

SANGSTER SHIELD 2022 RESULTS

As usual thanks to all who took part this year.

Entrant numbers were a shade less than last year with 16 entries and 2 check logs received from at least one contestant in all 10 Branches on air. From my analysis of logs there were around 20 participants in total.

One Contestant sent the wrong Branch number 20 in his exchange instead of 22 & decided to continue after realising the error. This was similar to a few years ago when I was contacted on the Sunday & recommended that the operator continue with the incorrect number & that I would make the change when scoring.

As almost all entrants had claimed both Branch 20 & 22 so there is no difference in placings – just in scores.

Great band conditions on both nights were reported this year and a number of repeat entrants exceeded their last year scores.

Despite early expectations VK contacts are down on last year with a total of 11 VK contacts claimed by 7 entrants. This compares to 16 VK's claimed by 8 entrants last year. VK7KPC provided an entry to the Open Section. Last time we had an official VK entry was in 2006. The most worked VK this year was VK2GR appearing in 6 logs.

Open Section Leader board Milestone

Congratulations, and another milestone achieved by our now **7 time Open Section winner** Paul ZL1PC; 2nd Place to Barry ZL2LN & at last I (ZL2KZ) have managed a 3rd Place.

Barry Davenport ZL2LN is the 10th time winner of the Arthur Stevens (South Island) Trophy this year with Geoff Clark ZL3GA 2nd Place and Russell Young ZL1AZB / Gerard van Antwerpen ZL2GVA in 3rd equal place. There was a good showing of South Island entrants but none from the deep South.

I am impressed that three operators have requested entry to the Transistor Trophy (First time Sangster entrant) this year. Congratulations to first placed Geoff Gooch ZL3AL (Branch 68) with Bruce Haswell ZL1YC (Branch 28) 2nd and Rick Jackson ZL3RIK (Branch 05) 3rd.

The Tony Fletcher (ZL2ALJ) Memorial Trophy Branch Award heads this year to Branch 28 Whangarei with ZL1PC, ZL1BWG & ZL1AW's combined score of 15,075. The only other qualifying Branch 22 came 2nd with ZL1AZB, ZL2GVA & ZL3VZ's score of 12,080. If Bill ZL3VZ had mains power on both nights at his low noise location in Portage results would have been much closer.

The 10 qualifying active Branches were:- 5,16,22,24, 27,28,50,54,68,88.

As above I have removed Branch 20 from the list this year. Branch 54 operated Saturday only and ZL3VZ, one of 3 in Branch 22 was forced by power outage to operate Sunday only. Grant Daniel ZL2GD (Branch 68) also operated Sunday only & supplied a check log.

I detected 5 dupes overall & 10 contact points were forfeited this year. Some entrants listed & deducted their own dupes in claims. All dupes checked out at both ends of the contacts.

I found just one wild card Branch contact made early on Sunday night at serial 001. I have deducted both the contact and the Branch claim as the call did not appear in any other log.

Comments received

- Felt that participants were there to make it go as well as possible
- Used Club emergency van in a "quiet" location but clobbered with local QRM for periods
- VK entrant's comment - 1st overseas contest, returning to CW after many years absence
- Band conditions good both nights
- Pity stations don't spread out more
- Enjoyable experience for 1st attempt
- Where do all the stations go in the last 10 minutes of each period?

I was blessed by the Wellington lines company replacing a power pole crossarm located nearest to my boundary. For 4 months now my long term night time intermittent power noise has disappeared. Sometimes manageable on SSB, using the noise blanker, it was always a different story with narrow band CW filters & some years I have resorted to selecting a wider filter just for blanker effectiveness.

Apologies for muscling in on the podium after a long absence! – ZL2KZ

Publicity:-

Thanks to Jim (ZL2BHF) for carrying news items in official broadcasts, to the NZART Contest Manager Geoff ZL3GA for his support & creation of Sangster summary sheets. Also to HQ for Infoline coverage & for the rotating NZART Home Page Banner & calendar links reminding Sangster dates & times well in advance.

I did make contact with WIA this year but failed to meet their Journal publication timing.

Once again it was great to have a log from almost all operators which makes checking (& adjusting) easy.

