation |
| 4th | WD5BKV | 223,916 | Terry E. Netzley, W8NJR |
| 5th | NOLL | 213,597 | Delaware Valley VHF Society |
| 6th | N2CEI | 188,892 | Ed Parsons, K1TR |
| 7th | K1RZ | 175,720 | Eastern VHF/UHF Society |
| 8th | WA3FFC | 169,404 | W1TKZ Contest Crew, in memory of WB1BUM |
| 9th | W1GCI | 155,232 | ARRL |
| 10th | WD8ISK | 152,802 | ARRL |
| QRP-Portable-Single Operator |  |  |  |
| Position | Winner | Score | Donor |
| 1st | N1DJB | 34,424 | K2RIW and K2OVS |
| 2nd | KM4MP | 29,370 | Peter Putman, KT2B |
| 3 rd | WA2HFI/0 | 19,992 | Contest Committee-LIMARC |
| 4th | W2XL | 17,784 | West Coast VHFer Newsletter |
| 5th | KV@R | 12,852 | Keith Ballinger, VE3IMT |
| Rover |  |  |  |
| Position | Winner | Score | Donor |
| 1st | WA®TKJ | 263,725 | Rus Healy, NJ2L |
| Multioperator |  |  |  |
| Position | Winner | Score | Donor |
| 1st | W2SZ11 | 1,240,048 | Randy Stegemeyer, W7HR |
| 2nd | K1TR/3 | 832,734 | N2LIV, N2GHR, N2BFJ Contest Team |
| 3 rd | W3CCX | 648,846 | Angle Linear, N6CA |
| 4th | N2WK | 476,857 | Kenwood Employees RC, WD6DJY |
| 5th | WØUC/9 | 407,008 | Mt Airy VHF RC |
| 6th | VE3ONT | 344,112 | Jon K. Jones MD, NOOY |
| 7th | K1WHS | 309,540 | Mark Wilson, AA2Z |
| 8th | WD3R | 261,360 | ARRL |
| 9th | K3YTL | 248,239 | Rochester VHF Group |
| 10th | N4EQT | 230,100 | W1XX ( + WB1AVA,K1GX,K1JX) Contest Team |
| Limited Multioperator |  |  |  |
| Position | Winner | Score | Donor |
|  | WB0DRL | 468,470 |  |
| 2nd | AA9D | 345,477 | Kenwood USA Corporation |
| 3 rd | K5CM | 290,928 | Kenwood USA Corporation |
| 4th | KB0ZQ | 210,392 | WA2TEO, KA1FVG, W2GKR |
| 5th | KZ2S/3 | 192,050 | ARRL |
| Marine Mobile |  |  |  |
| Position | Winner | Score | Donor |
| 1st | VE3YRA | 6,844 | Wayne Yoshida, KH6WZ |
| DX Single Operator |  |  |  |
| Position | Winner | Score | Donor |
| 1st | YB2OK | 8,330 | W3EP, K9AKS, W9IP |
| DX Multioperator |  |  |  |
| Position | Winner | Score | Donor |
| 1st | $\begin{aligned} & \text { WA4VCC/ } \\ & \text { VP9 } \end{aligned}$ | 46,494 | Robert J Carpenter, W3OTC |

