



## ***Wireless Institute of Australia***

# **SUMMER VHF-UHF FIELD DAY 2008**

John Martin (VK3KWA), contest manager

The Summer VHF-UHF Field Day will be held over the weekend of January 12 and 13. The rules are very little changed from last year. Please note two rule changes that were first adopted for the Spring VHF-UHF Field Day in November 2007:

1. Stations may enter both the 24 hour and 8 hour sections, but only if the station actually operates for more than 8 hours.
2. Changing locations: It is not in the spirit of the contest for grid-hoppers to set up more than one station and move between them. The rules now make it clear that not only the operator but also the station must be moved when operating locations are changed.

Please note also the rule on the use of DX calling frequencies. Where possible, contest activity should focus on the recommended contest calling frequency.

### **Dates**

Saturday and Sunday January 12 and 13, 2008.

Duration in all call areas other than VK6: 0100 UTC Saturday to 0100 UTC Sunday.

Duration in VK6 only: 0400 UTC Saturday to 0400 UTC Sunday.

### **Sections**

- A: Portable station, single operator, 24 hours.
- B: Portable station, single operator, 8 hours.
- C: Portable station, multiple operator, 24 hours.
- D: Portable station, multiple operator, 8 hours.
- E: Home station, 24 hours.

If a single operator station operates for more than 8 hours, the station may enter both Section A and Section B. If the winner of Section A has also entered Section B, his log will be excluded from Section B. The same applies to multiple operator stations entering Sections C and D.

### **General Rules**

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One callsign per station. If two operators set up a joint station with shared equipment, they may choose to enter Section A or B as separate stations under their own callsigns, or Section C or D under a single callsign. If they enter Section A or B, they may not claim contacts with each other. Stations with more than two operators must enter Section C or D. Operators of stations in Section C or D may not make contest exchanges using callsigns other than the club or group callsign.

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## Contest Exchange

RS (or RST) reports, a serial number, and your four digit Maidenhead locator.

## Repeat Contacts

Stations may be worked again on each band after three hours. If the station is moved to a new location in a different locator square, repeat contacts may be made immediately. If the station moves back into the previous locator square, the three hour limit still applies to stations worked from that square.

## Scoring

For each band, score 10 points for each locator square in which your station operates, plus 10 points for each locator square worked, plus 1 point per contact. Multiply the total by the band multiplier as follows:

6 m	2 m	70 cm	23 cm	Higher
x 1	x 3	x 5	x 8	x 10

Then total the scores for all bands.

## Logs

Logs should cover the entire operating period and include the following for each contact: UTC time, frequency, station worked, serial numbers and locator numbers exchanged, points claimed.

## Cover Sheet

The cover sheet should contain the names and callsigns of all operators; postal address; station location and Maidenhead locator; the section(s) entered; the scoring table; and a signed declaration that the contest manager's decision will be accepted as final.

Please use the following format for your scoring table. In this example the operator has operated from one locator and worked four locators on each band:

<b>Band</b>	<b>Locators Activated</b> (10 points each)	<b>+</b>	<b>Locators Worked</b> (10 points each)	<b>+</b>	<b>QSOs</b> (1 point each)	<b>x</b>	<b>Multiplier</b>	<b>=</b>	<b>Band Total</b>
6 m	10	+	40	+	40	x	1	=	90
2 m	10	+	40	+	30	x	3	=	240
70 cm	10	+	40	+	20	x	5	=	350
etc.									
Overall Total								=	680

A sample cover sheet and scoring table is available on the WIA web site. Copies can also be obtained from the e-mail address given below.

## Entries

Paper logs may be posted to the Manager, VHF-UHF Field Day, 3 Vernal Avenue, Mitcham, Vic 3132. Electronic logs can be e-mailed to [yhf-contests@wia.org.au](mailto:yhf-contests@wia.org.au). The following log formats are acceptable: ASCII text, MS Office 2000 (or earlier) RTF, DOC, XLS or MDB.

Logs must be received by **Monday, January 28, 2008**. Early logs would be appreciated.



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## SUMMER VHF-UHF FIELD DAY 2008: RESULTS

Contest manager: John Martin VK3KM

The Summer Field Day went well. Propagation was better than usual, and there was a particularly good sporadic E opening on 6 and 2 metres that gave both portable and home stations large numbers of contacts and a bigger than usual list of grid squares.

