

Month on the Air by G3MGQ: August 2023

DXpeditions in August 2023 (Dates, DXCC, Callsign, Info from ADXO with NG3K Bill's kind permission) (# No longer on DX Watch or QRZ.com)

* until Aug 4 **Guatemala TG4/KT8X** by KT8X; 40-6m; CW FT8, perhaps SSB QSL: LoTW

* until Aug 17 **Iceland TF/SP7VC** by SP7VC & SQ7ORL as TF/SQ7OYL; 20m + VHF QSL: LoTW

Aug 20-Sep 9 **DR Congo 9Q2WX** QSL: IZ8CCW by OK2WX; HF; CW SSB + digital

Aug 28-Sep 12 **St Kitts & Nevis V47JA** QSL: LoTW by W5JON fm Calypso Bay; 160-6m; SSB FT8; yagi, verticals; QSL also OK via W5JON direct

Aug 31-Sep 14 **Mariana Is KH0/DL2AH** QSL: LoTW by DL2AH fm Rota I; 80-6m; SSB FT8; Windom, TripleLeg; QSL via Club Log OQRS or DL2AH direct

Pre- contest Activity: (IOTA Contest, 29-30 July 2023)

Call	DXCC	IOTA	Island	QSL	Notes
5P6G	Denmark	EU-088	Laesoe	DD5ZZ	By DJ6GI DD5ZZ; Dxpedition, Multi-1, mixed-mode, high power
5Q5CW	Denmark	EU-172	Hjarnoe	DL5CW	By DK3WW DL5CW DL8LAS DL5LYM
5Q5M	Denmark	EU-088	Anholt	ON6QR	By ON6QR; Dxpedition
9A	Croatia	EU-016	Vis	9A Buro	By 9A7YY S53Z S54W S58MU S50O S50X; QRV Jul 23-Aug 1
AA1AC	USA	NA-031	Aquidneck	LoTW	By AA1AC; Rhode Island
DK1A	Germany	EU-129	Usedom	DK1A Buro	By DL4SVA DL2RNS DG2RON DL1KWK DL1RTL DG6IMR DL7JOM; Multi-1
DX7EVM	Philippines	OC-130	Mindanao	DX7EVM	By DU9XL DU9XM DU9HRG DU9CA DV9DDX DV9ARA DV9BPI; Multi-1, QRP
DX7EVM/5	Philippines	OC-129	Kalanggaman	DX7EVM	By DU7OK DU7LEG 4F7ETO DV7LEQ DW7PGZ DW7FBH; Multi-1
G4ALE	England	EU-120	Isle of Wight	G4ALE	By G3VYI G3WRR G4WGE 2E0PUT G6DOD
G5XV	England	EU-120	Isle of Wight	M0OXO	By G4LMW M0DDT G3ZGC G3KLH G0KPE 2E0FEC G3VPW; Multi-2, high power
GU6EFW	Guernsey	EU-114	Guernsey	ON6EF	By ON6EF ON1BN
I/DL3NC	Italy	EU-031	Procida	DL3NC Direct	By DL3NC; tentative operation
IL3P	Italy	EU-131	Pellestrina	IU3EDK (B/d)	By IU3EDK IU3PMA IK4RVG IU3ISK IN3IJB IU4NIZ; QRO; QSL via IU3EDK (B/d)
IP1X	Italy	EU-083	Gallinara	IU1JCZ	By IU1JCZ IK1QBT I1NVU IK1CJO IK1NEG; DXpedition 24h Multiop, low power
LA4C	Norway	EU-055	Kvitsoy	LoTW	By LA1CO LA1SO LA3LL LA5PUA LA6SFA LA7XIA +5 others; QSL via LA4C Buro
MC5A	Wales	EU-124	Flat Holm	LoTW	By G3WVG G8DX; M/S, mixed-mode
MD1U	Isle of Man	EU-116	Isle of Man	LoTW	By M0UTD MM0OGR fm Scarlett Tower; DXpedition, Multi-1, high power
MD7C	Isle of Man	EU-116	Isle of Man	M0OXO	By M5RIC; SSB, 24 hr, high power
NN7SS	USA	NA-065	Vashon	LoTW	By W7BRS; high power; QSL via K6UFO
OV7X	Denmark	EU-172	Baage	DL2JRM Buro	By DL2JRM DL8UAT DM7XX; Multi-1, low power
PA/OP2C	Netherlands	EU-146	Schouwen Duiveland	LoTW	By ON4ANN ON4CKM ON4DTO ON4EC ON2BDJ; Multi-2, high power
PE55TEX	Netherlands	EU-038	Texel	LoTW	By PE3T DJ4MH DK2CL DK5KK DK8ZZ
PI4AMF/p	Netherlands	EU-146	Schouwen Duiveland	PA3EYC	By PA2LO PA3EYC PA3GRM PC3M PE1KWH PH3T
SM7/OZ5BAL		Sweden	EU-137	Hven	Club Log OQRS By OZ0J OZ3ACB OZ9U; Mixed mode; QSL via OZ0J
SN0RX	Poland	EU-132	Wolin	SP8BXL	By DJ0IF; CW
SK3T	Sweden	EU-176	Agon	SM0MPV	By SA0BP SM0CXU SM0MPV; Dxpedition
SV8GGI	Greece	EU-075	Salamina	LoTW	By SV8GGI
TM5K	France	EU-065	Ouessant	F8GGV	By F4FET F4HHL F5RAB F8GGV; Multi-2
WB8YJF/4	USA	NA-067	Ocracoke	LoTW	By WB8YJF fm FM25 (USI NC001S, Hyde County, NC); QRV Jul 22-Aug 4; CW FT8
FT4 RTTY, SSB; QSL WB8YJF (B/d)					

