# SCARC/CARC Field Day 2009

4H Building Iowa State University Campus Ames, IA

> Class 2F W0YI W0ISU (GOTA)

### Overview

- Installing antennas
- GOTA station
- Extra activities
- East (SSB/RTTY) station
- West (CW) station
- Results
- Suggestions for 2010 SCARC/CARC FD

#### WA0ROI setting up the vertical



#### Multiband vertical ready for use



#### AG3V shooting his cannon; AC0BG helping

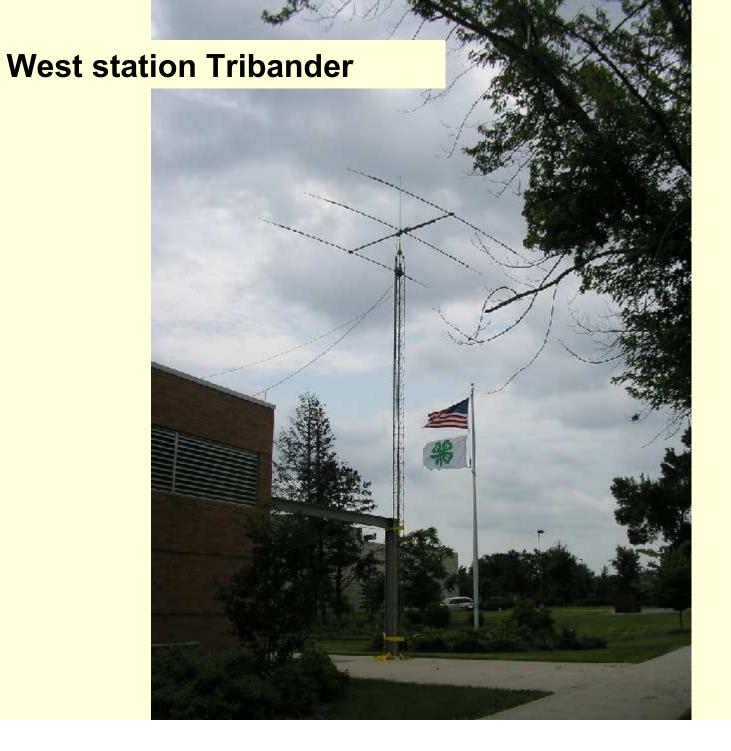




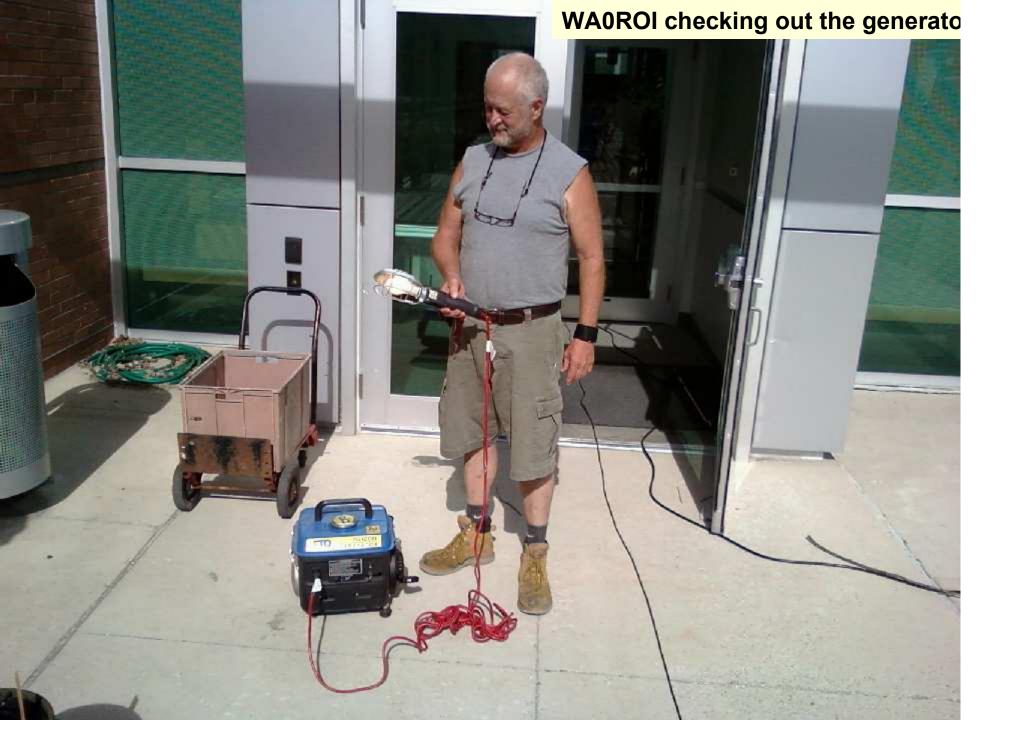


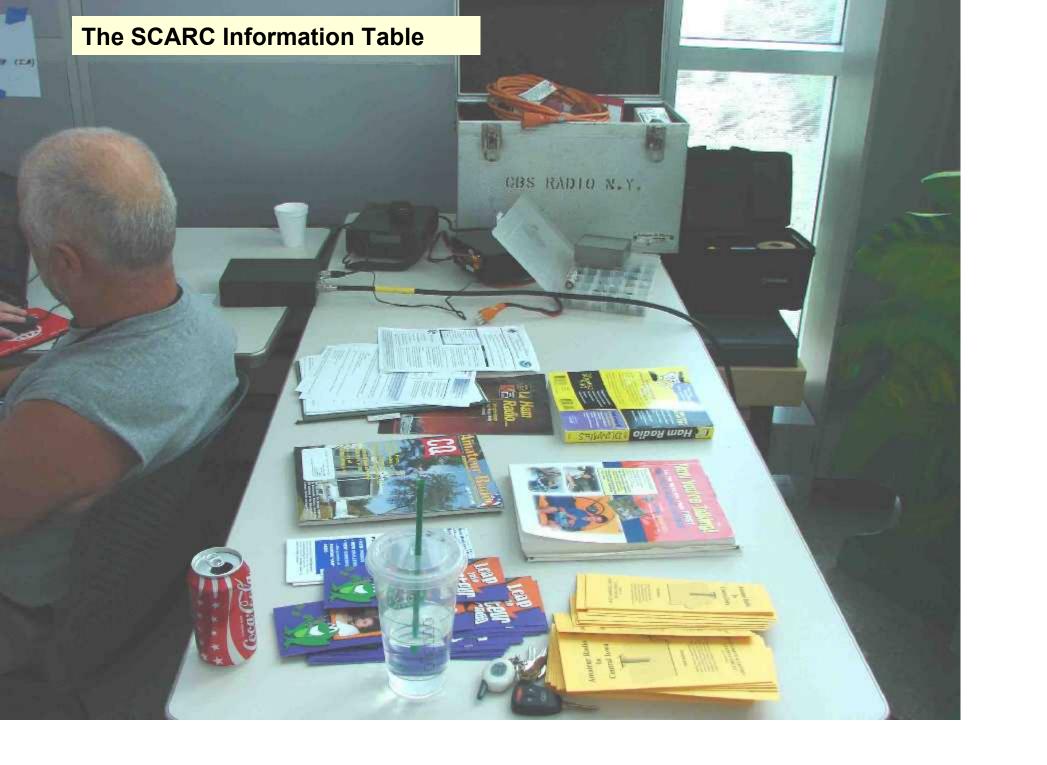






