# **2010 ARRL 10 Meter Contest Results**

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### New multipliers, more sunspots, LOTS of fun!

**The** 38<sup>th</sup> annual ARRL 10 Meter contest on December 11-12, 2010 was a new and exciting challenge for many enthusiasts of the 10 meter band. Propagation is picking up, albeit slowly, as solar cycle 24 builds momentum. For many new Amateur Radio operators, this is their first solar cycle, and conditions on 10 meters have never been better. Activity is also picking up, with the second-highest number of stations ever submitting logs from the US, Canada, and Mexico. Mexico, in particular, provided a new twist on an old contest; m any operators thrilled in the new challenge of chasing Mexican state multipliers for the first time.

The 2010 contest rules included an exciting new change. For the first time ever, Mexican stations would send their state in the contest exchange (instead of a serial number) and Mexican states now count as multipliers (in the same way that US states and Canadian provinces count as multipliers). Nobody was really sure how this would work out the first time around. How many Mexican stations would be active in the contest? Would they all know the new rules and the need to send a state abbreviation instead of a serial number? Would other contesters understand the new exchange? Would anybody log all 32 Mexican states?

The Mexican stations in the contest reported an enormous level of excitement and pride in representing their country in this new format of the ARRL 10 Meter Contest. In 2009, the ARRL received just 6 logs from XE stations; in 2010, the number of logs from XE stations jumped to 50. Over 100 unique XE call signs appear to have been active in the contest, and 26 out of the 32 states were on the air. Positive comments have been received from all over Mexico and the world. With new Mexican state records to chase and contest, even more activity from XE is expected in 2011.

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Thank these two for all the activity from XE-land. Hector XE2K (L) and Ramon XE1KK (R) were instrumental in drumming up activity from most of the 32 Mexican states in 2010. *Gracias, Amigos*! (photo courtesy Hector Garcia, XE2K)

### Activity

A total of 2,474 logs were entered in the contest this year, an increase of 413 logs, about 20% more than in2009. One major source of the increase in submitted logs was Asia, which more than doubled the number of logs submitted (191 logs) from 2009 (just 89 logs). European stations submitted 43 more logs in 2010 and now account for 46% of all DX logs. Oceania and South America log counts also increased, but the number of logs from North American DX stations (which no longer includes Mexican stations) and from Africa remained about the same as last year. The number of logs from Canada increased by 42% this year, with logs received from every province and territory except Nunavut (VYØ). In the United States, there were 150 more logs overall, an increase of about 11%. Activity was better in most Divisions, but was down in the Central, Dakota, Hudson, and New England Divisions. In the first year with Mexico participating in an expanded W/VE/XE competition, 50 logs were received from XE-land.

The three Single-Operator Low Power categories continue to account for more than half of all log submissions. For DX operators, the CW-only categories are now the most popular. As many DX stations entered in the low-power CW-only category as entered the low-power mixed-mode or phone-only categories combined. For W/VE/XE stations, the Mixed-Mode categories continue to be the most popular. In 2010, the CW-only categories had more og submissions than the phone-only categories, the first time that has ever happened since the singlemode categories were added to the contest in 1980! The Multi-Operator category is more popular than ever. DX Multi-Operator entries were up an amazing 53% in 2010, and W/VE/XE Multi-Operator logs ncreased by 31%.

### Records

It will be at least one more year before the top-level records are broken. For the third year in a row, there were no world, continental, or overall W/VE/XE records set. There were also no new stations in the top QSO totals or top multiplier totals listings in 2010. There were, however, new records set at the DXCC entity evel and the W/VE/XE section level. 34 new DXCC entity records were set in 2010, with at least three new records set in each continental area. Four new records were set in Africa (J28RO, V51YJ, Z21DXI, ZS6NJ), nine new records were set in Asia (XV4TUJ, 9W2ESM, 9M2TO, A65BD, A65BP, BD4HY, BD2SH, XU7FMZ, ZC4LI), three records were set in Europe (ES1WST, ON6AB, S59D), six records were set in North America (HI3CC, J39BS, J6BP, J79WTA, V31BD, VP5CW), eight new records were set in Oceania (9M6/W8AY, 9W6ZAM, DU1/JJ5GMJ, FO8RZ, KH2/NH7S, V73QQ, VK9NN, YCØNSI), and four new records were set in South America (FY1FL, HC2A, HK1R, LU1HF).

Even without considering the Mexican states, more new W/VE section records were set in 2010 than were set in 2009. Seven section records were set in the US. all in single-operator QRP categories. Setting new Single Operator Mixed-Mode QRP records were WA1LAD (RI), N1FJ (WMA), and KU4A (KY). Setting new Single Operator Phone-Only QRP records were KB5KYJ (WTX), KK6QQ (EB), KBØOLA (UT), and N9FRY (WI). Robert Schilling KK6QQ's 2010 score ties the East Bay record score he first set in 2009: 1 QSO to 1 multiplier for 1 point! Two new section records were set in Canada: VE2KOT (Single Operator Mixed-Mode QRP in Quebec) and VY1EI (Single Operator, CW-Only Low Power in the Northern Territories). Ten US and 12 Canadian section records remain unclaimed, primarily in the QRP categories. The most unclaimed records are from the Newfoundland/Labrador, Manitoba, and Northern Territories sections.

Starting in 2010, the W/VE record scores now include Mexican stations (becoming the W/VE/XE record scores). Mexican stations entered 7 of the 10 entry categories this year, setting the first Mexican division record scores. The new Mexican record holders include Single Operator Mixed-Mode entrants XE1L (LP) and XE2AC (HP), Single Operator Phone-Only entrants XE3N (LP) and XE1OGG (HP), Single Operator CW-Only entrants XE1AY (LP) and XE1MM (HP), and the Multi-Operator team at XE1KK. 41 inaugural Mexican state records were established this year. With 32 states and 10 categories each, the vast majority of the 320 Mexican state records remain unclaimed, including every available QRP record.

### Complete record scores for the ARRL 10 Meter Contest are at: <u>http://www.arrl.org/contest-records</u>)

### **Results - DX**

### **DX Single Operator Mixed-Mode**

First place in the DX Single Operator Mixed Mode **QRP** category was Jose Geraldo PU5ATX from the coastal town of Imbituba in Santa Catarina state, Brazil. Jose's score of 60.888 was over 10 times the score of any other DX station in the category. Jose made about 6 CW contacts for every phone contact. Second place went to Ymanol Yoseva Caires Zubicaray YV5YMA, operating with the contest call sign of 4M2L. Ymanol operated from Caracas, Venezuela and made 100 contacts with 25 multipliers. Serge Vasilenko UR2VA of Kirovograd, Ukraine came in third place with 4,320 points and the top result from Europe. The top Asian score was fourth place finisher Arasu Manohar, VU2UR. Arasu lives in Bangalore, and has been involved in many recent IOTA DXpeditions to Indian island groups.

