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Alberton Voortrekkers And ZS95VTS

In a year in which the Voortrekker movement celebrates its 95th anniversary, the Voortrekkers of Alberton will use ZS95VTS from the historic Meyerplaas in Alberton between 09:30 and 11:00 CAT on Saturday 25 July. Activity



Die
Voortrekkers

will be on 40 metres; the specific frequency will depend on the availability of a frequency. The call sign that will be used is the Voortrekkers' festival call sign, ZS95VTS, which is also an educational call sign. Members of the AARIG, ZR6TDK, will also assist during the transmissions. During the broadcast, youth members will complete a relay ride of 95 km by bicycle. All amateurs are invited to make a QSO with the station. This is a great opportunity to market amateur radio among the youth. For further information, contact Gerhard, ZS6CRS, at zs6crs@gmail.com.

The SARL Saturday 40 m Club Contest

The third leg of the SARL Saturday 40 m Club Contest runs from 15:00 to 16:00 UTC on Saturday 25 July with CW, phone and RTTY activity. The aim is to work as many Clubs and grid squares as possible in that hour.

The RSGB IOTA Contest

The RSGB IOTA Contest, using the Islands on the Air concept, was created in 1993. This is now a major international event, attracting thousands of participants from all over the world. Radio Amateurs will be travelling to islands around the globe and putting them on the air, making

July

- 20 - International Moon Day
- 21 - Provincial Schools open
- 25 - [ZS95VTS and the SARL Saturday 40 m Club Contest](#)
- 25 and 26 - the Islands on the Air contest
- 26 - [the ZS1 QSO Party](#)
- 28 and 29 - the Delta Aquarids Meteor Shower.
- 29 - [the Sandton Power Hour](#)

August

- 1 - [the AMSAT SA Space Symposium and the Pretoria Boot Sale](#)
- 1 and 2 - the North American CW QSO Party
- 1 to 8 - the 2nd Africa Scout Moot
- 2 - [the SARL HF Phone contest](#)
- 8 - International Cat Day
- 9 - [the SARL YL QSO Party and the SARL HF Digital Contest](#)
- 10 - Public holiday
- 12 - International Youth Day
- 12 and 13 - Perseids Meteor Shower
- 15 - [the SARL Youth QSO Party](#)
- 15 and 16 - Lighthouse Weekend (ILLW) and the North American SSB QSO Party
- 19 - [the SARL Wednesday 80 m Club Contest](#)
- 23 - [the SARL HF CW contest](#)
- 26 - International Dog Day
- 29 - [the West Rand Boot Sale](#)

contacts with other islands and with those who are chasing islands. Contest bands are 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 m with both CW and phone activity. The duration is 24 hours, starting at 12:00 UTC on Saturday 25 July and ending at 12:00 UTC on Sunday 26 July. Stations send a signal report and serial number, with stations on islands sending their IOTA reference number. Get the rules at www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2026/riota.shtml



The ZS1 QSO Party

On Sunday 26 July, everybody works the Western Cape only during the ZS1 QSO Party. The QSO Party runs from 16:00 to 17:00 UTC with CW and phone activity on 40 metres.

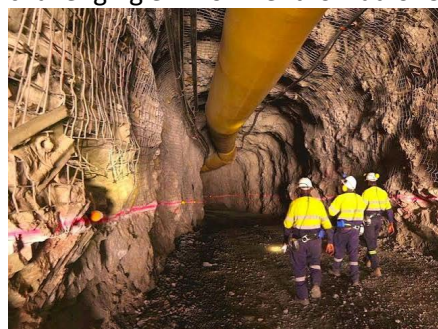
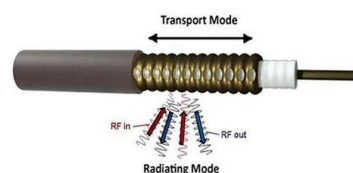


The 14th YOTA Summer Camp

Watch out for the special event call sign OE2YOTA active between 25 and 31 July. It operates during the 14th YOTA Summer Camp, hosted by IARU Region 1 and OVSV, the Austrian society, in Wagrain for about 80 young amateurs.

Have you heard of a Leaky Feeder?

Well now is your chance to find out all about leaky feeders and how they facilitate underground communications during the July Power Hour Tech Talk with our special guest Henry, ZS6IIX. On Wednesday evening 29 July, Henry will be sharing his extensive knowledge on underground radio communications, a difficult and challenging environment for radio. Can you use your handy talky underground? What frequencies and



radios do they use underground? What are the challenges and how have they solved these?

