

NCCC Meeting

February 9, 2009

San Jose, CA



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Greetings & Welcome!

Guests and Visitors

Members



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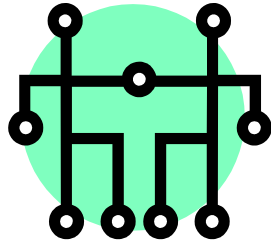
Program

- 1. Post-Contest Feedback**
- 2. Visalia International DX Convention**
- 3. Future Meetings**
- 4. Featured Speaker – K9YC**



New Member Application

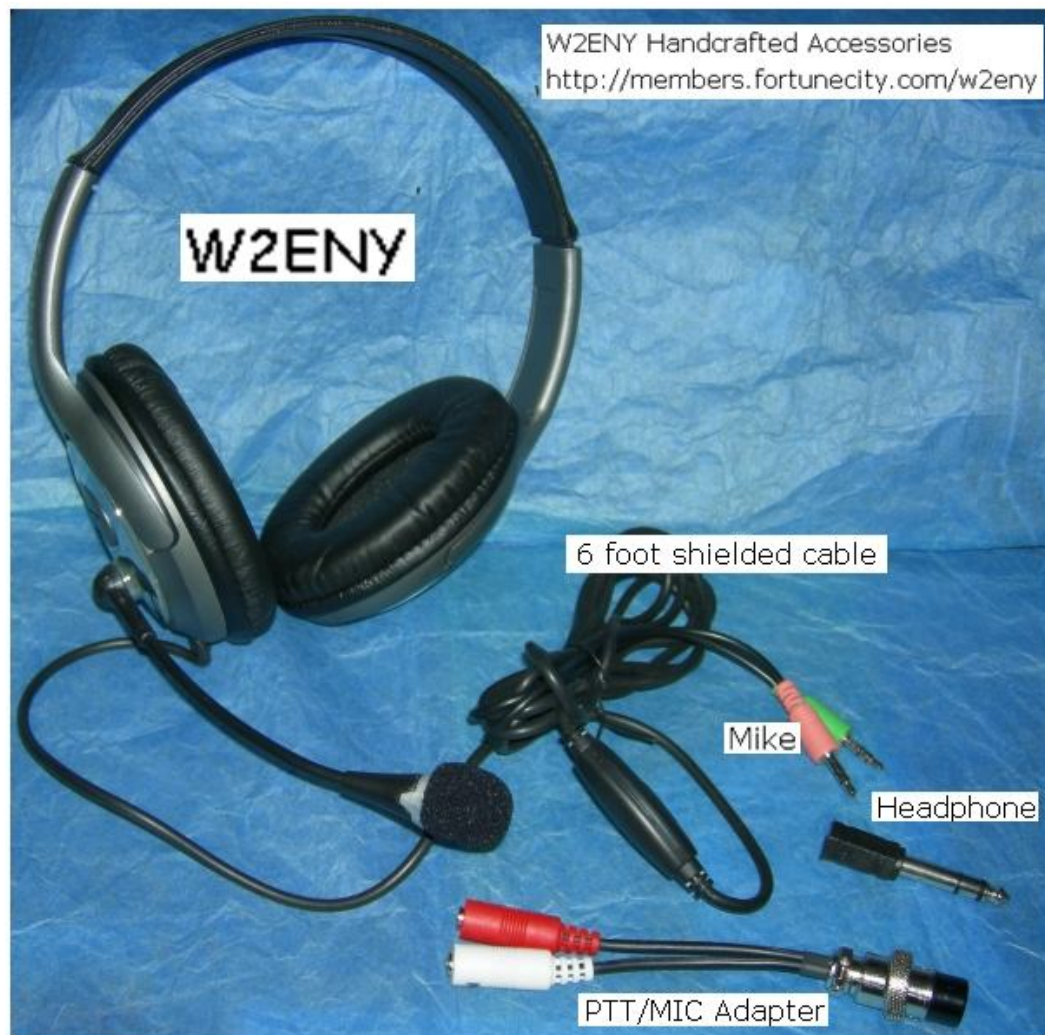
Welcome



Aboard!

