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d'Ille et Vilaine – ARA35
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« Galette Sausage » Contest
RULES

OBJECTIVE

The "Contest de la Galette Sausage" competition is an annual event for radio amateurs and SWL from the ARA35. It is a departmental competition which takes place in two parts, HF/6m and THF. The objective is to encourage radio activity between members of the association and to have a good time.

CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION

Competitors undertake in particular to comply with:
- to these contest rules
- under the conditions of their authorization
- to the spirit and rules of courtesy prevailing among radio amateurs

Any dispute will be arbitrated by the ARA35 Board of Directors, whose decisions are final. The most tenuous cases will have recourse to the "heads and tails" as needed.

DATES AND TIMES

The dates of the "HF/6m bands" and "THF bands" rounds are announced on the association's mailing list as well as on the website https://ara35.fr

The competition takes place in 2 rounds, the duration is limited to 5 hours per round. The times over the same weekend (in local time in department 35) are as follows :
– the **HF/6m** round on Saturday from 7 a.m. to 12 p.m. (5 a.m. UT to 10 a.m. UT),
– the **THF round** on Sunday from 7 a.m. to 12 p.m. .

PARTICIPANTS

LOCAL STATIONS

Is deemed *local* station of the department within the meaning of these contest rules any participant whose station, regardless of its call sign and/or the diet of the operator(s), is located in one of the geographical areas below:

- Ille & Vilaine department

REMOTE STATIONS _

Any participant whose station is not a *local station* as defined above is deemed to be a *remote station within the meaning of these rules, regardless of its call sign and/or the diet of the operator(s).*

PARTICIPANT CATEGORY

TRANSMITTING STATION

The station callsign is unique for the duration of the contest, regardless of the number of operators. Several transmitters can be active at a given time; "multi-stations" are therefore authorized.
All stations, including single operators, can use a DX cluster system. However, it is recalled that this is not the spirit of the competition and given its objective, it is of little interest. Skeds can be organized between participants provided that the announcements are not private, but broadcast at least to members (eg the association's mailing list) or public in some way.

LISTENER STATION (SWL)

A listener station is any station that listens to traffic and logs it.

QSO

BANDS USED FOR THE HF/6m ROUND

Bands used for this round are 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10m and 6m.
Adherence to established band plans for contest traffic is strongly encouraged.

BANDS USED FOR THE THF ROUND

The bands used for this round range from 144 MHz to 241 Ghz, as well as the nanometric band which consists of a visual QSO.

VALID QSO

All stations

The same station can only be contacted once per relay or direct band, and per type of modulation on a given frequency. Correspondents must exchange control groups as defined below.

The types of modulation allowed are:
- C.W.
- SSB
- AM
- FM
- C4FM
- DMR
- D-Star
- FreeDV
- ATV / DATV
- SSTV
- Feld-Hellscreiber
- RTTY
- PSK
- JTx/FT8 ...
- any other digital mode family
- beacons (*)
- APRS (*)
- WSPR (*)
- JS8Call (*)

Accepted relay systems are:
- R3
- R71
- RU3
- RU19
- any other relay in department 35
- any amateur satellite relay such as QO-100, ISS, etc.

(*) A listening report is counted as a contact:
- of the CW beacon F5ZEH with real RST report. The postal code for the beacon is *35380*.
- of the JS8Call F1ZXO beacon with RST report received. The postal code for the beacon is *35380*.
- of the WSPR F 5 Z XM beacon with real RST report. The postal code for the beacon is *35380*.
- of the WSPR F8KGW beacon with real RST report. The postal code for the beacon is *35042*.
- F1ZUG-4 digipeater with real RST report. Digi's postal code is *35210* .
- of the APRS weather beacon F1ZBX-3 with the temperature control group. The postal code for the beacon is *35380* .

(*) Is counted as a contact any report of personal listening of APRS, JS8Call or WSPR signals emitted by a *local station* and/or a member of the association , with in the control group the locator

as transmitted (or postal code if known). A listening report present in a report will credit the sender with a contact on the band in question.

Local Stations

For *local* stations , QSO both with *local* stations and with *remote* stations matter.

Remote stations

For *remote* stations , only QSO with *local* stations within the meaning of these contest rules count.

CONTROL GROUPS

Local Stations

- Stations in mainland France located in the Ille&Vilaine department:
  RS(T) + last three digits of the postal code, ie. the " delivery office code".
  For example "58 200" for a station at the MQFF of Rennes receiving a strong signal .

- F4KIO, official station of the ARA35, RS(T) + 999, whatever its place of traffic,
  for example "57 999".

Local stations may record "DX" in place of the *remote* correspondent's postal code no.
if he does not transmit a postal code number through manifest ignorance of these contest rules.

Refer to § "Valid links" for the control group of CW, APRS and WSPR beacon listening reports.

Remote stations

Remote stations transmit RS(T) + "DX".

POINTS

LOCAL STATIONS CONTACTING A:
- Local station: 6 points
- Remote station: 1 point

REMOTE STATIONS CONTACTING A:
- Local station: 1 point

MULTIPLIERS

TO BE COUNTED BY LOCAL STATIONS
Are defined as multipliers:

- *local* stations : last three digits of postcode 35xxx

- *remote* stations : none

- whatever the station and the band: the type of modulation

TO BE COUNTED BY REMOTE STATIONS

Are defined as multipliers: last three digits of the postal code 35xxx.

FINAL RESULT

The final result is equal to the product of the total QSO points and the total multipliers per band.

REPORTS

DEADLINE

For all stations, local and remote, the deadline for sending expires after the 15th day following the round of the contest. Electronic reports should be sent by email to the address f4kio@ara35.fr .
They will be in Cabrillo format for the HF/6m part, and in IARU REG1TEST format for the THF part. If these formats are unknown to you, contact the proofreader at the email address above.
The paper reports (if they are not too long because afterwards you have to feel them!) are to be sent scanned to the same email address.

RANKINGS

A classification for each of the two rounds as well as a cumulative classification are published.

The power category: QRP (<= 5W), LOW and QRO is specified in the log. It will give rise to a sub-classification.

REWARDS

A surprise reward is planned for the first general classification.