



RESULTS – 2008 MINNESOTA QSO PARTY

A very nice milestone was reached this year on the tenth annual QSO Party that MWA has sponsored. The number of received logs has topped the 200 Mark. There were 201 logs received as compared with 177 logs last year. The number of crosschecked QSO's was down about 700 QSO's, from last year's all time high of around 21,000 total QSO's.

Once again all Minnesota counties were activated, and just as last year, no one was fortunate to catch all 87 counties. Band conditions certainly play a part in making this a more difficult feat. The closest that anyone came to a sweep this year was 80 counties. Here are the bottom six counties activation levels based on number of QSO's: Rock-23, Yellow Medicine-24, Swift-29, Morrison-30, Wadena-31, Sherburne-33.

I would like to add that this is the fourth year in a row that all counties have been activated, and the fourth year since the N0EO team has entered MNQP. They are the "Up-North" team, and without their participation, we could not pull off a 100% county activation. When Minnesota weather gets bad, it is usually worse up there. When propagation is not so good, it's always worse up there. When the rest of the mobiles are driving on dry roads, and yes, even Interstate Highways, the N0EO team is out in the middle of nowhere. And if you look at the MN county map, it shows that activation of many counties is more difficult due to the larger county size. THANKS N0EO crew! (A special appreciation which is long overdue.)

For our Minnesota stations, QSO's were made with all of the states except Alaska and Montana, and all Canadian Provinces/Territories except Alberta, Labrador, Nunavut, NWT, and PEI.

Activity levels based on the electronic log submissions show there were 27 contacts on 15M, 42 contacts on 10M, and 116 contacts on 160M. The bulk of activity was 20M (23%), 80M (37%), and 40M (39%). This shows a drop in both 40 and 20 meter activity, with a gain in 80 meter activity over last year. It certainly seems like 80 meters is a buzz as the contest nears an end. Breaking the contest down into 20-minute intervals, the top three activity periods, are the last three of the contest. 2300-0000Z. The slowest period during the party seems to be around 1830Z, where the rates drop to just 60% of what is experienced at the end of the event.

This year we will be able to provide LCR's (log checking reports) to anyone who submitted an electronic log, and wishes this information. Please E-mail MNQP@isd.net, with "LCR request" in the subject line.

I think this year the mobiles enjoyed relatively good weather, and good highway conditions this year. Although I do not have any "field photos", there are good biographies of the MN mobiles on the MNQP web page. I would encourage anyone else including MN fixed station, and the non-MN participants, to send in photos etc. for next year. There are always some interesting stories that come out of every year's event. For myself as a mobile participant, we ended the contest approximately 200 miles from home near Grand Rapids, Minnesota. I happen to have some friends who own a lake home near there, so we were offered a delicious chili dinner, and a warm bed for the evening. I was able to climb into their outdoor hot tub overlooking the lake 20 minutes after contest end, with CW signals still ringing in my ears. What a way to end a contest! Another interesting event that I know was experienced by at least two of the mobiles was "Ice Fog". For those of you from warmer climates, it is like driving through fog that sparkles. These are small ice crystals, and they do accumulate on antennas. And they do affect the antennas behavior! A gentle whack with a screwdriver handle, and resonance is returned!

Once again, a big thanks to all those who participated, and whose support continue to help make this a growing QSO Party event. We hope that you return for the MNQP 2009 event. Details for next year are already posted on the www.w0aa.org web site.

RESULTS

There was a good jump in the number of logs received again this year. There were 201 logs this year, vs. 177, 141, 140, 134, and 94 going back the last five years. I also want to make a note of appreciation for the accuracy and completion of the electronically submitted logs. This really makes the log checking and score compiling a much easier task. As we did last year, and do so again, we start with the out of state results. These are the folks that make our event a success. We have some different, but certainly not unfamiliar calls topping many categories this year.

Outside Minnesota

In the largest single category (SOLP), Rick WB8JUI from Ohio takes top honors; Rick had the highest multiplier count and the second highest QSO numbers for non-MN stations. There were 86 entrants in the SOLP category, and most all of them are familiar calls, so there is some competition in this category. Rick moves up from a 9th place showing in this category last year. Congrats! Our past four-time winner Tom-N2CU missed some three hours, which proved costly, but says he will be back next year with renewed motivation.

In the SOHP category, we had a tremendously tight race with a mere 158-point difference. Jeff, NY4N from Tennessee just edged out Bob-W0BH from Kansas. This was exciting stuff! Each has the same multiplier count, but Jeff chose to stick with CW a little more, where as Bob had the highest QSO count of any non-MN participant with many more SSB QSO's. All the mobiles were asking where is Mike, K9NW the past three-time winner in this category? Mike had limited time this year, as did several other familiar calls in this category. Congratulations Jeff!