K2RDX	John Mezak <i>San Jose</i>
K6IP	Armand Sun <i>Fremont</i>

Product Recommendation



- **Compact**
- **Lightweight**
- **Comfortable**
- **Good Quality**
- **Complete**

\$50 Shipped



Share the power of a wish

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Shack Of The Month



Upcoming Contest Dates

CW – SSB - RTTY

Feb 14 -15	CQ WW RTTY WPX Contest
Feb 14 -16	Asia-Pacific Spring Sprint, CW
Feb-15	North American Sprint, SSB
Feb-16	Run for the Bacon QRP Contest
Feb 21 -22	ARRL Inter. DX Contest, CW
Feb 21 -22	REF Contest, SSB
Feb 27 - Mar 1	CQ 160-Meter Contest, SSB
Feb 28 - Mar 1	UBA DX Contest, CW
Feb 28 - Mar 1	North American QSO Party, RTTY
Mar 7 - 8	ARRL Inter. DX Contest, SSB
	CW
	SSB
	RTTY

Post-Contest Feedback

- Jan 2 **ARRL RTTY Roundup**
- Jan 9 **NAQP, CW**
- Jan 16 **NAQP, Phone**
- Jan 23 **CQWW 160 CW**
- Feb 7 **BC, DE, MN, NM, VT QP**
- Feb 7 **Mexico RTTY**
- Feb 7 **NA Sprint, CW**



ARRL RTTY Roundup Recap

Goal

Be The First Club To **Enter**
& **Win** The Unlimited
Club Category By
Submitting **51** Or More
Logs



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ARRL RTTY Roundup Recap

Formula For Success = **P. E. T.**

P = Preparation

E = Enthusiasm

T = Teamwork



ARRL RTTY Roundup Recap

P = Preparation

- 1. RTTY Presentation – Vallejo Mtg. in November** (N6DE, W0YK)
- 2. December Webinars** (K6MM, N6DE, W0YK)
 - 38 Attendees
 - CA, IN, NV, TX, WA
- 3. Resources on NCCC website**



ARRL RTTY Roundup Recap

E = Enthusiasm

1. Pre-Contest Encouragement

- Website Sign-Up Table – 51 Logs
- RTTY Practice Sessions
- Email reflector “chatter”

2. Post-Contest Energy

- Log Submissions
- Recruiting



ARRL RTTY Roundup Recap

T = Teamwork

- 1. Antennas**
- 2. Computer Logging & Macros**
- 3. Rig Interfacing**
- 4. Contest strategy**



ARRL RTTY Roundup Recap

Unofficial, Preliminary Results

Scores From ARRL Website Compared To Rosters

	ARRL Website	ARRL Website	ARRL Website
	Score	Count	Count
NCCC			
PVRC	2,947,421	54	55K
SMC	1,663,249	50	33K
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A Really Outstanding Effort!