Contests (to enjoy or simply avoid!) After the VHF Field Day & IOTA Contest last month, digital modes PSK/RTTY feature this month; ILLW weekend is 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.**

May6-Aug6	0000-2400 UTC	UKSMG Summer Marathon; all modes , but split into 'Legacy' & Digital sections; 6m band only; Exchange: 4-digit locator only.
Tu Aug 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
Aug 1	1900-2130 UTC	RSGB 144MHz UKAC, Phone & CW 2m only Exchange: RS(T) + serial number + 6-digit square.
W Aug 2	1700-2100 UTC	RSGB 144MHz FT8 AC, FT8 (4hr) 2m only Exchange: Report + 4-digit square.
Aug 2	1900-2100 UTC	RSGB 144MHz FT8 AC, FT8 (2hr only) 2m only Exchange: Report + 4-digit square.
Th Aug 3	2000-2200 UTC	SKCC Sprint Europe, CW , 160m-10m (Not WARC bands) Exchange: RST + State/province/country + Name+ SKCC No./"None"
Sa Aug 5	1400-1800 UTC	RSGB 4th 2m Backpackers, All modes ; 2m portable only QRP (<5W or <25W) /P (not /M) Exchange: RS(T), Serial No, 6-digit locator
Aug 5	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 5	1200-2359 UTC	European HF Championship, CW & Phone HF (Not WARC bands) Exchange: RS(T) + 2-digit year first licensed
Su Aug 6	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 6	1400-1700 UTC	SARL HF Phone Contest, Phone 80, 40 & 20m Exchange: RS + serial number
Tu Aug 8	1800-1855 UTC	RSGB 432MHz FMAC ; (432.525-975 & 433.400-475MHz) FM. Exchange: serial number + 6-digit IARU locator.
Aug 8	1900-2130 UTC	RSGB 432MHz UKAC, Phone & CW 70cm only Exchange: RS(T) + serial number + 6-digit square.
W Aug 9	1700-2100 UTC	RSGB 432MHz FT8 AC, FT8 (4hr) 70cm only Exchange: Report + 4-digit square.
Aug 9	1900-2100 UTC	RSGB 432MHz FT8 AC, FT8 (2hr only) 2m only Exchange: Report + 4-digit square.
Th Aug 10	1900-2130 UTC	RSGB 50MHz UKAC, Phone & CW 6m only Exchange: RS(T) + serial number + 6-digit square.
Sa Aug 12	0000-2359 UTC	FISTS Saturday Sprint, CW , 80m-10m (Not WARC bands) Exchange: RST + State/province/country + Name+ FISTS No./"0"
Aug 12-13	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 12-13	1200-2400 UTC	SKCC Weekend Sprintathon, CW , 160m-10m (Not WARC bands) Exchange: RST + State/province/country + Name+ SKCC No./"None"
Su Aug 13	1400-1700 UTC	SARL HF Digital Contest, RTTY & PSK31 , 80, 40 & 20m Exchange: RST + serial number
Th Aug 17	1900-2130 UTC	RSGB 70MHz UKAC, All modes ; 4m only, Pwr <40/4W; Exchange: RS(T) + serial number + 6-digit square.
Aug 19-20	0000-2400 UTC	International Lighthouse & Lightship Weekend (ILLW) All bands & modes; work ILLW SES (QSO rather than contest format)
Sa Aug 19	0000-0800 UTC	SARTG WW RTTY Contest, RTTY 80-10m (Not WARC bands), LP<100W<HP; Exchange: RST + serial number
Aug 19-20	0800-0800 UTC	Russian District Award, CW SSB , 160-10m (Not WARC bands); Work RU stations only: Exchange: RST + serial number/RU District
Sa Aug 19	1600-2400 UTC	SARTG WW RTTY Contest, RTTY 80-10m (Not WARC bands), LP<100W<HP; Exchange: RST + serial number
Aug 19-20	1800-0559 UTC	North American QSO Party, SSB , 160-10m (Not WARC bands); Work NA stations only: Exchange: Name (+ state/province/NA country)
Aug 19-20	2100-2100 UTC	CVA Brazilian WW DX Contest, CW 160-10m (Not WARC bands); Exchange: RST + DX (UF, RN, YL, QRP, HQ, MIL, TEEN)
Su Aug 20	0800-1600 UTC	SARTG WW RTTY Contest, RTTY 80-10m (Not WARC bands), LP<100W<HP; Exchange: RST + serial number
Aug 20	0000-2359 UTC	FISTS Sunday Sprint, CW , 80m-10m (Not WARC bands) Exchange: RST + State/province/country + Name+ FISTS No./"0"
Th Aug 24	0000-0200 UTC	SKCC Sprint, CW , 160m-10m (Not WARC bands) Exchange: RST + State/province/country + Name + SKCC No./"None"
Aug 26-27	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 26-27	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 26-27	2100-2100 UTC	CVA Brazilian WW DX Contest, SSB 160-10m (Not WARC bands); Exchange: RS + DX (UF, RN, YL, QRP, HQ, MIL, TEEN)
Su Aug 27	1400-1700 UTC	SARL HF Contest, CW , 80, 40 & 20m Exchange: RST + serial number
Aug 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

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