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Beaver Valley Amateur Radio Association

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PL 131.8



On the Cover: March is in like a lion and out like a lamb.
The weather is always interesting this time of year.

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Check into our nets

Wednesday 2 Meter

8:30PM on 145.310 MHz PL 131.8

Wednesday 10 Meter

9:00PM on 28.470 MHz



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Who We Are

2025 BVARA OFFICERS

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MONTHLY MEETINGS

E-Board meetings are now held the Saturday before the monthly club meeting.

VE testing begins at 5:00 PM.

Regular meetings are at 6:30 PM

All meetings are held at the Beaver County Emergency Services Center (A.K.A. The 911 Center)
351 14th Street
Ambridge, PA 15003
on the second Thursday of every month (unless otherwise stated).

2026 Meeting Dates

Mar 12

Apr 09

May 14

Jun 11

Jun 27-28 Summer Field Day

Jul 09

Aug 08 Corn Roast

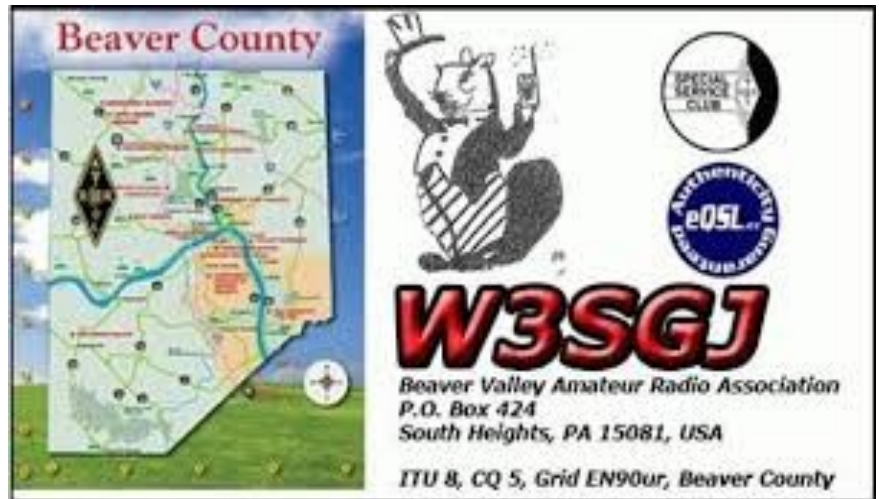
Aug 13

Sep 10

Oct 08

Nov 12

Dec Christmas Party



This Month

This Month:

Speaker:

Rich Soltesz - K3SOM

Topic:

Easy-Setup Vertical-Beam Antenna for 10 Meters – Part 2

Including:

Continuing with our BVARA Presentation Series this year, our topic this month highlights a goal of mine to do a better job of making contacts on the 10-meter band. Whether the driver for me is a local ground-wave contest, a future POTA activation, or an opening to a particular part of the world, a portable vertical antenna with some gain, quick setup time, no need for ground radials or screens, and low cost would be an awesome project.

As we discussed in our January 2026 presentation, Salty Walt, as he describes himself, tries to satisfy his ideas by actually building and testing these antennas. His video about a $\frac{1}{2}\lambda$ two-element vertical beam for 10 meters caught my eye for many reasons. His well thought out approach using readily available materials was appealing. With no connecting wires to the director, quickly changing the direction by 90° only required an extra ground post.

In Part 1, we began by showing you the path I took to verify his approach with some minor adjustments. EZNEC Pro/2+ Ver 7.0 was used to confirm/modify some of the dimensions and expected performance. I'll share the previous EZNEC results of using a Director element.

The cold and snowy Winter weather finally broke to provide me with a window of opportunity to quickly deploy and adjust wire lengths to near optimum settings. With two antenna ports available on my radio, I could quickly switch antennas for comparison purposes. The competition was stiff for the two-element vertical Yagi; a 4-element horizontal Yagi at 50 feet with high directivity and other advantages. But the 2-element vertical offered rapid deployment and quick changes in directionality based on Walt's unique ground post idea.

What a wonderful learning experience for me. But wait, there's more! I'll show a classic *Ben Franklin Balance Sheet* to summarize some not only expected but also some surprising results. This is one presentation you won't want to miss!

