



Long Path



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From the Editor's DESK

Our third in person meeting since Covid pandemic started will be held on **Wednesday, June 8th at 7:00PM at the Fork n' Pint Restaurant in Waterford, MI.** The meeting will also be ZOOMed. Instructions for joining the meeting via zoom are on the next page. See you at the meeting!

June is SEMDXA election of officers month. The top three positions are available for new officers. The posts of President (which is presently vacant), Vice-president and Secretary will be vacated by the present incumbents. Ted, K8NA will stay as Program Director, Chet, VE3CFK will stay as Long Path Editor and Brad, N8SNM is willing to continue as Treasurer, although Brad says "having been SEMDXA treasurer since 2005, someone else should consider taking a turn at counting the pennies." Please consider running for office in your club.

Hamvention has come and gone. The record attendance your editor predicted did not materialize. The "official attendance tally for Hamvention 2022 is 31,367. Several of our club members were spotted in amongst the crowds and also Contest University. Start saving your money for next year!

Good DX

73, Chet VE3CFK

NEXT Meeting:

In- Person

Meeting

June 8th, 2022 at 7 PM

Program

SEMDXA

Executive

Elections

SEMDXA OFFICERS

President: Vacant

Vice-president: Dave DeRain, **K8ESQ**

Treasurer: Brad Nowak, **N8SNM**

Secretary: Chet Latawicz, **VE3CFK**

Program Director: Ted Pauck, **K8NA**
and Steve Culp, **K8QKY**

Directors: Doug **N8VY** and Bob **K8RGM**

Club Appointees:

Web Site Editor: Doug Basberg, **K8VY**

LP Publisher: Chet Latawicz, **VE3CFK**

ARRL and CQ Appointees:

DXCC Checker: Stan Arnett, **AC8W**

DXCC Checker: Bill Jones, **N8KF**

DXCC Checker: Less Butler, **W8MSP**

VUCC Checker: Al Bailey, **K8SIX**

VUCC Checker: Jim Sanford, **K8ZZU**

CQ Checker: Mike Rudzki, **N8MR**

Meeting Minutes of May 2022

Submitted by Chet, VE3CFK

An in-person meeting was held at the Fork n' Pint Restaurant in Waterford, MI on May 11th, 2022. The meeting was also ZOOMed. The meeting commenced at 7:04 PM. 15 people were physically present and 5 virtually via ZOOM. Dave DeRain, K8ESQ presided over the meeting.

Meeting minutes from March and April as presented in the Long Path were accepted with a motion to accept by Doug, N8VY and seconded by Lee, N8LJ.

Treasurers report was presented by Brad, N8SNM. Motion to accept by Pete, K8PGJ and seconded by Steve, K8QKY.

Chet, VE3CFK made a special presentation to Lee, N8LJ. Chet presented Lee with his Canadian Amateur Radio Certificate. Lee had written his Canadian Basic and Advanced exams, passing both. Lee now holds the Canadian call VE3ZLE.

John Miller, K6MM presented "Hot DX from Baker Island" via ZOOM. A very informative and interesting presentation John. Thank you.

The meeting adjourned at 8:28.

CY0S - Sable Is.

"The 2022 Sable Island CY0S DXpedition team is pleased to announce the launch of our new CY0S DXpedition website at: [CY0S Website](#). Chaz W4GKF has joined our team as webmaster and has been working tirelessly with Randy N0TG on launching the new website. The website is still a work in progress and new information will be added almost daily. Planning continues to go very well for the 2022 DXpedition. Thanks to K4UEE, W4DKS and W0GJ for their efforts in planning and designing our antenna system for CY0S. Even though Sable Island is 42 KM long, space is very limited within the Sable Station compound. The Sable horses, which number over 500, have free run of the island, except for the area around the Sable Station, which is fenced in! ...

ZOOM MEETINGS

In person meetings have resumed. But we hopefully can continue to ZOOM our meetings. The April meeting will be a test case to validate that the Fork n' Pint wifi/internet can support our zoom meeting.

