

Boomerang Award Activator

Data processing to claim the Boomerang Activator Award

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After you have completed your Boomerang activations, submit your logs in the normal manner and allow sufficient time for the logs to be uploaded. Once the logs are in the database, you may claim your Award via a manual process – it is not yet an automated process like other WWFF and VKFF Awards.

1. Login to the global wwff.co website
2. Select Logsearch on the main menu above the WWFF banner image.
3. Click on Search to bring up your Summary Statistics.
4. In your Summary Stats click on Activator.
5. Click on Activity (upper right, line 2 of the Search Results display).

LOGSEARCH

Search Results

All-Time Mixed Mixed All Programs Hunter **Activator**

Summary Stats National Awards Special Awards **Activity** References DX Entities

Note: Award applications must ONLY be made using your OWN callsign(s)

Activator Reference Statistics for user VK3PF
(using call-sign VK3PF, VK3KAI, AX3PF, AX3KAI)

You have activated 627 references
(showing 1-500)

Show 500 << < > >>

#	Refn	DXCC	Location Name	Act'ns	QSOs	Hunters	Validity
1	VKFF-0003	OC / VK (VK-TAS)	Naravntapu National Park	2	52	46	

6. This brings up your Activator Activity Statistics with a default of 50 activations showing.
7. Change the “Show 50” option to “Show 500” and wait for the page to reload.
The data displayed shows your Activations in the order of Reference Number and Date of Activation of that Reference. This makes your task easy when identifying repeat activations in each Reference.
8. Click and drag through the data table, including the header line above the first activation listed. Copy the data to the Clipboard (Ctrl-C on a Windows machine).

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Activator Activity Statistics for user VK3PF
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You have activated 593 references
(showing 1-500)

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#	Refn	DXCC	Location Name	Station Call	Date	QSOs	Hunters	Validity
1	VKFF-0003	OC / VK (VK-TAS)	Naravntapu National Park	VK3PF (op: AX3PF)	2015-01-25	52	46	
2	VKFF-0003	OC / VK (VK-TAS)	Naravntapu National Park	VK3PF	2015-01-25	52	46	
3	VKFF-0003	OC / VK (VK-TAS)	Naravntapu National Park	VK3PF (op: AX3PF)	2015-01-26	5	5	
4	VKFF-0020	OC / VK (VK-VIC)	Baw Baw National Park	VK100ARV (op: VK3PF)	2013-11-18	22	22	
5	VKFF-0020	OC / VK (VK-VIC)	Baw Baw National Park	VK3PF	2013-06-10	22	22	
6	VKFF-0020	OC / VK (VK-VIC)	Baw Baw National Park	VK3PF	2013-07-29	22	22	
7	VKFF-0020	OC / VK (VK-VIC)	Baw Baw National Park	VK3PF	2013-02-04	22	22	
8	VKFF-0020	OC / VK (VK-VIC)	Baw Baw National Park	VK3PF	2013-01-09	22	22	
9	VKFF-0020	OC / VK (VK-VIC)	Baw Baw National Park	VK3PF	2013-02-04	22	22	
10	VKFF-0020	OC / VK (VK-VIC)	Baw Baw National Park	VK3PF	2013-03-10	22	22	
11	VKFF-0020	OC / VK (VK-VIC)	Baw Baw National Park	VK3PF	2013-03-10	22	22	
12	VKFF-0020	OC / VK (VK-TAS)	Sea Lion Island National Park	VK3PF	2013-01-29	22	22	
13	VKFF-0020	OC / VK (VK-TAS)	Sea Lion Island National Park	VK3PF	2013-01-29	22	22	

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- Open your favourite spreadsheet program, click in the first cell and paste your data into the spreadsheet. (In Excel, I manually paste by selecting **Paste**, then the **Match Destination formatting** option).

