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Dennis and Carina are at the Cosmos and Honey Festival at Sandstone Estate, near Ficksburg in the beautiful Eastern Free State. Dennis is in charge of the military vehicles on the farm

World Amateur Radio Day - 18 April 2025

Every year on 18 April, radio amateurs worldwide take to the airwaves in celebration of World Amateur Radio Day. It was on this day in 1925 that the International Amateur Radio Union was formed in Paris. Today, amateur radio is more popular than ever, with more than three million licensed operators!

The IARU is very pleased to announce the theme for 2025 as, "Entering the Next Century of Amateur Radio Communications & Innovation." World Amateur Radio Day is an opportunity to reflect on our achievements since 1925. We should celebrate our diverse community and the advances and innovations we have made as we look forward to celebrating the IARU centenary next weekend.

In celebration of this event, ZS100SARL and ZT4T will be active on Good Friday, 18 April. Members of the Boland Amateur Radio Club will be on the air with the special call sign ZS100SARL from 08:00 to 20:00 CAT. For now, the station will be mainly on 40 m SSB, but bands may also change depending on conditions. The idea is to give mainly Southern African stations, the opportunity to contact ZS100SARL. Logs will be uploaded to SA-QSL where contacts can be confirmed.

April

- 15 - the end of the SARL 6 m Challenge
- 17 to 20 - the Cosmos Festival
- 18 - Good Friday, World Amateur Radio Day, the IARU 100th birthday and RAE registration closes
- 20 - Easter Sunday
- 21 - Family Day
- 22 and 23 - Lyrids Meteor Shower
- 23 - English Language Day
- 24 to 26 - IARU 100 and Region 1 75 celebrations in Paris
- 25 - Marconi Day and International Girls in ICT Day
- 26 - SARL Saturday 40 m Club Contest
- 27 - Freedom Day and Morse Day
- 28 - Public Holiday
- 29 - School holiday
- 30 - School holiday and the Sandton Power Hour

May

- 1 - Worker's Day
- 2 - School holiday
- 3 and 4 - Autumn ZS-SOTA activity

ZT4T, operated by Jan, ZS4JAN will be active on 40 and 80 m as the weather permits. QSL via the SARL Electronic QSL, a direct special event QSL card is available on request.

The Results of the SARL 80 m QSO PARTY

Twenty-three logs were received for the April leg of the SARL 80 m QSO Party held on Thursday 3 April 2025.

- 1st Kobus Boshoff, ZS6BOS – 320 points
- 2nd Dave du Toit, ZS6DDT – 300 points
- 3rd Danie Schnetler, ZS6DPS and Graham Busse, ZS6GL – 290 points
- 5th Kobus Kotze, ZS6KBS and Phillip van Tonder, ZS6PVT – 250 points
- 7th Ledge Mouton, ZS6OLM – 240 points
- 8th Peet Lotriet, ZS3PL and Gert du Plessis, ZR6GRT – 230 points
- 10th Helmar Otto, ZS1H - 220 points
- 11th Phillip Fischer, ZS6FY – 210 points
- 12th Romeo Nardini ZS6ARQ – 200 points
- 13th Jan Lamprecht ZS1LAM and Garth Moore ZS2AAR – 180 points
- 15th Lee Chapman ZR6LC – 160 points
- 16th Roy Walsh ZS1YR - 140 points
- 17th Nico van Rensburg ZS1ZAN; Dulan Macdonald ZS2D and Sid Tyler, ZS5H – 130 points
- 20th Lucas Swart, ZS6ACT – 120 points
- 21st Theunis Potgieter ZS2EC – 110 points
- 22nd Esm'e Walsh ZS1YE – 70 points
- 23rd Martin James V51MJ – 10 points

CQ MM DX Contest

The CQ MM DX Contest, organized by the Juiz de Fora CW Group, will be held on 19 and 20 April. It will run from 09:00 UTC on Saturday to 23:59 UTC on Sunday with activity on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres. Complete details, including the results of the 2024 edition, can be found at <https://www.cqmmDX.com/>.

International Marconi Day

Organized by the Cornish Radio Amateur Club, the International Marconi Day (IMD) is a 24-hour amateur radio event held annually to celebrate the birth of Guglielmo Marconi (25 April 1874). It is not a contest, but an opportunity for amateurs around the world to make contacts with historic Marconi sites using HF communications techniques. This year's event will be held from 00:00 UTC to 23:59 UTC on 26 April. Details, including information on the Award Certificates and the listing of participating stations, can be found at <https://gx4crc.com/>.

