

ES OPEN HF CHAMPIONSHIP 2013

Hi friends,

thank you for participating in ES OPEN HF CHAMPIONSHIP 2013! For some reason with saw some decrease in submitted logs this year from foreign as well as ES side but we hope that those who participated had a lot of fun even if the conditions prevented them to make a lot of QSOs.

Traditionally the competition in A, B and C classes was very fierce with some spectacular outcomes! We also had 4 logs in the new QRP class.

A-MIXED:

Gediminas, LY9A did it again!!! It is unbelievable how close have been the finishes for the champion title for several years and this year Gediminas and **Arvis, YL7X** took it to extreme! They both had identical score of 12,358 points with 37 multipliers! But according to the rules Gediminas wins as he has better confirmation % (less errors). Gediminas lost 21 QSO points and Arvis 25 QSO points in log checking. Arvis started in class C and decided to switch to A after 45 minutes, maybe that cost him 1-2 needed extra QSOs or 1 needed 80m SSB mult (he missed ES3, ES7 and ES0 there while having all mults on other band/mode combinations)! Anyway, happy to see Arvis back in the game and big congratulations to Gediminas for doing it again with Low Power! Third place goes to **Vilnis, YL2BJ**, who switched from SSB to MIXED this year and managed to score most multipliers – 38 – missing only ES6 and ES0 on 40m SSB.

Gediminas is also taking traditionally the Best SO LP Foreign Station trophy.

B-SSB:

Now when Vilnis left the chair open, **Darius, LY3DA** who was second last year came in strong and grabbed the victory. Congratulations for fantastic result to YL operator **Mari, OH2O**, who entered ES Open for the first time and immediately competed for the first place! She was unlucky to lose two multipliers (ES0 and ES4 on 40m) due to received number error, otherwise she would have won. **Sergey, R3LC** took third place up from last year's 6th place.

C-CW:

Very interesting things happened in most crowded CW class. While **Arvydas, LY2F** took clear victory with all possible 20 multipliers the second and third places had again equal scores! **Andrey, RV1AW/3** had cleaner log and thus he is honored with second place in front of **Algis, LY3B** who was also third last year.

D-QRP

New QRP class had 4 entries and the top honors go to **Heikki, OH2LNH** who was followed by **Josef, OK1AY** and **Jan, PA0ZAV**. Let us know if you wish us to continue to have QRP category!

E-Multi Operator

Glad to have at least one station here – **Kirsters, YL1XN** gets to be the award winner!

E-SWL

Nice to have our regular “customers” back in business having really tight competition again. Three first places are all extremely close and due to better accuracy last year’s second place owner **Jozef, SP4-208** grabs gold this time although having third claimed score! **Kari, OH2-836** takes second place and last year’s winner **Vladimir, R3A-847** is pushed to third place while claiming highest score!

Big congratulations to everybody! Special trophies to the winners and diplomas will be sent out soon! See you next year in ES OPEN 2014!

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

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