

Month on the Air by G3MGQ: September 2024

DXpeditions in September 2024 (Dates, DXCC, Callsign, Info from ADXO with NG3K Bill's kind permission) (# **confirmed** on DX Watch at 25 August)

- Aug 31-Sep 3 **St Pierre & Miquelon FP/DC8TM #** by DC8TM & DF3TS as **FP/DF3TS** fm St Pierre; HF; SSB FT8; SOTA POTA WWFF sites; QSL: LoTW
- Aug 19-Sep 4 **Timor Leste 4W/VK1AO #** by VK1AO fm Mt Ramelau; 40-12m; CW FT8; QSL: LoTW or Club Log OQRS
- Aug 24-Sep 4 **Mozambique C91/CT1EYQ** by CT1EYQ; mainly 15m, perhaps 20 10m; CW FT8; 20w; QSL: eQSL
- Aug 26-Sep 4 **Ghana 9G5AS** by M6NXW; 20 17 15 12 10; SSB FT8 FT4; QSL: eQSL
- Aug 26-Sep 5 **St Paul I CY9C & CY9R** by WA4DAN W0GJ K9CT N2TU K4ZLE K9NW W4DKS WW2DX N2IEN W0PR; 160-6m; CW SSB FT8 RTTY + EME SAT; QSL: LoTW or WA4DAN direct
- Aug 15-Sep 15 **French Polynesia FO/F1SMB #** by F1SMB fm Tahiti (OC-046, BH52ek); 20 17 15 10m; SSB FT-8; QSL: LoTW
- Aug 16-Sep 15 **Guadeloupe FG/F4IDN #** by F4IDN fm FK96ea; 40-10m; SSB; 100w; G5RV; QSL: LoTW
- Aug 23-Sep 30 **Tristan da Cunha ZD9GJ** by W7GJ fm IOTA AF-029 (IF32uw); 6m; mainly EME, some SSB FT8; QSL: LoTW; dates tentative
- Aug 29-Sep 30 **Georgia 4L/F4JZW** by F4JZW fm Rustavi; 80-6m; FT8 SSB; QSL: LoTW
- Sep 1-8 **South Cook Is E51WLG** by N2WLG fm Rarotonga I (IOTA OC-013); 40-10m; CW + digital; QSL: LoTW or N2WLG (B/d)
- Sep 2-10 **Grenada J3/N9GB** by N9GB; 40-10m, perhaps 6m; CW SSB; QSL: LoTW or via EB7DX; holiday style operation
- Sep 2-16 **American Samoa KH8T** by N5DD W5MJ K5PI VE7KW; 80-10m, perhaps 160 and 6m; CW SSB FT8; 2 stations; QSL: M0URX
- Sep 3-13 **Zimbabwe Z22AO** by HA5AO fm Zambezi National Park (KH21ww); 80-6m; CW SSB FT8; QSL: HA5AO OQRS
- Sep 5-9 **Monaco 3A/MM0NDX** by MM0NDX & MM0SAJ as **3A/MM0SAJ**; focus on low bands + 6m; SSB RTTY FT8; QSL: EB7DX
- Sep 5-15 **Pitcairn VP6WR** by G0VDE; 80-10m; SSB FT8, perhaps CW; QSL: LoTW or via M0URX OQRS
- Sep 8-22 **Burkina Faso XT2AW** by DF2WO fm Ouagadougou; 80-10m; SSB FT4 QO-100; QSL: LoTW or via M0OXO OQRS
- Sep 9-30 **Somalia 6O0T** by team; focus on low bands + 6m; SSB CW + digital; QSL: LoTW
- Sep 10-17 **St Kitts & Nevis V4/WE9G** by WE9G fm Frigate Bay (FK87pg); HF; mainly digital; QSL: LoTW or via Club Log OQRS
- Sep 10-20 **Madagascar 5R8SR** by M0KRI fm Nosy Faly (IOTA AF-057); 80-10m; CW FT8 SSB; 100w; vertical; dates tentative; QSL: Club Log OQRS
- Sep 11-16 **Jersey MJ/TA1HZ** by TA1HZ; HF; QRV for WAE SSB Contest; QSL: LoTW, via Club Log OQRS or TA1HZ direct w/ 5USD + SAE
- Sep 12-19 **Palau T88FM** by JM1LIG, JR3QFB as **T88JH**, JO3VLG as **T88MK**; 160-6m; SSB FT8; QSL: JO3LVG Buro
- Sep 14-23 **Zambia 9J2AO** by HA5AO fm nr Victoria Falls (KH22wc); 80-6m; CW SSB FT8; QSL: HA5AO OQRS
- Sep 17-21 **French Polynesia FO/G0VDE** by G0VDE; 80-10m; SSB FT8, perhaps CW; QSL: TBA
- Sep 18-Oct 1 **St Kitts & Nevis V47JA** by W5JON fm Calypso Bay; 160-6m; SSB FT8; yagi, verticals; QSL: LoTW or via W5JON direct
- Sep 18-Oct 6 **Tanzania 5H1WX** by OK2WX fm Mafia I (IOTA AF-054); 80-10m; CW SSB + digital; QSL: I8KHC
- Sep 19-Nov 12 **Namibia V51WH** by DK2WH; 160-10m, including 60m; SSB FT8, some CW; QSL: DK2WH (B/d)
- Sep 20-22 **Greenland XP2I** by OZ2I fm Black Ridge (GP47pa, 200m ASL); 80-10m, perhaps 160m; CW; QSL: LoTW or via Club Log OQRS
- Sep 24-Oct 4 **Botswana A25AO** by HA5AO fm Chobe National Park (KH22ox); 80-6m; CW SSB FT8; QSL: HA5AO OQRS
- Sep 28-Oct 7 **Reunion TO2DX** by OM2DX; HF; CW + digital; EFHWs; QRV for CQWW DX RTTY Contest; QSL: OM2DX
- Sep 30-Oct 11 **Namibia V55LA** by LA7THA + team; HF; CW SSB; QSL: M0OXO