The winners of the five sections were: Doug Friend VK4OE, Ralph Edgar VK3WRE, the Lara group VK3UHF, Alan VK3XPD, and Matt VK2DAG. Congratulations to all.

I was interesting to note that with one exception, the top scorers on each band were not the top scorers overall in their sections. It is good to draw attention to the very high scores that some entrants were able to achieve. These top scorers were: David VK4ZDP on 6 metres, Andrew VK1DA and the EMDRC VK3ER on 2 metres, Andrew VK1DA again on 70 cm, and the LUMEG group VK3UHF on 1296.

The next VHF-UHF Field Day will be the spring event next November. The dates will be confirmed a little later in the year. Please check the VHF-UHF Field Day page on the WIA web site for further details.

Call	Name	Location	50	144	432	1296	2.4 GHz	3.4 GHz	5.7 GHz	10 GHz	24 GHz	TOTAL
<b>Section A: Single Operator, 24 Hours</b>												
VK4OE	Doug Friend	QG63, QG62	75	582	505	640	470	-	-	460	-	2732
VK1DA	Andrew Davis	QF44	79	930	890	552	-	-	-	-	-	2451
VK3BJM	Barry Miller	QF15	156	639	535	272	-	-	-	-	-	1602
VK3BBB	Brian Young	QF31	147	615	435	168	-	-	-	-	-	1365
VK2FRBS	Russell Simon	QF57	-	492	525	-	-	-	-	-	-	1017
VK5XE	Ian Northeast	PF96	140	231	315	-	-	-	-	-	-	686
VK2RS	Don Haberecht	QF33	71	330	120	-	-	-	-	-	-	521
VK5AR	Alan Raftery	PF94	30	195	180	96	-	-	-	-	-	501
VK1AI	Greg Parkhurst	QF44	165	228	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	393
VK5FAAF	Robert Allen	PF96	-	178	212	-	-	-	-	-	-	390
VK2ZSZ	Steve Zoneff	QF44	-	66	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	66
<b>Section B: Single Operator, 8 Hours</b>												
VK3WRE	Ralph Edgar	QF31	-	366	450	536	470	340	220	360	-	2742
VK3HY	Gavin Brain	QF32	172	474	455	408	-	-	-	-	-	1509
VK5OQ	Keith Gooley	PF95	65	324	240	168	-	-	-	-	-	797
VK5AR	Alan Raftery	PF94	27	171	150	96	-	-	-	-	-	444
VK3KAN	Rik Head	QF22	23	108	165	-	-	-	-	-	-	296
VK3DCQ	Trevor Haines	QF22	-	153	120	-	-	-	-	-	-	273
VK2YJS	Julian Sortland	QF56	66	132	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	198
VK4EV	Ron Everingham	QG62	30	60	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	90
<b>Section C: Multi Operator, 24 Hours</b>												
VK3UHF	LUMEG (1)	QF21	207	666	805	960	960	590	360	840	220	5608
VK3ER	EMDRC (2)	QF22	239	930	865	792	-	-	-	-	-	2826
VK4WAT	TREC (3)	QH22	474	630	420	360	-	-	-	260	-	2144
VK2MA	HADARC (4)	QF46	268	585	605	584	-	-	-	-	-	2060
VK5ARC	SCARC (5)	PF94	223	798	530	168	-	-	-	-	-	1716
<b>Section D: Multi Operator, 8 Hours</b>												
VK3XPD	(6)	QF21, 22	-	504	510	600	460	450	-	460	220	3204
VK3FRC	FAMPARC (7)	QF21	161	552	515	304	-	-	-	-	-	1532
VK2MA	HADARC (4)	QF46	170	384	420	464	-	-	-	-	-	1438
VK3BJA	GGREC (8)	QF21	-	325	335	344	-	-	-	-	-	994
VK1WJ	(9)	QF44	120	252	250	-	-	-	-	-	-	622