### **DX TOP TEN**

#### Mixed Mode, QRP

LV5V (LU5VV, op)

ZS1EL

OA4SS

VK3TDX

ZL3TE (W3SE, op)

#### PU5ATX 60,888 4M2L (YV5YMA, op) 8,120 UR2VA 4,320 VU2UR 3,542 PY2NY 3,400 UR5IFX 2,960 ON6AB 2,280 PY4ZO 1,794 LZ1MC 1,734 UA1AFT 1,568 Mixed Mode, Low Power 181,720 PY2SEX LU5FF 180,804 LW3DG 144,966 HK3O 144,060 LO2F (LU1FAM, op) 133,760 EA8OM (DJ1OJ, op) 80,580 PY3OZ 72.000 LW1EUD 42,480 VK4TJF 33,528 DL5L (DG0OKW, op) 23,072 Mixed Mode, High Power AY5F 1,078,704 HK1R 897,600 CE3FZ 647,752 PW2D (PY2ZXU, op) 452,452 VK4IU (VK4EMM, op) 424,780 V31RG (K4VU, op) 367,200

#### Phone Only, QRP

LU1VK CT2IOV VK4ATH 9M6/W8AY (R2AD, op) JM2RUV JA2MWV YC0NSI I5KAP EA3FF PY2BN	8,924 7,140 1,118 588 528 384 336 252 252 252 182
Phone Only, Low Power	
HI3TEJ LR4E (LW4EU, op) LW7DUC LU6FOV LU5MT LW3DN LW6DAK FY1FL PY2CX PP5JAK	194,940 105,120 103,740 82,320 65,412 64,372 61,072 57,288 50,244 44,238
Phone Only, High Power	
LR2F PQ5B (PP5JD, op) P4ØK (K6KO, op) LU7VCH ZX2B (PY2MNL, op) AY8A (LU8ADX, op) CU2KG V25R PY5ZD	300,276 231,768 154,528 140,188 113,220 112,662 92,820 58,926 57,200

#### CW Only, QRP CW Only, High Power AY9F 60,720 LU1HF 752,464 LP2D (LU6DO, op) 41,688 VP5CW (W5CW, op) 562,772 US5VX 3,680 CX9AU 369,600 UT2IV 3.648 LU6UO 333.216 RU7A 3,384 CE3DNP 315,084 **JR1NKN** 2.444 CE1/K7CA 292,824 JH8FAJ/1 1,400 L33M (LU3MAM, op) 184,680 JA7GAX CR6K (CT1ILT, op) 1,100 109,272 9A5W Z35F 792 72,324 UA9AFS 760 **CA3KHZ** 61,000 CW Only, Low Power Multioperator V31BD (WQ7R, op) 263,848 CW5W 1,161,960 LU8QT 234,052 ZX5J 1,148,940 PY1NX 228,864 LS1D 1,103,400 PP5KR CE4CT 223,924 1,055,392 LW1E (LU1EWL,op) 194,884 PJ2T 964,094 177,848 HD2A 827,696 Z21DXI (VK6DXI, op) 146,640 CW5R 723,140 V51YJ J39BS 129,888 WP3C 658,762 PY2MTS PT3T 94,224 626,472

230,724

216,106

191,820

166,950

85,044

ZF1A

615,088

In the DX Single Operator Mixed-Mode Low Power category, seven of the Top Ten scores were made from South America (the same percentage as in 2009). All three top scores were from South America. Moving up two spots from last year, Alex Correia PY2SEX took first place with 181,720 points from Campinas, Brazil. Despite his first place finish, Alex wishes the propagation had been better: "This was the worst ARRL 10 Meter Contest ever. There was no big opening to North America this time - only a one hour opening on Sunday." A close second-place result (180,804 points) went to Javi Pons Estell LU5FF, operating from the Buenos Aires area. This is the second year in a row that LU5FF has finished in second place. Javi uses a 6element tri-bander antenna, mounted 19 meters above ground. By a very narrow margin, Eduardo Gomez LW3DG took thirdplace (144,966 points) operating from the Buenos Aires area. With a score less than 1% behind Eduardo's, fourth place went to Mario Henao HK3O (144,060) operating from Barranguilla, Colombia. Mario had more contacts in the log than Eduardo, but Eduardo worked 6 more multipliers. The top non-South American score was made by Heijo Schulte EA8OM (80,580 points) in the Canary Islands, off the west coast of Africa.

The top three scores in the **DX Single** Operator Mixed-Mode High Power category also went to stations from South America this year. Moving up from second place last year, the category victory went to Jesus Rubio AY5F (1,078,704 points) from Rosario, Argentina. With 1737 contacts and 198 multipliers, Jesus was the only DX single operator this year to score over a million points. Second place went to Jorge Prieto HK1R (897,600 points) of Atlantico, Colombia. Jorge noted that propagation on Saturday was poor for him, but was much better on Sunday. Pedro Barroso CE3FZ of Santiago, Chile took third place (647,752). Unlike AY5F and HK1R, Pedro made more contacts on phone than on CW. "It was a good idea to include Mexican states as multipliers. I worked several of them," says Pedro. The top score from outside South America was John Loftus VK4EMM of Queensland, Australia. John, a WRTC veteran, was operating from the VK4IU station in the town of Coolabunia and made 424,780 points for a fifth place finish. Not many Europeans made it into John's log: "VK4 enters darkness before the sun rises over Europe - so the time-window is too narrow. VK3 and VK6 get a better chance into Europe."

### **DX Single Operator Phone-Only**

The top three DX results in the **Single Operator Phone-Only QRP** category came from stations on three different continents in 2009 and the same pattern held true in 2010. The winner this year was Francisco de Cesare LU1VK (8,924 points), operating from the foothills of the Andes Mountains in Rio Negro, Argentina. Francisco worked 46 multipliers, by far the most of any station in the category. Second place went to Arnaldo Jose Santos Ferreira CT2IOV of Loule, Portugal (7.140 points). Arnaldo's antenna on 10 meters is a three-element tri-bander at 18 meters above ground. Third place went to Tom Hatton VK4ATH (1,118 points) of Gailes, Queensland, Australia. Tom operated the contest with a five-element monobander antenna. The best Asian score was Paul Sharunin 9M6/W8AY (588 points) and the top European score was Franco Bernardini I5KAP (252 points).

