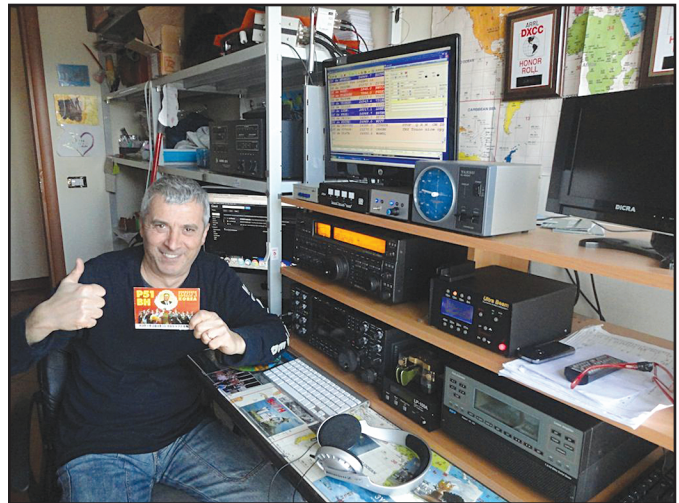


Results of the 2011 CQ DX Marathon

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W8QZA, the 2010 Formula Class winner for 10 watts or less, showing his winning certificate.



IK0OZD, 2011 Unlimited Class winner, shown in his impressive shack.

Was it the announcement of additional plaques? The great propagation in the latter half of the year? Maybe both! Overall participation in the DX Marathon increased dramatically in 2011. Although the maximum possible score increased by only 2 points (333 vs 331) over last year, over 20% of the 2011 Marathon participants scored 300 points or more—a whopping 250% more than 2010! Needless to say, competition at the top of most categories was very fierce. Adding to the competition was the activation of a few countries that only lasted a few hours; if you missed them, you missed critical points in 2011.

Submissions were up by over 20%, with a significant increase in those chasing single-band or single-mode awards. With the expansion of the number of plaques from 2 to 19 in 2011, there will be more Marathon participants hanging a beautiful award on their shack walls. Once again the majority of the logs (75%) were Unlimited Class. Although 60% of the logs came from the

USA and Brazil, submissions from Canada, Australia, Italy, Germany, Japan, and Chile were up significantly.

And the Winners Are....

After two years of the Unlimited Class winner coming from North America, we are very pleased to announce that Antonio "Tony" d'Arpino, IK0OZD, won this year's competition with a score of 327, working 287 countries and all 40 zones. Congratulations, Tony! Following closely behind were OM3EY, NY0V, and G0BLB with scores of 325, 324, and 322, respectively. Competition in

Formula Class was even closer with Tom Colyard, K4MM, claiming the Formula Class Plaque with a total score of 284—30 points higher than last year's Formula Class winner! Right behind Tom were UT9FJ, DL4CW (last year's winner), and N5UD with scores of 284, 280, and 280, respectively. Since K4MM and UT9FJ had the same score, we used the DX Marathon tie-breaker rule, which looks at the earliest date for the last country worked. K4MM's last entry was December 29th, while UT9FJ's last entry was December 31st. Congratulations to all of our Formula Class participants.

DX MARATHON PLAQUE SPONSORS

We wish to thank the sponsors of the DX Marathon plaques as your support is critical to the success of the DX Marathon program. There are additional openings for plaque sponsors, so please contact the DX Marathon administrator if you are interested in sponsoring a plaque.

Current plaques and sponsors:

Top Unlimited Class Score – Northern Illinois DX Association

Top Formula Class Score - Northern Illinois DX Association

Top CW only score – Bencher, Inc.

Top SSB only score - Collins Amateur Radio Club in Memory of Art Collins, W0CXX

Top Digital only score – Carroll D Jensen Memorial K6CDJ

Top Single band scores (10-80) – Plaque sponsor wishes to remain anonymous

Top Continental scores - Plaque sponsor wishes to remain anonymous

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TOP SCORES

Note: Callsign is followed by final score. Boldface = plaque winner. * = certificate winner.

	Phone	North America	
	PP5EG 311	NY0V 324	N4DW 184
	K3BZ 300	N0FW 320	15 Meters
	M0TTB 300	W4QN 320	W9KVR 176
	W8BBQ 295	AA6YQ 317	17 Meters
	N3CDA 288	N4BAA 317	K7MTR 269
			LY5M 266
Unlimited Class	Digital	Oceania	
IK0OZD 327	IK5FKF 266	VK4CC 303	20 Meters
OM3EY 325	IK5PWQ 252	VK3HJ 301	SM0MPV 267
NY0V 324	K7CMR 230	ZL2IFB 297	K0ARY 176
G0BLB 322	G3LZQ 228	VK2MWG 267	YO9CWY 147
EA1DR 321	R6YY 220	VK3FM 259	DK8JB 72
PY2ADR 321			
Formula Class - 100w	Africa	South America	
K4MM 284	V51YJ 237	PY2ADR 321	30 Meters
UT9FJ 280	J28RO 134	PP5EG 311	W9KNI 286
DL4CW 280	7P8PB 118	PY4OG 307	SP3BGD 262
N5UD 272	ZS1D 67	PP1CZ 303	
E77O 264		PY4OY 300	40 Meters
	Asia	6 Meters	N8MZ 275
Formula Class - 10w	JH2UVL 320	*9A5CW 117	VE3UTT 192
PY4ZO 273	A65CA 319	VE2PIJ 6	CE3EEA 173
WG5G 267	JA0FVU 312		DL2CC 154
W8QZA 259	JA0DAI 308	10 Meters	SP5JXK 148
IV3AOL 245	YB1AR 291	F4FDA 270	80 Meters
ND0C 245		PU2LEP 252	No Entrants
	Europe	K3NK 233	160 Meters
CW	IK0OZD 306	PU1TMT 204	*N4IS 192
W1JR 306	OM3EY 325	UA3VVB 202	K7ZV 140
W1RM 304	G0BLB 322		K4IQV 130
W4VQ 303	EA1DR 321	12 Meters	
OH6MW 297	IW0HOU 320	N4MM 239	
F5IN 296			

With the expansion of the number of DX Marathon plaques, we are pleased to announce that the CW plaque was won by Joe Reiser, W1JR, with a score of 306; the Phone plaque was won by Oms, PP5EG, with a score of 311; and the Digital plaque was won by Piero Giorgi, IK5FKF, with a score of 266. Additional plaque winners for individual band submissions and the Continental Plaque winners are listed in the Top Scores chart elsewhere in this article. We had quite a few 10-meter-only submissions this year, with some very impressive scores. Welcome back, sunspots! As always, we sincerely appreciate the tremendous support of all of our plaque sponsors.

