

SATURDAY MORNING Ham Hob Nob

Rev 1.2

To Confer, Converse and Otherwise Hob-Nob with Fellow Hams

Now that the weather has warmed (somewhat), it is time to start up our Saturday Mornings Hob Nob sessions. Our first session took place on Saturday March 29 during our fun CQ WW WPX SSB Contest. As our first Hob Nob, David KB1LTW brought in all the materials needed and we built new filter chokes. These new chokes are to be used in conjunction with our new LBS Triplexer and band pass filters. Hopefully, these items will allow us to eliminate the cross station interference we have been experiencing. With our new triplexer, band pass filters and filter chokes, we hope to put additional stations on the air simultaneously with little to no interference. We hope to test everything during the New England QSO Party in May.



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and Sam W1SMF*



Panoramic view of our Hob Nob



Dave KB1LTW showing Larry AB1JC a drill chuck



The final touches on a choke



Larry AB1JC working on chokes



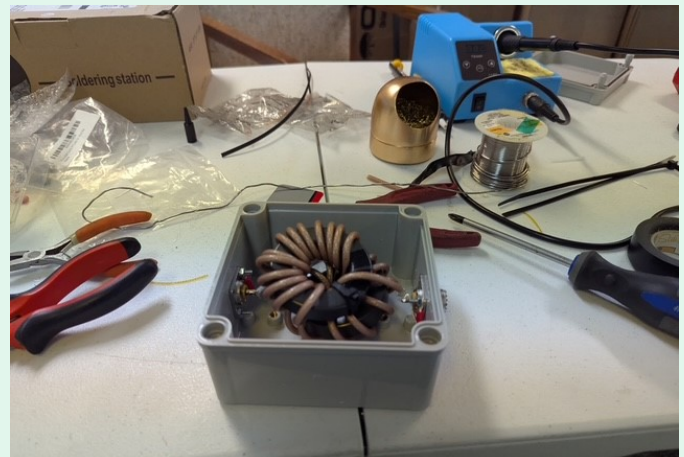
The first three



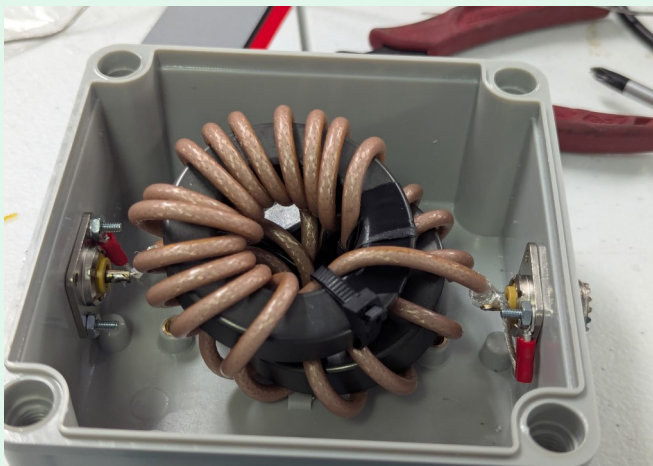
Wrapping the toroid



Soldering the connector



Internals of the choke



How's it look?