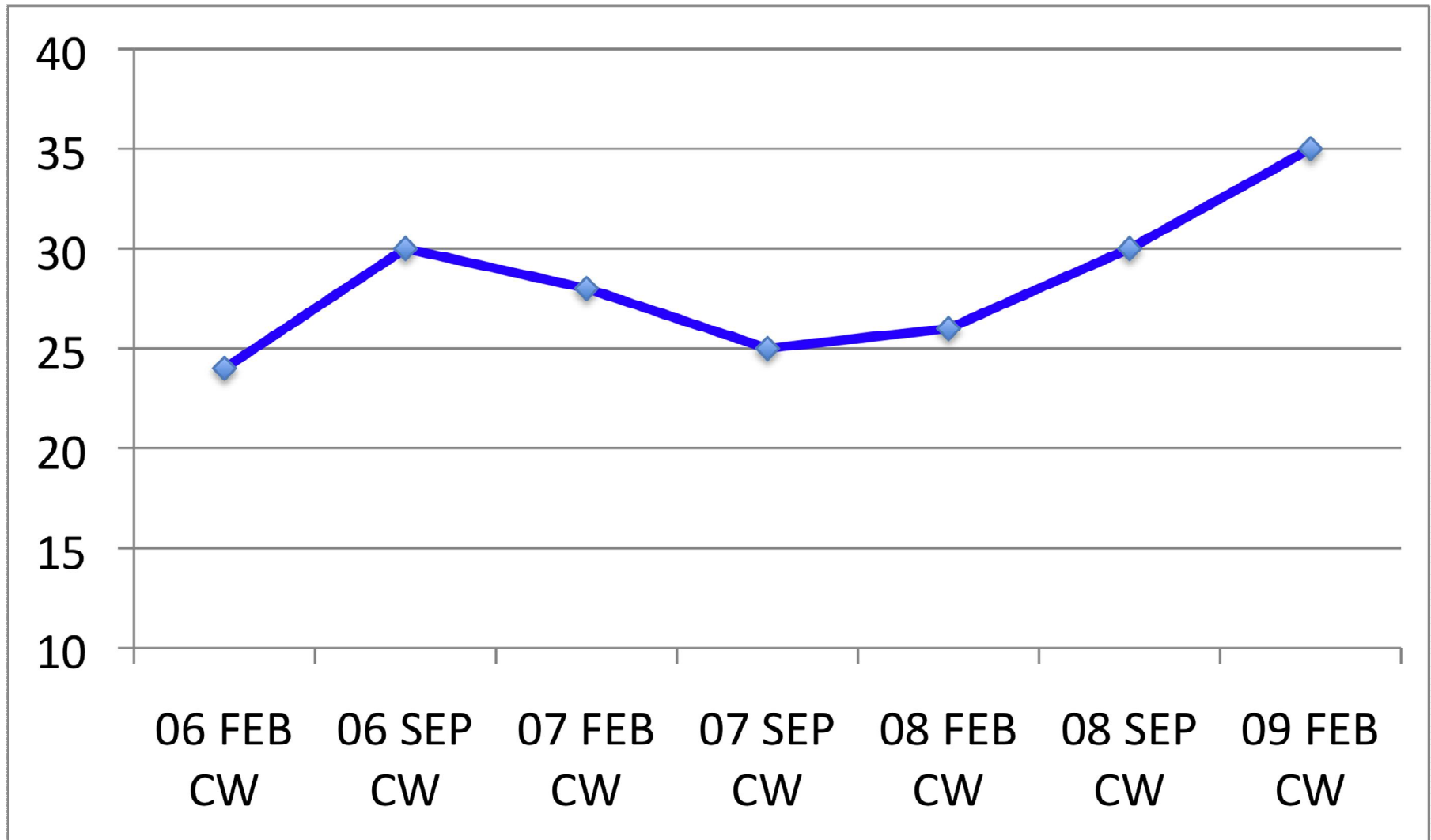
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Post-Contest Feedback

- ✓ Jan 2, **ARRL RTTY Roundup**
- ✓ **Sidebar Article For ARRL Website**
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NA Sprint CW Participation

