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Bit of context

Got licenced in 2022 - and didn't do much post that

- Did my exam online on Zoom (Covid)
- Bought a cheap Baofeng
- Life took over

Start of 2024 decided to use my licence

- Tried some local VHF/UHF nets to find other HAMS and ultimately BARC
- Logged those nets on paper

Had no HF setup at home – only UHF/VHF

- First HF contacts were done at the Shack

POTA!

- This required logging
- Was quite narrow/easy

Two main uses cases currently (for me)



Portable – POTA & SOTA

Submitting logs to POTA & SOTA



QTH Operation

Tracking progress and growth
(Voice / CW / Digital)

eQSL and confirmations



Why log contacts?

Program (POTA/SOTA etc)

Contest

Growth (CW)

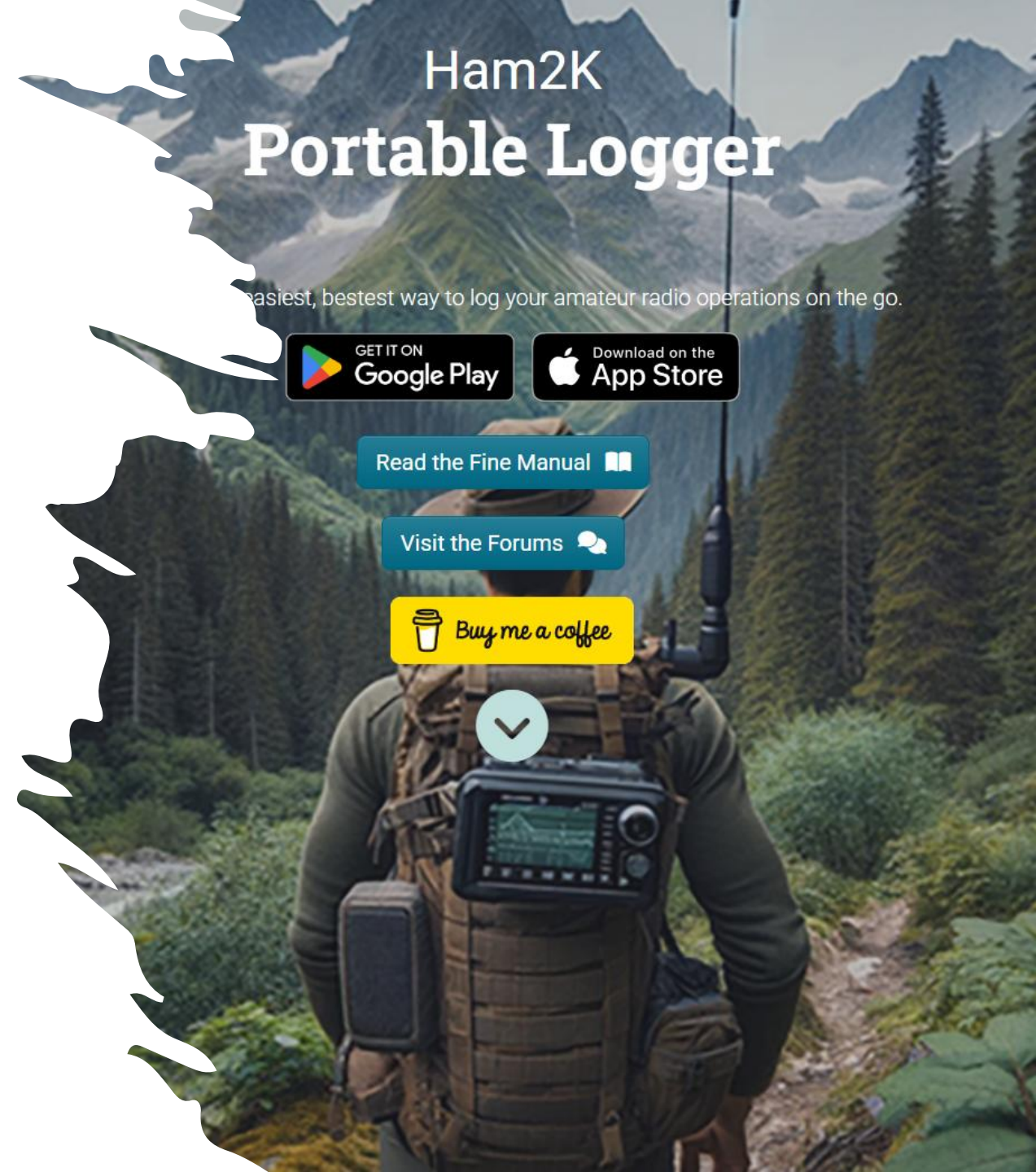
QSL (paper or electronic)

