

2015 New York QSO Party

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Here's what people had to say...

(Random order, as pulled from a variety of sources)

K2CYE SOMixed HP 87,219

Missed CHA, CLI, ESS and PUT counties. Once again, great activity from NY stations. Thanks to the sponsors! 73, Mike K2CYE

NY6DX SODig LP 13,950

Wish more NY stations would do RTTY. Had a great time; station was flawless.

N1CC SOMixed QRP 3,375

Elecraft K3 @ 5W, F12 C3 @64' and 80/40 Fan Dipole @50' E/W. Ran QRP this year, about 1/3 the points and half the contacts/mults made last year with 100W. Although in several other QSO Parties this year I could work the mobiles on 20 and 40, the mobiles in NY could not copy me. Just conditions? Activity was low, especially since there were many stations spotted on 40 during the day that NEVER came to 20 or 15 - open for those of us in Texas and farther away. This year seemed to be an East Coast event. Maybe better conditions next year.

NG7Z SOCW LP 576

K2-100 Hustler whips. Thanks for the Q's. 73 Paul NG7Z

W2GN SOCW LP 66,120

Thanks to everyone for the QSOs. Nice to hear so many familiar calls.

K2ZR SOCW LP 90,270

RIG: IC-765 @ 100W; ANTS: 660' CF WIRE - 425 EF WIRE - 160M WINDOM - 5B HEXBEAM; LOG: N1MM

THANKS FOR THE Qs, 73, Dick, K2ZR

K2SSS SOMixed HP 150,594

80m: 2L Moxon + Inv V

40m: 2 x 2L Moxon

20m: 4L Yagi + 2 L Moxon

15m: 2x5L

10m: 2x6L

Rig: TS590SG, Amp: AL1500, Tnx for QSO's, Zee K2SSS

W2XL SOMixed HP 135,786

55 Counties out of 62, I know a missed a couple that were activated by mobiles. This was the first year I was able to enter NYQP, really enjoyed it, great activity!

K2DB SOCW LP 65,570

SINGLE-OP, ALL, LOW, CW; STL

Band QSOs Pts Mul Mt2

3.5 52 104 5 0

7 232 462 51 0

14 106 212 26 1

21 6 12 0 0

Total 396 790 82 1

K2QO SOCW QRP 56,950

Put in as full of an effort as I could muster despite babysitting my son-in-laws 80 lb pit bull/pointer/great dane. Conditions on the HF bands were decent and at times activity was very good. Topped last years score by a tiny margin. The surprising part is just how many NY counties I missed!

K3/P3/5W; F12 C4E at 55'; 220' Dipole at 45'. Must go back to mobile for 2016. 73, Mark K2QO

KEØG SOCW LP 960

K3/10 at 10 watts to an 88' dipole up about 45' fed with ladder line and a Matchbox. Thanks for the party. 73, Dan ke0g MN

N3TWM SOSSB LP 2,870

My second contest ever, first every as a Single Operator from my home QTH, and I had 5 fire calls today interrupting my efforts. Thanks NYQSO party for a bunch of fun.

W2RDX(@W2FU) M/MMixed HP 377,600

Thanks to Jeff, W2FU, for allowing us use of the station this weekend, and to the Rochester DX Association for use of the club call.

KF2MR/M SO MobileMixed LP 352

My intent was to support Technician Class and VHF/UHF operators. I found two. While this was an interesting experiment, its not one that I will repeat again any time soon. Due to weather and lack of local interest in 10m and above, I decided to skip Ontario Co. It was interesting to work some DX on 10m PSK31. Could have worked lots more, but was looking for NY stations (a stretch on 10m, I know). Thanks to RDXA for sponsoring the NYQP and thanks to all who slowed down on CW for me! Looking forward to a more traditional approach next year.

KC2ASA SOMixed LP 8,964

First QSO party!

