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# 2009 CQ WW WPX SSB Contest Expanded QRM

The 2E0 prefix was not an easy one for the guys to handle! Some thought it was VE0, ZE0, 7E0, others thought it was G0 or M0. ... **2E0RCV**. I really enjoyed the contest! Amazing 40m! ... **3V8SS**. My PC had crashed and took time to recover and to submit my logs. ... **4D1N**. This special call was obtained for the contest by Jean-Robert, HH2JR. We operated from the NW Haiti Christian Mission in St. Louis du Nord, Haiti. Operating time was limited by availability of generator power. We were also limited on the low bands by very high local noise. ... **4V4JR**. My result is in memory of Claudio, father of Stefano, IK2QEI. ... **5D5A**. It was so difficult with these poor conditions. However, we will be back next year and we hope that they have improved. It is not possible that they can be worse. Thanks for a fun contest with a lot of activity. ... **8S0C**. Hard work, 12 hrs first day, and 12 hrs on Sunday, but no results. Hi! ... **9A2U**. Nearly 1000 QSOs and 2 million points down on my score in 2008. This is a reflection of the poor propagation: 15m did not really open to Europe this year. ... **9M8Z**. This is the first time I've ever really worked a contest and found it very enjoyable even though I am antenna limited in an apartment. ... **AA4UC**. Pretty good conditions on 40 meters. ... **AA6K**. A couple of big guns busted contacts with me because of being in a hurry. ... **AB5XZ**. Another snow, rain, and big windstorm with some lost time account of rain static but had fun anyway. ... **AD7J**. Another interesting contest. Hope to be back for the next one. ... **AD7UP**. This was my first time participating in the contest, and I did so with very casual operating. It was fun, and I plan to put in a more serious effort next time. It was great to actually make some contacts on 15m and 10m, mostly down to South America on Sunday. ... **AE5PW**. Part-time effort, mostly to hand out AE6 to friendly locals, turned into a more serious effort. SSB isn't my "thing." ... **AE6RF**. I've had my license for a bit less than a year now, and am loving contesting, even though I don't have the motivation or the health to really put on a competitive showing. Busting pile-ups with a little skill and great prep work on my equipment is really satisfying, especially when I have serious "underdog" hardware in so many ways (no tower, low-power amp vs. legal limit, omni receive antenna, etc.). ... **AF6ME**. We are very enjoyed the WPX contest. Our young star Yoshiki, KH0UA, who is 8-year-old son of Kuny, W1FPU, made more than 800 QSOs. ... **AH0BT**. It was really nice to see 15m open on Sunday. ... **A14G**. This was

a very fun contest. My first time and I had a blast. Hope to work it again next year. ... **AJ4JD**. Last-minute work project required me to work and travel over the weekend. Managed to sneak in a few hours during breaks from a work project. Nice to see so much activity! ... **AK1W**. Fine contest. I hope work the next edition 2010. Good conditions 20 and 15 and closed 10m. My best regards to members of contest, cu agn. ... **AM3EGB**. Having a 5-ele tribander can be a lot of fun, but only if you can turn the antenna. As rotator didn't work, missed all Asia and a lot of South America, by luck the antenna was pointing to Europe. ... **CN2BC**. Very poor propagation and too busy all the weekend with homework hi. ... **CT1AOZ**. With solar flux around 72 fair conditions to the States, but on 15m practically only the big guns came through from overseas. On Sunday on 40m the extension to 7200 kHz here in Europe was very helpful to pick up the various stations. Had a lot of fun on the bands during the couple of hours I worked. Thanks to all stations who picked me up on the sizzling bands. ... **DF5LR**. Poor condx with Windom antenna and 100 watts. Most of DX in North and South America didn't copy me ... **DH6DAO**. Again QRP 5 watts in SSB is a hard job. FT817, tuner, coil, Windom antenna, 21m long, 8m high. Thanks to the big guns who were able to copy my tiny signals. Best 73s. ... **DJ3GE**. Thanks for sponsoring a great contest. Due to my humble dipole antenna used on all bands, I like the bonus of making contacts on the low bands. That makes me more competitive. ... **DJ3WE**. Making best of