Certificates will once again be given to the top scorer in each country and zone, plus the 6- and 160-meter top scorers, for those who did not already qualify as a plaque winner. If you or someone you know would like to

become a DX Marathon plaque sponsor, please contact me directly.

Many stations lost points due to simple callsign errors, whether by logging incorrect DX spots or simple typing errors. The call FH/W6IZT was found in many logs, but W6IZT was actually operating from FS. Other examples of errors were: S77REX, which was actu-

ally H77REX; HN7M, which was 5N7M; and FW/F8DVD, which was JW/F8DVD. However, the biggest mistake made by many stations was claiming ZL50VK to be in Antarctica or other islands and a variety of CQ zones, but the station was actually located in New Zealand. CE9/VE3LYC and CE9/PA3EXX also were a problem for many,

DX MARATHON AWARDS

Plaques will be awarded as follows:

- Highest overall score in Unlimited Class
- Highest overall score in Formula Class
- Highest overall CW only score.
- Highest overall SSB only score.
- Highest overall Digital only score.
- Highest overall score for each of the 6 Continents.
- Highest overall score for single band entries (10-80).

Plaques for the CW, SSB, Continent, and Band winners will be awarded if the winning scores in those categories are at least 50% of the score of the overall DX Marathon Unlimited Class winner. Entrants may receive one plaque per year. In the case of a participant qualifying for more than one plaque, that participant will receive a plaque for the highest level based on the above order.

Certificates will be awarded as follows:

- Highest overall Country score.
- Highest overall Zone score.
- Highest overall score in the Formula Class 10 watts or less option.
- Highest overall score for single band entries (6, 160).

Plaque winners are not eligible for certificates. Only certificate will be awarded per entrant. In the case of a participant qualifying for more than one certificate, that participant will receive a certificate for the highest level based on the above order.

ZONE CERTIFICATE WINNERS

Callsign	Countries	Zones	Score
N6ML	276	39	315
W4QN	280	40	320
VK8PDX	186	40	226

Note: Top scorers in other zones received Plaques or Top Country Certificates. Complete listing of all Zone Leaders is available on the CQ website.

COUNTRY CERTIFICATE WINNERS

Callsign	Countries	Zones	Score
XV4Y	148	37	185
7P8PB	89	29	118
9A2EU	260	40	300
A65CA	279	40	319
BV1EK	146	39	185
BA7IO	251	38	289
CE2WZ	168	37	205
CT1AHU	119	31	150
CU3EJ	104	29	133
DL5AN	272	40	312
DV1JO7KMB	163	40	203
E77O	232	40	272
EA1DR	282	39	321
EI7CC	239	40	279
F5CQ	267	40	307
FG4NO	205	36	241
G0BLB	282	40	322
GI4SJK	147	36	183
GM0OAA	139	32	171
GU0SUP	162	39	201
GW4EVX	99	25	124
HA1ZH	261	40	301
HB9DDZ	156	40	196
HC6EP	73	26	99
7Z1HL	202	38	240
J28RO	103	31	134
KH2/N2NL	264	39	303
NP4IW	204	39	243
LA9DFA	238	40	278
LU3JVO	154	39	193
LY3W	262	38	300
OH2BEN	266	40	306
OK2SG	275	36	311
OM3EY	285	40	325
ON4ON	270	40	310
OZ7YY	270	40	310
PA0MIR	197	37	234
S51DX	252	40	292
SM5DJZ	261	40	301
SP6T	268	38	306
SV1DPI	262	40	302
SV9COL	234	40	274
TA1DX	152	36	188
UA9FAR	266	39	305
RA9OO	161	38	199
US7MM	273	40	313
V31AO	127	38	165
VE1DX	277	40	317
VP8NO	256	40	296
VU2PTT	208	39	247
YB1AR	253	38	291
YI1RZ	136	38	174
YO4AAC	164	37	201
YO9CWY	116	31	147
YV6BXN	108	25	133
ZL2IFB	258	39	297
ZL3DW	88	29	117
ZS1D	44	23	67

Note: Top scorers in some countries received plaques. Complete listing of all country leaders is available on the CQ website.



Shack of EA1DR, who submitted the top score in Spain in 2011 and tied for 4th place in Unlimited Class.

being logged incorrectly as one of the Antarctic island groups, but the duo was actually in Chile.

Of course, pirates are always a problem and 2011 was no different. As soon as we become aware of pirates and other callsign issues, we publish them on the DX Marathon website. (www.dxmarathon.com). We invite you to use this valuable resource.

In 2011 many entrants lost points due to the complex changes in the Russian callsign system. Be sure to update your logging programs often. We suggest that all participants carefully submit call-

signs for zones 2, 3, 4, and 5, as well as carefully check those prefixes that are used for multiple countries—such as E5, FO, 3D2, TA, VK9, and others.

And finally, don't forget that the CQ countries list includes additional valid countries that are not part of the ARRL DXCC program. Since most logging programs use the ARRL list, don't forget to work TA1 (European Turkey), IT (Sicily), IG9/IH9 (African Italy), and others. For complete details, please go to www.dxmarathon.com.

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Oops...

2011 DX Marathon – CORRECTION

In the Top Scores listing for Oceania, the score for KH2/N2NL was inadvertently dropped from the listing. KH2/N2NL and VK4CC both had a total score of 303. As VK4CC's last country entry in his log was earlier than that of KH2/N2NL, VK4CC remains the winner of the Oceania Plaque. We sincerely regret the omission and congratulate KH2/N2NL on his excellent Oceania score.

