

S O A P B O X

ES Open HF Championship 2011

Tom, 9A2AJ

Dr om's !

I calling ES-stn (ES4RX,ES6DO,ES1AD,ES2JL...) on 80m cw, but his not copy me !!? Why?? In this time any LY,UA2,EW..stn give me 599 report, but ES-stn nothing !! Very difficult. This is my first and last time ES-"Open contest", sorry.
73

Wilf, DJ6TK

Sorry, I didn't hear anything on 80m
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Ron, DL4ME

73!

Wolfgang, DL-P01-17291

Hello Contest-Team,
attached you will find my contest-log.
It's not too much this year!!
Wish you pleasureable Easter-Holidays.

Toivo, ES0DJ

Rig : IC-7000; Ant: WINDOM 8m. up
Nice contest from Muhu isl. Tnx all fer qso-s!

Vello, ES0QD

Oli täitsa tore vanamehe vana varustusega superjaamadele vastu hakata. Üks vana FT-920, 20 aastat vastu pidanud PA (GU-74B), tänud Ilmarile, ES4RC ja kasutatud kahte antenni: 80 meetri Delta Loop ning 40 meetri Dipol. Pool LOG'i läks arvutisse, teine pool paberile ja siit ka mõned apsud QSO'dega. Jään arvamuse juurde, et R2 jaamad olgu eraldi alagrupis, kas Ekstra või muu. Kui kunagi tuleb ka seenioride alagrupp (näit.Baltic Contest, parim Old-timer; eraldi auhind),ehk siis jätkan, aga muidu sellega lõpetan.

Jõudu noorematele!

Andres, ES1AN

Võistlusklassid C,F Kui kordussided maha võtta, siis tegin 330 sidet ja 15 kordajat. Jõudu kontrollimisel, cu 2012 aastal.
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Teo, ES1AO

Paraku pole mul muud aruandeprogrammi tagavaras, kui ULL (välipäeva) oma. Kuna sellel bändi tulpa ei ole , püüdsin (mittevajaliku) lokaatori abil vahet teha. Kui real on "KO29HI", siis on see 3.5 MHz side; kui aga "KP00AA", siis 7 MHz side. Panin EDI faili ka lisaks, aga kohtunikel vist sellest röömu ikkagi ei ole, sest formaat ei klapi.

Eks te vaadake siis niisama.... Et tüli vähem oleks, piirdusin ainult esimese tunniga. Vähemasti oli kutsung (korraks) eetris.

Kasutasin Sinu ette antud (muide üsna harjumatu !) aruandevormi ja loodan, et minu "check log" ilmub ka teiste omataoliste hulgas....

73!

Enn, ES1OV

Rig: ICOM 706MKII, 100W; Ant.: horis. quad.
73!

Aadu, ES1TU

Radio: ICOM IC-756 PRO 3 Amplifier: Ameritron AL-80B Antenna: Inverted-L
73

Gary, ES1WST:

First: My apologies if anyone had problems with the N1MM UDC software. I was in the woods without Internet starting on 4/14, but Nick NA3M posted a solution on the Yahoo N1MM forum. It should work perfectly in 2012!

Again a very enjoyable contest for me! I made a big effort by arranging a two-day mini-expedition to Saaremaa and had a great time. I built a trap dipole (W3DZZ) on Wednesday but due to family commitments had very little time to test the antenna and prepare before leaving for Saaremaa. I was pretty nervous because I knew it would be possible to forget one single item and not be able to operate! Plus, I found out on Thursday morning before leaving that the N1MM software no longer worked on my fancy 64-bit Windows 7 laptop, so I had to load my old Windows XP computer into the car too. I brought the soldering iron and lot of other electronic supplies just to be prepared.

Arrived in Sõrve peninsula too late to set up the antenna on Thursday, so I contented myself to just survey the location and get prepared! My host very kindly cooked me dinner.