With all of the newly crowned winners in the other categories, now Jules, N2WN becomes the man to beat in the QRP category. This makes the second year in a row for Jules to take this category operating from Tennessee. The scoring competition was similar to last year, so for those of you, who plan to try to knock Jules from top spot in QRP, plan early and build some big antennas.

In the Unlimited (DX) category Gary – CU2JT has the difficult job of working the upper Midwest mobiles during some of the worst conditions. It must be hard to get motivated for such an event as this, but it's always a fist-pumping event to get CU2JT into the log. Gary was a participant and probable winner last year, but his logs never arrived, so with pleasure it is: "Congratulations Gary for this year"!

To clarify the non-MN club competition rules, we had several non-residents participate within Minnesota, and we certainly don't want to diminish their efforts, but feel the recognition should go to a club with all participants outside Minnesota. And that makes the top club, the Tennessee Contest Group. If K4AMC had taken honors in the SOLP category, it would have been a sweep of all three categories by TCG. There is little doubt that the MN to TN path is favorable.

MINNESOTA RESULTS

In the SOLP category we have another first time winner in Dan, K0FVF. Second and third place finishes for W3FAF, and K0TK respectively, are repeats from last year, and fourth place is a newcomer to the MNQP results; W0AAA. Andy, W0AAA certainly provided the Beltrami county multiplier to many. Dan at K0FVF edges out John, W3FAF by just 1343 points. Dan was able to keep pace with the CW QSO's, but outdid everyone with the SSB contacts. Congratulations!

In the Phone Only category record we have another first time winner with Roger, KI0F. Roger easily outpaced the competition to a new all time high score for this category in the second year of its existence. Records are made to be broken. Congratulations Roger!

In the Mobile category, we had 14 vehicles full of gear, operators, drivers, and a whole lot of anticipation, all head out on the highways. The team of NE9U with W0AIH takes top honors, and sets the all time high score for Mobile-Single, beating their own 2006 record by about 1000 points. It was rumored that the team was going to retrofit the vehicle with large monoband yagi's, but this remains unknown. This year we had four entrants top the 100K point level, and going back, I can only find one year where had multiple entrants over 100K. Special mention goes to Jon W0ZQ who wins the multiplier-chasing portion (And operates truly solo.), And Jeff W9MSE who tops out with the most QSO's. (Can you say writer's cramp?)

In the Mobile-Unlimited category, the team of K0AD (CW) and N0PI (PH) combined as a multi-station setup to once again win this category.

In the Multi-Operator category, it's good to see the participation numbers growing in this category, but nothing grew like the record setting score posted by the KR0B team. Last year's winner and 2007 runner-up Jim - KE0L did well enough to set the all time record, but there was no stopping the KR0B crew from crushing the scoring record completely.

In the QRP category, Jim-N0UR/r, and Dan KE0G/r position themselves in first and second place respective again for the third straight year.

The VHF category has dropped a little in numbers for the past few years, as MNQP has been focusing to make this event as visible as possible at the national level. Thanks to Kevin, KC0VFP for posting the top score for us.

In the Minnesota Club category, Northern MN DX Association sets another MNQP record and almost reaches the 300K point level. Great job.

Thank you to all of this year's MNQP participants. We certainly hope to hear you on again in next year's event. Please check the Minnesota Wireless Association web page at: <http://www.w0aa.org> for details. Also comments or suggestions about future events can be e-mailed at any time to MNQP@isd.net

73's -Mark - WA0MHJ



2008 MINNESOTA QSO PARTY - RESULTS

MINNESOTA STATIONS

Mobile-Single XMTR

<u>Call</u>	<u>Category</u>	<u>Section</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>CW</u>	<u>SSB</u>	<u>Mults</u>	<u>Score</u>	<u>Club Affiliation</u>	<u>Operator(s)</u>
NE9U *	Mobile	MN	25	779	0	69	107502	Central Wisconsin Radio Amateurs	NE9U, W0AIH
K0PC	Mobile	MN	21	722	0	72	103968	Twin Cities Repeater Club	K0PC, W9DND
N0IJ	Mobile	MN	24	749	0	68	101864	Northern MN DX Assn.	N0IJ, W0TVD
W0ZQ	Mobile	MN	10	617	0	82	101188	Northern Lights Radio Society	
W9MSE	Mobile	MN	24	789	0	60	94680	Fon Du Lac Amateur Radio Club	
W0AA	Mobile	MN	21	394	0	62	48856	Twin Cities FM Club	WA0MHJ
N0EO	Mobile	MN	14	472	0	45	42480	Northern MN DX Assn.	AA0AW, KB0LBS
AC0W	Mobile	MN	12	348	3	55	38445		
N0IM	Mobile	MN	4	217	17	61	27511	Northern MN DX Assn.	N0IM
K3WT	Mobile	MN	7	99	0	31	6138		K3WT, N0JPG
K0SV	Mobile	MN	4	22	58	34	3468	K0ARF	K0SV, N0UV, KC0IRY
KC0MKS	Mobile	MN	2	0	59	31	1829	Northern MN DX Assn.	
K0UU	Mobile	MN	4	23	0	17	782		
N0SUO	Mobile	MN	4	0	42	17	714		

