# John Moyle Memorial Field Day 2023

## 24 Hour Portable Operation – Multiple Operator

Call Sign	Operators	Mode	Band	Contacts	Score	Locator	Place /Award	Cert.
VK6N	Multi	All	All	254	620	OF78XD	1 /*	1
VK4IZ	Multi	All	HF	574	1,186	QG63JB	1 /*	2
VK2WG	Multi	Phone	All	445	2,267	QF34RR	<mark>1 /*</mark>	3 <mark>4</mark> 5
VK5ARC	Multi	Phone	All	189	860	PF94JU	<mark>2 /*</mark>	<mark>4</mark>
VK4WCH	Multi	Phone	All	136	292	QG46BI	<mark>3 /*</mark>	
VK6ARN	Multi	Phone	All	117	249	OF87FX	<mark>4 /*</mark>	6
VK5JGM	Multi	Phone	All	91	248	PF94GW	<mark>5 /*</mark>	7
VK6GD	Multi	Phone	All	60	158	OF88BH	<mark>6 /*</mark>	8
VK2SRC	Multi	Phone	VHF	267	5,119	QF69FU	<mark>1 /**</mark>	9
VK2SRA	Multi	Phone	VHF	91	182	QF55JS	<mark>2 /*</mark>	10
VK2RT	Multi	Phone	HF	591	1,182	QF44WO	1 /*	11
VK2AMW	Multi	Phone	HF	484	978	QF56CH	<mark>2 /*</mark>	12
VK4WIT	Multi	Phone	HF	253	506	QG39EX	<mark>3 /*</mark>	13
VK4GLA	Multi	Phone	HF	230	406	QG55LP	<mark>4 /*</mark>	14
VI100MB	Multi	Phone	HF	171	242	QF55JB	<mark>5 /*</mark>	15
VK4BW	Multi	Phone	HF	162	324	QG65DB	<mark>6 /*</mark>	16
VK6JMD	Multi	Phone	HF	86	172	OF77XB	<mark>7 /*</mark>	17
VK2FRE	Multi	Phone	HF	68	136	QF68JD	<mark>8 /*</mark>	18
VK3YVG	Multi	Phone	HF	25	50	QF22RL	9 /*	19

Certificate Awarded

President's Plaque

## 24 Hour Portable Operation – Single Operator

Call Sign	Operators	Mode	Band	Contact s	Score	Locator	Award	Cert.
VK3FMAA	Single	Phone	All	308	618	QF23MK	1 /*	20
VK1MOO	Single	Phone	HF	357	714	QF45RM	1 /*	21
VK3KK	Single	Phone	HF	336	672	QF12UN	<mark>2 /*</mark>	22
VK6XL	Single	Phone	HF	113	226	OF77XB	<mark>3 /*</mark>	23
VK1O	Single	Phone	HF	86	172	QF56OS	<mark>4 /*</mark>	24
VK4HDY	Single	Phone	HF	52	104	QG31RX	<mark>5 /*</mark>	25
VK5PX	Single	Phone	HF	47	94	PF86XJ	<mark>6 /*</mark>	26
VK6VE	Single	Phone	HF	18	36	OF88XJ	<mark>7 /*</mark>	27
VK2JQ	Single	Phone	HF	14	28	QF45TE	<mark>8 /*</mark>	28
VK7KPC	Single	All	HF	36	78	QE37RX	1 /*	29

