# John Moyle Memorial Field Day 2015

# 24 Hour Portable Operation – Multiple Operator

<b>Call Sign</b> VK3ER	<b>Operators</b> Multi	<b>Mode</b> All	<b>Band</b> All	<b>Score</b> 8,457	<b>Contacts</b> 1,121	Place /Award 1 /*/ <mark>**</mark>
VK2WG	Multi	All	All	3,233	531	2 /*
VK2WG VK3YVG	Multi	All	All	3,233 1,303	242	2 /* 3 /*
VK4BAR	Multi	All	All	432	194	<mark>4 /*</mark>
VK4IZ	Multi	All	HF	700	331	1 /*
VK4CHB	Multi	All	HF	90	42	<mark>2 /*</mark>
VK3ANR	Multi	Phone	All	1,723	296	<mark>1 /*</mark>
VK2TG	Multi	Phone	All	949	391	<mark>2 /*</mark>
VK3CMZ	Multi	Phone	All	811	304	<mark>2 /*</mark> <mark>3 /*</mark>
VK6AHR	Multi	Phone	All	664	294	<mark>4 /*</mark>
VK6ARG	Multi	Phone	All	652	199	<mark>5 /*</mark>
VK6WI	Multi	Phone	All	443	210	<mark>6 /*</mark>
VK4WIT	Multi	Phone	All	351	136	<mark>7 /*</mark>
VK3KQ	Multi	Phone	VHF	3,677	285	<mark>1 /*</mark>
VK5WIA	Multi	Phone	HF	2,282	1,141	<mark>1 /*</mark>
VK4QD	Multi	Phone	HF	1,282	644	<mark>2 /*</mark>
VK1MT	Multi	Phone	HF	692	347	<mark>3 /*</mark>
VK3CNE	Multi	Phone	HF	592	296	<mark>4 /*</mark>
VK5KDK	Multi	Phone	HF	590	295	<mark>5 /*</mark>
VK2ACH	Multi	Phone	HF	530	265	<mark>6 /*</mark>
VK4WID	Multi	Phone	HF	480	240	<mark>7 /*</mark>
VK3ATL	Multi	Phone	HF	336	168	<mark>8 /*</mark>

- /\* Certificate Awarded
- \*\* President's Cup
- **/\*** Participation Certificate

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Call Sign	Operators	- Mode	Band	Score	Contacts	Place /Award	
VK2BV	Multi	All	HF	342	177	<mark>1 /*</mark>	
VK4GYM	Multi	All	HF	78	37	<mark>2 /*</mark>	
VK5SR	Multi	Phone	All	896	187	<mark>1 /*</mark>	
VK3BML	Multi	Phone	All	134	35	<mark>2 /*</mark>	
VK6NAK	Multi	Phone	All	40	18	<mark>3 /*</mark>	
VK3APC	Multi	Phone	VHF	380	43	<mark>1 /*</mark>	
VK2SF	Multi	Phone	HF	576	288	<mark>1 /*</mark>	
VK4BRC	Multi	Phone	HF	260	130	<mark>2 /*</mark>	
VK2LE	Multi	Phone	HF	210	105	<mark>3 /*</mark>	
VK2AOJ	Multi	Phone	HF	202	101	<mark>4 /*</mark>	
VK2BOR	Multi	Phone	HF	180	90	<mark>5 /*</mark>	
VK2EWC	Multi	Phone	HF	174	87	<mark>6 /*</mark>	
VK3III	Multi	Phone	HF	32	16	<mark>7 /*</mark>	

