John Moyle Memorial Field Day 2016

| 24 Hour Port | table Operation | – Multiple (|) perator |
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| Call Sign | Operators | Mode | Band | Locator | Contacts | Score | Place /Award |
|-----------|-----------|-------|------|---------|----------|--------|-----------------------|
| VK5LZ | Multi | All | All | PF96BC | 587 | 10,675 | <mark>1 /*/</mark> ** |
| VK3ER | Multi | All | All | QF22DM | 839 | 5,606 | <mark>2 /*</mark> |
| VK3YVG | Multi | All | All | QF22RL | 262 | 1,121 | <mark>3 /*</mark> |
| VK4IZ | Multi | All | HF | QG62LS | 616 | 1,484 | <mark>1 /*</mark> |
| VK2WG | Multi | Phone | All | QF34RR | 415 | 2,190 | <mark>1 /*</mark> |
| VK3JNH | Multi | Phone | All | QF22QQ | 310 | 1,434 | <mark>2 /*</mark> |
| VK3CNE | Multi | Phone | All | QF22HP | 186 | 1,125 | <mark>3 /*</mark> |
| VK2HZ | Multi | Phone | All | QF56DI | 327 | 806 | <mark>4 /*</mark> |
| VK4WIT | Multi | Phone | All | QG39EX | 125 | 468 | <mark>5 /*</mark> |
| VK6NC | Multi | Phone | All | OF88BH | 170 | 398 | <mark>6 /*</mark> |
| VK2JQ | Multi | Phone | All | QF45QE | 133 | 268 | <mark>7 /*</mark> |
| VK6WI | Multi | Phone | All | OF87FX | 116 | 255 | <mark>8 /*</mark> |
| VK4WID | Multi | Phone | HF | QG52UB | 528 | 1,056 | <mark>1 /*</mark> |
| VK4QD | Multi | Phone | HF | QG62LW | 478 | 952 | <mark>2 /*</mark> |
| VK5KDK | Multi | Phone | HF | QF02AM | 208 | 416 | <mark>3 /*</mark> |
| VK5BAR | Multi | Phone | HF | PF95SL | 180 | 360 | <mark>4 /*</mark> |
| VK6AHR | Multi | Phone | HF | OF87AH | 160 | 320 | <mark>5 /*</mark> |
| VK6WW | Multi | Phone | HF | OF77VU | 57 | 114 | <mark>6 /*</mark> |
| VK2NJP | Multi | Phone | HF | QF44WO | 55 | 110 | <mark>7 /*</mark> |
| VK2SCJ | Multi | Phone | HF | QF44VU | 36 | 72 | <mark>8 /*</mark> |

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| Call Sign VK4GYM | Operators Multi | Mode All | Band All | Locator QG63KT | Contacts 89 | Score 221 | Place /Award <mark>1 /*</mark> |
|----------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|----------------|------------------|--------------------------------------|
| VK2BV | Multi | All | HF | QF48MM | 142 | 284 | 1 /* |
| VK2LE | Multi | All | HF | QF55GX | 113 | 228 | 2 /* |
| VK3SAT VK2EWC | Multi Multi | Phone Phone | All All | QF22UH QF34IA | 171 101 | 761 321 | 1 /* 2 /* |
| VK6SVB VK6WH | Multi Multi | Phone Phone | All All | OF88CC OF77VX | 52 26 | 116 80 | <mark>3 /*</mark> 4 /* |
| | | | | | | | |
| VK3BEZ | Multi | Phone | VHF | QF31IS | 31 | 310 | <mark>1 /*</mark> |
| VK5GRC | Multi | Phone | HF | PF95KJ | 241 | 482 | <mark>1 /*</mark> |
| VK2AOJ | Multi | Phone | HF | QF56OS | 119 | 238 | <mark>2 /*</mark> |
| VK2SF | Multi | Phone | HF | QF55FC | 106 | 212 | <mark>3 /*</mark> |
| VK4BRC | Multi | Phone | HF | QG51XH | 104 | 208 | <mark>4 /*</mark> |
| VK8AR | Multi | Phone | HF | PG86W1 | 66 | 128 | <mark>5 /*</mark> |
| VK2MA | Multi | Phone | HF | QF56MG | 52 | 104 | <mark>6 /*</mark> |

