

## 2015 Oceania DX PHONE Contest - station information and soapbox comments

Call	Radios	Antennas	Comment
7L1AVS			My first Oceania DX contest. Tried QRP category.
7N2UQC			I could enjoy the good contest. Tnx for a fine contest again.
9M4CKB	FT-897	Dipole	Very fun contest and nice try to build my own antenna using wire.
9M6XRO	FT-1000MP + VL-1000 Quadra Linear 400W	2-el quad (HF) 27mh + Butternut HF2V vertical (LF)	Band conditions pretty poor. The noise seems to increase year by year. OTH Radar was taking out sections of the band on 15M and 20M. Made some contacts on 10M but terrific QRM from FM/AM Pirates on a North to Northwest heading from my QTH. Many thanks to the contest organisers.
9W6EZ			I did badly this year due to poor propagation on 10M. Not a single NA and only a few EU stations
CT7AIX	IC-718	Dipole	Bad propagation this year.
CX021			Nice contest and great participation.
DL1ASA			Testing the antenna.
DL7CX			Conditions were not the best!
DM3DA			Good fun!
DU7JAY			This is my first time to join Oceania contest - very exciting and so much fun!
F4ESV	FTDX-1200 100W	Spiderbeam 5 bands 9mh	1st time in this contest and just for a few hours.
F-59706	TS-590	Wellbrook ALA100	Average conditions but always a pleasant time in contest.
G4ICP	10W	1/4 wave GP	A great fun contest with plenty of challenges for us out portable in G and using 10W to a 1/4 wave ground plane! Perhaps there might be a category for /P stations in the future?
HB9KT			Band very poor.
IN3ISV			Only a short time and low propagation.
IV3AOL	FT-817 5W	G3TXQ Hex Beam	
IZ8GUQ			Beautiful and charming contest, great fun and good attendance, glad to have improved the previous score, now trying to improve for the next one.
JA0BJY			I enjoyed the contest.
JA1CCX			I enjoyed the contest.
JA1CRJ			TNX FB contest QSO!! I really enjoyed the contest.
JA1JLP			I enjoyed the contest.
JA1UOA			Loss of QSO data from 0330z to 0410z was due to a computer failure.
JA2HBK			I enjoyed the contest.
JA2HNP			I enjoyed the contest.
JA2M WV	IC-741S 5W	4-el beam 14mh for 10M and 15M + dipole 14mH for 40M	

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JA2XLV			Good contest - many VK and ZL stations on 20M.
JA3AER			I enjoyed the contest.
JA3FRI			I enjoyed the contest.
JA3UWB			I enjoyed the contest.
JA4CMW			I enjoyed the contest.
JA6BWH			I enjoyed the contest.
JA6EFT	IC-756 50W	4-el yagi 15mh	
JA6FCL			I enjoyed the contest.
JA7BEW			I enjoyed the contest.
JA7QVI			I enjoyed the contest.
JA9GEW			I enjoyed the contest.
JE6DNN			I enjoyed the contest.
JG1GCO			I enjoyed the contest.
JG1LPL	FT-897DM 50W	Dipole 8mh	
JG2RFJ			I enjoyed the contest.
JH1SUU			I enjoyed the contest.
JH2JNU			I enjoyed the contest.
JH4CES			I enjoyed the contest.
JJ3TBB/3	TS-850S	GP	
JK1NJH			I enjoyed the contest.
JL3VUL	TS-590V 10W	2-el and 4-el beams	
JO1JKH	FT-450M	GP	
JQ1NGT	TS-480 5W	5-el yagi	
JR1QBA			I enjoyed the contest.
JR2WLQ			My 1st entry in OCDX contest and very much enjoyed this contest.
JR9NVB	TS-520 70W	Vertical	
JS3LSQ			I enjoyed the contest.
JS6SRY			I enjoyed the contest.
K3TW			I tried the SWL category this year while completing some station upgrades.
K5KDX			CA QSO Party just wipes out Oceania stations.
LU1JHF		Dipole 24 mh for 40M + Dipole 23 mh for 20M	

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MOXAC			Propagation not as good as last year.
OH6IO			Somewhat odd propagation this time.
OK1KZ	FT-847 100W	Dipole G5RV	
PA0MIR	100W		Sorry - conditions from PA quite miserable, had higher expectations from the new beam TH3jr put in place only yesterday. Even at times predicted for reasonable longpath propagation, nothing at all was heard here. Glad anyway to make a good dozen of contacts, No 10M propagation for whole of 24 hours and on low bands my 100W don't cut the mustard.
PA9IGB	1W		Tried my luck with 1W!!! Thanks for the fun!
RL3AW	IC-7600 + solid state amplifier 400W	4-el STEPPIR 45mh	Lovely contest but conditions were very poor at my place (K085tq00DH). S meter level on 40M was 58-59, 20M 57-58, 15M 56-57, 10M nothing heard.
RW0BG			Thanks to the organizers for a very interesting contest!
RW3AI	IC-7800	ECO vertical	
SN7D			Just about 4 hours of operation on 20M - 44 QSOs. Really DX contest.
SP2WGB	100W	GP 6m on balcony	
SP6DVP	FT-1000MP Mark V 100 W	Dipole for 40M, 20M and 15M	
SP6JOE	FT-817	3-el yagi	
SP9BMH	TS-440S	40M dipole + 15M monoband delta loop	
SP9CVY	FT-897		
UA0LCZ	IC-756PRO		
UR5EPG	TS 870	Cushcraft A3S + dipole + vertical	
UR5VAA	IC-765	1-el SP3PL + inverted vee	
UW7M	FT-897D	Inverted vee	
VE3VEE			See you in the CW section. I will try harder!
VK1NS/VK5			My first contest - many thanks or organisers and to my contacts.
VK2ACW			Had a good time but bands disapointing.
VK2BBQ			Thanks for the contest!
VK2BFC			Great contest was glad to hear so many foundation calls on air. Definitely a better effort than 2014 in my opinion. I worked all but 6 hrs for sleep and managed to work at least 5 new countries including P29 which i had been trying for since licensed. Best contest in VK!
VK2BJ			Conditions only fair and poor on 10M. Had power line noise on 10M and 15M which wiped out weaker signals. More activity needed on 160M and 80M but generally quite enjoyable. Used SD for logging with no problems as usual.