Rich's Background:

Extra Class Ham, Licensed since 1962, VE
B.S. Electrical Engineering

More this Month

Weekly

Thursday Morning Breakfast
(or you can have lunch)

Come join us!



BREAKFAST

The BVARA meets every Thursday at the Freedom Square Diner in Center Township, just to the right of the Cinemark Center Township Marketplace at 09:30 AM. All radio amateurs and those interested in amateur radio are encouraged to come join us at our Thursday morning breakfast.



See you

RACES / ARES
The eQRM Urges All County Hams to Participate.



The Freedom Square Diner in Monaca has a great wait staff. Come let them take your order.

The eQRM urges all Beaver County licensed amateurs to participate in the County's RACES and ARES programs.

Any Beaver County Amateur that is interested in participating in the RACES/ARES programs can do so by checking into the Beaver County Public Service Net which meets every Monday evening at 8:30 PM local time on the WW3AAA 146.850 MHz repeater (131.8 PL)

Get your License or Upgrade

If you are interested in getting your first FCC license or upgrading your current amateur radio license, the Beaver Valley Amateur Radio Association holds VE Test sessions (Volunteer Examinations) the second Thursday of each month at the Beaver County Emergency Services Center in Ambridge Pennsylvania prior to our BVARA Club meeting. If there is no meeting there is no test session. Please come take your test with us!

For more information, contact :
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VE TEST SESSIONS

Beaver County Emergency Services Center 351 14th Street Ambridge, PA 15003.
Tests begin promptly at 5 pm on the same day as BVARA Club Meetings
(the second Thursday of the month).
All classes of amateur radio license tests are administered.



ALL candidates MUST bring ALL of the following:

1. 2 forms of I.D. - one MUST be a photo I.D.
2. A pencil AND a pen with blue or black ink.
3. The original AND a photocopy of any valid ham license.
4. The original AND a photocopy of any C.S.C.E.
5. The test fee of \$15 - cash only.
6. Your FRN Number. (free from the FCC, call for details)



New License and Upgrades

BVARA VE Testing

Testing this Month :



February 2026 VE Test Session Results

Our February VE Test Session had two candidates who achieved their Amateur Radio goals by passing their Technician test. Our electronic filing system once again worked superbly.

Testing was conducted at our normal location at the Beaver County Emergency Services Center in Ambridge, PA. Our next VE Test Session will be on March 12th, 2026.

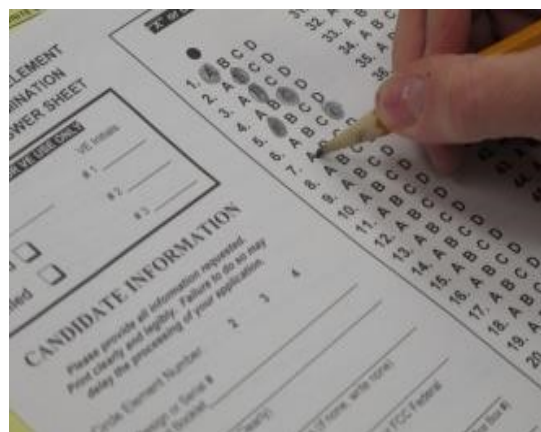
With newly assigned call signs, congratulations to:

Antonio Gatto, KD3CPL, Technician, Pittsburgh, PA

Steve Weber, KD3CPK, Technician, Avella, PA

If you hear them on the air, please congratulate them on their achievement! All of our BVARA testing would not be possible without the help of the following Extra-Class VE Team members:

Keith Custard – KC3TMC
Reg Genola – W3REG
Tony Pavilonis – K3AHP
Scott Pelkofer - KC3KYZ
Mick Pyzoha – N3OJP
Bart Stack – KB3NFM
Bob Winkle – N3AZZ and
Frank Witkowski – W3FJW



73 from Rich Soltesz – K3SOM, VE Liaison



Membership Information

By becoming a BVARA member you help secure the future of Amateur Radio in Beaver County. Additionally, the BVARA receives a portion of each ARRL membership you purchase!

Join the BVARA and ARRL

Sign up for:	Price	
<input type="radio"/> BVARA full membership	25.00	_____
<input type="radio"/> BVARA student membership	15.00	_____
<input type="radio"/> BVARA associate membership	10.00	_____
<input type="radio"/> BVARA Child under 21 at home membership	5.00	_____
A Club Donation		_____
	Total	Enclosed _____

ARRL Member? Yes No

Your License Class (If you have one.)

