

Contest Corral

October 2023

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Refer to the contest websites for full rules, scoring information, operating periods or time limits, and log submission information.

Start - Finish		Bands	Contest Name	Mode	Exchange	Sponsor's Website		
Date-Time	Date-Time							
1	0600	1	0900	3.5	UBA ON Contest, SSB	Ph	RS, serial, ON section (if ON)	www.uba.be
1	2200	1	2359	3.5-14	Peanut Power QRP Sprint	CW Ph	RS(T), SPC, peanut no. or pwr	www.nogaqrp.org
2	1900	2	2030	3.5	RSGB 80m Autumn Series, CW	CW	RST, serial	www.rsgbcc.org
3	0100	3	0300	3.5-28	ARS Spartan Sprint	CW	RST, SPC, pwr	arsqrp.blogspot.com
4	1900	4	2300	432	432 MHz Fall Sprint	CW Ph Dig	4-char grid	svhfs.org
5	0000	6	0300	7	Walk for the Bacon QRP Contest	CW	13 WPM max; RST, SPC, name, mbr/pwr	qrptest.com/pigwalk40
5	1700	5	1900	3.5	SARL 80m QSO Party	Ph	RS, serial, grid or QTH	www.sarl.org.za
5	1700	5	2100	28	NRAU 10m Activity Contest	CW Ph Dig	RS(T), 6-char grid	nrau.net/nrau-contests-in-general
7	0000	8	2359	No WARC	Collegiate QSO Party	CW Ph Dig	School ID or SPC, RS(T)	collegiateqsoparty.com
7	0600	8	0600	1.8-28	Oceania DX Contest, Phone	Ph	RS, serial	www.oceaniadxcontest.com
7	0800	7	1400	902 and above	Microwave Fall Sprint	CW Ph Dig	6-char grid	svhfs.org
7	1200	8	1159	1.8-28	Russian WW Digital Contest	Dig	RST(Q), oblast code or serial	www.rdclub.ru
7	1400	8	1400	See rules	IARU Region 1 UHF/Microwaves Contest	CW Ph Dig	RS(T), serial, 6-char grid	www.iaru-r1.org
7	1600	8	1100	3.5,7	International HELL Contest	Dig	RST, serial	www.darc.de
7	1600	8	2200	1.8-28	California QSO Party	CW Ph	Serial, CA county or SPC	www.cqp.org/Rules.html
8	0600	8	0900	3.5	UBA ON Contest, CW	CW	RST, serial, ON section (if ON)	www.uba.be
9	0000	9	0200	1.8-28	4 States QRP Group 2nd Sunday Sprint	CW Ph	RST, SPC, mbr or pwr	www.4sqrp.com
10	0001	10	2359	28	10-10 Int'l 10-10 Day Sprint	CW Ph Dig	Name, mbr or "0," SPC	www.ten-ten.org
10	1800	10	1929	3.5,7	DARC RTTY Sprint	Dig	RST, DOK/"NM," or serial	www.darc.de
11	0030	11	0230	3.5-14	NAQCC CW Sprint	CW	RST, SPC, mbr or pwr	naqcc.info
11	1900	11	2030	3.5	RSGB 80m Autumn Series, Data	Dig	RST, serial	www.rsgbcc.org
14	0000	15	1559	3.5-28	Makrothen RTTY Contest	Dig	4-char grid	www.pl259.org
14	0300	15	2100	1.8-28, VHF/UHF	Nevada QSO Party	CW Ph Dig	RS(T), NV county or ARRL/RAC section	nvqso.com
14	0600	15	0600	1.8-28	Oceania DX Contest, CW	CW	RST, serial	www.oceaniadxcontest.com
14	1200	14	2200	1.8-28,50	Solar Eclipse QSO Party	CW Ph Dig	RS(T), 6-char grid	hamsci.org/seqp-rules
14	1500	15	0500	1.8-28	Arizona QSO Party	CW Ph	RS(T), AZ county or SPC	www.azqp.org
14	1600	15	2200	No WARC	Pennsylvania QSO Party	CW Ph	Serial, PA county or ARRL/RAC section	paqso.org
14	1800	15	1800	1.8-28, 50,144	South Dakota QSO Party	CW Ph Dig	RS(T), SD county or SPC	www.sdqsoparty.com
14	2000	15	2000	1.8	PODXS 070 Club 160m Great Pumpkin Sprint	Dig	RST, SPC	www.podxs070.com