Six of the top ten DX scores in the Single-**Operator Phone-Only Low Power** category came from Argentina. Winning the category. however, was a North American: Ted Jimenez HI3TEJ (194,940 points) of Puerto Plata in the Dominican Republic. "Both nights, the band stayed open after midnight and was wide open to USA and South America." Ted worked every US state except Indiana. Second place in the category went to Jorge Manuel Conde Saubidet LW4EU, operating with his contest call sign LR4E. Operating from the small town of Chacabuco, west of Buenos Aires, Jorge made 596 contacts with 90 multipliers for 105,120 points. A very close third place went to Claudio Alejandro Kennel LW7DUC (103,740 points) from Buenos Aires. Claudio worked 5 more multipliers than Jorge, but 39 fewer contacts. The point spread between the second and third place results in this category was just 1.3%!

In the **DX Single Operator Phone-Only High Power** category, the victory went to last year's third-place finisher. Bob Marinesco LU2FA, operating with his contest call sign LR2F from Rosario, Argentina, won the category in 2008 and now again in 2010. Bob made 1330 contacts with 114 multipliers for a score of 200,276 points. Second place went to Jaime Dorneles PP5JD, using the contest call sign PQ5B. Operating from Florianopolis, Brazil, Jaime scored 231,768 points, but noted that propagation to destinations outside North and South America was poor. Kay Anderson P4ØK came in third place (154,528 points) operating from the island of Aruba. "I had good runs across the USA, but the band never really opened to the northern latitudes or Canada. I had a short but decent run into the Pacific on Sunday, with E51CG a great surprise." The only Top Ten score not from South America was made by Martti Laine OH2BH, operating from the Azores with his CU2KG call sign. Martti made 92,820 points and finished seventh.

### **DX Single Operator CW-Only**

Five of the top ten scores in the **Single** Operator CW-Only QRP category went to European stations this year, but the top two scores were from South America. Overall DX victory in the category went to Edmundo Drago AY9F (60,720 points). Edmundo operated the contest from the small town of Santo Tome in the Santa Fe state of Argentina, 380 km northwest of Buenos Aires. Edmundo made 255 contacts to 60 multipliers. Another station in Argentina, Mark LU6DO, operating from the LP2D club station in Buenos Aires, took second place with 41,688 points. Last year's category winner, Kulenko Eugene US5VX (3,680 points), operating from southeastern Ukraine, took third place and the top European score.

A North American station took the victory in the DX Single Operator CW-Only Low Power category. Raymond Cameron WQ7R, operating at his station in San Ignacio, Belize with the call sign V31BD scored over 263,848 points to take first place. Second place went to Roque Emilio Giacchetti LU8QT. Operating from the town of La Toma in San Luis state. Argentine, Giacchetti made 660 contacts to 91 multipliers for 234,052 points. Third place went to Soni Endlich Leite PY1NX (228,864 points) from Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Lucas Nagel Costa PP5KR from Curitibanos, Santa Catarina, Brazil came in a very close fourth place with 223,924 points. The score difference between third and fourth place was just 2.2%. The top score from outside of the Americas was Mirek Rozbicki VK6DXI, operating from Bulawayo, Zimbabwe with his Z21DXI call sign. Mirek scored 177,848 points to finish in sixth place. "I was surprised to see 10 meters was open. I used only a simple long-wire antenna and an Icom IC-7000 transceiver with 100 watts output. I was on a short business trip and I had a lot of fun," says

Mirek. Many operators were excited to work Z2 in the contest.

Operating from San Francisco, Argentina, Juan Morandi LU1HF made 1465 contacts with an impressive 131 multipliers to score 752,464 points and win the Single Operator CW-Only High Power category for DX for the second year in a row. David Horn W5CW took second place operating from the Turks and Caicos Islands with his VP5CW call sign (562,772 points). Third place went to Daniel Alejandro Neves Pardias CX9AU (369,600 points), operating from the capital city of Uruguay, Montevideo: "This was my first time to work all 50 US states in the ARRL 10 Meter Contest." The top European score in the category was Filipe Monteiro Lopes CT1ILT, operating with the contest call sign CR6K from a small town near Porto, Portugal. Filipe scored 109,272 points and took 8th place in the category. Filipe worked 34 US states and Canadian provinces, but never heard a Mexican station.

### **DX Multi-Operator**

In the **DX Multi-operator** category, all of the top ten scores came from stations in South America or North America. Winning the contest for the third year in a row was the CW5W team in Cerro Largo, Uruguay. Operating from the station of Jorge Furest CX6VM and using his contest call sign, the team made 1,161,960 points, almost twice as many points as their winning effort from last year. For the second year in a row, second place went to the team at ZX5J (1,148,940 points) in Santa Catarina state, Brazil. Operators at ZX5J included Beatriz PU5BIA (13 years old) and Eduardo PU5FJR (11 years old). Leo PP1CZ notes, "It was a wonderful experience to take part in a contest with half of the team being kids." The kids did very well: the score difference between first and second place was very small - just 1.1%. The fouroperator team at LS1D in Buenos Aires, Argentina took third place in the category. The operators made 1590 contacts to 225 multipliers for 1,103,400 points, just 3.9% behind the second place score.

### Log-checking reports (LCRs) are online at:

http://www.arrl.org/contest-log-checkingreports

### **DX CONTINENTAL LEADERS**

For Class: MX =mixed mode, PH = Phone only, CW = CW only, Multiop = Multioperator

AFRICA							
MX	LP	EA8OM (DJ1OJ, op)	80,580	EUROPE			
MX	LP	EA8BQM	2,730	MX	QRP	UR2VA	4,320
PH	LP	EA8AQV	900	MX	QRP	UR5IFX	2,960
PH	LP	EA8DG	128	MX	QRP	ON6AB	2,280
C)4/		Z21DXI (VK6DXI,	477.040	PH	QRP	CT2IOV	7,140
CW	LP	op)	177,848	PH	QRP	EA3FF	252
CW	LP	V51YJ	146,640	PH	QRP	I5KAP	252
CW	LP	EA8CN	43,424	CW	QRP	US5VX	3,680
MX	HP	ZS1EL	216,106	CW	QRP	UT2IV	3,648
MX	HP	ZS6BRZ	47,268	CW	QRP	RU7A	3,384
PH	HP	ZS5NK	1,960	МХ	LP	DL5L (DG0OKW, op)	23,072
Multiop		EA8AH	427,320		LI	HGOR (HAONAR,	23,072
Multiop		ZS6NJ	179,396	MX	LP	op)	18,560
ASIA				MX	LP	RN3T (UA3TW, op)	13,926
MX	QRP	VU2UR	3,542	PH	LP	YO3CZW	2,756
MX	QRP	JK1TCV	1,472	PH	LP	R7NA	2,356
MX	QRP	JA6FGC	1,170	PH	LP	CT2JBG	1,440
PH	QRP	JM2RUV	528	CW	LP	F8AKC	13,068
PH	QRP	JA2MWV	384	CW	LP	EA5FQ	11,600
CW	QRP	JR1NKN	2,444	CW	LP	R3QA	10,260
CW	QRP	JH8FAJ/1	1,400	МХ	HP	GM2V (GM3WOJ, op)	38,628
CW	QRP	JA7GAX	1,100	МХ	HP	S57S	30,940
MX	LP	JA6WFM	14,848	МХ	HP	G0HVQ	27,248
MX	LP	JH7RTQ	7,992	PH	HP	CU2KG	92,820
MX	LP	JH6WHN XU7FMZ (JA1FMZ,	6,448	PH	HP	CR2T (CU2AF, op)	20,412
PH	LP	op)	6,000	PH	HP	GOAEV	16,268
PH	LP	JN1IZR	3,390	CW	HP	CR6K (CT1ILT, op)	109,272
PH	LP	9W2ESM	1,176	CW	HP	9A5W	72,324
CW	LP	E21YDP	33,280	CW	HP	RW4PL	45,816
CW	LP	C4Z (5B4AIZ, op)	21,700	Multiop		DK5QN	122,958
CW	LP	H2E	18,720	Multiop		ED1R	114,444
MX	HP	JA7NVF	43,968	Multiop		EA7URD	86,862
MX	HP	ZC4LI	36,750				,
MX	HP	RG9A	28,560				
PH	HP	JA7OWD	15,128				
PH	HP	JA2PAC	13,272				
PH	HP	JA2BNN	2,652				
CW	HP	UN9GD	31,816				
CW	HP	UA9ND	24,568				
CW	HP	UA9OG	11,700				
Multiop		JAØFVU	14,000				
Multiop		RV9UP	9,936				