For those not familiar with ZOOM, please refer to the 2020 October or November issues of The Long Path which are accessible online on the SEMDXA Website for details on how to setup your computer for a ZOOM meeting.

Use the one step process and just click on the link below to join upcoming meetings.

<https://umich.zoom.us/j/91352970493?pwd=N0t3N1RpUFZj>

3Y0J - Bouvet Is.

Press Release #10 from 3Y0J team
3Y0J DXpedition to Bouvet Island

In late April we successfully conducted a 4-day vessel inspection in Brazil that ended with a very good result. The inspection was carried out by a 3rd party vessel inspector and covered more than 105 checkpoints. The vessel inspection focused on safety equipment, instruments, navigation, engines/machinery, deck, tenders, fuel&fluids, interior, and exterior. Marama is in very good condition and hence the overall feedback is positive. The vessel went through significant upgrades with regards to machinery and engines in 2021 and has since been tested for years, most lately during the previous Antarctica season. The inspection file resulted in a punch list of only a few minor items to be followed up, no major findings during the 4-day inspection.

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3Y0J - Bouvet Is.

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The team is currently working on the final preparations for packing the container scheduled to be shipped from Oslo in early September. Preparing the packing and shipping the container is extremely time consuming and requires a focus on details as our more than 2 years of work now is being materialized into packing lists and labeling the equipment. Today we have finally decided our container will be shipped to Port Stanley, Falkland Island. In Port Stanley a local team of ham radio operators will assist us in receiving the container, conduct a container inspection and make sure all is OK before the team arrive in early January. To Bouvet the team will bring with us 6500 kg of equipment, which includes several tons of fuel and food. Our contract allows for 22 days on the island, but we have food for 30 days and a plan for rationing should we have to stay beyond 22 days.

At this stage all the operators have already paid their full deposit of their individual \$20,000 operator fee. This is your insurance that we will do whatever we can to make this DXpedition a success. In a few weeks we will pay our 2nd vessel deposit to Marama. Ultimately this represents a huge undertaking for us financially as well a commitment to go to Bouvet and activate the rare #2 DXCC Bouvet island. With all the preparation and planning over the course of the last two years you can rely on our commitment and our determination to go onshore Bouvet in a zodiac 7 months from now.

Going to Bouvet would simply not be possibly without the support from the vendors, clubs, foundations, and individual sponsors. June 1st, we completed our budget update, and this shows we're still missing roughly \$100,000 out of our \$690,000 budget to be able to go to Bouvet. As we now prepare for the next vessel deposit, we need your support to close the gap. Please consider supporting us by donating upfront.

You can follow us at [3Y0J Website](#)

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And [Facebook](#)

Thank you, Oslo 3rd June 2022
Ken Opskar LA7GIA, Co-Leader
Rune Oye LA7THA, Co-Leader
Erwann Merrien LB1QI, Co-Leader

CANCELLATIONS

I have no upcoming cancellations!

I hope this is the sign of the times and that COVID-19 is finally subsiding into the sunset.

NOT CANCELLED YET

Some things to look forward to:

- SEMDXA June in-person meeting at Fork n' Pint in Waterford on Wednesday, June 8th at 7:00 PM
- 2023 Hamvention
- July issue of The Long Path
- W9DXCC
- Thanksgiving, Christmas

7P8CW - Lesotho

The 7P8CW expedition is planned for November 1 to 9. They plan on operating mostly SSB and FT8 with some CW on 80 to 10 meters.

ZL7 - Chatham Is.

Jeff, K5WE, will be active as ZL7/K5WE from 9 September through 21 September, 2022. He will operate 160 to 10M using SSB, CW, FT8, FT4 and RTTY.

OJ0 - Market Reef

OJ0JR (OH3JR), Henri; and OJ0MR (OG2M), Pertti, will operate six meters from June 26 to July 6, particularly looking for NA, SA and Asia on FT8, CW and SSB. They may also do "Fox/Hound" on 50333 FT8 if activity is high.

ET - Ethiopia

Ken, K4ZW plans to be in Ethiopia mid-June and is taking a 5-element M2 6M beam with him hoping to improve the ET3AA station performance.

