

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

- *until-Sep 3 **Montenegro 4O7GXB** by IZ7GXB; HF + 6m, focus on 6m; 500w; QSL: LotW or IZ7GXB via 4O Buro/direct
- *until-Sep 4 **Micronesia V63KS** by JA6REX fm Chuuk I (IOTA OC-011); 160-6m; CW SSB RTTY; QSL: LotW
- *until-Sep 4 **Vanuatu YJ0CX** by CX3AN fm IOTA OC-035; focus on 40 30m CW and 20 17m SSB; 100w; dipoles; QSL: CX3AN
- *until-Sep 5 **French Polynesia TX5EG** by F6BCW F6DTZ F1TCV fm Moorea I (OC-046); 80-12m; CW SSB QSL: LotW, F6BCW Buro/Club Log, eQSL
- *until-Sep 8 **South Cook Is E51DLD** by W6HB fm Rarotonga I (IOTA OC-013); 160-10m; SSB; QSL: W6HB
- *until-Sep13 **Vanuatu YJ0AT** by KQ2I fm Efate I; 40-10m, focus on 40m; CW; 100w; vertical; holiday operation; QSL: KQ2I Direct or Club Log
- *until-Sep 17 **Vietnam XV9WJR**; 40 20m; mainly CW; QSL: WA7WJR Direct by WA7WJR
- Sep 1-4 **South Cook Is E51JHQ** by JA0JHQ fm Rarotonga (OC-013); 80-6m; 200w; QRV All Asian DX SSB; QSL: LotW, JA0JHQ direct, Club Log
- Sep 1-10 **Algeria 7Y94I** by Radio Club of Djelfa fm Rachgoun I (IOTA AF-094); HF; QSL: 7X2DD
- Sep 1-16 **St Lucia J68HZ** by K9HZ fm IOTA NA-108; 160-6m; CW SSB RTTY; QSL: LotW, Club Log or K9HZ direct
- Sep 2-9 **Market Reef OJ0/OH2BR** by OH2BR; HF, incl 60m; spare time operation; QSL: OH2BR direct; Kannuskatu 8 F 72, 20880 Turku, Finland
- Sep 5-22 **Mauritius 3B8/PA3HGT** by PA3HGT fm IOTA AF-049; 40 20 10m; SSB + digital; 100w; end-fed wire; QSL: LotW or PA3HGT Buro/direct
- Sep 6-13 **Morocco CN2** by TA1HZ & TA7AZC as tbc; holiday style operation; QRV for WAE DX SSB Contest; QSL: LotW or LZ3HI
- Sep 6-Oct 1 **French Polynesia FO/DF1YP** by DF1YP fm Moorea I (OC-046, BH52cm); 20-15m; SSB + digital; holiday style op; QSL: DF1YP Buro
- Sep 7-15 **Botswana A25AL** by IW5ELA; mainly CW; vertical; spare time operation; QSL: Auto Buro
- Sep 9-15 **Liechtenstein HB0/DL2SBY** by DL2SBY; 80-10m; SSB CW, focus on RTTY; 400w; QSL: LotW or Club Log
- Sep 9-22 **Dodecanese SV5/HB9OAU** by HB9OAU fm Karpathos I (EU-001); 40-10m; SSB RTTY PSK; QSL: LotW or HB9OAU Buro/direct, eQSL
- Sep 12-28 **Cocos & Keeling VK9CGJ** by W7GJ; 6m; mainly EME, some SSB CW; QSL: W7GJ (exact dates uncertain)
- Sep 13-25 **Niue E6AG** by VK5GR; 40-6m, perhaps 80m; digital, some SSB; 500w; QSL: LotW, VK5GR Buro or M0OXO OQRS, Club Log, eQSL
- Sep 14-21 **Galapagos HD8M** by WB2REM G8OFQ & 7163 Group fm Isabela I (SA-004); 160-6m; CW SSB digital; QSL: WB2REM or Club Log
- Sep 15-20 **Svalbard JW/OM6TC** by OM6TC; HF; CW SSB; 100w; wires; QSL: OM6TC Buro
- Sep 15-25 **Botswana A25BI** by RM0F, R2AD as **A25SP**, RC5A as **A25BE** fm Kasane; 160-6m; CW SSB; QSL: LotW (not A25SP), Home Call via Buro
- Sep 16-28 **Mauritania 5T5OK** by OK1BOA; CDXP group, 5T0JL 5T2AI; 160-6m; SSB CW RTTY; 100w; yagis, verticals; QSL: LotW, OK6DJ OQRS
- Sep 17-23 **St Pierre & Miquelon FP/M0WUT** by M0WUT M0BLF DK2AB G3ZAY DH5FS G7VJR likewise fm IOTA NA-032; QSL: Home Call
- Sep 20-26 **Palau T88XA** by JA3KIO fm Koror Island (IOTA OC-009); 160-10m; CW SSB; yagi + dipoles; QSL: LotW or via JA3KIO Buro or direct
- Sep 27-Oct 2 **Micronesia V63** by JR1FKR as **V63FKR** & JH1MLO as **V63MLO** fm Pohnpei I (IOTA OC-010, QJ96cx); HF; QSL: Home Call
- Sep 28-Oct 30 **Burkina Faso XT2AW** by DF2WO; 40-10m; CW SSB + digital; hex beam, dipole; QSL: M0OXO
- Sep 30-Oct 20 **Temotu H40GC** by LZ1GC; 160-10m; CW SSB RTTY PSK; QSL: LotW or via LZ1GC & Club Log