24 Hour Portable Operation – Single Operator

| Call Sign VK2IO 35 | Operators Single | Mode All | Band All | Locator QF57PS | Contacts 215 | Score 474 | Award <mark>1 /*</mark> |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|------------------|----------------------------|
| VK5ZT | Single | All | VHF | PF94GQ | 269 | 4917 | <mark>1 /*</mark> |
| VK5KK | Single | All | VHF | PF94QG | 272 | 4917 | <mark>2 /*</mark> |
| VK4BZ | Single | All | HF | QF57NG | 98 | 218 | <mark>1 /*</mark> |
| VK3UA | Single | All | HF | QF02XX | 100 | 208 | <mark>2 /*</mark> |
| VK2FAAD | Single | Phone | All | QF69FU | 196 | 1,921 | <mark>1 /*</mark> |
| VK5KBJ | Single | Phone | All | PF94GQ | 257 | 1,805 | <mark>2 /*</mark> |
| VK3ANL | Single | Phone | All | QF22FG | 53 | 115 | <mark>3 /*</mark> |
| VK2AWJ | Single | Phone | All | QF15CT | 27 | 62 | <mark>4 /*</mark> |
| VK2JUB | Single | Phone | VHF | QF69FU | 204 | 3,792 | <mark>1 /*</mark> |
| VK2RP | Single | Phone | HF | QF69AL | 678 | 1,346 | <mark>1 /*</mark> |
| VK3VTH | Single | Phone | HF | QF01VF | 334 | 650 | <mark>2 /*</mark> |
| VK5AKH | Single | Phone | HF | PF95PK | 266 | 532 | <mark>3 /*</mark> |
| VK2BBQ | Single | Phone | HF | QF45QT | 223 | 446 | <mark>4 /*</mark> |
| VK5GR | Single | Phone | HF | PF83UF | 217 | 434 | <mark>5 /*</mark> |
| VK4VW | Single | Phone | HF | QG63GP | 146 | 292 | <mark>6 /*</mark> |
| VK1JP | Single | Phone | HF | QF45RM | 118 | 234 | <mark>7 /*</mark> |
| VK2ZCM | Single | Phone | HF | QF68JN | 85 | 170 | <mark>8 /*</mark> |
| VK4CHB | Single | Phone | HF | QF64GO | 27 | 54 | <mark>9 /*</mark> |
| VK8HPB | Single | Phone | HF | PH57JB | 18 | 36 | <mark>10 /*</mark> |

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Six Hour Portable Operation – Single Operator

| Call Sign VK4SN VK3YE | Operators Single Single | Mode All All | Band HF HF | Locator QG62JC QF21NV | Contacts 75 63 | Score 135 130 | Award 1 /* 2 /* |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| VK1AT | Single | Phone | All | QF44FB | 48 | 531 | <mark>1 /*</mark> |
| VK3KTO | Single | Phone | All | | 30 | 100 | <mark>2 /*</mark> |
| VK3VL | Single | Phone | VHF | QF22PD | 7 | 34 | <mark>1 /*</mark> |
| VK5PAS | Single | Phone | HF | PF94QC | 229 | 458 | <mark>1 /*</mark> |
| VK1VIC | Single | Phone | HF | QF44JL | 146 | 292 | <mark>2 /*</mark> |
| VK4GH | Single | Phone | HF | QG62RG | 119 | 238 | <mark>3 /*</mark> |
| ZL3VZ | Single | Phone | HF | RE58XL | 113 | 222 | <mark>4 /*</mark> |
| VK5MTM | Single | Phone | HF | PF95IC | 92 | 184 | <mark>5 /*</mark> |
| VK5KX | Single | Phone | HF | PF94GQ | 77 | 154 | <mark>6 /*</mark> |
| VK2ZB | Single | Phone | HF | QG60NM | 70 | 140 | <mark>7 /*</mark> |
| VK5AR | Single | Phone | HF | PF95KC | 60 | 120 | <mark>8 /*</mark> |
| VK2XLJ | Single | Phone | HF | QF46MP | 46 | 92 | <mark>9 /*</mark> |
| VK5YX | Single | Phone | HF | PF94GW | 33 | 66 | <mark>10 /*</mark> |
| VK3PMG | Single | Phone | HF | QF13FB | 29 | 58 | <mark>11 /*</mark> |
| VK4MON | Single | Phone | HF | QG62MR | 28 | 56 | <mark>12 /*</mark> |
| VK3ARR | Single | Phone | HF | QF22DD | 27 | 54 | <mark>13 /*</mark> |
| VK4JRO | Single | Phone | HF | QG65DC | 22 | 44 | <mark>14 /*</mark> |
| VK3NCC | Single | Phone | HF | QF21HV | 21 | 42 | <mark>15 /*</mark> |
| VK6WE | Single | Phone | HF | OF78VX | 20 | 40 | <mark>16 /*</mark> |
| VK6CG | Single | Phone | HF | OF77VV | 19 | 38 | <mark>17 /*</mark> |
| VK7HKN | Single | Phone | HF | QE38 | 12 | 24 | <mark>18 /*</mark> |
| VK6MB | Single | Phone | HF | OG61PG | 10 | 20 | <mark>19 /*</mark> |
| VK5LOL | Single | Phone | HF | PF94GW | 8 | 16 | <mark>19 /*</mark> |
| VK6PCB | Single | Phone | HF | OG97UP | 8 | 16 | <mark>21 /*</mark> |
| ZL2GVA | Single | Phone | HF | RE68XM | 5 | 10 | <mark>22 /*</mark> |
| VK2PN | Single | CW | HF | QF56RN | 11 | 44 | <mark>1 /*</mark> |

