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IARU News

The IARU Member-Societies have voted to admit the Libyan Communications Amateur Society (LCAS) as its newest member society. Founded on 12 May 2024, LCAS has seven licensed amateurs as members. Office bearers are 5A21MB (Chairman), 5A21ZX (Deputy Chairman) and 5A21AF (President of the General Assembly). The address of LCAS is PO Box 14158, Alhadba Alkhadra, Tripoli, Libya. [Source: IARU Calendar #206, 10 February 2025]

WRTC 2026

The World Radiosport Team Championships 2026 Competition Rules have been approved and published. In a nutshell: the event will be a multi-2 style competition with CW and SSB contacts with the same location will score equal points. "Small changes from earlier WRTC rules are primarily aimed to ensure the competition is a test of operator skills as much as possible."



<https://www.wrtc2026.org/2025/02/10/wrtc-uk-competition-rules/>. The event takes place over the second weekend of July 2026, with the IARU HF Championships

9V QSL Bureau

The Singapore Amateur Radio Transmitting Society (SARTS) has closed its 9V QSL bureau effective 14 February 2025 and is no longer accepting cards.

NCDXF Press Release

The Northern California DX Foundation has announced "its financial support for a \$35 000 grant to fund the NexGen RIB 2 systems. This project was submitted and led by Gregg, W6IZT. His proposal is to utilize three Elecraft K4 radios Radio-In-Box (RIB) kit that can be used by

February

- 19 - SARL Wednesday 80 m Club Contest
- 21 - International Mother Language Day and Armed Forces Day
- 22 - SS Mendi Day
- 26 - the Sandton Power Hour Tech Talk
- 27 - International Milk Tart Day

March

- 1 - the SARL YL QSO party, the West Rand Boot Sale and ZS4SRK Club meeting
- 1 and 2 - the ARRL International DX Phone Contest
- 2 - the SARL HAMNET 40 m Simulated Emergency Contest
- 3 - World Wildlife Day
- 8 - International Women's Day
- 8 and 9 - the SARL National Field Day, the SARL VHF/UHF FM contest and the RSGB Commonwealth contest
- 9 - YOTA Contest
- 16 - the start of the SARL 6 m Challenge
- 17 - St Patrick's Day
- 20 - the Autumn Equinox @ 08:58 UTC and the International Day of Happiness
- 21 - Human Rights Day; World Down Syndrome Day and the Namibian Independence Day
- 22 - World Water Day and the SARL Centenary Technical Symposium
- 22 and 23 - the Africa All Mode International DX Contest
- 23 - World Meteorological Day
- 26 - the Sandton Power Hour Tech Talk

DXpeditioners. He has a proven setup and will immediately embark on preparing these for deployment.

NCDXF will own the RIBs and keep them maintained for deployment. DXpeditions need to request these units with their NCDXF DXpedition grant applications.

This grant follows the successful launch of the first generation of RIBs using FlexRadio by George, AA7JV. Many QSOs have been made successfully in several DXpeditions where the entity footprint was minimised, the operators could be remote. These RIBs are still maintained and in use.

The mission of NCDXF is to provide necessary financial support for well-organized DXpeditions to desirable DXCC entities and to support advances in DXpeditioning skills, technology and infrastructure. These funds come from the contributions of our supporters in the DX community. Your contribution will help make DX happen: <https://www.ncdxf.org/>."

DX from Africa

(These count towards your All Africa Award)



Gabon, TR. Roland, F8EN (ex CN8EM, FO8BV, 3C3CR), will once again be active as TR8CR from Libreville, Gabon from now until April (possibly longer). As usual, he will be active on CW only. QSNs show that he has been very active on 12 meters. QSL via F6AJA, direct or by the Bureau. The log will be posted here <https://lesnouvellesdx.fr/voirlogs.php>



Cameroon, TJ. Thierry, TJ/TK1CX, remains active until 28 February. QSL via EA5ZD and/or LoTW.

Tanzania, 5H. Chas, NK8O will be active again as 5H3DX from Tanzania between 20 February and 6 March. He plans to operate CW and digital in his limited spare time. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, or direct to home call (see www.qrz.com/db/5H3DX for instructions).

Tanzania, 5H. Maurizio, IK2GZU will be active again as 5H3MB from Tanzania from 18 March to 8 April, while doing volunteer work at a local school. In his spare time, he will operate SSB, CW and digital modes on 80 to 10 metres. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW and eQSL, or via IK2GZU (direct or bureau).

