

AZQP 2017 Soapbox

AA7V

Rig FT950 ACOM 1010 400w Tribander 38' Inv Vs 40'. Sure hope there is CW only category. Don't want to be in same category as K6LL! Worked 59 PAQP for 20% of QSO total. Only 2 DX stns answered CQs- DK2OY and DL3DXX. All other DX result of OC contest, S&P and some other event called AP. OC netted A31, FK8, KH6, VK & ZL. S&P netted S01, CE, PY, UA9, JA. 80 super noisy due to bad WX in W0 land. 15m was really open but not many there. Thanks for the QSOs.

AA8TA

Unfortunately, only heard activity on Sunday. Nice that 15 meters sounded to be in good shape. Thanks for the Qs.

K000 (@W3RFC)

Many thanks to w3rfc my host. Glad to provide a mult to a fellow op. See you all the next time.

73 PAT K000

K4BAI

FT1000MP, Alpha 78, 1 KW, TH6DXX, dipole, zepp. Thanks for all QSOs. Disappointed there weren't more in-state stations QRV. Thanks especially to K8TE/7 and W7USA/P. 73, John, K4BAI

K7ABC (K6LL)

Conditions were really bad. Only 3 or 4 Q's with Europe, one or 2 JA's.

K7AZT

Ran 4 hrs Sunday. Not a lot of activity. Heard/worked only 5 AZ stations. With dipole antennas at dizzying height of 14 feet, AZQP is fun; my station a target for a change. Held my run frequency the entire time! :-))

K7HKR

100 watts, two magnetic loops from AZ. I only had a few hours available each day and was mostly interested in handing out the 15-meter phone multiplier for Yavapai county. I called CQ for about an hour total, mostly on 15 but also 40 and 80 at appropriate times and made 5 QSOs. 15 was open to at least PA and/or TX (and the Canary Islands) near those times as they heard me fine when I responded to their CQs. The only responses I got on 15 were a local and a station from NY that I lost in the noise before completing the QSO. I would have done much better if I had called CQ longer, but I wish 15 would have been more active; if a ham calls in a forest and doesn't get spotted, did he really make a sound?

K8TE

This was an interesting event! The k-index was not helpful most of the time. From my perspective with a dipole at 40 ft., conditions were generally not great. The big guns did well, but this little pistol was challenged and didn't do as well as last year. Still, I had fun most of the time. Perching near the APH/NVO county line helped a lot except for those who couldn't figure out how to log it, including the one op who "dropped my pencil". The PAQP guys were really racking up the contacts! Many of them are the really big guns from the FRC and it showed. Some of them were even ready to make AZQP QSO's. Thanks! Where were all the AZ ops? There sure weren't many on 40m, and I heard none on 80/75 although I heard a few on 20m backscatter, but they couldn't hear me. Self-spotting would go a long way in helping find the "locals" for additional multipliers. It would also help generate more QSO's which seems good for everybody. When operating cw, I checked the RBN to see if I was getting out. I was, but found it difficult to generate QSO's, much less any runs. The only reason I had any good runs was the 2fer aspect of working from a county line. I came down with vertigo Saturday and an unpleasant side effect on Sunday which took me out of play for nearly four hours. That hurt! In spite of it all, I had a fun time. John, n6mu, chased me among 80m, 40m, and 20m but I couldn't hear him on the latter. And as always, john, k4bai, was there wherever I was calling. Thanks guys and to all who pulled my sometimes-weak signal through the mud. My biggest operating challenge, other than getting sick, was receive noise. The "quiet" Honda i2000 is not as quiet as many think. Jim, k9yc, has some great advice on choking the RFI I need to follow. Like every contest/operating event, I come away with more to do than I seem to have time, maybe because I'm operating so much. Good luck in the contest!

K9GDF

Antenna is rain gutter and downspouts.

K9NW (@K9UWA)

Tnx QSOs!
73, Mike K9NW

K9WZB

100 bonus points for working WM7RC.

KC7V (@K8IA)

Put in a short amount of time on Sunday. Thanks to K8IA for letting me use his tribander.

