

AB1QP - Great web page info. 10M and 15M were never usable this year. Ran out of easy FL pickin's.

DK5AI - Due to a broken wire in my Spiderbeam I missed all the fun on 20m and was limited to 15m only. Also missed W4T to complete all special calls. This year's FQP was again lot of fun, thanks to everyone, see you next year!

DL3GA - Wow - what a party. Got addicted after just a few QSOs. But the result is still hard to believe. By far the highest number of QSOs in a QP and the first ever party with a full sweep for me. Amazing! Need some sleep now...Thanks to the sun for keeping the bands open, the missing QRM from the lights of the building next door (they cause S9 QRM when on...) and all operators in FL!

G4BUE - I usually do the FQP multi-operator as N4CJ with my wife June, M0BUE, but this year we were home in the UK. It was tough going as my HF antenna (three element Steppir) was on the ground for repair and I am using a 40m quarter-wave vertical through an ATU for all bands, hence more QSOs on 40 and 15m than on 20m! It wasn't possible to repeat the 'clean sweeps' of previous years as I wasn't able to hear many of the mobiles.

G6CSY - Running QRP 5W from an IC-7400 to a ground-mounted trap vertical and radials in 3 inches of rain! Had planned to work Helvetia contest [HB9] but heard only Florida QP stations on 40m, so worked them instead.

HB9FBP - My first time in FQP, I never knew about this QSO Party. My rig is a Yaesu FT100 @ 80w and vertical antenna Cushcraft R7 dated 1994!! I hope to make again for FQP next year with more QSOS.

I2WIJ – Glad to be there and give out some points!

IV3AOL - Propagation better this year and more activity. I miss W4T (heard, but very weak) for completing the "15 1x1 award.

K0AZ - Wish I could have found NAS county on CW for CW sweep as well.

K0DEQ - Great Contest - Thanks to all of the mobiles. Biggest surprise was having only one QSO with Dade County. Surely there are hundreds of hams in Miami. *(ed: There *are* many hundreds of hams there... all on small lots with city QRM. Miami is not much different than any other big city in that respect. DAD can be deceptively rare in the FQP.)*

K0JPL - CNDX on 15M poor. Score would be much higher if 15M was in better shape.

K0RJW - First time in the FQP, enjoyed the contest and congrats on your 15th!

K4ORD - Tried to make a good effort in the FQP, on Saturday was unable to hear stations well in the northern part of the state on 20M, Sunday was better. *(ed: VA is often right on that invisible – and moving – edge of the skip zone on 20M)* Missed: BRA, CLM, HAM, HOL, SUW, WAG. The mobiles did a great job, I enjoyed the Party, thanks to all!

K5ZD – Spent the weekend playing with some new equipment.

K6OK - Multi-tasking between chores outside and taking some breaks at the radio. Barefoot with a 10 meter dipole. It was impressive to hear so many 1x1 calls!

K6SRZ - So many Florida stations are retaining their calls from other call areas that it can get very confusing when one hears--for example--a W9 or K1 calling " CQ FQP". You cannot tell if they are in Florida or outside of Florida. It is VERY helpful to add /4 or /county name if you are in Florida and it is not obvious from your call.

K7SV - Great fun as always to work the sharp ops in FL! Once again 20 was the band. Thanks to all the mobiles buzzing around the state!

K9UIY - Another great FQP...thanks! Was sorry not to work Hendry (HEN) this year but I got a late start with my first QSO at 2143 so it's my fault!! I'm happy to have worked all those I was able to anyway. Looking forward to the 2013 edition of this event already! Thanks again.

KA2FHN - Horrible conditions all weekend, Sunday propagation was gone until midday. Still managed to squeak out almost 90 q. Overall a great time was had, Thx to all who make this happen. The 1x1 stations idea was an extra bonus this year. Enjoyed seeking them out. Thx to all mobile ops, you guys keep the weekend interesting. Special THX to: KN4Y, K4FCG, W4Y, and K4OJ. You were logged most of all, Great dedication and signals.

KC7YE - Again not much of a score but operate under marginal conditions. Hamstick stuck out window of condo with very high noise level. But did snag two needed counties!

KJ4OAP - Fun contest as always! Thanks for the certificate a few weeks before the contest. Used the inverted Vee dipole, homebrew, with an Icom 706 MKIIG. See ya'll next year!

KJ9C - Hoping to get a few entries for Indiana QSO Party next weekend.

MOBUE - We are usually in Florida for the FQP and I do a multi-operator entry with my husband Chris, G4BUE (N4CJ), but this year we were home in the UK. I was only able to be on for a short time (sharing the station with Chris) but it was nice to make my first FQP QSOs, even though we had to use the 40m vertical as the HF antennas were on the ground for repair.