Please diarise to join the Power Hour Tech Talk on Wednesday evening 29 July at 19:00 CAT on Zoom or interconnected repeater to experience and share the knowledge, and perhaps even obtain some tips on how to get your signal working from your basement. The Power Hour Tech Talk Zoom details are as follows, the meeting ID is 853 0134 3276 and the passcode is 304951.

BACAR 14: Mission Skybridge is planned for launch on 17 October 2026

This year the focus will be on testing airborne amateur radio technologies that may assist SARL HAMNET during disaster response and search-and-rescue operations. The mission will test Meshtastic on two frequencies, LoRa APRS, LoRa point-to-point links, 2 m APRS, SSTV imaging and cross-band repeater capability.

We would also like to invite clubs, radio amateurs and experimenters to submit payload proposals for consideration. Please send your payload ideas or proposals to Christo, ZR6JLK at christokriek461@gmail.com. Let us use BACAR 14 to learn, experiment and build practical emergency communications capability from the sky.

AMSAT SA Space Symposium Features How To Set Up Your Personal Space Weather Station

Space weather originates from the Sun, a star that appears calm and steady from Earth but is a dynamic, turbulent and sometimes violent object. The Sun continuously releases energy, radiation and streams of charged particles into space. Most of the time, the Earth's magnetic field protects us from these solar emissions. But when solar



activity becomes particularly intense, the effects can ripple through our technological civilisation in surprising and sometimes dangerous ways.

In the modern world, where electricity powers nearly every aspect of society, understanding space weather has become more important than ever. The same star that makes life possible on Earth can also pose risks to the infrastructure upon which billions of people depend. Register now for the symposium which will be held virtually on the AMSAT SA Webex platform on Saturday 1 August 2026. Registration is free for members of IARU and AMSAT member societies. For non-members there is a small registration fee.

The keynote presentation will be presented by Gwyn Griffiths, GW3ZIL, a member of the HamSCI community. His paper is entitled "The HamSCI Personal Space Weather Station: Development, Deployment and Data." The HamSCI Personal Space Weather Station (PSWS) is a modular system comprising one or more of the four components: HamSCI Personal Space Weather Station HF Receiver (HFRx), HamSCI Ground Magnetometer (GMag), HamSCI VLF Whistler Catcher (VLF-WC) and the Turn Island Systems WSPRsonde 8-band WSPR/FST4W transmitter (WS8). After a brief introduction to the technical aspects of each component and their development, the talk will describe examples of current deployments at home and remote stations. Learn how to access PSWS data and find out what it shows about space weather rounds off the presentation.

Christo Kriek, ZR6LJK will share new development on the BACAR project that the Secunda Amateur Radio Club will launch on 17 October this year. He will talk about BACAR 14: Mission Skybridge, testing airborne amateur radio technologies for disaster response and search-and-rescue communications. BACAR 14, Mission Skybridge, will explore how high-altitude balloon payloads can act as temporary communications platforms during disasters and SAR operations. The mission will test a mix of amateur radio and digital technologies, including Meshtastic on two frequencies, LoRa APRS, LoRa point-to-point links, 2 m APRS, SSTV imaging and cross-band repeater capability. The goal is to understand how low-cost, recoverable airborne systems can extend coverage, support SARL HAMNET field teams and provide practical communications lessons for future emergency deployments.

Burns Fisher, WB1F AMSAT Engineer for flight software will discuss AMSAT progress on three different satellites to be launched in the next few years. Stewart Clark, ZR1WT will present a paper describing typical amateur radio Pico balloons capable of completing multiple circumnavigations of the Earth while operating at near-space altitudes and transmitting a variety of telemetry data. Furthermore, by using the WSPR (Weak Signal Propagation Reporter) protocol, originally developed by Joe Taylor K1JT, virtually any form of telemetry can be transmitted without modification to the protocol itself. The use of WSPR provides access to a global network of tens of thousands of monitoring stations operated by amateur radio enthusiasts, who collectively and often unknowingly contribute to the reception and recording of the transmitted data. Visit www.amsatsa.org.za for details on the other presentations as well as the registration link

WRTC 2026

The World Radiosport Team Championship, held in England in parallel with the IARU HF World Championship, is now history. Defending champions Yuri Onipko, VE3DZ and Yaroslav Oleynik, UW7LL reclaimed the gold medal they first won in 2022. Manfred Wolf, DJ5MW and Ulrich Ann, DM5EE/ZR2A secured the silver – marking Manfred's third consecutive second place finish - while Emir-Braco Memic, E77DX and Sven Lovric, DJ4MX took home the bronze.