Mobile-UNLIMITED

N0PI *	Mobile / Unlimited	MN	18	435	49	82	75358	Midwest Contest Group	K0AD, N0PI
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Muli OP - Single XMTR

KR0B *	M/S	MN	STL	373	211	123	117711	Northern MN DX Assn.	AF9T KS0T N0RA KR0B N0BKL
KE0L	M/S	MN	HEN	195	76	83	38678	Midwest Contest Group	KE0L, NR0L
K0YR	M/S	MN	NIC	37	307	77	29337	Mankato Area Radio Club	K0YR, KC0VED
W0MR	M/S	MN	WSH	133	76	74	25308	Mining ARC	W0MR, N0PEY, K9NJ, WB0ENX
W0JH	M/S	MN	WSH	97	107	44	13244	Stillwater Amateur Radio Association	KE0N, WB9OKQ, KC0NMX, KC0ZHV
W0EF	M/S	MN	HEN	86	38	34	7140	Twin Cities FM Club	WB0N K0BUD K0IHG KC0VCU KJ0P KC0UKJ KC0TRX
NG0R	M/S	MN	MEE	21	57	47	4653	Northern Lights Radio Society	NG0R, Ben (age7)
WK0X	M/S	MN	DAK	27	52	43	4558	South East Metro ARC	WK0X, WD0FHW
W0CRC	M/S	MN	MCL	0	86	29	2494	Crow River Radio Club	KC0QNA, KC0HST, KG0U
N0STC	M/S	MN	RAM	0	41	22	902	St. Thomas Radio Club	W0QT, KB0UAZ, N0BGO

Single OP - QRP

N0UR / r *	QRP	MN	5	329	62	97	69840	QRP-L	
KE0G / r	QRP	MN	3	234	0	65	30420		

Single OP - Low Power

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K0FVF *	SOLP	MN	WSH	285	181	97	72847	Fraternal Order Of Radio Contest Enthusiasts	K0TI
W3FAF	SOLP	MN	WSH	287	82	109	71504	Stillwater Amateur Radio Association	
K0TK	SOLP	MN	RAM	266	76	103	62624	Twin Cities FM Club	
W0AAA	SOLP	MN	BEL	239	112	102	60180		
WB0CFF	SOLP	MN	SCO	317	0	86	54524	S.M.A.R.T.S.	
K0RC	SOLP	MN	CHS	251	76	84	48552		
N0AT	SOLP	MN	HEN	236	3	96	45600		
N0BUI	SOLP	MN	WIN	244	64	77	42504		
KC0INP	SOLP	MN	RAM	209	56	89	42186	St. Paul Radio Club	
K0MPH	SOLP	MN	HEN	229	37	78	38610	Midwest Contest Group	
NA0N	SOLP	MN	DOU	206	0	75	30900		
W9LHG	SOLP	MN	RAM	208	0	71	29536	Stillwater Amateur Radio Association	
WQ0A	SOLP	MN	NIC	124	19	54	14418		
W0PI	SOLP	MN	BEC	109	0	66	14388		
K0OB	SOLP	MN	HEN	105	96	47	14382	Midwest Contest Group	
N1WQ	SOLP	MN	HEN	122	0	46	11224		
N0VOW	SOLP	MN	CHS	0	139	62	8618	Stillwater Amateur Radio Association	
K0JJR	SOLP	MN	STL	83	0	46	7636	Northern MN DX Assn.	
WA0KNP	SOLP	MN	LAC	40	64	45	6480	West Central MN Amateur Radio Club	
KA0LL	SOLP	MN	SCO	70	9	40	5960		
WG0M	SOLP	MN	HEN	78	4	32	5120	Twin Cities FM Club	
NR0L	SOLP	MN	HEN	67	0	38	5092	Midwest Contest Group	
K0TG	SOLP	MN	RAM	61	0	38	4636	St. Paul Radio Club	
KG0DX	SOLP	MN	STR	5	88	46	4508	Runestone Radio Club	
K0JUH	SOLP	MN	ANO	59	0	38	4484	TCDXA	
W0OS	SOLP	MN	OTT	0	97	44	4268		
N0UY	SOLP	MN	PEN	45	16	40	4240		
AC0DH	SOLP	MN	HEN	0	90	41	3690	S.M.A.R.T.S.	
K0JE	SOLP	MN	ANO	23	29	32	2400		
N0BK	SOLP	MN	DAK	33	21	26	2262		
N0BM	SOLP	MN	WSH	50	0	22	2200	St. Paul Radio Club	
K0KX	SOLP	MN	HEN	38	11	25	2175		
K0JA	SOLP	MN	ANO	18	36	28	2016		
WB0N	SOLP	MN	HEN	24	23	26	1846	Twin Cities FM Club	
K0PK	SOLP	MN	STL	37	0	22	1628		
KC0JFY	SOLP	MN	MEE	0	53	26	1378	Meeker County Radio Club	
NA0VY	SOLP	MN	DAK	30	0	19	1140		
KC0RQH	SOLP	MN	WRI	0	37	23	851	Wright County Amateur Radio Society	
K9WN	SOLP	MN	HEN	0	22	15	330		
N0UK	SOLP	MN	HEN	2	9	10	130	Northern Lights Radio Society	
KC0DBY	SOLP	MN	LAK	0	28	3	84		
KJ0P	SOLP	MN	HEN	0	1	1	1	Twin Cities FM Club	