## **Six Hour Portable Operation – Multiple Operator**

# 24 Hour Portable Operation – Single Operator

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Call Sign	Operators	Mode	Band	Score	Contacts	Award
VK1DA	Single	All	All	3,636	224	<mark>1 /*</mark>
VK2IO	Single	All	All	147	62	<mark>2 /*</mark>
VK5KBJ	Single	Phone	All	1,510	232	<mark>1 /*</mark>
VK2FAAD	Single	Phone	All	1,158	100	<mark>2 /*</mark>
VK5OQ	Single	Phone	All	844	144	<mark>3 /*</mark>
VK3PCW	Single	Phone	All	541	203	<mark>4 /*</mark>
VK3MRG	Single	Phone	All	342	35	<mark>5 /*</mark>
VK6ZKO	Single	Phone	All	81	53	<mark>6 /*</mark>
VK3ND	Single	Phone	All	58	9	<mark>7 /*</mark>
VK5TE	Single	Phone	VHF	1,846	231	<mark>1 /*</mark>
VK5KK	Single	Phone	VHF	1,742	213	<mark>2 /*</mark>
VK2JUB	Single	Phone	VHF	1,617	101	<mark>3 /*</mark>
VK2NH	Single	Phone	VHF	325	20	<mark>4 /*</mark>
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VK2BBQ	Single	Phone	HF	700	350	<mark>1 /*</mark>
VK5RN	Single	Phone	HF	624	312	<mark>2 /*</mark>
VK8GM	Single	Phone	HF	594	298	<mark>3 /*</mark>
VK7JGD	Single	Phone	HF	302	151	<mark>4 /*</mark>
VK5MH	Single	Phone	HF	206	103	<mark>5 /*</mark>
VK3ADD	Single	Phone	HF	106	53	<mark>6 /*</mark>
VK2AWJ	Single	Phone	HF	80	40	<mark>7 /*</mark>
VK4MON	Single	Phone	HF	64	32	<mark>8 /*</mark>
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VK2BJT	Single	CW	HF	104	26	<mark>1 /*</mark>
VK1WJ	Single	CW	HF	88	23	<mark>2 /*</mark>
VK3IT	Single	CW	HF	36	11	<mark>3 /*</mark>
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/\* Certificate Awarded

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Participation Certificate

# **Six Hour Portable Operation – Single Operator**

<b>Call Sign</b> VK3PI	<b>Operators</b> Single	Mode All	<b>Band</b> All	<b>Score</b> 422	Contacts 80	Award <mark>1 /*</mark>
VK3YE	Single	All	HF	212	99	<mark>1 /*</mark>
VK1AI	Single	All	HF	175	85	2 /*
VK5RX	Single	Phone	All	1,314	123	<mark>1 /*</mark>
VK4ADC	Single	Phone	All	298	117	<mark>2 /*</mark>
VK6ZN	Single	Phone	All	282	61	<mark>3 /*</mark>
VK2XIC	Single	Phone	All	36	8	<mark>4 /*</mark>
VK5ZT	Single	Phone	VHF	1,451	83	<mark>1 /*</mark>
VK3VMC	Single	Phone	VHF	313	24	<mark>2 /*</mark>
VK3FIX	Single	Phone	VHF	271	23	<mark>3 /*</mark>
VK3MQ	Single	Phone	VHF	112	12	<mark>4 /*</mark>
VK6FMLB	Single	Phone	VHF	50	11	<mark>5 /*</mark>
VK5PAS	Single	Phone	HF	476	238	<mark>1 /*</mark>
VK3YSP	Single	Phone	HF	444	222	<mark>2 /*</mark>
VK3VTH	Single	Phone	HF	284	142	<mark>3 /*</mark>
VK2GZ	Single	Phone	HF	216	108	<mark>4 /*</mark>
VK3FOWL	Single	Phone	HF	212	106	<mark>5 /*</mark>
VK2MT	Single	Phone	HF	202	101	<mark>6 /*</mark>
VK4FFAB	Single	Phone	HF	200	100	<mark>7 /*</mark>
VK5RR	Single	Phone	HF	178	89	<mark>8 /*</mark>
VK5FO	Single	Phone	HF	168	84	<mark>9 /*</mark>
VK2ZB	Single	Phone	HF	126	63	<mark>10 /*</mark>
VK3ANL	Single	Phone	HF	122	62	<mark>11 /*</mark>
VK5KLV	Single	Phone	HF	86	43	<mark>12 /*</mark>
ZL3VZ	Single	Phone	HF	80	40	<mark>13 /*</mark>
VK4JRO	Single	Phone	HF	72	36	<mark>14 /*</mark>
VK3FALA	Single	Phone	HF	66	33	<mark>15 /*</mark>
VK6LCK	Single	Phone	HF	62	31	<mark>16 /*</mark>
VK4GH	Single	Phone	HF	58	29	<mark>17 /*</mark>
VK5FJEN	Single	Phone	HF	54	27	<mark>18 /*</mark>
VK5KPR	Single	Phone	HF	42	21	<mark>19 /*</mark>
VK5ZAT	Single	Phone	HF	40	20	<mark>20 /*</mark>
VK6FVAX	Single	Phone	HF	8	4	<mark>21 /*</mark>
VK2ONZ	Single	CW	HF	64	16	<mark>1 /*</mark>
VK4JAZ	Single	CW	HF	12	3	<mark>2 /*</mark>