The Oceania Top Score listing should be:

TOP SCORES

BOLD = Plaque Winners

Oceania

Callsign	Score
VK4CC	303
KH2/N2NL	303
VK3HJ	301
ZL2IFB	297
VK2MWG	267

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UNLIMITED CLASS															
Callsign	Countries	Zones	Score												
IK0OZD	287	40	327	W6XK	258	40	298	VE7IG	225	40	265	RA900	161	38	199
OM3EY	285	40	325	WA5VGI	258	40	298	A65BD	225	39	264	PJ5AAD	160	36	196
NY0V	284	40	324	OH6MW	257	40	297	W14T	227	37	264	NE5S	155	38	193
G0BLB	282	40	322	W4HG	258	39	297	WB9IWN	224	38	262	N4IS	155	37	192
EA1DR	282	39	321	ZL2IFB	258	39	297	KT0NY	222	37	259	VE3UTT	156	36	192
PY2ADR	282	39	321	F5JN	258	38	296	VK3FM	219	40	259	CE3PG	154	35	189
IW0HOU	280	40	320	N0RB	257	39	296	K1KP	218	40	258	AC7GP	151	37	188
JH2UVL	280	40	320	OZ8BZ	256	40	296	N2YBB	219	39	258	KJ4QDZ	155	33	188
NOFW	282	38	320	VE3ZZ	256	40	296	W1AJT	218	40	258	VA7ZT	151	36	187
W4QN	280	40	320	VP8NO	256	40	296	W0RIC	219	38	257	AE9DX	151	35	186
A65CA	279	40	319	G5LP	256	39	295	IZ3DBA	217	39	256	LA1ONA	148	38	186
EA4KD	278	40	318	W0EWM	255	40	295	K7ACZ	216	40	256	BV1EK	146	39	185
AA6YQ	277	40	317	W8BBQ	255	40	295	PY1NX	216	39	255	N4DW	146	38	184
I22AMW	278	39	317	K2UF	255	39	294	NF7E	215	39	254	N7QU	145	39	184
N4BAA	277	40	317	SQ1EIX	254	40	294	W9MJ	214	40	254	VA7ST	152	32	184
VE1DX	277	40	317	W1SKU	256	38	294	K1MIJ	214	39	253	WA7PVE	148	36	184
W2QO	277	40	317	IK2DJV	253	40	293	K8YC	213	40	253	DUI1M	147	36	183
N5ZM	276	40	316	K3WA	255	38	293	IK5PWQ	213	39	252	G14SG	147	36	183
W3ACO	276	40	316	S51DX	252	40	292	PU2LEP	213	39	252	SV2FLQ	148	34	182
K3KO	275	40	315	W6AEA	251	40	291	G3KMQ	212	39	251	VK4GH	150	31	181
N6ML	276	39	315	YB1AR	253	38	291	PY1NB	211	39	250	PY2EL	142	36	178
K5EK	274	40	314	N0KE	250	40	290	W40X	210	40	250	KT7G	143	34	177
W4VIC	275	39	314	PY2WC	250	40	290	K5DHY	212	37	249	K0ARY	140	36	176
K4UTE	274	39	313	W0VX	250	40	290	VK3FZ	210	39	249	PY2CX	140	36	176
K9CT	274	39	313	W8AV	250	40	290	PY5IP	208	40	248	PU2RSD	140	34	174
US7MM	273	40	313	BA7IO	251	38	289	N3TD	207	40	247	CE3EA	137	36	173
WT8C	273	40	313	K7GS	249	40	289	NK0S	209	38	247	PP5TR	141	30	171
DL5AN	272	40	312	K8SM	251	38	289	SM2LKW	208	39	247	NT0F	133	34	167
G4PTJ	272	40	312	N4QS	249	40	289	VU2PTT	208	39	247	N13P	133	33	166
JA0FVU	272	40	312	W4CU	249	40	289	F6GPT	205	40	245	PY5WD	129	36	165
N8RR	273	39	312	W9OA	249	40	289	K2SX	206	39	245	V31AO	127	38	165
VE3KKB	272	40	312	F5VHY	248	40	288	N9LAH	205	40	245	W8AEF	129	36	165
K8OM	271	40	311	K5WAF	248	40	288	W9ILY	206	39	245	DUI1VT	122	38	160
OK2SG	275	36	311	N3CDA	248	40	288	PY6KY	204	40	244	N10C	125	35	160
PP5EG	271	40	311	PP5BS	249	39	288	WA9MAG	205	39	244	AJ4FM	123	35	158
W2IRT	271	40	311	W8DX	248	40	288	NP4IW	204	39	243	PY3KN	121	37	158
G3VKW	271	39	310	WD9DZV	251	37	288	W7YS	203	40	243	DL2CC	122	32	154
K0JGH	271	39	310	PY4HO	247	40	287	AE5X	204	37	241	CT1AHU	119	31	150
K9NB	270	40	310	W9KNI	246	40	286	F1UJS	204	37	241	K4IE	120	30	150
N8BR	270	40	310	N6QQ	245	40	285	7Z1HL	202	38	240	N0HF	114	35	149
NU8Z	270	40	310	PY2TIM	245	40	285	RX3VF	201	39	240	PY1TR	113	33	146
ON4ON	270	40	310	N4POX	244	40	284	LA2LI	200	39	239	K7ZV	105	35	140
OZ7YY	270	40	310	N5KM	244	40	284	N4MM	201	38	239	W9VA	108	31	139