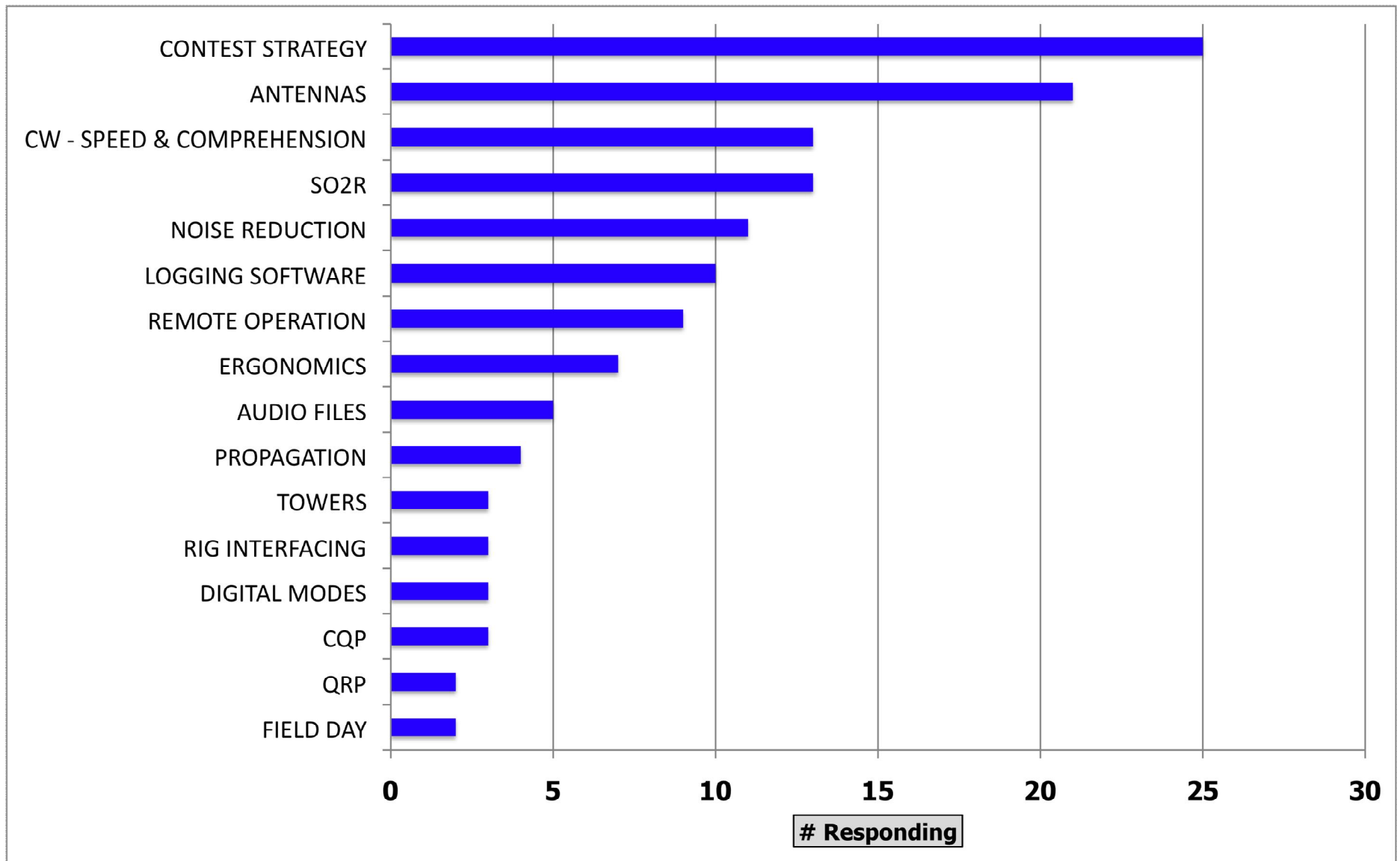


Webinar Survey

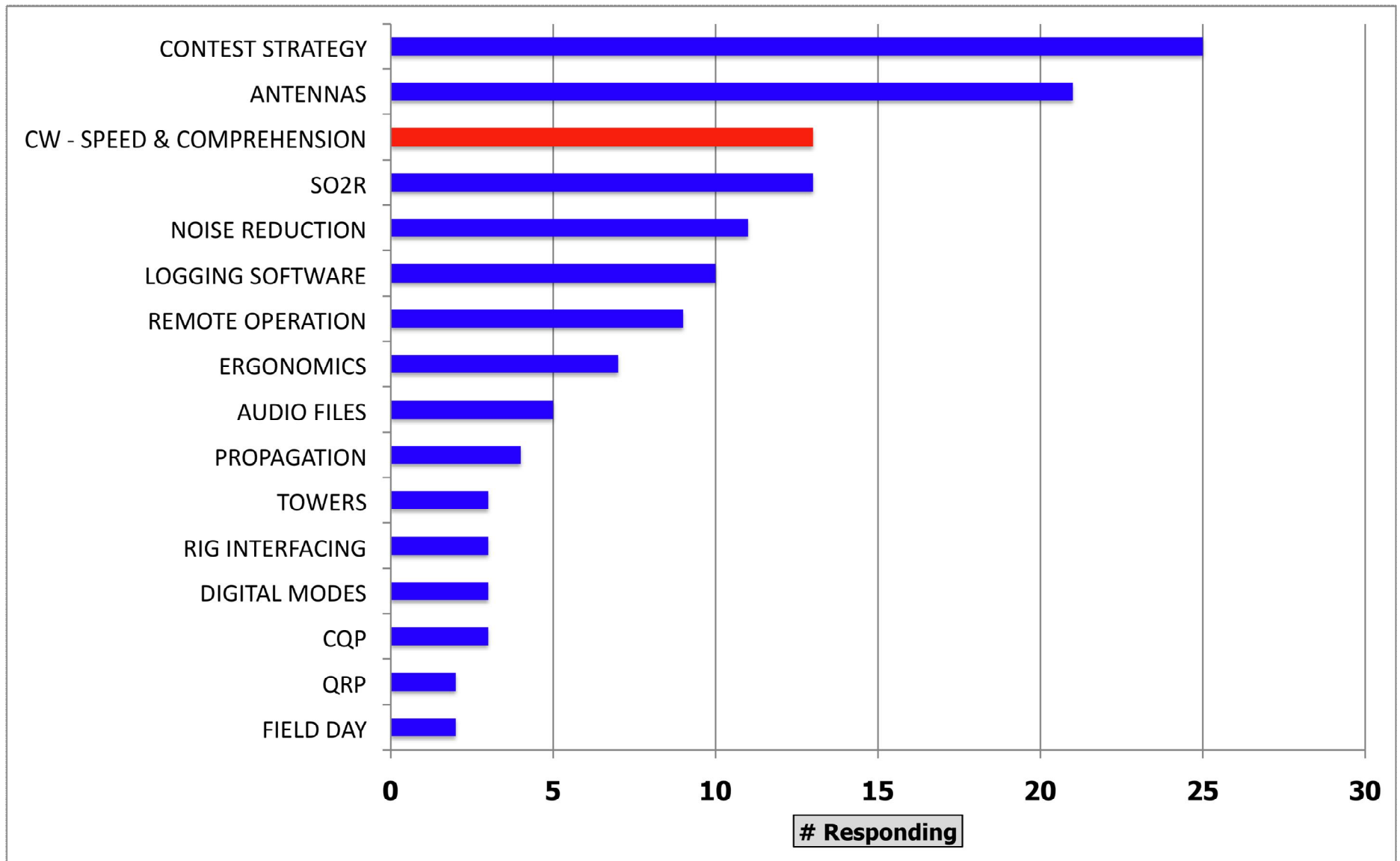
- 1. Your "Top 5" Contesting-Related Topics?**
- 2. Webinar Trainings: How Frequently?**
- 3. Which Weekday?**
- 4. Joint Webinars With Other Clubs?**
- 5. Webinar Presenter – Yes/No?**
- 6. Webinar Presenter – Your Topics?**