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Participation Certificate

Home Station – 24 Hour (Part 1)

| Call Sign VK2ACD | Operators Home | Mode All | Band All | Locator QG60QU | Contacts 167 | Score 417 | Award <mark>1 /*</mark> |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|------------------|----------------------------|
| VK5FD | Home | All | All | PF95IH | 27 | 64 | 2 |
| VK7GN | Home | All | HF | QE37MG | 143 | 240 | <mark>1 /*</mark> |
| VK3XFX | Home | All | HF | QF23DF | 106 | 174 | 2 |
| VK1NS | Home | All | HF | QF44NO | 95 | 164 | 3 |
| VK7GD | Home | All | HF | QE36PW | 91 | 160 | 4 |
| VK4NP | Home | All | HF | QG46IR | 83 | 142 | 5 |
| VK1MT | Home | All | HF | QF44NM | 80 | 139 | 6 |
| VK3VT | Home | All | HF | QF22NH | 58 | 102 | 7 |
| VK2GDG | Home | Phone | All | QF61QD | 123 | 676 | 1 /* |
| VK3AV | Home | Phone | All | QF22PL | 183 | 537 | <mark>2 /*</mark> |
| VK2IE | Home | Phone | All | QF56MW | 278 | 417 | 3 |
| VK3FMAA | Home | Phone | All | QF23MP | 272 | 410 | <mark>4 /\$</mark> |
| VK3FS | Home | Phone | All | QF22ND | 101 | 246 | 5 |
| VK3UX | Home | Phone | All | QF22QC | 60 | 218 | 6 |
| VK5FDEC | Home | Phone | All | PF95HG | 91 | 183 | <mark>7 /\$</mark> |
| VK3JL | Home | Phone | All | QF22PV | 33 | 112 | 8 |
| VK6QS | Home | Phone | All | OF87AR | 60 | 112 | 9 |
| VK3CG | Home | Phone | All | QF22OF | 32 | 104 | 10 |
| VK2YJS | Home | Phone | All | QF46WG | 44 | 78 | 11 |
| VK4PQ | Home | Phone | All | QH30IP | 39 | 70 | 12 |
| VK6HAD | Home | Phone | All | OF88AB | 33 | 59 | 13 |
| VK6ZIC | Home | Phone | All | OF78VC | 22 | 45 | 14 |
| VK4OE | Home | Phone | All | QG62ML | 27 | 42 | 15 |
| VK4VBU | Home | Phone | All | QG46BL | 24 | 41 | 16 |
| VK6AS | Home | Phone | All | OF77WW | 11 | 21 | 17 |
| VK6AXB | Home | Phone | All | OF77VV | 11 | 21 | 17 |
| VK2ELH | Home | Phone | VHF | QF61JC | 207 | 875 | 1 /* |
| VK3DIP | Home | Phone | VHF | QF11SI | 73 | 678 | 2 3 |
| VK2AGC | Home | Phone | VHF | QG61MD | 114 | 628 | |
| VK2BBR | Home | Phone | VHF | QG61QE | 126 | 599 | 4 |
| VK2WDD | Home | Phone | VHF | QG61QE | 104 | 513 | 5 |
| VK2ZDR | Home | Phone | VHF | QG61PC | 34 | 238 | 6 |
| VK3WT | Home | Phone | VHF | QF22PB | 39 | 156 | 7 |
| VK3KQ | Home | Phone | VHF | QF22PD | 28 | 91 | 8 |
| VK3AKG | Home | Phone | VHF | QF22PF | 31 | 91 | 8 |
| VK5ZBK | Home | Phone | VHF | PF95IE | 18 | 72 | 10 |
| VK3PZ | Home | Phone | VHF | QF22ND | 31 | 69 | 11 |
| VK5FPAW | Home | Phone | VHF | PF96HE | 16 | 25 | 12 /\$ |
| VK3FAFC | Home | Phone | VHF | QF22LG | 6 | 17 | 13 /\$ |