Adjusting the 80-meter dipole for the East station



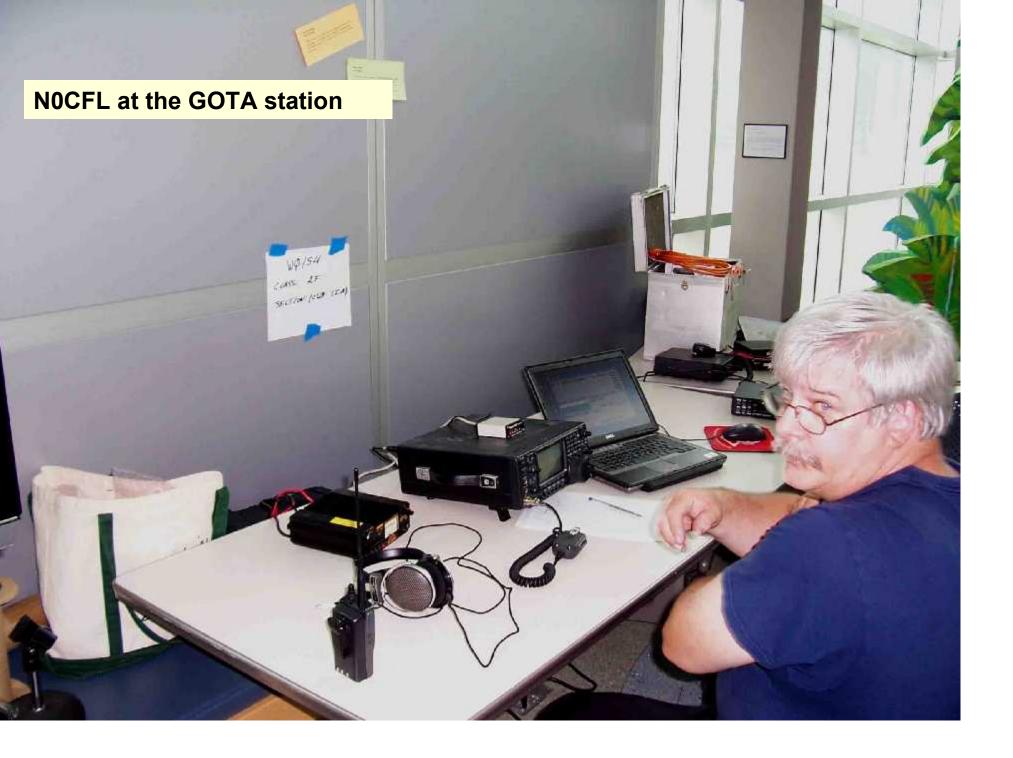


#### WA0ROI coaching a GOTA operator





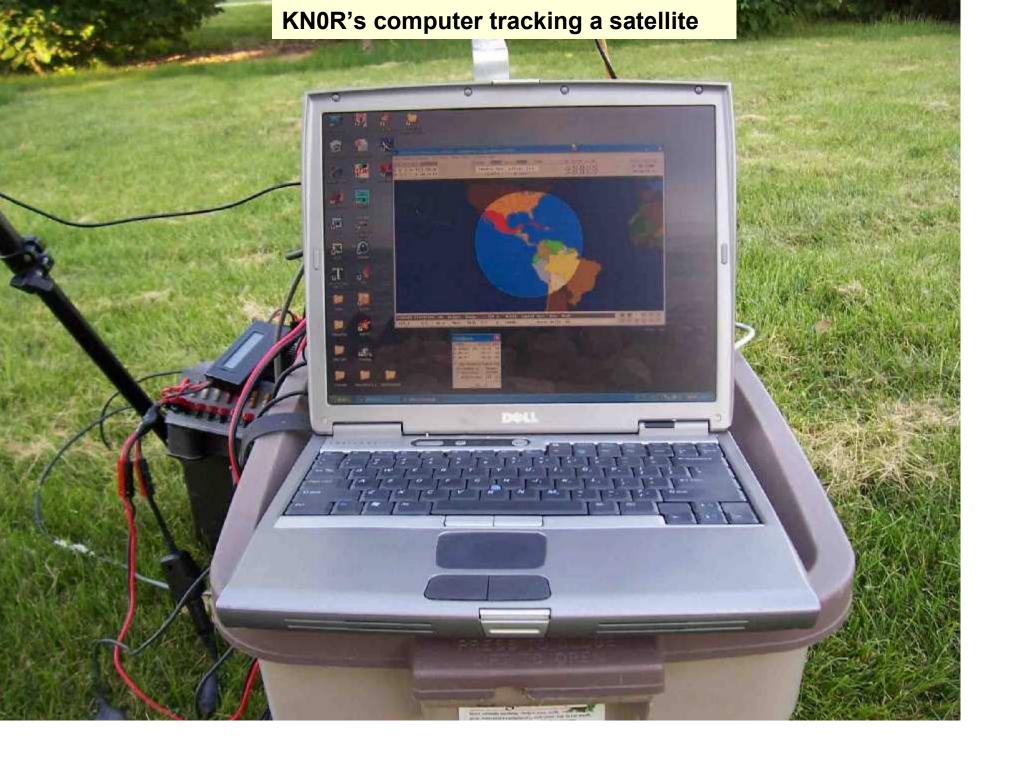
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#### The Boy Scout radio merit badge class studying