IOTA News: Change to Qualifying Islands for AS-178P

The IOTA Directory currently lists Pillar Rock as the only island qualifying for the Andhra Pradesh State North group (AS-178P). Recently a close investigation of the rock based on drone photos and videos has raised serious concerns about the safety of an IOTA radio operation. The central rock has a serious overhang, caused by erosion heavily carved in on the side facing away from the mainland. Advice from local fishermen is that the rock would be unsafe to climb, not because of the level of difficulty involved but because of the risk that a part of the upper half of the rock could give way and break without warning from any significant weight placed on it, simply because of its shape and the relatively brittle material it is made of. Listing of the rock as a qualifying island in the Directory revision of 2000 was based on nothing more than its appearance as a spot on a marine chart, so nothing was known about the rock's condition.

Management has decided that any attempt to establish a radio operation from Pillar Rock would be too dangerous and is removing it with immediate effect as an AS-178P qualifier. In its place it has added Hope Island at 16° 58 N. This is a recognised island but with a long tail of sandbar/shingle at the southern end stretching at least 11 km to the "Tail of Hope", and even beyond into the extensive Coringa Wildlife Sanctuary, a 100 sq. km mangrove forest straddled by canals and swamp. Management takes the view that, given its isolation from anything constituting mainland, it can reasonably qualify as a counter. However, in fairness to all activators who might consider activating this new one, it has felt it necessary to insert a delay in implementation of the decision and will only consider operations that take place from Hope Island on or after 1 September 2025. [G3KMA and the OTA Team, 10 April 2025]

SV1GA/A: ARRL DXCC Statement

The following was posted to the ARRL's website on 4 April, "The ARRL DXCC Desk has determined that the operation by a DXpedition team from Mount Athos meets the DXCC award program's accreditation criteria. Contacts with the team, which operated in January 2025 using the call sign SV1GA/A, will therefore count toward DXCC. Additionally, due to actions taken by local authorities that resulted in the early termination of the operation, any future operations by this team from Mt. Athos will require additional documentation for securing accreditation for DXCC credit."

SV1GA/A: comment by the Team

The following was posted to qrz.com on 5 April. "On 4 April 2025, ARRL has validated the January 2025 SV1GA/A activation of Mt. Athos.

ARRL did their due diligence and took their time to analyse our paperwork, including the amateur radio license, the diamonitirion (entry visas) and our written, stamped and signed Mt Athos 10-day permit for an amateur radio operation.

Also, during our stay on Mt Athos, the local police has opened an investigation of our operation based on a complaint regarding the alleged unauthorized presence of amateur radio group in Mt Athos. We were told to cease the operation immediately and we were invited at the local police station to give statements and to present our paperwork. The local police concluded that indeed our paperwork, including the amateur radio license, the 'Diamonitirion' (entry visas) and our written, stamped and signed Mt Athos 10-day permit for an amateur radio operation are all in order. The Mt. Athos police forwarded the case file to the Thessaloniki Prosecutor's Office, who found that there were no legal violations and that there was no breach of the law. As such, the case was dismissed.

All these prove beyond any doubt that our January 2025 operation was legit and is therefore valid.

We thank all the hams around the world who supported us, and we are sorry for not being able to make more QSOs.

Our project for the next few weeks is to write our side of the story – a narrative that unfolds over several days of upheaval in a place of profound spirituality and awe-inspiring history. This extraordinary location, known to the locals as Agio Oros, carries a legacy as deep and sacred as its name suggests."

The whole SV1GA/A log has been uploaded to LoTW, and the OQRS on Club Log is open for those who would like to have a paper QSL card for this activation. The QSL manager is Martti, OH2BH. All OQRS proceeds will go to the Grace Charitable Foundation for the support of Mt Athos.

DX from Africa

(These count towards your All Africa Award)

eSwatini, 3DA. David, PC4K is an engineer working at the shortwave transmitter site of Trans World Radio in Manzini, eSwatini. He received his licence on 10 April and will be active as 3DA0PA on the HF bands. QSL via LoTW.

Botswana, A2, Namibia, V5 and Angola, D2. Bernie, ZS4TX will be active as A21TX from Kasane (grid KH22), Botswana between 23 and 26 April, then from Namibia either as V5/ZS4TX or with a V5 call sign TBA and finally as D2TX from the Cuatir Nature Reserve (grid JH93), Angola between 30 April and 4 May. These will be 2 m and 70 cm EME and TEP operations; RS-44 satellite QSOs may also be considered if the EME activity is low. QSLs are direct to PA3CMC.

