

## Month on the Air by G3MGQ: May 2024

**DXpeditions in May 2024** (Dates, DXCC, Callsign, Info from ADXO with NG3K Bill's kind permission) (# not on DX Watch at 27 March)

- Apr 18-May 1 **St Kitts & Nevis V4/AA4RF** by AA4RF;@V47JA; HF; using **V49T** fm 3 parks QSL: LoTW
- Apr 27-May 4 **Market Reef OJ0T** by LA1UW LA3WAA LB5SH LB0VG; 160-6m; SSB CW FT8; QSL: LoTW or via EA5GL
- Apr 22-May 4 **Ogasawara JD1BQP** by JP1IHD fm Chichijima I (IOTA AS-031); 15-6m; SSB; QSL: LoTW, via JD1BQP Buro or JP1IHD direct
- Apr 22-May 4 **Ogasawara JD1BMH** by JG7PSJ fm Chichijima I (IOTA AS-031); 40-10m; CW SSB RTTY; QSL: JD1BMH Buro or via JG7PSJ direct
- Apr 26-May 4 **Market Reef OJ0T** by LA1UW LA3WAA LB5SH LB0VG; 160-6m; SSB CW FT8; QSL: LoTW or via EA5GL
- Apr 28-May 4 **Bermuda KJ4AXB/VP9** by KJ4AXB, KD4PCU and KA4KBX likewise; 40-10m; FT8 FT4, perhaps SSB; POTA; QSL: LoTW or via KJ4AXB
- Apr 29-May 5 **Svalbard JW9DSA** by LA9DSA; HF; mainly SSB; QSL: LoTW
- Apr 18-May 6 **Easter I 3G0YA** by DL6FBL DK9IP DM6EE; HF; SSB CW FT8; QSL: LoTW or via Club Log OQRS
- Apr 28-May 7 **Conway Reef 3D2CCC** by 2 Rebel DX Group ops; 160-6m (incl 60m); CW SSB FT8 FT4; QSL via LoTW after Club Log request; end date uncertain
- Apr 18-May 8 **Bhutan A52P** by SP9FIH with SP6CIK as **A52CI** fm Dochula; 40-6m; SSB CW + digital; QSL: Club Log OQRS
- Apr 26-May 9 **Greenland OX3LX** by OZ1DJJ fm Kangerlussuaq, Nuuk, Paamiut; HF; FT8 RTTY CW; QSL: OZ0J
- Apr 27-May 9 **Vanuatu YJ0CA** by VK2YUS fm Port Vila; 40-10m; SSB; 400w; QSL: VK2YUS Direct full QSL details on qrz.com
- Apr 28-May 9 **Cyprus SBA ZC4RH** by G4WXJ fm KM64ux; 40-6m; SSB FT8 FT4; 100w; dipole; holiday style operation; QSL:
- Apr 20-May 10 **Uganda 5X3L** by NP2OR fm Equator Village, Kayabwe; HF; QSL: NP2OR spare time operatio
- Apr 30-May 13 **Botswana A25SHD** by HB9SHD; HF; QSL: LoTW holiday style operation
- Apr 15-May 15 **Wake I NL7RR/KH9** by NL7RR; check 14200 khz; QSL: LoTW or via NL7RR direct (P.O. Box 2387, Homer, AK 99603)
- May 2-17 **Rwanda 9X2AW** by DF2WO fm Kigali; HF; CW SSB FT8 FT4; 100w; QSL: M0OXO OQRS
- May 3-8 **Barbados 8P9NO** by PH0NO; 20-10m; SSB CW; 100w; wires; QSL: Club Log OQRS holiday style operation
- May 11-19 **Bolivia CP7DX** by LU1FM LU6FOV LU7HN LU7MT LU8YD LU9FHF LU5DF; 160-6m; SSB FM CW FT8 FT4; QSL: LoTW or via Club Log OQRS
- May 14-26 **Barbados 8P9CB** by WA7RAR; 20-10m; SSB CW QSL: WA7RAR
- May 17-27 **Cyprus SBA MW0BRO** by MW0BRO fm nr Dhekelia (KM64ww); 40-6m; CW; 100w; QSL: LoTW possibly also using **5B/MW0BRO**
- May 19-31 **Maldives 8Q7KR** by DO4RKR fm Joy I; 10m; SSB; QSL: DO4RKR (B/d)
- May 23-27 **Bermuda AB2E/VP9** by AB2E; low bands; CW FT8; QSL via LoTW; QRV for WPX CW using **VP9I** (QSL via WW3S)
- May 24-Jun 19 **Glorioso Is FT4GL** by FH4VVK fm Grande Glorioso I (IOTA AF-011); HF; QSL: LoTW or via F4FTV
- May 22-Jun 3 **Br Virgin Is VP2V/W5GI** by W5GI fm Anegada I; 20-10m; SSB; QSL: LoTW
- May 22-Jun 5 **Ogasawara JD1BQW** by JA6VZB fm Chichijima I; focus 12 & 6m; FT8; QRV for CQ WPX CW & ARRL Digial; QSL: LoTW, Club Log OQRS or Buro
- May 30-Jun 10 **Pitcairn VP6DF** by WJ2O fm IOTA OC-063; 160-10m; CW; QSL: LoTW or via N2ZN
- May 30-Jun 20 **Crete SV9/DK5EW** by DK5EW; 6 & 4m QSL: DK5EW Direct

