

# Introduction to SMC

Society of Midwest Contesters



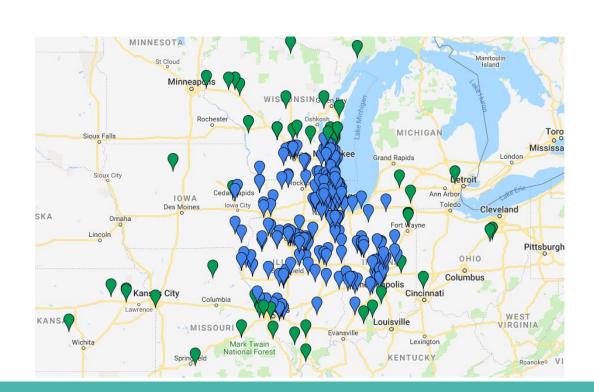
### **History**

The Society of Midwest Contesters formed in 1985 with the goal of uniting Midwest contesters into a competitive group and to further the idea of radiosporting in the Midwest.

We are the largest contest club in the central United States, and one of the premier contest clubs in North America. Our membership is spread across the US, but concentrated here in the Midwest, over 300 members strong.



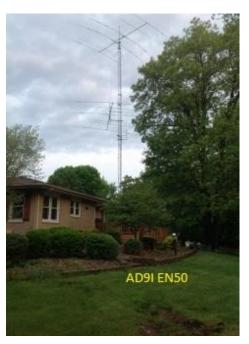
#### Membership around the Midwest





#### Members operate what they have









#### **DXpedition members bring us ATNO's**

- Desecheo
- Midway
- Malpelo
- Swains Island
- Wake Island
- Amsterdam Island
- Navassa Island
- Palmyra and Jarvis Island



### **Compete annually in various contests**

- ARRL DX
- ARRL Sweepstakes
- ARRL VHF
- CQ WPX
- CQ WW
- NAQP

#### **Member resources**



- Active EMail reflector
  - Advice from top contesters
  - Experience in all modes, means and technologies
- http://www.W9SMC.com
- Gatherings
  - Contest University at W9DXCC Convention
  - Annual SMC-Fest
  - Local area gatherings



## **Becoming a member**

- https://www.w9smc.com/join-smc/
- Cost is \$10 per year
  - Discounts for family members, students
  - Special situations