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Participation Certificate

Check Logs VK3BBB 7J6AAO

Home Station – 24 Hour (Part 2)

| Call Sign | Operators | Mode | Band | Locator | Contacts | Score | Award |
|-----------|-----------|-------|------|---------|----------|-------|--------------------|
| VK3SIM | Home | Phone | HF | QF22NI | 492 | 714 | <mark>1 /*</mark> |
| VK4KY | Home | Phone | HF | QG62LT | 130 | 204 | <mark>2 /*</mark> |
| VK2FHRK | Home | Phone | HF | QF57TB | 129 | 175 | <mark>3 /\$</mark> |
| VK2NP | Home | Phone | HF | QF56MA | 101 | 172 | 4 |
| VK7QP | Home | Phone | HF | QE37MG | 81 | 138 | 5 |
| VK4HEC | Home | Phone | HF | QG44VI | 71 | 123 | 6 |
| VK2FAIB | Home | Phone | HF | QF46BC | 81 | 99 | <mark>7/\$</mark> |
| VK3YYR | Home | Phone | HF | QF22NI | 68 | 98 | 8 |
| VK2VE | Home | Phone | HF | QF56ME | 43 | 74 | 9 |
| VK7BEN | Home | Phone | HF | QE37QD | 41 | 68 | 10 |
| VK4ATH | Home | Phone | HF | QG62LJ | 31 | 57 | 11 |
| VK2BO | Home | Phone | HF | QF46KC | 31 | 53 | 12 |
| VK4BRT | Home | Phone | HF | QG62MQ | 29 | 49 | 13 |
| VK2LEE | Home | Phone | HF | QF57KW | 23 | 36 | 14 |
| VK5DP | Home | Phone | HF | PF95IE | 19 | 32 | 15 |

Home Station – 6 Hour

| Call Sign VK6FBLJ | Operators Home | Mode All | Band All | Locator OF77WX | Contacts 7 | Score 28 | Award <mark>1 /*</mark> |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------|-------------|--------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|-------------|----------------------------|
| VK4ADC | Home | Phone | All | QG62LG | 134 | 374 | <mark>1 /*</mark> |
| VK6BMW | Home | Phone | All | OF87AX | 9 | 18 | 2 |
| VK2YAC | Home | Phone | VHF | QF56JE | 2 | 8 | <mark>1 /*</mark> |
| VK2PR | Home | Phone | HF | QF55JW | 268 | 394 | <mark>1 /*</mark> |
| VK2XJM | Home | Phone | HF | QF56LB | 106 | 143 | <mark>2 /*</mark> |
| VK2HOC | Home | Phone | HF | QF55KV | 87 | 130 | 3 |
| VK3FADM | Home | Phone | HF | QF22MG | 73 | 128 | <mark>4 /\$</mark> |
| VK6CSW | Home | Phone | HF | OF78WD | 58 | 94 | 5 |
| VK2PWR | Home | Phone | HF | QF56KA | 54 | 76 | 6 |
| VK4IAA | Home | Phone | HF | QG62ML | 36 | 55 | 7 |
| VK4FEMO | Home | Phone | HF | QG62MO | 24 | 41 | <mark>8 /\$</mark> |
| VK6YTS | Home | Phone | HF | PH44BM | 13 | 25 | 9 |
| VK6VAX | Home | Phone | HF | OF77VQ | 13 | 23 | 10 |
| VK2FSVN | Home | Phone | HF | QF56NH | 10 | 17 | 11 /\$ |
| VK1CT | Home | Phone | HF | QF44 | 5 | 9 | 12 |
| VK5HEL | Home | Phone | HF | PF94PU | 3 | 6 | 13 |