Single OP - PHONE ONLY

<u>Call</u>	<u>Category</u>	<u>Section</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>CW</u>	<u>SSB</u>	<u>Mults</u>	<u>Score</u>	<u>Club Affiliation</u>	<u>Operator(s)</u>
KI0F *	Phone	MN	WAB	0	544	79	42976		
N0XT	Phone	MN	ANO	0	286	75	21450		
WA0EBZ	Phone	MN	TOD	0	245	71	17395	Runestone Radio Club	
NG0E	Phone	MN	COT	0	169	61	10309		
W0TLE	Phone	MN	WSH	0	161	62	9982		
N0OK	Phone	MN	MIL	0	112	52	5824		
W0LER	Phone	MN	ANO	0	100	47	4700	Northern Lights Radio Society	
KC0TAF	Phone	MN	TOD	0	95	44	4180	Runestone Radio Club	
KB0FXK	Phone	MN	CRV	0	86	40	3440	S.M.A.R.T.S.	
K0JDD	Phone	MN	WSH	0	76	38	2888		
W0JLF	Phone	MN	ISA	0	49	29	1421	Northern Lights Radio Society	
KC0VDP	Phone	MN	GOO	0	34	24	816	St. Paul Radio Club	
N0ENQ	Phone	MN	GRA	0	37	19	703	Lake Region Amateur Radio Club	
N0UJJ	Phone	MN	STL	0	21	18	378	Northern MN DX Assn.	
K0HAC	Phone	MN	HEN	0	19	17	323	Northern Lights Radio Society	
KB0VSN	Phone	MN	TOD	0	19	15	285	Runestone Radio Club	
KC0WOA	Phone	MN	WSH	0	16	9	144	Stillwater Amateur Radio Association	
WA0VPJ	Phone	MN	HEN	0	14	8	112	Northern Lights Radio Society	
N0EVY	Phone	MN	NOB	0	8	7	56		
K0BE	Phone	MN	LAC	0	6	6	36		
KB0CQ	Phone	MN	CRV	0	5	5	25	S.M.A.R.T.S.	
KC0P	Phone	MN	RIC	0	1	1	1	Northern Lights Radio Society	
<u>VHF</u>									
KC0VFP *	VHF	MN	ANO	0	9	6	54		
K0KP	VHF	MN	STL	2	9	3	39		

