Housatonic Amateur Radio Club
CQ WW Digi Contest August 2026 K1WAS

Rev 1.1

We operated in the WW Digital Contest, operating from Saturday, August 29 through Sunday, August 30. The contest went from 8:00 am Saturday through 8:00 am Sunday local time. This was the weekend prior to the Labor Day holiday.

Last year was an outstanding success. Operating three stations in the Multi-Operator, Multi-Transmitter category, the N1KT team earned impressive results:

- #2 in New England
- #2 in the USA
- #2 in North America
- #3 in the World

During the 2025 contest, the team logged 608 contacts and submitted a claimed score of 148,962 points.

This year, our goal was to repeat—and perhaps improve upon—that performance using the K1WAS call sign. This year, we operated multi operator, two transmitters as K1WAS. We used our hex beam and Larry AB1JC's new Off-Center-Fed (OCF) dipole, to maximize coverage throughout the contest period.

Station setup began on Friday, August 28, after local traffic activity subsided. Jeff KB1LZ, Larry AB1JC, Gary WE1M and Sam W1SMF set up the two stations with WSJT-x, N3FJP and Larry's new OCF dipole. (see pictures). The OCF dipole needed the center pole due to the weight of the center matching box (1500 watt capacity makes it large).

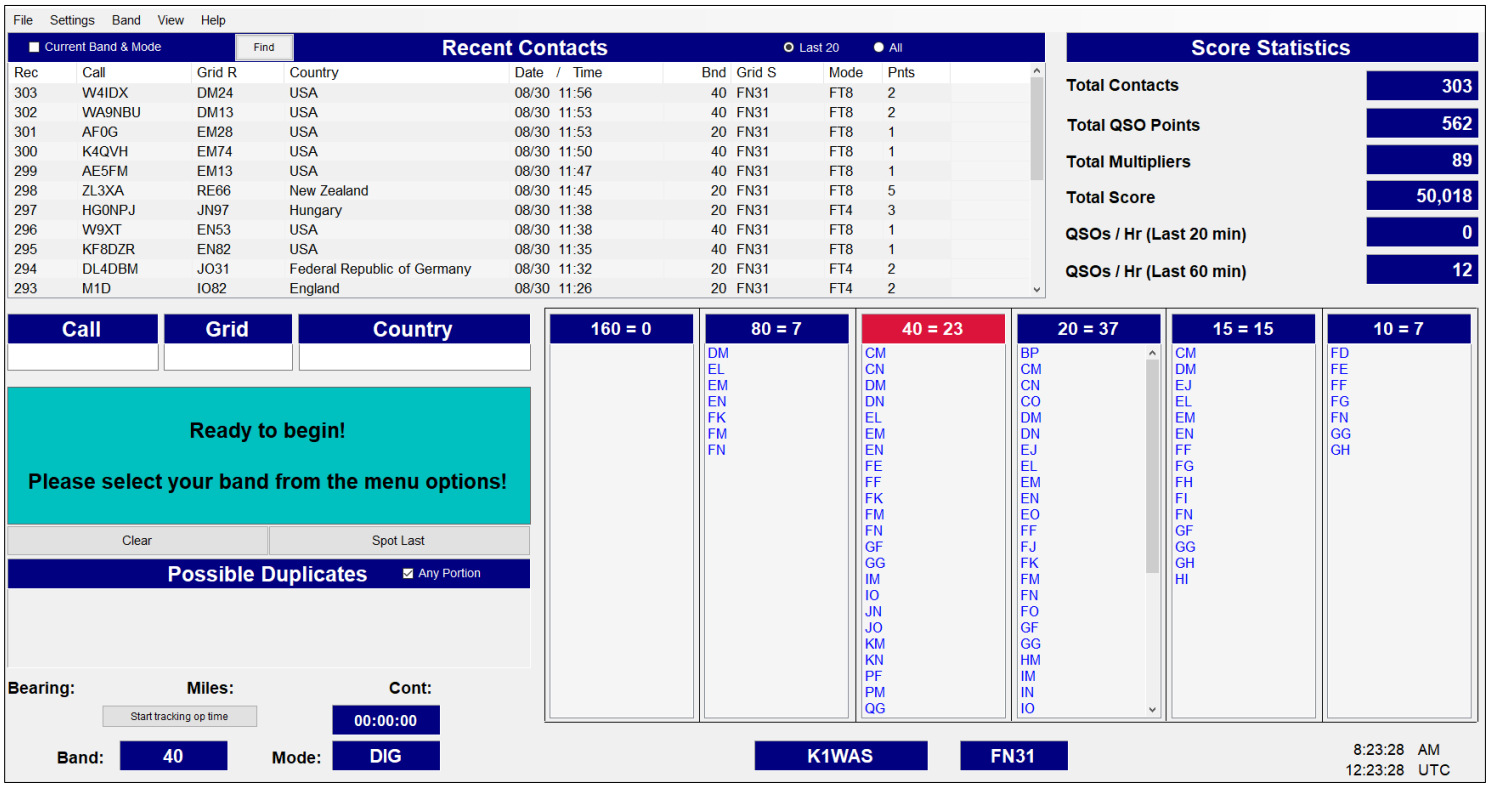
Operations began at 08:00 hours on Saturday morning with Jeff KB1LZ, Sam W1SMF and Jim W1RAZ manning the stations. This was followed by Jim KA1PUG, Phil W1PLH, Peter K1PCN and Larry AB1JC. Late morning Gary WE1M arrived, along with Jason K16JXJ and Alex N1AK.