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

Pre-contest Activity: CQ WW DX RTTY Contest (July 29-30, 2017)

Call	DXCC	CQZ	QSL	Notes
5W0RA	Samoa	32	K7AR, Club Log	QRV Sep 19-28 fm Apia; CW SSB RTTY; CrankIR vertical, Inverted L
7U1X	Algeria	33	EA7JX direct, Club Log	By EA7JX; QRV Sep 18-25
E6AG	Niue	32	OQRS tba	By VK5GR; QRV Sep 12-25
P/MW0JZE	Bonaire	09	M0OXO direct	By MW0JZE; IOTA SA-006; QRV Sep 15-30; HF; SSB RTTY
JD1/o	Ogasawara	27	LotW, Buro or direct	By JA1UII; QRV Sep 21-30
VA2SG/2	Canada	02	VE2JCW direct	By VA2SG VE2VIA; low power; fm Sept-Iles, Quebec

Contests (to enjoy or simply avoid!)

New in 2017: RSGB FMAC VHF contests for stations with only FM equipment to try contests & progress to SSB & CW. RSGB 80m Autumn Series replace Club Sprints.

Sep 1-3	2300-2300 UTC	G3ZQS Memorial Straight Key Contest, CW; 80-10m; Exchange: RST + State/province/country(GBR) + name + FISTS No./power
Sep 2	0000-2359 UTC	Russian WW RTTY Contest, RTTY; 80-10m (not WARC); Exchange:RST + CQ Zone (14) /2-letter Oblast
Sep 2	0000-2400 UTC	CWops Bimonthly Open, CW; 160-10m (not WARC); 1200-1600 UTC focus: ITU Region 1; Exchange: serial number & name
Sep 2	1300-1600 UTC	AGCW Straight Key Party, CW; 40m only; Exchange: RST/serial/Class/Name/Age
Sep 2-3	0000-2359 UTC	All Asian DX Contest, Phone, 80-10m (Not WARC bands), Exchange: RS + 2-digit Age
Sep 2-3	1300-1300 UTC	RSGB SSB Field Day, SSB, 80-10m (Not WARC bands), Exchange: RS + serial number
Sep 2-3	1300-1300UTC	IARU Region 1 Field Day, SSB. 160-10m (Not WARC bands). Exchange: RST + serial number
Sep 2-3	1400-1400 UTC	144MHz Trophy Contest; 2m only, Exchange: RS(T) + serial number + 6-digit locator
Sep 2-3	1400-1400UTC	IARU 2m Contest, All modes; 2m only Exchange: RST + serial number
Sep 3	1000-1400 UTC	WAB 144MHz QRO, Phone; 2m only, Exchange RS + serial number + (Rx: Country, Tx: WAB Square)
Sep 3	1100-1500 UTC	RSGB 5th 2m Backpackers, All modes; 2m only QRP (<4W or <10W) /P (<u>not</u> /M) Exchange: RS(T) + 6-digit locator + 2-letter postcode
Sep 5	1800-1900 UTC	RSGB 144MHz FMAC; 2m (144.5125 - 7875 & 145.2-145.4MHz) FM only <50W & <10W; Exchange: RS(T), Serial No, 6-digit locator
Sep 5	1900-2130 UTC	RSGB 144MHz UKAC, All modes; 2m only Exchange: RS(T) + serial number + 6-digit square.
Sep 6	2000-2100 UTC	UKEICC 80m Contest, CW; 80m only, Exchange: 4-digit square
Sep 9	0000-2359 UTC	Churches-on-the-Air (CHOTA) All bands & modes, mainly SSB 1000-1600hrs; work SES in churches (QSO rather than contest format)
Sep 9-10	0000-2359 UTC	SARL Field Day Contest, CW SSB PSK RTTY, 160-10m (Not WARC), Exchange: RS(T), No of Tx, Class (F=QTHR), DX/Province
Sep 9-10	1000-1000 UTC	WAE DX Contest, SSB, 80-10m (Not WARC bands), Exchange: RS + serial number
Sep 9-10	1200-2400 UTC	SKCC Weekend Sprint, CW, HF (Not WARC bands), Exchange: RST + Name + Country + “None”