W6RLL	270	40	310	WS1L	244	40	284	W4MJW	202	37	239	NN6NN	103	35	138
JA0DAI	268	40	308	K1SND	243	40	283	JN3SAC	202	36	238	KG5VK	105	32	137
W4DXX	268	40	308	PY3YD	243	40	283	N8AGU	197	40	237	CA30EV	108	28	136
DJ9ZB	269	38	307	W1EBI	243	40	283	V51YJ	197	40	237	W6DR	105	31	136
F5CQ	267	40	307	G3TFX	241	40	281	W5GWH	197	39	236	WB9TFH	103	32	135
F6IGS	268	39	307	K3TN	242	39	281	9A1AA	196	39	235	PY4FQ	109	25	134
PY4OG	270	37	307	K8AJS	241	40	281	W5VX	197	38	235	CU3EJ	104	29	133
VE3CRG	267	40	307	KA2D	241	40	281	DL1OLI	195	39	234	PY5AKW	101	32	133
OH2BEN	266	40	306	N4NW	242	39	281	PA0MIR	197	37	234	K4IQJ	100	30	130
SP6T	268	38	306	WB4YDL	242	39	281	WM3O	194	40	234	JA3EOP	89	37	126
W1JR	266	40	306	K0AFN	240	40	280	K3NK	196	37	233	7P8PB	89	29	118
UA9FAR	266	39	305	K3LB	241	39	280	K4XU	193	39	232	9A5CW	99	18	117
W30A	265	40	305	EI7CC	239	40	279	F8AAN	196	35	231	XQ7UP	83	34	117
K6FW	264	40	304	K5VIP	239	40	279	K7CMR	190	40	230	ZL3DW	88	29	117
K9NU	264	40	304	LA9DFA	238	40	278	N3RC	193	37	230	CE3TKV	93	16	109
N4ZC	266	38	304	VE3EK	238	40	278	OZ4FF	193	37	230	PY1CMT	81	24	105
W1RM	264	40	304	KF7E	237	40	277	KB8KE	191	38	229	H06EP	73	26	99
W3GQ	264	40	304	NQ7R	237	40	277	G3LZQ	188	40	228	PY2KXM	62	27	89
WA4DT	264	40	304	PY2NZ	237	40	277	WP3GW	193	35	228	CE3NQV	60	26	86
WX6V	264	40	304	W2LK	237	40	277	PY2SE	189	38	227	PP5NZ	51	25	76
KH2/N2NL	264	39	303	PY1SX	236	40	276	PY3OZ	187	40	227	PP5RZ	53	22	75
PP1CZ	263	40	303	KZ2I	236	39	275	W2YE	188	39	227	ZS1D	44	23	67
UX1UA	263	40	303	N8MZ	235	40	275	NC4MI	190	36	226	SV2OEL	42	14	56
VK4CC	266	37	303	OH5RF	236	39	275	VK8PDX	186	40	226	PY5BLG	28	23	51
W4VQ	263	40	303	KF4BI	238	36	274	PY1ZV	182	40	222	VE2PJ	3	3	6
N6AR	263	39	302	SV9COL	234	40	274	VK3TDX	183	38	221	FORMULA CLASS - 100w OPTION			
SV1DPI	262	40	302	LA8AW	233	40	273	R6YY	181	39	220	K4MM	244	40	284
HA1ZH	261	40	301	PT7ZT	233	40	273	N7WO	178	40	218	UT9FJ	244	40	284
K0XB	261	40	301	ON5SY	232	40	272	KD4QMY	182	35	217	DL4CW	240	40	280
K6YK	261	40	301	W9OA/9	232	40	272	N7MQ	178	39	217	N5UD	240	40	280
SM5DJZ	261	40	301	F4FDA	230	40	270	PY2PT	178	38	216	E77O	232	40	272
VE2BR	263	38	301	K0FX	230	40	270	PY2ZEA	180	36	216	K8CQ	226	38	264
VK3HJ	261	40	301	SM2CEW	230	40	270	VK6HG	178	38	216	K3STX	223	40	263
9A2EU	260	40	300	IW7DOL	235	34	269	AB1OD	175	38	213	AD1C	223	39	262
K3BZ	260	40	300	K7MTR	229	40	269	NB3R	175	38	213	SP3BGD	223	39	262
K3XC	260	40	300	HA0HW	229	39	268	PY1ON	173	38	211	SV8PKI	220	40	260
K6TA	260	40	300	K9DDO/4	229	39	268	PY5CA	170	39	209	JA11RH	217	40	257
K6XT	260	40	300	W9OP	229	39	268	N5PG	169	39	208	N4RI	221	35	256
LY3W	262	38	300	WA4JQS	229	39	268	CE2WZ	168	37	205	SV8PKJ	216	39	255
LY9Y	260	40	300	PY5KD	227	40	267	PY3OPP	169	36	205	W3ZL	216	38	254
M0TTB	261	39	300	SM0MPV	227	40	267	PU1TMT	166	38	204	LY3BY	209	40	249
PY4OY	260	40	300	VK2MWWG	229	38	267	DV1JO7KMB	163	40	203	SV1XK	211	38	249
K1ESE	258	40	298	W9HBH	229	38	267	LA3ZA	167	35	202	N1AM	210	38	248
K1QS	258	40	298	IK5FKF	226	40	266	PY2SHF	166	36	202	PP2RON	208	39	247
K2TQC	258	40	298	LY5M	226	40	266	UA3VVB	163	39	202	AF7S	204	40	244
				N4MJ	227	38	265	GU0SUP	162	39	201	G4MUL	206	37	243
				PY6HD	227	38	265	VK4EI	166	34	200				

