

Month on the Air by G3MGQ: April 2025

DXpeditions in April 2025 (Dates, DXCC, Callsign, Info from ADXO with NG3K Bill's kind permission) (# **not active** at 26-28 March on DX Watch)

- Feb 2-Apr 10 **Senegal 6W7/ON4AVT** by ON4AVT fm Warang; 80-10m; SSB + digital; QSL: Club Log OQRS via ON4AVT
- Mar 3-Apr 1 **Turks & Caicos VP5/W1DED** by W1DED; HF; possibly QRV using VP5E in WPX SSB; QSL: LoTW
- Mar 18-Apr 1 **Micronesia V6WG** by WE9G fm Kosrae I (IOTA OC-059); 80-6m, perhaps 160m; mainly FT8 FT4, some SSB CW; QSL: LoTW or WE9G (B/d)
- Mar 24-Apr 4 **St Barthelemy TO1P** by SP9FIH; 40 17 10m; SSB FT8 RTTY; QSL: Club Log OQRS
- Mar 9-Apr 5 **Sint Maarten PJ7AA** by AA9A; 40-6m; CW FT8 FT4; QSL: LoTW or AA9A
- Mar 24-Apr 5 **Rodrigues I 3B9DJ** by OK6DJ OK1CRM OK2ZA; 160-10m; CW SSB FT8; QSL: LoTW, via Club Log OQRS (preferred) or OK6DJ
- Mar 30-Apr 6 **Honduras K6VHF/HR9 #** by K6VHF fm Roatan I; 80-6m; SSB CW RTTY FT8; 100w; QSL: LoTW, via Club Log OQRS or K6VHF (B/d)
- Mar 18-Apr 8 **Tanzania 5H3MB #** by IK2GZU; HF; QSL: LoTW or 5H3MB (B/d)
- Mar 11-Apr 25 **Guyana 8R1TM** by PY1SAD fm Georgetown (GJ06vs); HF; CW SSB + digital; QSL: LoTW
- Mar 24-Apr 6 **Barbados 8P9EI** by G4OSY fm Prospect Bay, St James; 40-10m; CW SSB; QSL: G4OSY Direct; QRV for CQ WPX SSB (SOSB 10m)
- Mar 24-Apr 7 **Guadeloupe TO1Q** by F1ULQ; @FG8OJ; HF + 6m; SSB + digital; QRV for CQ WPX SSB; QSL: LoTW or F1ULQ (B/d)
- Mar 25-Apr 2 **Antigua & Barbuda V26K** by AA3B; 80-6m; CW SSB FT8 FT4; QRV for CQ WPX SSB (SOAB); QSL: LoTW or Club Log OQRS
- Mar 26-Apr 5 **Sint Maarten PJ7EE** by KC9EE; focus on 12 10 6m for Asia; QSL: LoTW, Club Log OQRS or KC9EE direct
- Mar 28-Apr 6 **Sint Maarten PJ7KB #** by KJ9B; 20 17m; SSB FT8 FT4; 30w; also FS/KJ9B from French side; QSL: LoTW, Club Log OQRS or KJ9B direct
- Mar 29-Apr 19 **Bahamas C6APS** by WA4PAW fm Great Abaco I (IOTA NA-080; 40-10m; FT8 CW SSB; QSL: LoTW or Club Log OQRS
- Apr 1-7 **Surinam PZ5IP** by PY8WW PZ5JW DL8TG fm Papegaaen I (IOTA SA=092); 40-10m; CW SSB + digital; QSL: PY8WW OQRS
- Apr 2-10 **Ogasawara JA1YVT/JD1** by Toshiba Fuchu ARC ops fm Chichijima I (Apr 2-7), Hahajima I (Apr 7-10); 80-2m; CW SSB FT8; QSL: Auto Buro
- Apr 3-10 **Maldives 8Q7EF** by IW2NEF fm Filithayo I; 40-6m; SSB FT8; QSL: LoTW, via IK2DUW direct or HE9ERA Buro
