

Month on the Air by G3MGQ: Aug 2025

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

until -Aug 1 **Rodrigues I 3B9SP** by DK6SP; 40-6m; CW SSB FT8; QSL: Club Log OQRS
until -Aug 2 **Svalbard JW/SP9HGN#** by SP9HGN fm SOTAs JW/VS-265, JW/VS-413, JW/MS-154; 40-10m; SSB FT8; EFHW; QSL: LoTW
until -Aug 5 **Nicaragua YN2RP** by NN3RP fm Granada; 40-10m; CW SSB + digital; QSL: LoTW or via Club Log OQRS
until -Aug 6 **Benin TY5FR** by DL1BUG fm Cotonou (JJ16fi); 80-10m; CW SSB; 100; QRV for IARU HF; QSL: LoTW, via DL1BUG Buro or Club Log OQRS
until -Aug 9 **Iceland TF/F5TGR** by F5TGR; 40 30 20 15 12 10m; CW FT8 SSB; QSL: LoTW or via Club Log OQRS
until -Aug 30 **Morocco CN2DX** by F5LRL fm nr Kenitra; 40-6m; CW SSB FT8; QSL: F5LRL
Aug 2-8 **Ogasawara JD1BRC** by JH7CSU fm Higashi-machi, Chichijima; HF; mainly CW; QSL: JH7CSU
Aug 2-10 **Mayotte TO3K** by IV3JVJ IK3ZQA IZ3NYS fm IOTA AF-027; 80-6m; CW SSB FT8 FT4; 100w; QSL: LoTW or via IV3JVJ
Aug 3-18 **South Cook Is E51KEE** by ZL2KE fm Rarotonga I; 40-10m; CW SSB; QSL: LoTW, via Club Log OQRS or IK2DUW
Aug 4-13 **St Kitts & Nevis V47JA** by W5JON fm Calypso Bay; 160-6m; SSB FT8; yagi, verticals; QSL: LoTW or W5JON direct
Aug 8-11 **Br Virgin Is VP2V.KK4LWR** by KK4LWR & KD8RTT as **VP2V/KD8RTT** fm Tortola I; HF, focus on 6m; 100w; QSL: LoTW or home_call direct
Aug 15-29 **Greenland OX/DL6YYM** by DL6YYM fm IOTA NA-134 (Aug 15-18) & NA-018 (NA-018); HF; CW; QRP; QSL: DL6YYM (B/d)
Aug 16-23 **Guatemala TG4/KT8X** by KT8X; 40-6m; CW + digital; holiday style operation; QSL: LoTW
Aug 17-24 **Aland Is OG0C** by OH5CZ OH5CY OH5YL OH2JIU OH5CW fm IOTA EU-002; 160m-70cm; CW SSB FT8 FT4 MSK-144 JT65; QSL: LoTW or OH5CW direct
Aug 17-25 **Dodecanese SV5/N3JWJ** by N3JWJ fm IOTA EU-001; HF; FT8; QSL: LoTW or via Club Log OQRS
Aug 18-22 **Palau T88GF** by JH6GFY & JK6DXD as **T88XD**; HF; QSL: LoTW or via JH6GFY & JK6DXD respectively
Aug 18-Sep 7 **Benin TY2AA** by IK7WUL; 10m; SSB; spare time operation; QSL: LoTW or via I8KHC
Aug 18-23 **Chile 3G1P** by VE3LYC XQ7IR PA3EXX fm Ilotes Pajaros (SA-100 New); 40-10m; CW SSB; QSL: Club Log OQRS see Web for details

Contests (to enjoy or simply avoid!)

After the VHF Field Day & IOTA Contest last month, digital modes PSK/RTTY feature this month with ILLW weekend as the fun event.

NB: Modes allowed in RSGB VHF contests are **only** SSB, CW, FM, AM, JT6M, ISCAT & FSK441, **except** for dedicated MGM events when any MGM but **not** CW or EME 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.**

May3-Aug3	0000-2400 UTC	UKSMG Summer Marathon; all modes , but split into 'Legacy' & Digital sections; 6m band only; Exchange: 4-digit locator only
ThAug 7	2000-2200 UTC	SKCC Sprint Europe , CW, 160m-10m (Not WARC bands) Exchange: RST + State/province/country + Name+ SKCC No./"None"
Sa Aug 2	1200-2359 UTC	European HF Championship, CW & Phone HF (Not WARC bands) Exchange: RS(T) + 2-digit year first licensed
Aug 2?	1400-1800 UTC	WAB 2m QRP Phone , 2m <10W Exchange: RS + serial number + WAB Square (e.g TQ72)
Aug 2?	1400-1800 UTC	RSGB 4th 2m Backpackers, All modes ; 2m portable only QRP (<5W or <25W) /P (<u>not</u> /M) Exchange: RS(T), Serial No, 6-digit locator
Aug 2	1400-2000 UTC	RSGB 2m Low Power Contest. All VHF Modes ; Pwr<25W; Exchange: RS(T), serial number, 6-digit square & 2-letter UK Postcode (TN)
Aug 2-3	0001-2359 UTC	10-10 Int. Summer Contest, SSB : 10m only; Exchange: Name, 10-10 number/0, state/province/country.
Su Aug 3	0800-1200 UTC	RSGB 70cm Low Power Contest. All VHF Modes ; Pwr<25W; Exchange: RS(T), serial number, 6-digit square, 2-letter UK Postcode (TN)
Aug 3	1400-1700 UTC	SARL HF Phone Contest, Phone 80, 40 & 20m Exchange: RS + serial number
Tu Aug 5	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
Aug 5	1900-2130 UTC	RSGB 144MHz UKAC, Phone & CW 2m only Exchange: RS(T) + serial number + 6-digit square.
W Aug 6	1700-2100 UTC	RSGB 144MHz FT8 AC, FT8 (4hr) 2m only Exchange: Report + 4-digit square.
Aug 6	1900-2100 UTC	RSGB 144MHz FT8 AC, FT8 (2hr only) 2m only Exchange: Report + 4-digit square.
ThAug 14	1900-2130 UTC	RSGB 50MHz UKAC, Phone & CW 6m only Exchange: RS(T) + serial number + 6-digit square.
Sa Aug 9	0000-2359 UTC	FISTS Saturday Sprint, CW , 80m-10m (Not WARC bands) Exchange: RST + State/province/country + Name+ FISTS No./"0"
Aug 9-10	0000-2359 UTC	WAE DX Contest, CW , 80-10m (Not WARC bands) Exchange: RST + serial number + QTC (previous contacts) Work non-EU station only
Aug 9-10	1200-2400 UTC	SKCC Weekend Sprintathon, CW , 160m-10m (Not WARC bands) Exchange: RST + State/province/country + Name+ SKCC No./"None"

