

Results of the 2013 VHF Field Day – 7/8 December

VHF-UHF-SHF-EHF Contests, as administered by the Auckland VHF Group Inc.

Overall Winner	Station	Points
	ZL2AS	4120 *
	ZL1RS	3141
	ZL1BQ	3041
	ZL1BHD	2005
	ZL4AA	1998
	ZL2IP	936
	ZL2FAE	903
	ZL3LF	452
	ZL2WA	387
	ZL2TW	297
	ZL2ALW	250
	ZL2ACG	145
	ZL2TWS	60
	ZL2DX	57
	ZL2TAL	21

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ZL2TDD, ZL2DW

Band winner 6 m (50 MHz)	Station	Points
	ZL1RS	2135 *
	ZL2AS	1586
	ZL1BHD	987
	ZL1BQ	826
	ZL4AA	455
	ZL2FAE	415
	ZL3LF	144
	ZL2WA	92
	ZL2TW	28
	ZL2DX	24
	ZL2IP	23
	ZL2TWS	9

Band winner 2 m (144 MHz)	Station	Points
	ZL2AS	1568 *
	ZL1BHD	1018
	ZL4AA	1009
	ZL1RS	1006
	ZL1BQ	929
	ZL2FAE	452
	ZL2IP	366
	ZL3LF	230
	ZL2ALW	230
	ZL2TW	215
	ZL2WA	203
	ZL2ACG	145
	ZL2DX	21

ZL2TAL	21
ZL2TWS	18

Band winner	Station	Points
70 cm (432 MHz)	ZL2AS	800 *
	ZL4AA	515
	ZL1BQ	276
	ZL2IP	230
	ZL3LF	78
	ZL2TW	54
	ZL2WA	45
	ZL2FAE	36
	ZL2ALW	20
	ZL2TWS	14

Band winner	Station	Points
23 cm (1296 MHz)	ZL1BQ	463 *
	ZL2IP	317
	ZL2AS	166
	ZL2WA	47
	ZL2TWS	19
	ZL4AA	19
	ZL2DX	12

Band winner	Station	Points
6 cm (5760 MHz)	ZL1BQ	547 *

Greatest DX	Station	Distance
6 m Overseas	ZL2AS-VK5BC	3477 km
6 m Internal	ZL1RS-ZL4AA	1209 km
2 m	ZL1RS-ZL2FAE	653 km
70 cm	ZL2IP-ZL1IU	446 km
23 cm	ZL1BQ-ZL2IP	333 km
6 cm	ZL1BQ-ZL1BK	76 km

Certificate *

Active Stations (108 in total)

ZL1AHL ZL1AKW ZL1BHD ZL1BK ZL1BQ ZL1CAX ZL1CLH ZL1COP ZL1GKB ZL1GSM ZL1HD ZL1HR ZL1ICU
ZL1IU ZL1JD ZL1KB ZL1LK ZL1QF ZL1RS ZL1TBG ZL1TJ ZL1TWR ZL1UJG ZL1WTT

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ZL2CMC ZL2CS ZL2CZE

ZL2DC ZL2DW ZL2DX ZL2FAE ZL2GR ZL2GU ZL2HD ZL2IP ZL2IY ZL2KL ZL2LIN ZL2LW ZL2MF ZL2MQ
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ZL2WA ZL2WHO

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ZL3TV ZL3UE

ZL4AA ZL4BC ZL4CA ZL4CZ ZL4DC ZL4FZ ZL4LV ZL4NR ZL4RMF ZL4SA ZL4TH

E51WL E6RQ VK2BHO VK2TS VK3BY VK4ABP VK5ACY VK5BC VK5PJ VK5P VK5SIX VK7DX

VHF mangers comments

An excellent turn out of many stations active in the 2013 VHF Field Day contest with 17 logs received and 108 stations active.

The 6 metre band, now with the unrestricted access certainly showed an increase in activity and created a more even playing field amongst fellow contesters.

Higher band microwave activity was down but that could be attributed to a number of factors.

Overall the quality of logs received was excellent, one logs received was using past scoring tables and that contest station was asked to resubmit a corrected log.

