

## Month on the Air by G3MGQ: July 2026

**DXpeditions in July 2026** (Dates, DXCC, Callsign, Info from ADXO with NG3K Bill's kind permission) (# **not active** at 28 Jun on DX Watch)

Jun 8-Jul 2 **Tanzania 5H3DX** by NK8O fm Dodoma; 40-6m; CW FT8 FT4; 100w; dipole, vertical, longwire; QSL: LoTW  
Jun 11-Jul 15 **Cameroon TJ1GD/p** by HF3GD fm Mondoleh I (IOTA AF-095); HF; QSL: LoTW, via Club Log or SP3EOL  
Jun 27-Jul 4 **Kyrgyzstan EX/KZ1R** by KZ1R fm Tamga; @ EX9QT; 6m, some 40 20 15 10m; FT8; QSL: LoTW or via Club Log OQRS  
Jun 27-Jul 14 **St Pierre & Miquelon FP/KV1J** by KV1J; 80-6m; SSB CW FT8; QSL: LoTW, via Club Log OQRS or KV1J direct; QRV for IARU & CQ VHF Contests  
Jul 2-11 **Ogasawara JD1BQP** (first half) QSL: LoTW by JP1IHD JR6HYO & as **JR6HYO/JD1** (second half) fm Chichijima I; 160-6m; CW SSB FT8  
Jul 3-14 **Greenland OX/DL8JJ** by DL8JJ fm Tasiilaq (NA-151) & mainland (NA-018); mainly 40 20m; CW; spare time operation; QSL: LoTW or via DL8JJ (B/d)  
Jul 4-23 **Crete SV9/HB9EMP** by HB9EMP; HF; CW; holiday style operation  
Jul 7-Aug 4 **Benin TY5FR** by DL1BUG fm Cotonou (JJ16fj); 160-10m; CW SSB; 100w; QRV for ARRL DX CW; QSL: LoTW, via DL1BUG (B/d), Club Log OQRS  
Jul 11-24 **Crete SV9/S50B** by S50B; 40-6m; CW SSB + digital; QSL: LoTW, via S50B Buro or eQSL  
Jul 22-Aug 14 **South Cook Is E51KEE** by ZL2KE fm Rarotonga I; HF; CW, some SSB; QSL: LoTW, via IK2DUW, Club Log OQRS or eQSL  
Jul 23-Aug 8 **Azerbaijan 4K/DL4XT** by DL4XT fm Baku; 20-10m; SSB CW FT8; 100w; 1/4 wave vertical; QSL: LoTW or Club Log OQRS  
Jul 26-Aug 6 **South Cook Is E51CZZ** by ZL4CZ fm Rarotonga I; HF; SSB; QSL: IK2DUW

### Long-term DX operations:

May 5-Jul 20 **French Polynesia FO/F6BCW** by F6BCW fm Tikehau, Tuamotu; 80-6m; CW SSB; QSL: LoTW, via F6EXV or Club Log OQRS

### Contests (to enjoy or simply avoid!)

**VHF National Field Day, CQ Worldwide VHF Contest & IOTA are the big ones this month. 80M Club Championship Contests this month are the last in this Series**