MOCFW - thanks for organizing nice activities. Unfortunately I could not work due to limited antenna See you all next year.

N1RLR - As a recently licensed ham, I enjoyed participating in my first "State" QSO Party. I hope that the submitted log is "up to snuff". Thank you for making April 29th an interesting one for me. *(ed: Congrats and hope we work you again this coming April!)*

N2WN - Saturday was nice and quiet, decent propagation from TN too. Sunday not so good; noisier and not such great PM conditions. Thanks to the road warriors as always.

N3AWS - RF got into the computer and caused a lot of logging errors. I hope I got everything corrected.

N4ARO - Thanks to all the Mobiles for keeping it interesting. Special thanks to N4AO and N4EEB with 12 contacts each and NX4N for 9 contacts and several others with 5 or 7 contacts each. Wish panhandle guys were on earlier before long skip put them in the shadow from TN.

N4GG - Too bad no 80 meters. Please reconsider!

N4NTO - Enjoyed the party! Conditions seemed to be fair from NC.

N4NW - My first foray in to the FQP. North Central VA is just right distance to 40 & 20 – 15 was too long from Stafford. Nevertheless, unlike other QSO Parties I have tried, this was a great experience. Especially rewarding with sufficient FL stations to keep it interesting. Spelling out FQP with 1x1 calls was unique, but what do you do next year? (*ed: Wringing hands in anticipation – we do have something planned!*) IMO, rules should require ID with every QSO – wasted much time waiting to hear a station that I had already worked when S&P. N4S & KH7XS/W4 would benefit by cranking the drive down on SSB, being wider does not equate to more QSOs – only more QRM!

N9BT - The 1x1 special event stations were great.

N9SWR - Great way to get people to join on you contest. I had a fun day.

N9WL - Thanks for FL contacts. Great idea using the special event calls.

ND3R - Great contest as always. Finally pulled off a clean sweep. See you all next year.

ND4V - Lots of fun. Better propagation this year, I think. Thanks to NF4A and W4AN rovers, I managed to snag a few of the panhandle counties on 40. Thanks to all who played.

NO2D - My doublet at 21 feet was not doing very well on Saturday evening, but seemed to play much better on Sunday morning.

NQ2W - Didn't have a lot of time. Plenty of activity. Thanks for the QSOs and hope to be back next year!

NU4B - Very nice contest. I was QRP CW running a HW-9 and a K2. (not at the same time). My antennas were a HF5B and a Carolina Short 80 Windom. My close QTH and antennas skipped over FL on 15M and many stations on 20M. 40M was best. I did work 50 of the 67 counties. Thanks to all the rovers and the fixed stations on the air.

ON3ND – A very small log but better a short log than no log at all!

UA3VVB - Thanks to Florida stations who answered my weak signals.

VA3DX - Great mobile effort ! Congrats to K4KG with 61 QSOs !

VE3KZ - Thanks for the fun, guys! Good to hear all that VE3/VA3 QRM! There should be some great scores from CCO. (*ed: CCO wins again!*)

W0ETT - Lots of activity and great turn out by the mobiles. I only wish we could get as many mobiles to be activity in our Colorado QSO Party as you do in the FQP.

W1END - Rig was FTDX5000 (150w) and Butternut HF6V vertical. Amazing mobile activity!

W1KDA - Another great Florida QSO Party - Excellent mobile coverage on SSB. It was nice to see some activity on 15 meters. I like the fact that Florida has a separate category for SSB. Great format and a nice touch with the special event stations for the 15th anniversary. Looking forward to 2013 and a higher score!!!!!!

W1WBB - Casual effort trying for all 1x1 FQP calls. Got them all (with K4M as an add-on). Then trying to sweep the counties later on Sunday. Missed 1 COUNTY, 2nd year in a row; this time Hamilton! Again, amazing effort by the many mobiles!! Sigs from FL to New England seemed better on Saturday. Thanks to KK9K and K2ZR/4 for activating MON on CW this year, the only county missed here in 2011.

W2RR - 67/67 Sweep....Sweated out SAN and NAS until Sunday morning. Got them thanks to K4OJ and W5WMU.

W2JDT - Part-time effort here between lots of chores and a Sunday morning hamfest as well as the usual home duties. I still managed to get on and happy to see the usual high amount of FL stations. Nothing on 15M and I couldn't be heard on 40M. Looks like the loops go back up! Thanks to all the mobiles for making the counties come alive.

W4QO - Tough to work many on 20M in top half of state from Atlanta. I worked no one that I saw on the spotting network. Was just looking for 1x1s but I got 12 without the "assist". I have always advocated that QRP and out-of-state stations be allowed full use of technology. Isn't the idea to promote FL?