<mark>/\*</mark> Certificate Awarded

# Six Hour Portable Operation – Multiple Operator

Call Sign	Operators	Mode	Band	Contacts	Score	Locator	Place	Cert.
_	M14:	A 11	ш	120	270	OESSVV	/Award <mark>1 /*</mark>	20
VK2HZ	Multi	All	HF	139	278	QF55KV		30
VK2EMU	Multi	All	HF	123	244	QF56MA	2 /*	31
VK4WID	Multi	All	HF	106	222	QG52XN	3 /*	32
VK4BA	Multi	All	HF	75 22	150	QG62PL	4 /*	33
VK3SRG	Multi	All	HF	32	66	QF15CT	<mark>5/*</mark>	34
VJ5W	Multi	Phone	All	196	390	PF95JE	1 /*	35
VL4C	Multi	Phone	All	181	362	QG62LU	<mark>2 /*</mark>	36
VK5WOW	Multi	Phone	All	91	344	PF85WM	<mark>3 /*</mark>	37
VK4BAR	Multi	Phone	All	166	344	QG62OL	<mark>4 /*</mark>	38
VK2CLR	Multi	Phone	All	133	322	QG60LE	<mark>5 /*</mark>	39
VK3ANE	Multi	Phone	All	90	212	QF33IR	<mark>6 /*</mark>	40
VK3BSP	Multi	Phone	All	72	210	QF21MQ	<mark>7 /*</mark>	41
VK3BML	Multi	Phone	All	80	160	QF12TF	<mark>8 /*</mark>	42
VK6WR	Multi	Phone	All	58	157	OF78VA	<mark>9 /*</mark>	43
VK4EHI	Multi	Phone	All	48	142	QG51XD	10 /*	44
VK6WH	Multi	Phone	All	30	139	OF77VX	<mark>11 /*</mark>	45
VK4HM	Multi	Phone	All	50	118	QH23VC	<mark>12/*</mark>	46
VK7CMS	Multi	Phone	All	21	76	QE36PX	13 *	47
VK4WIE	Multi	Phone	VHF	29	345	QG62MK	1 /*	48
VK2AOJ	Multi	Phone	HF	241	482	QF56OS	1 /*	49
VK8DA	Multi	Phone	HF	105	210	PH57NK	<mark>2 /*</mark>	50
VK2SNO	Multi	Phone	HF	58	86	QF43PL	<mark>3 /*</mark>	51

<u>/\*</u> Certificate Awarded

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

Call Sign	Operators	Mode	Band	Contacts	Score	Locator	Place/ Award	Cert.
VK7ZR	Single	Phone	VHF	41	712	QE38PL	1 /*	52
VK7ZBX	Single	Phone	VHF	26	320	QE37OC	<mark>2 /*</mark>	53
VK2R	Single	All	HF	181	380	QF56KH	<mark>1 /*</mark>	54
VK4M	Single	All	HF	132	278	QG62EK	<mark>2 /*</mark>	55
VK4O	Single	All	HF	112	224	QG62HO	<mark>3 /*</mark>	56
ZL3VZ	Single	All	HF	103	214	RE58XL	<mark>4 /*</mark>	57
VK3YE	Single	All	HF	58	128	QF21VD	<mark>5 /*</mark>	58
VK7IAN	Single	All	HF	54	82	QE37PE	<mark>6 /*</mark>	59
VK2BM	Single	All	HF	24	64	0	<mark>7 /*</mark>	60
VK5AR	Single	All	HF	18	45	PF84LS	<mark>8 /*</mark>	61
VK6HDY	Single	All	HF	22	42	QH23TC	<mark>9 /*</mark>	62
VK2WS	Single	All	HF	8	16	QF55GK	10 /*	63
VK2ZB	Single	Phone	All	25	55	QG60NK	<mark>1 /*</mark>	64
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VK2ZDJ	Single	Phone	VHF	8	186	QE35CV	1 /*	65
VK3ARD	Single	Phone	VHF	3	15	QF22RC	<mark>2 /*</mark>	66
VK3AWA	Cinala	Phone	HF	170	340	OE211 C	1 /*	67
VK3AWA VK3XV	Single	Phone	нг HF	170	340	QF31LS QF12VD	2 /*	68
VK3AV VK3V	Single	Phone	HF	46	92	QF12VD QF22TC	3 /*	69
VK3V VK2JEH	Single	Phone	HF	34	68	QF221C QF57TA		70
VK2JEH VK1DD	Single		нг HF	34 27	54	QF3/1A QF44MT	4 /* 5 /*	70 71
	Single	Phone				•		
VK2AYL VK4TTO	Single	Phone	HF HF	20 2	40	QF56LF	6 /*	72 73
V N411U	Single	Phone	пг	2	4	QG65DC	<mark>7 /*</mark>	13
VK2I	Single	CW	HF	1	4	QF56OD	1 /*	74