KD5FBA

Had fun in spite of rough band conditions. Glad 15 meters opened!

KF3G

Operated from FM29jw
Cw contacts: 3
Counties multiplier: 3
3 x 2 cw multiplier = 6 cw qso points
6 qso points x 3 county multiplier = 18 total points
Thank you for the AZ QSO Party.

KI4MZC

I think I worked every station that I heard. Surprisingly strong signals on 20 and 15 meters.

KI6OY

100 watts and a wire.

KK4BZ

Power=80 W, grid=FM18eu, equipment=TS570S, antenna is G5RV at 35 ft in trees.
Thanks for the fun!

KN4Y

Wife was in rehab for a broken hip, so my operating time was limited. Did not hear the bonus station on CW. Worked the Arizona stations listed in the AZQP website. O

N1RWY

Just got on for a few hours Sunday between football and treadmill shopping. Activity sounded OK, however, I had to get creative in calling CQ as many thought with my "1 call"; I was calling looking for the AZ QSO party - not residing in AZ calling CQ. Regardless, it was a good time with the low power and vertical antenna.

N4ARO

A nice state qso party. Wish you had more participation. Never heard the bonus station this year. Hope he didn't waste time on digital or some such thing.

N6MU

Score includes 100 bonus points for working WM7RC on SSB. He wasn't on CW. Virtually no skip on 20. Very frustrating. Had 71 Qs Saturday and only 12 on Sunday. Hmmm. TS-570 & 5BTV
73... John, N6MU

N7QQ (W6RW)

Was going to put in a serious CW only effort until 2 things got in the way...3C0L Annobon was on for ATNO for me bringing my DXCC totals to 335/349 and my Dodgers were playing in the National League Championship Series. Had a great time for the few hours that I was on. Did anyone work WM7RC or was the mystery 100-point bonus station missing along with the 2016 results??????????????

N9NA

Ten Tec Omni 7, Alpha 87a, Steppir DB18e, 80 mtr ocf, 55 ft twr, N1MM+. A lot of [Geritol](#).

VA3RKM

K3, verticals. Thanks for the contacts!

VA3TTB

Family commitments and difficult propagation compounded my inexperience as a new ham, resulting in my small number of QSOs. But I had fun meeting and chatting (yes!) with hams from PA. I will be back next year. Thanks for hosting this party!

VE3EZD

Ft-950 + al-811h + at2k + full wave horizontal delta loop.
Thanks for this nice qso party!

VE5SDH

Thanks for the fun :) Hope for better conditions next year.
73 Summer VE5SDH

W1END

Rig was ftdx5000 and butternut vertical.
That's all I heard.

W4LID

73 de W4LID

W7RTM

Appears I need a better means for tracking sequence numbers.

W7WHY

Thanks for the Q's and 73.
Tom W7WHY

WB7CYO

Tnx to all AZ stations who were on the air.

WI0WA (@N0AC)

Not many Az stations heard. Thanks for your QSO, Bill N0AC

Operating conditions at the station of N0AC

Rig #1-Ten Tec Orion II~100w

Rig #2-Elecraft K3~100w

Antenna #1-Butternut vertical 10-80m

Antenna #2-Butternut vertical 40/80m (winter only)

Antenna #3-Butternut vertical 10-80m (winter only)

Antenna #4-KD9SV Reverse Beverage on the Ground~135 ft (winter only)

Logging-N1MM+

WQ6X (@NX6T)

This was another WQ6X remote operation from NX6T in Fallbrook. I ran the K3 into an ACOM-2000a amp at around 1kw. I used all the antennas on tower #2 (80-m Inv Vee, 40-m Yagi & 3-el Stepp-IR). While the space weather condx were horrible (poking "holes" in signals), I was even more DISAPPOINTED by the lack of AZ participants. Considering the proximity of AZ to Fallbrook, 80 & 40 should have been FLOODEd with AZ stations, when in fact, only a handful were present. You can read my writeup on this and other the events during the weekend at the WQ6X Contest BLOG: <http://WQ6X.Blogspot.Com>