Uganda, 5X. Currently based in Nairobi (Kenya) and using his 5Z4J call sign, John, ZS5J has just received his 5X1J license. "I have an office in Uganda and I travel by road to Uganda from Kenya on a regular basis, usually for 2 to 3 weeks for each trip," he says. "It is on these trips that I will be using my 5X1J call sign. I will be operating mostly from Jinja, at the source of the River Nile near Lake Victoria." QSL only via LoTW. More information and updates will be posted to www.qrz.com/db/5X1J.

The Gambia, C5. C5DX will be activated again between 14 and 21 February as part of a school trip to Banjul, The Gambia. In his spare time Alan, G4DJX will operate CW on 40 to 10 metres. QSL via LoTW; paper QSLs will not be provided.

African Islands

Comoros, D6. Elvira, IV3FSG, will be active as D68Z from Moroni, Comoros, between 28 February and 18 March. As usual, activity will be on various HF bands using CW, SSB and digital. Logs will be uploaded to ClubLog. QSL via IK2DUW or LoTW. Look for more details to be forthcoming.

Rodrigues Island, 3B9. Team 3B9DJ (namely OK1CRM, OK2ZA, OK6DJ and OK7GU) will be active from Rodrigues Island (AF-017) from 24 March to 5 April. They plan to operate CW, SSB and digital on 160 to 10 metres. QSL via Club Log's OQRS (preferred), LoTW, or via OK6DJ.

Cape Verde, D4. Harald, DF2WO, will once again be active as D44TWO from Sao Tiago Island (AF-005), Cape Verde, sometime in May (dates to be confirmed). Activity is usually holiday style on 160 – 6 m on CW, SSB and digital. He uses a hexbeam and dipoles. Also, he plans to be on QO-100. QSL via OQRS M00XO.

Contest Calendar

This week's contests as compiled by Bruce Horn, WA7BNM. The period covered is from 17 to 24 February 2025.

Run for the Bacon QRP Contest
23:00 UTC 16 February to 01:00 UTC 17 February
Geographic Focus: Worldwide
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW
Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m
Classes: Single Band; All Band
Max power: 5 watts
Exchange: RST, state, province or country and member no or power
Work stations: Once per band
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO with non-member; 3 points per QSO with member on same continent; 5 points per QSO with member on different continent
Multipliers: Each state, province, or country once; Multiply mults by 2 if >50 members worked
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
Submit logs by: 22 February 2025
E-mail logs to: (none)
Upload log at:
<http://QRPcontest.com/pigrun/autolog.php>
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: <http://QRPcontest.com/pigrun/>



K1USN Slow Speed Test
00:00 - 01:00 UTC 17 February
Geographic Focus: Worldwide
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW
Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m
Classes: Single Op - QRP, low or high

Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100 watts;
QRP: 5 watts
Exchange: Maximum 20 wpm - name and state, province or country
Work stations: Once per band
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO
Multipliers: Each state, province or country once per band; W/VE do not count as country mults
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 19 February 2025
Post log summary at: www.3830scores.com
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: www.k1usn.com/sst.html

ICWC Medium Speed Test
13:00 - 14:00 UTC and 19:00 - 20:00 UTC 17 February and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC 18 February
Geographic Focus: Worldwide
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW
Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m
Classes: Single Op - QRP, low or high
Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100 watts;
QRP: 5 watts
Exchange: Name and QSO no
Work stations: Once per band
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO
Multipliers: Each call once
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
Submit logs by: 04:00 UTC 20 February 2025
Post log summary at: www.3830scores.com
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at:
<https://internationalcouncil.org/mst-contest/>

OK1WC Memorial (MWC)
16:30 - 17:29 UTC 17 February

Geographic Focus: Worldwide
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW
Bands: 80, 40 m
Classes: Single Op All Band - QRP or low; Single Op Single Band - QRP or low
Max power: LP: 100 watts; QRP: 5 watts
Exchange: RST and serial no
Work stations: Once per band
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO
Multipliers: Each last character of worked station call suffix once per band
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
Submit logs by: 06:00 UTC 21 February 2025
E-mail logs to: (none)
Upload log at: <https://memorial-ok1wc.cz/index.php?page=logs>
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: <https://memorial-ok1wc.cz/index.php?page=rules2>

Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest
01:00 - 01:59 UTC 18 February
Geographic Focus: Worldwide
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: SSB
Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10, 6 m
Classes: Single Op - QRP, low or high
Overlay: Youth (26 years old or younger); Youth YL (female 26 years old or younger); YL (female older than 26 years)
Max power: HP: 1 500 watts; LP: 100 watts; QRP: 5 watts
Exchange: RS and age group (OM, YL, Youth YL or Youth)
Work stations: Once per band
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO with OM; 5 points per QSO with YL; 10 points per QSO with Youth; 15 points per QSO with Youth YL
Multipliers: Each DXCC once per band
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
Submit logs by: 01:59 UTC 19 February 2025
E-mail logs to: (none)
Upload log at: <https://logs.wwsac.com/>
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: <https://wwsac.com/rules.html>

QRP Fox Hunt
02:00 - 03:30 UTC 19 February

Geographic Focus: United States
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW
Bands: 40 m Only
Classes: Single Op - fox or hound
Max power: 5 watts
Exchange: RST, state, province or country, name and power output
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO
Multipliers: (none)
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points
Submit logs by: 03:30 UTC 20 February 2025
E-mail logs to: (see rules)
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at:
www.QRPfoxhunt.org/winter_rules.htm



Phone Weekly Test
02:30 - 03:00 UTC 19 February
Geographic Focus: North America
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: SSB
Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 m
Classes: Single Op
Max power: 100 watts
Exchange: NA: Name and state, province or country; non-NA: Name
Work stations: Once per band
QSO Points: NA station: 1 point per QSO; non-NA station: 1 point per QSO with an NA station
Multipliers: Each US state (including KH6/KL7) once per band; Each VE province/territory once per band; Each North American country (except W/VE) once per band
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
Submit logs by: 03:00 UTC 21 February 2025
E-mail logs to: (none)
Post log summary at: www.3830scores.com
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at:
www.perluma.com/Phone_Fray_Contest_Rule_s.pdf

A1Club AWT
 11:45 - 13:00 UTC 19 February
 Geographic Focus: Worldwide
 Participation: Worldwide
 Mode: CW
 Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m
 Classes: Single Op - QRP, low or high
 Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100 watts;
 QRP: 5 watts
 Exchange: Member: RST and name
 Work stations: Once per band
 QSO Points: 1 point per QSO
 Multipliers: Each call once
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO
 points x total mults
 Submit logs by: 24 February 2025
 Post log summary at: www.3830scores.com
 Mail logs to: (none)
 Find rules at: <https://a1club.org/contest/awt/>



A1Club AWT
 12:00 - 13:00 UTC 19 February
 Geographic Focus: Worldwide
 Participation: Worldwide
 Mode: CW
 Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m
 Classes: Single Op - QRP, low or high

Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100 watts;
 QRP: 5 watts
 Exchange: Member: RST and name
 Work stations: Once per band
 QSO Points: 1 point per QSO
 Multipliers: Each call once
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO
 points x total mults
 Submit logs by: 24 February 2025
 Post log summary at: www.3830scores.com
 Mail logs to: (none)
 Find rules at: <https://a1club.org/contest/awt/>

CWops Test (CWT)
 13:00 - 14:00 UTC and 19:00 - 20:00 UTC 19
 February and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC and 07:00 -
 08:00 UTC 20 February
 Geographic Focus: Worldwide
 Participation: Worldwide
 Awards: Worldwide
 Mode: CW
 Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m
 Classes: Single Op - QRP, low or high
 Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100 watts;
 QRP: 5 watts
 Exchange: Member: Name and member no or
 CWA; non-Member: Name and state, province
 or country
 Work stations: Once per band
 QSO Points: 1 point per QSO
 Multipliers: Each call once
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO
 points x total mults
 Submit logs by: 08:00 UTC 22 February 2025
 Post log summary at: www.3830scores.com
 Mail logs to: (none)
 Find rules at: <https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/>

Mini-Test 40
 17:00 - 17:59 UTC 19 February
 Geographic Focus: Worldwide
 Participation: Worldwide
 Mode: CW
 Bands: 40 m Only
 Classes: Single Op - QRP, low or high
 Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100 watts;
 QRP: 5 watts
 Exchange: RST and serial no
 Work stations: Once per 10-minute period
 QSO Points: 1 point per QSO
 Multipliers: Each call once