15	0000	15	0200	14,21	Asia-Pacific Fall Sprint, CW	CW	RST, serial	jsfc.org/apsprint/
15	0700	15	1000	144	UBA ON Contest, 2m	CW Ph	RS(T), serial, ON section (if ON)	www.uba.be
15	2300	16	0100	1.8-28	Run for the Bacon QRP Contest	CW	RST, SPC, mbr or pwr	qrptest.com/pigrun
16	1300	20	2359	No WARC	ARRL School Club Roundup	CW Ph Dig	RS(T), class (I/C/S), SPC	www.arrl.org/school-club-roundup
16	1900	16	2030	3.5-14	RSGB FT4 Contest	FT4	Signal report	www.rsgbcc.org
19	0000	20	0300	14	Walk for the Bacon QRP Contest	CW	13 WPM max; RST, SPC, name, mbr/pwr	qrptest.com/pigwalk20
19	1900	19	2000	3.5-14	NTC QSO Party	CW	25 WPM max; RST, mbr, or "NM"	pi4ntc.nl
20	1700	22	0100	1.8-28,V/U	Telephone Pioneers QSO Party	CW Dig Ph	Chapter no. or RS(T), name	www.tpqso.com
21	0000	22	2359	3.5-28	JARTS WW RTTY Contest	Dig	RST, age of operator	jarts.jp/rules2023.html
21	0000	22	2359	1.8-28	YBDXPI FT8 Contest	FT8	4-char grid	contest.ybdxpi.net/rules
21	0001	22	2359	28	10-10 Int'l Fall Contest, CW	CW	Name, mbr or "0," SPC	www.ten-ten.org
21	1400	22	0200	No WARC	New York QSO Party	CW Ph Dig	RS(T), NY county or SPC	www.nyqp.org
21	1400	23	0200	No WARC	YLRL DX/NA YL Anniversary Contest	CW Ph Dig	Serial, RS(T), ARRL Section or PC	ylrl.net/contests
21	1500	22	1459	3.5-28	Worked All Germany Contest	CW Ph	RS(T), DOK or "NM" or serial	www.darc.de
21	1500	22	1500	1.8	Stew Perry Topband Challenge	CW	4-char grid	www.kkn.net/stew
21	2000	21	2359	1.8-28,50	Feld Hell Sprint	Dig	RST, mbr, SPC, grid	sites.google.com/site/feldhellclub/
21	2130	21	2300	7	Argentina National 7 MHz Contest	Ph	RS, 2-digit year first licensed	www.lu4aa.org
22	1700	23	0100	1.8-28, 50,144	Illinois QSO Party	CW Ph Dig	RS(T), IL county or SPC	w9awe.org/ilqp
26	1900	26	2030	3.5	RSGB 80m Autumn Series, SSB	Ph	RS, serial	www.rsgbcc.org
27	1500	27	2359	3.5-28	Zombie Shuffle	CW	RS(T), SPC, Zombie no. or area code, name	www.zianet.com/qrp
28	0000	29	2359	50-1296	ARRL EME Contest	CW Ph Dig	Signal report	www.arrl.org/eme-contest
28	0000	29	2359	1.8-28	CQ World Wide DX Contest, SSB	Ph	RS, CQ zone	www.cqww.com

There are a number of weekly contests not included in the table above. For more info, visit: www.qrpfoxhunt.org, www.nccsprint.com, and www.cwops.org. All dates and times refer to UTC and may be different from calendar dates in North America. Contests are not conducted on the 60-, 30-, 17-, or 12-meter bands. Mbr = Membership number. Serial = Sequential number of the contact. SPC = State, Province, DXCC Entity. XE = Mexican state. Listings in blue indicate contests sponsored by ARRL or NCJ. The latest time to make a valid contest QSO is the minute listed in the "Finish Time" column. Data for Contest Corral is maintained on the WA7BNM Contest Calendar at www.contestcalendar.com and is extracted for publication in QST 2 months prior to the month of the contest. ARRL gratefully acknowledges the support of Bruce Horn, WA7BNM, in providing this service.