African Islands

Marion Island, ZS8. NCDXF is pleased to announce a significant grant to Juris, YL2GM for his just announced trip to ZS8W. We kept our announcement until he was safely on the vessel to Marion Island. We have been holding this announcement for several years. Juris has been to South Africa several times with the promise of transportation only to be disappointed. We are so happy for Juris to finally board the ship. Juris will operate CW and SSB on 160 to 6 m from Marion island as ZS8W between 21 April and 16 May 2025, while his computer will operate ft8.

Marion Island is ranked #11 on the Club Log most wanted list. Everyone will be very excited to get an All Time New One, ATNO and fill their band/modes for the DXCC Challenge. Juris is an outstanding operator and has a track record of getting everyone in the log. More information can be found at Juris' website <https://www.lral.lv/zs8w/>

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. Those funds come from the contributions of our supporters in the DX community. Your contribution will help make DX happen. Visit our website www.ncdxf.org. Respectfully submitted, Craig Thompson, K9CT, NCDXF Vice President

Zanzibar Island, 5H. Kasimir, DL2SBY will be active as 5H1KB from Zanzibar Island (AF-032), Tanzania from 22 April to 1 May. This year he will use a small antenna and low power; he plans a return visit next year with better antennas, an amplifier and a focus on 6m. QSL via LoTW, or direct to home call. He no longer uses the bureau.

Contest Calendar

This week's contests as compiled by Bruce Horn, WA7BNM. The period covered is from 14 to 21 April 2025.

4 States QRP Group Second Sunday Sprint
00:00 - 02:00 UTC 14 April
Geographic Focus: North America
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW, SSB
Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m
Classes: Single Op
Max power: CW: 5 watts, SSB: 10 watts
Exchange: Member: RS(T), state, province or country and member no; Non-member: RS(T), state, province or country and power
Work stations: Once per band
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO with non-member; 2 points per QSO with member
Multipliers: (none)

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points

Submit logs by: 16 April 2025

E-mail logs to: (none)

Post log summary at:

<http://qrptest.com/4sqrp>

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at:

http://www.4sqrp.com/SSS/sss_rules.pdf

K1USN Slow Speed Test

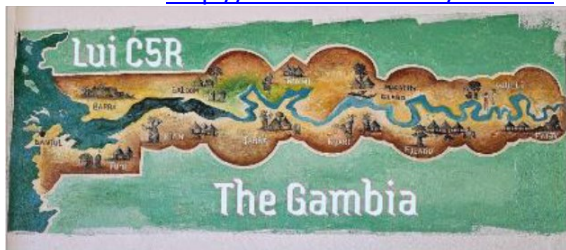
00:00 - 01:00 UTC 14 April

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 16 April 2025
 Post log summary at:
<http://www.3830scores.com>
 Mail logs to: (none)
 Find rules at: <http://www.k1usn.com/sst.html>



ICWC Medium Speed Test
 13:00 - 14:00 UTC and 19:00 - 20:00 UTC 14
 April and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC 15 April
 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 17 April 2025
 Post log summary at:
<http://www.3830scores.com>
 Mail logs to: (none)
 Find rules at:
<https://internationalcwcouncil.org/mst-contest/>

OK1WC Memorial (MWC)
 16:30 - 17:29 UTC 14 April
 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 18 April 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=rules2l>

Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest
 01:00 - 01:59 UTC 15 April
 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 16 April 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>

ZL Sprint

08:00 - 08:29 UTC (CW) 15 April and 08:30 - 08:59 UTC (SSB) 15 April and 09:00 - 09:29 UTC (SSB) 15 April

Geographic Focus: Worldwide

Participation: Worldwide

Mode: CW, SSB, FT4

Bands: 80 m Only

Classes: Single Op - CW, SSB, digital or mixed - QRP or high

Max power: Open: 100 watts; QRP: CW/FT4: 5 Watts, SSB: 10 Watts

Exchange: CW/SSB: RS(T) and Outside

Temperature (C); FT4: 4-character grid square

Work stations: Once per mode section

QSO Points: 1 point per QSO

Multipliers: (none)

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points

Submit logs by: 09:29 UTC 16 April 2025

E-mail logs to: markz13ab@gmail.com

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at:

<https://www.nzart.org.nz/activities/contests/sprints/>

Phone Weekly Test

02:30 - 03:00 UTC 16 April

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 18 April 2025

E-mail logs to: (none)

Post log summary at:

<http://www.3830scores.com>

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at:

http://www.perluma.com/Phone_Fray_Contests_Rules.pdf

A1Club AWT

11:45 - 13:00 UTC 16 April

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: 21 April 2025

Post log summary at:

<http://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 16

April and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC and 07:00 - 08:00

UTC 17 April

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 19 April 2025
 Post log summary at:
<http://www.3830scores.com>
 Mail logs to: (none)
 Find rules at: <https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/>



Mini-Test 40
 17:00 - 17:59 UTC 16 April
 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: 18 April 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 16 April
 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: 18 April 2025
 Upload log at: <https://ua9qcq.com/hf-logs.php>
 Mail logs to: (none)
 Find rules at: <http://minitest.narod.ru/>

RSGB 80 m SSB Club Championship
 19:00 - 20:30 UTC 16 April
 Geographic Focus: United Kingdom
 Participation: Worldwide
 Awards: United Kingdom
 Mode: SSB
 Bands: 80 m Only
 Classes: (none)
 Exchange: RS and serial no
 QSO Points: 1 point per QSO
 Multipliers: (none)
 Score Calculation: (see rules)
 Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 17 April 2025
 Upload log at: <http://www.rsgbcc.org/cgi-bin/hfenter.pl>
 Mail logs to: (none)
 Find rules at:
<https://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2025/r80mcc.shtml>

Walk for the Bacon QRP Contest
 00:00 - 01:00 UTC 17 April and 02:00 - 03:00
 UTC 18 April
 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: 24 April 2025
E-mail logs to: (none)
Upload log at:
<https://qrpccontest.com/pigwalk20/autolog.php>
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at:
<https://qrpccontest.com/pigwalk20/>

Maundy Thursday Contest
12:00 - 15:00 UTC 17 April and 20:00 - 23:00 UTC 17 April
Geographic Focus: Denmark and Territories
Participation: Denmark and Territories
Mode: CW, SSB, RTTY
Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m
Classes: Single Op - QRP or high; Club/Multi-Op; SWL
Max power: HP: legal limit; QRP: 5 watts
Exchange: RS(T) and serial no
Work stations: Once per band per mode per period
QSO Points: (see rules)
Multipliers: (none)
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points
Submit logs by: 17 May 2025
E-mail logs to: cqads@fra.fo
Mail logs to: Regin Nicolajsen, OY1R, Gerðsivegur 10, FO240 Skopun, Faroe Island
Find rules at: <https://ibb.co/W27WY04>

NTC QSO Party
19:00 - 20:00 UTC 17 April
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: 21 April 2025
E-mail logs to: ntcgp@pi4ntc.nl
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: <https://pi4ntc.nl/ntcgp/>

T7/IZ7WKI



NCCC FT4 Sprint
01:00 - 01:30 UTC 18 April
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: 20 April 2025
E-mail logs to: (none)
Upload log at: <https://lotw.arrl.org/>
Post log summary at:
<https://www.3830scores.com/>
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at:
<https://www.ncccsprint.com/ft4ns.html>

Weekly RTTY Test
01:45 - 02:15 UTC 18 April
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: 20 April 2025
 E-mail logs to: (none)
 Post log summary at:
<http://www.3830scores.com/>
 Mail logs to: (none)
 Find rules at:
<https://radiosport.world/wrt.html>



NCCC Sprint
 02:30 - 03:00 UTC 18 April
 Geographic Focus: North America
 Participation: Worldwide
 Mode: CW
 Bands: (see rules)
 Classes: (none)
 Max power: 100 watts
 Exchange: Serial no, name and QTH
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
 Submit logs by: 20 April 2025
 E-mail logs to: (none)
 Post log summary at:
<http://www.3830scores.com/>
 Mail logs to: (none)
 Find rules at:
<https://ncccsprint.com/rules.html>

K1USN Slow Speed Test
 20:00 - 21:00 UTC 18 April
 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 20 April 2025
 Post log summary at:
<http://www.3830scores.com>
 Mail logs to: (none)
 Find rules at: <http://www.k1usn.com/sst.html>