Friday morning I put up the mast/antenna myself, which is a scary task alone if you have never done it before, but I didn't have any problems. I started testing the antenna and I had cut the 40m section a bit too short so the SWR was high in the CW part of the band. Thankfully, the 80m section was too long, so I spent a couple of hours trimming it for resonance around 3.53 MHz.

Once the antenna was working, I tried to make a few QSOs and was pretty disappointed since the reports weren't very good and I couldn't hear a single Estonian station. However, since during the contest, practically everyone could hear me fine, I must conclude that contest operators have the best ears and the best stations, compared to everyday operators during the week!

I woke up at 6:30 AM on Saturday and tried to sleep more but was too excited. I got up and my little puhkemaja was a bit cold. It's then I realized it was my responsibility to keep the fire going if I wanted heat! I immediately got some logs in the stove but all I could do was fill the house with smoke. Unfortunately, the door needed to be open during the contest since that was my coax conduit, so I prepared for a cold 4 hours.

It was about 7:45 AM when I realized the multiplier file didn't work correctly so after warning all the N1MM users to prepare in advance for problems, I was caught trying to get the software running 15 minutes before the contest. Thankfully I solved the problem quickly. I made a quick SSB QSO on 80m with Rein in ES6 and he said I had a good signal so I was feeling better.

The contest started out a bit slow, but I quickly had a stream of callers. For a QRP station (5W), this is truly a rare pleasure. In most contests, I can call CQ all day long and no one will ever answer me!

The antenna worked well in my opinion. I had some discussions with American operators a week before the contest and they thought 40m propagation might be impossible within Estonia unless via scatter, but by about 9 AM I started hearing ES on 40m. I managed to work 8 multipliers on 80m and 7 on 40m so I am content. Perhaps the location helped?

My goal had been 200 QSOs (and dreaming of 300!), but I wasn't sure about the possible multipliers. In fact, I think I have reached the limit of what I can do with 5W, so I plan to hopefully have at least 50W next year.

Finally, thanks to everyone for copying my call. I think ES1WST/0 was the longest call in the contest.

73,
Gary, ES1WST (WS4T)

Klaus, ES1XQ/2

Võistlusklass oli SO SSB, transiiver ICOM IC-735, saatevõimsus 100W, antenniks inverted V 80m ja 40m ühise toitepunktiga. Jaama QTH oli seekord KO29LI e. Harjumaal Rae vallas asuvas Vaskjala külas.

Tarmo, ES2ACT:

Ei pidanud otstarbekaks saata (ei tahtnud viimaseks jääda 8-), aga kontrolliks ...

Erkki, ES2DC

Saadan aruande uuesti, avastasin, et N1MM logger oli punktiarvestusega väga optimistlik olnud. Samuti oli millegipärast klass high kuigi peaks olema LP (kuni 100W) ja mode ainult SSB.
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Igor, ES2IPA

Väike äpardus juhtus 2. ringi alguses, kus WinTest'i logiprogrammi vahetamise käigus (vaja 4x vahetada) jooksis programm kokku, ega vahetanud laineala (40/80), mistõttu 3-4-5 sidet võib olla vale sagedusega.
73!

Arvo, ES2MC

Naljakaid juhtumisi soap-boksi tarvis paraku ei olnud...

Sven, ES2S

Loodan et kõik ok.
73!

Mart, ES3BM

Vabandan, et nii palju viivitasin, kuid aruanne oli ammu läpakas kuid läpakas oli panges. ES3AT abiga sain masina uuesti tööle.

Henno, ES3GX

Kõike paremat!

Jaan, ES3RY

Proovisin seda ES5JR exceli varianti....päris mugav.

Anatoli, ES4RD

K3 PA ACOM 1010 ANT DIPOLES

The first time worked ES OPEN in the programm 5MContest. Problem with CAT. Could not do anything.

Thank you all, and 73!

Kalju, ES5EX

Rig: 50W

Jüri, ES5GP

Klass B1, välitingimused.

Head kontrollimist...

