

Month on the Air by G3MGQ: February 2026

DXpeditions in February 2026 (Dates, DXCC, Callsign, Info from ADXO with NG3K Bill's kind permission) (**# not active** at 31 January on DX Watch)

Until Feb 1 **French Polynesia FO/F6HCM** by F6HCM fm Maupiti I (IOTA OC-067); HF; QSL: F6HCM (B/d)
Until Feb 2 **Indonesia YB5/PB2X** by PB2X fm IOTA OC-143 (OI09aq); 80-10m; CW SSB FT8; 100w; dipole; QSL: PB2X Direct
Until Feb 3 **St Kitts & Nevis V47JA** by W5JON fm Calypso Bay; 160-6m; SSB FT8; yagi, verticals; QSL: LoTW or W5JON direct
Until Feb 8 **Rwanda 9X2AW** by DF2WO fm Kigali; 160-6m; CW SSB FT8 FT4; QSL: M0OXO OQRS
Until Feb 10 **Guadeloupe FG4KH** QSL: LoTW by F1DUZ; 80-10m; SSB; QSL via F1DUZ (B/d)
Until Feb 10 **Desecheo I KP5/NP3VI** by NP4G and team fm FK68gj; 160-6m, incl 60m; CW SSB FT8; QSL: LoTW oe via M0OXO; dates unclear/approximate
Until Feb 15 **San Felix & Ambrosio CE0X** by XQ7IR team SSB/FT8 & PY7RP remote op team CW/FT8 fm San Ambrosio I (SA-013); 160-10m;; QSL: M0URX
Until Feb 16 **Grenada J38WG** by WE9G fm IOTA NA-024 (FK92ef); 160-6m; mainly FT8, some CW SSB; QSL: LoTW, via Club Log OQRS or WE9G (B/d)
Until Feb 17 **Tanzania 5H3DX** by NK8O fm Dodoma; 30-10m; CW SSB PSK31 FT8; QSL: LoTW, via Club Log OQRS or NK8O direct
Until Feb 23 **Guyana 8R1TM** by PY1SAD fm GJ06vs; 160-6m; CW SSB + digital; QSL: LoTW oe PY1SAD direct
Until Feb 28 **Kenya 5Z4/OZ6ABL** by OZ6ABL fm Watamu (LI06ap); 80-6m; CW SSB FT8 FT4; holiday operation; QSL: LoTW, via OZ6ABL or Club Log OQRS
Until Mar 4 **Curacao PJ2/PD1DRE** by PD1DRE fm Willemstad (IOTA SA-009, FK52nc); 40 20 10m; SSB FT8 FT4; QSL: eQSL
Until Mar 23 **Martinique FM/F6BWJ**; QSL: LoTW by F6BWJ 12 10m; CW; 100w; groundplane
Until Mar 31 **Curacao PJ2/W2APF** by W2APF; 80-10m; CW SSB FT8; QSL: LoTW or W2APF direct
Feb 1-27 **Belize V31DJ** by W0CP; also K0ZV using V31DK; fm Placencia; 160-10m; CW SSB FT8 FT4; 800w; wires; QSL: LoTW or via Club Log OQRS
Feb 2-23 **Mauritius 3B8/OE6MBG** by OE6MBG; focus on 80 40m; SSB CW; perhaps FT4 FT8; QSL: LoTW
Feb 4-Mar 9 **St Kitts & Nevis V4/K0YA** by K0YA & W5RCX as **V4/W5RCX** fm St Kitts; 160-6m; CW SSB FT8 FT4L QSL: LoTW
Feb 5-20 **Sao Tome & Principe S9BV** by S53BV; 60 40 30 15m; CW SSB; holiday style operation; QSL: Club Log OQRS
Feb 6-19 **Cape Verde Is D4VR** by DD0VR; HF; QRP; Feb 6-11 fm Boa Vista I (IOTA AF-005) QSL: DDD0VR; Feb 11-19 fm Sao Tiago I (IOTA AF-086)
Feb 8-14 **Lakshadweep Is AU7RS** by VU2RS EY8MM DL6KVA YT1AD R7KW DJ5IW + 5 other VU fm Agatti I; 160-6m, focus on low bands; CW SSB + digital; QSL: M0OXO
Feb 7-14 **Falkland Is VP8TDX** by NE8Z fm Port Stanley; 40-6m; CW SSB FT8 FT4; windom antenna; QSL: LoTW or via Club Log OQRS
Feb 10-17 **Greenland OX7AKT** by OZ7AKT as fm Kangerlussuaq; 160-10m; SSB CW FT8; QSL: LoTW
Feb 14-28 **Falkland Is VP8TM** by DC8TM fm IOTA SA-002; HF; SSB FT8; QSL: LoTW or via DC8TM (B/d)
Feb 15-Mar 14 **Bouvet I 3Y0K** by LA7GIA and team; begin and end dates subject to change; QSL: LoTW or M0OXO see Web for full QSL details
Feb 19-27 **Guyana 8R1WA** by IZ0EGA IZ0EVI IZ0EWJ IZ6DSQ; 160-6m; SSB FT8; QSL: LoTW oe via IZ0EGA (B/d)
Feb 21-28 **Barbados 8P9XB** by VE2XB; 160-6m; holiday style operation; QSL: VE2XB
Feb 21-Mar 7 **St Kitts & Nevis V4/WA7RAR** by WA7RAR fm St Kitts; 20-10m; SSB CW; QSL: LoTW or via WA7RAR direct

