



The Pileup

Newsletter of the CDXA

2018 CQ WW DX Final Results

By John Forbus, NV4A

The Results from the 2018 CQ WW DX Contest were published by CQ a couple of months ago, and this is our first chance to summarize CDXA's results. First, here's an overview of where we finished relative to all other US clubs (CQ doesn't differentiate by the size of clubs) over the last few years:

AA4ZZ	Paul Trotter	President
W4GRW	Bill Fisher	Vice-Pres.
W3ZL	Cliff Wagoner	Sec./Treas.
K4MD	Joe Simpkins	Cluster Mgr.
NV4A	John Forbus	Contest Mgr.
W3GQ	Paul Sturpe	4th Call Area Bureau Mgr.
WB4BXW	Wayne Setzer	Webmaster
K8YC	John Scott	Editor

Year	Participants	Score	Place
2018 CAROLINA DX ASSN	31	12,243,960	#18
2017 CAROLINA DX ASSN	30	17,158,529	#13
2016 CAROLINA DX ASSN	37	20,816,682	#12
2015 CAROLINA DX ASSN	44	30,335,666	#14

Until last year, even though our scores were going down with the propagation and participation level, we stayed pretty steady in terms of our ranking. Unfortunately, in 2018, we dropped 5 points in the ranking. While CQ WW is still a few months away (SSB 26 and 27 October and CW 23-24 November (UTC)) it isn't too early to at

least put both weekends on your calendar. Note that this year, the CW portion of the contest is actually the weekend *before* Thanksgiving ...so maybe it will fit into more members' schedules.

On Page 3 are CDXA members' final results from 2018, taken from CQ's score database. If you look closely at the SSB spreadsheet, you'll notice a coincidence that looks like a typo. N4APR and W4WNT have the same score with different country and QSO numbers. That's because of the Rule that says that "QSO points are based on the location of the station worked." Finally, if you participated in the Contest, but your score doesn't show up, it may mean your logs showed up at CQ late, in which case it was used as a "checklog" with no score given.

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CDXA PacketCluster & Other Communication Systems	
K4MD (AR V.4 Cluster via Telnet)	k4md.no-ip.com:23
K4MD (AR V.6 Cluster via Telnet)	k4md.no-ip.com:7373
W4DXA (AR V.6 Cluster via Telnet)	w4dxa.no-ip.com:23
CDXA Repeater 147.18 MHz (+600)	W4DXA, Near Fort Mill, SC
World Wide Web Homepage	www.cdxa.org
Wednesday Luncheon (11:30 AM)	Skyland Family Restaurant, 4544 South Boulevard, Charlotte, NC

Six Meter Challenge

It's ALIVE! ...Six meters, that is. BUT, we still can't seem to get anybody else interested in joining in the fun. Maybe some of you are just waiting till later to turn in those big scores. If you aren't at least checking out the status of Six every time you're turning on the rig, you're missing out on some decent openings. A great opportunity is coming up, with the **CQ WW VHF Contest from 1800Z on 20 July until 2100Z on the 21st**. There will be a group from CDXA on the mountain, so please be sure to work them.

One other note: I've mentioned a couple of times that if you have a tribander, it makes a pretty good 6m antenna. While I (obviously) haven't been on the air a lot lately, on Six I've been mainly using my tribander instead of my 4 element 6m beam (mostly due to a defective remote antenna switch and being too lazy to hike up the hill and manually change antennas.) The tribander may not work quite as well as the 6m beam but, especially with FT8, I'm working almost anybody I can hear. ...and here are the numbers through June:

2019 Six meter Challenge Scores through June		
Call	Category	Grids
W3OA	Low	233
K5EK	High	131
W3GQ	High	77
NV4A	High	20
W4WNT	Low	7

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The purpose of the Association is to secure for the members the pleasures and benefits of associating with persons having a common interest in Amateur Radio.