Valeri, ES5QA

RIG: TS-2000, 100W, 80 M DIPOLE, 40 M INV VEE

OLI TORE.100W liiga vähe, ainult otsimise peale-kuhja ei tekkinud!

73!

Neil, ES6DO

Kuna N1MM jooksis teadmata põhjustel kohe esimestel minutitel hunnikusse, siis tuli käsitsi excel-iga vormistada. Loodan, et sobib.

73

Rivo, ES6FC

Tervitus! Kahjuks ei oska rohkem teha. ES-ruute on 4+7 ja sidesid 45 = 495 punkti.

Peaks olema klass B1 st. SSB ja FT 897D 40 m deltaga.

73!

Mati, ES6QZ

Rig: IC-751, Ant: dipole

Tõnu "Tom", ES7MB

Saadan siis kaasapanus ka oma lühikese logi

73!

Hugo, ES7TH

TX: 2W, Ant: Delta 160 m.

73!

Alev, ES8TJM

Rig: IC706 & PA; Ant: 80M delta & 40M inv "V"

Arvo, ES9A

RIG: FT-920 (CW) & FT-847 (SSB),
PA: GS35B (ca 800W)
ANT: 80/40m dipool

Ääremärkuseks - üllatas 40m Eesti-sisene levi. Ainult esimesed 45min oli nutune nagu alati. Aga siis avanes, ES SSB QSOd peetud kõik "paljajalu", ei polnud probleemi....

Aga - ikka sama kisakoor, et ei pole ES9 kordajat. Uskumatu - kolm ES9-jaama platsil ja ikka vähe. Nutukutid peaksid natuke ka oma peaga juurde mõtlema - ES9A püsis täiesti paigal ja ES9B peaaegu paigal nii CW kui ka SSB sagedusalas, nuppu tuleb keerata. Veidi harjutud, et mõni ES9 tuleb äkki kutsuma nagu eelmistel aastatel. Noh, ei ole põhjust kedagi eelistada.

Aga lõbus oli -:).

Kõik logist leitud vead võtan oma kanda. Vast võetud on õigesti aga kirjandust hiljem sotti saada on mõnel juhul keeruline...

Victor, EU6AA

Rig - FT-840, pwr=100W, ant - Delta Loop
73 and CU next year

Mike, EW6DM

TNX for Contest, 73!

AI, F3CW

Hello !
First time in ES Open - So bad conditions on 80 meters here.
Congrat's and see you next year.
73

Christian, F6FTB

Rig: K2 at 100 watts; Ant: 2x20 m doublet

Bill, GI4AAM

Rig: IC7400; Ant: G5RV
Very poor propagation to ES.

Laszlo, HA6NL

ICOM756PRO 100 watts dipole

Andrea, HB9DUR

Spent the first 30min in chasin signals on 80m without chances. Worked well on 40m until the signal level and actitivity of neighbouring countries increased making impossible to copy weak signals form ES. Next time on CW.

Gediminas, LY1EE

FT-990AC, Dipole

Arvydas, LY2F

73!

Kestutis, LY2LF

Rig: Home made; Ant: dipole
73!

Petras, LY2ND

TNX

Algis, LY2NK

Rig: home-made; Ant: home-made

Darius, LY3DA

CU in Baltic Contest this weekend!
73
Nāgemiseni.

Mindis, LY4L:

Thank you for the contest!
CU! 73!

Gediminas, LY9A:

FT-1000MP + 80m band dipole.

Never experienced such a good 40m band conditions in my many previous ES Open Championships. The first hour was as usual - only 3 40m QSO, but later.... Even with out of 40m band antenna...

Thanks for the nice time in ES-Open and CU next year!

Heikki, OH2LNH

Power 100w, RIG: FT897D, ANT: G5RV

Orvo, OH5NE

SRI. Ei ole tilaisuutta ottaa osaa erau contestiin koska samana päivänä on SRAL vuosikokous Helsingissä. Harmillinen asia mutta ehkä ensivuonna ei kokous ja teidän testi satu samalle päivälle.