World Wide Holyland Contest
 21:00 UTC 18 April to 20:59 UTC 19 April
 Geographic Focus: Worldwide
 Participation: Worldwide
 Mode: CW, SSB
 Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m
 Classes: Single Op All Band – CW, SSB or mixed – low or high; Single Op All Band QRP; Single Op Single Band; Multi-Single;
 Youngster/Novice (<20 years old or licensed <3 yrs); SWL
 Max power: High: >100 watts; Low: 100 watts; QRP: 10 watts
 Exchange: 4X: RS(T) and area; non-4X: RS(T) and serial no
 Work stations: Once per band per mode
 QSO Points: 1 point per QSO with same country; 2 points per QSO with same continent; 4X/4Z: 8 points per QSO with different continent; non-4X/4Z: 4 points per QSO with different continent; non-4X/4Z: 8 points per QSO with 4X/4Z station
 Multipliers: Each 4X/4Z area once per band; Each DXCC country once per band
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
 Submit logs by: 26 April 2025
 E-mail logs to: (none)
 Upload log at:
<https://tools.iarc.org/wwhc/#/submitlog>
 Mail logs to: (none)
 Find rules at:
<https://tools.iarc.org/wwhc/#/rules>

ES Open HF Championship
 05:00 - 08:59 UTC 19 April
 Geographic Focus: Estonia
 Participation: Worldwide
 Mode: CW, SSB

Bands: 80, 40 m
Classes: Single Op Mixed – QRP, low or high;
Single Op CW; Single Op SSB; Multi-Single; SWL
Max power: High: >100 W
Low: 100 W
QRP: 10 W
Exchange: RS(T) and serial no
Work stations: Once per band per mode per
contest period
QSO Points: 2 points per CW QSO; 1 point per
SSB QSO
Multipliers: Each ES region prefix (ES1-ES0)
once per band per mode
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO
points x total mults
Submit logs by: 1 May 2025
E-mail logs to: esopen@erau.ee
Upload log at: <https://esopen.erau.ee/>
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: [https://erau.ee/images/LL/ES-
Open_rules.pdf](https://erau.ee/images/LL/ES-Open_rules.pdf)

Worked All Provinces of China DX Contest
06:00 UTC 19 April to 05:59 UTC 20 April
Geographic Focus: Worldwide
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: SSB
Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m
Classes: Single Op All Band - QRP, low or high;
Single Op Field Day - QRP or low; Single Op
Single Band - QRP, low or high; Multi-Multi
Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100 watts;
QRP: CW: 5 watts/SSB: 10 watts
Exchange: BY: RS(T) and 2-character province;
non-BY: RS(T) and serial no
Work stations: Once per band
QSO Points: (see rules)
Multipliers: Each BY province once per band;
Each DXCC country once per band
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO
points x total mults
Submit logs by: 06:00 UTC 27 April 2025
E-mail logs to: mulandxc@hotmail.com
Upload log at:
[http://www.mulandxc.com/index/upload_log?
locale=en_US](http://www.mulandxc.com/index/upload_log?locale=en_US)
Mail logs to: MULANDX Club, 4th Floor, No. 5,
Xiajiao East Road, Huicheng District, Huizhou
City, Guangdong Province, China

Find rules at:
[http://www.mulandxc.com/index/match_info?
id=9](http://www.mulandxc.com/index/match_info?id=9)

Dutch PACCdigi Contest
07:00 UTC to 19:00 UTC 19 April
Geographic Focus: The Netherlands
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: FT4/8, RTTY
Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m
Classes: SOAB - RTTY, FTn or mixed- QRP, low
or high; Multi-Single - RTTY, FTn or mixed; PA
Single-Op Limited Low Novice - RTTY, FTn or
mixed; SWL
Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100 watts;
QRP: 5 watts
Exchange: PA: Signal report and 2-character
province; non-PA: Signal report and serial
number
Work stations: Once per band per mode
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO with non-PA
station; 3 points per QSO with PA station
Multipliers: Each PA province once per band
per mode
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO
points x total mults
Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 27 April 2025
E-mail logs to: paccdigi@veron.nl
Upload log at:
<https://contest.veron.nl/PACCdigi/app>
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at:
[https://www.veron.nl/vereniging/commissies-
en-werkgroepen/traffic-bureau/hf-
contesten/paccdigi-rules/](https://www.veron.nl/vereniging/commissies-en-werkgroepen/traffic-bureau/hf-contesten/paccdigi-rules/)



QRP to the Field
08:00 – 18:00 local 19 April
Geographic Focus: Worldwide
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW, SSB
Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m

Classes: Single Op (see rules for theme); Multi-Op; Club

Max power: CW: 5 W; SSB: 10 W

Exchange: RST, state, province or country, name or SOTA

QSO Points: 1 point per QSO

Multipliers: Each state, province, country, SOTA once per band; See rules for special multipliers

