## Mark your Calendars for the 49<sup>th</sup> running of the California QSO Party

2014 is the 49th running of the California QSO Party - 'CQP' - perhaps the largest US State QSO Party and now recognized by many as a major national, as well as international contest!

The objective of the CQP is to work as many stations in California as you can on both CW and Phone. Stations may be worked once per mode/band combination for points with California Counties (58 of them) as individual multipliers.

California stations get credit for working stations inside and outside of the state with US States and Canadian Provinces as their multipliers and get points for working stations from all over the World.

The contest runs from 1600Z October 5th, 2013 to 2200Z on October 6th, 2013.

The full rules for the CQP can be found at: http://www.cqp.org/Rules.html

An all-out effort is being made to beat 1000 submitted logs by a wide margin in 2014 – there should be TONS of activity from California!

If you are in California or wish to travel to an in state location and able to participate in CQP, We would like to here from your NOW! please register your county by visiting <a href="http://www.cqp.org/">http://www.cqp.org/</a>

The **Northern California Contest Club** sponsors CQP and offers a variety of fantastic awards open to stations inside and outside of California. The awards include plaques for the top operators in the Youth (under 18) and YL categories. A list of the awards is included in the rules.

CQP is a lot of fun and we hope to see you on the air!

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