

**The Month on the Air by G3MGQ: Dxpeditons in Jan 2017 (Dates, DXCC, Callsign, Info) from ADXO with Bill, NG3K's kind permission**

- \*until Jan 2 **St Lucia J68HZ** by K9HZ; 160-6m; CW RTTY SSB; 3 ele yagi; QSL: LotW or via K9HZ
- \*until Jan 3 **Azores SP2/SP7VC** by SP7VC fm IOTA EU-175; 160-10m; verticals, inverted L QSL: LotW
- \*until Jan 5 **Maldives 8Q7ND** by LZ1COM; HF; QSL: LZ1COM
- \*until Jan 6 **Nicaragua H74B** by EA3BT & EA3WL as **H74WL** fm Isla del Gran Maiz (NA-013) 40-6m; mainly SSB, some CW RTTY; QSL: EA3BT
- \*until Jan 6 **Kenya 5Z4/AK0SK** by AK0SK fm Taveta; 80-10m; SSB; 100w; wires; QSL: LotW or via AK0SK & Club Log
- \*until Jan 6 **Palau T8CW** by JH0IXE fm Koror; 160-6m; CW RTTY SSB; yagi + inverted vee; QSL: LotW or via JA0FOX (Buro/direct) & eQSL
- \*until Jan 6 **Canary Is EA8/IV3HAX** by IV3HAX fm Fuerteventura I (AF-004); HF; CW RTTY PSK; QSL: LotW, via IV3HAX direct, Club Log, eQSL
- \*until Jan 12 **Madagascar 5R8GC** by DJ6SI, DF9TM as **5R8UJ**, DL2SWW as **5R8UR** fm Nosy Be I (AF-057); HF; CW SSB RTTY; QSL: Home Call
- \*until Jan 12 **Cape Verde Is D44TBT** by SM5EPO SM3JBO fm Santa Maria, Sal I (AF-086); HF; CW SSB digital; QSL: LotW, via SM5EPO & eQSL
- \* until Jan 26 **Fernando de Noronha PY0F/PP1CZ** by PP1CZ; 80-10m; CW RTTY SSB: QSL: PP1CZ
- Jan 1-7 **Qatar A70X** by a team fm Al Safliyah I (AS-088); HF; SSB CW + digital; QSL: M0OXO
- Jan 1-9 **Aruba P49X** by W0YK; HF; CW SSB RTTY; QRV for ARRL RTTY Roundup; QSL: LotW or via Club Log
- Jan 2-5 **United Arab Emirates A65TG** by PA3TG fm Sharjah; mainly CW; mostly local evenings; QSL: PA3TG via Buro or direct
- Jan 2-11 **Maldives 8Q7AZ** by DL8AZ fm Meeru I (IOTA AS-013, MJ64uk); 40-10m; SSB; QSL: DL8AZ
- Jan 3-21 **Laos XW4XR** by AA4XR fm Vientiane; 160-10m; CW RTTY JT65; QSL: LotW or via E21EIC
- Jan 4-22 **Micronesia V63ARJ** by JA3ARJ, JH3LSS as **V63LSS**, JA3AVO JH3PBL W7AYA likewise fm Pohnpei; 160-6m; CW SSB + digital
- Jan 5-9 **South Cook Is E51AMF** by K7ADD fm Rarotonga I (OC-013); 80-10m, perhaps 160m; SSB RTTY; QSL: LotW, direct, Club Log, eQSL
- Jan 6-13 **Palau T88AQ** by JH6WDG fm Koror I (OC-009, PJ77fi); 160-6m; CW SSB + digital; QSL: LotW or via JH6WDG
- Jan 6-16 **Laos XW4ZW** by K4ZW fm Vientiane; focus on low bands; QSL: LotW or via K1SE (US\$2 (no IRCs) + SAE w/ QSL request)