Multiop

UA9AGX

9,802

#### NORTH AMERICA

AMERICA					
MX		LP	C6ANM		15,610
PH		LP	HI3TEJ		194,940
PH		LP	KP4/KH2RU	J	37,760
PH		LP	KG4EM		12,780
CW		LP	V31BD (W0	27R, op)	263,848
CW		LP	J39BS		129,888
CW		LP	NP2L		77,760
MX		HP	V31RG (K4	VU, op)	367,200
PH		HP	V25R		58,926
PH		HP	FM5AN	-014	8,284
CW		HP	VP5CW (W op)	5000<	562,772
Multiop			WP3C		658,762
Multiop			ZF1A		615,088
Multiop			HI3CC		365,820
OCEANIA					
PH	QRP	VK4A <sup>-</sup> 9M6/V		1,118	
PH	QRP	91016/V (R2AD	-	588	
PH	QRP	YC0N	SI	336	
MX	LP	VK4T、	JF	33,528	
MX	LP	VK4F、	J	12,880	
MX	LP	DU1L	С	1,998	
PH	LP	VK4LA	٩T	37,026	
PH	LP	VK4E	J	19,800	
PH	LP	NH7R		11,310	
CW	LP	op)	E (W3SE,	85,044	
CW	LP	VK4SI	N	44,480	
CW	LP	VK2B		16,308	
MX	HP	VK4IU op)	J (VK4EMM,	424,780	
MX	HP	VK3TI	DX	166,950	
MX	HP	FO8R	Z	129,996	
PH	HP	VK6IR	R	10,974	
PH	HP	KH2JI	J	9,044	
PH	HP	DU1JI		8,820	
CW	HP	V73Q	Q	3,224	
Multiop		DU1/J	J5GMJ	4,158	
Multiop		ZL3G/	٩	1,512	
Multiop		VK2R	SG	256	
Multiop		VK9N		42,168	
Multiop		VK3G		780	
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SOUTH AMERICA			
MX	QRP	PU5ATX 4M2L (YV5YMA,	60,888
MX	QRP	op)	8,120
MX	QRP	PY2NY	3,400
MX	QRP	PV8AZ	700
PH	QRP	LU1VK	8,924
PH	QRP	PY2BN	182
CW	QRP	AY9F	60,720
CW	QRP	LP2D (LU6DO, op)	41,688
CW	QRP	PY1CMT	748
MX	LP	PY2SEX	181,720
MX	LP	LU5FF	180,804
MX	LP	LW3DG	144,966
PH	LP	LR4E (LW4EU, op)	105,120
PH	LP	LW7DUC	103,740
PH	LP	LU6FOV	82,320
CW	LP	LU8QT	234,052
CW	LP	PY1NX	228,864
CW	LP	PP5KR	223,924
MX	HP	AY5F	1,078,704
MX	HP	HK1R	897,600
MX	HP	CE3FZ	647,752
PH	HP	LR2F	300,276
PH	HP	PQ5B (PP5JD, op)	231,768
PH	HP	P4ØK (K6KO, op)	154,528
CW	HP	LU1HF	752,464
CW	HP	CX9AU	369,600
CW	HP	LU6UO	333,216
Multiop		CW5W	1,161,960
Multiop		ZX5J	1,148,940
Multiop		LS1D	1,103,400

### **RESULTS – W/VE/XE**

In 2009, three stations, one in each of the Single Operator Mixed-Mode categories, made the listings, but this year none made the Top Ten W/VE/XE boxes. The top score from Canada was Robert Nash VE3KZ in the Single Operator Mixed-Mode High Power category (233,480 points).

Three Mexican stations made the Top Ten score listings for W/VE/XE stations. Zalo Jara XE3N came in fourth place in the Single Operator Phone-Only, Low Power category with 50,048 points. Zalo operates from the resort town of Playa del Carmen, in the Quintana Roo state, which he describes as "Paradise on Earth". In 6<sup>th</sup> place SOPHLP was Marcos, XE1B (as 4B1B), with 40,872 points from Mexico's "Distrito Federal." In the Single Operator CW-Only, Low Power category, Ismael Martinez Vizcarra XE1AY took ninth place with 115,640 points. Located in Manzanillo, Colima on Mexico's Pacific coast, Ismael has been an amateur radio operator for over 20 years and is an avid six meter enthusiast in addition to operating the ARRL 10 Meter Contest.

### W/VE/XE Single Operator Mixed-Mode

There were three new call signs in the top three spots of the **W/VE/XE Single Operator Mixed-Mode QRP** category in 2010, and they all operated the contest from California. First place went to Dorian Anderton WA6FGV (119,210 points) of Santa Barbara section. Dorian made 381 contacts to 91 multipliers, almost exactly twice as many contacts as the second place station. Second place (37,620 points) went to Robert Tellefsen N6WG of East Bay section. "It's been a long time since 10 meters seemed so open and active. I really enjoyed it. I just wish I could have put in more hours," says Robert. Third place (31,920 points) went to David Bell W6AQ of Los Angeles section: "If Old Sol would only wake up, this would be a great contest."