#	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W
1		Refn	DXCC	Location	Station	Call				QSOs	Validity												
2		1 VKFF-000 OC / VK	(V.Narawnta)	VK3PF	(oc)	#####				29	29 -												
3		2 VKFF-000 OC / VK	(V.Narawnta)	VK3PF	(oc)	#####				17	17 -												
4		3 VKFF-000 OC / VK	(V.Narawnta)	VK3PF	(oc)	#####				6	6 -												
5		4 VKFF-002 OC / VK	(V.Baw Baw)	VK100AP	(p)	#####				29	26 -												
6		5 VKFF-002 OC / VK	(V.Baw Baw)	VK3PF	(p)	#####				22	22 -												
7		6 VKFF-002 OC / VK	(V.Baw Baw)	VK3PF	(p)	#####				20	20 -												
8		7 VKFF-002 OC / VK	(V.Baw Baw)	VK3PF	(p)	#####				25	23 -												
9		8 VKFF-002 OC / VK	(V.Baw Baw)	VK3PF	(p)	#####				48	44 -												
10		9 VKFF-002 OC / VK	(V.Baw Baw)	VK3PF	(p)	#####				13	12 -												
11		10 VKFF-002 OC / VK	(V.Baw Baw)	VK3PF	(p)	#####				11	9 -												
12		11 VKFF-002 OC / VK	(V.Baw Baw)	VK3PF	(p)	#####				13	9 -												

- If needed, return to your browser with Logsearch, scroll to the bottom of the screen and select the single “>” icon to show the next 500 activations. Once again click and drag through the data table to select the data, but this time **DO NOT** include the header row. Switch to your spreadsheet and again paste in the data after first clicking in the cell below the last row of existing data. (You can reach the end of the existing data quickly with Ctrl-End). If needed, repeat this step until you all of your activation data copied into the spreadsheet.
- You will probably now wish to reformat the column widths in the spreadsheet so that the data presentation is clearer.
- If desired, you can now return to the top of the spreadsheet and Consolidate the first two rows of header information into a single row, then delete the extra row from the sheet. The latest version of the VK3APJ Activator checker tool now looks at the first 2 rows, so this consolidation step is not required.
- If needed, you may need to change the Date formatting. This will only be required if your default Date format is English (US) i.e. MM/DD/YYYY. Select the Date column, then Right-Click on the column to bring up a dialog to **Format Cells**. Click on **Date** under Category, then scroll down the pop-up list of **Type** and select the format YYYY-MM-DD (see below), then click OK.

Format Cells

Category:

- General
- Number
- Currency
- Accounting
- Date**
- Time
- Percentage
- Fraction
- Scientific
- Text
- Special
- Custom

Sample:

Date

Type:

- 14/03/12
- 14/03/2012
- 14-Mar-12
- 14-March-2012
- 2012-03-14**
- 12/03/14
- 2012/03/14

Locale (location):

English (Australia)

Date formats display date and time serial numbers as date values. Date formats that begin with an asterisk (*) respond to changes in regional date and time settings that are specified for the operating system. Formats without an asterisk are not affected by operating system settings.

OK Cancel

- Save the file, then choose File, Save As and save the file as **Comma Separated Values .csv**

15. In a new browser window or Tab, go to the VK3APJ web tool for the Boomerang Award:
<https://vk3apj.com/vkff/>
16. At top right of screen, select **Boomerang Activator**.
17. Click on the **Browse** button to select your data file in csv format, then click the **Check my awards** button.
18. The tool will display the number of references that meet the Boomerang eligibility requirements. Click the **Download CSV** button and save the output file to your machine with a logical and clear file name. I would suggest something like: **callsign_BoomerangActivator_Date.csv** e.g.
VK3PF_BoomerangActivator_20260731.csv
19. Email the file to Mal VK3OAK as per the instructions on the Boomerang Award page on the WWFF Australia website. <https://www.wwffaustralia.com/boomerang-award.html>

Please be patient, as the Award needs manual checking by Mal. You can expect a response after Mal finds time to check your application.