/\* Certificate Awarded

## **Home Station – 24 Hour (Part 1)**

Call Sign	Operators	Mode	Band	Contacts	Score	Locator	Award	Cert.
VK3AUQ	Home	All	All	70	176	QF22QF	1 /*	75
VK3CHI	Home	All	All	43	85	QF22MF	2	
VK2BHO	Home	CW	HF	40	160	QF55KW	1 /*	76
VK1RF	Home	CW	HF	25	100	QF54FP	2	
VK2KJJ	Home	All	HF	153	297	QF35QA	1 /*	77
VK2LDW	Home	All	HF	121	181	QF55HC	2 3	
VK4HRE	Home	All	HF	36	76	QG48OU	3	
VK2AMT	Home	Phone	All	115	715	QG61PE	1 /*	78
VK1TTY	Home	Phone	All	263	399	QF21OE	2 3	
VK5MK	Home	Phone	All	176	394	PF94HW	3	
VK2LQ	Home	Phone	All	273	385	QF56GH	4	
VK2ZDR	Home	Phone	All	80	377	QG61PC	5	
VK2XI	Home	Phone	All	61	222	QG61SR	6	
VK3G	Home	Phone	All	89	163	QF21NW	7	
VL5L	Home	Phone	All	48	124	PF95IC	8	
VK4GDW	Home	Phone	All	90	103	QG46BL	9	
VK6LTC	Home	Phone	All	46	72	OF77WX	10	
VK5FD	Home	Phone	All	30	59	PF95IH	11	
VK6JK	Home	Phone	All	9	11	OF78VD	12	
VK2DLR	Home	Phone	VHF	50	363	QG61QE	1 /*	79
VK2KCM	Home	Phone	VHF	73	327	QG60MB	2	
VK2VL	Home	Phone	VHF	63	302	QG60LE	3	
VK2ACD	Home	Phone	VHF	68	302	QG60QU	4	
VK5NE	Home	Phone	VHF	47	113	PF95HI	5	
VK2ABM	Home	Phone	VHF	29	108	QF22NC	6	
VK2ZDJ	Home	Phone	VHF	8	96	QF35AR	7	
VK7ZLB	Home	Phone	VHF	29	81	QE38NO	8	
VK2EFM	Home	Phone	VHF	3	36	QG68GC	9	
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Certificate Awarded

## **Home Station – 24 Hour (Part 2)**

Call Sign	Operators	Mode	Band	Contacts	Score	Locator	Award	Cert.
VK4DI	Home	Phone	HF	567	804	QG62EM	1 /*	80
VK7C	Home	Phone	HF	530	767	QE38LR	<mark>2 /*</mark>	81
VK5LJ	Home	Phone	HF	461	718	PF95LN	<mark>3 /*</mark>	82
VK2BAI	Home	Phone	HF	256	360	QF56NH	4	
VK2TOT	Home	Phone	HF	160	241	QF45KD	5	
VK4KD	Home	Phone	HF	140	230	QG62LP	6	
VK2LEE	Home	Phone	HF	142	224	QF57KW	7	
VK2GRH	Home	Phone	HF	136	217	QE54HV	8	
VK5Y	Home	Phone	HF	111	165	PF95KW	9	
VK2WA	Home	Phone	HF	100	157	QF56NJ	10	
ZL4RO	Home	Phone	HF	85	128	RE55OO	11	
VK1CHW	Home	Phone	HF	76	126	QF46MN	12	
VK5KRX	Home	Phone	HF	67	102	PF94KR	13	
VK2MTM	Home	Phone	HF	69	99	QF46BC	14	
VK7DW	Home	Phone	HF	48	95	QE38NO	15	
VK4BEL	Home	Phone	HF	44	83	QG62OL	16	
VK3SPX	Home	Phone	HF	50	73	QF13XA	17	
VK2IL	Home	Phone	HF	44	65	QF57NK	18	
VK4KLA	Home	Phone	HF	35	63	QF62JE	19	
VK4KM	Home	Phone	HF	34	54	QG62LO	20	
VK3GK	Home	Phone	HF	34	53	QF21PW	21	
VK4WTZ	Home	Phone	HF	30	50	QG54WW	22	
VK2HHS	Home	Phone	HF	34	36	QF61PI	23	
VK4EV	Home	Phone	HF	13	21	QG62LO	24	
VK4PQ	Home	Phone	HF	12	20	QH30IP	25	