While the bands were not as active as last year and the solar flux was barely over 100, our team clicked and began making contacts. The team rolled until about 9 pm. Again our band pass filters abated any interference between bands and our antennas worked well. Stations operated until about 9:30 pm, then us "Golden Oldies" operators went home for the night. Jeff KB1LZ & Sam W1SMF opened the stations on Sunday morning beginning circa 4:30 am and closed out the contest at 7:59:59 am.

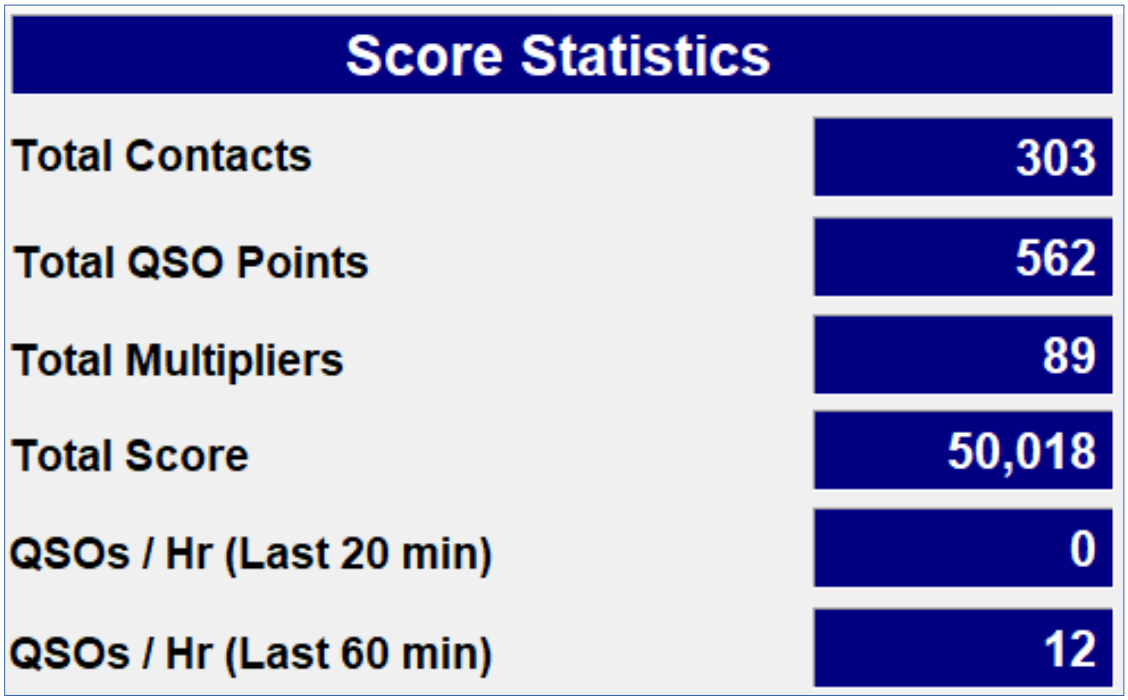
So how did we do? We made **303 contacts for a claimed score of 50, 018 points. 44 countries, 89 different grid squares in 21 different CQ zones**. A real effort by our team and something to be proud of. Great score, great team and terrific team work. Kudos go out to everyone involved.