Long-term DX operations

20 Jun 2024 for 3 months # **Minami Torishima JG8NQJ/JD1** by JG8NQJ; HF; CW FT8; 50w; spare time operation; QSL: LoTW or via JA8CJY

Contests (to enjoy or simply avoid!)

Lots of HF contests in the Autumn with HF at its best around the Equinox. The big ones this month are the RSGB/IARU Region 1 SSB Field Day concurrent with the RSGB 2m Trophy at the beginning & 80m Autumn Series also starts. Then CHOTA & ROTA weekends at the end are the fun events.

N.B. UKEICC 80m Contests: Must submit log to robot BEFORE 2200z. Register your Team for this Teams competition by the end of November 2024.

Aug31-Sep1 1200-1200 UTC **UKEICC DX SSB Contest**; 80-10m (Not WARC bands), QRP<5W, LP<100W<HP; Exchange: RST + serial number (UK/EI + District)

M Sep 2 1900-2030 UTC **RSGB 80m CC Autumn Series, SSB**; 3600-3775kHz, QRP<10W, LP<100W; Exchange: RS + serial numb

Tu Sep 3	1800-1855 UTC	RSGB 144MHz FMAC ; 2m (144.5125 - 7875 & 145.2-145.4MHz) FM only <50W &10W; Exchange: RS(T), Serial No, 6-digit locator
Sep 3	1900-2130 UTC	RSGB 144MHz UKAC , All modes; 2m only Exchange: RS(T) + serial number + 6-digit square.
W Sep 4	1900-2100 UTC	RSGB FT8 UKAC, 2m, FT8 (4hr) 144MHz: Pwr<100W or <10W, Exchange: Report + 4-digit IARU locator
Sep 4	1900-2100 UTC	RSGB FT8 UKAC, 2m, FT8 (2hr only) 144MHz: Pwr<100W or <10W, Exchange: Report + 4-digit IARU locator
Sep 4	2000-2100 UTC	UKEICC 80m Contest, SSB ; Exchange: 6-digit square (Cumulative Sept-Apr contests: individual + Club team entries) logs in by 2200z
Sa Sep 7	1600-1900 UTC	AGCW Straight Key Party, CW ; 40m only; Exchange: RST/serial/Class/Name/Age
Sep 7-8	0000-2359 UTC	All Asian DX Contest, Phone , 80-10m (Not WARC bands), Exchange: RS + 2-digit Age
Sep 7-8	0800-1000 UTC	SARL Field Day Contest, CW SSB Digital , 160-10m (Not WARC), Exchange: RS(T), number of Tx's, Class (G=mains), Province/DX
Sep 7-8	1200-1200 UTC	Russian WW RTTY Contest, RTTY ;80-10m (not WARC); Exchange:RST + CQ Zone (14) /2-letter Oblast
Sep 7-8	1300-1259UTC	IARU Region 1 Field Day, SSB . 160-10m (Not WARC bands). Exchange: RST + serial number
Sep 7-8	1300-1300 UTC	RSGB SSB Field Day, SSB , 80-10m (Not WARC bands), Exchange: RS + serial number
Sep 7-8	1400-1400 UTC	144MHz Trophy Contest ; 2m only, Exchange: RS(T) + serial number + 6-digit locator
Sep 2-3	1400-1400UTC	IARU Region 1 2m Contest, All modes ; 2m only Exchange: RST + serial number
Sep 7	2000-2359 UTC	CWops CW Open, CW ; 160-10m (not WARC) QRP<5W, LP<100W; 3x4hr from 0000,0800 & 2000; Exchange: Serial No+name
Su Sep 8	1000-1400 UTC	WAB 144MHz QRO, Phone ; 2m only, Exchange RS + serial number + (Rx: Country, Tx: WAB Square)
Sep 8	1100-1500 UTC	RSGB 5th 2m Backpackers, All modes ; 2m portable only QRP (<5W or <25W) /P (<u>not</u> /M) Exchange: RS(T), Serial No, 6-digit locator
Tu Sep 10	1800-1855 UTC	RSGB 432MHz FMAC ; (432.525-975 & 433.400-475MHz) FM All modes. Exchange: serial number + 6-digit IARU locator.
Sep 10	1900-2130 UTC	RSGB 432MHz UKAC, All modes ; 70cm only Exchange: RS(T) + serial number + 6-digit square.
W Sep 11	1700-2100 UTC	RSGB 432MHz FT8 AC, FT8 (4hr) 70cm only Exchange: Report + 4-digit square.