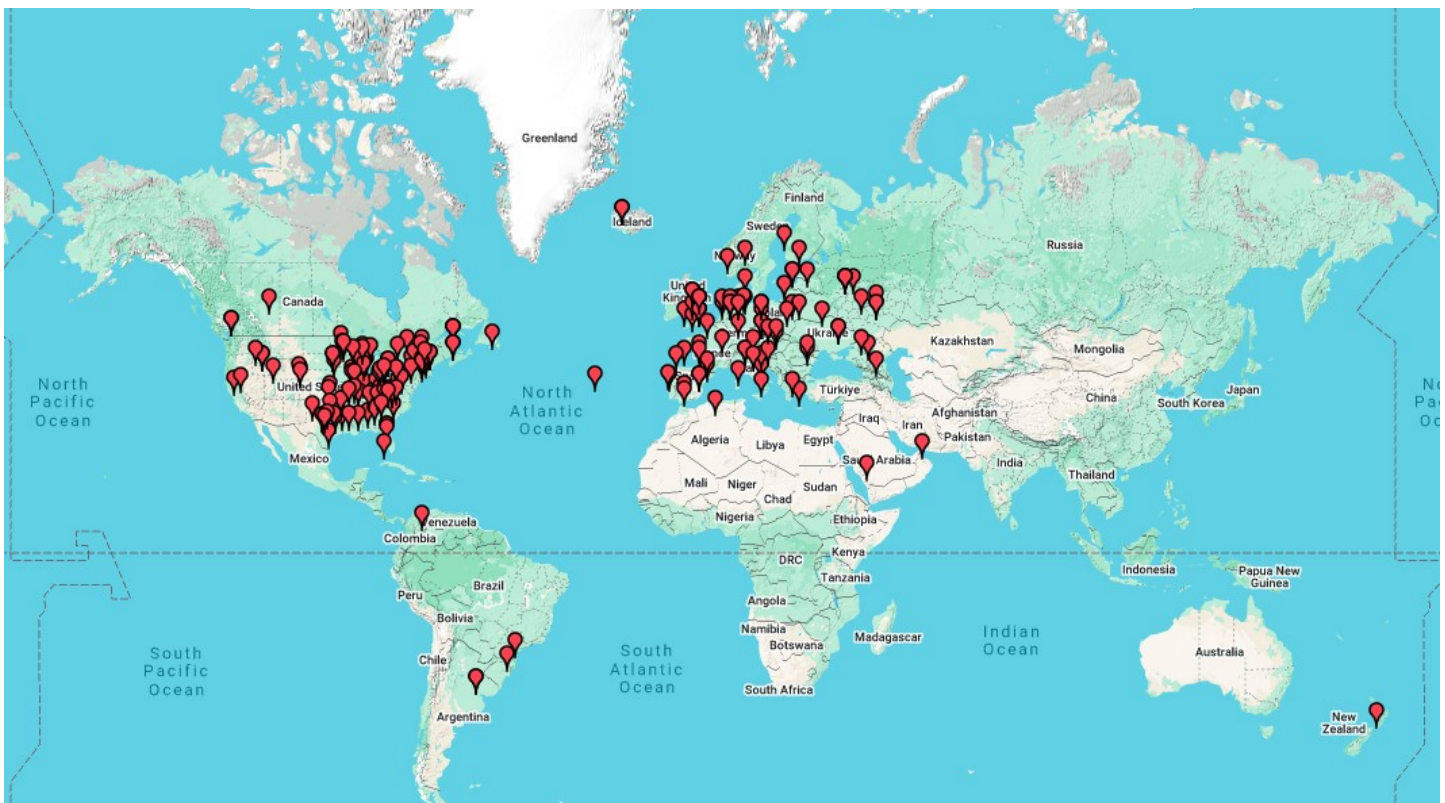
How did the FT8 fun station do? It made over 200 contacts between Saturday and Sunday. After operating in the contest, the quiet of the FT8 fun station seemed to be a nice respite from the noise of the SSB Contest.