KCØYFC SOMixed LP 25

Busy weekend but I managed to work the contest for about 30 minutes. Signals were coming in loud and clear into Minnesota. Plenty of stations to work. Very friendly operators.

W2SO M/MMixed LP 139,672

What a great crew! The bands were a little odd mid-way, had a couple of dry spells but otherwise a solid performance and strong club effort.

N2BEG M/SMixed LP 44,625

Setup in WA2CHV's driveway in LIV, very low G5RV, truck cramped but still had fun.

KC3EAH SOSSB LP 2,400

Pottstown Area ARC (PAARC)

KM2O SOSSB HP 77,265

A lot of fun. 53 of 62 counties. Missed Essex, Montgomery, Putnam, Queens, Seneca, Tioga, Thompkins, Warren and Yates. 44 states, 4 provinces and 4 DX (off the back of the 40 beam while running).

W4UT SOMixed QRP 2,678

Rig KX3 @ 5W; Ant Tribander and Wires

VE3KZ SOCW HP 12,298

Nice showing from ON in this one. Thanks to all the NY ops and organizers for their efforts. Lots of other activity, WAG, IAQP, Stew Perry, RTTY on 40, and Blue Jays! 73 Bob VE3KZ

VE2FK SOCW HP 5,270

So fun. Will do more seriously next year. 73 Claude VE2FK

N2CU SO MobileMixed LP 60,599

I activated 7 counties; CHE, ONT, SCU, SEN, STE, TIO and TOM. Less than 100 QSOs in each county, which is way less than expected, but it seems quite a few fixed stations NEVER went looking for mobiles. That may change my plans for next year. Going mobile is a big time and money investment and the return should have been better. Oh well.

Worked 44 NY counties and 33 States and Provinces. There was a noticeable lack of high band activity. Conditions were not good but stations I worked on 20 and 15 had good signals. We need to encourage more high band activity to draw in mid-west and left-coast operators. Missed some QP regulars like N4PN and OM2VL, among others.

Thanks to QSO leaders WA3HAE (14), K2SSS (9), WB2ABD, W1DWA, NT2A, K2CYE (8), N2JJ, VA3ATT, W2EG (6), K1KX, K2QO, N2LQ, N3RN, W1WBB, W2GN, W2RDX, W2TZ (5) and several others with multiple QSOs that kept me from throwing in the towel. Let's hope for better turnout next year.

73, Tom N2CU

W2PV/M Multi-Op MobileCW LP 63,190

Fun contest and saw some really nice foliage and drove thru several snow squalls while putting some of the rarer counties on for this one.

NQ2W SOCW QRP 33,592

Loads of fun...fewer QSOs than last year but more multipliers. Thanks for all the contacts and thanks to the RDXA and NYQP team for all of their hard work.

W7KAM SOSSB LP 888

Three all time new counties this year (Delaware, Oneida, and Seneca). 100 watts into a G5RV up 20 feet.

W2EG SOCW LP 92,184

Might have been better participation in NYQP had not WAG, etc., been going on at

same time. Conditions on 20 and up not good; conditions on 80 and 40 seemed good. Didn't quite get to last year's score: fewer Q's, but more mults. Tnx to all the mobiles, especially CW, for getting the rare counties on the air. Had a good time. Tnx for the Q's! 73, -Rich, W2EG

K8MR SOMixed QRP 1,134

Limited time. With upcoming road trips, returning to NY to visit with our friends in Rochester for the weekend was not in the cards. It appears the weather would not have made for the delightful fall excursion had I gone.

I was playing with the KX3, nursing a questionable set of internal NiMH AA cells. I was probably running more like 3 watts, and at least once after tripping off the radio with low voltage, QRP'd to one watt but still was able to work N2CU/M. See you all in a few weeks with my puny signal from Florida.

73 - Jim K8MR

W1WBB SOCW QRP 9,576

Nice quiet conditions on lowbands with strong sigs from W2 into W1. Only a couple of stations couldn't hear my QRP sigs (on 80m and 160m)...assuming high local noise level on their end.