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<b>Section E: Home Station, 24 Hours</b>												
VK2DAG	Matt Hetherington	QF56	206	858	640	504	210	-	-	210	-	2628
VK3HZ	David Smith	QF22	-	609	715	720	-	-	-	-	-	2044
VK3BDL	Michael Goode	QF22	177	657	630	528	-	-	-	-	-	1992
VK4BEG	Russell Norton	QH22	477	594	285	216	-	-	-	-	-	1572
VK4DMC	Dale McCarthy	QH22	400	396	240	216	-	-	-	-	-	1252
VK4ZDP	David Purkis	QH32	530	420	255	-	-	-	-	-	-	1205
VK4AR	Gary Ryan	QG62	-	501	160	-	320	-	-	210	-	1191
VK3TPR	Peter Roberts	QF22	91	456	500	-	-	-	-	-	-	1047
VK4ADC	Doug Hunter	QG62	373	564	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	937
VK3YXC	Ken Church	QF22	35	177	320	368	-	-	-	-	-	900
VK2EI	Neil Sandford	QF68	63	396	430	-	-	-	-	-	-	889
VK4AQ	Ross Anderson	QH32	374	252	255	-	-	-	-	-	-	881
VK2TG	Robert Demkiw	QF55	35	345	440	-	-	-	-	-	-	820
VK5MCB	Michael Baldock	PF86	43	492	270	-	-	-	-	-	-	805
VK5FIVE	Rick Cybul	PF94	-	393	270	-	-	-	-	-	-	663
VK3ACA	John Adcock	QF22	-	381	235	-	-	-	-	-	-	616
VK2EAH	Andy Hood	QF56	-	282	330	-	-	-	-	-	-	612
VK3HV	George Francis	QF31	50	159	210	-	-	-	-	-	-	419
VK2ZQX	John Watson	QF58	146	270	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	416
VK4AAT	Terry Stewart	QG62	187	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	187
VK3YFL	Bryon Dunkley-Smith											Check log

- (1) Lara UHF-Microwave Experimenters' Group: Chas Gnaccarini VK3PY, David Learmonth VK3QM, Charlie Kahwagi VK3NX.
- (2) Eastern and Mountain District Radio Club: Steve VK3AMY, Jim VK3AMN, Mike VK3AVV, David VK3DLR, John VK3PZ, Peter VK3QI, Damien VK3SOX, Jonas VK3VF, Max VK3WT, Jack VK3WWW.
- (3) Tablelands Radio & Electronics Club: John Roberts VK4TL, Trevor Gregory VK4ZFC, Dave West VK4ADW.
- (4) Hornsby & District Amateur Radio Club: Mick VK2HMS, Dave VK2FDIW, Rose VK2ANG, Steve VK2BCD, Rod VK2DAY, Compton VK2HRX, Taylor VK2FTEC, Rod VK2FDRW, Josh VK2ZJG, Mal VK2STG, Paul VK2FMAM, Peter VK2TTP, Dave VK2HSS, Pete VK2TPK, Bob VK2BMU.
- (5) South Coast Amateur Radio Club: Barry Bates VK5KBJ, Andrew Willis VK5LA, Stef Daniels VK5HSX, Peter Patterson VK5FPGP.
- (6) Alan Devlin VK3XPD, Michael Coleman VK3AAK.
- (7) Frankston & Mornington Peninsula ARC: Roy VK3GB, Gerard VK3GER, Andrew VK3AEJ, Stjepan VK3TSN.
- (8) Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club: Phil Pavey VK3YB, Kerri-May Pavey VK3FDSD, Bruno Tonizzo VK3BFT, Doug Rowe VK3KMN, Helmut Inhoven VK3DHI, Ivan Blezard VK3ARV, Ian Jackson VK3BUF, Ross Jackson VK3ZAP, Megan Woods.
- (9) VK1YBQ: Hauke Wunderlich, VK1PAR: Al Long, VK1WJ: Waldis Jirgens.



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# INAUGURAL WINTER VHF-UHF FIELD DAY 2008

John Martin (VK3KM), contest manager

The first VHF-UHF Field Day was run as a trial in January 1989. The response was good, so the Field Day became a permanent event. Then in 1998 Rod VK2TWR suggested that it would be a good idea to have a Spring Field Day as well. This also went well, and activity has continued to increase since then, especially over the last few years.

Now Michael VK3AAK has suggested the idea of a Winter Field Day. This is certainly worth a try, and if it goes well it could become another regular feature of the contest calendar.