- Apr 6-11 **Cyprus SBA ZC4RH** by G4WXJ; 40-6m; CW SSB FGT8 FT4; QSL: LoTW, via Club Log OQRS or DK6SP
- Apr 8-12 **St Barthelemy FJ/K6EI** by K6EI & KK6IK as **FJ/KK6IK**; 80-10m; CW FT8 FT4; QSL: LoTW or via K6EI and KK6IK direct respectively
- Apr 8-17 **Ogasawara JD1BOI** by JI1LET & JA1UII as **JD1BON** fm Chichijima I (IOTA AS-031); 160-6m; CW SSB FT8 FT4; QSL: LoTW or home_call direct
- Apr 9-15 **French Polynesia TX7XG** by JA1XGI fm Fakarava Atoll (IOTA OC-066, BH73ev); 40-6m; QSL: LoTW
- Apr 10-27 **Br Virgin Is VP2VI** by DA1DX DK9IP DM6EE DL8LAS; HF + 6m; QSL: LoTW
- Apr 11-13 **Palau T88PB** by JA0JHQ; HF; QSL: JA0JHQ; QRV for JA International DX CW Contest
- Apr 12-19 **St Helena ZD7PG** by GW0NGA fm Jamestown (IOTA AF-022); HF; QSL: GW0NGA spare time operation
- Apr 16-23 **Palau T88UW** by JH7IPR fm IOTA OC-009; HF; FT8, some CW SSB; QSL: LoTW, via Club Log OQRS or JH7IPR (B/d)
- Apr 17-27 **Bonaire PJ4CB** by WA7RAR; 20-10m; CW SSB; holiday style operation; QSL: LoTW or WA7RAR direct
- Apr 18-20 **East Kiribati T32AZ** by KH6QJ; 40 20 15 10m; QSL: KH6QJ (B/d)
- Apr 18-26 **Galapagos HD8G** by 8 nation team of 26 ops fm (SA-004, EI49tf); 8 stns; 160-6m, incl 60m; SSB CW FT4 FT8 RTTY; QSL: LoTW, via M0URX OQRS
- Apr 19-21 **Marquesas FO/F4LYI** by F4LYI fm Nuku Hiva I (IOTA OC-027); 40 20 15 10m; SSB; QSL: F4LYI; holiday style operation
- Apr 19-May 2 **Gambia C5LT** by F5RAV & YU5R as **C5R** fm nr Kololi; HF; CW SSB FT8; QSL: LoTW
- Apr 21-25 **Marquesas FO/F4LYI** by F4LYI fm Ua Hiva I (IOTA OC-027); 40 20 15 10m; SSB; QSL: F4LYI; holiday style operation
- Apr 22-May 1 **Tanzania 5H1KB** by DL2SBY fm Zanzibar I; HF; focus on 6m; low power QSL: LoTW; or DL2SBY direct
- Mar 24-Apr 3 **Vanuatu YJ0CA** by VK2YUS fm Port Vila (IOTA OC-035); 40-10m; SSB; QSL: VK2YUS ;QRV for CQ WPX SSB
- Apr 25-28 **Thailand E28AM/p** by Red Star Contest Club mini-dxpedition fm Chang I (IOTA AS-125); 40-10m; CW SSB FT8; QSL: LoTW holiday style operation
- Apr 25-May 7 **Austral Is TX9A** by 9A2NA 9A3MR 9A9R DK8ZZ fm IOTA OC-152; HF; QSL: DK8ZZ
- Apr 26-30 **French Polynesia FO/F4LYI** by F4LYI fm Petai I (IOTA OC-067); 40 20 15 10m; SSB; QSL: F4LYI; holiday style operation