Worked sixty unique NY calls in over 5 hrs op. time on CW. Western NY heard on 20m but no joy with my 5 watt signal. Last 40m QSO made around 0000Z as band began to go long.

Good lowband activity from W2 stations it seems as they are also hunting NY county multipliers, as well as other states.

FB job by NY mobiles; esp. their 80m efforts! Made 22 QSOs with them – they had GREAT ears. Many were new mults in rare counties...WJ2O/m - 8 QSOs, W2PV -6, N2CU - 5, KV2X/m - 3. Your efforts are *much* appreciated by us 'hunters'!

Heavy 40m activity/QRM from JARTS WW RTTY and Worked All Germany (WAG) contests often made it challenging to locate mobiles. Suggest a website-posted NYQP mobile operating band/frequencies window (ie. 5 KHz wide) located above the din of other RTTY/DX contests.

Icom IC-706mkIIIG turned down to 5 watts out; 88' doublet up at 40' for 40/80m;
Inv L on 160m; N1MM+ Logger; K1EL WinKeyer USB.

W2CS SOCW LP 15,600

Just got on to give out Columbia County to anyone needing it.

WB2ABD SOCW HP 62,480

10ft by 1ft dead oak branch brought down half the 80m inv vee the night before... high bands seemed stale altho sigs were good for what was worked. In the process of changing vehicles, so no mobiling this year ... sounds like this end of the state was pretty well covered, although 3 of the 15 missing counties in my log (CHA CAT ALL) are all out my back yard. K3 KPA500 3el Steppir @ 45ft 80 and 40 inv vees @ 60 ft (well, half an 80 anyway ... worked OK !)

WN4AFP SOMixed QRP 6,084

WOW! 20m was a pipeline from SC to NY and perfect for my QRP adventure. Conditions were solid on 40m, but it was always an uphill battle. The NYQP offered solid mobiles and a never ending supply of fixed stations. Special thanks to KV2X/m, N2CU/m, W2PV/m and WJ2O/m for all the Qs and counties. Last night I was dreaming in CW... hearing the endless CQs of K2SSS, K2DB, W2EG, W2XL, K2NPN, W2GR, NT2A, W2RR, K2NV, K2CYE, K4RUM and W2SO. Near the end I ran out of CW Qs, so went to 40m phone to pick up a few more mults. Thanks NYQP for putting on a great QP! 73s Dave WN4AFP

KØBAK/M SO MobileMixed HP 16,252

Had fun as mobile, activated NEW, BRX, WES, PUT, ROC, ORA, SUL, DEL; missed BRM. High power was only 400w. Operated rover-style, only at one stop per county. Wasted lots of time getting to the top of Bear Mtn, there was a traffic jam of leap peepers. Quite a few PA stations, many of whom I contacted in the PA QP. Last operating location was a deep valley in DEL, no lights anywhere, beautiful sky filled with stars. Next year maybe will operate from NYC-area counties only and head home the same night (to Philly burbs) to avoid needing hotel.

Hey organizers, how about something for mobiles activating counties with a minimum number of contacts (10), like bonus points or the use of the activated county as a multiplier? (most QPs in the region do this). Thanks to the organizers for all your work, and thanks to all the participants for making a fun day.

WY7AA SOSSB LP 504

Tough conditions from WY to NY. But I got several new counties.

N2SO SOCW QRP 1,080

K2 @5W to 137' OCF Dipole @ 35'

NT2A SOCW HP 84,240

Thanks to all participants, sponsors and Rochester DX Association for the nice QP. I didn't have a chance to run mobile this year and worked fixed. The rig used is FTdx5000, 200W antennas Mosley TA33CL, Double Bazooka for 40M and L-type vertical for 80m band. Tried to get few QSO on 160m using 3el high band yagi with tuner. :). Best 73 and see you all next year.