Members of the CDXA shall adhere to "The Amateur's Code" as published from time to time in *The ARRL Handbook for Radio Amateurs*, and shall consist of those valid licensed amateur operators having an interest in promoting amateur radio. Long distance communications (DX) is of special interest to members of the Association, but said interest is not a requirement of membership.

Yearly dues are \$25.00. A second licensed Amateur family member living in the same household can join for \$5.00 for a total family price of \$30.00 per year. The total price for 3 or more licensed family members living in the same household is only \$35.00 per year. All family members enjoy full member status. Dues are payable annually in December by check to the Secretary/Treasurer:

Cliff Wagoner, W3ZL
218 Ohenry Avenue
Davidson, NC 28036

Address, telephone, and email address changes should be directed to the Secretary/Treasurer at the above address or via email at: jew53@cornell.edu.

Sovereign Military Order of Malta on air soon!

Fabrizio "Brix" Vedovelli writes from his home in Trento, Italy:

"...as I wrote you a while back in a private communication, a DXpedition of DXfriends (<http://www.dxfriends.com/>) will be in Rome soon to provide the radio amateur world an opportunity to put Sovereign Military Order of Malta (SMOM) into their logs. I intend to send you a report for the August issue of the Pileup.

The callsign will be 1A0C. Operations will start about Sunday 14 around 10:00 UTC and run until Sunday 21 in the morning. For the first time, we'll activate 60 meters and be using FT8/FT4. The team of 2019 will be quite different and we'll have 5 new members with us, including Ken, LA7GIA. You'll recognize Ken as one who has operated several successful DXpeditions, which also included humanitarian components, in Africa in recent years.

Information about SMOM can be found here:

<https://www.orderofmalta.int/sovereign-order-of-malta/>

My fellow operators and I are now CISOM members. What's the CISOM? This is simply the relief corps of SMOM. This was doubtlessly a benefit in our operation being accepted by SMOM headquarter in Rome. For those who may not know much about SMOM and CISOM, the linked PowerPoint presentation I prepared for our last operation in 2014 will provide the needed information. The link follows:

[What is SMOM all about? "](#)

(Note: Fabrizio is pictured on Page 20 of this presentation. Also note Antonio Gonzales (EA5RM) pictured on Page 31 wearing a CDXA T-shirt. Tony and Brix received the T-shirts when on their DXpedition to Palestine as E4X. They are pictured on Page 4 of the July 2010 edition of the Pileup wearing their shirts in Palestine. See: <https://www.cdxa.org/pileup/archives/cdx1007.pdf>)

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CQ WW Results
2018

Phone:

Call	Category	Score	QSOs	Zones	Entities
K5EK	SA HIGH ALL	1499040	1141	114	366
N4PQX	SA HIGH ALL	1033668	798	109	350
W3OA	SA HIGH ALL	723822	741	94	269
W7WZ	SA HIGH ALL	523575	620	83	242
K4FX	SO HIGH ALL	263942	401	63	175
WA3DQS	SO HIGH ALL	126072	244	62	142
W3ZL	SA LOW ALL	84402	198	46	116
K4KAY	SO HIGH ALL	59079	192	40	101
KE4PLT	SO HIGH ALL	39368	134	45	88
KS4S	SO LOW ALL	31937	123	32	77
N4APR	SA HIGH ALL	9656	53	25	43
W4WNT	SA LOW ALL	9656	56	25	46
KD4RH	SA HIGH 40M	7038	55	13	33

CW:

Call	Category	Score	QSOs	Zones	Entities	Hours
N2TU	SA HIGH ALL	1676312	1296	108	365	34.2
K5EK	SA HIGH ALL	738492	585	103	371	14.4
W3OA	SA HIGH ALL	442288	530	83	225	18.4
W7WZ	SA HIGH ALL	373581	401	97	306	23
W3GQ	SA HIGH ALL	333483	452	67	200	13.2
W4GE	SA HIGH ALL	327711	415	84	229	12.7
KS4S	SA HIGH ALL	250677	474	50	157	18.8
N4PQX	SA HIGH ALL	156640	250	47	173	9.6
WA3DQS	SO HIGH ALL	116745	246	50	131	15.8
K4FX	SA HIGH ALL	112714	241	39	127	7.8
W3ZL	SA LOW ALL	54058	150	49	102	12.6
K2SD	SA LOW ALL	53318	197	26	80	8
K4KAY	SO HIGH ALL	32240	209	32	98	17.7
AD4IE	SA HIGH ALL	26082	126	19	62	4
W4WNT	SA LOW ALL	20140	78	29	66	5.5

Combined: CW & SSB

Call	Category	Score
K5EK	SA HIGH ALL	2237532
N2TU	SA HIGH ALL	1676312
N4PQX	SA HIGH ALL	1190308
W3OA	SA HIGH ALL	1166110
W7WZ	SA HIGH ALL	897156
K4FX	SO HIGH ALL	376656
W4GE	SA HIGH ALL	327711
WA3DQS	SO HIGH ALL	242817
W3ZL	SA LOW ALL	138460
K4KAY	SO HIGH ALL	91319
K2SD	SA LOW ALL	53318
KE4PLT	SO HIGH ALL	39368
KS4S	SO LOW ALL	31937
W4WNT	SA LOW ALL	29796
AD4IE	SA HIGH ALL	26082
N4APR	SA HIGH ALL	9656
KD4RH	SA HIGH 40M	7038

CQ has published the 2018 CQ DX Marathon results

...which means we now have our final results for our 2018 DX King Contest, which follows the CQ DX Marathon rules exactly, and uses the final CQ DX Marathon results as our final numbers, which are shown below.

Remember that DX King is meant to be a “fun” yearlong event, with a raffle after the results are published, rather than a prize for the top finisher. This year, the drawing was held at lunch on 3 July (thanks to W3OA for doing the drawing), and the prize, a \$100 Amazon Gift Certificate, went to Paul, W3GQ. This time next year, there'll be another gift certificate given out, and you have plenty of time to get into the 2019 DX King event (...check out the article below) so your call will be in the “raffle bag.”

A few things worth noting: The accuracy of our scores, based on comparing our “raw” input to the CQ scores, were generally very good, with four logs at 100%. Let's keep that up this year! CDXA had the 6th highest club score in the world, and Ed, K5EK, finished 15th in the world in the individual Unlimited category! Finally, don't forget to put “Carolina DX Association” in your entry at the end of the year.and here are our final scores:

Final “Certified” 2018 DX King Scores:					
Callsign	Category	Countries	Zones	Total	Accuracy
K5EK	Unlimited	268	40	308	99.35%
AA4SC	Unlimited	233	40	273	98.56%
VE3UTT	Unlimited	234	39	273	98.56%
W1AJT	Unlimited	201	38	239	99.58%
W4HG	Unlimited	192	38	230	97.87%
K8YC	Unlimited	197	34	231	100.00%
N4PQX	Unlimited	190	38	228	100.00%
W4AG	Unlimited	184	29	213	93.83%
W3GQ	Unlimited	189	37	226	100.00%
W3OA	Unlimited	158	35	193	99.48%
NV4A	Unlimited	132	28	160	99.38%
W3ZL	Formula	113	27	140	98.59%
W4WNT	Formula	107	28	135	100.00%

2019 DX King Results through June

Moving on to this year's event, here are the numbers through June. Note that not everyone puts in new numbers every month, so in reality, the chart reflects some scores back to April. Be sure to reread the 2018 DX King article above, and the 2019 DX King article in the May issue of the Pileup, to get a little inspiration to get involved in the 2019 event while there's still plenty of time. All your contacts from 1 January 2019 through 31 December count, and a total score of 150 (countries + zones) gets you in the drawing.nothing to it!