**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.**

May2-Aug2 0000-2400 UTC **UKSMG Summer Marathon; all modes**, but split into 'Legacy' & Digital sections; 6m band only; Exchange: 4-digit locator only  
**W** July 1 0000-2359 UTC **RAC Canada Day, CW & Phone** HF (Not WARC bands), 6m & 2m Exchange: RS(T) + serial number/VE province  
**W** July 1 1700-2100 UTC **RSGB 144MHz FT8 AC, FT8** (4hr) 2m only Exchange: Report + 4-digit square.  
July 1 1900-2100 UTC **RSGB 144MHz FT8 AC, FT8** (2hr only) 2m only Exchange: Report + 4-digit square.  
July 4-5 1400-1400 UTC **RSGB VHF Fixed Station Contest, All modes, 6m-23cm\***, Exchange: RS(T) + serial number. Fixed stations only.  
July 4-5 1400-1400 UTC **RSGB VHF National Field Day, All modes, 6m-23cm\***, Exchange: RS(T) + serial + 6-digit square. Portable stations only.  
July 4-5 1400-1400UTC **IRTS VHF/UHF Field Day; CW, SSB, FM . 6m-23cm.** Exchange: RST + serial number + 6-digit square  
July 4-5 1400-1400 UTC **Marconi Memorial HF Contest, CW** HF (Not WARC bands) Exchange: RST + serial number  
July 4-5 1500-1500 UTC **Original QRP Contest, CW, 80, 40, 20m** (Homebrew, kit & commercial <20W rated max) Exch: RST + serial + VLP/QRP/MP (<1,5,20W)  
**Su** July 5 1000-1400 UTC **RSGB 3rd. 2m Backpackers, All modes, 2m portable only QRP** (<5W or <25W) /P (not /M) Exchange: RS(T), Serial No, 6-digit locator  
**M** July 6 1900-2030 UTC **RSGB 80m Club Championship, CW** Exchange: RST + serial number  
**Tu** July 7 1800-1855 UTC **RSGB 144MHz FMAC; 2m** (144.5125 - 7875 & 145.2-145.4MHz) FM only <50W & <10W; Exchange: RS, Serial No, 6-digit locator  
July 7 1900-2130 UTC **RSGB 144MHz UKAC, Phone & CW** 2m only Exchange: RS(T) + serial number + 6-digit square.  
**W** July 8 1700-2100 UTC **RSGB 432MHz FT8 AC, FT8** (4hr) 70cm only Exchange: Report + 4-digit square.  
July 8 1900-2100 UTC **RSGB 432MHz FT8 AC, FT8** (2hr only) 2m only Exchange: Report + 4-digit square.  
**Th** July 9 1900-2130 UTC **RSGB 50MHz UKAC, Phone & CW;** 6m only, Exchange: RS(T) + serial number + 6-digit IARU locator.  
July 11-12 1200-1200 UTC **IARU HF World Championship, CW & SSB, HF** (1.8-28MHz, not WARC bands) Exchange: RS(T) + ITU Zone (27)  
July 11-12 1200-1200 UTC **RSGB GR2HQ Challenge, CW & SSB, HF** (1.8-28MHz, not WARC bands) Exchange: RS(T) + ITU Zone (27)  
**Tu** July 14 1800-1929 UTC **DARC RTTY Sprint; 80&40m.** QRP 5W<Pwr<100W LP; Work German Stations; Exchange: RST + serial (Rx RST + DOK/"NM")  
July 14 1800-1855 UTC **RSGB 432MHz FMAC; (432.525-975 & 433.400-475MHz)** FM. Exchange: serial number + 6-digit IARU locator.  
July 14 1900-2130 UTC **RSGB 432MHz UKAC, Phone & CW** 70cm, only Exchange: RS(T) + serial number + 6-digit square.  
**W** July 15 1900-2030 UTC **RSGB 80m Club Championship, SSB** Exchange: RS + serial number

**Th** July 16 1900-2130 UTC **RSGB 70MHz UKAC, Phone & CW**; 4m only, Exchange: RS(T) + serial number + 6-digit IARU locator  
**Sa** July 18 1400-2000 UTC **RSGB 70MHz Trophy, All modes**, 4m only, Exchange: RS(T) + serial number + 6-digit square + 2-letter UK Postcode  
 July 18-19 1400-1400 UTC **IARU Region 1 70MHz Contest, CW & SSB**, 4m band. Exchange: RS(T) + Serial number + 6-digit square  
 July 18-19 1200-1200 UTC **CQ Worldwide VHF Digital Contest**, 2m & 6m; Exchange: IARU 4-digit locator  
**Su** July 19 0900-1600 UTC **International QRP Contest; CW**; 80 40 20m; (QRP <10W<QRO); Exchange: RST, Serial, Power (e.g 2W5) **N.B:** 1hr break at 1200UTC  
 July 19 1000-2159 UTC **YOTA Contest; CW & SSB**, 80-10m (not WARC bands); Exchange: Single Op: Age (on 1 Jan), Multi-operator: Ave. Age  
**Th** July 23 1900-2030 UTC **RSGB 80m Club Championship, Data (RTTY, PSK63)**; Exchange: RST + serial number  
 July 25-26 1200-1200 UTC **RSGB IOTA Contest, SSB & CW**, HF 80 -10m (Not WARC bands) Exchange: RS(T) + serial number + IOTA ref (EU005)  
 July 27-28 1300-0400 UTC **QCX Monthly Challenge, CW**; 80,40,20m, 3x1hr@ 1300,1900 & 0300UTC, QRP<5W>HP, Exchange: true RST, Name, state/country, rig  
**M** July 27 1900-2030 UTC **RSGB HF FT4 Series #7**, USB 3576.79, 7047.5, 14080, 21140, 28180kHz: Pwr<100W or <10W, Exch: sig. rpt. Multi's: DXCC & Gx66HH  
**\* N.B: VHF Contest: No Special Contest Calls allowed. 6m only first 8 hrs & 4m only last 6 hrs.**

**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  
**FISTS Mechanical Medley** on 15th. of each month (<https://fists.co.uk/activitiescalendar.html#fistsbks2026>)

