

## ES OPEN HF CHAMPIONSHIP 2017

Hi friends,

thank you for participating in ES OPEN HF CHAMPIONSHIP 2017! We are glad to see the number of foreign logs increasing to 87 this year. Number of ES participants was a bit lower than last year but all 40 multipliers were available. As always propagation challenges made it hard to catch all the multipliers. All together there were over 15 000 QSOs in the submitted logs which is marginally more than last year.

A-MIXED:

Congratulations to **Roli, LY4A**, for winning the gold with absolutely tremendous result of 243 QSOs and 37 multipliers! **Vidmantas, LY2SA**, grabbed the 2<sup>nd</sup> place and pushed **Gunars, YL2GD** to 3<sup>rd</sup> this year. Vidmantas and Gunars both worked 36 multipliers.

B-SSB:

**Vilnis, YL2BJ** is the SSB champion again like last year and **Sergey, RW1F**, took the 2<sup>nd</sup> place after being 4<sup>th</sup> last year. Happy to see **Mel, 8S0C** back on the podium after 6 years. Last year's 5<sup>th</sup> place was now converted into 3<sup>rd</sup>.

C-CW:

**Algis, LY3B**, seems to have got tired of being 2<sup>nd</sup> for 2 years in a row and made a very serious effort now dominating the category and logging all 20 multipliers and 165 QSOs. We are happy to see **Algis, LY2NK**, putting up a good fight and taking silver again like 6 years ago in front of 10 dot **Ingo, SE5E**, who climbs the podium for the first time!

D-LP:

Mixed Low Power category is absolutely dominated by **Mindis, LY4L**, with almost 10,000 points! Last year's winner **Zigurds, YL2P**, takes the 2<sup>nd</sup> place and 3<sup>rd</sup> goes to **Sergei, YL3FW**.

E-QRP

**Valery, RW3AI** was second last year but takes the QRP award in 2017. Great to see someone as far as from Slovenia taking the 2<sup>nd</sup> place – it is **Zoran, S51Z**. 3<sup>rd</sup> is **Seppo, OH5LP**.

F-Multi Op

Among 2 Multi Op entrants the winner is **LY2BMX (operators LY2BMX and Donatas Sadaunikas)** and 2<sup>nd</sup> place goes to **YL1XN (YL2HB, YL3AJA)**.

G-SWL

Only 1 SWL log was submitted this year and the award goes to **Jozef, SP4-208**.

It is interesting to bring out the most accurate operators by the score confirmation percentage. Here are the stations with 97% or higher score confirmation percentage and number of claimed QSOs over 10:

Call	QSOs	%
YL2SM	63	100,0%
YL3GAZ	34	100,0%
LY3CY	33	100,0%
RA3DJA	26	100,0%
OH2PM	22	100,0%
YL2PP	22	100,0%
SD1A	16	100,0%
SM0Y	15	100,0%
SM7CIL	13	100,0%
LZ5EE	12	100,0%
EU6AA	10	100,0%
LY2NK	129	99,2%
S51Z	53	98,1%
SM5IMO	51	98,0%
RN3S	40	97,5%
SM6EWB	74	97,3%
LY5AA	37	97,3%

Special congratulations for the golden logs and especially to **Viesturs, YL2SM** for 63 clean QSOs!

Special trophies to the winners and diplomas will be sent out soon! All the country winners will get diplomas! See you next year in ES OPEN 2018!

Please let us know of any ideas or suggestions how to make the contest better!

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