Contests (to enjoy or simply avoid!)

DX Contests this month are work only the host country; e.g SP, OK/OM, 4X, ES, YU, BY WAP, HB9.

NB: Modes allowed in RSGB VHF contests are **only** SSB, CW, FM, AM, JT6M, ISCAT & FSK441, The dedicated MGM Contest has been dropped for 2025. Users of WSJT-X should enable EU VHF Contest mode; **DO NOT USE the WSJT-X software dedicated Contest formats or Fox in Fox & Hounds mode.**

N.B. UKEICC 80m Contests: Cumulative Sept-Apr contests for individual & Club team entries

Tu Apr 1	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
Apr 1	1900-2130 UTC	RSGB 144MHz UKAC , all modes; 2m only; Exchange: RS(T) + serial number + 6-digit IARU locator.
W Apr 2	1700-2100 UTC	RSGB 144 MHz FT8 AC , 2m (4hr): Pwr<100W or <10W, Exchange: Report + 4-digit IARU locator
Apr 2	1900-2100 UTC	RSGB 144 MHz FT8 AC , 2m (2hr only): Pwr<100W or <10W, Exchange: Report + 4-digit IARU locator
Apr 2	2000-2100 UTC	UKEICC 80m Contest , SSB; 3.650-3.775 only; HP>100W> LP,QRP<5W; Upload log<1hour; Exchange: 6-digit IARU locator, not RST
Apr 5-6	1200-1200 UTC	RSGB FT4 Intl Activity Day , 160-10m: Pwr<100W or <10W, Standard FT4 mode. Exchange: 4-digit locator & signal report (not serial)
Apr 5-6	1200-1200 UTC	EA RTTY Contest , RTTY: HF (not WRAC bands). Exchange: RSQ + serial number/ EA Province
Apr 5-6	1500-1500 UTC	SP DX Contest , SSB & CW: 160-10m (Not WRAC bands). Work only Polish stns. Exchange: RS(T)+serial number (Rx: 1-letter province)
Su Apr 6	1000-2100 UTC	WAB Data Modes , RTTY, PSK31, JS8, FT8, FT4; 80, 40 & 20m; (QRT 1400-1700); Exchange: RSQ/dB, serial, WAB square/country
M Apr 7	1300-1330 UTC	IRTS 70cm Counties Contest . SSB & FM. (FM only: QSY after CQ answered) Exchange: RST + serial number (+Rx EI & GI county)
Apr 7	1330-1500 UTC	IRTS 2m Counties Contest . SSB & FM. (FM only: QSY after CQ answered) Exchange: RST + serial number (+Rx EI & GI county)
Apr 7	1900-2030 UTC	RSGB 80m Club Championship , CW: (3510-65, 3565-75kHz QRS); Pwr 100/10W; Exchange: RST + serial number
Tu Apr 8	1800-1855 UTC	RSGB 432MHz FMAC ; (432.525-975 & 433.400-475MHz) FM All modes. Exchange: serial number + 6-digit IARU locator
Apr 8	1900-2130 UTC	RSGB 432MHz UKAC ; 70cm only, all modes; <50W & <10W; Exchange: RS(T), Serial No, 6-digit locator
W Apr 9	1700-2100 UTC	RSGB 432 MHz FT8 AC , 70cm (4hr): Pwr<100W or <10W, Exchange: Report + 4-digit IARU locator
Apr 9	1900-2100 UTC	RSGB 432 MHz FT8 AC , 70cm (2hr only): Pwr<100W or <10W, Exchange: Report + 4-digit IARU locator
Th Apr 10	1900-2130 UTC	RSGB 50MHz UKAC , all modes; 6m only, Exchange: RS(T) + serial number + 6-digit IARU locator.
Apr 12-13	0700-1300 UTC	JIDX CW Contest , CW 160-10m (Not WARC bands) Exchange: RST+ CQ Zone (14)/JA Prefecture No.
Apr 12-13	1200-1200 UTC	OK/OM DX Contest , SSB; 160-10m (Not WARC bands) Exchange: RS + serial number (Rx: OK/OM 3-letter district code)
Apr 12-13	1200-2400 UTC	SKCC Weekend Sprintathon , CW 160-10m (Not WARC bands) Exchange: RS T+state/province/country(GBR)+Name+'None'/SKCC No