Long-term DX operations:

20 Nov'25 until 24 Mar'26 **Namibia V51WH** by DK2WH fm nr Omaruru; 160-6m, incl 60m; QSL: DK2WH; QRV for CQWW DX RTTY using **V55Y**
6 Jan'25 until 6 Apr'26 **Benin TY5GG** by F5NVF fm Godomey, Abomey-Calavil HF; Spiderbeam, multiband dipole; QSL: LoTW or via F5RAV direct

Contests (to enjoy or simply avoid!)

Big ones this month are ARRL DX CW Contest & CQ WPX RTTY Contest. Also to try 160m; e.g. RSGB (CW) & CQ (SSB)

RSGB have kept Tues FM Activity Contests (AC) on 2m & 70cm to encourage those with only FM to try contests. Also there are specific FT8 data AC's; with 2hr & 4hr sections 2m on 1st & 70cm 2nd Wednesdays.

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.

N.B. UKEICC 80m Contests: Cumulative Sept-Apr contests for individual & Club team entries; log submission robot BEFORE 2200z

M Feb 2 2000-2 8130 UTC **RSGB 80m Club Championship, SSB:** Pwr<100W or 10W, Exchange: RS + serial number

Tu Feb 3 1900-1955 UTC **RSGB 144MHz FMAC;** 2m (144.5125 - 7875 & 145.2-145.4MHz) **FM only** <50W & <10W; Exchange: RS(T), Serial No, 6-digit locator

Feb 3 2000-2230 UTC **RSGB 144MHz UKAC; All modes;** 2m only, Exchange: RS(T) + serial number + 6-digit IARU locator.

W Feb 4 1700-2100 UTC **RSGB 144MHz FT8 UKAC (4hr);** 2m only, Exchange: RS + 4-digit IARU locator.

Feb 4 1900-2100 UTC **RSGB 144MHz FT8 UKAC (2hr);** 2m only, Exchange: RS + 4-digit IARU locator.

Feb 4 2000-2100 UTC **UKEICC 80m Contest, SSB;** 3.700-3.775 only; HP>100W> LP,QRP<5W; Upload log<1hour; Exchange: only 6-digit IARU locator, **not** RS

Th Feb 5 1800-2200 UTC **NRAU 10m Activity Contest; CW, SSB, FM, Data (PSK/RTTY) hourly;** work only Nordic stations; Exchange: RS(T) + 6-char locator

Sa Feb 7 **1600-1900 UTC AGCW Straight Key Party, CW; 40m only, Class: A<5W, B<50W, C<150W. Exchange: RST/Serial No./Class/Name/Age.**

Feb 7 - 8 0001-2359 UTC **10-10 Int. Winter Contest, SSB;** 10m only; QRP 10W<LP<150W; Exchange: Name + 10-10 member No./zero + state/province/country

Feb 7 - 8 1200-1200 UTC **EU DX Contest, CW SSB;** 160-10m; QRP 5W<LP<100W; Exchange: RS(T)+ EU Region (4-char)/non-EU ITU Zone (UK=27)

Feb 7 - 8 1200-1200 UTC **F9AA Cup, CW;** 80, 40, 20, 15, 10, 2m, Exchange: RST + Serial No. + License Type + (Country/REF Dept)

Su Feb 8 0000-0359 UTC **North American Sprint, CW;** 80m 40m & 20m; Work NA only. Exchange: Callsigns, serial number, Name, Country/State

Feb 8 0900-1300 UTC **RSGB 432 AFS Contest;** Exchange: RS(T) + serial number + 6-digit IARU locator

Tu Feb 10 1900-1955 UTC **RSGB 432MHz FMAC;** 70cm (432.525-975 & 433.400-475 MHz) **FM only** <50W & <10W; Exchange: RS(T), Serial No, 6-digit locator

Feb 10 2000-2230 UTC **RSGB 432MHz UKAC; All modes;** 70cm only, Exchange: RS(T) + serial number + 6-digit IARU locator.

W Feb 11 2000-2130 UTC **RSGB 80m Club Championship, Data:** PSK31 & RTTY only; Pwr<100W or <10W, Exchange: RST + serial number

W Feb 11 1700-2100 UTC **RSGB 432MHz FT8 UKAC (4hr);** 70cm only, Exchange: RS + 4-digit IARU locator.

Feb 11 1900-2100 UTC **RSGB 432MHz FT8 UKAC (2hr);** 70cm only, Exchange: RS + 4-digit IARU locator.

