

2017 Oceania DX Contest - CW station information and soapbox comments

Call	Radios	Antennas	Comment
7K1CPT	5W	Dipole	
9M6XRO	FT-920 + Quadra linear 400W	2 el Lightning Bolt Quad for HF + Butternut HF2V Vert for LF	As a 9M6 in Oceania I was kept busy during my operating times. NA prop was poor but I had some productive runs into EU and JA. Pity not more activity from Oceania. Many non-Oceania stations were giving really low serial nrs even near the end of the Contest. Not easy for them to maintain interest under these circumstances.
EA2BD	KX3 + amp 100W	Delta loop	First time in this test. Very nice to catch OC stations on 40M in early afternoon!
F-59706	TS-590	Wellbrook ALA100 loop	
HA3FMR	FT-847	W3DZZ antenna	
IV3AOL	FT-817 5W	G3TXQ hex Beam for 20M, dipole for 40M	
JA0BJY			I joined partially and enjoyed the contest
JA1CRJ			I enjoyed the contest. See you next year.
JA1EPJ			I enjoyed the contest
JA1VVH			I enjoyed the contest
JA2CJE			I enjoyed the contest
JA2HNP			I enjoyed the contest
JA2KKA	IC-7100 100W	Inverted vee + 12AVQ triband vertical	
JA2KVB	IC-756PRO 100W	Tribander + inverted vee	
JA2XLV			I enjoyed the contest
JA3JM	IC-706 50W	Vertical	
JA3VOV			I enjoyed the contest
JA4BEV			I enjoyed the contest
JA4GQD			I enjoyed the contest
JA4LCI	FT-991AM 50W	4 el yagi	
JA4XHF/3			I enjoyed the contest
JA7ACM			I enjoyed the contest
JA7ARW			Thanks nice contest
JA9EJG			I enjoyed the contest
JE1ILP	IC-7300S	8.5m longwire antenna	
JE1VTZ			I enjoyed the contest

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JE2CPI			I enjoyed the contest
JF1LMB			I enjoyed the contest
JF8LPB	FT-817ND	End few long wire	
JG1EIQ			I enjoyed the contest
JG1LPL	FT-897DM 50W	DP 8mh	
JG1UKW			I enjoyed the contest
JG2RFJ			I enjoyed the contest
JH2KKW			I enjoyed the contest
JH4PUS	IC-756PRO 100W	GP	The first time I attended the Oceania contest. Thank you so much for a wonderful contest!
JH6QIL			I enjoyed the contest
JH7VHZ			I enjoyed the contest
JH8GEU			I enjoyed the contest
JI1RSF			I enjoyed the contest
JI1TSH			I enjoyed the contest
JJ0SFV	FT-817ND 5W	Mobile whip	Thank you for picking up my weak signal
JJ1HHJ	FT-847 50W		
JJ2ICA			I enjoyed the contest
JJ3TBB/3	TS-850S	GP	Operating location is "Tarumi-ku, Kobe-City in Hyogo"
JK1LUY	200W	Inverted vee	
JK1TCV			I used power less than 5W
JK7DWD	5W	3 el yagi	Many thanks to all who were patient with me pulling QRP calls. Every QSO is appreciated.
JO1JKH	FT-450M	GP	
JO1WIZ	IC-7300M 50W	Loaded DP	VK9CI persevered to pick up my weak signal
JQ1CIV			I enjoyed the contest
JQ1NGT	TS480HX	DP + 5 el yagi	
JR0BQD			See you next year!
JR1AQI			I enjoyed the contest
JR1LEV	JST-245	DP + wire	I enjoyed the contest
JR1NKN	TS-680V 5W	Whip 12mh	I'm very glad to have many QSOs
JR2BYJ			I enjoyed the contest
JR2MIN			I enjoyed the contest
JR2WLQ			I enjoyed the contest