Certificate Awarded

# **Home Station – 6 Hour**

Call Sign	Operators	Mode	Band	Contacts	Score	Locator	Award	Cert.
VI75G	Multi	Home	All	Check	Log	QF21EU	NA	
VK7PD	Home	All	VHF	16	41	QF15CT	1 /*	83
VK5T	Home	All	HF	107	182	PF95IC	1 /*	84
VJ3L	Home	All	HF	37	53	QF21PV	2	
VK2TTL	Home	Phone	All	73	106	QG60NR	1 /*	85
VK3ZPF	Home	Phone	All	47	75	QF21QW	2 3	
VK4BMI	Home	Phone	All	23	30	QG62QJ	3	
VK3TBR	Home	Phone	All	14	22	QF15CT	4	
VK2AWJ	Home	Phone	All	10	18	QF21DT	5	
VK2XSM	Home	Phone	All	11	17	QF56OG	6	
VK4SU	Home	Phone	All	3	5	QG63NG	7	
VK4PQV	Home	Phone	All	2	4	QH30JQ	8	
VL5A	Home	Phone	VHF	55	121	PF95IH	1 /*	86
VK4VU	Home	Phone	VHF	13	111	QG62LO	2	
VK5WU	Home	Phone	VHF	39	109	PF95HB	3	
VK6ATX	Home	Phone	VHF	32	106	OF77WW	4	
VK5JJ	Home	Phone	VHF	30	76	PF95IF	5	
VK5DU	Home	Phone	VHF	8	12	0	6	
VK5NIG	Home	Phone	HF	104	169	PF95IE	1 /*	87
VK3BTV	Home	Phone	HF	99	142	QF22OE	2	
VK5STU	Home	Phone	HF	50	57	PF95HC	2 3	
VK6EEN	Home	Phone	HF	26	48	OF78WC	4	
VK6YD	Home	Phone	HF	25	38	OF78XX	5	
VK5KPR	Home	Phone	HF	22	36	PF87VH	6	
VK7ZAB	Home	Phone	HF	1	2	QE38ON	7	

<mark>/\*</mark> Certificate Awarded

### **Comments on John Moyle Memorial National Field Day 2023**

Firstly, I must congratulate the portable stations who went to considerable extra effort to take part in locations that may have not yet fully recovered from recent fire and flooding and the Total Fire Ban in some states which effectively prevented many club stations from operating in the field.

This year's entries came from each of the Australian call areas (except VK0, and VK9) with several from New Zealand. The total number of eligible logs submitted was 152 this was a decrease (17.9%) from the 184 logs received last year.

Well done to all who took part and took the effort to submit a log.

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. It is the responsibility of the entrant to ensure their log is included on the list of logs.

Based upon submitted logs, there were some 15,548 contacts, (a 19.6% decrease from 2022) accumulating some 39,490 points claimed, (a 25.7% decrease from 2022). This was successful contesting for an Australian field day contest resulting from 152 logs being received. More than 1,126 Australian individual call signs were logged during the contest.

