



Introducing CWops

Celebrating the Unique Art Form of Morse Code



About Us

- Founded January 2010
- Approximately 1500 members in 2017
- In 75+ DXCC entities
- Common denominator – a love of CW
- Requirement – able to send/receive at 25 wpm or higher



Typical Member

- Likes to ragchew or contest, or chase DX using CW
- Is active on the HF bands
- Many members are also active on VHF contests using CW



CWops On-Air Activities


- CWT – weekly, 3 one-hour contest-like events
- CW Open – annually, 3 four-hour contests during one 24-hour period. Each separately scored and awarded
- Impromptu ragchewing





Other Details


- Dues are \$12 per year; \$100 for lifetime
- Monthly newsletter – ***Solid Copy***
- Club listserv – cwops@yahoogroups.com
- Club website – www.cwops.org



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The International CWops Newsletter

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CWops "CWT"
Every Wednesday
Regular Tests: Full Speed
Start times: 13Z, 19Z, 03Z (+1)
1-hour each session
Exchange: name/number (members)
 name/SPC (non-members)


CWops "neighborhood"
Look for CWops on 1.818, 3.528, 7.028, 10.118,
14.028, 18.078, 21.028, 24.908, 28.028, 50.098

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President's Message



May is always a busy month for me. I start out by flying to Falls Church VA for the CW Enthusiast's Weekend, and then two weeks later, flying to Dayton for the annual Dayton Hamvention. This year was no exception.

The CW Enthusiast's Weekend is always enjoyable. The Friday evening pizza bash is a great way to kick things off. Saturday's brunch at Jim's and Nina's QTH allows us all to mingle and chat. And, Saturday night's dinner caps it all off. I would truly like to see more of us there, and perhaps with the new schedule in early June, we will have less conflict with Dayton.

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Joining CWops

- Must be sponsored by four members. Each sponsorship requires 2 QSO's at 25 wpm within a year
- Participate in a Wednesday CWT
- Work lots of members
- Respond to an email invitation to join
- Register and pay first year's dues



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Welcome to the CW Operators Club Website!

In late 2009 a small group of CW operators – ragchewers, contesters, and DXers – began talking about founding a new club. As these operators were from all three ITU regions, they decided from the outset that this club, unlike many, would be an international club from day one.

The CW Operators Club (CWops) was launched in January 2010. During those three years, the club grew from a handful, to a few hundred, to over 1000 members in over 70 countries. CWops, from the outset, was meant to be inclusive. Whether your preference was using CW for ragchewing, contesting or chasing DX, you would find kindred spirits among the club's members.

At first, we established monthly on-air activities (CWTs), but today [CWTs](#) are held on Wednesday each week. There are three 60-minute sessions each Wednesday at times that favor different geographic areas. By 2011, we had also crafted a worldwide CW contest with many novel features ([CW Open](#)). The goal has been to stimulate worldwide weekly CW activity and to conduct an annual contest that could be won on a single band using modest power and wire antennas with a time commitment of only four hours! All of these events are open to CW operators whether members of the club or not.

Then, in 2012, we inaugurated [CW Academy](#). We realized that there were a lot of hams who wanted to explore the joys of CW operating but felt overwhelmed. Some of them knew Morse but were only able to copy and send at low speeds. Others had not yet learned 'the code,' but were intrigued by the mode and sought ways to learn and practice it. In response to this demand, CWops created CW Academy, and today we are teaching many newcomers and veteran hams the art of CW using a novel 'virtual' training environment that allows an instructor to work with hams located thousands of miles apart.

We truly believe that CW is far more than a nostalgic throwback to the early days of ham radio. It has relevance in many ways to our desire to do things that not everyone else can do; and to provide an efficient, effective mode for communicating with others around the globe. We invite you to explore our Website; to participate in our on-air activities; or if your goal is to learn or improve CW skills, to sign up for CW Academy and join the hundreds of hams who have already done so.

73,
CWops Board Of Directors



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2016	WA5BDU	1429	Nick	Kennedy
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Take a CWops CW Quick Quiz

Learn how you can benefit from the CWops CW Academy

For the beginner

1. Want to communicate with fellow hams around the world using even a modest rig and antenna?
2. Want to stay in touch when on vacation to some remote area where you don't have access to a repeater or cell phone service?
3. Want to meet a whole new community of amateurs that share a common bond?
4. Want to expand your operating capabilities with little or no cost?

If you answer "Yes" to any of the questions, then becoming skilled in CW is the answer.

CWops CW Academy advisors are ready and willing to teach you a new skill that will open a world of fun and opportunity

For those having experience with CW who want to improve or regain proficiency

1. I am getting bored with voice and digital modes
2. My CW skills are not what they used to be
3. I'm too rusty or embarrassed to get back on CW
4. I want to be able to copy in my head

If you know the code but are rusty, can't copy or send as proficiently as you once could, then CWops CW Academy is right for you

For those that want something new but are not confident to take the plunge

1. I love chasing DX and I want to try something new
2. I like contesting and would like to be better at CW radiosport
3. I've tried CW learning aids but nothing seems to work for me
4. CW intrigues me but I'm worried about the challenge

If this sounds like you, then CWops CW Academy is absolutely right for you and is available to anyone, anywhere.

There is no cost or obligation to participate in CWops CW Academy Classes and membership is not required. Enrollment is open to anyone with the desire to learn or improve their proficiency in Morse Code.

**Please Note: CW Academy training and mentoring for Beginners and those with Morse Code experience needing help are offered three times a year, in two-month increments:
Jan-Feb; Apr-May; Sep-Oct**

Sign up now to talk with one of our CWops CW Advisors and learn what CW Academy can do for you.

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