

WA VHF Group 2011 Spring Scramble

Date: Sunday 16 October 2011

Time: 10.30am – 12.30pm WST/Local Time [0230 - 0430Z]

The object is to contact as many different stations as possible, on as many bands as possible, 50 MHz and above.

1. All licensed modes may be used.
2. To encourage those stations who are halfway to being on another band, CROSSBAND CONTACTS ARE PERMITTED. Under special conditions, SATELLITE CONTACTS ARE ALSO PERMITTED. [See Rule 11]
3. To take into account crossband operation, points are based on SERIAL NUMBERS rather than contacts. A serial number consists of three digits, to which an optional signal report may be prefixed.
4. Starting with serial number 001, transmit a different serial number to each station on each band. Aside from satellite contacts, ONLY ONE SERIAL NUMBER SHOULD BE TRANSMITTED TO ANY GIVEN STATION ON ANY GIVEN BAND. It may be retransmitted to the same station on the same band, at any time during the scramble. The receiving station must confirm reception of the serial number for points to be scored, but may give this confirmation on any VHF/UHF/SHF (or higher) band.
5. The contest is divided into 2 intervals of 1 hour each, 1030-1130 WST and 1130-1230 WST.
6. Two stations may work each other for a scoring contact once on each band in each 1 hour interval.
7. A station scores half a point for each serial number it successfully TRANSMITS, and half a point for each serial number it RECEIVES. The usual sort of two-way contact on a single band involves 2 serial numbers, so scores 1 point.
8. Serial numbers count double if at least one of the stations involved (transmitting or receiving) is a country station, meaning at least 60km from GPO Perth.
9. Serial numbers count double if at least one of the stations involved (transmitting or receiving) is a portable station, meaning one which is being operated away from the usual station address and which is not powered from the AC mains. Mobile stations (including permanently mobile) count as portable.
10. Transmission of serial numbers, and/or confirmations via terrestrial repeaters is not permitted.

11. In addition to terrestrial contacts made under rule 4, any pair of stations is allowed one contact per satellite, provided that both stations are in the VK6 call area, and that all uplink and downlink frequencies used are in the VHF/UHF/SHF Amateur bands.

The scramble is primarily for FUN, so works on the honour system.

Add up your total points and send your log to the Scramble Coordinator, Rob VK6LD by the following methods:

- E-mail to vk6ld@hamradio.org.au
- Post to PO Box 138 Armadale WA 6992
- Bring along to the WA VHF Group October Meeting at Wireless Hill Applecross on 24 October 2011.

Logs should be received by Monday 31 October 2011 and results will be available for the WA VHF Group November 2011 Meeting.

REMEMBER: HALF A POINT PER SERIAL NUMBER, double for country stations and double for portable stations. (Quadruple if the station is country & portable)

SUGGESTED ACTIVITY FREQUENCIES:

6M: 50.200 MHz (SSB); 52.525 MHz, 53.5 MHz (FM)

2M: 144.100 MHz (SSB); 146.500MHz (FM)

70CM: 432.100 MHz (SSB); 439.000MHz (FM)

23CM: 1296.100MHz (SSB); 1294.000MHz (FM)