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N3FJP screen



We made 303 QSOs and 89 multipliers for 50,018 claimed points

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Band	CW	Phone	Dig	Total	%
80	0	0	13	13	4
40	0	0	105	105	35
20	0	0	137	137	45
15	0	0	36	36	12
10	0	0	12	12	4
Total	0	0	303	303	100

Band breakdown

CQ Zone	Total
04	91
05	66
14	43
03	24
11	19
13	10
15	10
12	8
30	8
20	5
08	4
07	3
09	2
10	2
18	2
01	1
02	1
16	1
21	1
25	1
32	1

Total = 21

21 CQ Zones

Operator	Total	%
KB1LZ	117	39
W1SMF	55	18
W1RAZ	49	16
KA1PUG	41	14
AB1JC	28	9
W1PLH	11	4
K1PCN	2	1

Total = 7

Operators

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Country	Total
USA	170
Brazil	19
Canada	12
England	9
Federal Republic of Germany	9
Australia	8
Chile	8
Argentina	7
France	5
Spain	5
Belgium	3
Costa Rica	3
Italy	3
Netherlands	3
Uruguay	3
Asiatic Russia	2
Bulgaria	2
Norway	2
Poland	2
Puerto Rico	2
Slovenia	2
Switzerland	2
Alaska	1
Azores	1
Colombia	1
Czech Republic	1
Dominican Republic	1
Ecuador	1
Georgia	1
Greece	1
Hungary	1
Japan	1
Lebanon	1
Luxembourg	1
Moldova	1
Montserrat	1
New Zealand	1
Northern Ireland	1
Peru	1
Romania	1
Sardinia	1
Scotland	1
Trinidad & Tobago	1
Wales	1

Total = 44

Countries worked



World Wide Digi DX Contest

CALLSIGN	SCORE	QSOS	CATEGORY
YE9BJM	525,441	758	H A
N8HRZ	494,914	1,278	L A
K6DAV	76,950	405	H N
VK4VCC	71,658	296	L N
KA2G	71,424	386	H A
N5OMM	66,100	427	L N
W3DQS	55,800	268	H N
WB4UBK	51,304	301	H A
K1WAS	50,018	303	H A

Ham Dash

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Erecting the Off Center Fed Dipole between the north and south towers. The pole holds up the center. The OCF covers 80-10 meters

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W1SMF & N1AK



KB1LZ



WE1M



AB1JC & KI6JXJ



KA1PUG



W1PLH



K1PCN



W1RAZ

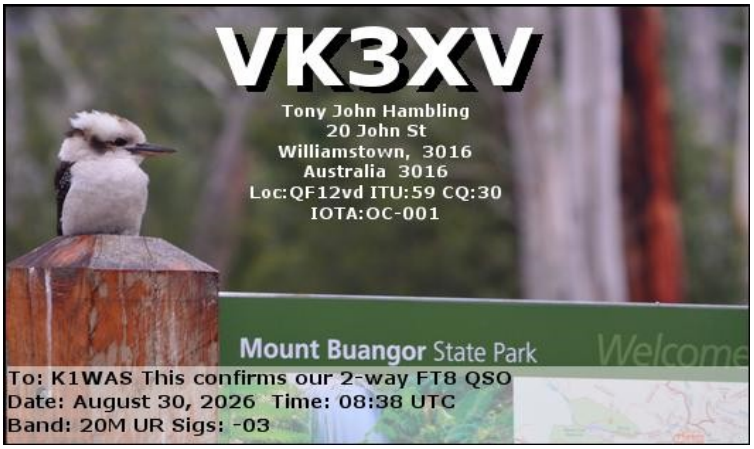
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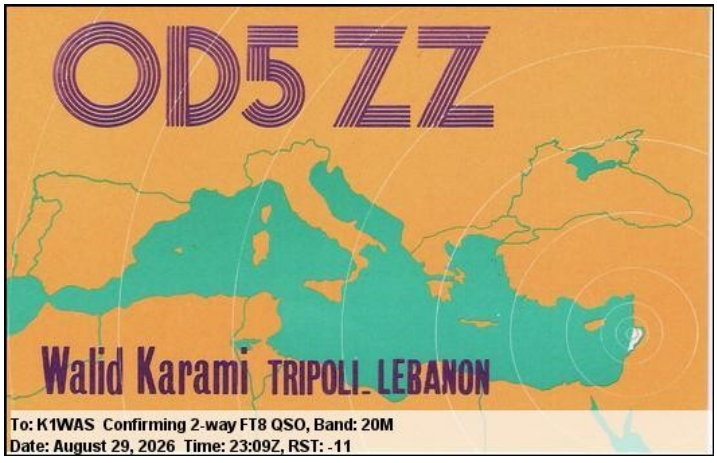
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