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Comments on John Moyle Memorial National Field Day 2016

This year's entries came from every Australian mainland call areas with several from Tasmania and from New Zealand. The total number of eligible logs submitted was 154. This was a significant decrease (16.3%) from the 184 logs received last year.

Well done to all who took part and took the effort to submit a log. This year there were however, only 2 YL's or XYL's entered a log. 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, for it looks like the WIA Mail forwarding system was for a time blocked or delayed all e-mails sent via that path. Some logs were resubmitted and those are included.

Based upon submitted logs, there were some 17,836 contacts, (a 16.8% decrease from 2015) accumulating some 71,511 points claimed, (a 3.1% decrease from 2015). This was successful contesting for an Australian field day contest resulting from 154 logs being received. More than 1,268 Australian individual call signs were logged during the contest.

| Band | S/I | U HF | V | HF | H | IF |
|---------|---------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| | Points | Contacts | Points | Contacts | Points | Contacts |
| 47GHz | 0 (32) | 0 (8) | | | | |
| 24 GHz | 2,179 (91) | 97 (19) | | | | |
| 10 GHz | 2,644 (640) | 148 (66) | | | | |
| 5.7 GHz | 2,155 (574) | 101 (63) | | | | |
| 3.4 GHz | 2,528 (1,100) | 140 (103) | | | | |
| 2.4 GHz | 2,438 (1,016) | 132 (116) | | | | |
| 23cm | 4,737 (4,066) | 423 (399) | | | | |
| 70 cm | 8,120 (9,412) | 770 (957) | | | | |
| 2m | | | 13,453 | 1,379 | | |
| 6m | | | (19,170) 6,796 (4,907) | (1,787) 692 (529) | | |
| 10m | | | | | 49 (132) | 28 (72) |
| 15m | | | | | 717 (1,292) | 359 (664) |
| 20m | | | | | 3,373 (7,154) | 1,597 (3,760) |
| 40m | | | | | 18,135 (22,922) | 9,735 (12,221) |
| 80m | | | | | 4,106 (1,217) | 2,184(627) |
| 160m | | | | | 96 (28) | 58 (14) |
| Total | 24,801 (16,931) | 1,811 (1,731) | 20,249 (24,077) | 2,071 (2,316) | 26,461 (37,788) | 13,954 (17,358) |

Table should be read – **2016 results in bold** (with (2015 results) in brackets)

Unfortunately, the numbers of Club Stations who took part in the contest and then not submitting a log as an entry, are still a disappointment. Barely 51% of club stations that have participated in recent contests and were logged as active in the contest submitted a log. Some multiple operator stations did get very big scores and this simply reflects the great and varied planning and implementation efforts required to assemble and operate a multi operator station.

Activity was carried out on all bands permitted under the rules. There was a 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 decreasing from top at the moment and conditions on some bands did appear to change in line with the decrease. Activity on 20, 40m showed some reduction. The other lower bands seemed to be only marginally affected by the QRM.

In the higher UHF and Microwave bands there was a big increase in activity in VK5; since it obviously follows a weather cycle, rather than the solar cycle? The weather in VK/3/7 was very wet and windy conditions with some severe thunderstorms, while in VK2/4 was better, so there was increased activity. So activity overall was somewhat increased.

The scoring in the VHF range was down a bit compared to last year. Though the scoring as a ratio of contacts per station was the same as for 2015. The absence of many club stations, because of the miserable weather in some parts of VK certainly reduced activity, with most portable stations making such comments.

The other major change noticed this year was the decrease in both Portable and Home Station operation as seen by the submitted logs.

The '10 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 whatever 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 being to help others as well as themselves.