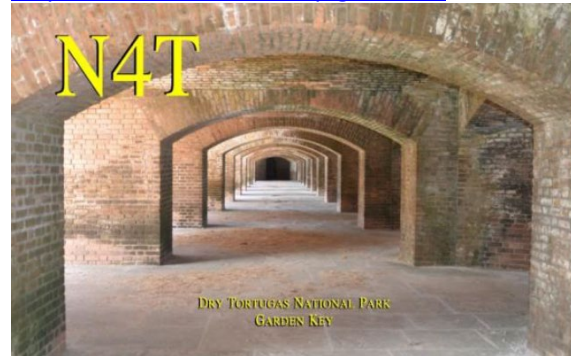
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
Submit logs by: 21 February 2025
Upload log at: <https://ua9qcq.com/hf-logs.php>
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: <http://minitest.narod.ru/>

Mini-Test 80
18:00 - 18:59 UTC 19 February
Geographic Focus: Worldwide
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW
Bands: 80 m Only
Classes: Single Op - QRP, low or high
Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100 watts;
QRP: 5 watts
Exchange: RST and serial no
Work stations: Once per 10-minute period
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO
Multipliers: Each call once
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
Submit logs by: 21 February 2025
Upload log at: <https://ua9qcq.com/hf-logs.php>
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: <http://minitest.narod.ru/>

AGCW Semi-Automatic Key Evening
19:00 - 20:30 UTC 19 February
Geographic Focus: Worldwide
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW
Bands: 80, 40 m
Classes: (none)
Exchange: RST, serial no, / and 2-digit year first used a bug
Work stations: Once per band
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO
Multipliers: (none)
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points
Submit logs by: 4 March 2025
E-mail logs to: (none)
Upload log at: www.agcw.de/contest/sta/
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: www.agcw.de/contest/sta/

Walk for the Bacon QRP Contest
00:00 - 01:00 UTC 20 February and 02:00 - 03:00 UTC 21 February
Geographic Focus: North America

Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW
Bands: 20 m Only
Classes: Single Op
Max power: 5 watts
Exchange: Maximum 13 wpm – RST, state, province or country, name and member no or power
Work stations: Once per day
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO with non-member; 3 points per QSO with member on same continent; 5 points per QSO with member on different continent
Multipliers: (none)
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points
Submit logs by: 27 February 2025
E-mail logs to: (none)
Upload log at: <https://QRPcontest.com/pigwalk20/autolog.php>
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: <https://QRPcontest.com/pigwalk20/>



NTC QSO Party
19:00 - 20:00 UTC 20 February
Geographic Focus: The Netherlands
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW
Bands: 80, 40, 20 m
Classes: Electronic Keyer; Mechanical Keyer
Exchange: NTC Member: RST and member no; non-Member: RST and "NM" - less than 25 wpm
Work stations: Once per band
QSO Points: 3 points per QSO with PG6NTC; 2 points per QSO with NTC member; 1 point per QSO with non-member
Multipliers: (none)
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points
Submit logs by: 24 February 2025

E-mail logs to: ntcqp@pi4ntc.nl
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: <https://pi4ntc.nl/ntcqp/>

NCCC FT4 Sprint
01:00 - 01:30 UTC 21 February
Geographic Focus: North America
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: FT4
Bands: (see rules)
Classes: (none)
Max power: 100 watts
Exchange: 4-character grid square
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO
Multipliers: Each 4-character grid square once per band
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
Submit logs by: 23 February 2025
E-mail logs to: (none)
Upload log at: <https://lotw.arrl.org/>
Post log summary at: www.3830scores.com/
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: www.ncccsprint.com/ft4ns.html

Weekly RTTY Test
01:45 - 02:15 UTC 21 February
Geographic Focus: North America
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: RTTY
Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m
Classes: Single-Op - QRP or low
Max power: LP: 100 watts; QRP: 5 watts
Exchange: Name and state, province or country
Work stations: Once per band
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO
Multipliers: Each call sign once
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
Submit logs by: 23 February 2025
E-mail logs to: (none)
Post log summary at: www.3830scores.com/
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at:
<https://radiosport.world/wrt.html>

QRP Fox Hunt
02:00 - 03:30 UTC 21 February
Geographic Focus: United States
Participation: Worldwide