Sep 11	1900-2100 UTC	RSGB 432MHz FT8 AC, FT8 (2hr only) 2m only Exchange: Report + 4-digit square.
Sep 11	1900-2030 UTC	RSGB 80m CC Autumn Series, CW ; 3520-60kHz, QRP<10W, LP<100W; Exchange: RST + serial number
Th Sep 12	1900-2130 UTC	RSGB 50MHz UKAC, All modes ; 6m only Exchange: RS(T) + CQ Zone (14)/2-letter oblast .
Sa Sep 14	0900-1500 UTC	Churches-on-the-Air (CHOTA) All bands & modes (e.g.SSB 7.14-7.18MHz); work SES in churches (QSO rather than contest format)
Sep 14-16	0000-2359 UTC	WAE DX Contest, SSB , 80-10m (Not WARC bands), Exchange: RS + serial number. Work only non-EU stations.
Su Sep 15	0900-1200 UTC	RSGB 70MHz AFS Contest, All modes ; 4m only, Exchange: RS(T) + serial number + 6-digit locator
Sep 15	1300-1330 UTC	IRTS 70cm Counties Contest . SSB & FM. (FM only: QSY after CQ answered) Exchange: RST + serial number (+Rx EI & GI county)
Sep 15	1330-1500 UTC	IRTS 2m Counties Contest . SSB & FM. (FM only: QSY after CQ answered) Exchange: RST + serial number (+Rx EI & GI county)
Sep 15	1700-2100 UTC	BARTG Sprint PSK63 ; 80-10m (Not WARC bands), QRP<5W, LP<100W<HP Exchange: serial number
M Sep 16	1900-2030 UTC	RSGB HF FT4 Series #7 , USB 3576.79, 7047.5, 14080, 21140, 28180kHz: Pwr<100W or <10W, Exch: report. Multi's: DXCC, G#6HH
Th Sep 19	1900-2130 UTC	RSGB 70MHz UKAC, All modes ; 4m only, Pwr <40/4W; Exchange: RS(T) + serial number + 6-digit square.
W Sep 25	2000-2100 UTC	UKEICC 80m Contest, CW ; Exchange: 6-digit square (Cumulative Sept-Apr contests: individual + Club team entries) logs in by 2200z
Th Sep 26	1900-2030 UTC	RSGB 80m CC Autumn Series, Data ; 3580-3620kHz, QRP<10W, LP<100W; Exchange: RST + serial number
Sa Sep 28	1400-1700 UTC	AGCW VHF/UHF Contest, CW ; 2m, Exchange RST/serial number/Class (A<5W, B<50W, C>50W)/IARU locator (6-digit)
Sep 28	1700-1800 UTC	AGCW VHF/UHF Contest, CW ; 70cm, Exchange RST/serial number/Class(A<5W,B<50W,C>50W)/IARU locator (6-digit)
Sep 28-29	0000-2359 UTC	CQ Worldwide DX Contest, RTTY , 80-10m (Not WARC bands), Exchange: RST + CQ Zone (14) + (Rx: US State/VE area)
Sep 28-29	0000-2400 UTC	Railways on the Air (ROTA) Weekend Mainly SSB around 3.65, 7.15, 14.25MHz; work SES on railways (QSO, not contest format)
Su Sep 29	0700-1000 UTC	UBA ON 50MHz Contest, Phone, CW ; 6m, QRP<10Wpep SSB/5W CW & QRO, Exchange: RS(T)+serial number+ON Section
Sep 29	1200-1600 UTC	PW 70MHz Contest, SSB CW FM AM ; 4m, QRP<10Wpep & QRO, Exchange: RS(T)+serial number+IARU 4-digit locator
Sep30-Oct1	1300-0400 UTC	QCX Challenge, CW ; 160-10m, QRP<5W<HP, For 1 hour every 6 hours; Exchange: RST + Name + state/province/country + rig

Weekly Wednesdays CWops Mini-CWT, CW;160-10m (not WARC); straight key; call "CQ CWT" 28-38kHz up from band edge; Exchange: Name & State/DX Country Prefix. At 1300-1400 UTC focus is Asia & Pacific; **1900-2000 UTC focus is Europe & Africa** & Thursday 0300-0400 focus is USA & Canada.
Mondays 0000-0100 UTC **K1USN SST, CW QRS<20wpm**; 80,40,20m (32-39kHz>band edge); any Morse key; call "CQ SST"; Pwr: QRP<5W<LP<100W; Exchange: Name & State/DX Country Prefix (GBR)

Also **Mondays** 2000-2100 UTC **Hastings ERC QRS CW Net** (G0ILN & G0JHK) 28.055MHz or 3563kHz (+/-QRM) with talkback FM on 145.275MHz