<input type="radio"/> Technician	Name _____
<input type="radio"/> General	Address _____
<input type="radio"/> Advanced	_____
<input type="radio"/> Extra Class	Email _____
	Phone _____
	Your Call sign _____
	Your Signature _____

Make check or money order payable to:

The Beaver Valley Amateur Radio Association, P.O. Box 424
South Heights, Pa 15081

Hamfests & General Announcements

Warren County HAMFEST 2026

Talk-in 145.110
pl. 186.2

Presented by **BSA, Venture Crew 73**

**Providing Emergency & Support Communications
For Community Events.**

**Saturday, March 14
7:00am - noon**

**BSA Venture Crew 73 will be hosting an
ARRL sanctioned Hamfest in Youngsville, PA.
Admission: \$5 donation under 12 FREE**

**Tables to sell or display items:
8' Tables are available for no charge. Donations accepted.
Setup 6:00am - 7:00am**



**Events include hourly door prizes, VE session,
ARRL QSL Award Checking** (Download and fill out Award application, bring your cards).

Food concession will be available Starting 7am.

Free license exams will be conducted at 8 am by the Laurel AHRA VE team.

Things you will need to know and bring to your exam.

1. A legal photo ID (driver's license, passport). When no photo ID is available, two forms of identification must be presented:
 - a. Non-photo ID/driver's license (some states still have them).
 - b. Birth certificate (must have the appropriate seal).
 - c. Social security card.
 - d. Library card.
 - e. Utility bill, bank statement or other business correspondence that specifically names the person; or a postmarked envelope addressed to the person at his or her current mailing address as it appears on the Form 605.
2. Students may bring any of the above items and/or a school ID, minor's work permit, report card, or a legal guardian may present a photo ID.
3. Provide your FRN (FCC Registration Number) Those who already have a license issued by the FCC have an FRN (it's on your license).
You can obtain an FRN by registering with the FCC and requesting an FRN at its website:
<https://apps.fcc.gov/coresWeb/publicHome.do>
The instructions are easy to follow.
Just click on the "Register" button and follow the instructions.

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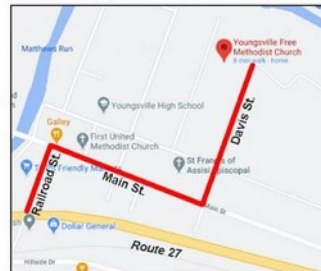
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2026 Event Sponsors
Masters Communications
DX Engineering, ARRL, BTECH
Powerwerx, R&L Electronics
Radioddity, Ham Radio Deluxe

Youngsville Free Methodist Church
179 Davis St.
Youngsville, PA 16371



Hamfests & General Announcements



WEARSFEST HAMFEST MARCH 28, 2026!

Mark your calendar and gather your stuff to sell at the annual WEARSFEST, which will be held on March 28, 2026 at the Greensburg Masonic Center, 349 Donohoe Rd., Greensburg, PA 15601. Doors will open at 8:00 AM with vendor setup starting at 6:00 AM. The entry fee is \$5.00, Tables are \$10 each (\$15 if AC power is needed with advance notice). Food and beverages will be available for purchase. More information on door prizes, etc. will be posted soon. Table reservations can be emailed to Doc Sam at wc3ps@comcast.net

It's your dime

Remember back when you could communicate by “Pay Phone” for ten cents? This page is for anyone who wants to communicate with the BVARA community and beyond.

Please send me your article that you would like posted on this page. Please, only topics and language in good taste. As the editor I reserve the option to post it or ignore it. Send your dime to me at:

kc3bxc.73@gmail.com



Of Interest to All



Special Plaque Award to Jack Spencer, KZ3Z

At our January 8, 2026 BVARA club meeting, a special plaque was presented to the outgoing club president Jack Spencer, KZ3Z by the incoming club president, Doug Hanna, N4YKQ. Above is a photo of the event with Jack, KZ3Z on the left and Doug, KZ3Z on the right.