Expanded Results

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COUNTRY LEADERS					ZONE LEADERS			
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BV1EK	146	39	185	8	NP4IW	204	39	243
BA7IO	251	38	289	9	YV6BXN	108	25	133
CE2WZ	168	37	205	10	HC6EP	73	26	99
CT1AHU	119	31	150	11	PY2ADR	282	39	321
CU3EJ	104	29	133	12	CE2WZ	168	37	205
DL5AN	272	40	312	13	VP8NO	256	40	296
DV1/JO7KMB	163	40	203	14	G0BLB	282	40	322
E77O	232	40	272	15	IK0OZD	287	40	327
EA1DR	282	39	321	16	US7MM	273	40	313
EI7CC	239	40	279	17	UA9FAR	266	39	305
F5CQ	267	40	307	18	RA9OO	161	38	199
FG4NO	205	36	241	20	SV1DPI	262	40	302
G0BLB	282	40	322	21	A65CA	279	40	319
GI4SJK	147	36	183	22	VU2PTT	208	39	247
GM0OAA	139	32	171	24	BA7IO	251	38	289
GU0SUP	162	39	201	25	JH2UVL	280	40	320
GW4EVX	99	25	124	26	XV4Y	148	37	185
HA1ZH	261	40	301	27	KH2/N2NL	264	39	303
HB9DDZ	156	40	196	28	YB1AR	253	38	291
HC6EP	73	26	99	29	VK8PDX	186	40	226
7Z1HL	202	38	240	30	VK4CC	266	37	303
IK0OZD	287	40	327	32	ZL2IFB	258	39	297
J28RO	103	31	134	37	J28RO	103	31	134
JH2UVL	280	40	320	38	V51YJ	197	40	237
NY0V	284	40	324					
KH2/N2NL	264	39	303					
NP4IW	204	39	243					
LA9DFA	238	40	278					
LU3JVJ	154	39	193					
LY3W	262	38	300					
OH2BEN	266	40	306					
OK2SG	275	36	311					
OM3EY	285	40	325					
ON4ON	270	40	310					
OZ7YY	270	40	310					
PA0MIR	197	37	234					
PY2ADR	282	39	321					
S51DX	252	40	292					
SM5DJZ	261	40	301					
SP6T	268	38	306					
SV1DPI	262	40	302					
SV9COL	234	40	274					
TA1DX	152	36	188					
UA9FAR	266	39	305					
RA9OO	161	38	199					
US7MM	273	40	313					
V31AO	127	38	165					
V51YJ	197	40	237					
VE1DX	277	40	317					
VK4CC	266	37	303					
VP8NO	256	40	296					
VU2PTT	208	39	247					
YB1AR	253	38	291					
YI1RZ	136	38	174					
YO4AAC	164	37	201					
YO9CWY	116	31	147					
YV6BXN	108	25	133					
ZL2IFB	258	39	297					
ZL3DW	88	29	117					
ZS1D	44	23	67					

Note: Zones with no listing had no entrants.

DETAILED MODE SCORES

CW											
Callsign	Countries	Zones	Score								
W1JR	266	40	306	NE2C	91	26	117	PG1R	129	28	157
W1RM	264	40	304	PY1CMT	81	24	105	CT1AHU	119	31	150
W4VQ	263	40	303	PY5BLG	28	23	51	K4WSW	118	28	146
OH6MW	257	40	297	PHONE				W7KAM	111	29	140
F5IN	258	38	296	Callsign	Countries	Zones	Score	CA3OEV	108	28	136
K2UF	255	39	294	PP5EG	271	40	311	VE3FCT	90	25	115
F5VHY	248	40	288	K3BZ	260	40	300	CE3TKV	93	16	109
PY4HO	247	40	287	M0TTB	261	39	300	K2KJ	81	25	106
W9KNI	246	40	286	W8BBQ	255	40	295	PU1MKZ	79	26	105
K3LB	241	39	280	N3CDA	248	40	288	DU7/KD0JJO	67	31	98
E77O	232	40	272	PY1SX	236	40	276	PU2KXM	62	27	89
K3STX	223	40	263	PT7ZT	233	40	273	CE3NQV	60	26	86
IZ3DBA	217	39	256	W9HBH	229	38	267	PP5RZ	53	22	75
W7YS	203	40	243	PY6HD	227	38	265	DK8JB	58	14	72
AE5X	204	37	241	WB9IWN	224	38	262	W2UIS	49	13	62
9A1AA	196	39	235	SV8PKI	220	40	260	VE2PIJ	3	3	6
PY4XX	194	38	232	SV8PKJ	216	39	255	DIGITAL			
I7PXV	192	37	229	PU2LEP	213	39	252	Callsign	Countries	Zones	Score
AA4FU	188	37	225	N3TD	207	40	247	IK5FKF	226	40	266
G3LHJ	184	39	223	W4MJW	202	37	239	IK5PWQ	213	39	252
N7WO	178	40	218	KB8KE	191	38	229	K7CMR	190	40	230
DV1/JO7KMB	163	40	203	PY2SE	189	38	227	G3LZQ	188	40	228
OZ4CG	162	39	201	EA5ON	178	39	217	R6YY	181	39	220
LU3JVO	154	39	193	KD4QMY	182	35	217	GU0SUP	162	39	201
PR7HR	139	36	175	PY1ON	173	38	211	RA9OO	161	38	199
GM0OAA	139	32	171	AE9DX	151	35	186	DB3KE	153	38	191
V31AO	127	38	165	WA7PVE	148	36	184	SV2FLQ	148	34	182
N4NQ	134	29	163	VK4GH	150	31	181	NN6NN	103	35	138
J28RO	103	31	134	K0ARY	140	36	176	BD1MWH	96	30	126
NJ3I	108	26	134	AA7DK	142	32	174	JA3EOP	89	37	126
PY4FQ	109	25	134	PU2RSD	140	34	174	VE4KZ	64	23	87
PY5AKW	101	32	133	CE3EEA	137	36	173				
				WB0LJK	130	31	161				