- Jan 7-30 **PE & Marion Is ZS8Z** by ZS1BCE; HF; SSB + digital; broadband dipole; operation for 17 months; start date uncertain QSL: ZS1LS
- Jan 8-25 **Bonaire PJ4B** by PA8A; 40-40m; 100w; end-fed; holiday style operation; QSL: PA8A Direct SAE with US\$2 (no IRCs) w/ QSL request
- Jan 10-24 **Guatemala TG9/DJ2EH** by DJ2EH; focus on 160 80m; CW RTTY; QSL: DJ2EH
- Jan 11-25 **Cyprus SBA ZC4SB** by G0GSB fm Akrotiri area; mainly 80 40 20m; SSB CW; 100w; dipoles; QSL G0GSB direct SAE with US\$2 (no IRCs)
- Jan 11-Feb 6 **North Cook Is E51AMF** by K7ADD fm Manihiki Atoll (OC-014); 160 -10m.; SSB RTTY; QSL: LotW, via K7ADD direct, Club Log, eQSL
- Jan 12-18 **Palau T88SM** by JA6EGL, JA6KYU(**T88HS**), JI6BFF(**T88TK**), JQ6FQI(**T88WM**), JH7IPR(**T88UW**) fm OC-009; 160-10m CW SSB RTTY
- Jan 13-25 **Haiti HH8/N3BNA** by N3BNA; HF; QSL: LotW
- Jan 14-22 **Cayman Is ZF2PG** by K8PGJ; QRV for NAQP; QSL: LotW or via K8PGJ
- Jan 15-22 **Falkland Is VP8CLE** by G1OCN & **VP8DKW** fm Saunders I (SA-002); 160 80m; RTTY, PSK, CW, SSB; dates tbc; QSL: G1OCN direct
- Jan 19-Mar 9 **Guadeloupe TO7D** by F6ITD fm Baie Mahaut, Desirade Island (NA-102); 160-6m; SSB CW digi; & as **FG/F6ITD**; QSL: LotW or F6ITD
- Jan 20-Feb 23 **Vanuatu YJ0AA** by JH2BNL, JI2UAY (**YJ0FM**) JA2NQG (**YJ0WW**); 160-10m; CW SSB FM RTTY; QSL YJ0AA LoTW, else home\_calls
- Jan 20-26 **Iceland TF/DL1NX** by PY2SEX fm IOTA EU-021; 80-10m; Buddipole; QSL: LotW
- Jan 20-Mar 3 **Guinea Bissau J5UAP** by HA3AUI; 20-10m, other bands on request; CW; 100w; Spiderbeam; QSL: LotW or HA3AUI direct
- Jan 20-Mar 3 **Senegal 6W2SC** by HA3AUI; 20-10m, other bands on request; CW; 500/100w; Spiderbeam; QSL: LotW or HA3AUI direct
- Jan 22-Feb 2 **Ivory Coast TU5MH** by DF3FS DJ7JC DJ9RR DL8JJ; 80-10m; CW RTTY SSB; arrays; QSL: LotW, Club Log or DJ5BWD (buro/direct)
- Jan 23-30 **Falkland Is VP8CLE** by G1OCN & **VP8DKW** fm Bleaker I (SA-002); 160 80m; RTTY, PSK, CW, SSB; dates tbc; QSL: G1OCN Direct
- Jan 25-Feb 1 **Dominican Republic HI1UD** by HI3MPC + 9 others fm Beata I (NA-122, FK47fn); CW SSB; QSL: LotW, Club Log (pref), W2CCW w/\$US2
- Jan 31-Feb 4 **Falkland Is VP8CLE** by G1OCN & **VP8DKW** fm Stanley (SA-002); 160 80m; RTTY, PSK, CW, SSB; dates tbc; QSL: G1OCN Direct