the rainy weather with doing some "cherry picking". ... **DJ5LY**. First WPX in my life. Looked for rare stations and worked them! ... **DJ5TD**. I just participated the first time ever and it was great! ... **DK5DC**. Big fun I had on 15 meters collecting stations in South America direction. ... **DK7AN**. Another fun Field Day style operation. We had great fun and enjoyed the vivid bands and interesting prefixes. ... **DL0NZ**. First participation. Great! ... **DO1TGM**. This is my first time to join a big contest and I really enjoyed it. ... **DV1EE**. First contest I have done in some time. Propagation was good and lots of stations. WX in Rarotonga was great for this frozen Alaskan. ... **E51COF**. Hard fighting against Mr. Murphy this weekend: PC broke, caravan shack engine start broke, antenna broke, lost my voice because of a cold, bad conditions, gutter on roof, water on ground, and connections AC/DC, QRN storm, but I finished the contest! ... **EA3ATM**. Nice contest as every time. Normally I run in

AO3A multi-operator, but this time we have many problems so I am with my personal call EA3BOX ... **EA3BOX**. Enjoyed the contest, in some moments very strange propagation on 20. Backscatter some W QSOs with the side and the back. In EU long propagation impossible DL,ON, F, PA. 73. ... **EA3FF**. No activity for this one from ED5T so just spent a few hours from the home station. Enough to remind me why my city centre location is not a desirable place to contest! Category is SOAB HP wires, but there's no space for wires so just triband, and most contacts on LP due to TVI. ... **EA5ON**. Another year in this contest but this time on 40 meters for problems with my antenna. I found many stations on this band. Thanks to all those who had contact with me. We listen to ourselves next year. ... **EA7FRX**. Very little time I have been involved in this wonderful WPX contest. I hope to have more luck in the upcoming WPX CW and thank you very much until the next contest. ... **EA8MQ**. Operated few hours because of several antenna failures. Maybe next year. ... **EA9BO**. Our first contest as Multi-Op Single Transmitter. Next time we can do it better. Very bad propagation, no QSOs on 28 MHz, our tribander antenna not hear anything else on this band. ... **EE5J**. Some sporadic-E on Sunday morning, otherwise condx not so good at this latitude. ... **EI4CF**. Band seemed less exotic than last year, but the activity was intense. I had to give up at 8 PM Sunday because I was feeling dizzy! Great fun as usual. ... **EI4GNB**. Worked short propagation around Europe in the daytime and went intercontinental for more points after dark. Band conditions were constantly changing. Most contacts were east/west of my station, poor propagation to the north and south. A combination of running and search & pounce worked best. Looking forward to next year already. ... **EI4GYB**. Enjoyed the contest, even though band conditions were not great. ... **EI9FVB**. Hard weekend: Propagation very bad, bands noisy, computer grrr, two microphones failed, ARGH! I need a good repair of my station :( Anyway, it was a very good contest! CU next year! ... **F4ASK**. This is my first DX contest. Great enjoying the game! ... **F4FBP**. I installed a new PC just before the contest started and ran into all sorts of setup problems. The auto rotator did not work through the contest and the program me kept returning to S&P when it should have been in run, hence the DVK and spotting exchanges got all screwed up and I spent a lot of time correcting the software/hardware during the contest and I

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have just gotten the rotator working. ... **F5VJK**. Had a great time, some new countries. ... **G0FPU**. Very very busy with stations on top of stations. Excellent fun though and great to work new countries Thanks to those who go to distant places to activate unusual prefixes. It makes this contest very exciting. Hope to be back again next year! ... **G0MLY**. Thanks go to Barrie, G1JYB, for the use of a fabulous contest site and a really nice warm shed for the shack! ... **G1T**. Family commitments prevented any operation on the first day so it was operation to give away some points! ... **G3VAO**. Conditions better than expected with some good DX worked from my mobile operation. ... **G4NXG**. Full