- /\* Certificate Awarded
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Home Station -	24 Hour	(Part 1)
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Call Sign	Operators	Mode	Band	Score	Contacts	Award
VK3MEG	Home	All	All	454	231	<mark>1 /*</mark>
VK3MV	Home	All	All	54	20	2
VK3CG	Home	Phone	All	602	242	<mark>1 /*</mark>
VK5DT	Home	Phone	All	574	262	<mark>2 /*</mark>
VK3UX	Home	Phone	All	490	158	3
VK2ACD	Home	Phone	All	485	207	4
VK5DF	Home	Phone	All	437	216	5
VK4VDV	Home	Phone	All	388	200	6
VK2CZ	Home	Phone	All	374	187	7
VK5FDEC	Home	Phone	All	322	154	<mark>8 /\$</mark>
VK3AV	Home	Phone	All	298	134	9
VK3PH	Home	Phone	All	149	32	10
VK3FMHY	Home	Phone	All	145	68	11 /\$
VK3GC	Home	Phone	All	108	26	12
VK2ASY	Home	Phone	All	103	55	13
VK3NCC	Home	Phone	All	69	36	14
VK3TZ	Home	Phone	All	57	19	15
VK5DN	Home	Phone	All	55	35	16
VK2FCJZ	Home	Phone	All	53	30	17 /\$
VK1ATP	Home	Phone	All	50	37	18
VK6BDO	Home	Phone	All	46	16	19
VK6BMW	Home	Phone	All	27	13	20
VK6XL	Home	Phone	All	9	6	21
VK2IUW	Home	All	HF	565	308	<mark>1 /*</mark>
VK2NP	Home	All	HF	284	163	2 3
VK2KTT	Home	All	HF	101	60	3
VK3DIP	Home	Phone	VHF	657	76	<mark>1 /*</mark>
VK1KW	Home	Phone	VHF	632	96	2
VK2WDD	Home	Phone	VHF	436	58	3
VK2AGC	Home	Phone	VHF	394	47	4
VK3VL	Home	Phone	VHF	364	30	5
VK3WT	Home	Phone	VHF	266	55	6
VK3FCIM	Home	Phone	VHF	139	92	7 /\$
VK3PZ	Home	Phone	VHF	71	20	8
VK3FCEK	Home	Phone	VHF	80	15	<mark>9 /\$</mark>
VK3FHID	Home	Phone	VHF	20	5	10 /\$
VK5LJ	Home	CW	HF	112	28	<mark>1 /*</mark>