Sangster Shield Results 2022

Sangster Shield - Open Section [* indicates South Island entrant for Arthur Stevens Trophy, + indicates Transistor Trophy entrant]										
Place	Station	Name	NZ	DX	Bchs	Pwr	Total	Branch	Equipment	
1	ZL1PC	Paul Slako	161	3	9	5w	7515	28	Icom IC-7610, 80m Full Wave Loop	
*2	ZL2LN	Barry Davenport	159	2	9	5w	7335	24	Yaesu FT-847, Trapped Dipole 8m up	
3	ZL2KZ	Glenn Kingston	157	2	9	5w	7245	50	Yaesu FT-1000, 5/8w off centre @ 5-15m, Super Key 2	
*4	ZL3GA	Geoff Clark	157	1	9	5w	7155	68	Kenwood TS-590SG, 15/40/80 Trapped Dipole	
5	ZL2TE	Graeme Jury	149	0	9	5w	6705	27	Hermes Lite2 SDR, Trap Dipole, Mains free	
*6=	ZL1AZB	Russell Young	112	1	8	5w	4560	22	Yaesu FT-747, Hand Key, G5RV antenna 30ft up.	
*6=	ZL2GVA	Gerard Van Antwerpen	112	1	8	5w	4560	22	Elecraft K2, H/Brew Paddles, Horizontal 80m Loop	
8	ZL1BWG	Bruce Scahill	105	0	8	5w	4200	28	Yaesu FT-818, Bencher Key, G5RV antenna	
9	ZL1AW	Allan Walker	84	0	8	5w	3360	28	Elecraft K2, 80m Loop	
10	ZL2JU	Les Jury	81	0	8	5w	3240	16	Icom IC-746 Pro, Emtron ATU, G5RV antenna	
11	ZL2AQL	Mike Spearman	77	0	8	5w	3080	88	Yaesu FT-450D, Wire Dipole	
*12	ZL3VZ	Bill Cousins	74	0	8	5w	2960	22	QRP Labs QCX transceiver, 1/2w Dipole at Portage	
+*13	ZL3AL	Geoff Gooch	79	1	7	5w	2835	68	Icom IC-7300, OP6 Trapped Vertical	
+14	ZL1YC	Bruce Haswell	77	0	7	5w	2695	28	Icom IC-7000, MFJ949 E Tuner, 80/40 Dipole	
+*15	ZL3RIK	Rick Jackson	26	0	6	5w	780	5	Yaesu FT DX 3000, Inverted V	
16	VK7KPC	Peter Dodd	0	1	1	60w	10	Ov's's	Icom IC-718 trap 40/80 dipole 60 W	
Transistor Trophy (first time Sangster contest entrant)										
1	ZL3AL	Geoff Gooch	79	1	7	5w	2835	68	Icom IC-7300, OP6 Trapped Vertical	
2	ZL1YC	Bruce Haswell	77	0	7	5w	2695	28	Icom IC-7000, MFJ949 E Tuner, 80/40 Dipole	
3	ZL3RIK	Rick Jackson	26	0	6	5w	780	5	Yaesu FT DX 3000, Inverted V	
Arthur Stevens South Island Trophy (Top "3" only)										
1	ZL2LN	Barry Davenport	159	2	9	5w	7335	24	Yaesu FT-847, Trapped Dipole 8m up	
2	ZL3GA	Geoff Clark	157	1	9	5w	7155	68	Kenwood TS-590SG, 15/40/80 Trapped Dipole	
3=	ZL1AZB	Russell Young	112	1	8	5w	4560	22	Yaesu FT-747, Hand Key, G5RV antenna 30ft up.	
3=	ZL2GVA	Gerard Van Antwerpen	112	1	8	5w	4560	22	Elecraft K2, H/Brew Paddles, Horizontal 80m Loop	
Tony Fletcher (ZL2ALJ) Memorial Trophy Branch Award (miniature permanent trophy via Bch 50 to winning branch)										
1	Branch 28	Whangarei	4 possible entrants ZL1PC, ZL1BWG, ZL1AW & ZL1YC							
2	Branch 22	Marlborough	3 entrants ZL1AZB, ZL2GVA & ZL3VZ							
Checklogs										
	ZL2GD	Grant Daniel	With Thanks					68	Worked Sunday Night only	
	ZI2AGY	Tony Marr	With Thanks					54	Worked Saturday Night only	