

# OVARC G.O.T.A. contest

### **Purpose:**

To give a chance for new hams and old alike the opportunity to have a small competition and learn the ins/outs of operating their equipment as well to learn what it takes to confirm a QSO with the other operators they contact in the future.

## **Participants:**

All licensed amateur radio operators are eligible that are part of either club OVARC or TARS\*

#### **Details:**

- Duration The contest will run from Feb. 1st thru Feb 28th local (Evansville) time.
- Allowed Bands\*\* 10M (28.3 to 28.5) + vhf + uhf, phone modes only. (SSB, FM, C4FM, etc.)
- After Winter Field Day completion (See below for more details), only Technician Phone privileges will be allowed as defined under Allowed Bands.

#### Scoring:

- Each contact starts as 1 point (Net Control operator contacts are not eligible)
  - Checking into a net counts as 1 point according to the rules below.

#### Distance multiplier as follows:

- Repeater & Wires-X, D-Star, DMR contacts allowed.
  - Repeater & Wires-X, D-Star, DMR = .5 (unless the repeater/ node is 100 or more miles away)
- 100+ miles = x 1.5
- 500+ miles = x 2
- 1000+ mile = x 3
- Trans-oceanic = x 5

#### Power multiplier:

- Repeater & Wires-X, D-Star, DMR = 1 (unless the repeater/ node is 100 or more miles away)
- All others: =100/tx power
  - o 100W or greater = 1
  - $\circ$  50w = 2
  - o 5W = 20

x10 pts per confirmed contact (audio/video recording or electronic QSL i.e. QRZ/LoTW/eQSL confirmation) 1 contact per call sign per band per day

Any help needed with setting up LoTW, QRZ or eQSL please contact W9KHP @ redge@arrl.net

\*New Hams licensed within the last 90 days that are not a member of either club **are** eligible and encouraged to participate.

\*\*Contacts made during Winter Field Day will be allowed for ANY Band or Mode that the Control Operator for the group is licensed for. All contacts must be saved in ADIF file from the logging software used or on handwritten paper log. Contestant is responsible for logging file/paper log.

All entries must be received by no later than March 31st, 2017.

Results to be announced at May Business meetings.

- **OVARC** Members Meeting 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month @ 6pm
- TARS Members Meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month @ 7pm

Not eligible in all states. Some restrictions may apply. (I couldn't resist)

Some assembly required. Batteries not included.