Jack was pivotal in his efforts to help grow the club and maintain traditions after the critical period when the club split into two separate organizations. He provided 17 years of continuous service to the members and to the community. Jack's creative ideas and his mechanical skills worked together to solve many issues and challenges that members faced over the years.

The words below are to the right of the wooden gavel that is an integral part of the plaque.

Thank you Jack for all that you've done for the BVARA. Thanks, Doug for picking up the baton!

Rich – K3SOM



Of Interest to All

BVARA MEETING MINUTES

February 12, 2026



As club Trustee, Doug, N4YKQ at the club meeting of February 12, 2026 has requested that all club members take an inventory of any club property that you may have in your possession. Please report your findings to him. Any items including but not limited to radios, antennas, antenna launchers, other ham equipment, coolers, etc. should be disclosed to him in a timely manner.



Of Interest to All

REGIONAL **E**MERGENCY **A**SSISTANCE **C**OMMUNITY **T**EAM



BVARA members,

This is the year for the biennial emergency exercise at the Beaver Valley Power Station. The exercise involves the county and municipal emergency management agencies simulating an emergency at the nuclear power plant in Shippingport. In previous years amateur radio deployed to half of the municipal emergency operation centers and REACT deployed to the other half. We have learned that REACT in Beaver County is disbanding, so amateur radio will need enough operators to staff all of the municipal EOCs.

Here's where you come in. If you have any interest in the county's Auxiliary Communications Service (ACS) program (formerly the RACES program), now is a good time to get involved. There will be a short training session at the 911 Center on March 19 at 7:30 PM to prepare for the exercise.

If you are interested in participating please contact me or Dom, N3EJL.

Doug, N4YKQ



Of Interest to All

BVARA 2nd Annual CW Roundup

On February 26th, 2026 from 7:00 to 8:30 PM (EST), the Beaver Valley Amateur Radio Association (BVARA) sponsored our 2nd Annual CW Roundup on the 10 Meter band. For almost the first hour of the event, propagation to other parts of the US and to our Brazilian neighbors in South America were heard on many frequencies and modes, mostly on SSB. Noise (QRN) was quite low throughout the entire time period, thus enabling weaker ground-wave signals to be readily heard.



Counties heard and worked here in Beaver County included stations in Allegheny, Beaver, Butler, Washington, and Westmorland County. Several stations continually switched between calling CQ CWR to scanning and calling stations (called *Search and Pounce*). Many operators operated with speeds as slow as 5 to 8 words per minute (WPM) while a few were heard using speeds around 20 WPM but would slow down when returning calls to slower sending stations.

Attached is a table of *Q-Signals* and the *ITU Phonetic Alphabet* for reference purposes, courtesy of the American Radio Relay League (ARRL). The URL for these handy reference tables is:

<https://www.arrl.org/files/file/Get%20on%20the%20Air/Comm%20w%20Other%20Hams-Q%20Signals.pdf>

Many more people participated this year. Several people made helpful suggestions for next year to enable more people to participate. Stay tuned for next year's 3rd Annual CW Roundup.



Rich – K3SOM

Communicating with Other Hams

Contact Basics: Good Amateur Practices

Q-Signals

Q-signals are a system of radio shorthand as old as wireless and developed from even older telegraphy codes. Q-signals are a set of abbreviations for common information that save time and allow communication between operators who don't speak a common language. Modern ham radio uses them extensively. The table below lists the most common Q-signals used by hams. While Q-signals were developed for use by Morse operators, their use is common on phone, as well. You will often hear, "QRZed?" as someone asks "Who is calling me?" or "I'm getting a little QRM" from an operator receiving some interference or "Let's QSY to 146.55" as two operators change from a repeater frequency to a nearby simplex communications frequency.

