

This was the second DRCG-WW-RTTY contest.

439 logs for all categories including checklogs were submitted, 14,6% more than in 2014. 2094 different callsigns (including uniques and errors) were logged by the participants. Highest QSO numbers AFTER logchecking: Cat A1 833, Cat A2 334, Cat A3 759 and Cat B 962.

Active stations were from these continents:

- Africa 2 with 2 logs,
- Asia 236 with 95 logs,
- Europe 508 with 243 logs,
- North America 262 with 83 logs,
- South America 11 with 8 logs,
- Oceania 14 with 8 logs.

Again propagation conditions did not favour our contest. The change in conditions is also shown by the band usage, a decrease of QSOs on 10m and 15m, a marked increase on 20m.

10m - 1348 QSOs,  
15m - 22313 QSOs,  
20m - 28651 QSOs,  
40m - 7117 QSOs,  
80m - 1033 QSOs.

Note: A QSO between station A and B counts as TWO QSOs if both sent a log!

The new additional points multiplier for 80m and 40m QSOs was not as effective as hoped by us.

Our comments about the logs are practically the same as last year. While most of them could be processed and scored there were some with deficiencies. We need the correct category to be part of the Cabrillo - please use CATEGORY-OPERATOR or CATEGORY and check it before sending the log. Several stations logged serial numbers sent instead of their zone. The logs of their counterparts however showed that in fact a zone number was sent. Some logs were content with just 599 as the contest exchange sent. Some stations didn't have the right date in their computers and several apparently used local time instead of UTC for their logs. Watch out that you log what is actually sent by your QSO partner. Do not believe what your contest logger draws from whatever database it uses and offers you! If your logger automatically enters zone X in the resp. field BUT the other station sends zone Y and you fail to correct it you will be penalized. Several stations fell into this trap - a complete QSO (and often multiplier) lost! Our evaluation software scrupulously checks logged versus sent.

74 percent of all QSOs could be crosschecked.

Thanks to all participants! See you again next year.  
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