Contestiterveisin
OH5NE, Orvo Arkko

Teemu, OH6GAW

First time in ES-open , and it was FUN.
I did have major problems first with my N1MM....
80m was very poor but 40m was in nice shape after first hour!

STN:
K2 / 100W
1/2 Dipole on 40m @ 5m
1/2 Dipole on 80m @ 4m

HI HI
73, CU next year!

Stanislav, OK1FCA

TRCVR 70 W; Ant: ECO mobile whip @ 5 m

Jan, OK2BND

Rig: IC706 100W; Ant: dipole 41.6 m and vertical R7000

Jean-Jacques, ON3ND

Here is my very small paper log for the ES open contest... Sorry but time it was not a right time for me... Will try for more activity next time..
73 qro de "JJ"

Patrick, ON6AT

FT-950 100W Antenne: W8010 + R8

I do each year various contests (SSB and digital modes). This contest was the first for me. 80m no station heard. At 40m I could just hear the strongest stations. It would be possible for NOT ES stations to work all stations. The rules allow any SSB QSO counts 1 point, but NO ES stations refused to give me a report.
73 de ON6AT

Jan, OZ1ADL

Well, here it comes missing my QSO's between #54 and 74.....maybe you can reconstruct them on the basis of the others' reports?
Otherwise, at least the other will get their points...
I accidentally erased one of the logs trying to merge them in Wintest.
Hopefully I'll be back on track next year :-)
Happy Easter & Best 73 from Denmark

Eric, PA2REH

Used a K2 100W and GP
Thanks to all, 73 de Eric - pa2reh

Sergey, R3LC (ex UA3LHL)

MNY TNX for the Contest!
CU the next year.
73's

Albert, RA3EA .

TNX FOR FB CONTEST!
73!

Yuri, RA3NC

Здравствуйте, коллеги, крайне неудачно время соревнований. На 2 часа необходимо раньше. И мало участников из ES.

Slav, RA4AI

TNX for Contest! GL! 73!

Valery, RW3AI

Icom 7800, Ant LW, ECO

Lars, SM4DQE

Rig: FT-847; Ant: G5RV

73 de **Anders, SM5EFX**

Rolf, SM5MX

No stations hrd from ES7 & ES8

Arne, SM7CIL

Please find enclosed my log for the Estonian Open contest
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Gösta, SM7EH

Rig: FT1000MP; Logger: SD

Johan, SM7XON

Equipment used:
Yaesu FT-2000 with SB-220 amp, 1kw into a dipole antenna.

Many thanks for a nice contest, 73

Wladyslaw, SP1AEN

Rig: TS-430S 100W; Ant: LW

Josef, SP4-208

Vy 73!

Vsevolod, U3DI

Rig ICOM-746 100w

Vyacheslav, UA2FL

RIG:TS-940SAT; Ant: Inv.Vee.,GP.
73!

Nick, UA6HFI

RIG: FT920 ANTENNAS; GP

Ivan, UA9XBJ

TNX FOR TEST! 73!

Anatoly, US0QG

Rig: Home-made 15W

Vasil, US4IRT

73!

Boris, UX8IW

UW3DI, InvVee, dipole

Vilnis, YL2BJ

Better 4x1/2 hour to increase rate..Tnx fer contest!

Pavel, YL2HK

73!!!

Zigis, YL2PJ

Nice test this year!
Tnx for QSOs.

Peter, YL2PN

IC-751 100w INV VEE @ 10m AGL

Alec, YL3DX

IC-756PROIII 100W; ant vertical.
73 & DX!

Andy, YL3GAO

TRX=100W, ANT=Inverted-V
73!

Arvis, YL7X

A fantastic 40m propagation this year! Tnx to all Estonian hams for nice contest! Congrats to Gedas LY9A for very good competition :)))
Tnx for my photo on Your contest website :))
Cu next year ! 73, Arvis YL7X

Mircea, YR5T

FT-897 + PA 300W DIPOLE

Zoran, YT9M

Nice Contest. See you next year...