K3CCR M/MMixed HP 15,243

K3CCR is the club station at the Collington continuing-care retirement community at FM 180W in MD, just east of DC. We enter QSO parties in nearby states to spread the word that here retirees can continue serious ham radio after downsizing. See our page on www.qrz.com for details. Our NYQP operation this year had a tag-team flavor: 3 ops were available for a few hours each. We still got on for 8.3 hours and were pleased to make twice as many QSOs as last year in 53 counties, vs 40 in 2014, for nearly twice the claimed score. As expected, nearly all QSOs were on 40 and 80 on CW and SSB. We

were surprised that few NY stations were on 80 before dark, despite excellent or good propagation for both modes on 80 to MD and other nearby states with lots of hams during all 12 hours of the NYQP. We will be back next year.

N2FMS SOSSB LP 9,440

I am not a contest operator. Licensed since 1965 and this was my fourth contest I ever participated in. My last NYQP was 2011. This contest was much easier and rewarding than I thought it would be. Now I look forward to trying another contest especially the 2016 NYQP. Thanks very much to the Rochester DX Association for organizing and sponsoring the event. N2FMS

KN4Y SOCW LP 210

Bounced from 10-meter CW contest to NYQP, worked who I heard, conditions not the best.

W2TZ M/MMixed LP 161,920

Two person M/M low power, unassisted at W2TZ. Fred W2TZ on CW, Vic K1PY on phone.

Bands seemed up and down, but still pretty good overall. Good band activity, but there didn't seem to be the corresponding QP action. Still, enough Q's kept coming in to keep the interest up and to keep sitting in the chair for the 12 hours. Got some bonus Q's from the Worked All Germany guys that were coming in beautifully on 20. Always nice to work some of the JOTA stations -- nice that they're on. Most of all, many thanks to the MOBILES! Thanks to the organizers for keeping NYQP going. Seems to be continually growing into an ever nicer event. Tons of plaques! See you next year.

W2HRY/M SO MobileSSB LP 3,444

My very first individual contest. My only other HF Operation has been at two consecutive Field Days. I had lots of fun and learned quite a bit. Operating mobile was a challenge (obviously not while driving). Didn't visit all the counties I wanted to, (3 out of 5) but the bands were getting pretty tough by 8:30pm with only long range QSO's happening from a mobile. Wanted to get more counties in the state. Probably my lack of experience contributed- Still had fun!! PS: Not sure I got the multipliers right. The N1MM log is on my other PC. The Cabrillo output doesn't have the Mult's, so I calculated from the Cabrillo output ...73's W2HRY

KC2KWA SOMixed LP 736

Yaesu FT-450 at 100 watts, G5RV Junior

K2YGM SOCW QRP 20,640

Great fun with KX3 and wire antennas

K6CSL SOCW LP 18

Well, I ran 6 events, none of them well. Hope to do better next year. Bert, K6CSL

N2FF SOCW LP 5,180

Pouncing without packet. Shocking what I never heard - QUEENS - 3 miles away plus Kings etc.

W2LC SOCW HP 24,304

I wish someone would have spotted me on 10 and 15, a lot of CQ's without answers, even though the bands were open. 40m was a complete mess with WAG and RTTY covering the lower portion of the CW band. Don't the RTTY guys follow the band plan? I worked 18 counties, the most I have worked in the contest to date, and 44 states and provinces. Couldn't go mobile this year, maybe next time. 73 Scott W2LC

EA5IIK - 100W , VERTICAL. Thanks for contacts !

G3LHJ - Great fun. Bit of a struggle with the WAG contest on at same time. Condxs better than expected. First time go at this one, sorry didn't make the 50Q's. 73 Derrick YAESU FT 990 – 100W; 3El Tri Band Yagi. 80/40 Loaded Dipole

G4JFS - A pretty impressive log this year :)

VE3KQN - Conditions being what they were I was actually pleased with my results. I was operating a Youkits transceiver at 4 watts into a 28 inch diameter home brew magnetic loop mounted on a camera tripod indoors at ground level.

