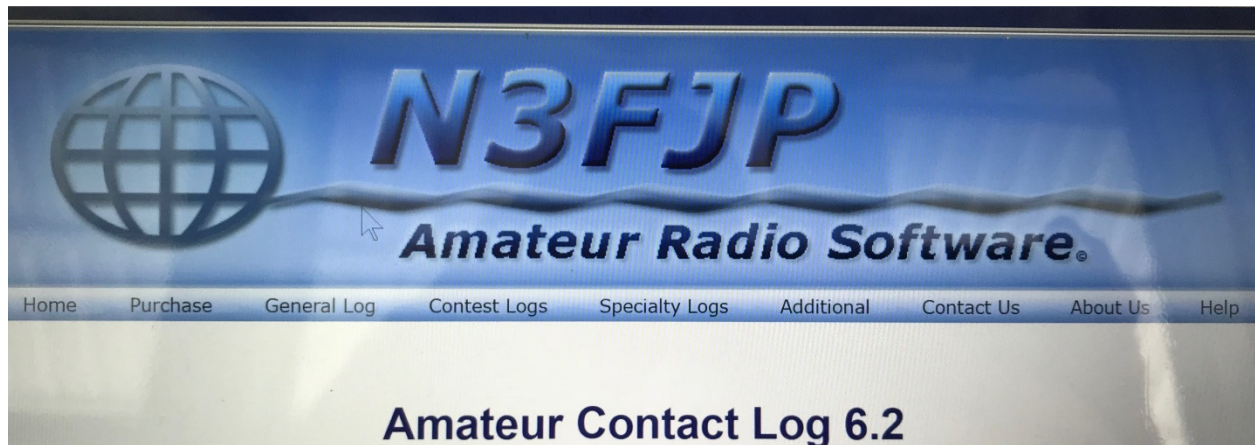


Using Amateur Contact Log by N3FJP for WWFF-KFF



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KA2LHO

NOTE: Before you do anything with the software please do enter the initial information (Settings> Setup). This will carry your call into the ADIF file exported for upload to WWFF.

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Amateur Contact Log by N3FJP has many useful features and functions. I found it to be a perfect companion for WWFF-KFF logging purposes both on-site and in the transfer of handwritten logs. A template is available in the Files section that includes all pertinent WWFF-KFF fields for activations/chasing and Park to Park contacts while in a park. Even with the template you may need to rearrange your screen for more effective logging and to add the new fields as shown in this document.

I rearranged my visible fields and the sequence of completion as shown in **Figure 1**.

Figure 1

The screenshot shows a contact record for KA2LHO. The fields are arranged as follows:

Call	Time On	Sent	Rec	Frequency	Mode	Band	Date	Country
KA2LHO	12:59	599	599	10.124	CW	30	2018/03/27	USA

Name	State	County	MY_SIG	MY_SIG_INFO	SIG	SIG_INFO	MY_GRID
Kraig	FL	Marion	WWFF	KFF-4500	WWFF	KFF-1915	EL89

Additional fields visible: Bearing: 344, Comments, 13:09:5

First step is to click on Settings>Other Field Titles and Fill Behavior.

Here is where you use the available OTHER fields to add YOUR park ADIF IDs (MY_SIG) and (MY_SIG_INFO) then use two additional OTHER fields to add Park to Park ADIF IDs (SIG) and (SIG_INFO). Remember which "other" fields you used. In your next step you will only see "Other", "Other2", "Other3", etc. so remember which "Other" fields you used. **Figure 2** shows my setup and configuration for this menu.

Figure 2

The screenshot shows the 'Other Titles' configuration screen. It contains the following text: "Please enter the titles you would like to use for the Other fields. The titles you enter will also be used for ADIF tags on ADIF Export / Import. Also select whether you want the value to default to the previous record entered, the previous contact with the same station or none."

Other	Field Name	None	Previous Record	Prior Contact with Same Station
Other 1	MY_SIG	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other 2	MY_SIG_INFO	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other 3	SIG	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other 4	SIG_INFO	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other 5	Other 5	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other 6	MY_GRID	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other 7	Other7	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other 8	Other8	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Done