Q-Signals	
Abbr.	Questions
QRG	Your exact frequency (or that of _____) is _____kHz. Will you tell me my exact frequency (or that of _____)?
QRL	I am busy (or I am busy with _____). Are you busy? Usually used to see if a frequency is busy.
QRM	Your transmission is being interfered with _____ (1. Nil; 2. Slightly; 3. Moderately; 4. Severely; 5. Extremely). Is my transmission being interfered with?
QRN	I am troubled by static _____. (1 to 5 as under QRM.) Are you troubled by static?
QRO	Increase power. Shall I increase power?
QRP	Decrease power. Shall I decrease power?
QRQ	Send faster (_____wpm). Shall I send faster?
QRS	Send more slowly (_____wpm). Shall I send more slowly?
QRT	Stop sending. Shall I stop sending?
QRU	I have nothing for you. Have you anything for me?
QRV	I am ready. Are you ready?
QRX	I will call you again at _____hours (on _____kHz). When will you call me again? Minutes are usually implied rather than hours.
QRZ	You are being called by _____ (on _____kHz). Who is calling me?
QSB	Your signals are fading. Are my signals fading?
QSK	I can hear you between signals; break in on my transmission. Can you hear me between your signals and if so can I break in on your transmission?
QSL	I am acknowledging receipt. Can you acknowledge receipt (of a message or transmission)?
QSO	I can communicate with _____ direct (or relay through _____). Can you communicate with _____ direct or by relay?
QSP	I will relay to _____. Will you relay to _____?
QST	General call preceding a message addressed to all amateurs and ARRL members. This is in effect "CQ ARRL."
QSX	I am listening to _____ on _____kHz. Will you listen to _____on _____kHz?
QSY	Change to transmission on another frequency (or on _____kHz). Shall I change to transmission on another frequency (or on _____kHz)?
QTC	I have _____messages for you (or for _____). How many messages have you to send?
QTH	My location is _____. What is your location?
QTR	The time is _____. What is the correct time?

ITU Phonetic Alphabet		
Letter	Word	Pronunciation
A	Alfa	AL FAH
B	Bravo	BRAH VOH
C	Charlie	CHAR LEE
D	Delta	DELL TAH
E	Echo	ECK OH
F	Foxtrot	FOKS TROT
G	Golf	GOLF
H	Hotel	HOH TELL
I	India	IN DEE AH
J	Juliet	JEW LEE ETT
K	Kilo	KEY LOH
L	Lima	LEE MAH
M	Mike	MIKE
N	November	NO VEM BER
O	Oscar	OSS CAH
P	Papa	PAH PAH
Q	Quebec	KEH BECK
R	Romeo	ROW ME OH
S	Sierra	SEE AIR RAH
T	Tango	TANG GO
U	Uniform	YOU NEE FORM
V	Victor	VIK TAH
W	Whiskey	WISS KEY
X	X-Ray	ECKS RAY
Y	Yankee	YANG KEY
Z	Zulu	ZOO LOO

Note: The **boldfaced** syllables are emphasized. The pronunciations shown in this table were designed for those who speak any of the international languages. The pronunciations given for "Oscar" and "Victor" may seem awkward to English-speaking people in the US.

BVARA Coming Attractions



March 2026

State and Province QSO Parties:

North Carolina QSO Party, March 1st – 2nd

Oklahoma QSO Party, March 14th – 15th

Idaho QSO Party, March 14th – 16th

Wisconsin QSO Party, March 15th – 16th

Virginia QSO Party, March 21st – 22nd

ARRL International DX Contest, SSB, March 7th – 8th

POTA in the rain, all month long!

Mar. 14 – Mar. 15, 1800Z – 0100Z, N2RE, Mount Laurel, NJ.
David Sarnoff Radio Club. **Pi Day**. 7.031 7.227 14.031 14.314.
QSL. Donald G. Corrington, 7 Pinewald Ln., Burlington, NJ
08016-3421. <https://n2re.org>

Mar. 21 – Mar. 22, 1400Z – 2359Z, K4NVA, Sterling, VA.
Sterling Park Amateur Radio Club. **Virginia QSO Party**. 1845
3860 7260 14270. QSL. Sterling Park QSL Bureau — Attn:
VAQP, P.O. Box 29, Sterling, VA 20167. *The theme is “Virginia
is for Lovers®” with special 1x1 call sign bonus stations that
spell “Lovers:” K4L, K4O, K4V, K4E, K4R, and K4S. Also, in
support of the ARRL Year of the Club, designated Virginia affili-
ated club call signs will also be bonus stations. See the VAQP
website for complete rules and regulations.*
www.qsl.net/sterling

Bits and Pieces

Hello everyone,

On the cover I have “In like a lion and out like a lamb” ... Well so far I really think March has been a lamb. Let’s hope we don’t have it go out like a lion! The warm weather has been so nice. It is a tease possibly. According to the weather band we may have snow in the next few days! I want to change my subscription...No more winter.