special efforts (KM5X). Conditions were good this year. It was too bad I blew up some gear halfway through the contest (AA5C). If 6 hadn't been so good, this contest would have been boring (WQ5S). Thanks to 6, this is our best score ever! (AA5IB). Conditions were excellent on all bands (WD5BKV). Six meters was great, and 2 and 432 were flat. It was probably a good thing, though, or I wouldn't have had time for coffee. I wish more satellite users would get on the horizon (KB5IUA). There were great openings on 6 meters. The Rovers added excitement on all the bands and I had my first QSOs ever on 1296! (W5AL). We had problems with 220 which cost us dearly on QSOs (K6MEP). This still is a fun contest, even when propagation is poor (WA6HRK). There was a lot of activity and I had fun, even though I had only a few hours to operate (NI6L). Conditions were poor on 6 . When it finally opened, there were only two hours left in the contest (KI6CG). I only heard one grid square I wasn't able to work (K6QM). Starting off with a 6-meter opening made my QRP-portable operation more enjoyable than ever (KB6MEG). Where was everyone? (WA6KLK). I'm happy, I needed nine more new grids to reach 300, and I worked 10 (W7IDZ). The aurora opening Saturday night helped my score! (W7FHI). We had great conditions, with aurora Saturday night and E-skip Sunday (W7ID). My score may not reflect it, but the weekend was awesome (KF7CQ). I made my first 432 aurora contacts during the contest. We had three double-hop 6-meter openings during the contest (WA7AKD). The huge solar flares during the contest turned 6 meters into a madhouse for the last four hours (K7ICW). This was the most activity I've ever seen. The Rover class is terrific for those so inclined (KE7CX). The new Rover class is a winner. The aurora was so strong Saturday nigh that we could aim our antenna by looking at it! (WA7TDZ). Six meters opened for only two hours, which left time for bug swatting (WA4GPM). Six opened in the last 90 minutes of the contest and it got like a basement sale at Macy's! (KA7HLB). Wow! What a contest! This was my best score (KB8JI). I had a great time on 6 meters, but conditions were poor on UHF (K8MD). I had a great time and was surprised by what such a small antenna array could do! (N8LMT). It was another contest with mediocre conditions, but at least it wasn't raining (WA8EUU). It seems that every second contest my rotator control dies (KU8Y). I swear by the "armstrong' rotator: Hear 'em, find 'em and work 'em! It's fast! (N8KWX). I took advantage of aurora Saturday evening, as the long-haul tropo wasn't there (AA8Q). I had bad line noise both days, but it got better after dark. The aurora helped with my grid count (W8RQQ). Band conditions on 6 meters were good; the band was open much of the time (WA8SVV). Conditions were fair and so was the activity (WA8NPX). This was my first QRP-portable operation and it won't be the last. It was more fun that just racking up QSOs from my home station (WB8K). The 432 propagation and activity was disappointing (WA9GCR). Conditions were super on 6 meters Sunday. My highlight was working WA4VCC/VP9 for country no. 37 on 6 (N9BJG). Sunday morning was dismal, but, wow! What an opening on 6 meters! (KC4KK/9). I never thought I'd break 25 k points with my antennas at 31 feet or below. Six meters was hot, though, and that helped my score (WB8YFE). Band conditions were good, especially with the aurora Saturday night. My family helped me by visiting in-laws during the contest (WF9M). All we needed was an extended tropo opening! (WA9LWJ). Wow! A 40-meter inverted V and 8 watts introduced me to 6 meters with nearly 100 QSOs. Results like that will keep me coming back (K90SH). Fifty MHz showed its fascinating self with the different modes of propagation. Conditions were tremendous for contesting (K7VNU/0). My thanks to the people who were out on the road putting those rare grids on the air (KDØSU). It's amazing what signals you can hear at 12,000 feet (NøHAX). It would have been a better contest if Murphy hadn't shown up (WB $\emptyset C Q O$ ). This was the best aurora I've ever seen in a contest (KFøAU). It's hard to work aurora with a QRP rig (NØGAD). Six-meter propagation was the best we've had in five years of VHF contesting here in Iowa (WØRPK). The new Rover category sure helped my score (NØLL). The contest was fun this year (WØRT). Thanks to the new Rover class, I was able to work new grids on all the bands (WQ@P). I had a great time and look forward to having additional band capability in the next one (AJøK). At times I didn't know where to point the 6 -meter beam (WA2HFI/0). The June VHF contest is always entertaining and over the years, I've learned that the 2-meter band doesn't often offer "normal" expectations (KA@GGI). It was nice to get VUCC and more on 6 meters during the contest (NTØV). This was my fifth consecutive year operating QRP portable and it only gets better! (KVøR). Where were all the US ops? (VE1AHM). I made a special trip to FN11, but conditions were poor (VE1MQ). The aurora and sporadic E on 6 made for an exciting contest (VE2DUB). Despite $40 \mathrm{mi} / \mathrm{h}$ winds Saturday night, we enjoyed the activity (VE2UMS).