W/VE STATIONS

Single OP - Low Power

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WB8JUI ***	SOLP	OH		217	0	80	34720		
WA3HAE ***	SOLP	PA		190	0	78	29640	Weekend Warriors	
K4AMC **	SOLP	TN		180	0	73	26280	Tennessee Contest Group	
N2CU ***	SOLP	NY		145	0	71	20590	Western New York DX Assn	
VE3NBJ ***	SOLP	ON		145	8	67	19966	Contest Club Ontario	
KB9S ***	SOLP	WI		137	15	66	19074	Eau Claire Radio Club	
K4ZGB ***	SOLP	AL		126	18	67	18090	Alabama Contest Group	
K8IJ ***	SOLP	KY		124	0	68	16864	PODXS	
WF5X ***	SOLP	MI		125	2	65	16380		
NW8U ***	SOLP	WV		117	4	68	16184		
N4IG ***	SOLP	FL		113	26	62	15624	Florida Contest Group	
K0HW ***	SOLP	SD		97	58	62	15624		
W1END ***	SOLP	NH		112	0	62	13888	Yankee Clipper Contest Club	
N6MU ***	SOLP	CA		100	19	60	13140		
K8IR	SOLP	MI		96	14	60	12360		
KB9OWD	SOLP	WI		79	49	54	11178		
N9FC	SOLP	IN		95	0	58	11020	SMC	
W9UX	SOLP	WI		87	0	63	10962	FLARC, Madison	
W4RQ	SOLP	VA		80	3	55	8965	PVRC	
N9AUG	SOLP	OH		84	4	48	8256	DELARA	
KG4W	SOLP	VA		91	0	44	8008		
VE1OP *	SOLP	NS		71	7	51	7599	Maritime Contest Club	
W7GVE *	SOLP	AZ		82	0	46	7544		
AA4FU *	SOLP	NC		76	0	48	7296		
W0JPL *	SOLP	MO		76	8	38	6080	SMC	
W9OA *	SOLP	IL		74	0	39	5772	Northern Illinois DX Association	
AD5WI *	SOLP	AR		57	7	35	4235		
NO5W *	SOLP	TX		57	0	36	4104		
KF2O	SOLP	NY		54	0	37	3996	Yankee Clipper Contest Club	
W4NBS	SOLP	AL		56	2	34	3876	Alabama Contest Group	
WG7Y *	SOLP	WY		51	0	36	3672		
K9KR	SOLP	WI		43	12	37	3626	West Allis RAC	
N9HDE *	SOLP	IA		55	0	31	3410		
WB4YZA	SOLP	NC		48	0	34	3264		
KS8O	SOLP	MI		44	4	33	3036	Menominee River Radio Club	
K9MU	SOLP	WI		41	0	29	2378	Chippewa Valley VHF Contesters	
NS9I/4	SOLP	FL		37	0	26	1924		
KB9YGD	SOLP	IN		29	13	27	1917		
WB5RYB *	SOLP	GA		36	0	26	1872		
K5AEM	SOLP	TX		34	0	27	1836	Williamson County ARC	
W4ZPR	SOLP	VA		32	0	24	1536		
NO8R	SOLP	MI		32	0	23	1472		
K4VIG	SOLP	GA		28	0	25	1400	TN Valley DX Assoc.	
NG7Z *	SOLP	WA		31	0	20	1240		
K0PIR	SOLP	SD		17	17	21	1071		
KD5JHE *	SOLP	MS		28	0	19	1064		
KD2MX	SOLP	NJ		27	0	18	972		
VE3CRU	SOLP	ON		22	2	19	874	Contest Club Ontario	
KH6FI *	SOLP	HI		18	12	17	816		
W2CVW	SOLP	NJ		24	0	17	816		
AE1T	SOLP	NH		22	0	18	792		
W6AFA	SOLP	CA		0	36	22	792	SCCC	
WB5MFI	SOLP	MO		22	0	17	748		
W9NAW	SOLP	WI		0	35	21	735	West Allis RAC	
KC0YNE	SOLP	MO		15	6	18	648	Community Service Radio Club	K2HT
VE9CEH *	SOLP	NB		0	35	18	630		
WA3GNW *	SOLP	SC		20	0	15	600		
NS7K *	SOLP	UT		15	6	16	576		
W9AKS	SOLP	WI		22	0	12	528		

Single OP - Low Power (cont.)

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K9JIG	SOLP	WI		0	27	19	513	Northeast Wisconsin DX Assn	
VE3OBU	SOLP	ON		17	1	13	455	Contest Club Ontario	
N3KR	SOLP	PA		16	0	14	448	Frankford Radio Club	
W3RT	SOLP	PA		12	0	12	288		
W1CRK *	SOLP	MA		0	21	12	252	Falmouth ARA	
VE3TW	SOLP	ON		11	3	10	250	Contest Club Ontario	
K3TD	SOLP	TX		0	14	13	182	Central Texas DX and Contest Club	
VE7FCO *	SOLP	BC		0	12	11	132	Nanaimo Amateur Radio Association	
AA5JG *	SOLP	OK		8	0	8	128	Oklahoma DX Association	
KZ8E	SOLP	WV		8	0	7	112		
AE6YB	SOLP	CA		0	10	10	100	Northern California Contest Club	
W7KAM	SOLP	AZ		0	12	8	96		
N1ADY	SOLP	FL		0	9	8	72	Gulf Coast Amateur Radio Club	
WA3ELQ	SOLP	PA		0	9	5	45	Warminster ARC	
N1KR	SOLP	CA		0	6	6	36		
K2BBQ	SOLP	NY		0	6	6	36		
W5IBM	SOLP	TX		4	0	4	32		KOVH
W8KNO	SOLP	OH		0	4	4	16	Mad River Radio Club	
N0UL	SOLP	AZ		0	3	3	9		
NC6T	SOLP	CO		0	3	3	9		
KD0JBN	SOLP	MO		0	3	3	9		
K6RDW	SOLP	CA		0	3	3	9		
WA0MHJ	SOLP	ND		2	0	2	8	Twin Cities FM Club	
VA3IX	SOLP	ON		0	2	2	4		
KF3BN *	SOLP	MD		0	2	2	4		
K9TCD	SOLP	IL		0	1	1	1	Fox River Radio League	
VE5BF *	SOLP	SK		0	1	1	1		