In the Single Operator Mixed Mode Low Power category, the top two scores went to stations in Texas. Victory in the category as claimed by Dave Cockrum N5DO (284,750 points) from the West Texas section. Dave made 732 contacts with 125 multipliers. Dave was excited about the changes to the contest in 2010: "The decision to allow the Mexican states to count as multipliers was a great one. It added a lot of fun to chase down the various states. The participation from XE will hopefully continue to grow in the future." Second place went to Michael Pfeuffer WQ5C with 262,976 points, operating from the South Texas Richard Klein N9CM took third place (244,758 points) this year, operating from West Central Florida. Richard used three antennas on 10 meters: a fiveelement Yagi at 7 meters above ground, a Hygain TH6DXX tri-bander at 5.5 meters above ground, and an east-west oriented loop antenna at 12 meters above ground.

Victor Petcherkin N8OO (709,672 points) won the Single Operator, Mixed-Mode High Power category, operating from Louisiana. Victor made about 555 of his 1435 contacts to 172 multipliers on phone this year. John Bayne N4EEB, operating from North Florida, took second-place this year (574,002 points). John made about 55% of his contacts on CW. Chris Tate N6WM (485,280 points) came in third place, operating from the N6RO contest station in the East Bay section. "I had some domestic openings that were profound, including a 300 plus QSO/hour rate on Saturday morning and one on Sunday as well, each with a slightly different focus providing many good multipliers." A close fourth place finish was Jack Morgan KF6T with 467,262 points from the Sacramento Valley section, who finished 3.7% behind Chris's score.

### W/VE/XE Single Operator Phone-Only

Rick Roy KB5KYJ won the **Single Operator**, **Phone-Only QRP** category for the second year in a row. Operating from West Texas, Rick worked 393 contacts in 46 multipliers for 35,604 points. Second place went to Bill Parker W8QZA (23,652 points), using the club call sign of the San Diego Spark Gap Society, W6QU. An amateur radio operator for over 50 years, Bill's current antenna on 10 meters is a three-element SteppIR Yagi at 10 meters above ground. Falling one spot from second place in 2009 to third place in 2010 was John Grove KE2OI (15,582 points) of Southern New Jersey. John made 148 contacts to 53 multipliers.



W7VO opened his shack to contest first-timer Steve Gette, KF7GNI. Steve took full advantage of the station and turned his first contest into an Oregon section victory in the Single Operator, Phone only, High Power category. (photo courtesy Mike Ritz, W7VO).

### W/VE/XE TOP TEN

### Mixed Mode, QRP

### Phone Only, QRP

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WA6FGV	119,210	KB5KYJ	35,604
N6WG	37,620	W6QU (W8QZA, op)	23,652
W6AQ	31,920	KE2OI	15,582
KS4X	31,780	N3AWS	7,722
W5GAI	29,070	N8MWK	6,552
K3TW	27,090	N9FRY	6,144
KØDI	22,230	WA5DSS	2,750
VA3DF	21,600	KR1ST	2,438
WA1LAD	20,246	KBØOLA	1,802
NT4TS	16,562	WD5FGZ	1,776
Mixed Mode, Low Power		Phone Only, Low Power	
N5DO	284,750	AC5O	133,292
WQ5C	262,976	WA8QYJ	75,884
N9CM	244,758	AD5RQ	67,536
K6AM	236,096	XE3N	50,048
WQ5L	220,752	WB5R	46,224
K4LY	217,884	4B1B (XE1B, op)	40,872
WOPV	192,000	KC6AWX	36,226
W5ZL	187,264	K5KDX	26,208
N4VA	175,104	AF6AV	25,500
NR7Q	156,600	N6KP	25,424
	130,000	-	20,424
Mixed Mode, High Power		Phone Only, High Power	
N8OO	709,672	W5PR	408,980
N4EEB	574,002	K5TR (WM5R, op)	341,904
N6WM (@N6RO)	485,280	NR5M	339,764
KF6T	467,262	NA5TR	245,336
N4PN	463,752	N8RA	118,736
N8II	460,412	K6HNZ	116,220
WB9Z	398,660	W5COW	109,062
W3EP	395,592	N7UQ	104,310
NA4CW	391,012	K8CC (N8NX, op)	90,576
K3ZO	375,552	WA5ZÙP	89,568

CW Only, QRP		CW Only, High Power	
WG5G	73,392	K1TO	717.060
KØOK	35,340	K5NA	561,816
KE5AKL	31,584	W5KFT (K5PI, op)	533,728
AE8M	30,100	N4BP	513,616
W7JI	28,336	KH6ZM	454,528
W4ZKE	26,880	N7AT (K8IA, op)	374,016
K4CIA	26,724	NY3A	311,248
NC7W	22,308	N5NA	259,624
AA1CA	22,188	WØSD (WØDB, op)	241,488
W5ESE	20,768	WJ9B	230,972
CW Only, Low Power		Multioperator	
CW Only, Low Power N4WW (N4KM, op)	335.328	Multioperator NX5M	1,161,864
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N4WW (N4KM, op)		NX5M	, ,
N4WW (N4KM, op) WD4AHZ	248,304	NX5M K5KG	744,228
N4WW (N4KM, op) WD4AHZ WK2G	248,304 243,520	NX5M K5KG K6LL	744,228 678,960
N4WW (N4KM, op) WD4AHZ WK2G AE5GT	248,304 243,520 239,704	NX5M K5KG K6LL W6YX	744,228 678,960 640,278
N4WW (N4KM, op) WD4AHZ WK2G AE5GT K9WZB	248,304 243,520 239,704 171,024	NX5M K5KG K6LL W6YX KØLUZ	744,228 678,960 640,278 555,680
N4WW (N4KM, op) WD4AHZ WK2G AE5GT K9WZB K7HP	248,304 243,520 239,704 171,024 139,444	NX5M K5KG K6LL W6YX KØLUZ AK7AZ	744,228 678,960 640,278 555,680 538,410
N4WW (N4KM, op) WD4AHZ WK2G AE5GT K9WZB K7HP K5FP	248,304 243,520 239,704 171,024 139,444 129,712	NX5M K5KG K6LL W6YX KØLUZ AK7AZ K1WHS	744,228 678,960 640,278 555,680 538,410 522,984

Jeff Guidry AC5O (133,292 points), operating from his QTH southwest of New Orleans, Louisiana moved up two places from last year to finish in first place in the Single Operator, Phone-Only Low Power category in 2010. Jeff worked 717 contacts in 94 multipliers with a Hexbeam antenna at 15 meters above ground. Robert Brady WA8QYJ (75,884 points) of South Florida took second place. Third place went to Udo Ludwig AD5RQ (67,536 points) from the North Texas section. A native of Germany, Udo moved to the USA in 1994. One of only three Mexican stations to make a Top Ten finish this year, Zalo Jara XE3N came in fourth place with 50,048 points from Playa del Carmen, Quintana Roo. "It was a great contest, with irregular propagation from my QTH similar to the six meter band."