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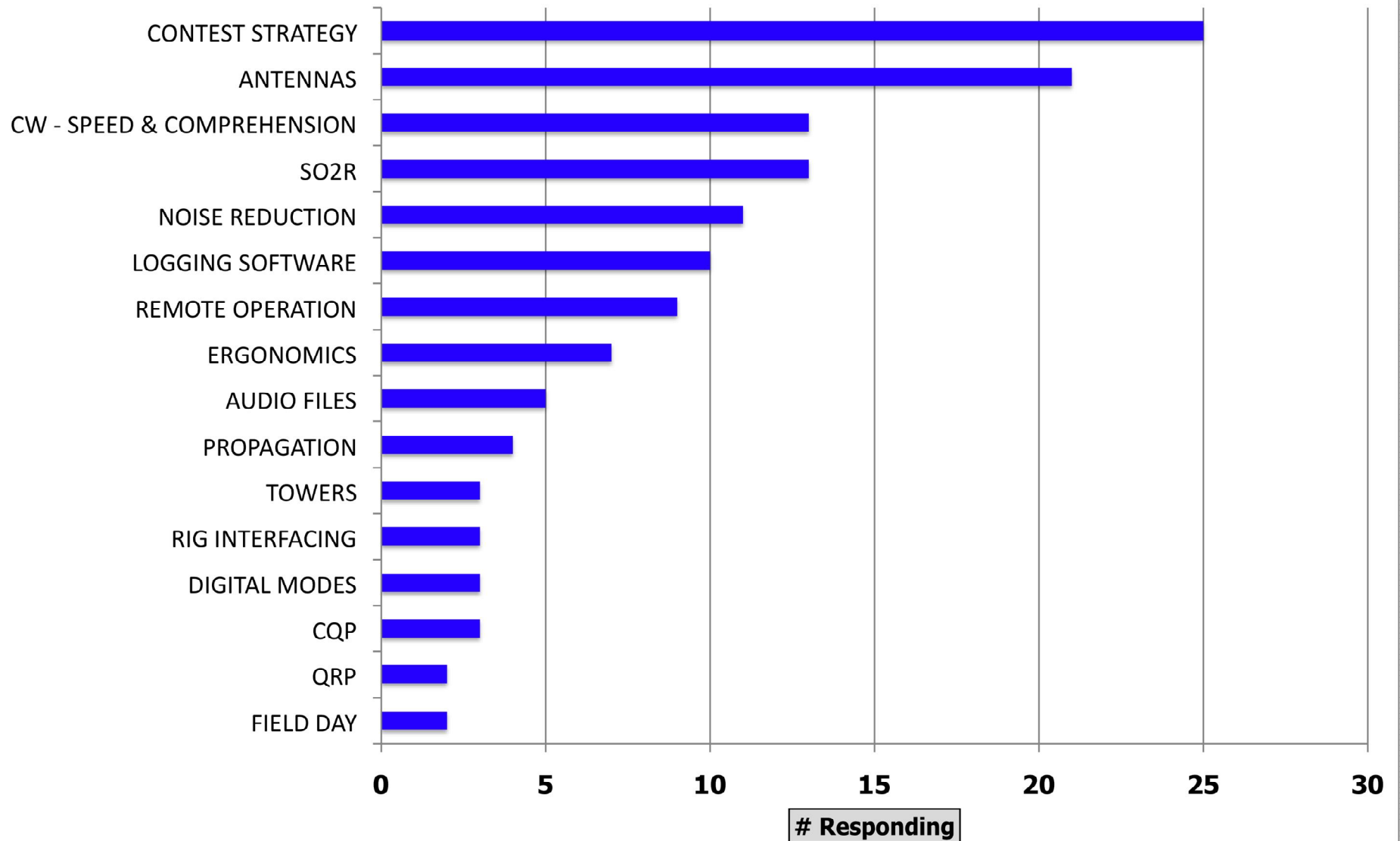
Obvious Conclusions

1. **Back To Basics**
2. **Improve CW Comprehension Accuracy & Speed**
3. **Need NCCC Advice + (Practice)³**
4. **NA Sprint CW Participation Rates Will Remain Low**
5. **“Sprint Stimulus Package”**