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VK2EJW	IC-7600 100W	Dipole + 3-el yagi	
VK2IO	KX3	Two wire doublets - a ZS6BKW and a double-sized ZS6BKW allowing 160M operation.	For this contest I was portable at Wyrabalong National Park (QF56RO) on the NSW Central Coast. Making contacts as a QRP station was quite slow at times and also exciting when DX stations were cracked. Enjoyed my first proper tilt at this contest!
VK2LE	<100W		Operated from QTH QF56MB. Contacts signed /P as club station operated away from registered station address. The 2nd contest (1st Oceania DX Contest) for Patrick - VK2FPAT.
VK2LEE			A great Contest again with excellent conditions on 15M, 20M and 40M. I tried to get my 5 element Tribander up in the air without success, but I'll be back.
VK2NP			It was fun even with small station.
VK2XZ	FT-1000MP		
VK3ER			Sorry about the poor effort - the club has a lot of apathy towards club events and activities currently, at times we wonder why its a radio club at all, not much radio happens. At least we tried, hopefully our contacts help others. Thanks for running this event as always.
VK3FRC			A great contest and enjoyed by all club members who took part. The band conditions could have been better, even 20M was quieter than expected. We operated on 20M, 40M and 80M. However, we appear to have lost the 80M log, so our score is only from contacts on 20M and 40M. Without doubt the 40M band in our location was the more productive band. We are all looking forward to next years contest where we hope to be more active and produce a higher score.
VK3FUNY			Was a lot of fun and fingers crossed that the GARC wins the 4th one in a row!
VK3LCD			Only got my callsign the day before the contest. Thanks to Ian VK3ZIB for the loan of the squid pole so I could be a participant in the contest. Had an absolute ball. I now have the contest bug. I will definetly be back again! next year
VK3MEG			Was working but a good contest - nice to see 15M wide open late on saturday night, 40M solid, a few on 10M, only 1 contact on 80M was a dissapointment. Can't wait until the CW test!
VK3MI	Flex-3000 100W	Dipole 10 mh for 20M, 15M and 10M + inverted L longwire for 80M and 40M	
VK3NCC			Thanks to the organisers and the collators!
VK3NRW			Enjoyable contest as always, bands were a bit quiet in middle of contest but that is something we have to accept. Will participate again next year.
VK3NW			40M was very good but 10M was almost dead
VK3PK			High noise level experienced.
VK3ZD			First real contest - Good fun!
VK4ATH			Another great contest this year.

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VK5AR		Base loaded whip	Operated as a mobile station.
VK5FDEC	FT 817ND 5W		
VK5NIG			Great contest again.
VK5UE			Lot of local QRM.
VK6DW			Great contest. Thanks for putting it on.
VK6FLAB	5W	Vehicle mounted mono-band verticals	Operating with 5 Watts SSB on battery at the Hilary's Boat Harbor with vehicle mounted mono-band verticals. I was able to spend a few hours on air. I was surprised how many QSO's I managed and most of those multipliers. I heard many more stations, but they were not able to hear me. I intended to operate longer, but didn't manage to. I logged on paper and hopefully managed to get what I wrote onto VKCL. Thanks for organising it again this year - Wonderful!
VK6QM			Thanks for a great contest.
VK8HPB			It seemed that 10M and 15M were the bands of choice this time round as 20M was dead (me too) at the latter stages of the contest. I'll be back next year as I had fun.
VU2BL			It is appreciated that even one contact made is also eligible for participation certificate.
VU3TNI			Nice to participate in your contest for the very first time!
W6E			This was my first entry in the Oceania DX contest. Spurred on by VK3VTH's admonishment to play in your contest I took a nap and got up in time to play for 90 minutes and then went back to bed to be ready for CQP at 1600z. Signals on 40 sucked so I made the best of conditions here in Twain Harte. Maybe next year I will combine your contest more tightly with CQP.
WA2ALY	IC-7000 100W	DX-88 vertical 120 x 25 ft buried radials + KLM KT34A 50 ft high	
YB0ANN	FT-817ND 5W	Mobile whip	
YC3SBS			This is first time to join OCDX contest.
YD3GOQ			This is first time to join OCDX contest.
YD3RJL			Surprise I can join this contest
YD6BTI			Nice contest - great participation
YD8ITU	ICOM IC-718	Cushcraft X40	
YG3CYS			This is first time to join OCDX contest.
YG3CYT			This is first time to join OCDX contest.
YG3CYU			This is first time to join OCDX contest.
YO3GNF	IC-7600	Vertical BB-10V	
YO8THG	TS830S	Dipole	
ZL1MIT			Noisy on Sunday.

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ZL1X			Dreadful band conditions for me so every QSO was an effort. Very different contest to 2014 and disappointing not to get anywhere near the same score as last year. At end of contest turned the logging PC off and suddenly there was no QRN!!!
ZL1YE	FT-2000 100W	Dipoles	Rugby and propogation seems to have taken a toll in numbers participating. I put in some hours with no contacts! JSome of the DX was a struggle.
ZL2AYZ			An enjoyable contest with quite good band conditions.
ZL2CQ			Thanks to all that took the time to be there.