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Call Sign	Operators	Mode	Band	Score	Contacts	Award
VK3SIM	Home	Phone	HF	692	478	<mark>1 /*</mark>
VK4DMC	Home	Phone	HF	285	226	<mark>2 /*</mark>
VK2QN	Home	Phone	HF	249	160	3
VK5UV	Home	Phone	HF	211	128	4
VK4KY	Home	Phone	HF	187	121	5
VK2ZCM	Home	Phone	HF	167	114	6
VK4IAA	Home	Phone	HF	160	99	7
VK3OF	Home	Phone	HF	156	88	8
VK2VRD	Home	Phone	HF	153	89	9
VK2BO	Home	Phone	HF	132	80	10
VK5FD	Home	Phone	HF	117	70	11
VK4ATH	Home	Phone	HF	104	63	12
VK2UVP	Home	Phone	HF	101	61	13
VK3KR	Home	Phone	HF	94	53	14
VK2EJW	Home	Phone	HF	78	52	15
VK4FPDG	Home	Phone	HF	70	42	<mark>16 /\$</mark>
VK2LEE	Home	Phone	HF	67	40	17
VK2VE	Home	Phone	HF	66	43	18
VK5NQP	Home	Phone	HF	65	36	19
VK2WJ	Home	Phone	HF	60	34	20
VK3WMM	Home	Phone	HF	50	30	21
VK7ZGK	Home	Phone	HF	39	24	22
VK4PQ	Home	Phone	HF	32	20	23
VK6YTS	Home	Phone	HF	24	14	24
VK6LO	Home	Phone	HF	15	8	25
VK2GHO	Home	Phone	HF	10	6	26
VK6TU	Home	Phone	HF	6	3	27

# Home Station – 24 Hour (Part 2)

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Check Logs VK4TAW VK6QM

# Home Station – 6 Hour

<b>Call Sign</b> VK6KTV VK5HP VK3OHM	<b>Operators</b> Home Home Home	Mode Phone Phone Phone	<b>Band</b> All All All	<b>Score</b> 245 154 114	<b>Contacts</b> 113 65 55	<b>Award</b> 1 /* 2 3
VK5DK VK3SOT	Home Home	Phone Phone	VHF VHF	217 68	15 17	<mark>1 /*</mark> 2
VK2PR VK3FQSO VK2HFS VK2KDP VK5YK VK2MTK VK1FIVE VK3ZAP VK5AV VK5AV VK4MN VK3FSWB VK2RH	Home Home Home Home Home Home Home Home	Phone Phone Phone Phone Phone Phone Phone Phone Phone Phone Phone Phone	HF HF HF HF HF HF HF HF HF HF	426 132 84 63 56 50 39 39 39 33 26 22 19	309 80 60 42 35 30 24 27 21 17 12 10	1 /* 2/\$ 3 4 5 6 7 /\$ 8 9 10 10 11 /\$ 12
VK8HPB VK2AVR VK6PA VK2DCR VK2AFA VK2AFA VK4SN	Home Home Home Home Home	Phone Phone Phone Phone All All	HF HF HF HF HF	16 10 10 4 216 48	11 5 6 3 112 23	13 14 15 16 <u>1 /*</u> 2
VK2PN VK5BAR	Home	CW All	HF All	8 57	2 2 28	1 /* 1 /*

/\* Certificate Awarded

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# **Comments on John Moyle Memorial National Field Day 2015**

This year's entries came from every Australian mainland call areas with several from Tasmania but only one from New Zealand. The total number of eligible logs submitted was 184. This was a slight increase (2.8%) from the 179 logs received last year. Well done to all who took part and took the effort to submit a log. This year 6 YL's and XYL's entered a log– Well done! Many more were listed as taking part with a club station.

I have included in the results, all of the logs that I received and if any are missing, they are completely lost. I can only offer my apologies to anyone so affected. If your log is missing, it did not get it to me, despite my most careful procedures and cross checking.

Based upon submitted logs, there were some 21,405 contacts, (a 10.1% decrease from 2014) accumulating some 73,796 points claimed, (a 0.6% decrease from 2015). This was successful contesting for an Australian field day contest resulting from 184 logs being received. More than 1,230 Australian individual call signs were again logged during the contest.

Unfortunately, the numbers of stations who went to the considerable trouble of going out and setting up as a portable station and then not submitting a log as an entry, are still a disappointment. Some multiple operator stations got very big scores this perhaps simply reflects the great and varied planning and implementation efforts required to assemble and operate a multi operator station.