Single OP - QRP

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N2WN ***	QRP	TN		154	0	68	20944	Tennessee Contest Group	
N4JF	QRP	AL		107	27	53	12773	Alabama Contest Group	
W8TM	QRP	OH		83	0	51	8466	Mad River Radio Club	
A12S	QRP	FL		35	0	21	1470		
WB0IWG	QRP	PA		0	6	5	30		

Single OP - High Power

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NY4N ***	SOHP	TN		191	4	79	30494	Tennessee Contest Group	
W0BH ***	SOHP	KS		157	70	79	30336		
W4AU ***	SOHP	VA		187	0	78	29172	PVRC	
AD8J **	SOHP	PA		124	7	73	18615	Mad River Radio Club	
WB9CIF ***	SOHP	IN		119	0	59	14042	SMC	
K9NW	SOHP	IN		105	0	45	9450	Mad River Radio Club	
N8II	SOHP	WV		81	8	46	7820	PVRC	
KA9FOX	SOHP	WI		49	14	41	4592		
VE3CX	SOHP	ON		28	28	28	2352	Contest Club Ontario	
K6III	SOHP	CA		37	0	26	1924	Northern California Contest Club	
W2UDT *	SOHP	NJ		40	3	19	1577	Frankford Radio Club	
K4BAI	SOHP	GA		22	1	18	810	South East Contest Club	
W7GKF	SOHP	WA		22	2	14	644	Redmond Top Key Contest Club	
WB1GQR	SOHP	VT		0	11	8	88	Radio Amateurs of Northern Vermont	W1SJ
VA7ST	SOHP	BC		5	0	5	50		
KG6ZHC	SOHP	CA		4	0	3	24		

DX STATIONS

Unlimited

<u>Call</u>	<u>Category</u>	<u>Section</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>CW</u>	<u>SSB</u>	<u>Mults</u>	<u>Score</u>	<u>Club Affiliation</u>
CU2JT *	UNLIMITED	DX		38	0	24	1824	

*** Indicates Plaque / Certificate & MNQP Prize

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CLUB COMPETITION

<u>Club Name</u>	<u>#entries</u>	<u>Score</u>
Northern MN DX Assn.	7	299409
Midwest Contest Group	5	172120
Twin Cities FM Club	7	125595
Stillwater Amateur Radio Association	5	123046
Northern Lights Radio Society	8	112528
Central Wisconsin Radio Amateurs	1	107502
TWIN CITIES REPEATER CLUB	1	103968
Fon Du Lac Amateur Radio Club	1	94680
Tennessee Contest Group	3	77718
Fraternal Order Of Radio Contest Enthusiasts	1	72096
QRP-L	1	69840
S.M.A.R.T.S.	4	61679
St. Paul Radio Club	4	49838
PVRC	3	45957
Mad River Radio Club	1	36547
Alabama Contest Group	1	34739
SMC	1	31142
Weekend Warriors	1	29640
Mankato Area Radio Club	1	29337
Runestone Radio Club	4	26368
Mining ARC	1	25308
Contest Club Ontario	5	23897
Western New York DX Assn	1	20590
Eau Claire Radio Club	1	19074
Yankee Clipper Contest Club	2	17884
PODXS	1	16864
Florida Contest Group	1	15624
FLARC, Madison	1	10962
DELARA	1	8256
Maritime Contest Club	1	7599
West Central MN Amateur Radio Club	1	6480
Northern Illinois DX Association	1	5772
South East Metro ARC	1	4558
TCDXA	1	4484
West Allis RAC	2	4361
K0ARF	1	3468

CLUB COMPETITION (cont.)

