

Housatonic Amateur Radio Club

CQ WW Digi Contest August 2026 K1WAS

Rev 1.0

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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File Settings Band View Help											
Current Band & Mode		Find		Recent Contacts						Score Statistics	
Rec	Call	Grid R	Country	Date / Time	Bnd	Grid S	Mode	Pnts			
303	W4IDX	DM24	USA	08/30 11:56	40	FN31	FT8	2			
302	WA9NBU	DM13	USA	08/30 11:53	40	FN31	FT8	2			
301	AF0G	EM28	USA	08/30 11:53	20	FN31	FT8	1			
300	K4QVH	EM74	USA	08/30 11:50	40	FN31	FT8	1			
299	AE5FM	EM13	USA	08/30 11:47	40	FN31	FT8	1			
298	ZL3XA	RE66	New Zealand	08/30 11:45	20	FN31	FT8	5			
297	HG0NPJ	JN97	Hungary	08/30 11:38	20	FN31	FT4	3			
296	W9XT	EN53	USA	08/30 11:38	40	FN31	FT8	1			
295	KF8DZR	EN82	USA	08/30 11:35	40	FN31	FT8	1			
294	DL4DBM	JO31	Federal Republic of Germany	08/30 11:32	20	FN31	FT4	2			
293	M1D	IO82	England	08/30 11:26	20	FN31	FT4	2			

Call	Grid	Country

Ready to begin!

Please select your band from the menu options!

Clear Spot Last

Possible Duplicates ☒ Any Portion

Bearing: Miles: Cont: 00:00:00

Band: 40 Mode: DIG

K1WAS FN31

8:23:28 AM
12:23:28 UTC

N3FJP screen

Score Statistics	
Total Contacts	303
Total QSO Points	562
Total Multipliers	89
Total Score	50,018
QSOs / Hr (Last 20 min)	0
QSOs / Hr (Last 60 min)	12

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

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Band	CW	Phone	Dig	Total	%
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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
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Total	0	0	303	303	100

Band breakdown

CQ Zone	Total
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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	

Operator	Total	%
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KB1LZ	117	39
W1SMF	55	18
W1RAZ	49	16
KA1PUG	41	14
AB1JC	28	9
W1PLH	11	4
K1PCN	2	1
Total = 7		

Operators

21 CQ Zones

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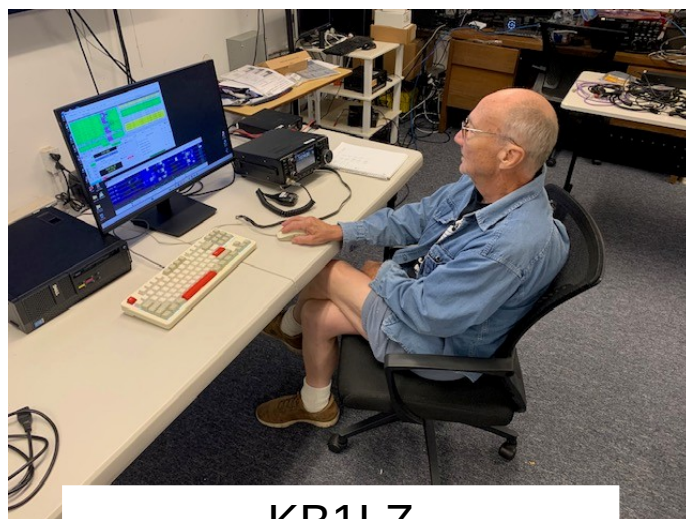
Erecting the Off Center Fed Dipole between the north and south towers. The pole holds up the center. The OCF covers 80-10 meters

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W1SMF & N1AK



KB1LZ



WE1M



AB1JC & KI6JXJ



KA1PUG



W1PLH



K1PCN



W1RAZ

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DF2F
DELTA FOX TWO FOX

To: K1WAS Confirming 2-way FT8 QSO, Band: 40M
Date: August 29, 2026 Time: 23:30Z, RST:

DOK L06 J031C0
ITU 28 CQ ZONE 14



EA6TU

Josep Melcior Cifre Segui
P.O.Box 94
Port de Pollença, 07470
Balearic Isl. - SPAIN
Loc:JM19mv ITU:37 CQ:14
IOTA:EU-004

To: K1WAS This confirms our 2-way FT8 QSO
Date: August 29, 2026 Time: 22:55 UTC
Band: 20M UR Sigs: -16



OA4DOS
Lima - Peru

ITU 12 / Cq 10

To: K1WAS This confirms our 2-way FT8 QSO
Date: August 29, 2026 Time: 21:43 UTC
Band: 15M UR Sigs:
WW DIGI CONTEST 2026 73 FROM LIMA PERU