Mode: CW
Bands: 80 m Only
Classes: Single Op - fox or hound
Max power: 5 watts
Exchange: RST, state, province or country, name and power output
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO
Multipliers: (none)
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points
Submit logs by: 03:30 UTC 22 February 2025
E-mail logs to: (see rules)
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at:
www.QRPfoxhunt.org/winter_rules.htm



NCCC Sprint Ladder
02:30 - 03:00 UTC 21 February
Geographic Focus: North America
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW
Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 m
Classes: Single Op
Max power: 100 watts
Exchange: Serial no, name and QTH
Work stations: Once per band
QSO Points: NA station: 1 point per QSO; non-NA station: 1 point per QSO with an NA station
Multipliers: Each US state (including KL7 and KH6) once per band; Each VE province once per band; Each North American country (except W/VE) once per band
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
Submit logs by: 23 February 2025
E-mail logs to: (none)
Post log summary at: www.3830scores.com/
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at:
<https://ncccsprint.com/rules.html>

K1USN Slow Speed Test

20:00 - 21:00 UTC 21 February
 Geographic Focus: Worldwide
 Participation: Worldwide
 Mode: CW
 Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m
 Classes: Single Op - QRP, low or high
 Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100 watts;
 QRP: 5 watts
 Exchange: Maximum 20 wpm - name and
 state, province or country
 Work stations: Once per band
 QSO Points: 1 point per QSO
 Multipliers: Each state, province or country
 once per band; W/VE do not count as country
 mults
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO
 points x total mults
 Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 23 February 2025
 Post log summary at: www.3830scores.com
 Mail logs to: (none)
 Find rules at: www.k1usn.com/sst.html



CQ 160-Metre SSB Contest
 22:00 UTC 21 February to 22:00 UTC 23
 February
 Geographic Focus: Worldwide
 Participation: Worldwide
 Awards: Worldwide
 Mode: SSB
 Bands: 160 m Only
 Classes: Single Op - QRP, low or high; Single Op
 Assisted - low or high; Multi-Op - high
 Max operating hours: Single Op: 30 hours;
 Multi-Op: 40 hours
 Max power: HP: 1 500 watts; LP: 100 watts;
 QRP: 5 watts
 Exchange: W/VE: RS and state or province; DX:
 RS and CQ Zone
 QSO Points: 2 points per QSO with own
 country; 5 points per QSO with other countries
 on same continent; 10 points per QSO with

other continents; 5 points per QSO with
 maritime mobile
 Multipliers: Each US state and DC (excluding
 KH6/KL7); Each VE province; Each DXCC and
 WAE country (including KH6/KL7)
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO
 points x total mults
 Submit logs by: 22:00 UTC 28 February 2025
 E-mail logs to: (none)
 Upload log at: www.cq160.com/logcheck/
 Mail logs to: (none)
 Find rules at: www.cq160.com/rules.htm

REF SSB Contest
 06:00 UTC 22 February to 18:00 UTC 23
 February
 Geographic Focus: France and overseas
 territories
 Participation: Worldwide
 Awards: Worldwide
 Mode: SSB
 Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m
 Classes: Single Op All Band; Single Op Single
 Band; Multi-Single; Club; SWL
 Max power: HP: >100 Watts; LP: 100 Watts;
 QRP: 5 Watts
 Exchange: French: RS and Department or
 Prefix; non-French: RS and serial no
 Work stations: Once per band
 QSO Points: French: 6 points per QSO with
 French station same continent; French: 15
 points per QSO with French station on
 different continent; French: 1 point per QSO
 with non-French station same continent;
 French: 2 points per QSO with non-French
 station on different continent; non-French: 1
 point per QSO with French station same
 continent; non-French: 3 points per QSO with
 French station on different continent
 Multipliers: French/Corsica departments once
 per band; French overseas prefixes once per
 band; non-French DXCC countries once per
 band (available only to French stations)
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO
 points x total mults
 Submit logs by: 3 March 2025
 E-mail logs to: (none)
 Upload log at: [https://concours.r-e-
 f.org/contest/logs/upload-form/](https://concours.r-e-f.org/contest/logs/upload-form/)
 Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at: https://concours.r-e-f.org/reglements/actuels/reg_cdfhfdx.pdf

UBA DX CW Contest

13:00 UTC 22 February to 13:00 UTC 23 February

Geographic Focus: Belgium

Participation: Worldwide

Awards: Europe

Mode: CW

Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m

Classes: Single Op All Band - low or high; Single Op Single Band - low or high; Single Op QRP;