use being made of 7.100 to 7.200 MHz! ... **G6CSY**. Very enjoyable contest even with limited means. ... **G7RTI**. EU QRM was horrendous, some very wide signals and some very bad operating practices. Maybe I should make sure my signal is wider to keep away QRM?! ... **G8DYT**. Band conditions were poor on 20m/15m but 40m was OK. ... **G8MIA**. Great fun by all. Gave GD to a few guys and it made their day. Started late due to flight delays and had to finished early to set up other DXpedition stations (GT4BRS) but this short interlude enabled us to warm up the rigs, hi. Thanks for working us. ... **GD8K**. First time in this contest. Conditions were better than expected, a good time was had, and thanks to the sponsors. ... **G15K**. Managed to take part again in the contest this year as was not expecting to do so due to other commitments. Thoroughly enjoyed what I managed to work including some brand new countries I haven't worked in 26 years being licensed. Great contest. ... **GM4UYZ**. Not a lot of time this year to play, but still enjoyable. 10 meters still refusing to come to life. ... **GM7TUD**. Poor propagation on higher bands was not in favor of me running LP with poor antenna. Many thanks for Qs, see you next year! Rig TS-530SP, 100 W into a end-fed 21 meters long wire above flat roof. ... **HA2MN**. My first short-wave contest. Hope my log is correct. ... **HB9WNA**. I was only on a few hours but it was great fun. ... **HC1JQ**. Best contest ever made with new station and antennas, good propagation, and nice and fast QSOs on 20, 40, 80, 160m. No propagation on 15m and 10m. See you next year! (Maybe new vertical for low band) ... **HE8MH**. I heard a lot of callsigns which were originally VHF only, but after CW is no longer a requirement in many countries, have received full privileges. I am very happy that so many of these guys have taken up HF contesting. It was more fun with them on air! ... **HG5XA**. A few noise, but lots of fun. ... **H18PJP**. In spite of a blackout, nearby lightning, and weekend guests I managed to make 182 QSOs. ... **HP3FTD**. Propagation was not helping, but the most important thing we can have fun at WPX contest. cu next year. ... **HQ2W**. Good contest as always. Had two power cuts and one light-

ning storm lost time. First time from new QTH. ... **HS0ZHC**. After long time again good propagation but only in South America direction. ... **I5KAP**. Worked only when kids allowed me to. Great fun despite very poor prop on 15/10m. ... **IK2HLM**. Vertical full-size quarter wave with 130 ground radials. Antenna Magnetic Slot of K5RP. RxTx Kenwood TS 950 SD, amplifier Kenwood TL 922, PC program QAR test. ... **IK3HMB**. Great contest as always! ... **IR9Y**. Another CQ WPX is done! A vertical antenna, a 100w rig, and a claimed score higher than last year (and lower than next one I hope!). Many thanks to you for contribute to my logbook. ... **IT9JDH**. Propagation was terrible. Hope next year will be good. Thanks to all, 73. ... **IW0HBY**. It's always a very fun contest. Big participation and good propagation. ... **IW1QN**. Great opportunity given by ARI Sezione Cinisello Balsamo (Milano) to enjoy this contest on 80m. Everything worked well. Relative low number of NA stations logged. Thanks to IK2JUB, IK2PFL, IW2HAJ for the support in setting up the station. HB9DUR, Andrea. ... **IW2HAJ**. Better than last year even though working only on 20m. Antenna was not optimal and low power did not reach a lot. Anyway it was fun and I got some missing DXCC countries as well. ... **IZ0CEZ**. Great contest, great propagation especially for North America. It's time to change IC-7000; next year I will come with a K3! Unfortunately, no 24h mains supply here, with 50 watts, battery powered it's hopeless. IC7000, IC2KL (500w, when running on generator) SpiderBeam. ... **J5UAP**. I enjoyed the contest. ... **JA1EHV**. Really I enjoyed. Very happy thank you. ... **JA1RYC**. I entered single-op 80m low power. The conditions between the U.S.A. and JA were not so good. But the conditions of all except the U.S.A. were very good. I QSOed with 5 continents. I was able to update the personal-best record. This year, Chinese OTH radar was QRV on out of JA ham band. (OTH radar is now on 3810-3850 kHz.) It's signal strength was over S9+... **JE1SPY**. Condx not so good, but