I am sitting in my radio room with the door to outside open. It is so nice. The temp is above 70 and I am loving it. As I sit here my mind wanders off writing this newsletter and on to thinking about putting my Dadgum Poles in the ground and getting my, I am hoping, horizontal loop antenna set up. (I am finding it hard to focus on the newsletter.) This antenna project has been a long, long time coming to fruition. Keep your fingers crossed for me.

The entire last spring and summer all I did was work on our farm. One large project after another. My helpmate (XYL) and I had a long talk the other day, and this spring and summer it is time to put more “play” in our lives. So far this spring, we have been only doing work. I am so looking forward to the play. I have a bad case of spring fever, I want to do some radio stuff.

I hope you have some time planned to play this spring and summer. Let me know what you are planning and what radio play you have entered into.

Clear on your final, but I will be monitoring.

73 KC3BXC



Radio Sport

Contest Corral

March 2026

Check for updates and a downloadable PDF version online at www.arrrl.org/contest-calendar. Check <https://contests.arrrl.org> for recent results. Refer to the contest websites for full rules, scoring information, operating periods or time limits, and log submission information.

	Start - Finish		Bands	Contest Name	Mode	Exchange	Sponsor's Website
	Date-Time	Date-Time					
1	1200	1 2200	3.5	NSARA Contest	CW Ph Dig	RS(T), Nova Scotia county or serial	nsara.ca
1	1500	2 0100	3.5-28,50,144	North Carolina QSO Party	CW Ph Dig	NC county or SPC	ncqsoparty.org
3	0100	3 0300	3.5-28	ARS Spartan Sprint	CW	RST, SPC, pwr	ars-qrp.com
3	1900	3 2100	3.5	AGCW YL-CW Party	CW	RST, serial, "YL" (if YL), name	www.agcw.de
4	2000	4 2100	3.5	UKEICC 80m Contest	Ph	6-char grid	www.ukeicc.com
5	0000	6 0300	7	Walk for the Bacon QRP Contest	CW	Max 13 WPM; RST, SPC, name, mbr or pwr	qrpcontest.com/pigwalk40
5	1800	5 2200	28	NRAU 10m Activity Contest	CW Ph Dig	RS(T), 6-char grid	nrau.net
5	2000	5 2200	1.8-28,50	SKCC Sprint Europe	CW	RST, SPC, name, mbr or none	www.skccgroup.com
7	0000	8 2359	1.8-28	ARRL International DX Contest, SSB	Ph	RS, SP or pwr	www.arrrl.org/arrl-dx
7	0000	15 2359	3.5,7,21,28,144	Novice Rig Roundup	CW	Name, QTH, optional rig or mbr	www.novicerigroundup.org
7	0600	7 0800	7,14	Wake-Up! QRP Sprint	CW	RST, serial, suffix of previous QSO or "QRP" for 1st QSO	qrp.ru/contest
7	0700	7 1059	7,14,21,28	Russion YL/OM Contest	CW Ph	RS(T), "88" or "73"	www.contest.ru
8	0700	8 1700	3.5-28	FIRAC HF Contest	CW	RS(T), serial, "F" (if mbr)	www.firac.de
8	1300	11 0700	1.8-28,50,144	Classic Exchange, CW	CW	Name, RST, SPC, rcvr/xmtr manuf/ model	www.classicexchange.org
9	0000	9 0200	1.8-28	4 States QRP Group Second Sunday Sprint	CW Ph	RS(T), SPC, mbr or pwr	www.4sqrp.com
10	1800	10 1859	3.5	DARC CW-Training Contest	CW	RST, mbr or serial	www.darc.de
14	0000	14 2359	3.5-28	YB DX RTTY Contest	Dig	RST, serial	rtty.ybdxcontest.com