This Field Day is being arranged at short notice, so please spread the word. Polling has indicated majority support for a date in early winter, and the date has also been chosen to avoid clashes with major events such as Gipstech.

The rules are quite straightforward. The wording of the details relating to the contest sections has been rearranged for the sake of clarity, but the rules themselves are the same as for previous events. A sample scoring sheet is included with the rules on the WIA web site.

I hope you will be able to participate in the Field Day, and I look forward to receiving plenty of logs.

### Dates - Saturday and Sunday June 21 and 22, 2008

Duration in all call areas other than VK6: 0200 UTC Saturday to 0200 UTC Sunday.

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Please note these times carefully, because this is the first VHF-UHF Field Day to be run at a time of the year when daylight saving time does not apply.

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# WIA VHF-UHF FIELD DAY

Section entered:

- A** Single operator 24 hours
- B** Single operator 8 hours
- C** Multi operator 24 hours
- D** Multi operator 8 hours
- E** Home station 24 hours

*If entering more than one section, please use a separate copy of this sheet for each section.*

For Section B or D, time period to be scored:

The station operated from the following grid locators:


Date:

Station callsign:

Callsigns and names of all operators:

Postal address for notification of results:

Postcode:

**Declaration:** The station was operated in accordance with the rules and spirit of the contest. I / We agree to accept the Contest Manager's decision as final.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

## SCORING TABLE

Band	Locators Activated 10 points each	Locators Worked 10 points each	QSOs made 1 point each	Total	Band Multiplier	Band Total
50 MHz	+	+	=		x 1	=
144 MHz	+	+	=		x 3	=
432 MHz	+	+	=		x 5	=
1296 MHz	+	+	=		x 8	=
2.4 GHz	+	+	=		x 10	=
3.4 GHz	+	+	=		x 10	=
5.7 GHz	+	+	=		x 10	=
10 GHz	+	+	=		x 10	=
Higher	+	+	=		x 10	=

FINAL TOTAL = \_\_\_\_\_



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# WINTER VHF-UHF FIELD DAY 2008: RESULTS

Contest manager: John Martin VK3KM

Here are the results for the inaugural Winter Field Day. Not surprisingly, activity was not at the same level as the spring and summer contests, but for first event at a chilly time of year, it went extremely well. The winners of the five sections were: Doug Friend VK4OE; Michael Coleman VK3AAK; the crew of VK4WIE; the Geelong group VK3UHF; and Leigh Rainbird VK2KRR. Congratulations to these winners and to all who braved the elements to make this first Winter Field Day a success.