W4UCZ - Great contest! Honored to be Florida's neighbor.

W5CW - Great fun follow(ing) all the mobiles. Operation was from K5CM.

W7GVE - This was my first state QSO party in over 2 years – I needed a refresher course in high speed CW and the FQP was just what I needed! Great ops and so good to hear so many folks taking part. My antenna was up only 30 feet in a poor configuration so my signal suffered a bit. Thanks to the patient FL ops who put up with me.

W7YAQ - Excellent activity from the mobiles enabled a county sweep. QSOs with 14 mobiles represented 57 percent of my total. Great job by the sponsors and FL participants!! Glad to catch K4I on 40 to complete the spelling bee.

W8IDW - Arggggg- found the last 1 x 1 special call (W4T) with about 8 minutes to go and couldn't make the QSO over the 9-10 noise level. W4A is logged once on 4/28 and again 4/29. My logger was showing 0 points for the first log so the W4A operator on 4/29 said we could log it again. Thanks for a fun weekend.

W8KNO – Took my score from 2004 and increased the QSOs by 40%. Thanks to everyone involved.

W9QL - I had a lot of fun this year, since conditions were pretty good. This was my best score ever, with a record number of counties worked. The rovers deserve special recognition, since they really helped improve my score. Special thanks to K5CM/4, K4FCG/m and N3AWS/4. K5CM/4 activated Liberty with 5 minutes to go in the contest, for an extra multiplier! I was also able to work all 15 1x1's on SSB the first day on 20. Family commitments caused me to miss some time on 40 the first day, but I am still happy with my results overall. Hope to see you again next year.

W9RE - Great, great mobile activity as always!!!

WA3HAE - What a BLAST! Mobiles everywhere! Hats off to the organizers for putting together this fantastic party!

WA6KHK - We had a grandson that died plus mother in law, an uncle, and a sister recently diagnosed with terminal illnesses. So I wasn't up for full competition mode. I decided to just do the 1x1 call signs to see if I could work them all just to get my mind off things. Worked all 15 on CW early on but I ran into a snag with W4T on SSB. I checked and listened on and off the last 6 hours until I saw a post on a cluster that said 'worked all 15' and it was W4T and I saw it with 4 minutes left in the contest! I kept calling him on that frequency but he had QRM. Finally he said my call, we exchanged reports, and he said 'I've got you in the log'. I looked at the clock and it said 2159Z!!! That's the closest call I ever had on a clean sweep. Never give up. I hope everyone did well.

WA8REI - Another cowabunga. TNX to all the gators in the swamp, especially the rovers for sucking in my QRP. I worked all the 1x1 FLORIDA QSO PARTY stations!

WB4SQ - Very frustrating propagation from GA to FL, but fun.

WB8JUI - It's always a pleasure to ride along with the fast moving FQP mobile operators.

AA4PP - ARASWF club members operated Field Day style at the local Red Cross facility. We had many members new to contesting man the stations, during the many lulls over the weekend. The bands could have been cooperated a little more than they did, but we had some good runs...that's 'fishing' in SWF! We had a lot of fun and exposed some new members to the world of contesting. A success by any measure!

AA4W - Odd conditions on 40 ! I have never heard it so quiet (and short). I had a blast!

K2CIB - Found terrific county line spots and enjoyed it all. Keyer in logging program slowed me down a bit but all-in-all everything worked very well. Propagation better than last year, but still lousy!

K3TW - Many thanks for another fun Florida QSO Party. This was my second FQP from my new QTH in Lecanto, FL (Citrus County) with a much-improved score from 2011 thanks to better band conditions. I hope to have a tower and rotary yagis up by next year, but for now a few dipole antennas strung between tall pine trees suffice. I was very pleased to work the fifteen Special Event Stations quickly, as soon as activity shifted to 40m during Saturday evening. It is difficult to work backscatter on the higher bands with QRP, so I am thankful for the coverage on 40m. I enjoyed chasing the mobile stations Sunday morning on 40m CW before the higher bands opened. It was just like working the FQP back in Maryland, but when activity resumed on the high bands there was an endless supply of stations answering me, including loud European stations on 15m. The final two hours provided even more contacts on 20m that may have allowed me to set a new All-Time QRP record for Florida. We shall see when the final results are published. See you all next year!

K4FB - 20M DSW-II from Small Wonder Labs @ 5 watts, Hendricks SOTA tuner with 33' EFHW as an inverted-L, eBay Li-on battery pack setup in the back yard. Fun to be able to run stations for over an hour with this very minimal setup!