Band	S/	UHF	V	HF	H	IF
	Points	Contacts	Points	Contacts	Points	Contacts
47GHz	<b>32</b> (0)	<b>8</b> (0)				
24 GHz	<b>91</b> (0)	<b>19</b> (0)				
10 GHz	<b>640</b> (247)	<b>66</b> (28)				
5.7 GHz	<b>574</b> (232)	<b>63</b> (13)				
<b>3.4 GHz</b>	<b>1,100</b> (402)	<b>103</b> (37)				
2.4 GHz	<b>1,016</b> (430)	<b>116</b> (36)				
23cm	4,066	<b>399</b> (312)				
	(3,367)					
70 cm	9,412	<b>957</b> (823)				
	(8,259)					
2m			19,170	1,787		
			(17,125)	(1,754)		
6m			4,907	529		
			(6,133)	(605)		
10m					<b>132</b> (1,601)	<b>72</b> (758)
15m					<b>1,292</b> (1,373)	<b>664</b> (696)
20m					<b>7,154</b> (6,637)	<b>3,760</b> (3,285)
40m					22,922	12,221
					(24,433)	(13,386)
80m					<b>1,217</b> (3,730)	<b>627</b> (1,970)
160m					<b>28</b> (194)	14(96)
Total	16,931	1,731	24,077	2,316	32,788	17,358
	(12,946)	(1,249)	(23,258)	(2,359)	(37,968)	(20,191)

Table should be read – **2015 results in bold** (with (2014 results) in brackets)

Activity was carried out on all bands permitted under the rules. There was a slight decrease in activity on HF, and there was less activity on the higher HF frequencies as would be expected by the decreasing sunspot cycle. This sunspot cycle is starting to decrease from top at the moment and conditions on some bands did not appear to change much. Activity on 40m showed little change. The other lower bands seemed to be wiped out by the heavy QRM and general lack of activity.

In the higher UHF and Microwave bands there was an increase in activity; since it obviously follows a weather cycle, rather than the solar cycle? The weather in VK/3/5/6 was very good, so plenty of increased activity and with very wet conditions with some severe thunder storms in VK2/4 so activity there was greatly reduced.

The scoring in the VHF range was about the same as for last year. Though the scoring as a ratio of contacts per station is substantially lower than for 2014. The absence of many club stations, because of the miserable weather in some parts of VK certainly reduced activity, with many portable stations making such comments.

The other major change noticed this year was the increase in both Portable and Home Station operation as seen by the submitted logs. Clearly the new rule requiring all stations who contacted any station who contacted any station more than 5 times, should submit a log has made a positive impact. There were however reports of stations, who when contacted later by a portable station, simply refusing the contact for then they would have to submit a log. This type of activity was most unsporting and not in line with the spirit of the contest. This activity appeared to make a very significant decrease in the number of contacts made and points earned per station. This was the real downside of the 5 contact rule.

The '5 Contact Rule' was devised to facilitate the checking and verifying of submitted logs. It was not devised to irritate and anger people who chose, for what ever reason, not to submit a log, but it was designed to encourage those who in the past did not see the need to submit their  $\log -$  'as they were not going to win anything'. Submitting their log is really is to help others as well as themselves.

The participation across the various call areas was patchy. There was an increase in Portable stations in most areas with only VK1 & VK4 showing a decrease. Home Station logs were greatly increased from last year in most call areas with the exception of VK4.

Call	Port	Portable		Home		otal
Area		1		1		1
VK1	4	5	3	1	7	6
VK2	21	21	28	24	49	45
VK3	25	21	26	24	51	45
VK4	14	16	9	17	23	32
VK5	18	15	13	14	31	30
VK6	9	8	8	9	17	17
VK7	1	0	2	1	3	1
VK8	1	0	0	1	1	1
P2	0	0	0	0	0	0
ZL	1	2	1	0	2	2
Tot	94	88	90	91	184	179
	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014

All of the portable stations that went to the effort to send in a log will get a certificate. The WIA believes that those who make the effort to set up and operate a portable station should be acknowledged. In line with previous years, the Foundation License logs who did not achieve a placing were instead awarded a Participation Certificate for encouragement.