Callsign	Category	Countries	Zones	Total
K5EK	Unlimited	243	40	283
K3WA	Unlimited	239	39	269
W1AJT	Unlimited	194	40	234
N4PQX	Unlimited	189	40	229
W4HG	Unlimited	186	38	224
W3GQ	Unlimited	167	35	202
VE3UTT	Unlimited	142	34	176
W4PNY	Limited	137	34	171
K8YC	Unlimited	130	30	160
NV4A	Unlimited	128	29	157

Wayne "WIMPY" Carroll, W4MPY (SK)

No, that moniker for Wayne Carroll was not demeaning—he had given it to himself because of his callsign—W4MPY. On his QRZ.COM page, you can see a picture proclaiming his homestead as "WIMPY ACRES". For those of you who didn't know Wimpy as "The QSL Man", here's how Gary Dixon tells his story:

Hello CDXA Members and INDEXA Staff...The info below about W4MPY being reported as SK was in today's OHIO/Penn DX Bulletin. Wayne acquired the name as "The QSL Man" due to his many years of printing QSL cards and other paper work for Hams all over the world. Wayne was one of our early CDXA and INDEXA members and supporters. Living in the middle of SC made it easy for him to travel to the Charlotte Hamfest and CDXA functions on a regular basis. He was one of INDEXA's Directors for many years and even printed the QSL card stuffers for DX cards. He also printed QSLs for free for some of the DXpeditions that INDEXA supported.

W4MPY and his XYL Lola were really great people and DXers, but several types of the old timer's diseases finally got both of them. RIP Wayne & Lola

73, Gary - K4MQG

The man who can best tell his story is the man himself. Here's the entry written by Wayne on his QRZ.COM page:

Hello to all. I was licensed in 1949 as W5QDF in Clarendon, Texas and have held the current call since the early 70s. My primary interest is DXing on CW and I only need one country at present to reach DXCC #1 MIXED.(BS7) ***yes . . . still need it. I smoked the amp first day and couldn't hack it barefoot***. Add a P5 on CW to make it DXCC #1CW. In the late 70s, I started a part-time business in my basement printing QSL cards. When I retired from the photofinishing business (with Qualex), we

bought 63 acres with a good elevation and isolation, and I put up several towers and made provisions for continuing the QSL business as a retirement supplement. My lovely bride since 1954 is Lola, N4KAI and one son, Doug is KE4LHS and lives nearby. If you ever hear me on the air, please give me a call. For a pix of the QTH, check the website at www.w4mpy.com *** Sadly, we lost "Little Wimpy" the maltese in the picture a couple of years ago . . . he is buried among some azaleas he loved so much****

73, Wayne

The Role of Foundations in DXing

A new, revised animated presentation has been produced for the INDEXA website explaining the role INDEXA, in particular, and foundations in general play in helping to make DX happen. The narrated video runs shortly over 10 minutes and can be viewed in full screen right from the website. It can be viewed by going to:

http://www.indexa.org/indexa_video.html

Humor or what?

Don't spell part backwards. It's a trap.

My girlfriend is always stealing my t-shirts and sweaters. . . . but if I take one of her dresses, suddenly "We need to talk".

What did E.T.'s mother say to him when he got home? "Where on Earth have you been?!"

Don't you hate it when someone answers their own questions? I do.

The Back Page

Final results of the **2018 CQWW contest** are arrayed for SSB portion, CW portion, and combined. See Page 1.

CDXA's **Six Meter Challenge** at the midpoint of 2019. See Page 2.

CDXA's own "Brix" Vedovelli will be with the DX Friends **activating Sovereign Military of Malta (SMOM)** from July 14 to July 21. Details on Page 2.

CQ DX Marathon results for 2018 are now final and the winners from CDXA are See Page 4.

CDXA's DX King 2019 is now only one-half complete. You can still get in on the raffle prize with only 150 points. Ten of your fellow DXers have earned over 150 points in only 6 months. Will your name be on the raffle drawing at year end? See Page 4.