enjoyed the contest. ... **JF1SEK**. I used an antenna V-DP 8 meters up. Running 50 watts. ... **JF3IYW**. I enjoyed the contest. ... **JF3VUA**. Rig FT-1000MP / HL-450B 400W 40m ant. Brown antenna with center loading homemade 20m ant. 2-element Yagi homemade 15m ant. 2-element Yagi homemade. Conditions on 20m, 40m, and 15m bands were very poor. ... **JF9KVT**. Thanks good contest! Condx were not good, hope sunspots will increase soon. ... **JG2CNS**. A noisy, crowded, fun time on 20! ... **K0PK**. A real QSO-fest. Run, run, run. Averaged 95 QSOs/hour. ... **K2PS**. Surprised to enter 10m and 15m DX QSOs into the log. ... **K3IXD**. Band conditions were very challenging for SSB QRP. ... **K3TW**. First event for me for CQ WPX SSB. ... **K4CQW**. Had to shut down for a few hours due to a mean lightning storm

that hit north FL late Saturday night. ... **K4GOP**. First time for CQ WPX. Enjoyed collecting the prefixes. ... **K4LSU**. Enjoy the contest very much and looking forward to the next one! ... **K4REB**. Not a good contest to be in when you have a sore throat! Thanks to all for the fun and the Q's. ... **K4XD**. Anybody got a spare sunspot? ... **K5LAD**. It was fun a contest. Results were slightly better than expected. 15m was disappointing. ... **K5RQ**. My first big contest. Lloved it! ... **KB3SCZ**. TU fer all the fun agn this yr. ... **KB9YGD**. First contest ever, late start, limited time, had fabulous time! ... **KC5MMH**. Band conditions started out pretty bad around here, a lot of static crashes. Things picked up on Saturday and had a great time. ... **KD2MU**. First contest ever. Had a ball. ... **KD5RDR**. We need sunspots! And we want them now! ... **KD7DCR**. I use stealth antennas, all below 25 ft. (Temporary G5RV or vertical for 80/40, hamstick dipole for 20m, attic-mounted Mosley TA-31 for 20, 15, 10). ... **KE5LQ**. I propose a "wire only" category assisted & nonassisted or make "TB-WIRES" available to "assisted" class. ... **KG4W**. I only worked a few hours, was mainly trying to add new countries for LoTW DXCC. I had a great time. I really enjoy the professionalism and courtesy of the operators. I was successful in adding Ecuador, Northern Ireland, Lithuania, and Cape Verde. ... **KG4ZDM**. Nice to see the activity up from China. ... **KG6DX**. Single band 20 meters high power assisted. Why is it with QRM created by contest no one ever gets FCC tickets? ... **KI7M**. Only limited time to contest this weekend, and I decided to stick with 20m. Good turnout from the lower 48 and JA. Pity conditions over the pole were poor for EU. ... **KL2R**. Outstanding contest. We upped our last year's score 4 times! ... **KL7AIR**. Noisy bands especially 40 and 80 meters but manage to work a few stations on both bands, not easy with 100 watts. 21 MHz was good with USA and EU. Heard some USA stations on 10 meters. Congratulations to NP2KW, good score. ... **KP2BH**. Great to be back operating in my favorite contest after a 2-year hiatus for health reasons. Tremendous activity from EU! I worked as many prefixes SB20 as I did AB at the top of the last cycle! Tnx for all the Q's and mults! ... **KQ2M**. Believe me, anybody I worked on 40 and 75 meters was truly S-9 here. QRN level was also S-9 due to snow storm clouds. That coupled with rapid QSB sure made this one a challenge. If only everybody was as loud as 6W1SJ, who was +35 on 20! ... **KS7T**. The theme this weekend was "noise." "Noise" as in "energy that does not carry desired information." ... **KS9K**. I'm looking forward to next year with some sunspots. ... **KV4T**. This was my first 48-hour contest. I had a great time and learned a lot. Look out next year! ... **KX4D**. Lots of fun for a part-time operation. Look forward to next year.s test. ... **KZ5J**. New (old) call was issued Friday