There were Seventeen Foundation Licensed operators who submitted a log. (Two from VK2, Eight fromVK3, Two were from VK4, Two from VK5 and Two from VK6.) There were many more foundation call stations operating than these, who were logged during the contest, but they chose not to submit a log. All logs submitted by foundation operators were awarded a certificate. Logs from club stations did also show that a few 'F' Calls that also took part as part of the club station effort, well done.

Year	Logs	Contacts	Points
2015	184	21,405	73,796
2014	179	23,799	74,172
2013	111	18,047	61,213
2012	140	22,173	88,270
2011	129	20,857	71,736
2010	122	23,573	80,087
2009	124	20,773	71,041
2008	104	17,258	98,940
2007	76	12,535	64,028
2006	78	10,865	61,387
2005	67	8,423	44,080
2004	66	8,602	49,855

This year, the rules again stated that EXCEL is the preferred submission format. A sample linked EXCEL logging report was prepared and was available on the WIA Contest website. (Contact me at <u>vk4ae@wia.org.au</u> if you would like a copy of my linked spreadsheet in EXCEL for next year.) Other suitable file submission formats are WORD, or \*.TXT output file from VKCL (VK Contest Log). **PDF format is not acceptable as are JPG and TIFF.** 

The logs submitted in an electronic form this year, were usually fully readable, but a few stations had to resubmit their log in an acceptable format. I thank them for their cooperation.

There were still only 97% of logs submitted electronically this year, again up from last year. This has been due largely to the excellent work by Mike Subocz (VK3AVV) and his worthy program VKCL (VK Contest Log). Those that submitted a log in the VKCL export format were as usual very easy to work with. Those that simply forwarded the text output file of VKCL were also rather simpler to work with than any form of posted paper log or a log completed by hand.

Paper logs may also be used. A small log from an individual operator is, and will remain, completely acceptable. Large paper logs can require a very considerable manual work on the part the contest manager, to input the data into the contest database and are no longer permitted. It is so much better to forward the computer files used to print the paper log, as part of an e-mail, for the data can then be easily extracted and used for checking purposes.

# A note for all HF Stations; - All HF contacts are valid HF scoring contacts, whether they are from VK ZL or P2 stations or stations from overseas.

Overseas stations cannot submit a log to the contest, but can exchange numbers with stations participating in the Field Day Contest. They are to be scored as a Portable station contact.

### **Comments Regarding this Year's Contest**

1. The comparative difference in score and scoring between HF and VHF/UHF contacts. In fact within the John Moyle Contest, the rules allow for some 60 possible alternative categories as shown below. Each category is actually completely independent from every other category and so there are in fact 60 parallel contests. In this way it is completely different from any other contest presently in Australia. This year only 32 of the different categories were contested.

Operators			Mod	les	Bands					
	Time									
Multi	24	Phone	CW	Digital	All	HF	VHF	All		
Multi	6	Phone	CW	Digital	All	HF	VHF	All		
Single	24	Phone	CW	Digital	All	HF	VHF	All		
Single	6	Phone	CW	Digital	All	HF	VHF	All		
Home	24	Phone	CW	Digital	All	HF	VHF	All		

Digital

#### Table of Existing categories

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Phone

CW

Home

For this reason it is not possible to have overall winner in this contest, as scores from any category, especially between different bands and different modes are not directly comparable. Only scores within the same category are correctly comparable. To reduce the number of certificates awarded to Home Stations – the contest is a Field Day after all – only 1 certificate for every 10 logs received in each category will be awarded again this year.

All

HF

VHF

All

The award of the Presidents Cup is a further parallel contest. It is awarded to the highest score from a Club Station, affiliated with the WIA, in any category. This year again it was awarded to VK3ER.