QRM

First ever submission - all SSB. Had thought about a sole 10m entry but decided against in the end . . . that's why all zone QSO's are 10m . . .
..**M0TTB**. Thanks to significantly improved conditions on the higher bands and a new antenna I was able to top last years score . . . **DL4CW**. Thanks for sponsoring this great contest! Quite a challenge with my attic antenna . . . **KF0IQ**. First time entered, but will be incentive to contact all those DX countries that I have contacted before . . . **VK4GH**. This added a great deal of fun to 2011. I tracked every dx-ception and made sure to get in their log . . . **K9CT**. Better conditions for a mobile this year. Still like DX the old way, tune and listen. I want to thank you for your extra effort with my entry last year. Wish you had a separate mobile category . . . **KD5JWC**. DX Marathon - another activity to keep a retired mind busy . . . **N4DW**. Congratulations on a fantastic concept . . . **VE3KKB**. I actually upgraded due to the DX to be found in the Extra portion of the bands and this contest . . . **N3TD**. This was my first year back on the air after being off for 22 years, so I'm still learning about the whole new world that is ham radio. The Marathon didn't exist in those days, but next year I'll know how things work . . . **AF7S**. Thank you for another enjoyable contest. Thanks must also go to Dave AA6YQ, for his DXLab Suite which helped to track in real time the up to date score in the contest. Also to the many hams who persevered with my weak signal, & let me into their shacks, if only for a minute or two, to make a contact. I hope to be able to submit a score next year also, so see you then . . . **G4MUL**. This is the first time I entered the Marathon and it has inspired me to work more DX . . . **DU1GM**. Thanks for running such a great award program . . . **NW3H**. Great fun seeing the success line increase as the Sunspots increased. Had my best year in the four years I have participated in the Marathon. Great idea!! Same gear same antenna. I'm 88 years old and still have the spark . . . **K6TTT**. I surprised myself on the score. But I also missed a few "easy" ones because of dumb luck, not being here to operate, etc. But overall, I expect scores will be relatively high this year . . . lots of good activity on the bands, and of course the sun god was helping all of us a LOT!! . . . **K8CQ**. I achieved my goal of 200 countries and 40 zones. This year I'll be working RTTY along with SSB so I'm upping my goal to 275 Countries . . . **W4MJW**. This was a lot of fun. All the antennas have been repaired after many years of disrepair. Bought first new rig in 30 years - FTDX5000, which replaced my trusty TR7. Old sol blessed us with great propagation. All contacts made with SSB. 2012 should be even better. Thanks for a great activity . . . **WB9IWN**. I'm sending my log for a single band 160m. In 2011 I worked 155 countries and 37 zones on 160m. I would like to motivate more participants from the Top Band to join the Marathon . . . **N4IS**. I'm pleased to enclose my score sheet for DX Marathon 2011. Again, I used just an indoor attic antenna supplied with 100 watts . . . **KE4PT**. This is my first entry for the DX Marathon so I hope I have entered/submitted all correctly! It was lots of fun and it helped (along with W9KNI's books!) to turn me from "hunted" into "hunter" hihii!.....**VK4EI/VK4SWE**. It was fun. It will be interesting to see how I do . . . **VP8NO**. Nice to work stations for the Marathon in 2011. Will also participate again in 2012 . . . **HB9DDZ**. All QSOs are worked while mobile operation. I'm enjoying the contest through the year . . . **JA7OXR/m**. Thanks for continuing to make this wonderful activity available for the amateur community . . . **N8BR**. I am really trying to spread the word about the Marathon. A GREAT idea. It really keeps Dxing fun when I have over 300 confirmed. Last year I really struggled (and never succeeded) working 3A2 for the Marathon, that was a lot of fun (like hunting for the elusive big one) . . . **K3STX**. Once again I had fun chasing them but missed some DXpeditions due to out-of-town travel for business/family commitments - such is life! And I missed a few just because propagation wasn't with me and/or the pile-ups would allow my QRP signal to sneak through! All QSOs were worked using 5 watts out (or less) using a tribander at 48 feet and a dipole at 45 feet supported by the same tower (and some convenient trees). It was certainly great to have such good conditions in October and November. If the fall of 2011 was any indication, 2012 should be great (and reminiscent of the "good ol' days")! Thanks again for this very cool event/award. It keeps me active on a weekly basis (when possible) and keeps me from getting complacent . . . **ND0C**. It's a great pleasure for me to send you my log. I had been QRT for one and a half years after a big thunderstorm destroyed my tower and antennas. Now I have moved to a new QTH and I was able to put my tower and antennas back again in last April. Before that date was using a dipole antenna for 15 meters + tuner with only 100W. Great challenge for me to be back again on the air. Sorry my very low score... but in 2012 I will try to do my best . . . **PY2EL/VA3PWC**. Missed several countries early in 2011 due to some health issues, but I hope that's over and 2012 will present the opportunity to work 'em all . . . **W4VQ**. Nice Contest . . . **CA30EV**. I only started