Pos	Call Operators		
1	MB2M VE3DZ UW7LL	8	MB7W UA4FER LZ2HM
2	MB5O DJ5MW DM5EE/ZR2A	9	MB5Q RW7K KU1CW
3	MB1I E77DX DJ4MX	10	MB7L LY4L LY9A
4	MB4G N6MJ KL9A	11	MB3R F1AKK F8DBF
5	MB1T K5ZD W2SC	12	MB5J VE5MX VE3EJ
6	MB2A US2YW IK4VET	13	MB7D LZ4AX LZ3FN
7	MB5C CT1ILT EC2DX	14	MB2H N5ZO KI6RRN
		15	MB3K NA8V N9RV

16 MB4Z EA8RM EA2W
 17 MB5Z W0AAE W4IPC
 18 MB2R OM2VL OM3RM
 19 MB3H K5WA N2IC
 20 MB3V 4Z4AK HA3LN
 21 MB4C RA3CO RG6G
 22 MB5Y 9A6KX 9A1UN
 23 MB2D N1UR K1XM
 24 MB4F NP4Z N2NT
 25 MB7M DL3JAN DM7XX
 26 MB7K JH5GHM WA1Z
 27 MB2N NN3W KD4D
 28 MB2S NN7CW DL4NAC
 29 MB4P AA3B W2GD
 30 MB3W OL5Y OK6RA
 31 MB3M JA1BJI M0CFW
 32 MB4W IK2PFL IK2JUB
 33 MB4O K3PA NS0R

34 MB1S GW4XUM G4IRN
 35 MB5X WH7W NH7T
 36 MB3L LZ2BE LZ2XA
 37 MB1A E21EIC BA4TB
 38 MB7V K6LA VE3AT
 39 MB5P LW5HR LU9ESD
 40 MB3D UN9L UN4Q
 41 MB4L ES7GM YL3JA
 42 MB7G W9RE N9NB
 43 MB2U VK2IA ZL3CW
 44 MB7F SP5Y SQ9ORQ
 45 MB3F RA9P R2BFL
 46 MB4V KO8SCA AD5A
 47 MB3G HB9ARF LY4A
 48 MB4X W7WLW N4ML
 49 MB1N DL3ON EI5LA
 50 MB3B PY2NY PY7ZC

Awards were also given to the Phone Leaders - 9A6KX and 9A1UN, the CW Leaders - LW5HR and LU9ESD, the Multiplier Leaders - VE3DZ and UW7LL, the Accuracy Leaders - N6MJ and KL9A, as well as the Best Youth Team - W0AAE and W4IPC. Complete results can be found on <https://www.wrtc2026.org/>.

Plenty of stunning photos taken by Lukas Bartkus, LY7J, documenting all WRTC activities, are available at [Getphotos.it/wrtc](https://www.getphotos.it/wrtc) organized into various Galleries.

The host of the 2030 World Radiosport Team Championship will be announced by the WRTC Sanctioning Committee in a couple of months.

The QSL route for GB26WRTC and all the MB call signs used during the competition is via M0OXO. The logs from the 50 competing stations (+/- 260 000 QSOs) have been uploaded and are now available via Charles's OQRS (<https://www.m0oxo.com/oqrs/>). QSO confirmations are also beginning to roll in via LoTW. As for GB26WRTC, "please QRX on that one."

DX from Africa

(These count towards your All Africa Award)

Ivory Coast, TU. Freddy, F5HPE will be active again as TU5MM from Ivory Coast between 16 and 22 July. He will operate SSB and digital on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres. QSL via home call.

Guinea, 3X. Jean-Philippe, F1TMY, remains active during July as 3X1A.

African Islands

(These unfortunately do not count towards your All Africa Award)

Rodrigues Island, 3B9. Sebastien, 3B8HR will be active holiday style as 3B9HR from Rodrigues Island (AF-017) between 22 and 28 July. He will operate SSB on the HF bands. QSL via LoTW.

Pantelleria Island, IH9. IH9/IT9BLB joins the IOTA Contest from Pantelleria Island (AF-018).

