

Announcing the “Champion of Asia-Oceania” challenge, a new intra-club competition devised by our guru of the Pacific, Bob K3EST.

There are six well-participated contests where a California station can win and/or have fun. Based on how many of them in which you participate, you will automatically be entered into a category (see below). The winners will be announced on November 20th of each year.

Note: This year the April JIDX contest has already passed, so the **2021 Challenge begins with the June All Asian CW contest**.

Categories:

Enter any 3 contests = **bronze level**.

Enter any 4 contests = **silver level**.

Enter any 5 or 6 contests = **gold level**.

Your entry is determined by your 3830 submission.

Only single-operator entries.

The winner of each level is determined by total QSOs regardless of category.

Awards:

The winner of the Bronze level = \$20 Starbucks gift card

The winner of the Silver level = \$30 Starbucks gift card

The winner of the Gold level = \$50 Starbucks gift card

Special certificates presented to 1-3 places at each level.

Contest List:

Here are the 6 contests, in order of occurrence within the contest calendar. Each contest has a CW and SSB weekend. A maximum of 5 of the 6 contests will count towards your QSO total.

APRIL: CW Japan International DX Contest. Second week. The world works Japanese stations. 30 hours (0700z Sat – 1300z Sun; DX exchange: CQ zone; JA exchange; prefecture #; Multipliers = Prefectures #s/band.

JUNE: CW All Asian contest. Third weekend. 48 hours. The world works Asian stations. DX exchange: age; Asian exchange: age; Multipliers = Asian prefixes

SEPTEMBER: SSB All Asian contest. First weekend. 48 hours. The world works Asian stations. DX exchange: age; Asian exchange: age; Multipliers = Asian prefixes

OCTOBER: SSB Oceania contest. First weekend. 24 hours. 0800z – 0800z. The world works Oceania. Exchange: RS + serial #

OCTOBER: CW Oceania contest. Second weekend. 24 hours. 0800z – 0800z. The world works Oceania. Exchange: RST + serial #

NOVEMBER: SSB Japan International DX Contest. Second weekend. 30 hours. 0700z Sat– 1300z Sun. The world works Japanese stations. 30 hours (0700z Sat – 1300z Sun; DX exchange: CQ zone; JA exchange; prefecture #; Multipliers = Prefectures #s/band.

In the AA and JIDX contests, the great majority of QSOs are with Japan. The two Oceania contests bring out lots of YB stations, especially on 40 SSB. All of the six contests have multiple categories.