HK0/A - San Andres

A 3 man team is expected to be on air September 16-28 as 5K0T and 5J0DX. They plan to be on 80-6 CW and SSB and also FM satellites.

ZC4RH – UK Sovereign Base Areas, Cyprus

Dave, G4WXJ will again be active from the UK Sovereign Base Areas of Cyprus as ZC4RH during June 5-15, 2022. QRV on 40-10m; CW, SSB, FT8 (QO-100).



DXCC Most wanted countries 2022 Club Log version. Updated 20 April 2022.

1. P5 DPRK (NORTH KOREA)
2. 3Y/B BOUVET ISLAND
3. FT5/W CROZET ISLAND
4. BS7H SCARBOROUGH REEF
5. CE0X SAN FELIX ISLANDS
6. BV9P PRATAS ISLAND
7. KH7K KURE ISLAND
8. KH3 JOHNSTON ISLAND
9. 3Y/P PETER 1 ISLAND
10. FT5/X KERGUELEN ISLAND
11. FT/G GLORIOSO ISLAND
12. VK0M MACQUARIE ISLAND
13. YV0 AVES ISLAND
14. KH4 MIDWAY ISLAND
15. ZS8 PRINCE EDWARD & MARION ISLANDS
16. PY0S SAINT PETER AND PAUL ROCKS
17. PY0T TRINDADE & MARTIM VAZ ISLANDS
18. KP5 DESECHEO ISLAND
19. VP8S SOUTH SANDWICH ISLANDS
20. KH5 PALMYRA & JARVIS ISLANDS
21. ZL9 NEW ZEALAND SUBANTARCTIC ISLANDS
22. FK/C CHESTERFIELD IS.
23. EZ TURKMENISTAN
24. YK SYRIA
25. JD/M MINAMI TORISHIMA
26. VK0H HEARD ISLAND
27. FT/T TROMELIN ISLAND
28. ZL8 KERMADEC ISLAND
29. KH8/S SWAINS ISLAND
30. KH1 BAKER HOWLAND ISLANDS
31. XF4 REVILLAGIGEDO
32. VP8G SOUTH GEORGIA ISLAND
33. KH9 WAKE ISLAND
34. SV/A MOUNT ATHOS
35. T33 BANABA ISLAND
36. VK9M MELLISH REEF
37. VK9W WILLIS ISLAND
38. T31 CENTRAL KIRIBATI
39. FO/C CLIPPERTON ISLAND
40. FT/J JUAN DE NOVA, EUROPA
41. TI9 COCOS ISLAND
42. HK0/M MALPELO ISLAND
43. KP1 NAVASSA ISLAND
44. 7O YEMEN
45. FT5Z AMSTERDAM & ST PAUL ISLANDS
46. ZD9 TRISTAN DA CUNHA & GOUGH ISLANDS
47. H40 TEMOTU PROVINCE
48. VU4 ANDAMAN & NICOBAR ISLANDS
49. VP8O SOUTH ORKNEY ISLANDS
50. XZ MYANMAR

Z21RU Zimbabwe

Z21RU Team will be active from Zimbabwe, 17 - 29 June 2022. They will operate on 160 - 6m, CW, SSB, Digital modes and plus QO - 100 satellite.

FP/KV1J Miquelon Is

Eric, FP/KV1J will be again active from Miquelon Island, IOTA NA-032, 28 June - 12 July 2022. He will operate on 80 - 6m SSB, RTTY, CW, FT8 and FM Satellites.

