

WAITAKERE SPRINTS 2008

The Papakura Radio Club inc. is pleased to announce that the Waitakere Sprints will continue. The Sprints will be the same as previously held, the Phone Sprint will be on the last Saturday in July and the CW Sprint will be on the first Saturday in August.

The Sprints are of one-hour duration on 80m, and are open to all licensed amateurs in ZL, VK and Oceania call areas.

Object of the Sprints

The operator's basic goal in the sprints is to make as many contacts as possible, without duplication, during an hour of operation on a single band. Any contact with ZL, VK or Oceania stations on 80m during the contest period can be counted, but a station may be claimed only once.

Eligibility

The Waitakere Sprints are open to all licensed amateurs anywhere in the ZL, VK and Oceania call areas. SWL logs will also be welcome.

2008 Contest Periods

Phone 1000 to 1100 UTC, on Saturday 26th July

CW 1000 to 1100 UTC, on Saturday 2nd August

Frequencies

Phone: 3.550 to 3.700 may be used.

CW: 3.500 to 3.550 may be used.

Power

In fairness and consideration to others NO LINEAR AMPLIFIERS are to be used during the contest.

Contest call

CQ Contest, CQ Sprint or CQ Test.

Exchanges

Minimum exchange for a valid contact will consist of signal report and a serial number, sent and received. The serial numbers must start at 001 and increment by one for each contact made. Note :- Time is not required.

Awards

Certificates will be awarded to the overall winner and to the best score in each ZL call area and to the best three scores from VK/Oceania.

Special Award

To encourage contestants to enter both Sprints we have decided to issue a Special Certificate to the entrant with the Highest combined score. The method of calculation will be: (Phone points + CW Points) x 2. All logs received will be considered for this award. To qualify for the multiplied points each log must contain a minimum number of valid contacts. ie. Ten (10) for Phone and Five (5) for CW.

Logs

A separate log must be submitted for each Sprint and must be clearly marked PHONE or CW. Contest logs must show for each contact:- **Date**, **Time**, Callsign of station worked, **Signal report** and serial number sent, **Signal Report** and serial number received. SWL logs must show both Callsigns in the QSO also both **Signal Reports** and serial numbers. Logs are to be in the hands of the Manager, Waitakere Sprint by 1 September.

Sample Log

Date	Time	Station Worked	Report & Serial Sent	Report & Serial Received	Point

Postal address:

Manager Waitakere Sprint
PO Box 72 397
PAPAKURA 2244

Email is the preferred method of log receipt.

A Plain text file named (yourcallPh.txt or yourcallCW.txt) with a tab or space between each column.
email prc@ihug.co.nz
An email confirming receipt of logs will be sent as logs are received.

Closing Date For Logs

No later than 1st September.

Operator Information.

Each log must show the following details.

Mode

Callsign

Name

Address

Operating area (Eg. ZL1,ZL2,VK, Oceania)

Total Number of contacts claimed

A declaration that the operator has abided by the rules and spirit of the contest.

Any entry which is clearly in violation of the rules or spirit of this contest or which contains an excessive number of duplicate contacts (this does not refer to duplicates which have been indicated as such and are not claimed) may be disqualified.

The decision of the Waitakere Sprint Manager in respect of interpretation of these rules, the granting of awards and disqualifications will be final and no correspondence will be entered into.

Rules updated 8th July 2008

Recent alterations in RED