Aug 9-10	1400-1400 UTC	RSGB MGM Contest, 6m, 2m: FT4, FT8, FSK441, ISCAT, JT65, RTTY, PSK but not CW EME; Exchange: RS & 4 digit IARU locator.
Su Aug 10	1300-1600 UTC	SARL HF Digital Contest, RTTY & PSK31, 80, 40 & 20m Exchange: RST + serial number
Tu Aug 12	1800-1855 UTC	RSGB 432MHz FMAC; (432.525-975 & 433.400-475MHz) FM. Exchange: serial number + 6-digit IARU locator.
Aug 12	1900-2130 UTC	RSGB 432MHz UKAC, Phone & CW 70cm only Exchange: RS(T) + serial number + 6-digit square.
W Aug 13	1700-2100 UTC	RSGB 432MHz FT8 AC, FT8 (4hr) 70cm only Exchange: Report + 4-digit square.
Aug 13	1900-2100 UTC	RSGB 432MHz FT8 AC, FT8 (2hr only) 2m only Exchange: Report + 4-digit square.
Th Aug 21	1900-2130 UTC	RSGB 70MHz UKAC, All modes; 4m only, Pwr <40/4W; Exchange: RS(T) + serial number + 6-digit square.
Aug 16-17	0000-2400 UTC	International Lighthouse & Lightship Weekend (ILLW) All bands & modes; work ILLW SES (QSO rather than contest format)
Aug 16-17	0000-1600 UTC	SARTG WW RTTY Contest, 80-10m (Not WARC bands), 3x8hr sessions with 8hr gap LP<100W<HP; Exchange: RST, serial number
Aug 16-17	0800-0800 UTC	Russian District Award, CW SSB, 160-10m (Not WARC bands); Work RU stations only: Exchange: RST + serial number/RU District
Aug 16-17	1800-0559 UTC	North American QSO Party, SSB, 160-10m (Not WARC bands); Work NA stations only: Exchange: Name (+ state/province/NA country)
Aug 16-17	1800-2100 UTC	CVA Brazilian WW DX Contest, CW 160-10m (Not WARC bands); Exchange: RST + DX (UF, RN, YL, QRP, HQ, MIL, TEEN)
Su Aug 17	0000-2359 UTC	FISTS Sunday Sprint, CW, 80m-10m (Not WARC bands) Exchange: RST + State/province/country + Name+ FISTS No./"0"
M Aug 18	1900-2100 UTC	RSGB FT4 HF Contest: 80-10m (3576 kHz, 7047.5 kHz, 14080 kHz, 21140 kHz, 28180 kHz) 100W, 10W; Exchange*: RS (no serial)
Th Aug 27	0000-0200 UTC	SKCC Sprint, CW, 160m-10m (Not WARC bands) Exchange: RST + State/province/country + Name + SKCC No./"None"
Aug 23-24	1200-1200 UTC	YO DX HF Contest, CW & Phone, 80-10m (Not WARC bands); LP<100W<HP; Exchange: RS(T) + serial number/YO district
Aug 30-31	1200-1200 UTC	WW Digi DX Contest, FT4/FT8 160-10m (10kHz sub-bands 1.84/844, 3.58/59, 7.08/9, 14.08/9, 21.08/9, 28.08/9) Exchange: 4-digit square
Aug 23-24	1800-2100 UTC	CVA Brazilian WW DX Contest, SSB 160-10m (Not WARC bands); Exchange: RS + DX (UF, RN, YL, QRP, HQ, MIL, TEEN)
Su Aug 24	1400-1700 UTC	SARL HF Contest, CW, 80, 40 & 20m Exchange: RST + serial number
Aug -2526	1300-0400 UTC	QCX Monthly Challenge, CW; 80,40,20m, 3x1hr@ 1300,1900 & 0300UTC, QRP<5W>HP, Exchange: true RST, Name, state/country, rig

*** Standard FT4 format; DO NOT USE the dedicated Contest formats**

Weekly **Wednesdays** **CWops Mini-CWT,** CW; 160-10m (not WARC); straight key; call "CQ CWT" 28-38kHz up from band edge; Ex change: 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