afternoon of the contest! ... **KZ5MM**. Hard job but my 3-el quad doing very well ... **LA8WG**. My first WPX contest. Hard work with QRP but a lot of fun. Manage to work a lot of DX and pleased with the result. The 3-el Yagi help me a lot. ... **LA9BM**. What a Mr. Murphy weekend. First moved to a new place, because my place was occupied, then no place to build up the 2-element quad. So only a vertical all band, and two verticals 1/4 wave for 40 and 80 meters. Then the message that my amplifier is not finished from repair :-), so only low power, and with the good conditions and much QRM, not easy to work. So hope next year will be better again. ... **LX1ER**. Only game, not serious operation, for few hours. ... **LY5W**. Only managed 13 hours of operating but beat last year's claimed score. Conditions to Caribbean poor this year but another enjoyable contest. ... **MØRNR**. Just a small entry as club wasn't going to do WPX. Didn't spend as much time as I would have liked. Still was fun when bands were working for me. Need a better HF antenna, even a wire dipole. ... **M2W**. I heard but was not able to work 9M8Z and work 9K2K. I was pleased to work 6W1SJ for new DXCC. Very difficult with numerous stations just not hearing my call. Two watts QRP. ... **M5AEF**. We decided this year to create the unusual MJ4 prefix, by taking our MD4K call for a fun entry in CQ WPX to Jersey. One of our ops had to pull out due to a bad flu, so then we were three for a multi-single effort. We had a lot of fun, in bad conditions on HF again, but seemed to create some interest! Let's hope the sunspots return sometime soon. ... **MJ4K**. Great contest. Bands were packed to the rafters, and it was quite a challenge! Some stations running a few kHz from the band edge! Got best-ever DX of Malaysia, so was quite a worthwhile weekend! ... **MW1MDH**. All contacts made with indoor antennas. First time out with new K3 radio. ... **N2MH**. VK7RE worked LP on the first call on 20m S9 plus 20 here! ... **N2WN**. Finally a decent 15 meter opening both days, maybe a light in a long dark tunnel? Electrical storms kept me out of the running for a good portion of the contest! ... **N3CHX**. Great contest, even with all the thunderstorms in Georgia. ... **N3FP**. Having the whole weekend is a real plus, another great and very fun contest, 73s. ... **N3KUN**. First major rainstorm and lightning Sunday 2 AM, and everything had to be disconnected. ... **N4DXI**. Heard West Coast very well but had hard time getting through with LP and low antenna. ... **N4FFP**. Worked C91TX for a new country. ... **N4LZ**. 15 meters in pretty poor shape but still plenty of contacts available with a little effort. I still had a blast as usual. ... **N5DTT**. My first WPX. ... **N6IEF**. Condx didn't seem very good, much QSB ... **N6QZS**. I haven't played in this contest in a number of years, but it is a fun one. ... **N6TPT**. Fun! Tnx to WB6BFG for letting me sit in the hot seat all weekend (what

would I do without my technical guru, chef, bartender, partner in crime). ... **N6UWW**. Nice surprise to hear 15 meters open. No new countries in this one, but fun anyway. ... **N6ZE**. WPX SSB 2009 was tremendous fun for us! Station operations went very well, which further added to our enjoyment of every QSO. See you next year, sunspots or not! ... **N8AJN**. I made huge number of stateside Q's and my quad loop worked very well for domestic Q's, more 40m USA Q's than ever in over 30 years of contesting in any contest. Trying to run EU was a struggle and I missed the first night followed by below normal condx on Saturday night. KH7XS was enormous 20 db over S9 about 90 minutes past my sunrise! ... **N8II**. I knew I would be part time, but did not know what times I would be able to operate, so I decided to do a single band on 40m, figuring 40 would be open to somewhere at any time of day and night. I was also looking to fill in some holes on SSB for the ARRL triple play award. Ended up getting in about 12 hours here and there. ... **N9TF**. Thanks to NØKE, Phil, for letting me use his station in this contest! It was an equalizer for the lousy conditions! ... **NAØCW**. Had a great time. Can't wait until the CW test. ... **ND3R**. Static crashes awful first night, but did work some EU the second night. ... **NE5D**. Although we were operating from one of the best 160 meter stations in the US (W8JI), we couldn't take advantage of it due to the severe storms in the SE USA during the contest. We left a lot of 6 point Q's on the table because we couldn't hear much on 160 (or 80) due to the storms. Thanks to W8JI for letting us use his great station. ... **NF4A**. It has been a long time since I operated from Hawaii. Lovely place and people, but very tough radio conditions. ... **NH7A**. Good condx, but not many openings to EU from my QTH. ... **NJ9Z**. Now I remember why I haven't