Score Calculation: Total score = QSO points x total mults x special mult

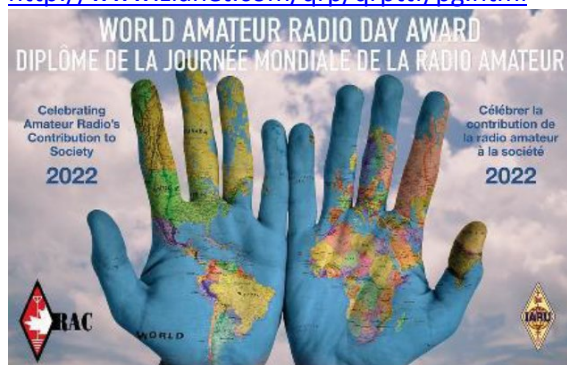
Submit logs by: 3 May 2025

E-mail logs to: na5n@zianet.com

Mail logs to: Paul Harden, NA5N, 72 Polvadera Heights Road, Socorro, NM 87801, USA

Find rules at:

<http://www.zianet.com/grp/grpttf/pg.html>



CQ MM DX Contest

09:00 UTC 19 April to 23:59 UTC 20 April

Geographic Focus: Worldwide

Participation: Worldwide

Mode: CW

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

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

Single Op All Band YL

Single Op Single Band - low or high; Multi-

Single - low or high

Max power: High: 1 500 watts; Low: 100 watts;

QRP: 5 watts

Exchange: All: RST and continent abbreviation;

CWJF members: RST, continent and "M"; QRP:

RST, continent and "Q"; YL: RST, continent and

"Y"; Multi-Op, Clubs, Groups: RST, continent and "C"

Work stations: Once per band

QSO Points: 1 point per QSO with same country; 2 points per QSO on 20-10 m with different country same continent; 4 points per QSO on 80-40 m with different country same continent; 3 points per QSO on 20-10 m with different continent; 6 points per QSO on 80-40

m with different continent; 3 points per QSO with maritime mobile; 10 points per QSO with CWJF member, YL or QRP station

Multipliers: Each SA prefix once per band; Each DXCC country once only

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults

Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 30 June 2025

E-mail logs to: cwjf@cqmmdx.com

Mail logs to: CWJF Group, Rua Dr. Edgard Quinet 35/401, 36036-080 Juiz de Fora – MG, Brazil

Find rules at: <http://www.cqmmdx.com/rules/>

Nebraska QSO Party

11:00 UTC 19 April to 22:59 UTC 20 April

Geographic Focus: United States/Canada

state/province QSO party

Participation: Worldwide

Mode: CW, Phone, Digital (non-FT8), FT4/8

Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10, VHF/UHF

Classes: NE Fixed; NE Mobile/Portable; Multi-Op; Out of State; (See separate rules for FT8 entries)

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

QRP: 5 watts

Exchange: NE (non-FT8): county; non-NE (non-FT8): state, province or country; FT8: grid square

Work stations: Once per band per mode per NE county

QSO Points: 1 point per digital QSO; 2 points per phone QSO; 3 points per CW; 4 points per satellite QSO; Bonus points (see rules)

Multipliers: NE Stations non-FT8: Each NE county, state, province, DXCC country once; NE

Stations FT8: Each grid square once; Non-NE

non-FT8: Each county once; Non-NE FT8: Each

NE grid square once; Power: High: x1, Low: x2, QRP: x5

Score Calculation: Total score = (total QSO points x total mults x power mult) and bonus points; Separate scoring for FT8 - see rules

Submit logs by: 24 May 2025

E-mail logs to: nebraskaqsoparty@gmail.com

Mail logs to: Matt Anderson, KA0BOJ, 14300 NW 98th Street, Raymond, NE 68428, USA

Find rules at:

<https://nebraskaqsoparty.com/qso-party-rules/f/rules-for-2022-nebraska-qso-party>

Michigan QSO Party

16:00 UTC 19 April to 04:00 UTC 20 April
Geographic Focus: United States/Canada state/province QSO party
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW, SSB
Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m
Classes: Single Op - QRP, low or high; Multi-Single; Multi-Multi; Mobile (LP only); Rover (LP Only); MI EOC
Max power: HP: >100 W; LP: 100 W; QRP: 5W
Exchange: MI: RST and county; non-MI: RST and state, province or DX
Work stations: Once per band per mode
QSO Points: 1 point per SSB QSO; 2 points per CW QSO
Multipliers: MI Stations: Each state, province, MI county and one DX once per mode; non-MI Stations: Each MI county once per mode
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
Submit logs by: 04:00 UTC 27 April 2025
Upload log at:
<https://miqp.org/index.php/submit-log/>
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at:
<https://miqp.org/index.php/rules/>