In the Single Operator Phone-Only High **Power** category, the top four stations all made over 200,000 points in 2010, and all four were located in the South Texas section. After two consecutive secondplace finishes in 2008 and 2009, ten meters specialist Chuck Dietz W5PR took the top score this year with 1868 contacts to 110 multipliers for 408,980 points from his station in Manvel, south of Houston: "Working the new XE multipliers was a blast. I was astounded to work almost 50 XEs!" 320 kilometers to the west, last year's fifth place finisher, Ken Harker WM5R took second place (341,904 points) operating from the K5TR station near Johnson City in the Texas Hill Country. Third place went to George DeMontrond NR5M (339,764 points), operating from his station near Hempstead, west of Houston. On 10 meters, the Texas-sized NR5M station has a total of 7 monoband long-boom Yagis on three towers spread between 11 meters and 58 meters above ground level. Rusty Hill NA5TR (245,336 points) took fourth place from his Hill Country station northwest of Kerrville. "The activity level this year was GREAT! Band conditions were sporadic, as everyone has been saying. 25% of my QSOs were in the last three hours on Sunday afternoon," Rusty notes.

W/VE/XE Single Operator CW-Only Three new faces were at the top of the Single **Operator CW-Only QRP** category in 2010. Dan Walker WG5G of South Texas won the category with 278 contacts to 66 multipliers for a total of 73,392 points. "I tried to put in a big effort this year: the band was really amazing," says Dan. Robert Novak KØOK (35,340 points) came in second place, operating from his station in the Orange section of southern California. Third place went to Michael Walsh KE5AKL (31,584 points), operating from New Mexico. Michael enjoys outdoor activities and often takes along his QRP rig. Operating from New Hampshire, Thomas Doubek AA1CA (22,188 points) finished in ninth place, but had one of the best results of any station from New England this year.

The top three scores in the **Single Operator**, **CW-Only Low Power** category all came from stations operating in Florida. Kevin Milhorn N4KM won the category with 335,328 points operating from the N4WW station in the North Florida section. Kevin was the only operator in the category to make more than 1000 contacts in the contest. Ronald Wetjen WD4AHZ (248,304 points) came in second place, operating from West Central Florida. Also in the West Central Florida section, third place went to Merrill Brown WK2G (243,520 points). Last year's category winner, Clint McClure AE5GT of South Texas came in fourth place in 2010 (239,704 points), just 1.5% behind the thirdplace score.

Rebounding from his fifth place finish in 2009, Dan Street K1TO won the Single Operator, CW-Only High Power category in 2010 (717,060 points) from West Central Florida. Dan had a three hour long power outage on Sunday, but still claimed the victory. "After suffering miserably for 3 of the past 4 years in the ARRL 10 Meter Contest, it was great to get off to a solid start and have it keep going pretty much all day Saturday. I had all 10 US call areas in the log by 0144 UTC." Last year's category winner, Richard King K5NA, came in second place this year with 561,816 points from South Texas. "Dan K1TO and I have gone head-to-head in this contest for a number of years. I realize that my best finishes are only with low sunspots, and as conditions improve my advantage will go away." Third place went to another South Texas operator, Robert Brandon K5PI (533,728 points). Robert operated from the W5KFT station in the Texas Hill Country, about 100 kilometers west of the K5NA station. Robert also got off to a good start: "The nice e-skip on Friday night just kept going and going and going. I was making contacts until 0623 UTC!" Massimo Zenobi KH6ZM (454,528 points) had the best overall results of any station from Hawaii, finishing in fifth place.

### W/VE/XE Multi-Operator

The four-operator team at NX5M earned its sixth consecutive victory in the W/VE/XE Multi-operator Single Transmitter category. This is the 14th year in a row that Bob Pack NX5M and team have entered the category, and their seventh victory overall. The team made 1,161,864 points from their station near Lake Somerville in the South Texas section. Earning the second place spot was George Wagner K5KG (744,228 points), operating with packet assistance from West Central Florida. David Hachadorian K6LL, also operating with packet and CW skimmer assistance (678,960 points) came in third place from Yuma, Arizona: "I rigged up a deal where one rig/amp was tuned up on CW, and one was tuned for SSB, and I could instantly flip between modes. The active rig got the 10 meter antenna, and the inactive rig got a dummy load. That setup worked great - it was all automatic."

#### Mixed Mode

Atlantic Central Delta Great Lakes Hudson Midwest New England Northwestern Pacific Roanoke Rocky Mountain Southeastern Southwestern West Gulf Canada	KØDI AF9J KS4X KU4A WB2AMU K2HT WA1LAD N6LB N6WG K4WY NS7K K3TW WA6FGV W5GAI VA3DF	$\begin{array}{c} 22,230\\ 1,484\\ 31,780\\ 13,090\\ 5,280\\ 16\\ 20,246\\ 600\\ 37,620\\ 4,550\\ 14,980\\ 27,090\\ 119,210\\ 29,070\\ 21,600 \end{array}$	A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A	10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10
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### Phone Only

Atlantic Central Delta Great Lakes Hudson New England Northwestern Pacific Roanoke Rocky Mountain Southeastern Southwestern West Gulf Canada	KE2OI N9FRY N3AWS N8MWK AA2VK N1TM WA7PVE W6MIL (N6WR, op) KR1ST KB0OLA W4YBB W6QU (W8QZA, op) KB5KYJ VE3BKM	15,582 6,144 7,722 6,552 928 286 300 408 2,438 1,802 8 23,652 35,604 10	A A A A A A A A A A A A A	10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10
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### CW Only

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Atlantic Central Dakota Delta Great Lakes Hudson Mexico Midwest New England Northwestern Pacific Roanoke Rocky Mountain Southeastern Southwestern West Gulf Canada	W3BGN W9PN KØEA N4ZI K4FT K2UF XE1AY WS4Y K1DC K4XU N6EE KR4V ACØDS N4WW (N4KM, op) K9WZB AE5GT VE1ZA	$\begin{array}{c} 105,488\\ 41,256\\ 18,200\\ 118,524\\ 83,520\\ 54,936\\ 115,640\\ 44,736\\ 71,424\\ 64,068\\ 67,584\\ 51,504\\ 76,340\\ 335,328\\ 171,024\\ 239,704\\ 32,648 \end{array}$	B B B B B B B B B B B B B B B B B B B	10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 1
Atlantic Central Dakota Delta Great Lakes Hudson Mexico Midwest New England Northwestern Pacific Roanoke Rocky Mountain Southeastern Southeastern West Gulf Canada	NY3A K9BGL WØSD (WØDB, op) W5WMU N8BJQ W2EG XE1MM K0RWL N2KW K7BG KH6ZM K2SX WØZA K1TO N7AT (K8IA, op) K5NA VY2ZM	311,248 162,424 241,488 206,064 79,696 60,320 190,864 110,720 221,160 137,460 454,528 75,624 193,116 717,060 374,016 561,816 214,968	с с с с с с с с с с с с с с с с с с с	10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 1