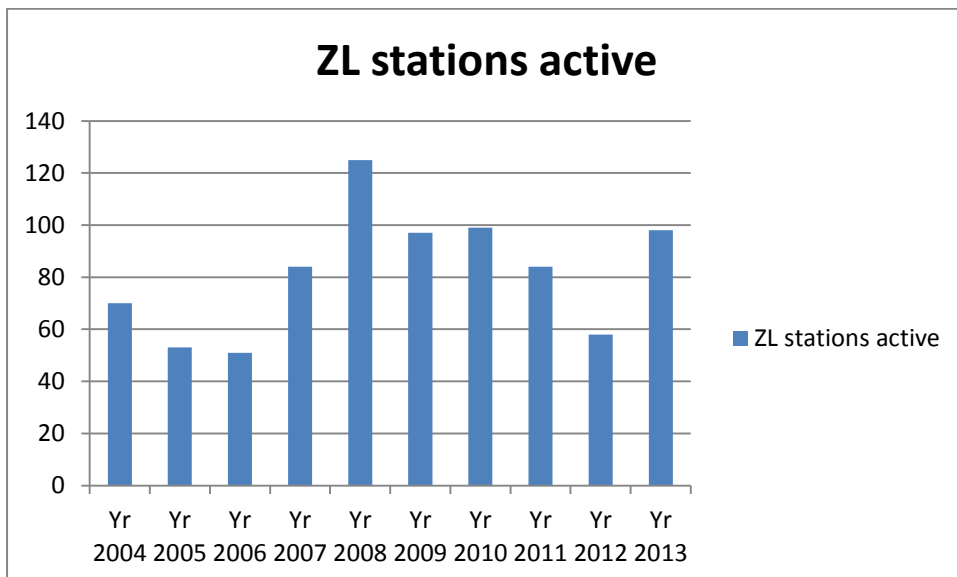
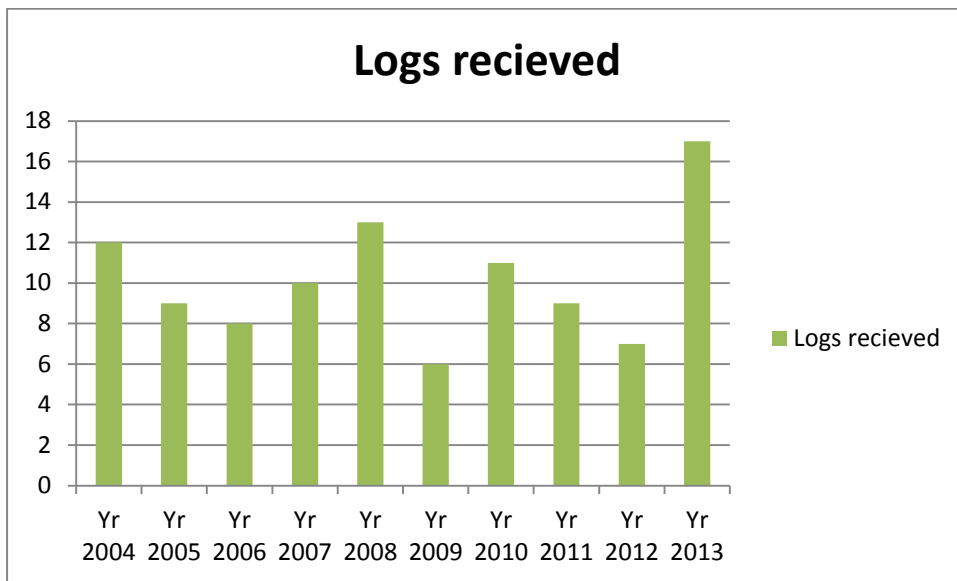
It was encouraging to see new entrants in the Field Day contest with a fine first effort and noted where Chris ZL3LF who operated a field station on the summit of Mount Herbert out of Christchurch, Andrew ZL2ACG who rode a quad bike up his local hill just east of Taihape, Steve ZL1BHD with team members Mavis ZL1TDS and Ian ZL2IAS who operated from the Paeroa ranges 20 km south of Rotorua, along with Stuart ZL2TW who operated from Rahotia, on ridge between Tory Channel and Port Underwood, Marlborough Sounds.

Thanks to all that participated.

Operator comments

- 6 m power 1 k/W 7 element Yagi 10 metre high
- Bad weather (high wind and rain arriving) forced me to shut down for safety reasons and head home at about 2030
- Notable contacts were with ZL2WA on aircraft reflection and ZL1BK on 1296 that was running 1 Watt
- 2 m antennas 4 x 7 element Yagi's 8 metre high
- I had a lot of fun though, only my 3rd VHF field day in 30 years. I hope to get up Black Birch next year (1600 metres) but weather has to be perfect before it is safe to operate there
- On Sunday wind was blowing too hard to even thinking of putting any of my Microwave aerials up
- 6 m 2 watts to a 5 element beam
- Maybe branch multipliers could be an encouragement in future years
- Home station with 2 x 5 element ZL2ALW Yagi's one pointing north one south
- 1296 150 Watts to a 2.4m dish RHC polarization
- Shocking conditions but worked a couple of USA on 50 MHz EME to kick of EME on 6M
- Good to hear ZL2WA active again
- A 6 m opening into VK on Saturday evening was a pleasant surprise
- Best 70 cm contact was 402 km to Stuart ZL2TW.
- Budipole set up as rotatable dipole for 6 m Yagi about 7m AGL
- I think FD is a special case and maybe needs a slightly different set of rules from the normal VHF contests, to encourage greater participation from branches, teams, and home stations
- Anyway, it's our first contest and we just wanted to have fun and meet people, and do some ham radio and camp on top of a mountain

Past VHF Field Day statistics



The rules for VHF-UHF-SHF-EHF Contests, as administered by the Auckland VHF Group; on behalf of all VHF groups are available on the NZART website: <http://www.nzart.org.nz/activities/contest-rules/rules-vhf-and-above/>

All contest logs should be sent, to arrive within two weeks, to: VHFcontest@nzart.org.nz

Or by mail to: Contest Manager, PO Box 10138, Dominion Road, Auckland 1446.

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