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VK3CT	Damien Wright	QF31	-	459	270	168	-	-	-	-	897
VK2AMS	Mark Swannack	QF68	40	324	350	-	-	-	-	-	714
VK5AR	Alan Raftery	PF94, PF95	36	231	330	-	-	-	-	-	597
VK4HEC	Ewen Cameron	QG62	-	228	270	-	-	-	-	-	498
VK1FOTO	Ian Stevenson	QF44	-	171	145	-	-	-	-	-	316
<b>Section B: Single Operator, 8 Hours</b>											
VK3AAK	Michael Coleman	QF21, 22, 31, 32	-	402	565	536	-	-	-	-	1503
VK3WRE	Ralph Edgar	QF31	-	195	270	392	-	-	-	-	857
VK3HV	George Francis	QF31	-	144	300	-	-	-	-	-	440
VK5AR	Alan Raftery	PF94, PF95	31	150	210	-	-	-	-	-	391
VK5OM	Jim Bywaters	QF03	-	132	220	-	-	-	-	-	352
VK4EV	Ron Everingham	QG62	32	132	165	-	-	-	-	-	329
VK4DFG	Harry Debnam	QG62	32	66	105	-	-	-	-	-	203
VK6ZYX	Mike Beall	OF76, OF86	35	141	-	-	-	-	-	-	176
<b>Section C: Multi Operator, 24 Hours</b>											
VK4WIE	(1)	QG61	72	603	495	416	-	-	-	-	1586
VK3JTM	(2)	QF12	39	450	500	576	-	-	-	-	1565
VK2BTW	Tamworth RC (3)	QF58	21	390	510	-	-	-	-	-	921
<b>Section D: Multi Operator, 8 Hours</b>											
VK3UHF	LUMEG (4)	QF22	-	402	440	472	320	-	210	210	2054
VK2HRX	(5)	QF46	-	321	300	184	-	-	-	-	805
VK3FRC	FAMPARC (6)	QF22	37	393	370	-	-	-	-	-	800
VK5SR	SERG (7)	QF02	-	168	-	-	210	-	210	-	588
VK1BL	(8)	QF45, QF55	-	99	170	-	-	-	-	210	479
VK3WT	(9)	QF22	-	207	240	-	-	-	-	-	447
VK1WJ	(10)	QF44	27	174	225	-	-	-	-	-	426
<b>Section E: Home Station, 24 Hours</b>											
VK2KRR	Leigh Rainbird	QF34	21	477	430	576	-	-	-	-	1504
VK3AAK	Michael Coleman	QF21	-	309	300	376	-	-	-	-	985
VK4KZR	Rod Preston	QG62	-	153	-	272	210	-	-	-	635
VK2EI	Neil Sandford	QF68	26	264	315	-	-	-	-	-	605
VK3YLV	David Timms	QF13	24	111	180	192	-	-	-	-	507
VK5LSB	Simon Brandenburg	PF94	-	195	265	-	-	-	-	-	460
VK3ECH	Rob George	QF23	-	288	170	-	-	-	-	-	458
VK4TJ	John Kirk	QG52	-	237	180	-	-	-	-	-	417
VK2ZTY	Nick Repin	QG61	21	63	105	168	-	-	-	-	357
VK4FJON	John Cockinos	QG62	-	141	130	-	-	-	-	-	271
VK3BG	Ed Roache	QF24	-	249	-	-	-	-	-	-	249
VK2CZ	David Burger	QF56	22	78	120	-	-	-	-	-	220
VK1PAR	Al Long	QF44	-	153	-	-	-	-	-	-	153
VK2ZQX	John Watson	QF58	-	141	-	-	-	-	-	-	141

- (1) Ron Croucher VK4CRO, Ron Meiring VK4KDD, John Morris VK4MJF, Eric Fittock VK4NEF
- (2) Tim Morgan VK3JTM, Dylan Cator VK3JWC, G. Richards VK3FIQ
- (3) Tamworth Radio Club Inc - John Hams VK2JH, Cris Perrett VK2FBOZ
- (4) Lara UHF - Microwave Experimenters Group: Chas Gnaccarini VK3PY, David Learmonth VK3QM, Ken Jewell VK3NW
- (5) Compton Allen VK2HRX, David Sims VK2HSS, Taylor Allen VK2FTEC
- (6) Frankston and Mornington Peninsula Amateur Radio Club: Stjepan Nikolic VK3TSN, Andrew Stewart VK3AEJ, David Roitman VK3LDR
- (7) South East Radio Group: Chris Skeer VK5MC, Trevor Niven VK5NC, Andrew McKinnis VK5KET, Colin Hutchesson VK5DK
- (8) Ted Garnett VK1BL, Owen Duffy VK1OD
- (9) Max Chadwick VK3WT, Jack Bramham VK3WWW
- (10) Al Long VK1PAR, Waldis Jirgens VK1WJ



# *Wireless Institute of Australia*

## **SPRING VHF-UHF FIELD DAY 2008**

Contest manager: John Martin VK3KM

### **Dates**

#### **Saturday and Sunday 15 and 16 November 2008.**

Duration in all call areas other than VK6: 0100 UTC Saturday to 0200 UTC Sunday.

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- E: Home station, 24 hours.

Entrants may enter more than one section.

*Single operator stations:* If a single operator station operates for more than 8 hours, the station may enter both Section A and Section B. If the winner of Section A has also entered Section B, his log will be excluded from Section B.

*Two operators:* If two operators set up a joint station with shared equipment, they may choose to enter Section A or B as separate stations under their own callsigns, or Section C or D under a single callsign. If they enter Section A or B, they may not claim contacts with each other.

*Multi-operator stations:* Stations with more than two operators must enter Section C or D. If the winners of Section C have also entered Section D, their log will be excluded from Section D. Operators of stations in Section C or D may not make contest exchanges using callsigns other than the club or group callsign.

