

# Team Exuberance

## *The After Party*

CQ WPX SSB 2019 @ K3LR



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# The Goal: Operate CQ WPX SSB M/2 Category - Do Well!

- "Old age and treachery will always win over youth and exuberance." But is that true? Team Exuberance is out to prove that statement wrong!
- Can kids really do well in radiosport contesting?



# How did this happen?

- KM4ATT asks K3LR, “I have an idea!”
- Team sets out to create an all-youth contest.
  - M/2 in CQ WPX SSB 2019
- Build a team: KM4ATT, NN1C, KG5HVO, HA8RT, K6JO, VE7DZO
  - Lots of contest wins.
  - Combined 250,000+ QSOs
  - 2 WRTC competitors, all contest vets



# K3LR Superstation

- 11 Operating positions
- 26 Booms
- 164 Transmitting elements
- Miles of coax
- 11 Homebrew 8877 1500w amps.
- 13 IC7851/IC7850 radios.
- Lots of coffee!



# What an amazing few days! Start at DX Engineering!



# Presentations to the DX Engineering Team!



And in our hats!





Off to K3LR! First an antenna tour!



And into the shack! 0000z, and we were off!



# VE7DZO + KM4ATT on 40m



# K6JO + VE7DZO on 80m



# Team In Action Saturday AM



# K6JO + KG5HVO on 20m



# That 20m Death Ray Bryant is Using...



# 20m Station at K3LR





# NN1C Runnin' em on 40m



# So how did it go?

Options Help

| Summary                        |             |           |            |             |             |
|--------------------------------|-------------|-----------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| BAND                           | QSO         | DUP       | PFX        | POINTS      | AVG         |
| 160                            | 79          | 0         | 5          | 206         | 2.61        |
| <b>80</b>                      | <b>1125</b> | <b>24</b> | <b>287</b> | <b>3469</b> | <b>3.08</b> |
| 40                             | 2352        | 92        | 613        | 7033        | 2.99        |
| 20                             | 2225        | 53        | 471        | 5334        | 2.40        |
| 15                             | 180         | 5         | 43         | 480         | 2.67        |
| 10                             | 46          | 0         | 9          | 138         | 3.00        |
| TOTAL                          | 6007        | 174       | 1428       | 16660       | 2.77        |
| <b>FINAL SCORE: 23 790 480</b> |             |           |            |             |             |

# Great!

- Over 6,000 QSOs
- Nearly 23.8m points, a new claimed W3 M/2 record.
- LOTS of fun. 1000s of EU, VK, ZL, Carrib, SA, and USA logged.
- Claimed #1 North America
- Lots of yummy food consumed!

# Post Contest Photo!



# This Is Only The Start!

- We believe we are the first all youth serious contest operation in North America.
  - Nice to start with a win!
- Hope to be the first, not last!
- YARC YCP program ([yarc.org](http://yarc.org)) to continue the trend.
- Youth are the future.

Most importantly! **WE PROVED THEM WRONG!**

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will always win over  
youth and exuberance.~~

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