Multi-Op; SWL

Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100 watts;

QRP: 5 watts

Exchange: ON: RST, serial no and section; non-

ON: RST and serial no

Work stations: Once per band

QSO Points: 10 points per QSO with Belgian

station; 3 points per QSO with other stations in

a European Union country; 1 point per QSO

with stations not in a European Union country

Multipliers: Each Belgian section once per

band; Each Belgian prefix once per band; Each

European Union DXCC country once per band

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO

points x total mults

Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 2 March 2025

E-mail logs to: ubacw@uba.be

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at: www.uba.be/en/hf/contest-rules/uba-dx-contest



South Carolina QSO Party

15:00 UTC 22 February to 01:59 UTC 23 February

Geographic Focus: United States/Canada state/province QSO party

Participation: Worldwide

Awards: Worldwide

Mode: CW, Digital, Phone

Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10, 6 m

Classes: Single Op Fixed - CW, SSB, digital or

mixed - QRP, low or high; Multi-Single Fixed -

CW, SSB, digital or mixed - QRP, low or high;

Multi-Multi Fixed - CW, SSB, digital or mixed -

QRP, low or high; Mobile-Single - CW, SSB,

digital or mixed - QRP, low or high; Mobile-

Multi - CW, SSB, digital or mixed - QRP, low or

high; Expedition - CW, SSB, digital or mixed -

QRP, low or high

Max power: HP: >100 W; LP: 100 W; QRP: 5 W

Exchange: SC: RS(T) and County; non-SC: RS(T)

and state, province or DX

Work stations: Once per band per mode per

county

QSO Points: 2 points QSO; SC stations

contacting non-SC stations earn double QSO

points; Bonus: 350 points per QSO with

W4CAE; 250 points per QSO with K4YTZ or

WW4SF

Multipliers: SC: Each SC county, US state

(including DC) and VE province/territory once

per mode per band; non-SC: Each SC county

once per mode per band

Score Calculation: Total score = (total QSO

points x total mults) and Bonus Points

Submit logs by: March 8, 2025

E-mail logs to: (none)

Upload log at: <http://scqso.com/log-submission/>

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at: <http://scqso.com/>

North American RTTY QSO Party

18:00 UTC 22 February to 05:59 UTC 23 February

Geographic Focus: North America

Participation: Worldwide

Awards: North America

Mode: RTTY

Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m

Classes: Single Op - QRP or low; Single Op

Assisted - QRP or low; Multi-Two - low

Max operating hours: Single Op: 10 hours;

Multi-Two: 12 hours

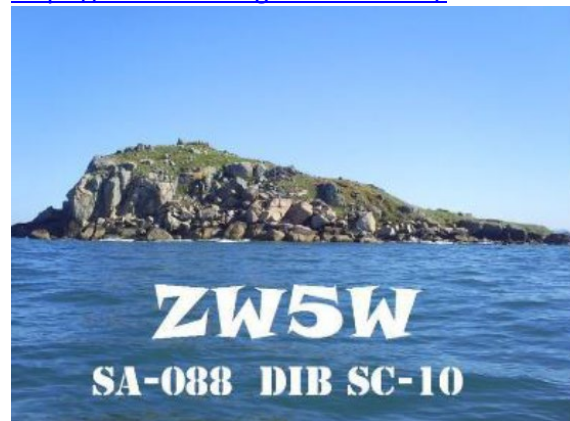
Max power: LP: 100 watts; QRP: 5 watts

Exchange: NA: Name and state, province or country; non-NA: Name
 Work stations: Once per band
 QSO Points: NA station: 1 point per QSO; non-NA station: 1 point per QSO with an NA station
 Multipliers: Each US state/DC (including KH6/KL7) once per band; Each VE province/territory once per band; Each North American country (except W/VE) once per band
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
 Submit logs by: 05:59 UTC 2 March 2025
 Upload log at:
www.ncjweb.com/naqplogsubmit/
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NA Collegiate RTTY Championship
 18:00 UTC 22 February to 05:59 UTC 23 February
 Geographic Focus: North America
 Participation: Worldwide
 Awards: North America
 Mode: RTTY
 Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m
 Classes: Multi-One - low
 Max operating hours: 12 hours
 Max power: LP: 100 watts
 Exchange: NA: Name and state, province or country; non-NA: Name
 Work stations: Once per band
 QSO Points: NA station: 1 point per QSO; non-NA station: 1 point per QSO with an NA station
 Multipliers: Each US state/DC (including KH6/KL7) once per band; Each VE province/territory once per band; Each North American country (except W/VE) once per band
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
 Submit logs by: 05:59 UTC 2 March 2025
 Upload log at:
www.ncjweb.com/naqplogsubmit/
 Mail logs to: (none)
 Find rules at: www.w9smc.com/nacc/