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JR3RIU	IC-7600 + KPA500 500W		
JR7ASO			I enjoyed the contest
JR9NVB	TS-520 50W	Vertical	
JS2PHO			Enjoyed QSOs
JS6TQS			My first ever CW contest. Thanks for putting on the contest. I heard about the history of the contest on Amateur Radio Newline. Lots of fun. Operated from Uruma City, Okinawa
K1GQ	K3 2000A	2XA-3B-12L + OB2-40 + wires	
K3TW/4			Activity and band conditions on 40M were excellent
LZ1IA	85W		Very bad condx for my low power and bad antenna
NV1N			This contest is great
OH5UQ	TS-590 + PA 500W	40M GP	
OK1RP			The king of the band was definitely Xenia, ZL4YL this year! Excellent CW operating skills as same as big sigs over here in central EU...Congrats Xenia
OM8ON	FT-2000	DP 2x21m 30mh with 600 Ohm ladder line	Bad conditions this year
OZ5DX			Conditions very poor on both Saturday and Sunday. Long path did not open at all on 20M. I only worked 4 VK's and 1 ZL Thanks for the participants from Indonesia and the Philipines and Tonga. CU next year.
R1QE	IC-718 100W	80M quad for all bands	
R6CW	TS-590S 100W	80M horizontal loop 3mh	
R7KO	FT-817 5W	84m sloper	
RA0AY	IC-756PRO2	2 el yagi	
RW3YA	FT-1000 MKV + PA 400W`	DP + GP	
SP5GH	100W	Cushcraft R7	
SP9FMP	100W	46m inverted L	
T88UW			I enjoyed the contest. Due to noise, I couldn't work much on low bands
UA0LCZ	FT-920		
VE5SDH			Propagation wasn't too good from here but managed to work a few people - thanks for the fun and no logging programs for this blind Ham so hope my little file is ok.
VE7JKZ			Absolutely awful condx from VE7. Things can only get better. Can't they...?
VK2ACW			Solar activity bad - other than that we had a great time

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VK2BJ			What lousy condition ! 40M was the only reasonable band in this part of VK. I spent quite a lot of time on 10m calling CQ and listening around but the silence was deafening. Nevertheless, the contest was enjoyable as usual.
VK2BPL			Thanks to all of the wonderful operators
VK2EL	FT897 100W	Multi-band mag loops	Very limited space for antennas on retirement village balcony
VK2IG	TS-480HX 100W	80M OCF + 40M DP	Late start Saturday evening, poor condx on higher freq bands. Sunday rendered 5-band spiderbeam ineffective, so stuck to 40M. better luck next year maybe? Tnx to everyone who answered my calls.
VK2IO	KX3 5W	ZS6BKW antenna on a 9mh mast	Operated for the last hour of the contest from Castlereagh Nature Reserve VKFF-1905 which is 45km NW of Sydney. There was nothing much on 20M and above but 40M and 80M were jumping and I even managed to run some of the time. Great to work N8OO and A31MM on 40m from such a humble setup as well as 5 ZLs. Photos here: https://photos.app.goo.gl/Tml7LsdLAmz9Og2p1 . Thanks for all the calls.
VK3MI	Flex-6300 90W	Multiband inverted vee dipole @ 20mh + 80M vertical	Thanks for another fun contest!
VK5GR			Terrible conditions but had fun trying!
VK7GN			Conditions even worse than SSB weekend I think! Glad I had a book to read in slow spots!
VU2UR			Enjoyed another Oceania contest
WQ6X	K3 + ACOM-2000a 1kW	80M inveretyd vee + 40M Yagi + 3-el Stepp-IR	While the space weather condx were horrible (poking "holes" in signals), I was amazed by how strong some OC stations were. It was nice to add a couple of new countries to the WQ6X Fallbrook area log. The upper bands were certainly open (according to DXMaps.Com at any rate). Pointing the antennas Southwest would often find stations popping thru the noise. You can read my writeup on this and other contest events during the weekend at the WQ6X Contest BLOG: http://WQ6X.Blogspot.Com
YB0ANN	FT-817ND 5W	Mobile whip	
YD1IUK	TF-747-GX		My first CW DX contest
YO4CSL			Thanks for nice contest
YO4SI	TS-450SAT 100W	Dipole FD4	
ZL2AGY	K3 + KPA500	1/4 wave vertical	Well I survived a night on 40M - quite busy, but plenty of QRN as usual. Sunday evening conditions seemed rather poor. Roll on next year.
ZL2JU			Not able to do much on the air this time. Very little heard on Sunday during the day.
ZL2RX			The lack of 80 and 160 activity was disapointing, but I enjoyed the dabble.
ZL3VZ			Some interesting openings considering the disturbance to propagation

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ZL4YL	K3 + KPA500	40M 2 x 2 el	I was opting for 40M SB versus all bands to get a few hours sleep in between. The CW part was more fun than SSB and I could break my dad's 40M HP record with hopefully enough margin to make it through the log checking.