#### Multioperator

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464,352 82,192 170,464 354,858 309,920 60,040 267,096 128,674 522,984 165,462 640,278 367,752 518,856 744,228 678.960 1,161,864 103,950

### The Mexican Experience during the 2010 ARRL 10 Meter Contest

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First of all, let me say that all XE stations appreciate the initiative of the ARRL to include us in the fun of this contest. With the introduction of Mexican states as multipliers, the Grupo DXXE took the lead in Mexico to promote the event as a great chance to expand 10 meter band activity in Mexico. We realize that the beginning of the sunspot cycle looks slow to improve, but with more stations on the air and a little bit of patience, it would be possible for XE participants to make a good number of contacts. And of course, the Grupo DXXE was hoping for a little extra help with some good propagation on 10 meters during the weekend.

The Grupo DXXE is the most active group of contesters and DXers in Mexico. Several weeks before the contest, the Grupo DXXE President Joaquin Solana XE1R himself took on the job to promote XE participation in one of our weekly bulletins. The group also promoted the contest on the web, with all the contest-related information, like the rules and official abbreviations for the US, VE and XE multipliers, located at <a href="http://www.dxxe.org/">http://www.dxxe.org/</a>

Ramon XE1KK has summarized the results of the Mexican station activity in the contest. Ramon's report was made with the input of several of the Mexican contest logs and the logs from other participants from different parts of the US and the continent. One of the most exciting results of the contest was that 26 of the 32 Mexican states were on the air and nearly 100 XE stations actively participated. The report can be found here: <u>http://www.dxxe.org/arrl10m/xes-arrl-10-1.pdf</u>

Reports from several XE operators on the weekend's propagation and the contest were very similar. A frequent comment was that many stations did not recognize the Mexican state multipliers. Some contesters did not read the new rules introduced in 2010 before the contest started and

de Hector Garcia XE2K

others did not update their contest logging software. Zalo XE3N mentioned that some contesters struggled with his state abbreviation QUI. Some others had to take the time to explain to contesters why the exchange they were getting from an XE station was not a number, but a new form of multiplier.

Even in Mexico, the level of activity was encouraging. Ramon XE1KK observed, "I worked so many XE operators and several XE states on 10 meters for the very first time. The propagation reminds me of 50 MHz: it would go from big signals to zero signal in seconds, with a lot of scatter propagation. You could see the single and double jumps clearly to North America and typical TEP to South America."

Propagation played a big role in the contest for XE operators. Operators in the central Mexican states (XE1), which are smaller in size but with more participants, had the chance make ground wave and some backscatter contacts with each other when no other propagation was available. Very few Mexican stations reported making QSOs outside of North America, South America, or Oceania. Hector XE2K contacted JA1BPA for his only QSO with a station in Japan. Luis XE2AC managed to work CT1DVV, and was one of the few lucky XE stations to reach Europe during the weekend. Zalo XE3N, operating from the southern corner of Mexico in the town of Playa del Carmen, reported that his best propagation was to South America, but he also enjoyed some nice openings to Florida and U.S. east coast.

The number of QSOs made from the Mexican side of the contest was not bad. Hector XE2K passed the 800 QSO mark. Ramon XE1KK and Luis XE2AC made close to 800 QSOs. Jorge XE2WWW made almost 500 contacts, CW-only.

## AFFILIATED CLUB COMPETITION

Club competition continues to be very popular in the ARRL 10 Meter Contest. 55 clubs qualified for the competition this year, 5 fewer than qualified in 2009, but 4 more than qualified in 2008. Affiliated clubs are organized into three categories: Local Clubs, Medium Clubs, and Unlimited Clubs. Which category your club will be ranked in depends on the number of logs submitted for the club, and how large the territory is from which the club members operate. For a club to be listed in the results, the Contest Branch must receive at least three entries from club members.

### Local Club Category

This year, there were 22 clubs in the Local Club category, 3 fewer than in 2009. The Midland Amateur Radio Club of Midland, Texas won the category for the third time in four years. Seven club members combined for a score of 989,080 points, over four times as many points as last year. The Central Virginia Contest Club came in second place again this year, with 9 club members combining a total score of 780,186 points. Third place went to the Mother Lode DX/Contest Club. Based in the gold country of California, 8 club members combined for a total of 573,330 points.

### **Medium Club Category**

The most popular club competition category in 2010 was the Medium Club category. 29 clubs qualified for this category (the same number of clubs as last year), and nine clubs scored over 1,000,000 points. Up from a third place finish in 2009, the Central Texas DX and Contest Club won the category this year with 5,437,738 points from 21 logs. The CTDXCC averaged 259,000 points per log, by far the highest of any club in 2010. The Arizona Outlaws Contest Club came in second place with 2,570,804 points from 45 logs. Last year's second-place finisher, the Yankee Clipper Contest Club came in third place in 2010. The YCCC had one more log than the AOCC, but only amassed 2,505,902 points. The score difference between the two clubs was just 2.5%.

### **Unlimited Club Category**

Four clubs entered the Unlimited Club category (two fewer than last year), which retains limits on the geographic locations of the club stations, but not on how many members can enter on behalf of the club. Moving up one spot in the rankings from last year, the Florida Contest Group scored 9,015,272 points to win the category. The FCG had the second-most logs submitted of any club (78). Second place in the category went to the Northern California Contest Club. The NCCC had 57 logs and a total of 3,993,006 points. Last year's winning club, the Potomac Valley Radio Club, came in third place this year. The PVRC had 3,563,898 points from 80 logs, the most submitted by any club this year. The Minnesota Wireless Association also entered the

Unlimited Club category this year, and finished fourth overall with 821,666 points from 44 logs.

For your score to count for your club, you must be a member of the club, the station from which you operate must be located within the club's geographic territory, and you must include the club name in the Cabrillo log file headers when you submit your log. Do not use abbreviations, even if you think your club's abbreviation is well known. Many clubs have similar abbreviations. You can find the official list of contest club names on the ARRL Contest Branch web site. If your club is not listed, contact contests@arrl.org, and the team at the Contest Branch will help make sure that your club meets the Affiliated Club requirements and is updated on the list.

### Get ready now for next year!

The next ARRL 10 Meter Contest will be December 10-11, 2011. Propagation will undoubtedly be better this year, with expected higher sunspot counts and higher solar flux. While there are no guarantees, better east-west intercontinental paths are likely. Hopefully even more Mexican stations will participate, giving everyone a chance to work the XE state multipliers. Will you be ready?