World Wide Argentina DX Contest
 00:00 - 23:59 UTC 23 February
 Geographic Focus: Worldwide

Participation: Worldwide
 Mode: CW, SSB
 Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m
 Classes: Single Op All Band – CW, SSB or mixed - QRP, low or high; Single Op Single Band – CW, SSB or mixed - QRP, low or high; Single Op Overlays (Rookie/YL); Multi-Op - low or high
 Exchange: RS(T) and 4-character grid square
 Work stations: Once per band per mode
 QSO Points: 1 point per km between stations
 Multipliers: Each grid square once per band per mode
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
 Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 2 March 2025
 E-mail logs to: (none)
 Upload log at:
https://worldwideargentina.com.ar/?page_id=751
 Mail logs to: (none)
 Find rules at:
<https://worldwideargentina.com.ar/>



High Speed Club CW Contest
 14:00 - 17:00 UTC 23 February
 Geographic Focus: Worldwide
 Participation: Worldwide
 Awards: Worldwide
 Mode: CW
 Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m
 Classes: HSC Members; Non-Members; QRP; SWL
 Max power: 100 watts; QRP: 5 watts
 Exchange: Members: RST and HSC no; non-Members: RST and "NM"
 Work stations: Once per band
 QSO Points: 5 points per QSO with an HSC member; 2 points per QSO with a non-member
 Multipliers: Each DXCC country once per band
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults

Submit logs by: 17:00 UTC 9 March 2025
E-mail logs to: (none)
Upload log at:
<https://sites.google.com/view/hsc-contest>
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: www.highspeedclub.org/



North Carolina QSO Party
15:00 UTC 23 February to 01:00 UTC 24 February
Geographic Focus: United States/Canada state/province QSO party
Participation: Worldwide
Awards: Worldwide
Mode: CW, Phone, Digital (FT4/8 see rules)
Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, 10, 6, 2m
Classes: Single Op – NC or non-NC – CW or phone - low or high; Single Op – NC or non-NC - mixed - QRP, low or high; NC Portable Mixed Low; NC Mobile Mixed Low; Multi-Op NC Mixed - low or high; NC Expedition Mixed Low
Max power: HP: >150 watts; LP: 150 watts; QRP: 5 watts CW or 10 watts phone
Exchange: NC: County; non-NC: (state/province/"DX")
Work stations: Once per band per mode
QSO Points: 2 points per phone QSO; 3 points per CW QSO; 5 points per digital QSO; 50 points each for working bonus stations; Bonus Points for NC Mobiles/Portables: 100 points for each county activated
Multipliers: NC stations: Each NC county, state, province and one DXCC country once; Non-NC stations: Each NC county once
Score Calculation: Total score = (total QSO points x total mults) and bonus points
Submit logs by: 04:59 UTC 10 March 2025
E-mail logs to: (none)
Upload log at: www.ncqsoparty.org/logs
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: <http://ncqsoparty.org/rules/>

K1USN Slow Speed Test
00:00 - 01:00 UTC 24 February
Geographic Focus: Worldwide
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW
Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m
Classes: Single Op - QRP, low or high
Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100 watts; QRP: 5 watts
Exchange: Maximum 20 wpm - name and state, province or country
Work stations: Once per band
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO
Multipliers: Each state, province or country once per band; W/VE do not count as country mults
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 26 February 2025
Post log summary at: www.3830scores.com
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: www.k1usn.com/sst.html

QCX Challenge
13:00 - 14:00 UTC and 19:00 - 20:00 UTC 24 February and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC 25 February
Geographic Focus: Worldwide
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW
Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m
Classes: Single Op
Max power: HP: >5 watts; QRP: 5 watts
Exchange: RST, name, state, province or country and rig
Work stations: Once per band
QSO Points: 3 points per QSO with QCX station; 1 point per QSO with non-QCX station
Multipliers: (none)
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points
Submit logs by: 04:00 UTC 2 March 2025
Post log summary at: www.3830scores.com
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: www.QRP-labs.com/party.html