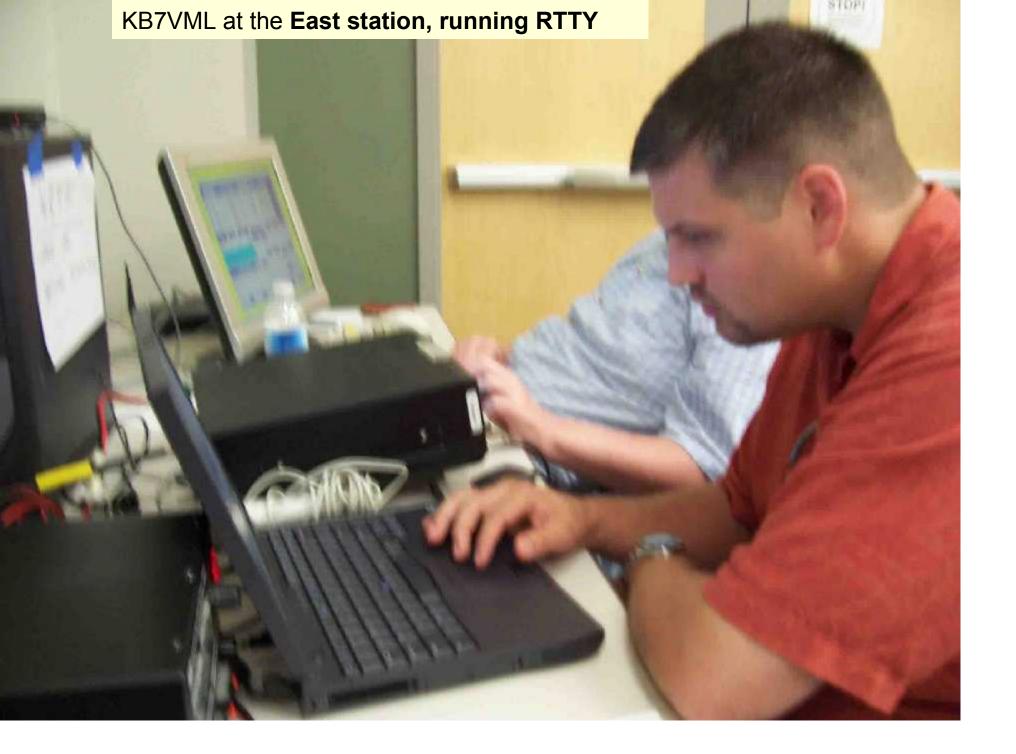


WA0ROI providing instruction on how to make a J-Pole.