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### **W/VE Regional Leaders**

Boxes list call sign, score, class (A = Mixed Mode, B = Phone only, C = CW only, D = Multioperator), and power (A = QRP, B = Low Power, C = High Power).

**Northeast Region** 

## (New England, Hudson and Atlantic Divisions; Maritime and Quebec Sections)

KØDI WA1LAD WB2AMU N1FJ N2XP	22,230 20,246 5,280 4,120 2,464	A A A A	A A A A	
K2PS K2GV W1WBB W1CCE N1IX	112,612 75,042 73,164 71,264 66,048	A A A A	B B B B	
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AA2VK WB7OCV N1TM AA1I	928 504 286 168	B B B B	A A A A	
WB7OCV N1TM	504 286	B B	A A	

AA1CA KR2Q WO2N K2SM W1TW	22,188 C 17,028 C 10,824 C 8,216 C 3,960 C	A A A
W3BGN K1DC K2UF W2AW (N2GM, op) VE1ZA	105,488 C 71,424 C 54,936 C 32,712 C 32,648 C	; B ; B ; B
NY3A N2KW VY2ZM N3UM AA3B	311,248 C 221,160 C 214,968 C 163,212 C 143,664 C	C C C C
K1WHS N2MM AA1JD K1LZ K6NDV	522,984 D 464,352 D 317,586 D 302,304 D 185,640 D	) )

### Southeast Region

### (Delta, Roanoke and Southeastern Divisions)

KS4X K3TW NT4TS NA4BW K4WY	31,780 27,090 16,562 7,392 4,550	A A A A	A A A A
N9CM WQ5L K4LY W0PV N4VA	244,758 220,752 217,884 192,000 175,104	A A A A	B B B B
N8OO N4EEB N4PN N8II NA4CW	709,672 574,002 463,752 460,412 391,012	A A A A	с с с с с с
N3AWS KR1ST KD4OFG N4RP W4YBB	7,722 2,438 648 320 8	B B B B	A A A A
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W4ZKE K4CIA K4ORD WB5NMZ W4QO	26,880 26,724 13,736 11,016 6,072	С С С С С С С	A A A A
N4WW (N4KM, op) WD4AHZ WK2G N4ZI W2TX	335,328 248,304 243,520 118,524 108,420	0 0 0 0 0 0	B B B B
K1TO N4BP WJ9B W5WMU K4MF	717,060 513,616 230,972 206,064 114,576	С С С С С С С	С С С С С С С
K5KG KØLUZ W4QN K4FJ W4LT	744,228 555,680 396,760 367,752 357,296	D D D D D	

### **Central Region**

### (Central and Great Lakes Divisions; Ontario Section)

VA3DF KU4A VA3WR AF9J VE3CW	21,600 13,090 6,804 1,484 1,020	A A A A	A A A A
K8BL N8VV W8KHP K9OM N9LYE	58,316 39,270 32,640 29,400 26,416	A A A A	B B B B
WB9Z WØAIH (NE9U, op) VE3KZ W9XT VE3MMQ	398,660 321,540 233,480 203,112 202,230	A A A A	с с с с с с
N8MWK N9FRY N9NFB VE3BKM	6,552 6,144 24 10	B B B B	A A A A
WB9PUB W8PT N9RJM K9IAC KC9LYP	25,000 18,020 16,112 13,694 7,502	B B B B	B B B B
K8CC (N8NX, op) W8JUZ K8DJR WD8EOL N9LB	90,576 38,528 17,066 4,408 3,600	B B B B B	с сссс с

AE8M N8AP AI9K VA3RJ KB9ZUV	30,100 6,612 2,760 2,752 2,460	00000	A A A A
K4FT WA8RCN W9PN N9AX VE3DZ	83,520 74,340 41,256 39,936 31,960	00000	B B B B
K9BGL K9CT N8BJQ W9RE W8JK (W8ERD, op)	162,424 130,824 79,696 63,484 62,400	С С С С С С С	С С С С С С С
N8NR K1LT W8MJ VA3DX N2BJ	309,920 212,724 205,556 103,950 82,192	D D D D D	

### **Midwest Region**

### (Dakota, Midwest, Rocky Mountain and West Gulf Divisions; Manitoba and Saskatchewan Sections)

W5GAI NS7K NM6E WV7T AF5Q	29,070 14,980 4,250 2,124 1,664	A A A A	A A A A
N5DO WQ5C W5ZL K5WO KØBJ	284,750 262,976 187,264 107,256 97,944	A A A A	B B B B
W5AJ NØKE K7KU (KØKR, op) AB5K WØJPL (KØJPL, op)	316,260 311,880 279,600 268,128 149,400	A A A A	С С С С С С С С
KB5KYJ WA5DSS KBØOLA WD5FGZ N7LR	35,604 2,750 1,802 1,776 2	B B B B	A A A A
WA5DSS KBØOLA WD5FGZ	2,750 1,802 1,776	B B B	A A A

WG5G KE5AKL W7JI NC7W W5ESE	31,584 28,336 22,308	C A C A C A C A C A
AE5GT K5FP K5LH WØVX ACØDS	129,712 94,288 82,812	C B C B C B C B C B
K5NA W5KFT (K5PI, op) N5NA WØSD (WØDB, op) WØZA	533,728 259,624 241,488	
NX5M KØDU W5YAA KØRF N5ZK	518,856 449,328 289,744	D D D D

### West Coast Region

### (Pacific, Northwestern and Southwestern Divisions; Alberta, British Columbia and NWT Sections)

WA6FGV N6WG W6AQ N7IR N7FG	119,210 37,620 31,920 10,212 1,470	A A A A	A A A A
K6AM NR7Q W7RV K6GEP N7LOX	236,096 156,600 112,200 69,208 66,816	A A A A	B B B B
N6WM (@N6RO) KF6T K7RL KH7Y KA6BIM	485,280 467,262 365,310 265,320 245,616	A A A A	С С С С С С С
W6QU (W8QZA, op) KK7EL W6MIL (N6WR, op) WA7PVE KO6YG	23,652 1,140 408 300 4	B B B B	A A A A
KK7EL W6MIL (N6WR, op) WA7PVE	1,140 408 300	B B B	A A A

KØOK K6MI K7HBN KU7Y KG7E	35,340 7,000 6,760 3,268 2,952	С С С С С С С	A A A A
K9WZB K7HP KQ6ES KM6Z N6EE	171,024 139,444 103,936 89,280 67,584	С С С С С С С С	B B B B
KH6ZM N7AT (K8IA, op) WØYK K6LRN N6AA	454,528 374,016 216,804 195,500 188,188	C C C C C C C C	с с с с с с
K6LL W6YX AK7AZ K6RIM KH6MB	678,960 640,278 538,410 250,208 227,592		