<u>Club Name</u>	<u>#entries</u>	<u>Score</u>
Menominee River Radio Club	1	3036
Crow River Radio Club	1	2494
Chippewa Valley VHF Contesters	1	2378
Frankford Radio Club	1	2025
Northern California Contest Club	2	2024
Williamson County ARC	1	1836
TN Valley DX Assoc.	1	1400
Meeker County Radio Club	1	1378
St. Thomas Radio Club	1	902
Wright County Amateur Radio Society	1	851
South East Contest Club	1	810
SCCC	1	792
Lake Region Amateur Radio Club	1	703
Community Service Radio Club	1	648
Redmond Top Key Contest Club	1	644
Northeast Wisconsin DX Assn	1	513
Falmouth ARA	1	252
Central Texas DX and Contest Club	1	182
Nanaimo Amateur Radio Association	1	132
Oklahoma DX Association	1	128
Radio Amateurs of Northern Vermont	1	88
Gulf Coast Amateur Radio Club	1	72
Warminster ARC	1	45
Fox River Radio League	1	1

SOAPBOX

Only got to operate for about an hour, but it was fun! Will be back next year with a more serious effort. I lived in Eden Prairie from 1990 - 1992 when I was NZ3I. -K3TD

TNX wonderful time, CU next year – KB9YGD

Had no 80 meter antenna but still managed over half my Q's on 80 meters. Next year will have at least a dipole. – N0UY

The original plan was to operate as K8IJ/MEE at a friend's house in Litchfield. But about 2 weeks before MNQP, "life" got in the way. But operating in KY, I really had a blast. I always enjoy the FL and PA QSO Parties, but will now include the MNQP as one of my favorites. TNX to all the FB mobiles and the MWA. - K8IJ

Nice job by all mobiles ! You guys really know how to throw a party – NY4N

Great Fun... Fantastic job by the Rovers once again. Tnx-WB0CFF

Will try to remember to send in the log this year... Forgot it last year and had to give the first place DX to a German station. 20M was fair but 40M was murder with poor propagation and RTTY all over the place. Above 7040, we also have European and South American SSB. I checked the 40m PSK band at 7070 KHz but no Minnesota heard there. 80M was not much better with a Spanish national contest going on around 3550 KHz. Besides, 0000 UTC is a little early for Minnesota on both 40 and 80M. I managed to get two stations on 80M, however. I certainly would like to have the rules changed so that any DX country would count as a multiplier for the Minnesota stations. Several other QSO Parties have made that change in their rules and that might attract more DX to the contest. Will be back next year for sure. –CU2JT

Thanks for a great contest!! – W0JLF

Much of the day I was too far for 80 and too close for 40. Thanks to all the mobiles for going out in February in MN. – K8IR

Strongest signals go to W0YK on SSB and N0BUI on CW. Had fun and Mahalo. –KH6FI

Could not get the rig to work in CW, found the problem after the QSO party. –W8KNO

Had a great time with this contest. TNX all. – KD5JHE

Had a great time, best MNQP run to date for me. – W0TLE

A bit tougher than last year, the bands all went long. On 80 it was competition with the EA's, 40 with RTTY and SSB, never heard anyone on 160, made a couple on 15... W9MSE had great ears... – N2WN

Fun to work all the mobile stations – AD8J

Conditions not as good as last year it seems. – W7KAM

Tough conditions from MN to WY. Fun anyway. –WG7Y

First time participating in MNQP. Disappointed in the few MN stations heard. –VE3OBU

A lot of good participation. Limited time to play here due to surprise visitors. Thanks to all the mobiles who braved the weather to keep it interesting. Toward the end I kept thinking I should QRT to get ready for the start of the sprint but the mobiles kept me engaged by continuing to put on new ones -- no complaint about that however. While having lunch on the deck with our visitors (at about 70 degrees) my wife asked, "how's the MNQP?" -- my reply, "some great ops driving around in the ice and snow" Thanks for a fun "warm-up?" to the sprint. – NO5W

My second MNQP...it's a great place to work a bunch of terrific guys and gals. WA0EBZ, KC0TAF and W0JAR were wonderful club colleagues...thanks guys. See you next year. – KG0DX

Ouch! Looks like new winners in the HP and LP categories this year. I knew five in a row wasn't in the cards when I got up late and quickly set up the logger. Turned on the rig and the bands were as bad as I've ever heard them. I'm sure the geomagnetic storm didn't help. Kudos to the mobiles who prepared and executed their plans regardless. No propagation on 20m, and 80 and 40 were ESP. Last year 80 produced all day long but I could barely hear anything this time. 40 was a struggle for most of the day. Things did improve during the evening though. Anyway, on to my excuses - worked a few stations at the start until wife found out I was on the radio. She had some honey-do things that just couldn't wait. So, off goes the radio and any chance of winning. N1MM says I missed over 3.5 hours. I think I made a logging mistake early which may have cost me a multiplier. In the end, it was still a fun event and not winning this time will give me some motivation next year. Thanks MNQP and it's sponsors. – N2CU