#### 2. The number of logs submitted to the contest is again up on previous years

The number of logs entered in this year's contest is significantly increased compared to the last few years of the contest. The number individual stations taking part in the contest and the number of their contacts seems about the same as for last few years, it is just that the number of logs submitted in 2013 was well down compared to 2012 and this reversed the trend seen over the last 10 years where the number of stations has continued to steadily rise. This drop has been reversed by the introduction of the 5 Contact rule. This has also greatly increased the percentage of verified contacts during the contest, making the contest manager's task a little easier.

#### In 2015 a total of 184 logs were submitted from 94 portable stations and 90 home stations.

In 2014 a total of 179 logs were submitted from 88 portable stations and 91 home stations. In 2013 a total of 111 logs were submitted from 67 portable stations and 44 home stations. In 2012 a total of 140 logs were submitted from 77 portable stations and 63 home stations. In 2011 a total of 129 logs were submitted from 83 portable stations and 46 home stations. In 2010 a total of 122 logs were submitted from 73 portable stations and 49 home stations. In 2009 a total of 124 logs were submitted from 63 portable stations and 61 home stations. In 2009 a total of 104 logs were submitted from 59 portable stations and 45 home stations.

In 2007 a total of 76 logs were submitted from 48 portable stations and 18 home stations.

## 3. The issue of scoring for CW contacts.

The number of All Mode contacts was significantly higher than in the recent past. A good sign!

While CW is no longer a precondition for obtaining an Amateur licence, it is a skill that is still widely distributed among existing operators and a skill that should be nurtured among the newer licence holders.

The rules were adjusted in the past to allow doubling the score for a contact on CW. For HF this was simple. However, for VHF contacts where there is a significant score already for the distance involved, the rules were amended for scoring VHF contacts on CW.

However, the use of computer generated/decoded CW is prevalent and it is felt that hand generated code that is decoded by ear alone should qualify as true CW.

Any computer method is simply just another digital mode and so should not score the same as hand CW, but only the same as any of the many other digital modes.

# 4. The number of people who submitted logs claiming 'All Modes' and only logging contacts using SSB or FM.

The Modes allowed in the rules are PHONE (SSB or FM), Morse (CW) (Manual) and DIGITAL (Computer) Mode.

The PHONE (Voice) only Modes are SSB, DSB, FM, PM or AM. That is the modulation is an audio signal derived in the first instance from a microphone.

The alternative is hand CW Mode, which is one where the operator simply turns the carrier on and off according to the Morse code. Digital CW by a computer is not acceptable.

DIGITAL mode is one which uses a computer to control the transmitter and to decode the information to allow the operator to complete the contact.

ALL MODE, is any combination of the above modes.

#### 5. Club Stations

Club Stations were well operated and made some very big scores as a result of their combined efforts. Well done!!

The absence of a significant number of some 15 to 20 club Stations was noted for this year. Some of the missing clubs had their club call sign used and probably achieved significant scores, but the club chose not take the time to submit a log. This is a sad reflection upon the efforts made by some, not being fully supported by other members of their club.

#### 6. Low Power Contest

A suggestion was made by a few stations that a QRP category could be allowed. The suggestion was that only a station that can be carried in a backpack should be allowed for the operation of the station. There was only five logs entered indicating that all operation was on low power. They are acknowledged on their certificate. It is still not thought to be necessary to create another category just yet (see above) but interest is still growing and may soon require a rule change.

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It is interesting to note, the scores produced by some of the Foundation licences that submitted a log, does indicate that plenty of contacts were made on the restricted lower power permitted by their LCD.

## 7. The Future

Now it is over to you. There are always ways to improve anything, but scrapping something because it does not suit you is not possible. But if benefits are shown to be available, further changes can be made to the contest to better serve the amateur community. But changes to force the majority to follow what suits a small minority is definitely not a good idea.