Sep 10	1300-1900 UTC	Swiss HTC QRP Sprint, CW; 80m, 40m & 20m; Exchange: RST/Class (VLP<1W,QRP<5W,QRO>5W)/Country/Name
Sep 11	1900-2030 UTC	RSGB 80m Autumn Series, SSB; 3600-3775kHz, QRP<10W, LP<100W; Exchange: his call signs + your call + serial number + name
Sep 12	1800-1900 UTC	RSGB 432MHz FMAC; (432.525-975 & 433.400-475MHz) FM All modes. Exchange: serial number + 6-digit IARU locator.
Sep 12	1900-2130 UTC	RSGB 432MHz UKAC, All modes; 70cm only Exchange: RS(T) + serial number + 6-digit square.
Sep 14	1900-2130 UTC	RSGB 50MHz UKAC, All modes; 6m only Exchange: RS(T) + serial number + 6-digit square.
Sep 16-17	1200-1200 UTC	Scandinavian Activity Contest, CW; 80-10m (Not WARC bands), Exchange: RST + serial number
Sep 16-17	1200-1200 UTC	All Africa International DX Contest, CW SSB RTTY; 160-10m (Not WARC), QRP<5W, LP<100W; Exchange: RS(T) + Serial
Sep 16-17	1300-1300 UTC	SRT HF Contest, SSB; HF (Not WARC bands), Exchange: RS + CQ Zone (14)
Sep 17	0900-1200 UTC	RSGB Second 70MHz Contest; 4m only, Exchange: RS(T) + serial number + 6-digit locator
Sep 17	1700-2100 UTC	BARTG Sprint 75, 75 baud RTTY; 80-10m (Not WARC bands), Exchange: serial number
Sep 17	0900-1200 UTC	RSGB Second 70MHz Contest All modes. Exchange: RS(T) + serial number + 6 character locator
Sep 20	1900-2030 UTC	RSGB 80m Autumn Series, CW; 3520-60kHz, QRP<10W, LP<100W; Exchange: his call signs + your call + serial number + name
Sep 21	1800-1900 UTC	RSGB 70MHz FMAC; 4m (70.250-70.4875MHz, not 70.450) FM only <50W & <10W; Exchange: RS(T), Serial No, 6-digit locator
Sep 21	1900-2130 UTC	RSGB 70MHz UKAC, All modes; 6m only Exchange: RS(T) + serial number + 6-digit square.
Sep 23-24	0000-2400 UTC	CQ Worldwide DX Contest, RTTY, 80-10m (Not WARC bands), Exchange: RST + CQ Zone (14) + US State/VE area
Sep 23-24	0000-2400 UTC	Railways on the Air (ROTA) Weekend Mainly SSB around 3.65, 7.15, 14.25MHz; work SES on railways (QSO, not contest format)
Sep 23	1400-1700 UTC	AGCW VHF/UHF Contest, CW; 2m, Exchange RST/serial number/Class (A<5W, B<50W, C>50W)/IARU locator (6-digit)
Sep 23	1700-1800 UTC	AGCW VHF/UHF Contest, CW; 70cm, Exchange RST/serial number/Class(A<5W,B<50W,C>50W)/IARU locator (6-digit)
Sep 24	1200-1600 UTC	PW 70MHz Contest, SSB CW FM AM; 4m, QRP<10W pep & QRO, Exchange: RS(T)+serial number+IARU 4-digit locator
Sep 27	0000-0200 UTC	SKCC Sprint, CW, HF (Not WARC bands), Exchange: RST + Name + State/Country + Power/SKCC No.
Sep 27	2000-2100 UTC	UKEICC 80m Contest, CW; 80m only, Exchange: 4-digit square
Sep 28	1900-2030 UTC	RSGB 80m Autumn Series, Data; 3580-3620kHz, QRP<10W, LP<100W; Exchange: his call signs + your call + serial number + name

Weekly Sep 6, 13, 20, 27 **CWops Mini-CWT, CW;**160-10m (not WARC); straight key; call “CQ CWT” 28-38kHz up from band edge; Exchange: Name & State/DX Country Prefix. At 1300-1400 UTC focus is Asia & Pacific; **1900-2000 UTC focus is Europe & Africa** & Thursday 0300-0400 focus is USA & Canada.