Hamfest Calender

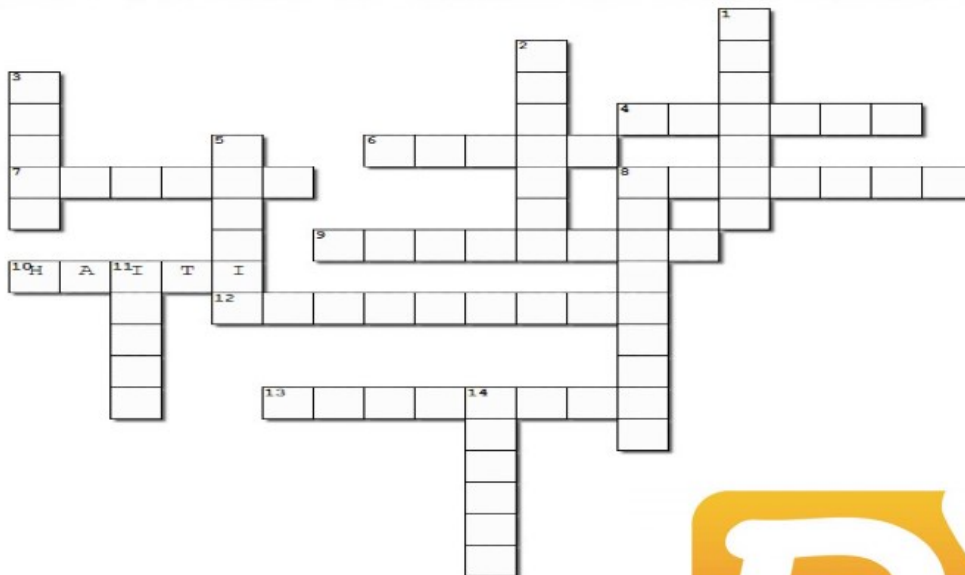
- 6/4/22 - Fulton County Swap, Wauseon, OH
- 6/4/22 - IRA Hamfest, Hudsonville, MI
- 6/5/22 - Chelsea Hamfest, Chelsea, MI
- 6/11/22 - Luce County Yooper Hamfest, Newberry, MI
- 6/11-22 - St Joseph Hamfest, Centreville, MI
- 6/18/22 - GM ARC Trunk Swap, Shelby Twp., MI
- 6/18/22 - Midland Hamfest, Midland, MI
- 6/19/22 - Monroe Hamfest, Monroe, MI
- 7/9/22 - Mansfield Mid Summer Trunkfest, Mansfield, OH
- 7/10/22 - Flying Beers, Ferndale, MI
- 7/16/22 - NORAS Fest, Elyria, OH
- 7/16/22 - GM ARC Trunk Swap, Shelby Twp, MI
- 7/17/22 - Van Wert Hamfest, Van Wert, OH

Here's a crossword puzzle from DX World. DX World states "Something entirely new and still under testing mode". Try it out. It's not that easy!

Name: _____

DX-World.net Crossword

Where "x" is the missing letter / number of the prefix, which corresponds to the DXCC entity.