Apr 12-13	1200-1200 UTC	Yuri Gagarin International DX Contest , CW; 160-10m (Not WARC bands) & Satellites; Exchange: RST + ITU Zone (27)
Apr 12-13	1200-1800 UTC	IG-RY WW RTTY Contest , RTTY: 80-10m (not WRAC bands). LP<100W, HP<1500W; Exchange: RSQ + 4-digit year licensed
Su Apr 13	1500-1600 UTC	Hungarian Straight Key Contest , CW 80m only Exchange: RST + serial number + Power Code (A=10W, B=100W)
W Apr 16	1900-2030 UTC	RSGB 80m Club Championship , SSB (3600-3775kHz); Pwr 100/10W; Exchange: RS + serial number
Th Apr 17	1900-2130 UTC	RSGB 70MHz UKAC ; 4m only All modes. Pwr 400/40/4W Exchange: RS(T) + serial number + 6-digit IARU locator
Apr 18-19	2100-2059 UTC	Holyland DX Contest , CW SSB & Data 160-10m (Not WARC bands) Work only 4X stations Exchange: RS(T) + serial number/4X Area
Sa Apr 19	0500-0859 UTC	ES Open HF Championship , CW & SSB 80m & 40m Work ES only, including same one in each hour. Exchange: RS(T) + serial number
Apr 19-20	0600-0559 UTC	Worked All Provinces DX Contest , CW, SSB: HF (Not WARC bands) Work China only. Exchange: RS(T) + serial number/BY Province
Sa Apr 19	0700-1900 UTC	Dutch PACCdigi Contest . FT8 RTTY: 160-10m, QRP 5W, LP<100W<HP; Exchange: RST + 4-digit IARU locator.
Apr 19	1700-2300 UTC	EA QRP Contest , CW 1hr on 10m,15m,40m then 2h on 80m; Pwr: A<5W, B<1W Exchange: RST + A-D (+ Rx "M" fm EA-QRP)
Su Apr 20	0700-1200 UTC	EA QRP Contest , CW 2hr on 40m then 1hr each on 20m,15m & 10m; Pwr: A<5W, B<1W Exchange: RST + A-D (+ Rx "M" fm EA-QRP)
Apr 20	0700-1900 UTC	International Vintage HF Contest ; 80 & 40m; CW SSB AM. (QRT 11:00-15:00hrs) Exchange: RS(T) + 6 character locator
M Apr 21	1500-1730 UTC	DARC Easter Contest , CW SSB; 80-40m; Exchange RS(T) + serial/DL Tx: DOK or "NM"
Th Apr 24	1900-2030 UTC	RSGB 80m Club Championship , Data; RTTY(3590-3620kHz), PSK(3580-90kHz) only; Pwr 100/10W; Exchange: RST + serial number
Sa Apr 26	0000-2400 UTC	Marconi Day All bands & modes; QSOs with SES
Apr 26-27	1200-1200 UTC	SP DX RTTY Contest , 80m-10m (Not WARC bands) Work only SP stations Exchange RST + serial number/2 digit SP province
Su Apr 27	1700-2100 UTC	BARTG Sprint 75 ; 75 Baud RTTY only, HF (Not WARC bands); Exchange: serial number
M Apr 28	1900-2030 UTC	RSGB HF FT4 Series #3 , USB 3576.79, 7047.5, 14080, 21140, 28180kHz: Pwr<100W or <10W, Exch: sig. rpt. Multi's: DXCC & Gx66HH
Apr 28-29	1300-0400 UTC	QCX Monthly Challenge , CW; 80,40,20m, 3x1hr@ 1300,1900 & 0300UTC, QRP<5W>HP, Exchange: true RST, Name, state/country, rig
Apr 26-27	1200-1200 UTC	UK/EI DX Contest , CW; HF 80-10m (Not WARC bands); Exchange: RST, Serial + UK/EI District Code (e.g.TN)
Apr 26-27	1300-1259 UTC	Helvetia Contest , CW SSB Data; 160-10m (Not WARC bands) Work only HB. 18hrs max. Exchange: RS(T), Tx serial/Rx HB 2-dig canton
W Apr 30	2000-2100 UTC	UKEICC 80m Contest , CW; 3510-60kHz only, QRP<5W, LP<100W; Exchange: 6-digit IARU locator only (No RST).

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