As most of you know, we have a new QSO Party scheduled for this summer. The information is listed below: Jim Hardy, the designer of Win1010 has set up this event in the Contest section of his program. All of you who are using this program, the new download is ready to installed in your program. It is version 3.3c. Due to the complex scoring of this event, 6 dupes of the same call in 6 different modes, Jim has graciously made his program available for anyone to use free of charge for this event. You are encouraged to download his program and start using it to see how the dupes work. We have been testing the program and it makes it very easy to keep the log for this event. If you have any questions, please let me know. Thanks WN4AMO Paul 73825 phemby@hotmail.com

New QSO Party – Spirit of 76 (7 Days 6 Modes) QSO Party

The 1010 Board of Directors have approved a new QSO Party on a trial basis for this year. The Party will be called "Spirit of 76 QSO Party". The name comes from when the party will be held, which is during the week of July 4th each year . For 2010 the Party starts 0001Z Monday 28 June and runs until 2400Z Sunday 4 July. The idea will be to make as many contacts with members and non members as you can during the week (7 Days) using 6 modes. The modes that will be used are as follows as well as the suggested frequencies to monitor:

- 1. USB [28345]
- 2. CW [28050]
- 3. Psk 31 [28120]
- 4. Rtty [28086]
- 5. FM [29600]
- 6. AM [29000]

Scoring will be as normal for QSO Parties, 2 points for members and 1 point for non members. Dupes will be allowed once for each mode. It will be possible to work the same call 6 times in each of the various modes for a maximum total of 12 points per call. All of the other normal rules apply. This will also allow members to work on their Lucky 13 Award at the same time we are creating activity over the entire 10 meter spectrum. If band conditions are poor, and we all concentrate on the same frequencies, we have a much better chance of making contacts. The various Chapter Nets will have the opportunity after their nets to schedule some contacts for the various modes. During the Daily Nets we could schedule some activity when they are finished. What we have tried to do is create something for everyone to participate in. The first Spirit of 76 logs will be sent to me for scoring, then if the Board approves this as a QSO Party for future use, the QSO Party Manager will take it over. Any questions, let me know. Paul WN4AMO