



September 2009

N7PP, Salmon Run Top Score - 2007 & 2008

Nick K7MO and Harry K7LAZ will explain how N7PP has achieved the highest score in the past two Washington Salmon Runs. N7PP is a Multi-Multi portable operation with generators, amplifiers, towers, beams, and a lot of fun for the team members!

Western Washington DX Club meeting will start with dinner at 6:30pm and the program at 7:30pm on Tuesday, September 8th at a **NEW LOCATION** - Marie Callender's Restaurant & Bakery, 9538 1st Ave. NE (just south of Northgate Mall)

September Meeting

Tuesday, September 8, 2009
Dinner at 6:30pm – Program at 7:30pm

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Announcing:

2009 Washington Salmon Run

September 19-20, 2009

1600Z – 0700Z Saturday (9am to Midnight Pacific Time)

1600Z – 2400Z Sunday (9am to 5pm Pacific Time)

Each year the Western Washington DX Club sponsors the Washington Salmon Run, a QSO Party where stations outside Washington contact Washington stations and counties, and Washington stations contact any other station, inside or outside the state. Last year 221 entries reported 28,850 QSOs in the Salmon Run, and four stations worked all 39 Washington counties during the event! Seventeen Salmon Awards went to call-area and country winners outside Washington, and twelve Salmon Awards went to in-state category winners. In addition, three entries won plaques for Out of Washington Low Power (sponsored by N7UK), Eastern Washington Low Power (sponsored by the Spokane DX Association, and Washington Club Multi-Operator/Single Transmitter (sponsored by K7WA).

The Salmon Run recognizes Single-Operator and Multi-Operator, High Power, Low Power, and QRP, as well as CW, Phone, Digital, and Mixed Modes. You can operate from your home station, go mobile, on a County Expedition, or a County Rove. There is also a category called Unlimited where almost anything goes, the only limitation being that all transmitters have to be in the same county! Look for the Western Washington DX Club station W7DX handing out 500 bonus points for QSOs on Phone, CW, and Digital.

See the WWDXC website www.wwdxc.org for Rules, a county activity list, and more Salmon Run information. Whether you get on for one hour or the whole weekend, you will have a great experience in the 2009 Washington Salmon Run!



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Contest Activity for September 2009

by Mike Dinkelman, N7WA

This morning, a fog typical to Fall hung in the air. For sure, Summer is coming to a close in the next few weeks. However, on the positive side, that means a new contest season and a reset of the Northwest Trophy competition is just ahead of us. Before we go there, let's review last year's results for those who didn't make it to the Spokane Convention.

The final scores for last year's Trophy were as follows. BCDXC earned 72,273,128 points. The WWDXC earned 49,411,465 points. The WVDXC earned 49,132,851 points. The SDXA (new this year) earned 1,543,057 points. There are a couple of things to take away from last year's results. First, everyone was spanked badly by the BCDXA. Let's not take anything away from that group. They worked hard for this, they have an effective Multi-op station in their group, and they put it to good use. Second, the WVDXC very nearly passed us up. If a single prominent member of their group (who shall remain nameless) had simply reported his scores, we would be in third place.

How can we fix this? Well, making use of our current resources more effectively would be helpful. I can't expect a high scoring Multi-op or two to suddenly show up in our midst but we do have the largest base of operators among the 4 clubs. It's important to report those scores even if you are a little pistol. If you are a big gun station and you feel comfortable opening up your station to a guest operator, consider it. Finally, we do have one regular station that is frequently begging for people to man a Multi-op – N7BV in Port Angeles. Even then, you say, can we make up another 22 million points? Consider this. We have some members of this club who put up big scores (even putting WWDXC as the club on 3830) that we cannot count because they are not considered active members. (For some reason the \$25 seems to be a hurdle). I know one single case that would have netted us another 12 million more points – that's over half the distance to that 22 million. Maybe some peer pressure would help? Additionally, fate may help us as rumor has it Dale VE7SV is headed out of region next year. That MAY slow down the BCDXC depending on whether he allows his station to be used in his absence. At any rate, the one thing that will upset me the most is if we allow the WVDXC to regain any dominance over us.

As for rule changes; there is one. Points earned outside the "region" no longer count. So if you were going on a DXpedition in an effort to score a big one for the club, you'll just have to be happy being DX. The "region" has also been officially clarified. We can count scores earned anywhere within BC, WA, OR, and IDAHO.

The first NW Trophy Competition eligible contest comes up at the end of this month with the CQWW RTTY on September 26-27. If you're a RTTY op, please help keep the club's honor intact.