## Long-term DX operations

\*from Sep 2016 for 3-5 years **Djibouti J28PI** by F1TMY; Inv L for 160m; Spiderbeam; G5RV; QSL: F1TMY

\*from Jan 2017 for 17 months **PE & Marion Is ZS8Z** by ZS1BCE; HF; SSB + digital; broadband dipole; start date tbc; QSL: ZS1LS

## Contests (to enjoy or simply avoid!)

**New in 2017: RSGB FMAC VHF contests, intended to enable stations who have only FM equipment to try contesting and, over time, progress to contesting on SSB & CW**

Jan 1	0000-0100 UTC	<b>AGB New Year Snowball Contest; CW, SSB, Digital</b> , 80m only; Exchange: RS(T) + Serial No. (+ Mem No.)
Jan 1	0800-1100 UTC	<b>SARTG New Year RTTY Contest</b> , 80 & 40m, Exchange: RST + QSO No. + name + happy new year.
Jan 1	0900-1200 UTC	<b>AGCW Happy New Year Contest, CW</b> ; 80,40,20m only, Exchange: RST + Serial No. (+/Member No.)
Jan 1	1500-1700 UTC	<b>IRTS 80m Counties Contest; SSB &amp; CW</b> : (3510-60, 3600-50, 3700-75kHz); Exchange: RS(T) + Serial No. (+ County from EI & GI stns)
Jan 1	1400-1700 UTC	<b>AGCW VHF Contest, CW</b> ; 2m only, Pwr A<5W, B<50W, C>50W; Exchange: RST+ /QSO No.+ /A,B or C +/6-digit IARU locator
Jan 1	1700-1800 UTC	<b>AGCW UHF Contest, CW</b> ; 70cm only, Pwr A<5W, B<50W, C>50W; Exchange: RST+ /QSO No+ /A,BorC +/6-digit IARU locator
Jan 3	1900-2000 UTC	<b>RSGB 144MHz FMAC</b> ; 2m FM only (144.5125-144.7875 & 145.2-145.4MHz) <50W; Exchange: RS(T), Serial No, 6-digit IARU locator
Jan 3	2000-2230 UTC	<b>RSGB 144MHz UKAC</b> ; 2m only, Exchange: RS(T) + serial number + 6-digit IARU locator.
Jan 4	2000-2100 UTC	<b>UKEICC 80m Contest, SSB</b> ; 3.7-3.775 only; HP>100W> LP,QRP<5W; Upload log<1hour; Exchange: only 4-digit IARU locator, <b>not</b> RST
Jan 7-8	1200-2400 UTC	<b>SKCC Weekend Sprint, CW</b> ; 160-6m (not WARC bands); Exchange: RST + Name + State/Country(GBR) + SKCC No./"None"
Jan 7-8	1800-2400 UTC	<b>ARRL RTTY Roundup, RTTY, Digital</b> , 80-10m (not WARC bands) Exchange: RST + serial number/State or Province
Jan 7	2000-2300 UTC	<b>EUCW 160m Party, CW</b> ; 160m only, Exchange: RST + name + "NM" or AGEU (FISTS,GQRP,FOC,Essex CW) Club & Member No.
Jan 8	0400-0700 UTC	<b>EUCW 160m Party, CW</b> ; 160m only, Exchange: RST + name + "NM" or AGEU (FISTS,GQRP,FOC,Essex CW) Club & Member No.
Jan 8	0900-1059 UTC	<b>DARC 10m Contest, CW, SSB</b> ; 10m only; Exchange: RS(T) + QSO number + "NM"/DOK (DARC District).
Jan 8	1400-1800 UTC	<b>RSGB AFS Contest, CW</b> ; 80 & 40m only (3510-60 & 7000-40 kHz), Exchange: RST + serial number, callsign every 3 QSOs/within 1 min
Jan 10	1900-2000 UTC	<b>RSGB 432MHz FMAC</b> ; 70cm FM only (432.525-432.975,433.400-433.475MHz) <50W; Exchange: RS(T), Serial No, 6-digit IARU locator
