

## QRP Hours contest April 2021 Results

This contest attracted good support compared with recent years. Thanks to all who participated even if you only made a few contacts.

There were more CW contacts and entrants than on SSB this time. Conditions were not fabulous, but no surprises there.

In checking the logs, several claimed contacts were logged with the wrong callsign and were disallowed. Some received serial numbers were incorrect but were allowed as a concession to the poor conditions. Most operators did submit their logs successfully to the vklogchecker.com website created by Alan VK4SN, which is now used by five Australian contests. VKCL contest logger was used by most operators.

### Score table

Category	Callsign	Operator	Score	Placement
SSB	VK2DG	VK2DG	12	1st
SSB	VK3PT	VK3PT	11	2nd
SSB	VK2IG	VK2IG	9	3rd
SSB	VK5LJ	VK5LJ	7	=4th
SSB	VK2YW	VK2YW	7	=4th
SSB	VK8MC	VK8MC	7	=4th
SSB	VK2HRX	VK2HRX	5	7th
SSB	VK3AMW	VK3AMW	4	8th
SSB	VK2XOR	VK2XOR	3	=9th
SSB	VK3BYD	VK3BYD	3	=9th
SSB	VK7LTD	VK7LTD	1	11th
CW	VK2IG	VK2IG	19	1st
CW	VK1CT	VK1CT	13	2nd
CW	VK3BYD	VK3BYD	12	3rd
CW	VK5LJ	VK5LJ	11	=4th
CW	VK3YE	VK3YE	11	=4th
CW	VK2WP	VK2WP	11	=4th
CW	VK2YW	VK2YW	10	7th
CW	VK4SN	VK4SN	8	8th
CW	VK3PT	VK3PT	8	8th
CW	VK3HN	VK3HN	8	8th
CW	VK3DID	VK3DID	6	11th
CW	VK2KJJ	VK2KJJ	5	12th
CW	VK8MC	VK8MC	3	13th
CW	VK7LTD	VK7LTD	2	14th
CW	VK2RH	VK2RH	1	=15th
CW	VK2XOR	VK2XOR	1	=15th
CW	VK3AMW	VK3AMW	1	=15th

## Soapbox

VK1CT	Elecraft K3. 5 watts to end fed antenna. My next door neighbour with plasma TV recently moved out, so now I have a chance of hearing QRP signals again!
VK2IG	Station consisted of a TS-480HX transceiver at 5W output feeding an 80m inverted vee with feedpoint at 15m height. The CW hour had the most activity I've seen in this contest in a few years. Not as many on SSB, but that might be due to the relatively late hour? Thanks to everyone who answered my calls, and the Contest Manager(s) for running the contest this year. Hope to see you all again in the next QRP Hours Contest.
VK2KJJ	Running 5 watt, but s9 QRM from local noise floor.
VK2RH	Great fun with 5 watts into wire on fence! Thanks for organising the contest.
VK2YW	Good fun - very quiet toward the end
VK3AMW	Interesting "contest" heard several qrp stations, but only one could hear me! Try again next time.. Cheers Max.
VK3BYD	Another great night, nice to hear a couple of different call signs this time.
VK3DID	Very noisy in Melbc. suburbs, but enjoyed it very much. Thank you.
VK3HN	Homebrew rig, 5 wayys, dipole. Busy CW hour. Conditions good. I think I missed log submission by 30 minutes. Had to uninstall and re-install VKCL, don't know why, it got stuck on RD from last year!
VK3PT	Great fun! Tnx for everyones patience with my CW - hihi
VK3YE	VKCL scoring not working but 11 points claimed.
VK5LJ	Running 5w into OCF Dipole. The usual 80m band noise but most station heard ok. Thanks for running the contest!
VK7LTD	5 Watts cw & ssb. s9 noise floor. Signals were low down, worked 2 cw stns. 1 ssb stn and my apologies to another, we got the call signs passed ok but unable to get the rx number and didn't want to hold up the stn any longer. Thanks for the contest.
VK8MC	Had fun. All VK8s though.

We will try again on 40m in October. Conditions should be improving.

Look for the rules in September LoKey and on the website.

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