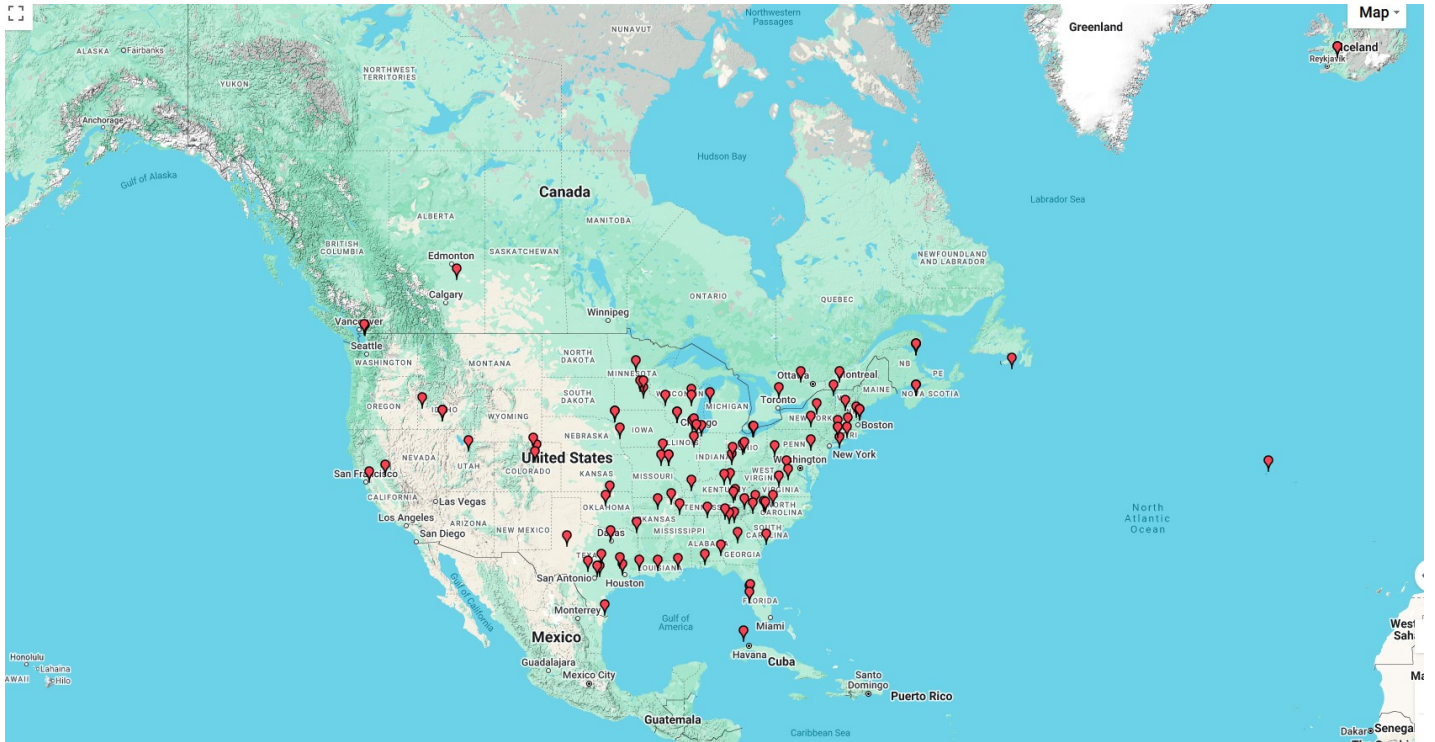
3 chokes ready for testing



FT8 fun station We made 206 contacts on the FT8 fun station.



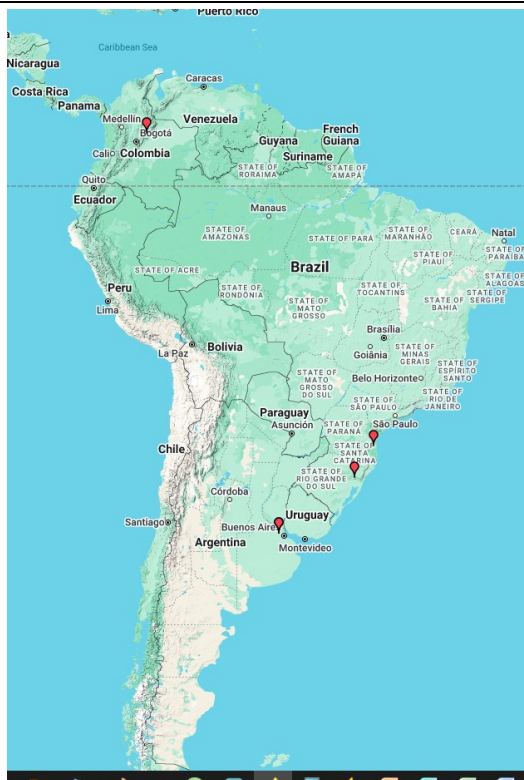
Contact Map N1KT Fun Station during CQ WPX SSB contest March 29-30, 2025



Contact map USA



Contact map Europe



Contact map S. America



Contact map Asia