mid year 2011 when I found the feature built into DXLAB so will make a big effort in 2012 . . . **VK3FZ**. I was delighted to make this Marathon until the very last, enjoying increasing propagation this year. I just wish all stations could log "QRP" suffixes when explicitly passed on the air. But that was fun to work all zones and almost 200 DX with such a low power. I'm sure that 40 zones and >+ 200 DX are achievable next time, HI . . . **F8AFC**. It was a lot of fun with 10 plus new all-time countries for me . . . **WP3GW**. I installed 8 half wave dipoles in attic. Figured I would be lucky to get out and do a few countries. Now I know at 100 watts these antennas do a good job. The Marathon has done wonders for my operating. Instead of an occasional contact, I am busy all the time . . . **N4RI**. My suggestion is to allow all the entrants to participate in 3 classes simultaneously. It is easy for entrant to fill out the application in Unlimited (or Formula) Class choosing QSO's from the log with preferences of one Mode and one Band at the same time. So, if you have appropriate program you could check all three Classes from one entry (one file). In my opinion in that way the motivation for participants would be much higher at the finish of such a long race . . . **UX1UA/UV5U**. Thanks for the event. It was fun . . . **N4NQ**. What a difference in propagation from the beginning of the year to the end! Early on in the year it was tough when SA was working VP8DMH on his one day stay to VP8/KGI and we could not hear him in the northern latitudes! I missed the couple of Kosovo stations that were on briefly during the year. [Editor Note: There was no Kosovo activity in 2011] My highlight of the year was when FT5XA showed up for one day from Kerguelen and I worked him on the long path! Woo Hoo! I think my scoresheet shows that even a W0 in the "RF Black Hole" of Minnesota can put up a decent score in the CQ Marathon . . . **NY0V**. I focused on 15m this year, with the hopes of earning DXCC on 15m. It was neat to see the band open up and be able to meet my goal. Perhaps good enough to earn another single band top honors! Had a Great Time! . . . **W9KVR**. 2011 was my best year since 2000 . . . **W6HYK**. This time I am submitting only my 6m score . . . **9A5CW**. It's been a good time and a lot of DXCC entities activated during 2011 . . . **A65CA**. First licensed in December 2010; first contacts on HF were in April. Submitting as Unlimited as my antennas are a couple of feet too long, and might be just over the 60' altitude limit . . . **AB1OD**. It was a very good year!.....**AD1C**. I congratulate the organizers - new categories will certainly increase the number of participants. My motto is CW forever . . . **E77O**. My first DX Marathon and an interesting experience. I had hoped to work 200 countries, as I had done in my first year mobiling in 2001, but between conditions still not being quite as good as then, and a bit more restricted operating time, it was not to be. But still, I was quite happy with the result. If I had worked some of the big contests from my own station I'm sure the total would have been better, having worked a number of countries not on my final list and the elusive zone 2 from there. One thing that really surprised me was the amount of DX I was able to work on 40m, very positive experience. Thanks to CQ for organizing this fun event!.....**EA5ON**. First time - great fun, but missed 5 countries on the last day and forgot to QSO the extra EU countries!.....**G3KMQ**. Had great fun with my 5 watts. Conditions have been very good to fair - great to have 10/12M open this time . . . **G3LHJ**. Had intended doing an All Band/All Mode entry but lost too much time during September so decided to put in a half decent RTTY score . . . **G3LZQ**. Very pleased to get a certificate for my efforts last year, and enjoyed the challenge from my small antennas & limited space . . . **G4PTJ**. This is a new contest for me. I only discovered the web site on the 1st of January 2012. I think this is a very good idea. I look forward to hearing the results . . . **G14SJK**. I'm just using an old Ten Tec Argosy with 20W on 10, 15 & 20, 30W on 30 & 40 and 40W on 80. I am constantly amazed what can be done with such a simple set-up from a built-up urban location . . . **GM0OAA**. I'm sorry so much that I didn't know about the Marathon on 1st of January 2011. I missed several entities when I heard them because I had QSO/QSLs from them from the previous years . . . **HA0HW**. My best result ever, but will do better in 2012. Thanks for the great fun . . . **IK2DJV**. I participated in the category "DIGITAL ONLY". The best propagation conditions have allowed me to greatly increase the number of DXCC entities connected: 186 in 2009, 193 in 2010, 226 this year 2011. With this marathon I spent a whole year in competition . . . **IK5FKF**. This year I want try only digital mode and zone 2 is very rare . . . **IK5PWQ**. My best result in 5 years, thanks to the increased sun activity. Score could be even better: I missed a couple of countries just by a few minutes . . . **IW0HOU**. Thanks to all, I enjoyed the QSOs throughout the year as the conditions were very good in 2011 . . . **JA3EOP**. All QSOs were worked while operating mobile. I'm enjoying the contest throughout the year . . . **JA7OXR**. Lots of fun throughout the year . . . **K0FX**. Great fun! This was my first Marathon and it sure beats spending the year waiting for an all-

time new country to show up. After a fast and furious first few months, things slowed considerably. But, there were some active months that followed. After a great November, December was a bust. I finished the year much better than I would have guessed and pushed the limit of my equipment and antennas. My 500 watts and wires up 80 feet won't bust any records in the unlimited category, but it made for the most DXing fun in many years . . . **K1ESE**. Why do we have to use this official form. Why can't a form like the one generated by DXLabs be submitted as is? . . . **K2SX**. All CW. Just could not get that #260. Oh well that is why they make a next year . . . **K2UF**. I had a GREAT time in the Marathon, it kept DXing fun. My entry is all CW. I only heard 4 entities that I did not work, don't know if I can do much better than this . . . **K3STX**. As a new ticket in 2011, Tech in April, General in June and Extra in November; I am pleased to have scored this well since I didn't have an HF rig until mid-July and recorded my first DX contact on Jul 23, 2011 . . . **K4WSW**. Had fun again. Third year I have enjoyed improving my previous scores. Looking forward to 2012 . . . **K6LE**. Great activity generator what a concept. Great fun. CU in 2012 . . . **K6XT**. This is my best year yet since your inaugural year of the contest. I only wish I could have snagged a few more of the DXpeditions that would have given me two more zones and few new ones for DXCC. In any event, the new ones I did work took me over 300 DXCC worked and 292 confirmed on all bands — not bad with my very modest antenna farm and less than ideal operating restrictions. I still have fun, and breaking the pile ups can often give me more of a thrill than my first Novice contacts in 1958. My score for CW ONLY was 263; Digital ONLY was 95. Having the PSK and JT65 modes added to the fun. And highest score on ONE Band was 159 on 40 meters. Looking forward to 2012, although my effort may be more limited because of other commitments . . . **K8CQ**. This was a very fun experience. Ran my Elecraft K3 at 5 watts output for all contacts. Didn't really use a lot of contests to find contacts as I seemed to be gone from home for most of them. Mostly just casual operating when time permitted. Thanks for putting this on . . . **K8NWD**. First time I've entered the Marathon and had a lot of fun chasing "new old ones". A lot of action this year with the excellent 10 and 12 meter conditions. Thank you for your efforts . . . **K9NU**. This is my first ever entry in the Marathon. Thanks for sponsoring it . . . **K9SVK**. What an exciting year. The 2011 CQ WW Phone contest was very exciting and provided me with a good score . . . **KJ4QDZ**. It was nice to take part one more time on the DX Marathon, this year I entered CW only, and I really enjoyed it . . . **LU3JVO**. Great fun and my 2nd year. At last after 58 years as a ham I have weaned myself from ARRL logbooks and now am tracking Marathon etc. from 10/1/2011 with DXLABS Suites. I let a few get away in 2011 and hope less get away this year! Great job gentlemen! . . . **N0KE**. Had a great time seeing what 5 watts & wire antennas could do. Took lots of persistence & patience, but surpassed my original goal and contacted 180 countries & 36 zones . . . **N3CU**. CW Only. This is my first contest and it was fun. I got a lot more fun in September when the sun spots increased and 10 Meters opened up. I am definitely going to keep playing in these events. Thank you CQ . . . **N4NQ**. I found no stations active from Zone 2 in spite of being active in all major DX contests (CQWW, ARRL DX etc) it was a disappointment not to work all zones. No special efforts were made to seek out any missing countries or zone - those worked are a result of my usual operating both contesting and almost daily operating . . . **N4NW**. Didn't think about Marathon until I saw article in December CQ. Herewith casual operating score from about 700 *total* QSOs in 2011. Barefoot in the 'burbs, only got my (low) TH3 tribander back up in October, other antenna is the trusty Butternut vertical. Special tx to AD1C for all his work on the utilities . . . **N5PG**. This competition should be open to a participant in as many mode categories as he chooses, not limited to one choice. The fact is that they are separate competitions and should be treated as such. There is no relation between a CW entry or a RTTY entry or a SSB entry. The Mixed category is just that, a mixture of all the modes . . . **N6AR**. Wow! With 10 and 12 meters alive again the whole game has changed. Why not develop a Marathon category for band countries and zones? . . . **N8BR**. Once again, I did not set out to compete so missed some 2010 carry over entities by not working them again in 2011. Still, my activity level was high all year and we managed to work lots of DX. Sure could have used that FT/X station that showed for a few minutes on 20 meters for an all time new confirmation . . . **N8RR**. Lots of Fun!! . . . **NU8Z**. So TNX for long contest hi hi. Condx during all year were better and better but now they have gone down again. I hope to be on next year . . . **OK1BA**. Will be back in 2012 . . . **ON4ON**. My first participation in the Marathon. Very difficult to use low power and simple antennas. Modern technologies, such as the skimmer and the cluster, making the possibility of low power even more difficult . . . **UT9FJ**. Less than a week's worth of operating and the CQWW CW