The participation across the various call areas was patchy. There was a decrease in Portable stations in most areas with only VK6 showing an increase. Home Station logs were greatly decreased from last year in most call areas with the exception of VK4, VK6 & VK7.

| Call | Port | Portable | | lome | Total | | |
|------|------|----------|------|------|-------|------|--|
| Area | | | | | | | |
| VK1 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 6 | 7 | |
| VK2 | 21 | 21 | 21 | 28 | 42 | 49 | |
| VK3 | 15 | 25 | 17 | 26 | 32 | 51 | |
| VK4 | 13 | 14 | 11 | 9 | 24 | 23 | |
| VK5 | 15 | 18 | 6 | 13 | 21 | 31 | |
| VK6 | 10 | 9 | 10 | 8 | 20 | 17 | |
| VK7 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 2 | 5 | 3 | |
| VK8 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | |
| P2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| ZL | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2 | |
| Tot | 82 | 95 | 72 | 90 | 154 | 184 | |
| | 2016 | 2015 | 2016 | 2015 | 2016 | 2015 | |

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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 eleven Foundation Licensed operators who submitted a log. (Four from VK2, three from VK3, one was from VK4, two from VK5 and one from VK6.) There were many more foundation calls stations were operating and who were logged during the contest, but they chose not to submit a log. All logs submitted by foundation operators were awarded a participation 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 |
|------|------|----------|--------|
| 2016 | 154 | 17,836 | 71,511 |
| 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 |

Comparison between 2016 and Earlier Years

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 **LogToSubmit.txt** output file from VKCL (VK Contest Log).

PDF format is not acceptable as are JPG and TIFF or any other image type, as though a picture might be worth a 1,000 words to you or I, an image file of your log contains no more information readable by a computer than a picture of a flower, hence the file is unreadable and unusable for the contest. Hence the contest manager would have to manually enter your file into the database. This is particularly unpalatable when an image is sent of the file that can be used and the operator declines after repeated requests to send that file without any sensible reason.

The majority of other 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 speedy cooperation.

There were still only 96% of logs submitted electronically this year, similar to 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.

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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 not 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.

| Oper | ators | | 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 | | |

Table of Existing categories

| Home | 24 | Phone | CW | Digital | All | HF | VHF | All |
|------|----|-------|----|---------|-----|----|-----|-----|
| Home | 6 | Phone | CW | Digital | All | HF | VHF | All |

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.

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 it was awarded to VK5LZ.

2. The number of logs submitted to the contest is down compared with previous years

The number of logs entered in this year's contest is significantly decreased 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 2016 was well down compared to 2015 and this reversed the trend seen over the last 10 years where the number of stations has continued to steadily rise. This drop was reversed by the introduction of the 5 Contact rule but has not continued and the rule will be re-

instated for next year. The additional logs increased the percentage of verified contacts during the contest, making the contest manager's task of checking the logs just a little bit easier.

In 2016 a total of 154 logs were submitted from 82 portable stations and 72 home stations.

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 46 home stations. In 2009 a total of 124 logs were submitted from 63 portable stations and 61 home stations. In 2008 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 as communications is still possible under very trying conditions.

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 only qualify as true CW. This has caused some concern among the contest aficionados, but as this is a field day contest and so the emphasis on hand sent and ear decoded CW is seen to be preferred and computer sent and decoded CW is not endorsed. This is hard to police however, and it requires the cooperation of the operator to indicate in their log if the CW is hand keyed or not.

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 other many 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 still not acceptable as CW and is only another digital mode.

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.

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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 more than 25 club Stations (49%) was noted for this year. Many of the missing clubs had their club call sign used during the contest and probably would have achieved significant scores. However, the club involved 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

The suggestion was again 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. Again there were only five logs entered indicating that all of their operation was on low power. They are acknowledged on their certificate. It is still thought not to be necessary to create another category just yet (see above) but if interest keeps growing and it may soon require a rule change.

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 resume after this year's decreased 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.

