



# ARRL June VHF Contest 2018 Preliminary Results

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## Category Winners

<i>Single-op, High Power (SOHP)</i>	W5ZN	312,075
<i>Single-op, Low Power (SOLP)</i>	K2DRH	283,554
<i>Single Operator, 3 Bands (SO3B)</i>	K2PS	90,440
<i>Single Operator, Portable (SOP)</i>	WA2TMC	42,582
<i>Single Operator, FM Only (SOFM)</i>	CM2RSV	5,232
<i>Classic Rover (R)</i>	VE3OIL/R	110,136
<i>Limited Rover (RL)</i>	K2EZ/R	72,334
<i>Unlimited Rover (RU)</i>	VE3SMA/R	55,110
<i>Limited Multioperator (LM)</i>	K5QE	393,939
<i>Unlimited Multioperator (UM)</i>	W2SZ	752,955

## The Winners

K5QE defended his position at the top of the Limited Multioperator category while W2SZ repeats as the winner of the Unlimited Multioperator category. This is Number 28 for the W2SZ crew in the top spot for the June VHF Contest!

VE3OIL moved to the top of the Classic Rover category after being Number 2 in 2017. K2EZ returned to the top of Limited Rover category after winning last year.

VE3SMA achieved first place in the Rover Unlimited category - up from a 4<sup>th</sup>-place finish in 2017.

## The Records – Rover Categories

No new records were set in the Classic Rover category but K2EZ set a new record for the Hudson Division in the Limited Rover category.

Three new records were set in the Unlimited Rover category - K1SIG in the New England Division, NØLD in the West Gulf Division, and VE3SMA in Canada.



Jim, K5ND/R entered as a Limited Rover and activated seven grids. Jim managed 145 QSOs, 69 grids, and about a dozen explanations of what he was doing to passersby! His fine rover set-up was an IC-9100 into 10-element 2-meter and 70-cm Yagis plus a 6-meter stressed Moxon beam. The antennas were on a 25-foot push-up mast. He made all contacts while stopped and set up in the grid. (Photo courtesy Jim Wilson K5ND)

## Affiliated Club Competition

<i>Club</i>	<i>Score</i>	<i>Entries</i>
<b>Unlimited</b>		
Society of Midwest Contesters	1,156,768	65
<b>Medium</b>		
Mt Airy VHF Radio Club	1,547,492	32
<b>Local</b>		
Eastern Connecticut ARA	99,327	6

The Affiliated Club Competition for 2018 had several position changes from ups and downs to being repeat winners.

In 2018 the Unlimited category results are identical to 2017 with the Society of Midwest Contesters closely edging out the Potomac Valley Radio Club.

The Medium Club category's winner is the Mt Airy VHF Radio Club - moving up from the Number 2 position achieved in 2017.

And the Local Club winner is once again the Eastern Connecticut ARA. The Chippewa Valley VHF Contesters club lands the second spot for 2018.

The Niagara Frontier Radiosport club made a nice move from 8<sup>th</sup> in 2017 to 3<sup>rd</sup> in 2018.

Congratulations to all for excellent jobs in the various categories. It's always good to see clubs rallying the members to be active and make some QSOs!

*All scores presented in this preliminary report are provisional, pending final review. Watch for the full contest results coming soon to this website. Top scores will be printed in the December 2018 issue of QST.*