If you have any contribution to these topics, the Rules for this contest are available at the WIA web site at <u>http://www.wia.org.au/members/contests/johnmoyle/</u> which already contains my contact information and please feel free to contact me with your submission for further consideration.

Well done to all of those stations that participated in the contest and well done those who bothered to submit a log. It is hoped that the number of logs to be submitted next year will continue this year's increased log numbers.

I wish to thank those who did send in photographs of their equipment set-up and personnel involved for inclusion in the AR magazine. These have been submitted to AR along with this report, so please give Peter Freeman via e-mail at (<u>editor@wia.org.au</u>) anything else you have for later use for the magazine.

Denis Johnstone (VK4AE/VK3ZUX) Contest Manager, JMMFD 2015

## Breakdown of Contacts by Call Area and Band

## SHF/UHF/VHF BANDS

	47G	47G	24G	24G	10G	10G	5.7G	5.7G	3.4G	3.4G	2.4G	2.4G	1.2G	1.2G	70cm	70cm	2m	2m
	Р	С	Р	С	Р	С	Р	С	Р	С	Р	С	Р	С	Р	С	Р	С
VK1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	547	38	1042	72	2120	124
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	48	3	147	8	458	25
VK2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1753	123	3823	273
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	132	16	2124	152	5338	568
VK3	0	0	7	1	171	21	137	19	161	23	344	45	1983	178	4320	473	9177	874
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	94	7	1473	119	2713	289	5617	560
VK4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	41	8	310	45
	0	0	0	0	57	6	0	0	51	8	79	7	1079	124	2096	223	3705	379
VK5	32	8	84	18	469	45	437	44	939	80	672	71	1536	183	2045	242	2990	356
	0	0	0	0	190	22	232	13	351	29	351	29	630	48	1075	136	1711	170
VK6	0	0			0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			209	39	745	115
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	2	104	15	296	52
VK7	0	0			0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
VK8	0	0			0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
P2	0	0			0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ZL	0	0			0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	32	8	91	19	640	66	574	63	1100	103	1016	116	4066	399	9412	957	19170	1787
2014	0	0	0	0	247	28	232	13	402	37	430	36	3376	312	8259	823	17125	1754

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## **HF BANDS**

	6m	6m	10m	10m	15m	15m	20m	20m	40m	40m	80m	80m	160m	160	)m
	Р	С	Р	С	Р	С	Р	С	Р	С	СР		Р	С	
VK1	469	50	8	4	2	1	91	35	997	497	34	15	0	0	
	180	11	60	29	4	2	136	61	1659	854	2	1	0		0
VK2	1149	89	20	12	240	121	1662	863	7077	3840	145	70	12	6	
	2361	251	682	340	100	45	1346	657	8720	4942	1042	562	79		38
VK3	2499	297	14	8	52	31	906	485	6065	3286	516	278	0	0	
	2054	167	18	9	64	34	584	318	5747	3167	441	225	24		12
VK4	37	8	44	23	305	157	1719	925	3088	1647	133	69	0	0	
	1078	132	733	330	576	280	2561	1199	4807	2616	1390	718	73		37
VK5	733	80	29	15	378	192	1475	777	4667	2432	263	131	10	5	
	396	33	28	9	203	100	1399	725	2567	1376	436	243	18		9
VK6	20	5	17	10	177	91	916	472	508	256	72	37	0	0	
	84	11	77	39	386	212	487	248	737	426	151	76	0		0
VK7	0	0	0	0	0		113	65	278	142	22	11	0	0	
	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	22	13	6	4	0		0
VK8	0	0		0	136	70	258	131	186	93	24	12	6	3	
	0	0	3	2	14	10	70	50	46	28	40	27	0		0
P2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0
ZL	0	0	0	2	1		14	7	56	28	8	4	0	0	
	0	0	0	0	20	10	54	27	128	64	222	111	0		0
2015	4907	529s	132	72	1292	664	7154	3760	22922	12221	1217	627	28	14	
2014	6133	605	1601	758	1373	696	6637	3285	24433	13386	3730	1970	194		96

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