Th Feb 12 2000-2230 UTC **RSGB 50MHz UKAC;** 6m only, Exchange: RS(T) + serial number + 6-digit IARU locator.

Sa Feb 14 1100-1300 UTC **Asia-Pacific Spring Sprint, CW** 40 & 20m Exchange: RST + serial number

Feb 14 1900-2300 UTC **RSGB 1st 1.8MHz Contest, CW:** (1810-1850kHz only); Exchange: RST + serial number; Logs <25hrs

Feb 14 1900-2359 UTC **WAB 1.8MHz Contest, SSB;** Low>10W>not Low pwr; RS + serial + WAB Square/Country

Feb 14-15 0000-2359 UTC **CQ WW RTTY WXP Contest,** 80-10m (not WARC bands) Exchange: RST + serial number

Feb 14-15 1200-1200 UTC **Dutch PACC Contest, SSB CW:** 160-10m (not WARC bands) Work PA stations/provinces Exchange: RS(T) + serial no (+PA province)

Feb 14-15 1200-2400 UTC **SKCC Weekend Sprint, CW;** HF+6m (not WARC bands); Exchange: RST + Name + Country/State + SKCC No./"None"

Feb 14-15 1200-1159 UTC **Russian PSK WW Contest, BPSK31,63,125;** 160-10m (not WARC bands) Exchange: RST + serial number/RU 2-letter Oblast

Th Feb 19 2000-2230 UTC **RSGB 70MHz UKAC; All modes;** 4m only, Exchange: RS(T) + serial number + 6-digit IARU locator.

Feb 21-22 0600-1800 UTC **REF Contest, SSB;** 80-10m (not WARC bands) Exchange: RS + QSO No.(+Rx: French Department/Colony prefix)

Feb 21-22 0000-2400 UTC **ARRL International DX Contest, CW;** 160-10m (not WARC bands) Exchange: RST + power (+Rx NA stns: State/province)

Feb 21-22 1800-0559 UTC **North American QSO Party, RTTY;** 80-10m (not WARC bands) work NA stations only; QRP>5W>LP>100W Exch: Name + Rx NA State

Su Feb 22 0000-2400 UTC **Thinking Day on the Air;** World Association of Girl Guides & Girl Scouts Jamboree celebrates Lord Baden-Powell's birthday on 22 Feb.

M Feb 23 2000-2130 UTC **RSGB HF FT4 Series #2,** USB 3576.79, 7047.5, 14080, 21140, 28180kHz: Pwr<100W or <10W, Exch: sig. rpt. Multi's: DXCC & Gx66HH

Feb 23-24 1300-0400 UTC **QCX Monthly Challenge, CW;** 80,40,20m, 3x1hr@ 1300,1900 & 0300UTC, QRP<5W>HP, Exchange: true RST, Name, state/country, rig

W Feb 25 2000-2100 UTC **UKEICC 80m Contest, CW;** 3.51-3.56 only; HP>100W> LP,QRP<5W; Upload log<1hour; Exchange: only 4-digit IARU locator, **not** RST

Th Feb 26 **2000-2130 UTC RSGB 80m Club Championship, CW;** Pwr<100W or 10W, Exchange: RST + serial number

Feb 27-Mar 1 2200-2200 UTC **CQ 160m Contest, SSB;** Exchange: RS + CQ Zone (14) (+Rx: NA stations: + State/province)

Feb 28-Mar 1 1300-1300 UTC **UBA DX Contest, CW;** 80-10m (not WARC bands) Exchange: RST + QSO No. (+ ON Province)

Weekly Wednesdays CWops Mini-CWT, CW;160-10m (not WARC); straight key; call “CQ CWT” 28-38kHz up from band edge; Ex change: 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

Pre-Contest Activity: ARRL International DX Contest, CW (Feb 21-22, 2026)

Call	DXCC	QSL	Notes
8P9SR	Barbados	LoTW	By W6KSR
KH6J	Hawaii	AH6OZ	By KH7U K1ZM NH7T N6TV N6TJ KX7M N6AN N5OT; @KH6YY
P44W	Aruba	LoTW	By W2GD; QRV Feb 16-23; WARC CW outside contest; QSL via N2MM
PJ4K	Bonaire	LoTW	By N3RD K3CT; QSL via KU9C
TI7W	Costa Rica	LoTW	By N4YDU
V3O	Belize	EA5GL	By DL8UD; QRV Feb 19-26 outside contest using V31KO
V3T	Belize	M0URX OQRS	By W5MJ; Ooutside contest using V31IT
V47Y	St Kitts & Nevis	LoTW	By K0YA; fm St Kitts I
VP2MCV	Montserrat	LoTW	By KG9N; QRV Feb 17-Mar 3; QSL via KG9N
VP9I	Bermuda	LoTW	By K3TEJ AB2E; @VP9GE; QSL via WW3S
YB0ECT	Indonesia	W2FB	By YB0ECT; high power