**Pre-contest activity: RSGB IOTA Contest (Jul 25-26, 2026)**

Call	DXCC	IOTA	Island	QSL	Notes
5Q5M	Denmark	EU-029	Femo	ON6QR	By ON6QR; DXpedition, SO
<a href="#">CG2C</a>	Canada	NA-038	Cap aux Meules	LoTW	By NA-128 Contest Group; QRV Jul 15-Aug 14; QSL via F5JYD
DK1A	Germany	EU-129	Usedom	Club Log OQRS	By DJ7TOI DL2RNS DL1KWK DL1RTL DG2RON DL7JOM; Multi-2
<a href="#">FP/KV1J</a>	St Pierre & Miquelon	NA-032	Miquelon	LoTW	By KV1J; QRV Jun 27-Jul 14; HF, incl 60m; SSB CW FT8; QSL via Club Log OQRS, KV1J Buro, KV1J Direct w/ SAE + postage or \$US1
G5XV	England	EU-120	Isle of Wight	M0OXO	By 2E0FEC G0KPE G1VGM G3VPW G4LMW G4WKY G6ZVL GM4ZMU M0CUK
M0DDT M0NHB M0NPB;					Multi-2, high power
GB9IOW	England	EU-120	Isle of Wight	ON6EF	By ON6EF ON9DJ ON6VJ ON1BN ON4AML ON7VM ON5SEL ON8WR; QRV Apr 28-May 05
GM7A	Scotland	EU-008	Lismore	LoTW	By GM7WCO GM3YEH GM3ZRT; Multi-1, high power
GM7V	Scotland	EU-010	Benbecula	N3SL	By MM0CCC GM0EGI GM4YXI G4PVM GM0RLZ MM0GPZ GM3WOJ; Multi-2, high power, assisted
I/DL3NC	Italy	EU-017	Lipari	Club Log OQRS	By DL3NC; DXpedition, low power; QSL via DL3NC Buro
IB7V	Italy	EU-073	San Pietro	IK7IMO (B/d)	By IK7IMO; DXpedition, high power, SO, SSB, 24 hours
IE9/OL5Y	Italy	EU-051	Ustica	OL5Y	By OL5Y; SO, low power
IO3M	Italy	EU-131	Pellestrina	LoTW	By team; DXpedition, M/2
M7X	England	EU-011	St Mary's	LoTW	By G0TSM; QSL via Club Log OQRS, eQSL
MD7C	Isle of Man	EU-116	Isle of Man	M0OXO	By M5RIC; 24 hr, SSB, high power
MM1E	Scotland	EU-123	Great Cumbrae	LoTW	By MM0GOR; Dxpedition, low power
MM5DB/p	Scotland	EU-010	Harris	LoTW	By M1YAP M0EPX G0VIQ GM7WED; DXpedition
MU5E	Guernsey	EU-114	Herm	LoTW	By GU4YOX; QSL via GU4YOX direct
N5LYG	USA	NA-143	Galveston	LoTW	By N5LYG; multi-op; high power, QSL via N5LYG direct

OY/G3WVG	Faroe Is	EU-018	Streymoy	LoTW	By G3WVG; QSL via Club Log OQRS
PA/DL1KVN/p	Netherlands	EU-038	Terschelling	LoTW	By DL1KVN; DXpedition, low power CW; 40 20m; verticals
PA2G	Netherlands	EU-146	Schouwen	LoTW	By ON4CKM ON4EC ON4JBS ON4ANN ON6NL ON4JCO PA2G; Multi-1, high
	power, 24 hours			Duiveland	
<a href="#">PC38EU</a>	Netherlands	EU-038	Texel	LoTW	By PA2DK; QSL via PA2DK Buro
PY5DC	Brazil	SA-047	Ilha do Mel	LoTW	By PY5DC; SSB, low power
<a href="#">SK7RN</a>	Sweden	EU-037	Oland	LoTW	By SM7DMY; JO86hv
<a href="#">SM/OV2E</a>	Sweden	EU-137	Ven	LoTW	By OZ3ACB OZ0J OZ9U; QRV Jul 23-27; CW SSB + digital; QSL via OZ0J
TK/IZ5DKH	France	EU-014	Corsica	IZ5DKH Buro	By IZ5DKH; low power, SSB CW
<a href="#">TK5K</a>	France	EU-104	Corsica	LoTW	By F4FET F5RAB; QSL via Club Log OQRS or F8GGV
VP2MAA	Montserrat	NA-103	Montserrat	VP2MAA	By VP2MAA
VP5G	Turks & Caicos	NA-002	North Caicos	M0OXO	By G0VJG fm North Caicos I (NA-002); 24 hrs, SSB, high power; QRV Jul 17-30; HF +
	6m; CW SSB FT8 FT4; possibly w/ a different call sign				
<a href="#">VU4R</a>	Andaman & Nicobar Is	AS-001	South Andaman	VU2RS Direct	By VU4RS fm Port Blair; QRV Jul 22-27; 40-10m; SSB; 400w, vertical