COVID-19 RADIO COMMUNICATION EVENT

DATE: June 06-07, 2020.
STARTS 10.00 UTC SATURDAY - ENDS 09.59 UTC SUNDAY

The Finnish Amateur Radio League, (SRAL) in cooperation with Araucaria DX Group (ADXG) of Brazil and Radio Arcala, OH8X of Finland invite you cordially to join them in to a global special event featuring their STAYHOME campaign and its radio activity as follows:

TIME PERIOD: 06-07 June, 2020, 10.00 UTC Saturday – 09.59 UTC Sunday

BANDS: 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 meters

MODES: CW, SSB, DIGITAL (FT4/FT8 only)

STATION CATEGORIES:

1) STAYHOME stations. The suffix must be STAYHOME.

   A suffix such as STAY, HOME, or STAYHOM may be used in case STAYHOME cannot be issued by the local telecom authorities. The following call signs are also accepted: 5W1STAYSAFE and W2I/STAYHOME

2) NON-STAYHOME stations: All other stations use their regular suffix.

OPERATOR AND MODE CATEGORIES:

1) Single operator, both in STAYHOME and NON-STAYHOME categories:

   A: Single mode CW, or SSB, or Digital
   B: Multi mode CW/SSB/Digital

2) Team category, of up to three (3) same STAYHOME stations; each on a single mode, using the same call sign. Stations can be in multiple locations and multiple operators are allowed at each station assuming they honor the local distancing recommendations.

3) All participants must operate within the power limits and other conditions corresponding to their license in their respective country.

SUGGESTED CALL: Please use CQ STAYHOME (SSB) and TEST SH (CW) because there are other contests going on at the same time

EXCHANGE: 59(9) and the AGE (years) of the operator. Women may use 00. **If you or your counterpart do not want to disclose your/his age, please use 99. Note: On FT4/FT8 normal reports (no age) are used.**

QSO-MAKING ASSISTANCE: DX-Cluster and Reverse Beacon Network are permitted for receiving spots.

Self-spotting is not allowed. Remotely operated stations are allowed.

SCORING:

1) STAYHOME STATIONS: The total number of valid contacts.

2) NON-STAYHOME STATIONS: Each valid QSO gives 1 point.

Stations can be worked once on each mode and band with a maximum of 15 QSOs.

There are two types of multipliers:

     a) Number of DXCC countries worked, counted only once.

     b) Number of different STAYHOME call signs worked, counted only once.

LOG FORMAT:

Date, UTC time, band, sent and received messages are needed.

Cabrillo is preferred but ADIF files are also accepted. ADIF files generated by WSJT-X are acceptable.

LOG INSTRUCTIONS: The operator's age should be included both in the sent and in the received messages, e.g. 599 73. Please check that your transmitted message (with age) also went into your log. If not, add your age in the SOAPBOX or comments of the log.

Logs received without received age are welcome and count as support logs.

LOGGING SOFTWARE:

If your logging software supports it, the All Asian Contest format also exchanges age. In Win-Test, All Asian accepts both modes (CW/SSB)

You may use any other software where age can be included in the messages.

For example, CQ WW DX Contest format can be used, replacing the zone number by age. Submitted logs for three modes can be separate. It is not necessary to calculate a score (see below).

If your program adds a leading zero to your age, that is OK.

SCORE CALCULATION:

Since no existing software can score the logs, the organizers will calculate all final scores.

SUBMISSION OF LOGS:

Send your log to covidlog@sral.fi The deadline is 7 days after the end of the contest.

THE AWARDS:

The STAYHOME stations making more than 1000 QSOs will receive an online certificate (all operators). The best NON-STAYHOME scores in each continent receive a plaque.

The top 30 multi-mode scores, top 5 single mode scores on each mode, and top 3 scores of each continent will receive an online certificate. The same group of sixty-three (63) scores will participate the grand prize lottery.

THE GRAND PRIZE WILL BE ANNOUNCED BEFORE THE ACTUAL EVENT

Questions and comments: Contact Ville, OH2MM/PY2ZEA email: py2zea@gmail.com

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