## Scores

Scores are listed by ARRL/CRRL Sections and DXCC country. Within each Section, single-operator scores are listed first, followed by QRP-portable, multioperator, and limited-multioperator scores. Rover scores are listed by division. From left to right, each line lists: call sign, score, QSOs, multipliers, class ( $\mathrm{S}=$ single-operator, $Q=$ QRP-portable, $M=$ multioperator, $L=$ limited mulitoperator) and 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). Among single-operator stations, single-band winners are noted with band letter(s) in boldface print indicating the band won.

| 1 |  |  |  |  | K1ZZ | 147 | 17 |  | S BC | K5MA1 | 5,180 | 185 | 28 | S B | K1WHS ( + AF1T,AV1S,K1MNS,KY1K,N1HFE,WA1sNIE,THQ,W3HQT) |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Connecticut |  |  |  |  | N1EXG | 2,562 | 144 | 14 | Q BD | NZ1D | 5,044 | 96 | 52 | $S$ ABC |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | N11JV | 1,022 | 66 |  | Q BCD | W1GXT | 1,922 | 61 |  | S AC |  | 309,540 |  | 268 | ABCD9EFGI |
| WA2TEO | 270,712 |  |  | ABCD9E | N1BAH | 209 | 19 | 11 | Q AB | N1CSG | 144 | 16 |  |  | K1JW (+K | OD,N1G | V,WK | 1R,KB | EVL) |
| KA1ZE <br> K2LME | $\begin{array}{r} 268,956 \\ 20.865 \end{array}$ | 794 190 | ${ }^{241}$ S | ABCD9EF | K1XA (+K | ,W1XX) |  |  |  | WB1U + + | H,KA1s | F,SM | N,KB1 | ZB,WA1LBK, |  | 4,752 | 118 |  | ABC |
| W1OK | 20,605 | 204 | 86 | ABCD |  | 4,386 | 129 |  | L A | WB8TSK) | 51,612 | 333 |  | M ABCDE |  |  |  |  |  |
| K1FO | 15,785 | 180 | 41 S | DE |  |  |  |  |  | N1FDX (+ | ${ }_{1,232}$ |  |  |  | Now Hamp |  |  |  |  |
| N1ABY | 13,035 | 165 | 79 S | AB | Eastorn M | achuset |  |  |  |  | 1,232 | 88 |  | L B | KA1CDZ | 23,594 | 221 |  | ABCDE |
| K1wvx | 1,972 | 64 | 29 S | ABD | N1BWT | 53,055 | 355 | 131 S | S ABCD9 |  |  |  |  |  | WA1T | 15,936 | 182 |  | ABD |
| KD1AO | 1,380 | 54 | 23 S | ABD | K1ISJ | 51,987 | 403 |  | $S$ AB | Maine |  |  |  |  | AC1J | 3,528 | 81 |  | ABCD |
| K100G | 1,207 | 71 | 17 S | B | K1DAT | 33,120 | 288 |  |  | NY1E | 41,762 | 314 | 133 | $S$ AB | W1JR | 975 | 39 |  |  |
| W1WHL | 665 | 35 | 19 S | A | WB1FMF | 25,300 | 178 |  | S ABDE | KA1ZX | 17,325 | 175 |  | S A | KA1LMR | 10,584 | 172 35 |  | ABCD |
| NX1Q | 492 | 41 | 12 S | B | WB1FKF | 25,192 | 178 |  | S ABCD9EFGI | W1AIM | 11,398 | 139 | 82 | S AB | WB1DWK | 663 | ${ }^{35}$ |  | BCD |
| N1GW | 336 | 34 | 8 S | BD | KX1C K1MBO | $\begin{array}{r} 15,925 \\ \mathbf{7 , 2 6 1} \end{array}$ | 192 136 | ${ }_{53}^{65}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { S ABCD } \\ & \text { S ABC } \end{aligned}$ | WB1APD | 2.460 | 60 |  |  | W1XX (+ | GX,JX,X 75.036 | 429 4 | 148) | ABCD |