ICWC Medium Speed Test
13:00 - 14:00 UTC and 19:00 - 20:00 UTC 24 February and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC 25 February
Geographic Focus: Worldwide
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW

Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m
Classes: Single Op - QRP, low or high
Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100 watts;
QRP: 5 watts
Exchange: Name and QSO no
Work stations: Once per band
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO
Multipliers: Each call once
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO
points x total mults
Submit logs by: 04:00 UTC 27 February 2025
Post log summary at: www.3830scores.com
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at:
<https://internationalcwcouncil.org/mst-contest/>

OK1WC Memorial (MWC)
16:30 - 17:29 UTC 24 February
Geographic Focus: Worldwide
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW
Bands: 80, 40 m
Classes: Single Op All Band - QRP or low; Single
Op Single Band - QRP or low
Max power: LP: 100 watts; QRP: 5 watts
Exchange: RST and serial no
Work stations: Once per band
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO
Multipliers: Each last character of worked
station call suffix once per band

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO
points x total mults
Submit logs by: 06:00 UTC February 28, 2025
E-mail logs to: (none)
Upload log at: <https://memorial-ok1wc.cz/index.php?page=logs>
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: <https://memorial-ok1wc.cz/index.php?page=rules2!>

RSGB FT4 Contest
20:00 - 22:00 UTC 24 February
Geographic Focus: United Kingdom
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: FT4
Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m
Classes: 100 W; 10 W
Exchange: Signal report
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO; 5 points per QSO
with HQ stations G#6XX
Multipliers: Each DXCC country once per band;
Each HQ station G#6XX once per band
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO
points x total mults
Submit logs by: 22:00 UTC 25 February 2025
Upload log at: www.rsgbcc.org/cgi-bin/hfenter.pl
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at:
www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2025/r80m_ft4.shtml

Next Week's Contests

Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest, 01:00 - 01:59 UTC 25 February
SKCC Sprint, 00:00 - 02:00 UTC 26 February
QRP Fox Hunt, 02:00 - 03:30 UTC 26 February
Phone Weekly Test, 02:30 - 03:00 UTC 26 February
A1Club AWT, 11:45 - 13:00 UTC 26 February
CWops Test, 13:00 - 14:00 UTC and 19:00 - 20:00 UTC 26 February and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC and 07:00 - 08:00 UTC 27 February
Mini-Test 40, 17:00 - 17:59 UTC 26 February
Mini-Test 80, 18:00 - 18:59 UTC 26 February
UKEICC 80 m Contest, 20:00 - 21:00 UTC 26 February
RSGB 80 m CW Club Championship, 20:00 - 21:30 UTC 27 February
NCCC FT4 Sprint, 01:00 - 01:30 UTC 28 February
Weekly RTTY Test, 01:45 - 02:15 UTC 28 February
QRP Fox Hunt, 02:00 - 03:30 UTC 28 February
NCCC Sprint Ladder, 02:30 - 03:00 UTC 28 February
K1USN Slow Speed Test, 20:00 - 21:00 UTC 28 February

ARRL International DX SSB Contest, 00:00 UTC 1 March to 24:00 UTC 2 March
Wake-Up! QRP Sprint, 06:00 - 06:29 UTC and 06:30 - 06:59 UTC and 07:00 - 07:29 UTC and 07:30 - 08:00 UTC 1 March
UBA Spring CW Contest, 07:00 - 11:00 UTC 2 March
NSARA Contest, 12:00 - 16:00 UTC and 18:00 - 22:00 UTC 2 March
SARL Hamnet 40 m Simulated Emerg Contest, 12:00 - 14:00 UTC 2 March
WAB 3,5 MHz Phone, 18:00 - 22:00 UTC 2 March
K1USN Slow Speed Test, 00:00 - 01:00 UTC 3 March
ICWC Medium Speed Test, 13:00 - 14:00 UTC and 19:00 - 20:00 UTC 3 March and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC 4 March
OK1WC Memorial, 16:30 - 17:29 UTC 3 March
RSGB 80 m Data Club Championship, 20:00 - 21:30 UTC 3 March
ARS Spartan Sprint, 01:00 - 03:00 UTC 4 March
Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest, 01:00 - 01:59 UTC 4 March
AGCW YL-CW Party, 19:00 - 21:00 UTC 4 March

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