*Operating periods:* Stations entering the 8 hour sections may operate for more than 8 hours – please include details in your cover sheet of which 8 hour period should be used for scoring purposes.

### **General Rules**

One callsign per station. Operation may be from any location. A station is portable only if all of its equipment is transported to a place which is not the normal location of any amateur station. Stations may change location during the Field Day provided the station is dismantled and reassembled each time it moves. You may work stations within your own locator square. Repeater, satellite and crossband contacts are not permitted.

No contest operation is allowed below 50.150 MHz. Recognised DX calling frequencies must not be used for contest activity. Suggested procedure is to call on .150 on each band, and QSY up to make the contest exchange.

### **Contest Exchange**

RS (or RST) reports, a serial number, and your four digit Maidenhead locator. The Maidenhead locator is optional if it has already been exchanged in a previous contact during the Field Day and neither station has moved since then.

## Repeat Contacts

Stations may be worked again on each band after three hours. If the station is moved to a new location in a different locator square, repeat contacts may be made immediately. If the station moves back into the previous locator square, the three hour limit still applies to stations worked from that square.

## Logs

Logs should cover the entire operating period and include the following for each contact: UTC time; frequency; station worked; serial numbers and locator numbers exchanged.

## Scoring

For each band, score 10 points for each locator square in which your station operates, plus 10 points for each locator square worked, plus 1 point per contact. Multiply the total by the band multiplier as follows:

6 m	2 m	70 cm	23 cm	Higher
x 1	x 3	x 5	x 8	x 10

Then total the scores for all bands.

## Cover Sheet

The cover sheet should contain the names and callsigns of all operators; postal address; station location and Maidenhead locator; the section(s) entered; the scoring table; and a signed declaration that the contest manager's decision will be accepted as final.

Please use the following format for your scoring table. In this example the operator has operated from one locator and worked four locators on each band:

<b>Band</b>	<b>Locators Activated</b> (10 points each)	<b>+</b>	<b>Locators Worked</b> (10 points each)	<b>+</b>	<b>QSOs</b> (1 point each)	<b>x</b>	<b>Multiplier</b>	<b>=</b>	<b>Band Total</b>
6 m	10	+	40	+	40	x	1	=	90
2 m	10	+	40	+	30	x	3	=	240
70 cm	10	+	40	+	20	x	5	=	350
etc.									
Overall Total								=	680

A blank cover sheet, with scoring table, is available on the Field Day page of the WIA web site.

## Entries

Paper logs may be posted to the Manager, VHF-UHF Field Day, 3 Vernal Avenue, Mitcham, Vic 3132. Electronic logs can be e-mailed to [yhf-contests@wia.org.au](mailto:yhf-contests@wia.org.au). The following log formats are acceptable: ASCII text, MS Office 2000 (or earlier) RTF, DOC, XLS or MDB. Logs must be received by **Monday, 3 December 2008**. Early logs would be appreciated.



Call	Name	Location	50 MHz	144 MHz	432 MHz	1296 MHz	2.4 GHz	3.4 GHz	5.7 GHz	10 GHz	47 GHz	TOTAL
<b>Section C: Multi Operator, 24 Hours</b>												
VK3UHF	LUMEG (1)	QF21	121	849	1130	1152	1060	440	560	700		6012
VK3ER	EMDRG (2)	QF22	243	987	1340	1360	-	-	-	-	-	3930
VK5LZ	Elizabeth ARC (3)	PF85, 86, 95, 96	115	489	785	1016	-	-	-	1000	-	3405
VK5OM	(4)	QF03	131	696	800	1200	210	-	-	-	-	3037
VK1BL	(5)	QF44	40	768	605	536	410	-	-	350	-	2709
VK4WAT	Tableland REC (6)	QH22	220	432	510	496	-	-	-	260	-	1918
VK3JTM	(7)	QF12	-	432	635	808	-	-	-	-	-	1875
VK2BTW	Tamworth RC (8)	QF58	58	471	430	224	-	-	-	-	-	1163
VK2AWX	Hunter RG (9)	QF56	165	588	400	-	-	-	-	-	-	1153
VK3III	Wimmera ARG (10)	QF13	48	297	435	296	-	-	-	-	-	1076
VK3LCD	(11)	QF01	-	372	415	-	-	-	-	-	-	787
VK4WIE	CBRS (12)	QG62	-	417	320	-	-	-	-	-	-	737