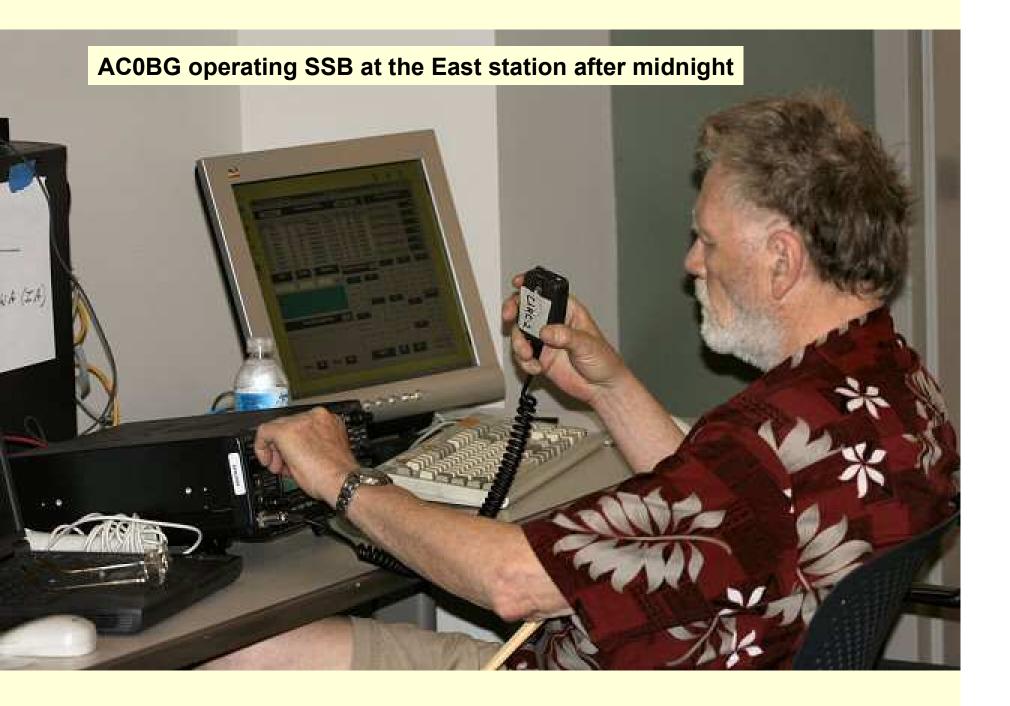


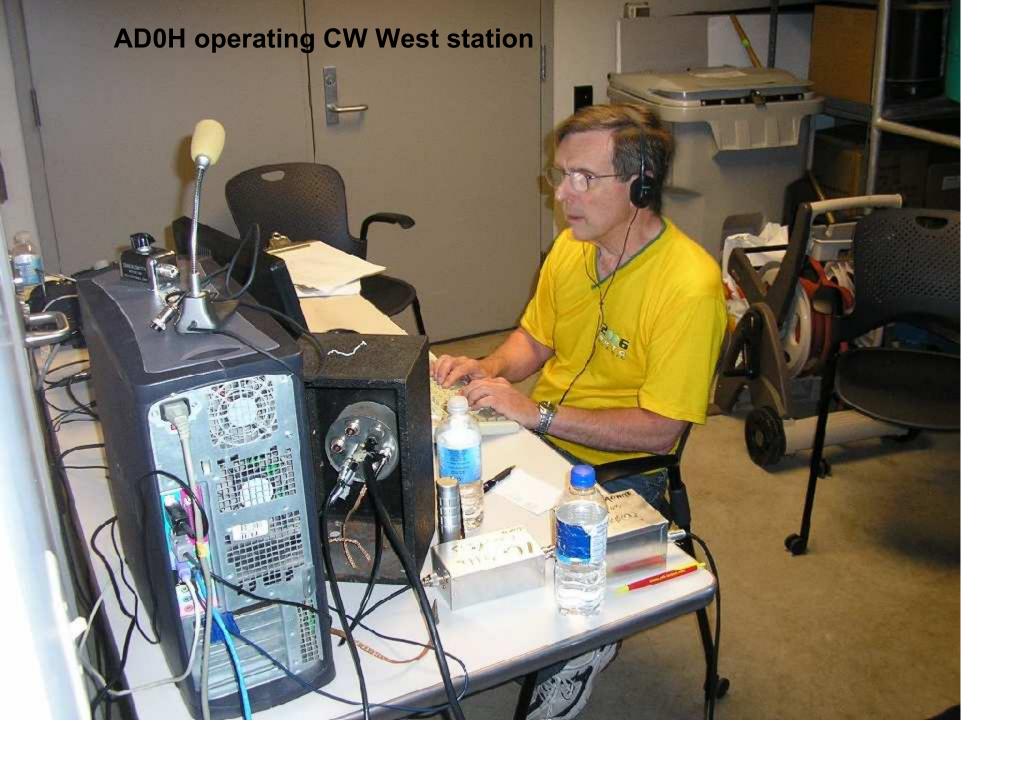




#### AI1P operating, N0NRO logging

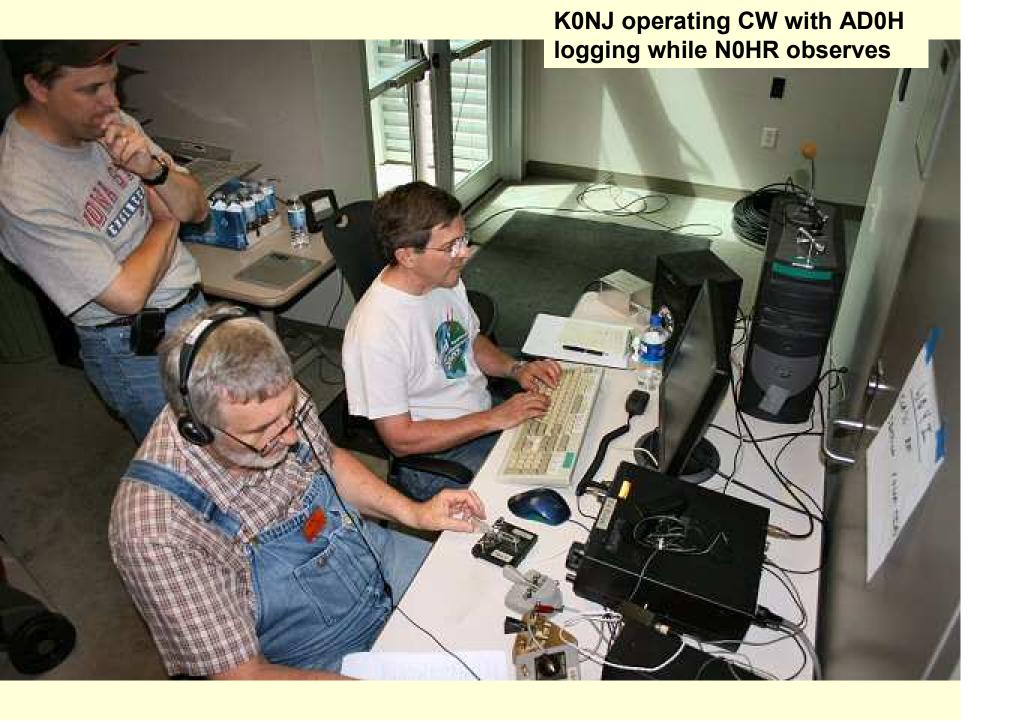






K0NJ operating CW with AD0H logging while Boy Scouts and N0HR observe





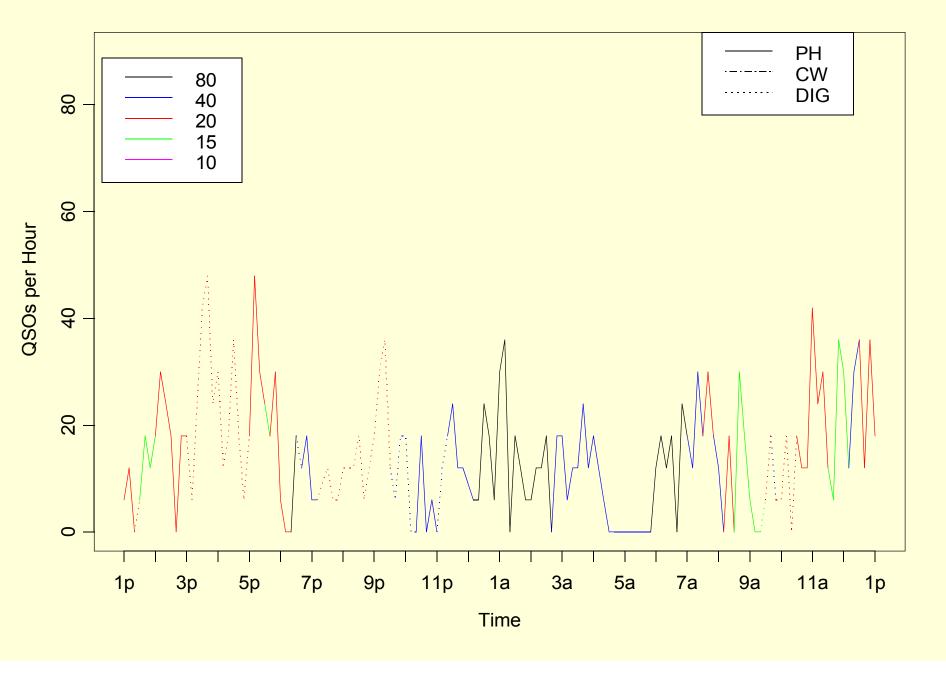


#### CW log on the West station Saturday evening N3FJP's Field Day Network Log 2.5 ophinic Setup Band Mode Graph Map Network Operator Hap - 8 × **Recent Contacts** Current Band Find Score Statistics All Class Sec Rec# Call Date Time Total CW Contacts..... Bnd Mde Opr 1 300 K1R 456 5A NH 04:58:09 2009/06/28 40 CW WOM Total Digital Contacts... 455 WOGG 1A CO 2009/06/28 04:57:05 40 89 CW WOM 454 W4BTI 6A WWA 2009/06/28 04:55:34 .40 CW WOM Total Phone Contacts... 