

## Results of Straight Key Night 2004

Once again there was a good turn out for SKN 2004, with over thirty ZL stations participating, although the number of logs submitted (18) was down on last year. Again, conditions were very good early in the evening with the QRN coming up later on. Severe QRN on the other side of the Tasman spoiled things for the VKs. Better luck next year, fellows.

And again an exceptionally interesting collection of personalities and equipment were active. QRP stations scored well, the overall winner Jack, ZL1AJ, would have been in the running for top score without the QRP multiplier. Great performance. Second and third were open QRP stations ZL2AVL and ZL2LF. Fourth in line, and top Vintage station was Peter, ZL2JJ with his immaculate all homebrew vintage station, five tube TRF regen and crystal controlled 807, even the key home made. Second Vintage Open station was ZL1BAV with the iconic Collins KWM-2.

Baz, ZL1DD was first in the Open division, with ZL4OL second, and ZL2ALJ third, pounding away with his wooden home made key!

There were no entries in the Vintage QRP division, but maybe ZL2AKW should have honorary vintage QRP status, firing up his 20 year old Chelmsford rig with a modest two watts on transmit. Sounded great, wonderful to hear this Kiwi icon on the air. ZL1WI left his ZC1 at home, but came on from his whitebaiting QTH with his FT767.

The unofficial Branch Award probably belongs to North Shore Branch 29 with five members taking part. A few points had to be deducted from logs with significantly incomplete exchanges logged. There is plenty of time on SKN so do not be shy about asking for a repeat.

Thanks to all who took part and made this a fun night.

Baz ZL1DD, SKN Manager.

SCORE	CALL	CLASS	KEY	TX	PWR	QSO	PLACE
1	ZL1AJ	OQ	PO	TS870	5	42	1 OQ
2	ZL2AVL	OQ	P&T	TS120V	5	36	2 OQ
3	ZL2LF	OQ	HANDKEY	FT1000	5	32	3 OQ
4	ZL2JJ	VO	HB	807 (HB)	26	31	1 VO
5	ZL1WI	OQ	ZC1	FT767	5	27	4 OQ
6	ZL2AOH	OQ	HIMOUND	TS120V	5	27	5 OQ
7	ZL1DD	O	MARCONI	FT1000D	100	26	1 O
8	ZL2TX	OQ	SGBROWN	FT1000MP	5	26	6 OQ
9	ZL4OL	O	BRASS	IC737	100	25	2 O
10	ZL2ALJ	O	WOODEN	TS530S	100	24	3 O

11	ZL2AKW	OQ	PO	CHLMSFD	2	24	7 OQ
12	ZL1BGS	O	KENT	TS830S	50	24	4 O
13	ZL1BHQ	O	SUPREME	FT1000MP	10	23	5 O
14	ZL1BAV	VO	PO	KWM-2	20	16	2 VO
15	ZL3CED	O	PO	TS440	100	15	6 O
16	ZL2OB	O	BUNELL	TS830	35	10	7 O
17	ZL1CVK	O	MILITARY	IC746	20	6	8 O
18	ZL4BRI	O	D11	IC728	75	6	9 O

**Explanatory note:**

O = Open Class

OQ = Modern QRP

VO = Vintage (valve equipment)

VQ= Vintage QRP