WA1ZYX (KA1s MTM,QFA,N1BAC,WK1P,Ops)

| Rhode istand |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| WA1GYL | 13,585 | 199 | 65 | ABD |
| WA1HYN | 12,561 | 163 | 53 | BCD |
| Al1K | 3,750 | 150 | 25 | B |
| W1KCS | 1,305 | 87 | 15 | B |
| KC1RL | 301 | 43 |  | B |
| KA1FVG | 8,835 | 144 | 57 | ABD |
| W1OP (K1DS,KZ1K,N1s AKO,JDA,W1EYH,op |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| W1AQ (K1s AGA,GBU,KA1YMQ,KM1X,N1IBC |  |  |  |  |
| NO1U,ops) | 37,169 | 312 | 109 L | ABD |


| Vermont |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| K1LPS | 24,080 | 192 | 112 S | ABCD |
| WE1P | 5,452 | 94 | 58 S | A |
| N1DIQ | 4,800 | 80 | 60 S | A |
| KA1VLH | 4,452 | 84 | 53 S | A |
| W1EXZ | 2,990 | 65 | 46 S | A |
| N1GPY | 2,478 | 59 | 42 S | A |
| KA1BSZ | 126 | 18 | 7 S | B |
| W1TKZ (KA1s DHV,NOI,KC1US,N1s CPE,FXG, GMS,HXO,IBG,NT1s L,M,NY1J,WN1N,WO1G, WA2TIF,ops) |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 133,956 | 603 | 183 L | ABCD |


| Westem Messachusetts |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| W1GCI | 155,232 | 550 | 224 | ABCD |
| N1DPM | 90,112 | 371 | 176 S | ABCD9E |
| NA1W | 5,536 | 109 | 32 S | BCD9E |
| N1FUS | 1,840 | 104 | 16 S | BD |
| WM2Y/1 | 1,104 | 45 | 16 S | ABCD |
| WA1WRM | 798 | 42 | 19 S |  |
| K1JG | 350 | 25 |  |  |
| N1DJB | 34,424 | 260 | 104 | ABCDE |
| WB2JS | 1,748 | 67 |  | ABCD |
| KR1R | 350 | 50 |  |  |
| W2SZ11 (K1s DH,NKR,KA1s FZY,JFW,PRT,UTU, WA1s UGE,ZMS,K2TR,KA2s FWN,WRG,KE2TP, N2s BNY,GJ,DU,GXH,HPA,HUC,IKZ,WA2s AAU, SCA,SPL,WB2s JSJ,KMY,WF2B,WM2Y,WS2B, KD3NC,WG31,AK4L, N4FFD,G7FRE,ops) 1,240,048 $1857 \quad 388 \mathrm{M}$ ABCDSEFGHW |  |  |  |  |
| NQ1C (+N |  |  |  | ABCDSEFGHL |

