

Peel Amateur Radio Group



Slow CW Corroboree

Introduction

The Slow CW Corroboree series is organised by the Peel Amateur Radio Group, and is intended to encourage all radio amateurs and Short Wave Listeners to give CW a try.

Objectives

The aim of this friendly Corroboree is to encourage amateurs and short wave listeners to find and dust off their Morse keys, to learn how easy friendly CW exchanges can be, and mostly... to have fun, irrespective of how good or rusty your Morse code is. The event is open to all – especially non-PARG members. This time, the Corroboree will be just to have fun and practice exchanging RST and serial numbers; logs will not be submitted and the event will not be scored – everyone wins!

Date and Time

The Corroboree will run for four hours on Saturday December 3rd, 2022:

- 0900z – 1300z
- 1700 – 2100 WA time
- 2000 – 2400 Eastern Australian time
- 1930 – 2330 Central Australian time

The Corroboree will have eight half-hour blocks for the purpose of duplicate contacts.

Bands and Modes

To simplify the Corroboree for operators, only the normal CQ QRS portion of 80m will be used - Corroboree participants should use CW on any frequency in accordance with their license between 3540kHz and 3570kHz inclusive.

Categories

1. CW Operator.
2. Short Wave Listeners.

Corroboree Guidelines

1. The event is open to all amateur radio operators and Short Wave Listeners.
2. Work as many stations on 80m using slow CW in accordance with your Australian Communications and Media Authority Apparatus License (or equivalent) and these guidelines.
3. There will be no points, no multipliers and no log submission; just work as many people as you can in each half hour block.
4. Operation via remote HF stations and using remote Software Defined Radio receivers are both permitted.
5. Short Wave Listeners:
 - a. SWLs are encouraged to participate in this friendly Corroboree, and licensed amateur operators may opt for this category – eg if they can't find their Morse keys.
 - b. SWLs should aim to read the details of complete QSOs between Corroboree stations, including both call signs and both exchanged numbers.

Exchange of Information

Participants may call CQ QRS, CQ CONTEST or CQ TEST to identify themselves as participants.

Stations should send and receive six figure signal reports and serials as follows:

1. Signal reports in RST format, followed by
2. a three figure serial number which is increment by 1 for every subsequent attempted contact through the whole four hours.

Exchanges may be abbreviated; examples of simple exchanges are available in the [PARG CW Operating Hints](http://www.parg.org.au/Activity%20and%20Event%20Calendar/Slow%20CW%20Events/Next%20Slow%20CW%20Corroboree%20-%20Dec%2022) on the www.parg.org.au/Activity and Event Calendar/Slow CW Events/Next Slow CW Corroboree - Dec 22 webpage.

Repeat Contacts

Stations may be contacted once in each half hour block (eg block 1 – 0900z to 0930z, Block 2 0930z – 1000z). This means that repeat contact can be less than 30 minutes apart.

Scoring

This event is for fun and practice for all amateur operators and listeners – irrespective of how good or rusty your Morse code is. The event will not be scored, and logs will not be submitted this time.

Debrief

Please join us for a quick SSB chat on 3565kHz LSB at the end of the event at 1300z; good opportunity to meet your fellow CW operator, share your experiences and recommend changes to encourage more participants in future. The callback will be conducted by Mark Bosma using VK6QI via the VK6SR Remote HF station and Mark will also check using VK2KI for any Eastern States stations who are still awake and who can't hear the VK6 signal. For SWLs or those unable to contact the host, please SMS to Mark Bosma on 0418161773.

Also, please send the organisers an email the next day with the number of exchanges achieved, the different callsigns worked or heard, any comments on the event and any thoughts for future events. Email to mark.bosma@icloud.com and ambo_soldier@yahoo.com.au please.

Logs

No logs will be submitted for this event.

Corroboree Results

Because this event is not scored, there will be no results published... however, a summary of what fun we all had will follow to members of the Slow CW Contests Email Distribution Group and any other emails received.

Corroboree Brave

Because the event will not be scored, all participants will have bragging rights until the next Corroboree!

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