done this contest for three years: the SSB QRM really hurts the ears! With no sunspots, everyone is packed on 20m, and the QRM is tremendous. ... **NN7SS**. Propagation was better on 15 meters and 20 meters. Only one contact in 80 meters and few on 40 meters. Only few South America stations heard in 10 meters. Heard only few stations from Europe this time mostly on 20 and 15 meters. ... **NP3CW**. My first WPX contest. ... **NQ6L**. Had a lot of fun with the limited time I had to devote to this contest. See you next year! ... **NR4C**. Not a full effort owing to power problems at Radio Oakley. ... **NR6O**. Fun contest, our wx horrible winter blizzard, good to play radio. Thanks for all the Q's and cu next year. ... **NR7DX**. What a fun contest! We had power-line noise for part of Saturday but it cleared up in time to make a great contest weekend. ... **NV6C**. All I tried to do is work prefixes! ... **NYØT**. Joined in the SSB fray again after several years' absence. Enjoyed it again as much as always. A wonderful contest for my call. ... **NZ5A**. Just did put a 40m-wire beam

between the trees, worked great. ... **OE2VEL**. Part-time operation. A lot of fun despite the fact that the DX conditions were marginal at best. ... **OG6N**. I really was going to give points to others but somehow it turned me on and I connected my voice machine to the rig on Sunday morning and then it got serious. I didn't have much pile-up with low power but S&P worked just fine. My last WPX was sometime in the '70s. Thanks to all good ears and 73. ... **OH5TS**. FB contest and good condx. See you again, friends. ... **OK2SWD**. We cannot see the end of the bottom of the solar cycle. Maybe we can expect (at last!) better condx for 2010! ... **ON3ND**. Living on an apartment it was a pleasure to take part with QRP and mobile whip on 40m using SD for logging! Enjoyed it very much. ... **ON8NT**. Had a great time. Looking forward to better band conditions. It was Norm's last hurrah from PNG - we're really gonna miss P29NB next time. ... **P29NB**. Field Day location. All antennas for the contest were built from zero point. 73s, Harry RA3AUU. ... **P33W**. Good openings and activity on 20 meters. Thanks for UFB contest and cu agn in 2010. ... **PAØFEI**. Surprising conditions on 15. Mni thanks for the great fun this contest offers. ... **PAØM**. Started out for single band 80m like every year but logged so many contacts on the other bands that I decided afterwards to have a go at the AB section this time. Too bad the sun did not cooperate and no contacts logged on 28 MHz. ... **PAØMIR**. Nice contest. With limited bands I could use only wire antenna. ... **PA3DDP**. Worked with FT2000 and G5RV antenna. Enjoyed this contest very much. Was nice to work on new 40 meter band section. ... **PA3FMC**. Nice contest! Worked some nice DX on my simple openline dipole (like JAØJHA and TF3ZA,TC3EC). ... **PA3GEO**. Despite the solar minimum still some surprising DX, especially on 15m! Even with my 5W and 3B rotary dipole. Still SSB operation in the exclusive CW section of 40m; some people never learn. ... **PA9RZ**. Great contest! Made some new DXCC contacts. Hope to be there again next year! ... **PD3EM**. Nice contest, with a lot of traffic on the bands. ... **PD7BZ**. Lots of fun in the contest. Not much activity on higher bands. My simple wire dipole simply needs better condx. Thanks for all stations who had to dig my signal up from the noise. Your patience is appreciated. ... **PE2KM**. A very good test this year. Worked all continents, and some new DXCC on 20 and 40 meters. The conditions were good this year. See you all next time in CQ WPX. ... **PE2KP**. A fine contest, but condx on the high bands (15 & 10m) could be better! Anyhow, I enjoyed it very much! ... **PG1R**. Again a FB weekend. Running with a small setup, low dipole, and FT897 barefoot. We had fun anyway, even during this very low point of cycle 23. Hope that the new cycle 24 will show up next year! Tnx for the fun in organizing this weekend! ... **PG2AA**. For us