Ben(7) worked most of the contest will dad did the logging and coaching. – NG0R

Very fine contest. My thanks to all the mobile stations. My N1MM program did not give me multiplier credit for 3 SSB contacts. – N9AUG

I really enjoyed the MN QSO Party. The mobile rover operators were incredible! Almost 70% of all my QSO's (I worked CW only, a class you might consider separately in the future...) were with 12 rovers, and I had 13 or more QSO's with 6 of them, including 20 with W9MSE/M alone. Thanks for putting on a first class event! –W4AU

Thanks again for having a great contest. Lots of activity. My QSO's and counties lower than last year, but still great contest. Thanks to the mobiles going out and running counties. – K4AMC

TNX for an enjoyable MNQP .Not able to operate full time. Maybe next year. The mobiles should use /m although some signed /county. -N4JF

Log crashed about an hour before the end due to operator malfunction! I hope I put it all back together OK. Conditions were flat until early afternoon. 20M seemed to be the only band, but had lots of QSB. Looks like the MNQP had a good turnout and keep the short format. CU all next year. 73, BILL W2UDT

This is the best score I have ever had in this contest. I think it is due to the increase in participation by the MN stations. I have not checked the past years but I though I had quite a few contacts on 40 meters in MN before. Almost all the QSO's I had this year were on 75/80. This is my 6th straight MN QSO Party. Thank you for having them and keep up the good work. – K0HW

Got a late start this year but enjoyed the short time I spend. – KD2MX

3.855/70 proved to be a good MNQP starting and ending fishing spot with fellow Runestone Radio Club members KG0DX, W0JAR, KC0TAF, and KB0VSN. Other stations we met last year joined in. What a fantastic way to spend a Saturday. – **WA0EBZ**

Band conditions were very bad or no one was pointing their beams out west. One of my poorest totals for some time. I was able to work all the stations I heard, so the old saying "If you Can't Hear them, You Can't Work Them". – **VE7FCO**

I worked harder this year, but I got a lower score - Oh well! – **AC0DH**

I worked only a few stations, but I enjoyed participating. I hope to be more active next year. –**WA3ELQ**

What a wonderful time to send mobiles into every corner of the state through the ice, snow, and cold! You Minnesotans are either a very hardy bunch or very crazy, or both! The Freeze Your Butt Off contest was the same weekend; you probably deprived a Minnesotan of winning that one. Perhaps you should combine contests. Seriously, a big thank you to all of the mobiles who drove many miles to put the rare unpopulated counties on the air; it was more than one could reasonably expect, especially in mid-winter. My only regret was not having full time to devote to the party; I had to QRT at 20Z to head off to work; temp here at commute time was around 50, and it was sunny and windless. Signals from the mobiles on 40 were pretty weak here around midday and 20 was marginal with just a few loud signals in and out. The day before the MnQP by contrast featured solid loud signals on 20 from W9MSE/M and W0GXQ. Activity could have been better from the home stations, and have you guys forgotten about phone? I couldn't get many answers to phone CQ's, especially on 40. On CW, maybe a dozen stations answered CQ's, but I didn't spend much time CQ'ing in favor of S&P for the rare counties. Several new ones were worked. Many thanks to W9MSE, N0EO, NE9U, W0AA, N0IJ, AC0W and the others for their efforts.- **N8II**

I was surprised to hear a rover in my own county, and work them on 20M phone – **N0ENQ**

MNQP is a top-notch party. Are the mobiles actually snowplows? – **W7GVE**

Nice to Run Into so many regulars in MN... Hope to see a lot of you in WIQP in March. Horrible noise and conditions on this end. Was going to work all 10 hours, ended at 7 3/4 as could not take the noise. 73 to all! – **KB9OWD**

Propagation was the killer this year. 80 was too short and 40 too long from my QTH for most of the time. No 20 short skip at all. Tnx to all the mobiles for the counties. Tnx for another FB MnQP. CU next yr es in MiQP. 73! – **WF5X**

This activity is always fun, especially when one gets a few more QSO's than in the previous year. Mobiles/Rovers were fantastic. They certainly made things interesting. Thanks to all. - **W1END**

Working the Vermont QSO Party and picked up a few MN. Conditions to the Midwest absolutely stunk! – **WB1GQR**

Only able to op the last few hours this year. Great mobile efforts once again. See everyone next year! – **K9NW**

This was a great opportunity for clubs to introduce and teach newbies about operating in a "contest mode" - **TNX! -W0JH**