**Section D: Multi Operator, 8 Hours**

VK3XPD	(13)	QF21, QF22	82	363	410	624	450	440	450	450	-	3269
VK5LZ	Elizabeth ARC (3)	PF85, 86, 95, 96	104	387	635	912	-	-	-	960	-	2998
VK3AIG	(14)	QF12	104	348	520	432	370	-	-	-	-	1774
VK3FRC	FAMPARC (15)	QF21	104	453	365	400	-	-	-	-	-	1322
VK3APC	MDRC (16)	QF21	79	135	255	304	-	-	-	-	-	773
VK2MA	HADARC (17)	QF46	38	216	190	256	-	-	-	-	-	700
VK2EH	CCARC (18)	QF56	-	234	305	-	-	-	-	-	-	539

**Section E: Home Station, 24 Hours**

VK2DAG	Matt Hetherington	QF56	86	666	640	688	-	-	-	-	-	2080
VK4ZDP	David Purkis	QH32	71	294	360	264	-	-	-	-	-	989
VK3KIS	Andrew Kayton	QF22	48	192	355	320	-	-	-	-	-	915
VK5LSB	Simon Brandenburg	PF94	72	348	470	-	-	-	-	-	-	890
VK2EI	Neil Sandford	QF68	37	516	315	-	-	-	-	-	-	868
VK5FUN	Darryl Ross	PF95	-	300	425	-	-	-	-	-	-	725
VK3CT	Damien Wright	QF31	-	372	340	-	-	-	-	-	-	712
VK3TPR	Peter Roberts	QF22	51	249	350	-	-	-	-	-	-	650
VK4TJ	John Kirk	QG52	22	186	245	168	-	-	-	-	-	621
VK1PAR	Alistair Long	QF44	52	312	255	-	-	-	-	-	-	619
VK3DMW	Ken Brown	QF31	-	246	105	264	-	-	-	-	-	615
VK2EAH	Andy Hood	QF56	-	360	250	-	-	-	-	-	-	610
VK4FJON	John Cockinos	QG62	-	261	210	-	-	-	-	-	-	471
VK3FMCQ	Nick Kraehe	QF31	-	261	165	-	-	-	-	-	-	426
VK3BLE	Colin Pomroy	QF31	-	174	220	-	-	-	-	-	-	394
VK3XOR	Craig White	QF22	40	123	205	-	-	-	-	-	-	368
VK1WJ	Waldis Jirgens	QF44	26	114	140	-	-	-	-	-	-	280
VK2KTC	Tom Clifford	QF56	38	81	125	-	-	-	-	-	-	244
VK3DAG	Steven Hamer	QF23	45	69	115	-	-	-	-	-	-	229
VK4JAZ	Grant McDuling	QG62	35	-	105	-	-	-	-	-	-	140
VK2ZQX	John Watson	QF58	21	104	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	125
VK3KST	Tom Steadman	QF31	-	120	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	120

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- (3) Elizabeth Amateur Radio Club: Iain Crawford VK5ZDB, John Ross VK5NI, Steve Mahony VK5AIM
- (4) Jim Bywaters VK5OM, Bill Day VK3LY, Brian Farmers VK3AQX
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- (11) Gary Smith VK3LCD, Paul Brown VK3HJV
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- (13) Alan Devlin VK3XPD, Michael Coleman VK3KH
- (14) John Kennedy VK3AIG, Ian Lloyd VK3IDL, Ian McDonald VK3AXH
- (15) Frankston and Mornington Peninsula ARC: Ed VK3GD, David VK3EW, Roy VK3GB, Stjepan VK3WF, David VK3LDR
- (16) Moorabbin & District Radio Club: Ian Morris VK3IFM, Lee Moyle VK3GK, Gerard Werner VK3GER
- (17) Hornsby & Districts Amateur Radio Club: Steve VK2BCD, Rosa VK2ANG, Rod VK2DAY, Dave VK2HSS, Tomas VK2CCC, Mark VK2BMW, Mike VK2FNBA, Peter VK2TTP
- (18) Central Coast ARC: Dave Hardy VK2JDH, Col Matten VK2KCM

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