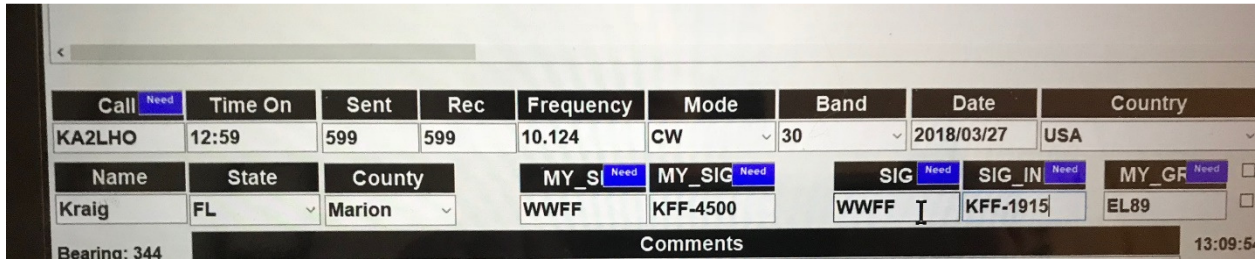
Below the configuration screen, a portion of the contact record is visible, showing the following fields: State, County, MY_SIG, MY_SIG_INFO, SIG, SIG_INFO, MY_GRID.

After completing that part of the setup we move on to rearranging our display. Click on **Settings>Edit Fields Displayed, Position and Tab Order**.

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Here is where you decide how you want to operate by having the least amount of time logging and maximizing your on-air time. In **Figure 3** you will again find the display organization that I use.

Figure 3



You may want to refer to **Figure 3** as we move through our next process. Your display (**Settings>Edit Fields Displayed, Position and Tab Order**) should look similar to that in **Figure 4**. *NOTE: This is customized to show the display in **Figure 3** so some things may be moved around a bit.*

The first thing you want to do is study your screen and decide what you really want/need to see on the bottom of the display (**Figure 3**). Then decide on a sequence that works for you. Next I explain why mine is setup in the manner shown above.

When I change a band/mode, I enter a new contact for me (KA2LHO). With my screen design and options this locks in the *Frequency, Mode, Band, Date, MY_SIG and MY_SIG_INFO* data for each contact until I change band/mode. Then I do another KA2LHO “contact” to set my new band and/or mode.

With things such as *Date* set to repeat from previous contact (**Settings>Date Options**) using the sequence above, I type in the call, tab across *Time On* to let the computer set the UTC time of the contact and enter both reports. Click the *Log Contact* button and I am ready for the next QSO. If I am in an iffy cell/internet situation I turn off the call lookup to speed things along (**Settings>CallBook**). Additionally, you should check the option **Settings> Fill Fields When Tabbing from Call**. (**Figure 6**)

When I am home and before a data dump to LOTW/eQSL/ADIF, I delete each of my own call “QSOs” then send the files to whatever service/format is chosen and I am finished. You may establish another process that better suits your needs.

In **Figure 4** you see all preset fields displayed plus other presets you can select and the “other” fields.

To show or not show a field, click on the field name, then check (to display) or uncheck (to hide) the *Visible on Main Form* checkbox.

To move fields around the screen in the sequence that you wish to use, check (to enable repositioning) or uncheck (to disable repositioning) the box beside *Enable Repositioning All Fields on Main Form*