Seychelles, S7. Members of the amateur radio club on the Seychelles (AF-024) are expected in the IOTA Contest as S77HQ or S77SARA. QSL via S79JKN (d).

South Africa, ZS. No activity from Robben or Dassen Islands (AF-064).

Contest Calendar

This week's contests as compiled by Bruce Horn, WA7BNM. The period covered is from 20 to 27 July 2026.

K1USN Slow Speed Test
00:00 - 01:00 UTC 20 July
Geographic Focus: Worldwide
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW
Bands: 160, 80, 40 m, 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 22 July 2026
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 20 July and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC 21 July
Geographic Focus: Worldwide
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW
Bands: 160, 80, 40 m, 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 23 July 2026
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 20 July
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 24 July 2026
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>

Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest

01:00 - 01:59 UTC 21 July

Geographic Focus: Worldwide

Participation: Worldwide

Mode: SSB

Bands: 160, 80, 40 m, 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 22 July 2026

E-mail logs to: (none)

Upload log at: <https://logs.wwsac.com/>

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at: <https://wwsac.com/rules.html>



Tuesday's Telegraphy Contest

19:30 - 20:30 UTC 21 July

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 per 15-minute period

QSO Points: 1 point per QSO

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points

Submit logs by: 20:30 UTC 22 July 2026

E-mail logs to: (none)

Upload log at: <https://spcwc.pl/upload>

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at: <https://spcwc.pl/ttc/rules/en>



SKCC Sprint

00:00 - 02:00 UTC 22 July

Geographic Focus: Worldwide

Participation: Worldwide

Awards: Worldwide

Mode: CW

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

Classes: Single-Op – QRPP, QRP, QRO or QRO plus; Multi-Op

Max power: QRO plus: >100 watts; QRO: 100 watts; QRP: 5 watts; QRPP: 1 watt

Exchange: RST, state, province or country, name and SKCC no or none

Work stations: Once per band

QSO Points: (see rules)

Multipliers: Each state, province, or country once

Score Calculation: Total score = (total QSO points x total mults) and bonus points

Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 25 July 2026

E-mail log summary to: (none)

Post log summary at:

www.skccgroup.com/operating_activities/weekday_sprint/submit-display.php

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at:

www.skccgroup.com/operating_activities/weekday_sprint/

Phone Weekly Test

02:30 - 03:00 UTC 22 July

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 24 July 2026
 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_Rules.pdf



A1Club AWT
 11:45 - 13:00 UTC 22 July
 Geographic Focus: Worldwide
 Participation: Worldwide
 Mode: CW
 Bands: 160, 80, 40 m, 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: 27 July 2026
 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 22 July and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC and 07:00 - 08:00 UTC 23 July
 Geographic Focus: Worldwide
 Participation: Worldwide
 Awards: Worldwide
 Mode: CW
 Bands: 160, 80, 40 m, 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 25 July 2026
 Post log summary at: www.3830scores.com
 Mail logs to: (none)
 Find rules at: <https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/>



Mini-Test 40 m
 17:00 - 17:59 UTC 22 July
 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: 24 July 2026
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 22 July
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: 24 July 2026
Upload log at: <https://ua9qcq.com/hf-logs.php>
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: <http://minitest.narod.ru/>



RSGB 80 m Data Club Championship
19:00 - 20:30 UTC 23 July
Geographic Focus: United Kingdom
Participation: Worldwide
Awards: United Kingdom
Mode: RTTY, PSK
Bands: 80 m Only
Classes: (none)
Exchange: RST and serial no
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO
Multipliers: (none)
Score Calculation: (see rules)
Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 24 July 2026
Upload log at: www.rsgbcc.org/cgi-bin/hfenter.pl
Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at:
www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2026/r80_mcc.shtml

QRP Fox Hunt
01:00 - 02:30 UTC 24 July
Geographic Focus: United States
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW
Bands: 20 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: 02:30 UTC 25 July 2026
E-mail logs to: (see rules)
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: www.k4oaq.com/fox/



NCCC FT4 Sprint
01:00 - 01:30 UTC 24 July
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: 26 July 2026
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 24 July

Geographic Focus: North America

Participation: Worldwide

Mode: RTTY

Bands: 80, 40 m, 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: 26 July 2026

E-mail logs to: (none)

Post log summary at: www.3830scores.com/

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at:

<https://radiosport.world/wrt.html>



NCCC Sprint

02:30 - 03:00 UTC 24 July

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: 26 July 2026

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 24 July

Geographic Focus: Worldwide

Participation: Worldwide

Mode: CW

Bands: 160, 80, 40 m, 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 July 2026

Post log summary at: www.3830scores.com

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at: www.k1usn.com/sst.html



RSGB IOTA Contest

12:00 UTC 25 July to 12:00 UTC 26 July

Geographic Focus: Worldwide

Participation: Worldwide

Mode: CW, SSB

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

Classes: Single Op – 12 or 24 hrs – island fixed, island DXped or world – CW, SSB or mixed – QRP, low or high; Single Op Assisted – 12 or 24 hrs – island or world – CW, SSB or mixed – QRP, low or high; Single Op Overlay:

Newcomer; Multi-Single - Island fixed or Island DXped - low or high; Multi-Two - Island fixed or Island DXped - low or high

Max power: HP: 1 500 watts; LP: 100 watts;

QRP: 5 watts

Exchange: RS(T), serial no and IOTA no (if applicable)

Work stations: Once per band per mode
QSO Points: (see rules)

Multipliers: Each IOTA reference once per band per mode

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

Submit logs by: 12:00 UTC 31 July 2026

E-mail logs to: (none)

Upload log at: www.rsgbcc.org/cgi-bin/hfenter.pl

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at:

www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2026/riota.shtml



Alabama QSO Party

15:00 UTC 25 July to 03:00 UTC 26 July

Status: Active, but no recent results

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

Participation: Worldwide

Mode: CW, Phone

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

Classes: Single Op - CW, phone or mixed - QRP, low or high; M/S - CW, phone or mixed - QRP, low or high; M/M - CW, phone or mixed - QRP, low or high; Mobile Single Op - CW, phone or mixed - QRP, low or high; Mobile Single Op and Driver - CW, phone or mixed - QRP, low or high; Mobile Multi-Op - CW, phone or mixed - QRP, low or high

Max power: HP: >150 watts; LP: 150 watts;

QRP: 5 watts

Exchange: AL: RS(T) and county; non-AL: RS(T) and state, province or country

QSO Points: 2 points per QSO

Multipliers: AL Stations: Each state, VE province/territory, country, AL county once

per mode; non-AL Stations: Each AL county once per mode

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

Submit logs by: 24 August 2026

E-mail logs to: logs@alabamaqsoparty.org

Upload log at:

<https://alabamacontestgroup.org/aqp/log-submission/>

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at:

<http://alabamacontestgroup.org/aqp/rules/>



ARS Flight of the Bumblebees

17:00 - 21:00 UTC 26 July

Geographic Focus: North America

Participation: Worldwide

Mode: CW

Bands: 40 m, 20, 15, 10 m

Classes: Home-Based; Bumblebee

Max power: 5 Watts

Exchange: Home: RST, state, province or country and power; Bumblebee: RST, state, province or country and Bumblebee no

Work stations: Once per band

QSO Points: 1 point per QSO

Multipliers: Bumblebees

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total Bumblebees x 3

Submit logs by: 9 August 2026

E-mail logs to: (none)

Post log summary at: www.3830scores.com/

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at: <http://ars-grp.com/FOBB/FOBB.html>

K1USN Slow Speed Test

00:00 - 01:00 UTC 27 July
 Geographic Focus: Worldwide
 Participation: Worldwide
 Mode: CW
 Bands: 160, 80, 40 m, 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 29 July 2026
 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 27
 July and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC 28 July
 Geographic Focus: Worldwide
 Participation: Worldwide
 Mode: CW
 Bands: 160, 80, 40 m, 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 August 2026
 Post log summary at: www.3830scores.com
 Mail logs to: (none)

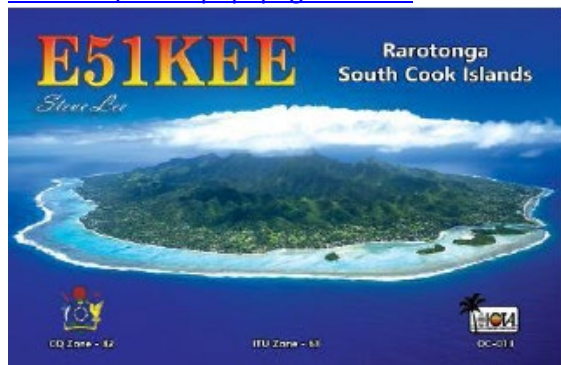
Find rules at: www.grp-labs.com/party.html