## Long-term DX operations

## Contests (to enjoy or simply avoid!)

**The big DX one this month is CQ WW WPX CW Contest & the RSGB May 2m Contest but several RTTY & PSK ones too. For some fun, try Mills-on-the-Air.**  
**NB:** Modes allowed in RSGB VHF contests are **only** SSB, CW, FM, AM, JT6M, ISCAT & FSK441, **except** for dedicated MGM events when any MGM but **not** CW or EME Users of WSJT-X should enable EU VHF Contest mode; **DO NOT USE the WSJT-X software dedicated Contest formats or Fox in Fox & Hounds mode.**

- May4-Aug4 0000-2400 UTC **UKSMG Summer Marathon; all modes**, but split into 'Legacy' & Digital sections; 6m band only; Exchange: 4-digit locator only
- M** May 1 1300-1900 UTC **AGCW QRP Party, CW 80-10m** (Not WARC bands); 5W(A)/20W(B) Exchange: RST + serial number /A or B
- W** May 1 1700-2100 UTC **RSGB 144 MHz FT8 AC, 2m (4hr):** Pwr<100W or <10W, Exchange: Report + 4-digit IARU locator
- May 1 1900-2100 UTC **RSGB 144 MHz FT8 AC, 2m (2hr only):** Pwr<100W or <10W, Exchange: Report + 4-digit IARU locator
- Sa** May 4 0300-0900 UTC **RCC Cup, SSB, CW; 80-10m** (Not WARC bands) Mults: ITUs/band, 1 RCC Members/band; Exchange: RS(T) + ITU Zone( 27) /RCC No.