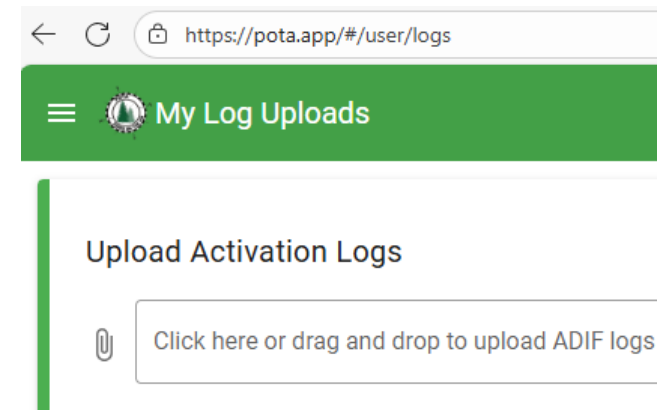
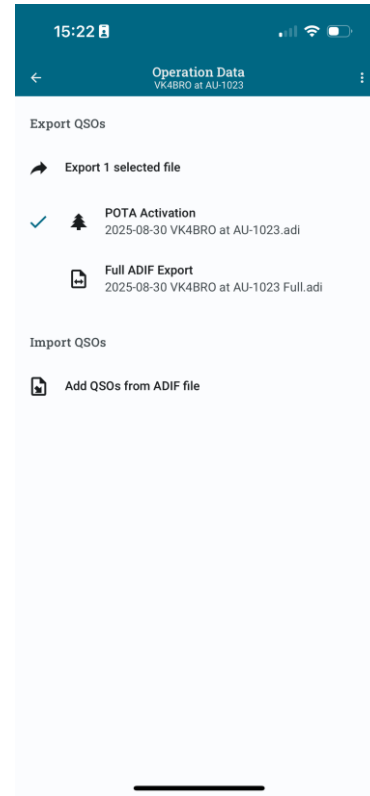
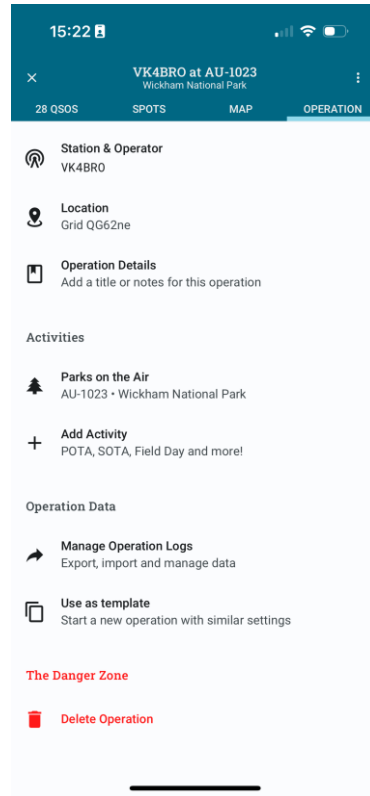
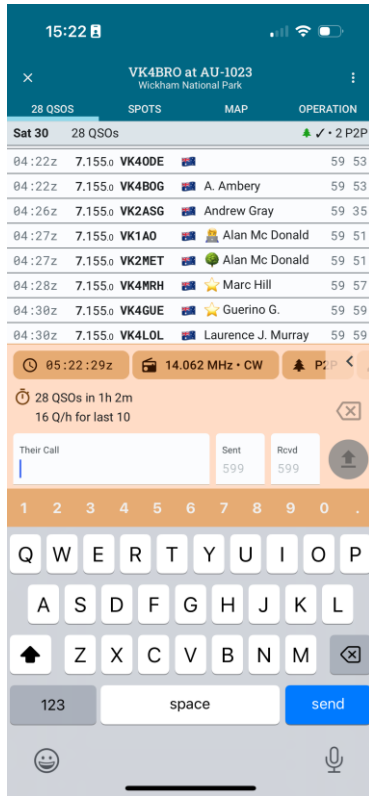
Just to have



