

2011 Arkansas QSO Party Summary

The 2011 Arkansas QSO Party proved to be one of the most successful in some time. After being off the air for many years, in 2000 we began endeavoring to bring back the QSO Party to the participation levels that it enjoyed in the heydays of the 1970's. It has been a challenge, but we are proud and elated that this year was the best ever.

For this year's annual event, we had close to 70 log submissions that were received from 25 states, 2 Canadian provinces, and 2 DX stations. We want to thank each and every station who took time to partake in our Party whether just for a short time of operating or for the full contest period. Your participation, large or small, is what makes the AQP a success and it does not go unnoticed. Thank you so very much for making this year's event that much more fun and worthwhile. Although Arkansas is not generally regarded as being a contesting state, we are striving to get more stations participating and this year was definitely indicative of that.

Flagship Bonus Station AA5AR provided as many 200-point contacts as possible with 386 QSOs logged in 45 states and 11 DX.

The highlight for this year's event was our mobile stations. ARKAN wants to relate our infinite appreciation for these individuals who spent their time, effort and gasoline expenses to traverse our state and collectively put over 40 of Arkansas' 75 counties on the air. *A huge thanks to Chuck N05W & Alan N5NA who operated team mobile, Norm W3DYA, Robert N4CD and last but definitely not least, Nick WA5BDU. Your dedication and efforts in this year's AQP are wholeheartedly and infinitely appreciated!!!!*

We wish to also offer up a HUGE thanks to the Arkansas hams who participated in this year's event. Thank you so very much for all the QSOs you made, be sure and join us next year and please tell all your ham friends about the AQP and tell them to join-in on the fun next year as well!

And, we especially want to offer our heartfelt thanks to our ARRL Section Manager, Dale-W5RXU, for his unwavering dedication for announcing our event on all the Arkansas traffic nets and encouraging all of our Arkansas amateurs to participate.

We are already deliberating on making improvements to next year's event and hope to have those finalized sometime this winter or next spring. Those will be included in the 2012 AQP rules which will be available for viewing/downloading/printing off the ARKAN website.

NOTE: To defray printing and postages expenses, all award winners will be sent an e-mail sometime in November with your award attached on a .pdf file, to enable you to at your own convenience to print the certificate on whatever color or paper stock you wish.

Should you wish to have your certificate printed and mailed to you by the club, please send a letter-size 8x11 inch manila envelope along with \$1.00 to:

AMATEUR RADIO KLUB OF THE ARKANSAS
NORTHWEST
P.O. Box 9701
Fayetteville, AR 72703

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We now salute the top scorers of this year's 2011 Arkansas QSO Party (for complete results, click the "2011 AQP Scores" link on the ARKAN website):

INSIDE ARKANSAS TOP 5:

W5HB - 12,988 pts.
N5RN - 10,363
K5NE (WA5LOC, op.) - 7,648
K5DTE - 5,644
AD5DX - 4,752

OUTSIDE ARKANSAS TOP 5

N6MA - 7,576 pts.
KN4Y - 5,904
N6MU - 5,560
W1END - 3,900
N3RJ - 2,830

MOBILE DIVISION - WINNER

N05W - 50,246 pts.