14	0800	15 1000	50,144,432	SARL VHF/UHF FM Contest	Ph	RS(T), 6-char grid	mysarl.org.za
14	0800	15 1000	1.8-28	SARL Field Day Contest	CW Ph Dig	RS(T), # of transmitters, category, SA province or "DX"	mysarl.org.za
14	1000	15 1000	3.5-28	Commonwealth (BERU) Contest	CW	RST, serial	www.rsgbcc.org
14	1200	15 1100	3.5-28	DIG QSO Party, SSB	Ph	RS, mbr or none	dig-contest.de
14	1200	15 1200	3.5-28	EA PSK63 Contest	Dig	RSQ, EA province code or serial	concurso.ure.es
14	1200	15 1200	28	South America 10m Contest	CW Ph	RS(T), CQ zone	sa10m.com.ar/wp/rules
14	1200	15 2359	1.8-28,50	SKCC Weekend Sprintathon	CW	RST, SPC, name, mbr or none	www.skccgroup.com
14	1400	14 2000	3.5-28	AGCW QRP Contest	CW	RST, serial, pwr, mbr or "NM"	www.agcw.de
14	1500	15 1500	1.8	Stew Perry Topband Challenge	CW	4-char grid square	www.kkn.net/stew
14	1500	15 2200	3.5-28,50	Oklahoma QSO Party	CW Ph Dig	RS(T), OK county or SPC	k5cm.com/okqp.htm
14	1600	16 0200	1.8-28	Idaho QSO Party	CW Ph Dig	ID county or SPC	www.idahoqsoparty.org
14	1800	15 0559	3.5,7	TESLA Memorial HF CW Contest	CW	RST, serial, 4-char grid	www.radiosport.yu1srs.org.rs
15	0000	15 0359	3.5-14	North American Sprint, RTTY	Dig	Other's call, your call, serial, name, SPC	ncjweb.com/Sprint-Rules.pdf
15	1000	15 2159	3.5-28	YOTA Contest	CW Ph	RS(T), age	yotacontest.mrasz.org
15	1800	16 0100	No WARC	Wisconsin QSO Party	CW Ph Dig	WI county or SPC	www.warac.org
15	2300	16 0100	1.8-28	Run for the Bacon QRP Contest	CW	RST, SPC, mbr or pwr	qrpcontest.com/pigrun
16	1800	16 2059	3.5,7	Bucharest Digital Contest	Dig	RST, serial	yo3test201x.blogspot.com
16	2000	16 2200	3.5-28	RSGB FT4 Contest	Dig	Signal report	www.rsgbcc.org
18	2000	18 2100	3.5	IRTS 80m Counties Contest	CW Ph	RS(T), serial, EI/GI county (if EI/GI)	www.irts.ie
19	0000	20 0300	14	Walk for the Bacon QRP Contest	CW	Max 13 WPM; RST, SPC, name, mbr or pwr	qrpcontest.com/pigwalk20
19	0030	19 0230	3.5-14	NAQCC CW Sprint	CW	RST, SPC, mbr or pwr	naqcc.info/sprint_rules.html
21	0000	21 2359	1.8-28,50	PODXS 070 Club St. Patrick's Day Contest	Dig	SPC	www.podxs070.com
21	0200	23 0159	3.5-28	BARTG HF RTTY Contest	Dig	RST, serial, 4-dig UTC	www.bartg.org.uk
21	0500	21 0859	3.5-28	Popov Memorial Contest	CW Ph	RS(T), experience	www.contest.ru
21	1200	22 1200	1.8-28	Russian DX Contest	CW Ph	RS(T), oblast or serial	www.rdx.com
21	1400	21 1800	144,432	AGCW VHF/UHF Contest	CW	RST, serial, pwr, 6-char grid	www.agcw.de
21	1400	22 2359	No WARC	Virginia QSO Party	CW Ph Dig	Serial, VA county or SPC	www.qsl.net/sterling
21	2000	21 2159	1.8-28	Feld Hell Sprint	Dig	See rules	sites.google.com/site/feldhellclub
25	0000	25 0200	1.8-28,50	SKCC Sprint	CW	RST, SPC, name, mbr or none	www.skccgroup.com
25	2000	25 2100	3.5	UKEICC 80m Contest	CW	6-char grid square	www.ukeicc.com
27	1900	28 0300	3.5-28	Sasquatch Stomp	CW	RST, SPC, mbr or ZIP code, name	www.pnwqrp.org
28	0000	29 2359	1.8-28	CQ WW WPX Contest, SSB	Ph	RS, serial	www.cqwp.com
28	1200	29 1200	1.8-28	Africa All Mode International DX Contest	CW Ph Dig	RS(T), serial	mysarl.org.za