POTA / SOTA (and other portable programs)

- Ham2K Portable Logger (PoLo)
- Mobile only – iOS & Android
- Works completely offline
- Lots of shortcuts!
- Designed for portable operation
- Very active community, support and dev
- Free – I have donated to the dev though





Portable workflow

HF at Home!

- Ham2K Polo
- Qrz.com
- Hamrs
- WRL
- LOTW
- ClubLog (certs and dates)
- Eqsl
- N3fjp amateur contact log
- N1mm
- Vklogger
- Log4om
- Grid Tracker



My take after looking at several

- **Ham2K Polo** – Great for portable, but not QTH (mobile only and aimed at portable)
- **HAMRS** – What I have ended up with – free trial but paid (\$20/year)
- **WRL** – Another great option that works well – free and paid, cross platform, heaps of features
- **qrz.com** – Online record for QSO confirmation. No integration with HF rig.
- **LOTW** – QSO confirmation and competitions (using digital certificates to sign QSO's). Requires verification when signing up.
- **ClubLog** - QSO confirmation and competitions (create/join clubs)
- **eqsl** – Name says it all – still to be looked at further. #TODO
- **Grid Tracker** – great program to integrate with WSJTX and can auto upload logs – not a logger
- **N1mm** – contest logger - #TODO
- **Vklogger** – contest logger - #TODO
- **Log4om** – looks very feature rich but Windows only (I wanted mobile options)
- **N3fjp amateur contact log** – Windows only (and paid)

Every Day Is Field Day™

A simple, portable logger tailored for activities like Parks on the Air, Field Day, and more.



Built for portable operators



Sync across devices

Seamlessly pick up where you left off on iOS, Android, and desktop.



Rig control + digital

FLRIG control and WSJT-X integration.



Easy import/export

ADIF in, ADIF out. One-click uploads to QRZ to keep everything in sync.



Custom templates

Create and share templates that match your style of operating.



Dark mode

Comfortable in bright sun or late-night sessions.



Fast by design

Lightweight, responsive, and reliable—built for field conditions.

HAMRS

- Free Trial then paid
- Windows, Linux, Mac, iOS, Android and Web
- It's own sync (across platforms)
- Started out for portable but definitely good for QTH too
- Very easy to use
- One click upload to qrz
- Other import and export options

Logbooks Import Logbook New Logbook

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QTH - Voice	Generic	101	25/07/2025	02/09/2025	⋮
QTH - CW	Generic	13	25/07/2025	31/08/2025	⋮
POTA	POTA	250	25/07/2025	30/08/2025	⋮

QTH - Voice Graham N VAYRO LOGAN VILLAGE,, QI AUSTRALIA

06:02:46Z 7.150 MHz (40m) SSB 50 W VK4BRO QG62pf (QLD - AUSTRALIA)

THEIR CALL: RST/S: RST/R:

COMMENTS:

NOTES:

OPERATOR: Graham N VAYRO LOGAN VILLAGE,, QI QG62nf # 12 QSOs Last: 4 days ago

Clear Save

QTH - Voice

06:02:14Z

7.150 MHz (40m)

SSB

50 W

VK4BR0

QG62pf (QLD - AUSTRALIA)