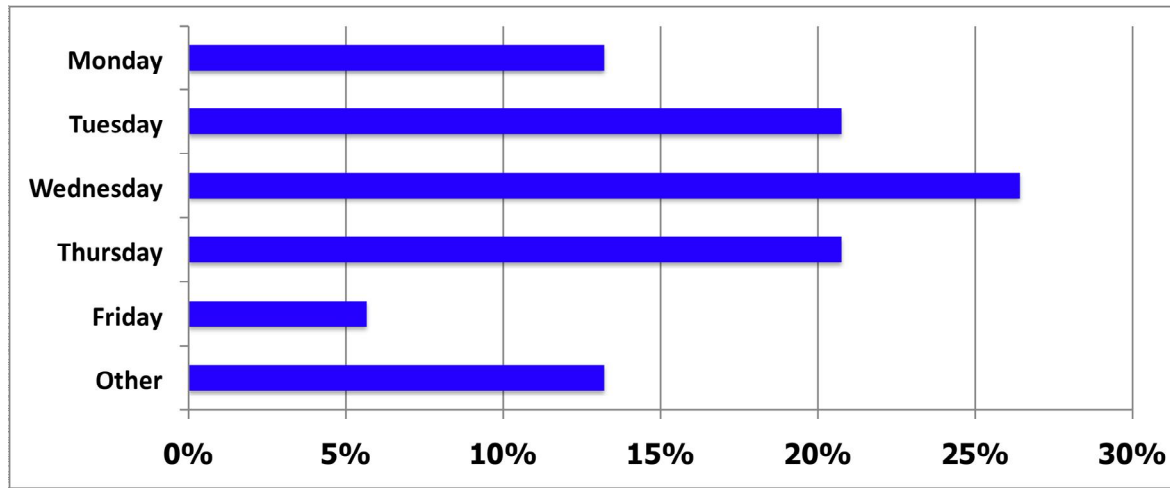
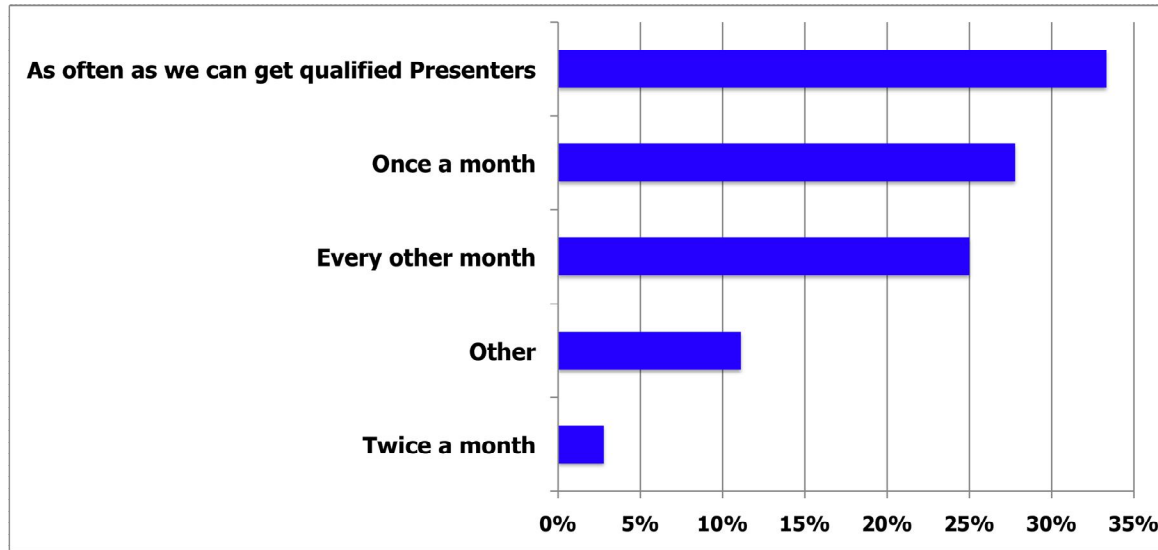


Webinar Schedule

Select and Prioritize



Q2 & Q3. Webinars: How Often & When?