DX Packet Alert Network Frequencies

By Bob Nielsen, N7XY (n7xy@clearwire.net)

K7EK-1 - Spanaway (DX Spider Node), K7EK sysop.

Telnet to: k7ek.dyndns.org, port 9000

RF: 144.91 MHz - Connect to network node W7DK-5, then type DXC.

145.01 MHz - Connect to network node SEA, then connect to network node K7EK-5, then type DXC.

N7XY Bainbridge Is. (DX Spider Node), N7XY sysop.

Telnet to n7xy.net, port 7300

W7JD-2 - Spanaway (CC Cluster Node - South Tacoma Contest Club), K7EK sysop

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Telnet to k7ek.dyndns.org, port 7373

RF: 144.91 MHz - Connect to network node W7DK-5, then type DXC2.

145.01 MHz - Connect to network node SEA, then connect to network node K7EK-5, then type DXC2

W7PKT Auburn (DX Spider Node) 145.73 MHz, KA7CSE sysop.

Telnet to w7pkt.net, port 7300

W7DX Bellevue (AR Cluster node) 145.75 MHz, N6MZ sysop.

Telnet to w7dx.net

AR Cluster user documentation is available at <http://www.ab5k.net>

DX Spider user documentation is available at http://wiki.dxcluster.org/index.php/DXSpider_User_Manual

Lee Sawkins, VE7CC has written a versatile Windows user program which works with AR Cluster, CC Cluster or DX Spider nodes. It can be downloaded from <http://www.bcdxc.org/ve7cc/default.htm>

Totem Trader

KT34XA and Cushcraft shorty forty! Make offer. Pick up or will deliver within reasonable distance from Seattle. Call Andy, K7GEX, 206-364-3997

Cushcraft A147-11 2 meter beam with new elements \$50.00. I also have a 3 Element Gem Quad. Been stored for 30 years. Need's Boom and New Wire, \$300.00. Thanks. Jim WA7SRZ roccoj1@verizon.net

For sale TEN-TEC OMNI VI PLUS with all 5 filters and P.S. \$1000. Jon K7ZA thejoz2@comcast.net

One Force 12 C4-XL partially disassembled. If interested cal Bob W7TSQ at 425 778 4805

FT-1000MP Mk V ser 406000xx, with INRAD roofing filter, extra IF filters: 1.8Khz-8.2, 1.8Khz-455, 400Hz-8.2, 400Hz-455, 250Hz-455. This is a 'backup' rig, not my main FT-1000MP, so has had little use since I purchased it two? years ago. With FP29 Power supply, manual(s), box, microphone. Prefer not to ship. \$1900.00 – Brian Moran, N9ADG, call 206-390-4376, or brianmo@yahoo.com

For Sale: Force 12 EF-180C Rotatable Dipole antenna with 2 relay control box and balun - 83Ft long (Full 80M band coverage). New condition. Very similar to Current Top of Line Version (Sigma 180 Magnum from Force 12) which sells for around \$1500 without shipping. Asking \$600 and prefer local pick up in Seattle, WA area. Shipping is not practical. Works very well on 30M also. Bagged me 120 countries on both bands in less than 3 years. John Owens - N7TK jcowens1@comcast.net

I also have a Kenwood Model SM-220 Station Monitor in new condx that has the BS-8 Panadapter. It works with Kenwood xcvr's that have thte 8.83 MHz IF. (eg TS-850, etc.) that I would like to sell for \$350. John Owens - N7TK jcowens1@comcast.net

Palstar AT1500BAL Dual Roller-Balanced Line Antenna Tuner. Balanced double L network configuration. Dual precision edgewound silver plated coils with vernier drive. 1500 watts PEP. 160M to 10M band coverage.

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Like new. Excess to me needs since I no longer try to operate 160 from my tiny city lot. \$500. Patrick,
W7TMT@dayshaw.net

Yaesu FT-1000 Mark V Field – Purchased new in Oct 2005. Late model serial number (5J330091). Nearly fully loaded with Inrad filters including roofing filter, 2.1K SSB, pair of 1K CW, pair of 400 Hz CW and 500Hz Collins in sub-receiver. Nearly perfect cosmetically (very small paint chip left side of radio) perfect operationally. Includes matching SP-8 speaker. All manuals, quick reference card and original factory boxes. Non-smoker. Selling because SO2R just isn't for me. - **\$1500** Contact: w7tmt@dayshaw.net

Icom IC-820H – all mode 2M/440 transceiver. Original owner purchased new in 1995 (SN 01853). Rarely used in all this time. Nearly perfect cosmetically and perfect operationally. Factory Boxes. Non-smoker. - **\$450** Contact: w7tmt@dayshaw.net

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