EA-QRP CW Contest

17:00 - 18:00 UTC (10 m) and 18:00 - 19:00 UTC (15 m) and 19:00 - 20:00 UTC (20 m) and 20:00 - 21:00 UTC (40 m) and 21:00 - 23:00 UTC 19 April (80 m) and 07:00 - 09:00 UTC (40 m) and 09:00 - 10:00 UTC (20 m) and 10:00 - 11:00 UTC (15 m) and 11:00 - 12:00 UTC 20 April (10 m)
Geographic Focus: Worldwide
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW
Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m
Classes: A: Single Op QRPp; B: Single Op QRP; C: Single Op QRP Homebrew Equipment; D: Single Op QRP Oldtime Equipment
Max power: QRP: 5 watts; QRPp: 1 watt
Exchange: RST, 1-letter category and "M" (if EA-QRP member)
Work stations: Once per band
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO with same country; 2 points per QSO with same continent; 4 points per QSO with different

continent; 5 points per QSO with category A station (see rules)

Multipliers: Each EA-QRP member once per band; Each country once per band

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults

Submit logs by: 20 May 2025

E-mail logs to: concursos@eaqrp.com

Mail logs to: Vocalia de concursos EA-QRP (Concurso CW), PO Box 17, E-16080 Cuenca, Spain

Find rules at:

<https://www.eaqrp.com/index.php/actividades/concurso?id=307>



Feld Hell Sprint

18:00 - 21:59 UTC 19 April
Geographic Focus: Worldwide
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: Feld Hell
Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10, 6 m
Classes: (none)
Max power: Standard: 100 watts; QRP: 5 watts
Exchange: (see rules)
Work stations: Once per band
QSO Points: (see rules)
Bonus Points: (see rules)
Multipliers: (see rules)
Score Calculation: (see rules)
Submit logs by: 23 April 2025
Upload log at:
<https://sites.google.com/site/feldhellclub/>
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at:
<https://sites.google.com/site/feldhellclub/Home/contests/sprints/something-old-something-new-sprint>

Ontario QSO Party

18:00 UTC 19 April to 05:00 UTC 20 April and 12:00 - 18:00 UTC 20 April

Geographic Focus: United States/Canada state/province QSO party
 Participation: Worldwide
 Mode: CW, Phone
 Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10, 6, 2 m
 Classes: Fixed: Multi-Single; Fixed: Multi-Two; Fixed: Multi-Multi; Fixed: Single Op Mixed - QRP, low or high; Fixed: Single Op CW - low or high; Fixed: Single Op Phone - low or high; Rover/Mobile: Multi-Op; Rover/Mobile: Single Op
 Max power: HP: >150 W; LP: 150 W; QRP: 5 W
 Exchange: ON: RS(T) and county; non-ON: RST and state, province or country
 Work stations: Once per band per mode
 QSO Points: 1 point per phone QSO; 2 points CW QSO; Bonus: 300 points for each ON multiplier activated by a Rover/Mobile (at least 3 QSOs with 3 different stations); 10 points per QSO with VA3CCO, VE3CCO, VE3ODX or VA3RAC
 Multipliers: ON Stations: Each ON county, state, province and country once per band; non-ON Stations: each ON county once per band
 Score Calculation: Total score = (total QSO points x total mults) and Bonus Points
 Submit logs by: 20 May 2025
 Upload log at:
<http://www.va3cco.com/oqp/submitlog.htm>
 Mail logs to: (none)
 Find rules at:
<http://www.va3cco.com/oqp/rules.htm>



Quebec QSO Party
 12:00 - 22:00 UTC 20 April
 Geographic Focus: United States/Canada state/province QSO party
 Participation: Worldwide

Mode: CW, Phone
 Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, 10, 6, 2 m
 Classes: Fixed: Single Op Mixed - QRP, low or high; Fixed: Single Op CW - low or high; Fixed: Single Op Phone - low or high; Fixed: Multi-Op; Mobile
 Max power: HP: >100 W; LP: 100 W; QRP: 5 W
 Exchange: QC: RS(T) and QC zone; non-QC: RST and state, province or DX
 Work stations: Once per band per mode
 QSO Points: 1 point per phone QSO; 2 points CW QSO; 10 bonus points for each valid contact with VE2CRO; 300 bonus points for each administrative region activated by a mobile entrant
 Multipliers: QC Stations: Each QC zone, state, province and country once per band; non-QC Stations: each QC zone once per band
 Score Calculation: Total score = (total QSO points x total mults) and bonus points
 Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 20 May 2025
 E-mail logs to: (none)
 Upload log at: <https://qcqp.contesting.com/>
 Mail logs to: (none)
 Find rules at: <https://wp1.quebecqsoparty.org/>