poor cndx on Saturday but good cndx on Sunday. Lost trx during contest but spare was quickly delivered. Did not complete last 2 hours of the contest and stopped at 24.00 hours on Sunday. ... **PI4COM**. 40 meters at night was very nice. ... **PP5JY**. Just a casual entry with my balcony antenna. ... **PY1KN**. Nice to hear 10 meters alive again! ... **PY2XC**. The CQ WPX is the best contest in the world! ... **PY4DEL**. Fine contest. Thanks to all who called me. ... **RA9FTM**. Thanks all for nice contest! Cu again in next contests. ... **RM9RZ**. Really enjoyed big RK0AXX antennas. See you next year. ... **RU0AKB**. It's my favorite contest on HF. I will be active in next contest. Still waiting for 2010 CQ WPX SSB. ... **RV3DHC**. Hope cu agn in WPX SSB 2010. ... **RW6CW**. Amazing how well the band works on QRP. ... **SM5MEK**. Couple of QSOs just for fun. Using 100w, gp, lw, few hrs S&P. GL to everyone. ... **SP6A**. Thank you very much for participation. See you in next year! 73! ... **SQ3JVV**. It was a very nice weekend! It was my first HF contest after 7 years of break and I had lots of fun, though I was QRV only in my free time. ... **SQ9PM**. Murphy had a lot of fun with us! We had problems with one PC, RF, and CT network, and 80 and 160 meter antenna, but it was great because we introduced Ernesto, CM8GJ, to our contest crew. It was CO8KA's first WPX also. Hope to get more new operators soon! Will see you all next time! ... **T48K**. Participate in a contest that is so dear. Thanks. ... **TC7KA**. I only operated Saturday, but it went well. Most stations were from Europe and only 9% from NA, similar to my previous contests this winter. Few years back, NA stations started to appear in the afternoon and were strong going into late night, but not this time. Highlights included A73A, VQ9JC, JP1DJV, and SX5P. Thanks for organizing this great contest. ... **TF3AM**. Best wishes from Kazakhstan! ... **UN2E**. Conditions on 20m were great and very crowded! Worked 9M8Z during the gray line on Saturday! Conditions on 80 and 40m were very noisy. I have to fix the pennant RX antenna. ... **VE1ZA**. My first go at a contest. ... **VE2AIU**. 20/9 QRN all weekend = the perfect mess! Or the perfect 160m training exercise. ... **VE3MGY**. Poor conditions on Saturday but improved greatly on Sunday afternoon. Great fun as always! ... **VE3ZZ**. Nice to work a new country. Great to hear and work Europe again. ... **VE7FCO**. We had a lot of fun in this contest using our vintage FT-101ZD and teamed with FL-2100B amp. A lot of new hams got their feet wet in this contest. ... **VE7NA**. One of my two big contests of the year, not really a great time for my rig to decide it only wants to put out 5-10watts. Wow, QRP is hard! ... **VK2KDP**. My last year as a Rookie. Next year I have to play with the big boys. Nice contest, had lots of fun. ... **VK2KRM**. The propagation in my part of the world was terrible. Every contact required heaps of effort. There are gaps in my log but this only happened

because there just wasn't any propagation. ... **VK3ALZ**. With my long wire antennas and only limited time to spare, I found that the 10m band was dead, 15m band was okay, 20m band was good, 40m band was fantastic, 80m band was good, and 160 was poor, with no DX stations worked, but a few heard, but not strong. ... **VK3IO**. Worked the full 36 hours. Many thanks to the US licensees above 7.200 who make contesting a pleasure with their patience, mutual respect, and courtesy. Wx was kind. Best 73 from down under. ... **VK3NI**. A relatively part-time effort. The bands were in pretty terrible shape and the noise at the home QTH pretty high as usual. The surf was pounding in at Pt. Leo so the surf won and the radio lost. Surfed both days and then went to see "The Who" (Post F1 Grand Prix) on Sunday night after a surf and an hour on 40m LP to EU. Wow, what a weekend! ... **VK3TZ**. 100 watts and wires, had a great time with better results than last year. Worked a few new DXCC, too. Thanks to all who listened for me. ... **VK4BL**. Looking forward to better propagation! ... **VK4HG**. My first WPX contest and just using 100W and ground mounted vertical. Already have the 5-element tribander on order, hi. Nice 40m openings to NA both evenings and Europe on last morning. Lots of new countries. Hooked on contests now! ... **VK5HRT**. Biggest thrill trying to get a pile-up running. ... **VK6FDX**. Great fun giving out the first VP59 Prefix. Be back next year with another new one. ... **VP59V**. Thanks to Bob, VP8LP, for the use of his FB station. First time ever in WPX, thoroughly enjoyed, mults still coming right up to the end of the contest. ... **VP8KF**. Thanks CQ for organizing a great contest. Band condx still remain very poor. 10m was dead. My first WPX, a great learning experience. ... **VU2HFR**. Was not able to operate the full contest due to family commitments. Decided to try QRP to see how the antenna system works and with a target of 50 QSOs and 5000 points. Hope to see many of you for a blast in the CW leg. Operating time about 6 hours, mostly on RX. ... **VU2PTT**. Great contest, many more DX contacts this year, great path to Europe, even worked Senegal and South Korea, and heard the Philippines. ... **W0CBH**. 