67 453 K7LED 6A WWA 2009/06/28 04:53:36 40 CW WOM 452 K4FC 3A NEL 2009/06/28 04:51:06 40 CW WQM Total QSO Points..... 845 2009/06/28 451 NOTT 1E MO 04:50:14 40 CW WQM 450 WOCIT 1A KS 2009/06/28 04:49:10 40 CW WQM QSOs / Hr (last 20 min) 33 W10P 449 3A RI 2009/06/28 04:48:15 40 CW WOM 448 NS1RA 5A EPA 2009/06/28 04:44:57 40 WOM 1 CW QSOs / Hr (last 60 min) 32 Call Class Section **Sections Worked** 5 On 7 0 AR NTX AZ OR Clear MO 1 3 LA OK. EWA UT IA NE CT RI DE MDC MS STX WWA ks ND EMA VT EPA WPA NM WTX WY MN MT ME WMA NV AK Canada 4 6 NH 8 **Possible Duplicates** AL. SFL EB SDG On 2 NL SK GA WCF LAX SF MF WV MAR AB NNY NNJ KY TN ORG SJV OH QC. BC ENA SNJ NC VA. SB sV ON NT 9 NLL SCV PAC WNY NEL PR MB 11 W1 SC MI. IN 11:04:49 PM WOYI 2F A CW Band 40 Mode 05:04:49 UTC 1 100 1 12504 PM BStart 2 . W Strips IS IN IN IN IN IN I DO

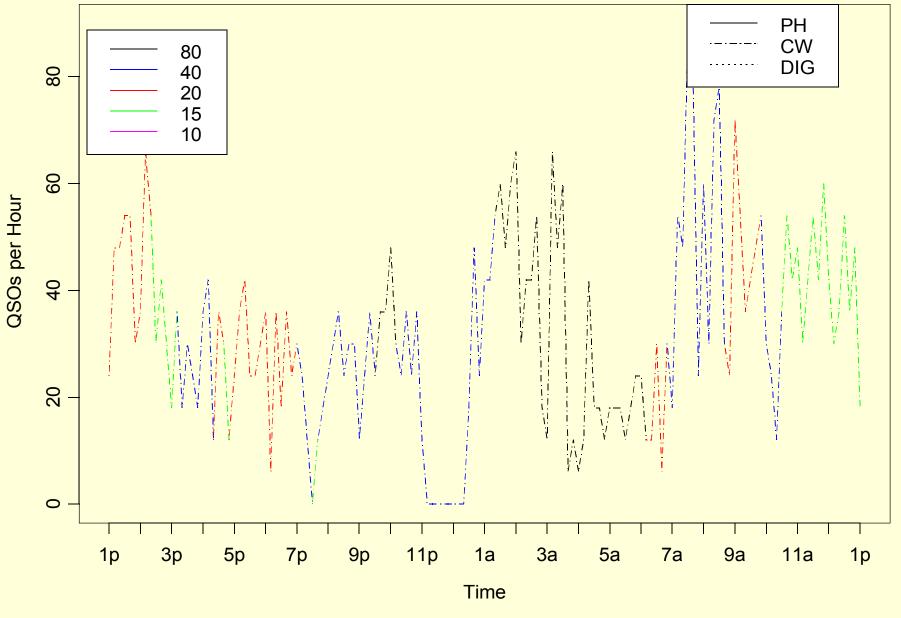
### Bonus Points 2009

Emergency power (KC0JUO)	200
Public location (ND0D, AG3V)	100
Media Publicity (ND0D)	100
Public Information Table (ND0D, AG3V,K0KT)	100
NTS message to ARRL SM/SEC (AC0BG)	100
W1AW Field Day Message	100
Formal NTS messages handled (ND0D, W0NFL)	100
Satellite QSO completed	
Natural Power QSO's Completed	100
Site Visited by elected official	
Site Visited by served agency official	100
Educational Activity	100
GOTA + Coach QSO bonus	40
Youth Participation (4)	80
Web submittal of FD results (K0KT)	50

