ES OPEN HF CHAMPIONSHIP 2014

Hi friends,

thank you for participating in ES OPEN HF CHAMPIONSHIP 2014! We are a bit sad to see the number of foreign logs dropping somewhat comparing to the last years (70 logs + 6 SWLs) but we hope that nice ES turnout with 62 logs and good propagation conditions made the contest interesting and we will see more participants next year.

All ES multipliers were available this year in both modes and some very good scores were achieved.

A-MIXED:

Gediminas, LY9A is the champion for the third year in a row! He made a tremendous record breaking score with 278 QSOs and all 40 multipliers. **Rimas, LY6A** had ca 30 QSOs less and 36 confirmed multipliers for the second place. Bronze went to **Yuris, YL7A** who was the only one besides Gediminas to work all 40 multipliers. This is the podium of champions because Rimas was the champion in 2011 and YL7A in 2010 before Gediminas started to rule!

Best SO LP Foreign Station trophy goes to Mindis, LY4L.

B-SSB:

We are glad to announce the SSB champion who is **Kristers, YL3AJA!** For the first time he was participating with his own call and won right away! He was also the only one to manage all 20 multipliers and all this he did with 100 watts only! Well done, Kristers! **Romualdas, LY1SR** has been in top 3 before (3rd in 2011), nice to see him back achieving silver this time. But the third place also went to a newcomer - **Alexander, UA1AQA**.

C-CW:

As always, CW category was the most crowded and very competitive. **Algis, LY3B**, who was third for two years, finally achieved his target and emerged as the winner! **Albertas, LY5R**, champion of 2012, got the second place this year. **Andrejs, YL2QN** who was LP had only 3 QSOs less and remained 3rd. All 3 achieved maximum possible 20 mulltipliers.

D-QRP

We had 3 QRP entries so everyone gets to be in top 3!:) First place goes to **Vitas, LY5G**, he is followed by **Vladimir**, **YL2CV** on the second place and **George**, **YO4AAC** on the third place.

E-SWL

We had 6 SWL logs this year that is more than for a long time and the winner is a newcomer **Rafal, SP7-003-24** who made a great score and pushed last year's winner **Jozef, SP4-208** to the third place while another old timer **Kari, OH2-836** retained his last year's second place!

It is interesting to bring out the most accurate operators by the score confirmation percentage. Here are the stations with 97% or higher confirmation percentage and number of claimed QSOs:

Call	QSOs	%
LZ2CWW	16	100,00%
YU7KW	14	100,00%
US4IRT	12	100,00%
YO4AAC	11	100,00%
YO3GNF	8	100,00%
LY4Q	6	100,00%
YU1EA	4	100,00%
LZ1FJ	3	100,00%
YU1FG	3	100,00%
RA3WVG	1	100,00%
LY5T	64	98,44%
UA1AQA	91	97,80%
YL3AJA	125	97,60%
R3LC	82	97,56%
EW8OF	81	97,53%
YL2PA	156	97,51%
LY1SR	112	97,32%
LY5R	172	97,09%
LY2BKT	203	97,01%

Special congratulations for the golden logs and for **Teodora, LZ2CWW** for making most QSOs with 100% confirmation rate!:)

Big congratulations to everybody! Special trophies to the winners and diplomas will be sent out soon! We will try this year to replace the paper diplomas with PDF ones that are going to be emailed soon. Please let us know if you will really miss the paper awards! See you next year in ES OPEN 2015!

Please let me know as always of any ideas or suggestions about ES OPEN!

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