

CONTESTING

Tests equipment and Operator

Helps with awards

Work stations not normally heard

Make new friends

Operate from a unique location

CONTESTS: Islands, states, countries, counties, membership numbers, world zones, and more

It is fun

How to do a contest

Pick a contest from listings in ham magazines or from web contest sites

Do a contest in your favorite band/mode HF/VHF/UHF-CW/SSB-Digital.

Decide on a goal, what do you want to achieve. I.e. most contacts, most states, most countries, # of contacts, etc.

Do you want to work full time or just lay back and work them as you hear them until you get tired.

Do you want to operate alone or with friends/group

Assemble all forms and logs/duplicate QSO sheet

Set up computer for logging if available

Check your equipment and antennas

Set a start time

Review contest rules

Take a nap

Ensure you have sodas and chips. Staple diet for testers.

JUST DO IT!

This Saturday/Sunday at WV7T

A group effort in the ARRL Sweepstakes SSB contest

All are welcome'

Contest starts at 2pm Saturday afternoon

GOAL: 100 contacts for participation pins.

Opportunity for hams to try contesting

Style is work'em if you want, very lay back

I set up the logging computer/program, get rules and logsheets/dupe sheets

3 positions: Operator, logger, dupe checker

Power will be QRP, less than 10w PEP

2 weeks ago in the CW Sweepstakes we worked 68 of 80 sections, 163 contacts. (contest purpose is to work all 80) power was 2 watts.

I ordered 8 participation pins for the 8 operators as we worked over the 100 qso number.

Come out this weekend and try a little contest. Anyone visiting/participating goes on the contest operator sheet and would be eledigible for a contest pin.

Contact me and let me know you are coming and which day/time at 229-8610 or wv7t@arrl.net

QUESTIONS?