contest. Not too shabby considering we had no 160M antenna and the 80M antenna had problems. The amp failed early in the contest so most of this is actually low power . . . **V31AO**. Only played a little while I was getting station set up again after 4 years. Had fun! Should do a lot better next year! . . . **VA7ZT**. Definitely brought the fun back to Dxing. Then, I get to do it all over again next year. Great idea!! . . . **VE3KKB**. All digital. Thank you for running this operating challenge . . . **VE4KZ**. Hoping 2012 is better, but improved on 2010. Only 100W and 3 element beam . . . **VK2MWG**. A great year for DX, and the DX Marathon added an extra bit of incentive to work it. Thanks for sponsoring this award . . . **VK3HJ**. Having moved into a rented (No Antennas) house for a while but not wanting to stop my hobby, I used a very comprised antenna consisting of a 20' ground mounted wire vertical mounted against the house with radials just lying on the lawn fed with ladder line to an ATU and low power. Surprised and happy with what ended up in the log for this year. Would like to thank the sun for the spots, the inventors of all the digital modes, which really add to what a little guy can work. And a big thank you to the CQ DX Marathon for providing a reason to turn on the rig . . . **VK4BL**. This was my first entry in the DX Marathon. It was hard work at times but I had a couple of friends helping with advice and encouragement so all went OK . . . **VK4CC**. First time in the Marathon, most entertaining. Set a target of 250 points and comfortably exceeded it despite not attacking it full on . . . **VP8NO**. Glad to break last year's score without much regular activity - says a lot for the improved conditions - maybe more next year . . . **VU2PTT**. Always fun. Considering I didn't pay attention until December, my total is only four shy of last year—when I really worked at it! . . . **W1EBI**. Good idea. It kept me going during the year and I will be trying again in 2012 . . . **W2LK**. It was great to have 10 and 12 meters as open as they were. Improved conditions resulted in my best score since the Marathon started. My thanks to the organizers . . . **W4CU**. Only operated 10 months this year and then only decided to chase the Marathon after the STOR expedition in July. Even the countries worked before July were worked again in the last 5 months of the year . . . **W4DXX**. This was my first year to try this activity. It was really fun, like starting all over in working for DXCC with lots of entities and zones to chase . . . **W4NZC**. Another great year of fun and a real stimulus to get on the air. My first submission was 2009, and I have increased my score each year thereafter. Hopefully these are all good and no deductions . . . **W4QN**. Getting the data into this form was a lot harder than working the entities — and a whole lot LESS fun! Software engineers and other 'retentives' must be the only ones happy about this. I lost a couple entities to pirates — I hope I never meet one of them . . . **W4VIC**. Returned to amateur radio in November after a 30 year absence. Hopefully my results for next year will be better . . . **W7JSD**. Score is for 30 meters monoband. Another year of fun! And going monoband lowered the pressure. Thanks for running a great DX Operating program . . . **W9KNI**. I had a great time focusing on 15m this year and was able to meet my goal of DXCC on a new band . . . **W9KVR**. Had a great time. Not a winning score (or even in the ballpark), but for a little pistol I did enjoy the challenge. Thanks . . . **W9MJ**. Really enjoyed working on this during the past year missed a few as I was out of state for a couple weeks at a time. CQ contests and awards are always great fun to work towards. Hope to do better in 2012 . . . **WA4JQS**. Enjoyed the chase this year. Nice way to stay active. See you in 2012 . . . **WA5VGI**. Wow . . . didn't realize I worked DXCC plus almost all 40 zones until I checked the log . . . not bad for 100W and a dipole! . . . **WB4OMM**. There were several DXpeditions and a new entity that made things interesting. Considering the time I could spend on the radio, this was my best effort. I hope to get over 250 countries in 2012 . . . **WB4YDL**. It's always a challenge to work 40 CQ zones. I'm close but still have some to go. My overall DXCC list is growing, worked 176, confirmed 144. Amazing on how long it takes to work them and even more to get a confirmation from them. This is more like a Life Long DX MARATHON. Thanks for all the contacts and BEST 73, cu on the bands . . . **WB9TFH**. Incredible propagation on the last 2 months! Ten meters was a blast and even worked 10 new countries and a new Zone (24). Hope to make 200 entities for next year! . . . **WP3GW**. Nice year DX-wise. Good propagation helps a lot even if not a lot of spare time for radio. Great fun anyway! . . . **XV4Y**. Glad to enter again this year. It was a bit hard because my work left me little spare time to increase my DX score. A bit lower than last year. I hope 2012 will be better . . . **YV6BXN**. Glad to have made an entry at all this time: have been ultra-busy at work, hence not nearly as QRV as I would like. Excellent high-band condx made all the difference . . . **ZL2IFB**. The Marathon keeps me DX-ing year round a great contest . . . **N1AM**.