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Figure 4

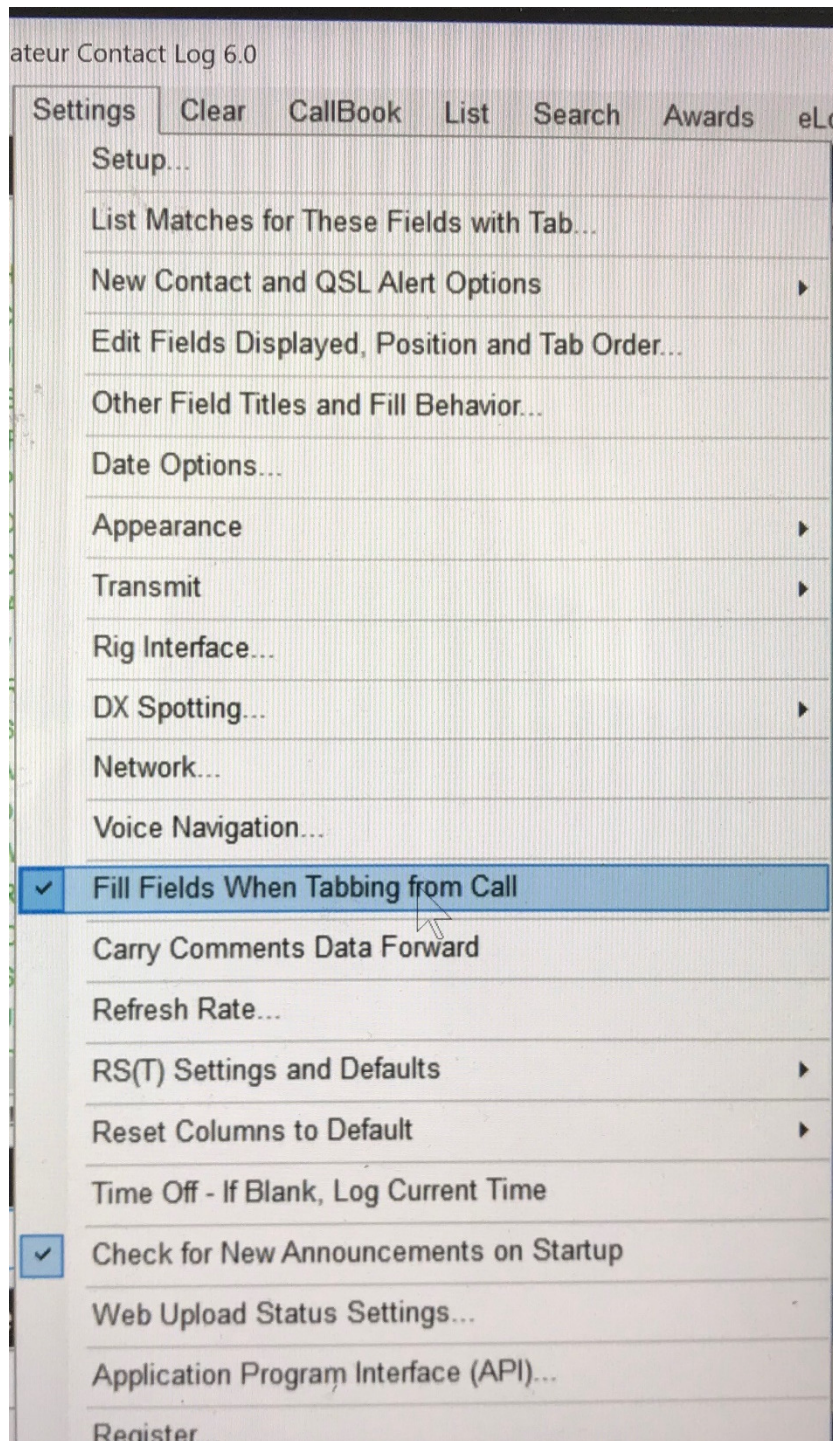
The screenshot shows a configuration window for AC Log. At the top left, there are 'Up' and 'Down' buttons next to the label 'Tab Order:'. Below this is a list of data fields, with 'Time On' selected and highlighted in blue. The list includes: Sent, Rec, Frequency, Mode, Band, Date, Country, Name, State, County, Other, Other2, Other3, Other4, Other6, Comments, Log Contact, QSL Sent, QSL Rcvd, Bearing, Miles, Time UTC, Cont (disabled), Time Off (disabled), Time (disabled), Current time if blank (disabled), Other5 (disabled), Age (disabled), ARCI (disabled), Category (disabled), Check (disabled), Class (disabled), Power (disabled), Conf By R (disabled), Conf By S (disabled), and Continent (disabled). To the right of the list is a text box containing instructions: 'Use this form to choose and configure the data entry fields on AC Log's main form, their location and tab order, in any way that you like!', 'After clicking the check box below entitled 'Enable Repositioning of All Fields on Main Form', you may drag any data field. Hold down the left mouse button to drag the field that you clicked on to an empty space on the form.', 'To fine tune the control location, Right Click on the control and use the arrow keys that appear.', 'To make a control visible or invisible, click on the control in the list and then check or uncheck 'Visible on Main Form'. You will see the controls appear and disappear on the main form as you make your selections. Invisible controls will be identified as Disabled on this form's list.', and 'To change the tab order, select the control you wish to adjust and then use the Up and Down buttons at the upper left. The tab order on the main form will be in the same order as this form's control list.' Below the text box are two checkboxes: 'Visible on Main Form' (checked) and 'Enable Repositioning of All Fields on Main Form' (unchecked). At the bottom right are 'Reset to Original Settings' and 'Done' buttons.

IMPORTANT: PLEASE UNCHECK *Enable Repositioning of All Fields on Main Forms* before returning leaving this screen. This is an IMPORTANT STEP.

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Be sure that you checked the option **Settings> Fill Fields When Tabbing from Call**. (Figure 5)

Figure 5



Now do a few test entries and see how it all works. You can continue to experiment with various modifications and adjustments to suit your personal needs.