40 was fun to do single band contest! I will do it again! ... **W0CEM**. This was only my second contest in 30 years as a ham. I could only work a few hours, but had a great time doing it! ... **W1WH**. 20m was as crowded as I have ever heard. 15m was much more successful for this little pistol. Hopefully next year will bring more sunspots. 73 to all. ... **W4CWA**. Low SFI + QRM + QRN + QSB = WPX 2009 ... **W4TMN**. First time in it. I have a very nice time and fun! Will do it again. ... **W4WSW**. Even though only operated just a tiny bit over 5 hours I enjoyed the participation. ... **W7CAR**. All QSOs made using the rain gutters of my house in a HOA area. ... **W7KU**. My first SSB contest! Many thanks

to those who copied my QRP signal. Very good operators! ... **WA5RML**. Two power outages but had a lot of fun! Working Greece, Cyprus, and Thailand helped too! ... **WA6KHK**. 80 meters on the first night was a real struggle. Learned a lot and had a good time, when I thought about it two days later! ... **WA6WPG**. Great to hear 40 perking the whole contest. Had some noise problems due to bad weather early Sunday, but everything turned out well later in the day. ... **WB2LEB**. Got struck by lightning Saturday night. Only lost computer, was able to retrieve first log. Thanks to all. ... **WB2TFM**. Lots of storms this weekend. Made a casual attempt. Can't wait for the CW contest. ... **WB4MAK**. I have been licensed for over 45 years and this was my first time participating in this contest. It was really a lot of fun. I didn't get to spend very much time at it this year, but I'm looking forward to spending a lot more time at it next year! ... **WB6HYH**. Great openings to Europe Saturday evening and Sunday. Great fun. I can't believe that there are so many different prefixes to contact. ... **WB6JJJ**. Most QSOs yet. Didn't hear any Pacific, but had fun. ... **WI3K**. Even though propagation was so-so, did better than last year. ... **WP3GW**. Worked a 2-watt QRP station in Argentina on 10 meters. ... **WV4V**. Great fun with only a screwdriver antenna and 500 watts. ... **WV6N**. Great time by enjoying operating at times in a busy weekend. Made some interesting QSOs and new ones for me on 40, 20, and 15 meters. Hope to be back next year. ... **XE2RV**. There was not enough time due to other job. My 40m ant found high SWR on second day, propagation on 10m nothing at all. ... **YB1AR**. Nice propagation this year. ... **YC5OUB**. I'm sorry for very short activity! ... **YO2BPZ**. Always a great contest despite a poor propagation. Anyway I enjoyed every contact. See you next year. ... **YV6BXN**. Arrived late to Little Cayman and rushed to get my antenna up. Despite bad band conditions, still had a great time giving out a few contacts. ... **ZF2AE**. Wow! So many signals. I am left wondering if the DX QRP stations ever get heard amongst all the splatter and QRM. I was struggling with 100w and tribander with wires. Fun comes in various forms! Next contest I will try new antennas on 40m. Thanks to all who worked me. ... **ZL1AAO**. So much for poor condx. 15m open only during contests! Four new countries for me. ... **ZL1T**. 15m was okay. On 20m I could hear them but they could not hear me. I guess 100w into dipole antennas just doesn't cut it during the current sunspot cycle (although I had more success during CW and RTTY contests earlier this year). ... **ZS1JY**. First ever CQ WPX. Great stuff! ... **ZS2EC**. Poor propagation with dipoles and thunderstorms for Sunday afternoon made WPX interesting as always. Thanks to the contest committee. ... **ZS4JAN**. What a blast on 15m on Saturday! Pity that very few ops on 40 don't listen for us in the south. ... **ZS4U**.