K4JC - Seems like 20 meters was the workhorse band for me. Due to work commitments I couldn't operate as much as I'd have liked, but I'm still happy with what I was able to achieve. It's all good!

K4LM - Are you sure W4T and N4O were operating? I did not hear them, so I missed getting all 15 1X1s. (*ed: Getting all 15 1x1s from within FL was not easy as only a few did so.*) This was my first Florida QSO party and I had a great time.

KC4ERT - Florida Counties were tough to get, it was great to see the joyous celebration getting Switzerland with newbie operators.

KI4EBD - First attempt, Lots of fun even if the band was a bit flaky.

KJ4LQX - The FQP is a fantastic event, one of two events I place at the top of all ham radio events that I look forward to each year (the other being Field Day). I prepare equipment for these two events every year and typically build new antennas to try out at these events. This year I used my portable hex-beam that I built for 20m, 15m, and 10m, and built a 40m dipole to operate on that band. 40m turned out to be a huge disappointment; I don't blame the antenna, but rather the location I placed it in. I pulled the dipole up the same pole as with the hex-beam and hung it

in an inverted V fashion. I ran one leg over my trailer (I wanted the dipole to point in a slightly north-west/south-east direction), and I'm convinced that the antenna was subjected to a tremendous amount of RFI from various electrical components in my travel trailer. A new antenna design, different antenna location, and some work at reducing/eliminating RFI are on the prep list for next year. My station at OKE was (as I said earlier) a homemade hexbeam, homemade dipole and an Icom IC-7000 w/ an LDG tuner (to get a good match when needed). 100w LP. Worked non-assisted; there's no reliable way to get spotting assistance at the location I was at in OKE. Internet is virtually non-existent. I managed to occasionally get a weak signal (on my iPhone) and sent a message or two into the reflector when I did. But to get that signal I had to hold the phone in my left hand, arm completely extended and pointing towards Zenith, knees slightly bent, right hand patting my belly, and break wind. not necessarily all at the same time but definitely in that order. For all that I would occasionally be rewarded with about ½ bar signal strength on my phone. And since I didn't pack several cans of beans for the weekend, Internet was going to be spotty at best. The FCG/FQP Participants are a great group of folks. To see that many mobiles running all over Florida is unbelievable to me. The work that goes into organizing, planning, and carrying out the FQP is top notch. I really enjoy reading all the stories/soapboxes that come in after the event. I look forward to them as much as the event itself. I'll plan on doing the same thing again next year; might look for another county to operate from for a change of scenery.

KN4Y - I was mobile with driver on Saturday, (but) the driver for Sunday got sick so was mobile without driver on Sunday. Missed WAL, JAC, HOL and WAG as a result. Had fun.

N1TO - Saturday rocked! Sunday - not so much.

N3AWS - RF got into the computer and caused a lot of logging errors. I hope I got everything corrected.

N4EH - We had a total of 22 visitors and helpers from our club participating in this event. Lots of fun!

N4LZ – 15M was open and I was there! (*ed: No surprise here as Moe found 10M open in a recent year and took full advantage while everyone else was on 20 & 15!*)

N4RWH - Great Contest! There did not seem to be as many participating this year. It was still a lot of fun.

N4WZ - Better conditions this year! Still poor propagation on 10m and 15m. Always a blast, though!

NA4CW - Family weekend, but managed to get on for an hour and a half. It was a fun hour and a half!

ND9M - Only had a few hours to operate, but it was fun anyway even though I had to navigate while operating!

NU4Y - Made one SSB contact to pass a mult, but (this) is a CW entry. Antenna was a dipole up at 15 feet. Amazing I could be heard. Good fun, sorry could not make it on 1st day.

W4ARM - Exceeded my 2011 QSO and MULT totals even with conditions that were challenging at best

W4KPG - Saturday was great, Sunday not so.... My surprise of the weekend was JI3MJK answering my CQ Sunday morning on 20. Had fun and that's what counts!

W4R - Having the 1x1 calls was really great. We exceeded our past number of contacts and there was plenty of interest in working us. Lots of FUN and we got a couple of new operators involved. We operated at the club station W4MLB with one station on CW and one on SSB.

WA4OAB - Writelog problems from the start, delayed me 30 minutes getting on the air. Once on, hung out on 20 meters all day Saturday, was pleased with results. Sunday, 40 meters, so, so than 15 meters for 35 contacts, back to 20 until the end. Had a good time Sunday but really had to work for QSOs. Went to create the Cabrillo File in Writelog, more problems. I have used Writelog for many years and have never experienced this hassle. At least I had no problem during the FQP logging. Looking forward to 2013 all ready and without any Writelog problems, I hope.