Run for the Bacon QRP Contest
 23:00 UTC 20 April to 01:00 UTC 21 April
 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: 26 April 2025
 E-mail logs to: (none)
 Upload log at:
<http://qrptest.com/pigrun/autolog.php>
 Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at: <http://qrpccontest.com/pigrun/>

K1USN Slow Speed Test

00:00 - 01:00 UTC 21 April

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 April 2025

Post log summary at:

<http://www.3830scores.com>

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at: <http://www.k1usn.com/sst.html>

ICWC Medium Speed Test

13:00 - 14:00 UTC and 19:00 - 20:00 UTC 21

April and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC 22 April

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 24 April 2025

Post log summary at:

<http://www.3830scores.com>

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at:

<https://internationalcwcouncil.org/mst-contest/>

DARC Easter Contest

15:00 - 17:29 UTC 21 April

Geographic Focus: Germany

Participation: Worldwide

Mode: CW, SSB

Bands: 80, 40 m

Classes: Single Op – CW, SSB or mixed - low or high

Max operating hours: 2,5 hours

Max power: HP: >100 W; LP: <=100 W

Exchange: DL: RS(T) and DOK (or "NM" if not a DARC member); non-DL: RS(T) and QSO no

Work stations: Once per band

QSO Points: 1 point per QSO

Multipliers: DOK, once per band; Prefixes, once per band

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults

Submit logs by: 28 April 2025

E-mail logs to: (none)

Upload log at:

<https://dxhf2.darc.de/~easterlog/upload.cgi?form=referat&lang=en>

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at: <https://www.darc.de/der-club/referate/conteste/darc-ostercontest/en/>



OK1WC Memorial (MWC)

16:30 - 17:29 UTC 21 April

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 25 April 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=rules21>

Next Week's Contests

Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest, 01:00 - 01:59 UTC 22 April
ZL Sprint, 08:00 - 08:29 UTC (CW) and 08:30 - 08:59 UTC (SSB) and 09:00 - 09:29 UTC (SSB) 22 April
SKCC Sprint, 00:00 - 02:00 UTC 23 April
Phone Weekly Test, 02:30 - 03:00 UTC 23 April
A1Club AWT, 11:45 - 13:00 UTC 23 April
CWops Test, 13:00 - 14:00 UTC and 19:00 - 20:00 UTC 23 April and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC and 07:00 - 08:00 UTC 24 April
Mini-Test 40, 17:00 - 17:59 UTC 23 April
Mini-Test 80, 18:00 - 18:59 UTC 23 April
RSGB 80 m Data Club Championship, 19:00 - 20:30 UTC 24 April
NCCC FT4 Sprint, 01:00 - 01:30 UTC 25 April
Weekly RTTY Test, 01:45 - 02:15 UTC 25 April
NCCC Sprint, 02:30 - 03:00 UTC 25 April
K1USN Slow Speed Test, 20:00 - 21:00 UTC 25 April
10-10 International Spring Digital Contest, 00:01 UTC 26 April to 23:59 UTC 27 April
Tipalayo DX Contest, 08:00 UTC 26 April to 11:59 UTC 27 April
SP DX RTTY Contest, 12:00 UTC 26 April to 12:00 UTC 27 April
UK/EI DX CW Contest, 12:00 UTC 26 April to 12:00 UTC 27 April
Helvetia Contest, 13:00 UTC 26 April to 12:59 UTC 27 April
Florida QSO Party, 16:00 UTC 26 April to 01:59 UTC 27 April and 12:00 - 21:59 UTC 27 April
UA1DZ Memorial Cup, 13:00 - 18:59 UTC 27 April
BARTG Sprint 75, 17:00 - 20:59 UTC 27 April
K1USN Slow Speed Test, 00:00 - 01:00 UTC 28 April
QCX Challenge, 13:00 - 14:00 UTC and 19:00 - 20:00 UTC 28 April and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC 29 April
ICWC Medium Speed Test, 13:00 - 14:00 UTC and 19:00 - 20:00 UTC 28 April and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC 29 April
OK1WC Memorial, 16:30 - 17:29 UTC 28 April
RSGB FT4 Contest, 19:00 - 21:00 UTC 28 April
Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest, 01:00 - 01:59 UTC 29 April
ZL Sprint, 08:00 - 08:29 UTC (CW) and 08:30 - 08:59 UTC (SSB) and 09:00 - 09:29 UTC (SSB) 29 April

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