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| Eastern New York |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| WA2BAH | 44,080 | 313 | 116 S | ABCD |
| WB2VV | 10,857 | 141 | 77 S |  |
| WARUYL | 7,684 | 113 | 68 S |  |
| WB2WHD | 6,528 | 161 | 32 S | BCD |
| WA2FUZ | 4,648 | 83 | 56 S |  |
| K2CT (KA2TFM, op) |  |  |  |  |
|  | 1,840 | 85 |  | ABCD |
| KB2HPW | 1,652 | 48 | 28 S | ABC |
| W2VDI | 1,274 | 46 | 26 S | ABC |
| KG2H | 1,235 | 65 | 19 S |  |
| WB2ECL | 1,183 | 91 | 13 S | AB |
| WY2H | 638 | 49 |  | BD |
| WB2OEE | 611 | 47 | 13 S | B |
| KA2MCU | 396 | 26 | 12 S | ABCD |
| K2XA | 243 | 27 | 9 S |  |
| N2JBI | 200 | 40 | 5 S | B |
| KA2AUQ | 138 | 23 | 6 S | B |
| N2LPW | 77 | 11 | 7 S | B |
| WAROYV | 44 | 11 | 4 S | AB |
| WA2FME | 28 | 7 | 4 S | AB |
| KB2FTX | 24 | 6 | 4 S | A |
| WD2AJS | 16 | 8 | 2 S |  |
| WB2LXC | 8 | 3 | 2 S | BC |
| W2XM | 1 | 1 | 1 S | B |
| WB2DST | 8,874 | 106 |  | ABCDE |
| KT2B | 6,042 | 90 | 38 Q | BCD9E |
| WB2kVO | 120 | 10 |  |  |
| NX2Q ( + KA2AYR,KB2BLE,KT2K,N2s <br> AAM,CZL,DXP,FHC,KGC,NW2Y,W2DMM,WA2CRF) $66,555 \quad 388 \quad 145 \mathrm{M} \mathrm{ABCD9E}$ |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| AB21 (+ AB2J,W2AWX,WN2Y) |  |  |  |  |
|  | 9,800 | 135 |  | BDE |
| WD2V (+N | $\begin{array}{r}\mathrm{HWN}_{6}, \mathrm{JH} \\ \hline\end{array}$ | $\underset{34}{\mathrm{IJ}, \text { WA2 }}$ | 2s KPF, 18 L | ZNU,WB2EQO) |
| NYC-Long Italand |  |  |  |  |
| N2BFJ | 80,960 | 346 | 160 S | S ABCD9E |
| N2GHR | 63,504 | 350 | 112 S | ABD9E |
| WA2SLY | 7,656 | 132 | 58 S | AB |
| K2KM | 7,497 | 120 | 51 S | ABD |
| WA2EIO | 4,350 | 87 | 30 S | S BDE |
| WB2AMU | 2,132 | 52 | 41 S | A |
| Northern New Jersey |  |  |  |  |
| N2CEI | 188,892 | 610 | 212 S | S ABCD9EFG |
| AA2U | 24,645 | 215 | 93 S | S ABCD |
| N2CKH | 21,238 | 206 | 82 S | $S$ ABCD |
| WB200Q | 8,925 | 255 | 35 S | S B |
| WA2UDT | 6,916 | 107 | 52 S | $S$ ABCD |
| K4BNC | 4,356 | 79 | 44 S | $S$ ABD |
| KA2IVS | 2,300 | 100 | 23 S |  |
| WA2LTM | 252 | 9 | 7 S | S F |
| W2PHW | 102 | 17 | 6 S | S B |
| KE2SO | 1,265 | 55 | 23 | Q AB |
| WD3R (KA1LHZ,K2BJG,KX2O,N2S AAZ,EWV,HMM WM,NO2G,KA3VGD,ops) |  |  |  |  |
|  | 261,360 | 837 | 240 N | M ABCD9EF |


| Southerm New Jersey |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| K2SMN | 138,798 | 486 | 198 | S ABCD9E |
| W2HRW | 41,900 | 334 | 100 | ABD |
| WZEIF | 14,976 | 141 | 78 | S ABCD9E |
| K2YY | 12,127 | 140 |  | S ABCDE |
| WB2OYC | 11,448 | 143 | 72 | S ABD |
| WA2AXJ | 4,050 | 81 |  | S |
| WA2ONK | 1,998 | 48 |  | S B9 |
| K2BWR ( + K2ZRJ) |  |  |  |  |
|  | 52,003 | 252 | 133 | M ABCDEF |
| K2AA (W2s ORA,PAU,ops) |  |  |  |  |
|  | 17,892 | 195 | 84 | ABD |

$\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Western Now York } & & & \\ \text { WB2ELB } & 65,600 & 314 & 160 & \text { S ABCDEI } \\ \text { K2AN } & 63,784 & 315 & 134 & \text { S ABCD9E }\end{array}$




