Announcing the CQWW Xtreme Categories

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The Intersection of SDR & Internet Technology and Contesting

- New radios are emerging
  - "Distributed" radios, linked by Internet

- Wideband signal decoders find new stations faster
  - VE3NEA "Skimmer" and future versions

- Remote stations easy to assemble

SDR/Internet Technologies Enable "Forbidden" Operation

- Remote receiving sites
  - Not permitted in ANY category of CQ or ARRL contest

- Multi-site transmitters
  - Move the "station" around to take advantage of changing propagation

The *"Xtreme"* Categories:

- Launch: 2009 CQ World Wide DX Contest
  - Single-operator and multi-operator sections

- (almost) ANYTHING GOES!

- Encourages SDR and Internet experimenters to compete!

Rules

- Only one transmitted signal per band

- All transmitters must be in the same country and CQ zone

- Remote receive sites, wideband decoding, packet/Internet spotting, all permitted

- All operations must comply with local regulations

Two-part Scoring System

- CQWW score counts 50%
  - Scores will be normalized to top *"Xtreme"* score
  - Top score gets 100 points, a score that is 90% of the top score gets 90 points, etc.

- "Innovation and creativity" count 50%
  - Subjective assessment of a panel of CQWW Committee members, scored on a 0 to 100 point scale

- Winners will receive the K3TUP Memorial Award

For more information

- June 2009 CQ Magazine (here today!)

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