East



#### West



# QSO Summary 2008

	CW		Digital		Phone	
	QSO	Power	QSO	Power	QSO	Power
160	0	150	0	150	0	150
80	97	150	0	150	22	150
40	434	150	0	150	99	150
20	155	150	0	150	87	150
15	20	150	0	150	20	150
10	5	150	0	150	0	150
6	0	150	0	150	0	150
GOTA	0	150	0	150	32	150
Totals	732	CW	0	Dig	260	Phone

## QSO Summary 2009

	CW		Digital		Phone	
	QSO	Power	QSO	Power	QSO	Power
160	0	150	0	150	0	150
80	171	150	0	150	53	150
40	248	150	14	150	64	150
20	211	150	90	150	89	150
15	139	150	1	150	33	150
10	5	150	0	150	2	150
6	0	150	0	150	0	150
GOTA	0	150	0	150	32	150
Totals	774	CW	105	Dig	273	Phone

### Summary FD Points 2009

Total CW QSO's: 769 X 2 = Total CW QSO points: 1538 Total Digital QSO's:  $105 \times 2 = Total Digital QSO points: 210$ Total Phone QSO's:  $273 \times 1 =$  Total Phone QSO points: 273Total QSO points:  $2047 \times 2 = 4094$  for the power multiplier Power Multiplier 150 Watts or less = 2Bonus points 1270 Claimed Score: 5364 Missed NV and HI for WAS

#### 2009 versus previous years

		2006		2007	
2008	3 2	2009			
Total QSO Points	2,852	3,204	3,492	4,094	
Bonus Points	640	1,400	830	1,270	
TOTAL POINTS	3,492	4,604	4,322	5,364	

### **Special Thanks 1**

- KI0Q for networking our computers in putting up the tower any Yagi
- AG3V and CARC, for bringing supplying ICOM 746s
- K0KT for supplying computers and interfaces
- WA0ROI, N0HR, AG3V for serving at GOTA coaches
- KD0IDL, N0HR, KB7VML, K0NJ, AI1P, WA0ROI for photographs

### **Special Thanks 2**

- AC0BG, KI0Q, and K0KT for working the late/early shifts (midnight to 7am)
- WA0ROI and AI1P for the natural power bonus
- AG3V, AD0H, and ND0D for inviting special officials and securing permissions
- Frieda for cookies and sloppy Joe's that kept us nourished
- KC0JUO for bringing and testing the generator and making sure we had a photograph

### Suggestions and Reminders for Field Day 2010

- Have one "captain" for each of the four stations (two main stations, GOTA, and VHF).
- Have separate doublet antennas on both 40 and 80-meter flat-top for both the CW and SSB stations.
- Put up two tribanders for 20, 15, 10 on separate towers, spaced as far apart as possible
- Continue and expand use of delegated responsibilities for particular bonus point tasks and documentation
- Continue to set up antennas on Friday evening. Check coax connectors on all coax runs and replace the bad ones *before* FD.
- Continue to test all antennas **before** FD and during setup. Use antenna analyzers at several stages of setup.
- Run a "free" VHF 2/6-meter cw/ssb station using Yagis. Extend the computer network for this station.

### Suggestions and Reminders for Field Day 2010

- Continue to have a particular person(s) assigned to each planned bonus area.
- Continue to operate a CW station continuously. CW works much better with weak FD signals and count twice as much as Phone.
- Continue to have one station primarily CW and the other primarily SSB
- Check all computers for correct local and UTC time recording.
- The SSB/RTTY station should spend more time on RTTY if QSO can be made, especially Sat afternoon and late Sunday morning, as RTTY QSOs count twice as much as Phone contacts
- Have a dedicated photographer(s)
- Priority for newly-arriving GOTA visitors
- Recruit more young and long-term GOTA operators (i.e., those with the goal of making 20+ QSOs)
- Run the GOTA station into the evening, and perhaps start up again on Sunday morning, if recruits are found.