May 4 1400-2200 UTC **RSGB 432MHz Trophy Contest** Exchange: RS(T) + serial number + 6 character locator  
 May 4-5 1200-1200 UTC **F9AA Cup, PSK**; 80-10m (Not WARC bands) & 2m; Class: A>100W, B>10W>C; Exchange: RST + serial number.  
 May 4-5 1200-1159 UTC **ARI International DX Contest, CW, RTTY & Phone**; 160-10m (Not WARC bands) Exchange: RS(T) + serial number + (Rx: I Province)  
 May 4-5 1400-1400 UTC **RSGB 432MHz – 245GHz Contest , All modes**; Exchange: RS(T) + serial number + 6 character IARU locator  
**Su** May 5 1000-1400 UTC **WAB 7MHz, AM FM SSB**; 40m only; LP<10W<HP; Exchange: RS + name + WAB Square(e.g TQ72)  
**Tu** May 7 1800-1855 UTC **RSGB 144MHz FMAC**; 2m (144.5125 - 7875 & 145.2-145.4MHz) FM only <50W & <10W; Exchange: RS(T), Serial No, 6-digit locator  
 May 7 1900-2130 UTC **RSGB 144MHz UKAC**; 2m only, Exchange: RS(T) + serial number + 6-digit IARU locator.  
**W** May 8 1700-2100 UTC **RSGB 432 MHz FT8 AC**, 70cm (4hr): Pwr<100W or <10W, Exchange: Report + 4-digit IARU locator  
 May 8 1900-2100 UTC **RSGB 432 MHz FT8 AC**, 70cm (2hr only): Pwr<100W or <10W, Exchange: Report + 4-digit IARU locator  
**Th** May 9 1900-2130 UTC **RSGB 50MHz UKAC**; 6m only, Exchange: RS(T) + serial number + 6-digit IARU locator.  
**Sa** May 11 0000-2359 UTC **FISTS Saturday Sprint, CW**; 80-10m (Not WARC bands); 5W<Pwr<100W; Exchange: RS(T), First name, FISTS No./’0”  
 May 11-12 0000-2400 UTC **Mills-on-the-Air Weekend** All bands & modes; QSO with SES near wind & water mills. **(e.g West Kent ARS at Nutley with GB2NW)**  
 May 11-12 1200-1159 UTC **CQ-M International DX Contest, CW & SSB**; 160-10m (Not WARC bands); Exchange: RS(T) + serial number  
 May 11-12 1200-1200 UTC **VOLTA WW RTTY Contest, RTTY** 80-10m (Not WARC bands); Exchange: RST + serial number + CQ Zone (14)  
**Su** May 12 0900-1200 UTC **RSGB 70MHz Contest CW**; Exchange: RST + serial number + 6 character locator + 2-letter post code (TN)  
**M** May 13 1900-2030 UTC **RSGB 80m Club Championship, SSB** (3600-3775kHz); Pwr 100/10W; Exchange: RS + serial number  
**Tu** May 14 1800-1855 UTC **RSGB 432MHz FMAC**; (432.525-975 & 433.400-475MHz) FM All modes. Exchange: serial number + 6-digit IARU locator.  
 May 14 1900-2130 UTC **RSGB 432MHz UKAC; 70cm only, all modes; <50W & <10W; Exchange: RS(T), Serial No, 6-digit locator**  
**Th** May 16 1900-2130 UTC **RSGB 70MHz UKAC; 4m only, All modes**; Exchange: RS(T) + serial number + 6-digit IARU locator  
**Sa** May 18 0600-2100 UTC **UN DX, SSB, CW**; 80-10m (Not WARC bands) Exchange: RS(T) + Tx: Serial /Rx: Kazakhstan District Code  
 May 18-19 1200-1200 UTC **EU PSK DX Contest, BPSK63 HF** (Not WARC bands) 80 -10m (Not WARC bands) Exchange: RST + EU Code  
 May 18-19 1200-1200 UTC **HM King of Spain Contest, CW** 160m-10m (Not WARC bands) Work EA stations Exchange RST + serial number/Province  
 May 18-19 1400-1400 UTC **RSGB 144MHz May Contest**; 2m only, Exchange: RS(T) + serial number + 6-digit IARU locator+ 2-letter post code (TN).  
 May 18-19 2100-0200 UTC **Baltic Contest, SSB & CW**, 80m only. Exchange: RST + serial number.  
**Su** May 19 1100-1500 UTC **RSGB 144MHz 1st Backpackers**; 2m portable only QRP (<5W or <25W) /P (not /M) Exchange: RS(T), Serial No, 6-digit locator  
 May 19 0000-2359 UTC **FISTS Sunday Sprint, CW**; 80-10m (Not WARC bands); 5W<Pwr<100W; Exchange: RS(T), First name, FISTS No./’0”  
**M** May 20 1900-2100 UTC **RSGB FT4 Series #4**, USB 3576.79 & 82, 7047.5 & 14080kHz; Pwr<100W or <10W, Exchange: signal report. Multi's: DXCC & Gx66HH  
**W** May 22 1900-2030 UTC **RSGB 80m Club Championship, Data** Exchange: RST + serial number  
 May 25-26 0000-2359 UTC **CQ WW WPX, CW** 160 -10m (Not WARC bands) Exchange: RST + serial number  
 May 27-28 1300-0400 UTC **QCX Monthly Challenge, CW**; 80,40,20m, 3x1hr@ 1300,1900 & 0300UTC, QRP<5W>HP, Exchange: true RST, Name, state/country, rig  
**Th** May 30 1900-2030 UTC **RSGB 80m Club Championship, CW** Exchange: RST + serial number

**Weekly Wednesdays 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.

**Mondays 0000-0100 UTC K1USN SST, CW QRS<20wpm**; 80,40,20m (32-39kHz>band edge); any Morse key; call “CQ SST”; Pwr: QRP<5W<LP<100W; Exchange: Name & State/DX Country Prefix (GBR)

Also **Mondays 2000-2100 UTC Hastings ERC QRS CW Net** (G0ILN & G0JHK) 28.055MHz or 3563kHz (+/-QRM) with talkback FM on 145.275MHz