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| | 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 |
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| VK1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 90 | 5 | 337 | 16 |
| | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 547 | 38 | 1042 | 72 | 2120 | 125 |
| VK2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 831 | 100 | 2940 | 297 | 5040 | 497 |
| | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1753 | 123 | 3823 | 273 |
| VK3 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 226 | 26 | 1314 | 162 | 2412 | 293 | 4558 | 530 |
| | 70 | 1 | 171 | 21 | 137 | 19 | 161 | 23 | 344 | 45 | 1983 | 178 | 4320 | 473 | 9177 | 874 |
| VK4 | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 56 | 9 | 364 | 34 |
| | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 41 | 8 | 310 | 45 |
| VK5 | 2176 | 96 | 2634 | 148 | 2152 | 100 | 2528 | 140 | 2212 | 106 | 2592 | 161 | 2593 | 157 | 2816 | 202 |
| | 84 | 18 | 469 | 45 | 437 | 44 | 939 | 80 | 672 | 71 | 1536 | 183 | 2045 | 242 | 299 | 356 |
| VK6 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 29 | 9 | 321 | 93 |
| | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 209 | 39 | 745 | 115 |
| 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 |
| 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 |
| 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 |
| ZL | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
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| 2016 | 2179 | 97 | 2644 | 148 | 2155 | 101 | 2528 | 140 | 2438 | 132 | 4734 | 423 | 8120 | 770 | 13436 | 1372 |
| 2015 | 91 | 19 | 640 | 66 | 574 | 63 | 1100 | 103 | 1016 | 116 | 4066 | 399 | 9412 | 957 | 19170 | 1787 |

Breakdown of Contacts by Call Area and Band

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| | 6m | 6m | 10m | 10m | 15m | 15m | 20m | 20m | 40m | 40m | 80m | 80m | 160m | 160m |
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| | Р | С | Р | С | Р | С | Р | С | Р | С | Р | С | Р | С |
| | 50 | _ | • | • | • | • | 4.4 | • | 004 | 405 | | | • | • |
| VK1 | 58 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 6 | 804 | 425 | 69 | 36 | 0 | 0 |
| | 469 | 50 | 8 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 91 | 35 | 997 | 497 | 34 | 15 | 0 | 0 |
| VK2 | 2391 | 296 | 21 | 11 | 63 | 32 | 388 | 197 | 5989 | 3266 | 1425 | 767 | 50 | 25 |
| | 1149 | 89 | 20 | 12 | 240 | 121 | 1662 | 863 | 7077 | 3840 | 145 | 70 | 12 | 6 |
| VK3 | 1880 | 252 | 6 | 6 | 11 | 9 | 275 | 154 | 3709 | 2057 | 1116 | 610 | 26 | 21 |
| | 2499 | 297 | 14 | 8 | 52 | 31 | 906 | 485 | 6065 | 3286 | 516 | 278 | 0 | 0 |
| VK4 | 80 | 11 | 14 | 7 | 364 | 178 | 1479 | 614 | 3364 | 1760 | 893 | 463 | 10 | 7 |
| | 37 | 8 | 44 | 23 | 305 | 157 | 1719 | 925 | 3088 | 1647 | 133 | 69 | 0 | 0 |
| VK5 | 2387 | 129 | 4 | 2 | 47 | 24 | 420 | 210 | 2997 | 1519 | 350 | 176 | 0 | 0 |
| | 733 | 80 | 29 | 15 | 378 | 192 | 1475 | 777 | 4667 | 2432 | 263 | 131 | 10 | 5 |
| VK6 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 2 | 178 | 89 | 572 | 299 | 596 | 321 | 131 | 66 | 10 | 5 |
| | 20 | 5 | 17 | 10 | 177 | 91 | 916 | 472 | 508 | 256 | 72 | 37 | 0 | 0 |
| VK7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 3 | 68 | 35 | 488 | 291 | 68 | 39 | 0 | 0 |
| | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 113 | 65 | 278 | 142 | 22 | 11 | 0 | 0 |
| VK8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 48 | 24 | 112 | 58 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 136 | 70 | 258 | 131 | 186 | 93 | 24 | 12 | 6 | 3 |
| 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 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 46 | 132 | 68 | 54 | 27 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 14 | 7 | 56 | 28 | 8 | 4 | 0 | 0 |
| 2016 | 6796 | 692 | 49 | 28 | 717 | 359 | 3373 | 1597 | 18135 | 9735 | 4106 | 2184 | 96 | 58 |
| 2015 | 4907 | 529 | 132 | 72 | 1292 | 664 | 7154 | 3760 | 22922 | 12221 | 1217 | 627 | 28 | 14 |

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