VK3XV

Tony John Hambling
20 John St
Williamstown, 3016
Australia 3016
Loc:QF12vd ITU:59 CQ:30
IOTA:OC-001

Mount Buangor State Park

To: K1WAS This confirms our 2-way FT8 QSO
Date: August 30, 2026 Time: 08:38 UTC
Band: 20M UR Sigs: -03



VK4VCC
Australian Amateur Radio Station

20m
FT8 RST 0

Laurie Porter 14.090700 MHz



G8RZ
england

2026-08-29 22:50z
40m MFSK
7.080550 MHz
RST 59

peter webster

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Mark Hutchinson
 ITU:59 CQ:30
 Grid:PF94HW
 ICOM 7610 &
 Kenwood TS2000X
 Active on 160m to
 10m HF & 2m, 70cm,
 23cm

To: K1WAS Confirming 2-way FT8 QSO, Band: 40M
 Date: August 30, 2026 Time: 11:18Z, RST:




Dan Vashca
 6300 NW 42nd Court
 Coral Springs, Florida 33067
 USA
 Loc:EL96W ITU:5 CQ:5 Broward County
 Rig: IC-7610 + SB-220 + HEX BEAM/DIPOLE
 Also VE3MCL, EX Y03AQJ
 ARRL RAC ai4ww@arrl.net

To: K1WAS This confirms our 2-way MFSK(FT4) QSO
 Date: August 29, 2026 Time: 14:43 UTC
 Band: 20M UR Sigs: 599

Mark Hawes
VK1HMS
 Canberra, Australian Capital
 Territory, Australia.
 ITU:59 CQ:30 Grid:QF44mt



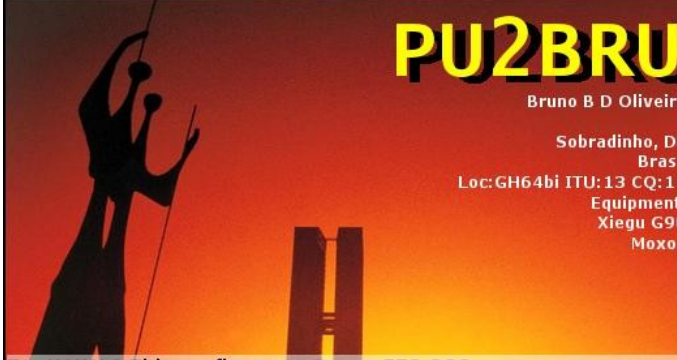
Telstra Tower
 35 Jacobs St
 Evatt, ACT, 2617
 Australia




National Carillon
 Trnx for the QSO.
 73's from Australia's
 capital city.



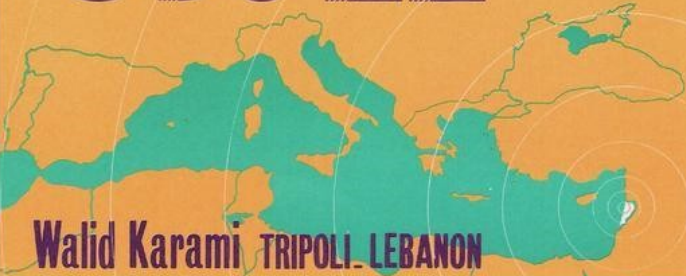

To: K1WAS Confirming 2-way F2 FT8 QSO, Band: 20M
 Date: June 25, 2023 Time: 08:08Z, RST: 1D
 FT8 Sent: 1D Rcvd: 3D

Bruno B D Oliveira
 Sobradinho, DF
 Brasil
 Loc:GH64bi ITU:13 CQ:11
 Equipment:
 Xiegu G90
 Moxon

To: K1WAS This confirms our 2-way FT8 QSO
 Date: August 29, 2026 Time: 22:28 UTC
 Band: 15M UR Sigs: -18

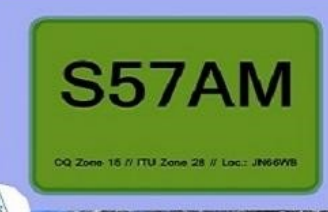
OD5 ZZ



Walid Karami TRIPOLI LEBANON

To: K1WAS Confirming 2-way FT8 QSO, Band: 20M
 Date: August 29, 2026 Time: 23:09Z, RST: -11

Platinum
 Member

S57AM
 CQ Zone 15 // ITU Zone 28 // Loc: JN66WS



To: K1WAS Confirming 2-way FT8 QSO, Band: 20M
 Date: August 29, 2026 Time: 18:46Z, RST: -11