Band	S/U	HF	V	HF	T-	łF
20010	Points	Contacts	Points	Contacts	Points	Contacts
76 GHz	0 (0)	0 (0)				
47 GHz	0 (0)	0 (0)				
24 GHz	0 (133)	0 (14)				
10 GHz	<b>180</b> (422)	9 (24)				
5.7 GHz	<b>128</b> (147)	<b>4</b> (16)				
3.4 GHz	<b>685</b> (837)	<b>37</b> (62)				
2.4 GHz	<b>340</b> (197)	<b>19</b> (15)				
23 cm	<b>2,006</b> (3,037)	<b>173</b> (344)				
70 cm	<b>2,993</b> (5,442)	<b>389</b> (690)				
2m			5,443	710		
			(8,860)	(1,020)		
6m			2,160	261		
			(3,352)	(441)		
10m					<b>662</b> (166)	<b>327</b> (119)
15m					<b>827</b> (283)	<b>401</b> (156)
20m					<b>5,800</b> (6,515)	<b>3,143</b> (3,436)
40m					14,552	8,007
					(19,544)	(10,661)
80m					<b>3,686</b> (4,065)	<b>2,052</b> (2,258)
160m					<b>28</b> (140)	<b>16</b> (75)
Total	6,332	631	7,603	971	25,555	13,946
	(10,216)	(1,168)	(12,212)	(1,461)	(30,694)	(16,705)

Table should be read -2023 results in **bold** (with (2022 results) in brackets)

Activity was carried out on all bands permitted under the rules. There was a decrease in activity on HF.

In the higher UHF and Microwave bands there was a decrease in activity; since the absence of club stations significantly reduced this activity? Activity overall was somewhat decreased as many portable stations were not out in the field

The scoring in the VHF range was much increased compared to last year. The scoring as a ratio of contacts per station was up from 2022. The absence of many club stations, certainly reduced activity, with many stations making such comments. The clubs were active but some did not submit logs?

Call		Port	table			Ho	me		To	tal
Area										
	24Hr	6hr	24hr	6hr	24hr	6hr	24hr	6hr	Tot	Tot
VK1	2	1	0	0	3	0	0	0	6	0
VK2	8	13	7	12	22	3	24	16	46	59
VK3	3	9	9	9	5	5	8	3	22	29
VK4	6	10	6	17	10	4	9	5	30	37
VK5	3	3	3	7	7	8	11	0	21	21
VK6	6	3	5	5	2	3	2	2	14	14
VK7	1	4	3	3	3	2	5	8	10	19
VK8	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	2
VK9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
P2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ZL	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	2	3
Tot	29	45	33	55	53	25	61	35	152	184
	2023	2023	2022	2022	2023	2023	2022	2022	2023	2022

All of the portable stations that went to the effort and 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.

With the new Foundation LCD, it is no longer possible to identify Foundation Licensed operators who submitted a log. (There were possibly more foundation calls stations who operating and who were logged during the contest, but they chose not to submit a log. Logs from club stations did also show that a few 'F' Calls also took part as part of the club station effort, well done.

**Comparison between 2022 and Earlier Years** 

Year	Logs	Contacts	Points
2023	151	15,548	39,490
2022	184	19,334	53,122
2021	147	13,222	38,930
2020	179	13,700	31,199
2019	160	13,984	41,975
2018	171	13,666	40,247
2017	160	15,902	54,494
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

This year, the rules again stated that VKCL is the preferred submission format with the fie CALL\_**LogToSubmit.txt** output file from VKCL (VK Contest Log). EXCEL is the preferred alternative. A sample linked EXCEL logging report was prepared and was available on the WIA Contest website. (Contact me at <a href="wk4ae@wia.org.au">wk4ae@wia.org.au</a> if you would like a copy of my linked spreadsheet in EXCEL for next year.) Other suitable file submission formats are WORD.

**PDF** format is not acceptable nor are JPG and TIFF or any other image type, as though a picture might be worth 1,000 words to me or you, an image file of your log contains no more information than a picture of a flower and the data is not readable by a computer, thus the file is unreadable and unusable for the contest. Unfortunately, the contest manager has to manually enter your file into the database. Indeed, a scanned copy of the signed front page of the log is perfectly acceptable, but the rest of the log has to be fully electronically readable.