VE3KZ - Nice showing from Contest Club Ontario in this one. Thanks to all the NY ops and organizers for their efforts. Lots of other activity, WAG, IAQP, Stew Perry, RTTY on 40, and Blue Jays!

W2ORC - Club station event headed by K2EYS. Everyone enjoyed taking part in the 2015 NYQP event. Great time by all club members. Lots of activity. Ants were a dipole and a vertical and 100w. Glad to have put Orleans County on the air. We were able to train 4 new members in the art of contesting.

K3TW - Band conditions in Florida improved later in the contest.

KB1ZEB - First contest. RIG FT-817 ANT end-fed half wave antenna

K2YGM - Great fun QRP with KX3 and wire antennas. Looking forward to next year already. Tnx and 72/73 Bob

K9OSC - Thanks to all the NY stations for listening for QRP operators. Great fun and some excellent ops.

K1GQ - SkookumLogger, K3 and 2000A, dipoles and 2XA-3B-12L

W2UDT - All contacts made on 80/40. Other bands were NIL from here. Still need Clinton to have them all. I spent a lot of time looking for it but heard nothing. Anyway, CU next year! Lots of activity and my thanks to the organizers. 73, W2UDT

NA2NY - Part time effort this year.

K2QU - OPERATED FROM THE BARN ATTIC AT THE NY LOCATION. HOME QTH IS NJ. GOOD CONDX THIS YEAR!

K4VBM - Thanks a lot for the fun. Enjoyed my first New York QSO Party!

N2FMS - Thanks very much to the members of the Rochester DX Association for sponsoring and organizing this event. I am not a contest person (this was my fourth contest since licensed in 1965) and I found it very easy and fun to participate in. Looking forward to next year.

N7MZW - Kenwood TS-950SD, Heil BM-10, and home brewed G5RV up 50 feet, running N-S at 6,053 feet elevation from Laramie Co., WY. I handed out the WY mult to a few folks when I had time to turn on the rig. Not a serious effort, for sure.

W1KDA - This is the first time I worked this contest in earnest - Good coverage - Good number of operators - Band conditions were good - Look forward to next year - Good time!

WB8BSA - Our Boy Scouts Jamboree On The Air operation worked several stations in the NYQP. Most or all of the QSOS were made by Boy Scouts trying out amateur radio.

K6KQV - Very nice QSO party. Thanks to everyone who participated. 73 from CA.

W1END - Rig was FTdx5000 and Butternut HF6V all-band vertical.

W4HVH - THANK YOU. HOPE YOU HAD FUN! 73 -JOHN

WB6ETY - My first time for NYQP - enjoyed it. 100W to a 43 foot sloper.

AB2YI/M - HAD SOME LOGGING PROBLEMS KEEPING UP WITH FAST PACE IN ORL. VERY SORRY FOR ANY Q'S THAT WERE LOST. In tight mobile setup, keyboard is on steering wheel but display on laptop is right of ICOM 9100, and some entries got over written before being noticed. 40 meter loop worked great. Hoping to do a better job in rare counties next year.

K9GDF - Antenna is rain gutter and downspouts.

KC2ASA - First QSO Party, turns out I'm in a rare county. Many people were very happy to hear me, one OM let me take the frequency and run for a while. It was fun trying to manage a small pileup for a little while. I went to digital around 0100z but there didn't appear to be any players. I managed about 3 hours in 3 sessions hopefully I can dedicate more time next year.

N2UC - Very good contest, my favorite!

W0YJT - Contest was lots of fun. Hope conditions get better next year so we can use more bands. 73 John

W2AAB - FIRST ENTRY IN NYQP IN MANY YEARS. GREAT CONTEST, WITH PLENTY OF ACTIVITY.