Jan 10	2000-2230 UTC	<b>RSGB 432MHz UKAC</b> ; 70cm only, Exchange: RS(T) + serial number + 6-digit IARU locator.
Jan 11-12	2300-2300 UTC	<b>AWA Linc Cundall Memorial Contest, CW</b> ; 160, 80, 40m; Exchange: RST + Eqd date/MOD if >1950 (e.g Tx42 Rx MOD) + Input Power
Jan 12	2000-2230 UTC	<b>RSGB 50MHz UKAC</b> ; 6m only, Exchange: serial number + 6-digit IARU locator.
Jan 14	1400-1800 UTC	<b>RSGB AFS Contest, Phone</b> ; 80 & 40m (3600-3775,7060-7200kHz), Exchange: RS + serial number (callsign every 3 QSOs/within 1 min)
Jan 14-15	1800-0600 UTC	<b>North American QSO Party, CW</b> ; 160-10m (not WARC bands), Exchange: Name + NA state/province/country
Jan 14-15	2300-2300 UTC	<b>AWA Linc Cundall Memorial Contest, CW</b> ; 160, 80, 40m; Exchange: RST + Eqd date/MOD if >1950 (e.g Tx42 Rx MOD) + Input Power
Jan 19	1900-2000 UTC	<b>RSGB 70MHz FMAC</b> ; 70cm FM only (70.250-70.4875, <b>not</b> 70.450 MHz) <50W; Exchange: RS(T), Serial No, 6-digit IARU locator
Jan 19	2000-2230 UTC	<b>RSGB 70MHz UKAC</b> ; 70cm only, Exchange: RS(T) + serial number + 6-digit IARU locator.
Jan 20	1800-2200 UTC	<b>LZ Open Contest, CW</b> ; 80 & 40m, Exchange: 3-digit Serial No. & 3-digit Serial No. from last QSO
Jan 21-22	1200-1159 UTC	<b>Hungarian DX Contest, CW, SSB</b> ; HF (not WARC bands) Exchange: RST + serial number/2-letter HA county
Jan 21-22	1800-0600 UTC	<b>North American QSO Party, SSB</b> ; 160-10m (not WARC bands), Exchange: Name + NA state/province/country
Jan 21	1900-2300 UTC	<b>WAB 1.8MHz Phone</b> ; 160m only, Exchange: RS + Serial No. + WAB Square/Country
Jan 21	2000-2400 UTC	<b>Feld Hell Sprint, Hellshriber</b> ; 160, 80 & 40m, Exchange: RST+ FH No. + State/Province/Country(GBR) + IARU locator
Jan 28-29	1200-1200 UTC	<b>BARTG RTTY Sprint</b> , 80-10m (Not WARC bands), Exchange: Serial No.
Jan 25	2000-2100 UTC	<b>UKEICC 80m Contest, CW</b> ; 3510-60kHz only; HP>100W> LP,QRP<5W; Upload log<1hour; Exchange: 4-digit IARU locator, <b>not</b> RST
Jan 27-29	2200-2200 UTC	<b>CQ 160-Meter Contest, CW</b> , 160m only, Exchange: RST + State/province/CQ Zone (14)
Jan 28-29	0600-1800 UTC	<b>REF Contest; CW</b> ; 80-10m (Not WARC bands); Exchange: RS + Serial No./Department
Jan 28-29	1300-1300 UTC	<b>UBA DX Contest; SSB</b> ; 80-10m (Not WARC bands); Exchange: RST + Serial No. (+ ON Province)
Weekly	Jan 4,11,18,25	<b>CWops Mini-CWT, CW</b> ;160-10m (not WARC); straight key; call "CQ CWT" 28-38kHz up from band edge; Exchange: Name & State/DX Country Prefix. At 1300-1400 UTC focus is Asia & Pacific; <b>1900-2000 UTC focus is Europe &amp; Africa</b> & Thursday 0300-0400 focus is USA & Canada.