The majority of other logs submitted in an electronic form this year, were usually fully readable. There were 98.7% of logs submitted electronically this year, similar to last year. This has been due largely to the excellent work of the late 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. A number of entries did not contain the correct file \*.txt, but others files like \*.db3, \*.adi and \*.config. Most stations quickly submitted the correct file, but a few refused to even reply to my request or to cooperate in any way.

With the recent passing of Mike Subocz (VK3AVV), efforts are underway to have a younger person take on the mantle of keeping it up to date. I am well past the age of undertaking the task so if you are interested then contact a member of the contest committee and make them aware of your interest.

It is interesting that the number of logs submitted in the latest version 4.15 of VKCL was 102 logs. There were 17 logs submitted using an older version of VKCL.

There were 6 logs submitted using N1MM+ and this caused a great deal more work on the part of myself. The N1MM format is only suitable for HF operation and not ANY of the other options of the contest. Much detail is not included in the log. If the information was not included in the log, then assumptions were made which were probably wrong. I am not psychic so if it is not in the log then it does not exist. In addition, there were another 17 logs that were submitted using EXCEL.

Paper logs did continue to be used. A small log from an individual operator is, and will remain, completely acceptable. Large paper logs require a very considerable manual work on the part the contest manager to input the data into the contest database and hence 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 most 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 24 of the different categories were contested.

Table of Existing categories

Ope	rators	Modes				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
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 directly comparable. To reduce the costs to the WIA, 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 will be awarded to **VK2SRC** 

#### In 2023, a total of 151 logs were submitted from 74 portable stations and 77 home stations.

In 2022, a total of 184 logs were submitted from 88 portable stations and 96 home stations.

In 2021, a total of 147 logs were submitted from 64 portable stations and 83 home stations.

In 2020, a total of 179 logs were submitted from 65 portable stations and 114 home stations.

In 2019, a total of 160 logs were submitted from 76 portable stations and 84 home stations.

In 2018, a total of 171 logs were submitted from 81 portable stations and 90 home stations.

In 2017, a total of 160 logs were submitted from 79 portable stations and 81 home stations.

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 49 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.

#### 2. 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.

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.

# 3. 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 mode is one which uses a computer to control the transmitter and to decode the information to allow the operator to complete the contact. The total number of digital contacts this year was 0 this year. ALL MODE, is any combination of the above modes.

#### 4. 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 47 club Stations (62%) was noted for this year. This is largely because of the Total Fire Ban – notably in VK3 – which precluded any activity by a multi-operator of club station. One station chose to operate as a multi-operator home station and submitted their log as a check log. Thank you very much.

One issue that occurred prior to the contest, was that a couple of Club Stations said that they could not find sufficient people to man their portable station. However, these stations wanted to operate as Multi-Operator Home stations all using the club callsign. The Amateur LCD rules do not allow this.

A Home station is only permitted to have a single operator. Of course, a Club Station can operate with a single transmitter with a single operator at any time, this is encouraged, as it provides very good training for the newer operators as they can be readily helped and supervised during the contest.

The purpose of the Field Day is to promote field operation and the Home Station is encouraged to provide contacts for portable stations. There are plenty of all singing and dancing Multi-Operator and Multi-station contests during the year, so it is not felt to be in the spirit of the JMMFD contest to

have club stations with Multi operators and multiple High-Power transmitters dominating the contest in a Portable Station contest.

#### 5. 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.

There has been much discussion about the new digital modes FT-8 etc, my reservation is that the activity is not necessarily verified as contacts of one station are not worked by another station and so cannot be checked. The scope for faking contacts is too great with the mode as it stands. No doubt more will happen in time and when it does then the rules can change.

If you have any contribution to these topics, the Rules for this contest are available at the WIA web site at <a href="http://www.wia.org.au/members/contests/johnmoyle/">http://www.wia.org.au/members/contests/johnmoyle/</a> 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 increase from this year's 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.

Denis Johnstone (VK4AE) Contest Manager, JMMFD 2023

### Breakdown of Contacts by Call Area and Band

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