2008 - 2009 Meeting Schedule

	City	Location	Program	Comment
12-May-08	San Jose	Holder's Country Inn	2008 Plan Review Contest Loggers	
09-Jun-08	Milpitas	Casa Azteca	Contesting & Your Health Budget, Survey, Contests	
14-Jul-08	Mountain View	Tied House	Member Survey Rig Interfacing: (Jim, K9YC)	
26-Jul-08	Stockton	Old Spaghetti Factory	Joint meeting with MLDXCC Arnie, N6HC -- TX5C Clipperton	Saturday Meeting
11-Aug-08	Dublin	Stacey's Restaurant	"Preliminary CQP Plans" (Rick, N6RNO) "Best Contests For You" (Panel; Ed, W0YK)	
23-Aug-08	Truckee	N6XI	TBD	DDQ Saturday
08-Sep-08	San Jose	Holder's Country Inn	Final CQP Plan (Rick, N6RNO) Prelim SS Plan (Jim, K9YC)	
13-Oct-08	Mountain View	Tied House	Recap - CQP (N6RNO); Propagation (N6BV); Sweepstakes Plan (Bob, N6WG)	
17-Oct-08	San Leandro	Marriott Hotel	Pacificon 2008	WECC Conference
10-Nov-08	Vallejo	China Wok	Mid-SS Checkpoint (K6MM, K9YC, N6WG) ARRL RTTY Roundup (N6DE, W0YK)	
08-Dec-08	Mountain View	Michael's Restaurant	Holiday Dinner	=== ===
14-Jan-09	Petaluma	Mr. Magoo's Restaurant	Joint meeting with REDXA Program: The K3: User's Perspective	Wednesday; Carpools
09-Feb-09	San Jose	Holder's Country Inn	"Wire Antennas for Limited Space" (Jim, K9YC)	
09-Mar-09	Mountain View	Tied House	Annual Awards Meeting	
13-Apr-09	San Jose	Harry's Hofbrau	Annual Elections "From Beginner To Winner" (Rich, N6KT)	
17-Apr-09	Visalia	Holiday Inn		

April 13 Meeting – Annual Elections

- **New NCCC Board of Directors**
 - **President**
 - **Vice-President, Contest Chair**
 - **Secretary-Treasurer**
 - **Past President**
 - **Directors (3)**



April 13 Meeting – Annual Elections

- **Opportunity**
 - Provide Vision and Strategy
 - Your Own Personal Development
 - Continue The NCCC Tradition
 - Recruiting
 - Skill Development
 - Recognition
 - Fellowship



International DX Convention

April 17-19, Visalia CA

Great Opportunity For NCCC

- Contest Academy
- Exhibit Hall Booth
- Speakers - Main Program (N6BV, K9YC)
- Contesting Dinner – CQP Awards
- Hospitality Suite



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Contest Academy

Friday April 17, 1:00 – 5:00 PM

Purpose:

1. Promote Contesting
2. Leverage NCCC Talent & Experience

Program Topics:

1. Contesting As A Radiosport ([K6RB](#); [K6XX](#))
2. Contest Logging Software ([K6MM](#); [N6XI](#); [N6TV](#))
3. Contest Station Layout & Design ([K5RC](#))
4. RTTY Contesting ([W0YK](#))
5. Ask The Panel



Contest Academy

Friday April 17, 1:00 – 5:00 PM

- **Pre-Registration & Walk-Ins**
- **\$10 Registration Fee**
- **Contest Resource Kit**
 - Slide copy from all presentations
 - CD containing contesting resources
 - NCCC Pen
 - Seminar Feedback Form
- **Tim (K3LR) – Introductory Comments**
- **Ken (K4ZW) – PVRC President**



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IDXC Banquet Speaker



**John Scott Redd,
K0DQ**



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International DX Convention

April 17-19, Visalia CA



**There's
plenty of
room left on
the NCCC
Visalia Train
– Join Us!**



On The Visalia Train			



Next Meeting

Monday, March 9

- ✓ **Tied House, Mountain View**
- ✓ **Annual Awards Dinner**



And Now Our Featured Attraction...



**Jim "We Don't
Need No Stinkin
Towers" Brown,**

K9YC

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