ICWC Medium Speed Test
 13:00 - 14:00 UTC and 19:00 - 20:00 UTC 27
 July and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC 28 July
 Geographic Focus: Worldwide
 Participation: Worldwide
 Mode: CW
 Bands: 160, 80, 40 m, 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 30 July 2026
 Post log summary at: www.3830scores.com
 Mail logs to: (none)
 Find rules at:
[https://internationalcwcouncil.org/mst-](https://internationalcwcouncil.org/mst-contest/)
[contest/](https://internationalcwcouncil.org/mst-contest/)



OK1WC Memorial (MWC)
 16:30 - 17:29 UTC 27 July
 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 31 July 2026

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
 19:00 - 21:00 UTC 27 July

Geographic Focus: United Kingdom
 Participation: Worldwide
 Mode: FT4
 Bands: 80, 40 m, 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: 21:00 UTC 28 July 2026
 Upload log at: www.rsgbcc.org/cgi-bin/hfenter.pl
 Mail logs to: (none)
 Find rules at: www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2026/r80m_ft4.shtml

Next Week's Contests

Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest, 01:00 - 01:59 UTC 28 July
 Tuesday's Telegraphy Contest, 19:30 - 20:30 UTC 28 July
 Phone Weekly Test, 02:30 - 03:00 UTC 29 July
 A1Club AWT, 11:45 - 13:00 UTC 29 July
 CWops Test, 13:00 - 14:00 UTC and 19:00 - 20:00 UTC 29 July and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC and 07:00 - 08:00 UTC 30 July
 Mini-Test 40, 17:00 - 17:59 UTC 29 July
 Mini-Test 80, 18:00 - 18:59 UTC 29 July
 QRP Fox Hunt, 01:00 - 02:30 UTC 31 July
 NCCC FT4 Sprint, 01:00 - 01:30 UTC 31 July
 Weekly RTTY Test, 01:45 - 02:15 UTC 31 July
 NCCC Sprint, 02:30 - 03:00 UTC 31 July
 K1USN Slow Speed Test, 20:00 - 21:00 UTC 31 July
 10-10 International Summer SSB Contest, 0001Z 1 August to 23:59 UTC 2 August
 European HF Championship, 12:00 - 23:59 UTC 1 August
 North American CW QSO Party, 18:00 UTC 1 August to 05:59 UTC 2 August
 SARL HF Phone Contest, 14:00 - 17:00 UTC 2 August
 K1USN Slow Speed Test, 00:00 - 01:00 UTC 3 August
 ICWC Medium Speed Test, 13:00 - 14:00 UTC and 19:00 - 20:00 UTC 3 August and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC 4 August
 OK1WC Memorial, 16:30 - 17:29 UTC 3 August
 ARS Spartan Sprint, 00:00 - 02:00 UTC 4 August
 Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest, 01:00 - 01:59 UTC 4 August
 ZL Sprint, 08:00 - 08:29 UTC (CW) and 08:30 - 08:59 UTC (SSB) and 09:00 - 09:29 UTC (digital) 4 August
 Tuesday's Telegraphy Contest, 19:30 - 20:30 UTC 4 August

Contest Results (published as received!)

RESULTS FOR NEWBIE QSO PARTY 4 JULY 2026

NO	CALLSIGN	NAME	POINTS
1	ZR1CZ	CHLOE ZAAYMAN	284
2	ZS1WT	JASPER V.D. WESTHUIZEN	261
3	A2NEW	JOHN GREEN	240
4	ZS3KI	ALLAN COX	192
5	V51MJ	MARTIN JAMES	176
6	ZS2ALN	ANDRE NORTJE	154
7	ZS6JSX	JEAN SMITH	148
8	ZS1PIG	TREVOR HUGHES	138
9	ZR1JJ	JUSTIN GIFFARD	138
10	ZS2SHR	SHER VAN STADEN	109
11	ZS6RSZ	RYAN SYLVESTER	106
12	ZS2EC	THENS POTGIETER	81
13	ZS6MDX	MARK WALKER	81
14	ZS3BNE	EDDIE LEIGHTON	73
15	ZS6BIL	BRETT ILLING	56
16	ZS6MSW	MICHAEL SPENSER-WILSON	37
17	ZS6SOL	PETER SOLOMON	31
18	ZS3WL	WOODY COLLETT	19
19	ZS6TVZ	TIENS VAN ZYL	8
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