THEIR CALL

COMMA SEPARATED

COMMENTS

OPERATOR



flrig IC-7300

File Config Memory Keyer Help

7150.000 7030.000

S3 S6 S9 +20 +40 +60 vfoA vfoB A/B Split

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Vol 29

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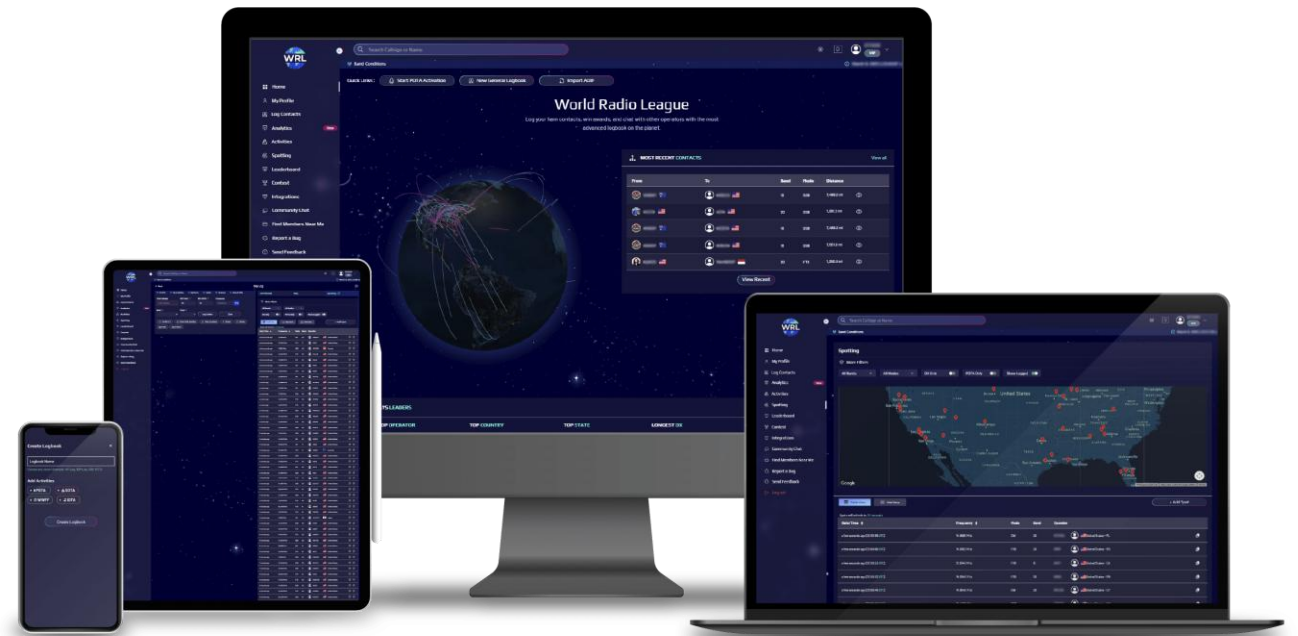
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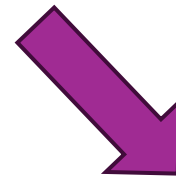
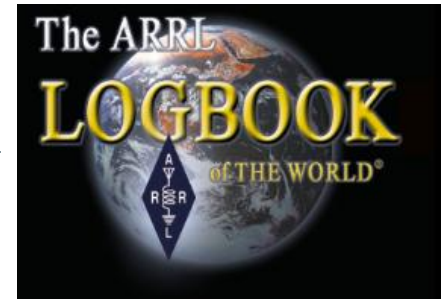
World radio league

- Worked really well – I just “liked” HAMRS a little better
- Lots of features = a busier interface
- Does have a free tier permanently (minus some import/export features)
- First paid tier is more expensive than HAMRS
- Very active development
- Integrates with more things right now (clublog)
- Can do rig control
- Cross platform (no windows app though – just web)



Where I have landed workflow wise

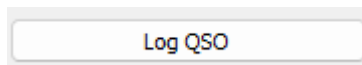
Phone & CW



ADIF export/import



Digital (FT8)



Still to do....

- Get Clublog support in HAMRS
- eqsl
- Contest logging