Across

- 4. Fx
- 6. Ex
- 7. Lx
- 8. Dx
- 9. Jx
- 10. Hx
- 12. Gx
- 13. Ax

Down

- 1. Px
- 2. Cx
- 3. Bx
- 5. Kx
- 8. OX
- 11. Ix
- 14. Sx



PERIODIC TABLE OF MAJOR AMATEUR RADIO CONTESTS

by Chet VE3CFK



2022

Multimode	CW	Digital
Off-the-air	SSB	VHF/UHF

Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec

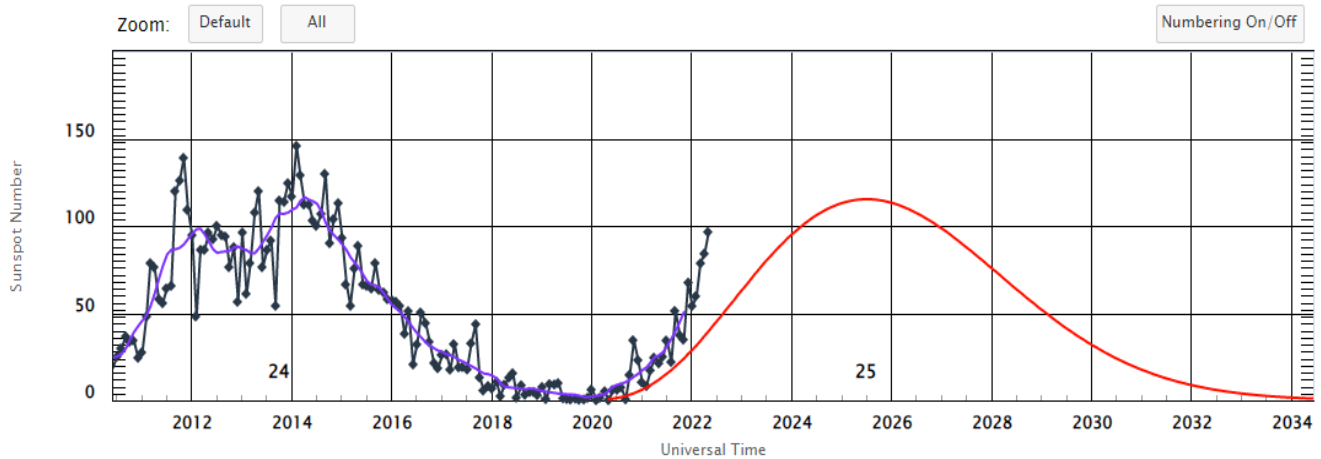
1 0800Z 2359Z HAPPY NEW YEAR	5 2300Z 0300Z NA Sprint CW	6 0300Z 2400Z ARRL DX SSB	2 1900Z 00Z SP Polish DX	3 VARIES VARIES 7QP/IN/DE New England QSO Parties	4 1200Z 1159Z TISZA CUP CW	1 0000Z 2359Z RAC CANADA DAY	6 1800Z 0600Z NAQP CW	7 0000Z 2235Z CW Ops CW Open	3 0600Z 0600Z Oceania PHONE	5 2100z 0300z ARRL SS CW	7 2200z 1800z ARRL 160
8 0800Z 2359Z ARRL RTTY Roundup	9 0000Z 2359Z CQWW WPX RTTY	12 2300Z 0300Z NA Sprint RTTY	13 0700Z 1300Z JIDX CW	9 1200Z 1159Z CQ-M DX	10 1800Z 0000Z ARRL June VHF	11 1200Z 1200Z IARU HF	9 0000Z 2359Z WAE CW	10 0000Z 2359Z WAE SSB	13 0600Z 0600Z Oceania CW	12 0000Z 2359Z WAE RTTY	13 0000z 2359z ARRL 10 Meter
15 0800Z 0959Z NAQP CW	16 0900Z 2400Z ARRL DX CW	19 1200Z 0200Z Russian DX	20 1800Z 0400Z Michigan QSO Party	16 1100Z 2100Z Contest University	19 0000Z 2400Z All Asian CW	18 1800Z 2100Z CQ WW VHF	17 2000Z 0600Z NAQP SSB	20 1800Z 0600Z WA/NJ/NH QSO Parties	17 1500Z 1459Z Worked All Germany	18 2100z 0300z ARRL SS SSB	21 0000z 2359z RAC Winter
22 1800Z 0559Z NAQP SSB	23 2200Z 2200Z CQ 160 SSB	25 0000Z 2359Z CQWW WPX SSB	27 1200Z 1200Z SP DX RTTY	20 1400Z 1700Z Hamvention	22 1800Z 2100Z ARRL Field Day	23 1200Z 1200Z Family Time	24 1200Z 1200Z WW Digi	27 0000Z 2400Z CQWW RTTY	24 0000Z 2400Z Prepare for Next weekend	25 0000Z 2359Z CQ WW CW	26 0000z 2359z Happy Holidays
28 2200Z 2200Z CQ 160 CW	30 1200z 1159z RUSSIAN WW MM	30 0000Z 2400Z CQ WPX CW	1 0000Z 1200Z RSGB IOTA	28 0000Z 2400Z CQ WW SSB	29 1200Z 1200Z CQ WW SSB	30 0000Z 2400Z CQ WW SSB	31 0000Z 2400Z CQ WW SSB	29 0000Z 2400Z CQ WW SSB	30 0000Z 2400Z CQ WW SSB		

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SOLAR CYCLE 25

NOAA/SWPC

ISES Solar Cycle Sunspot Number Progression

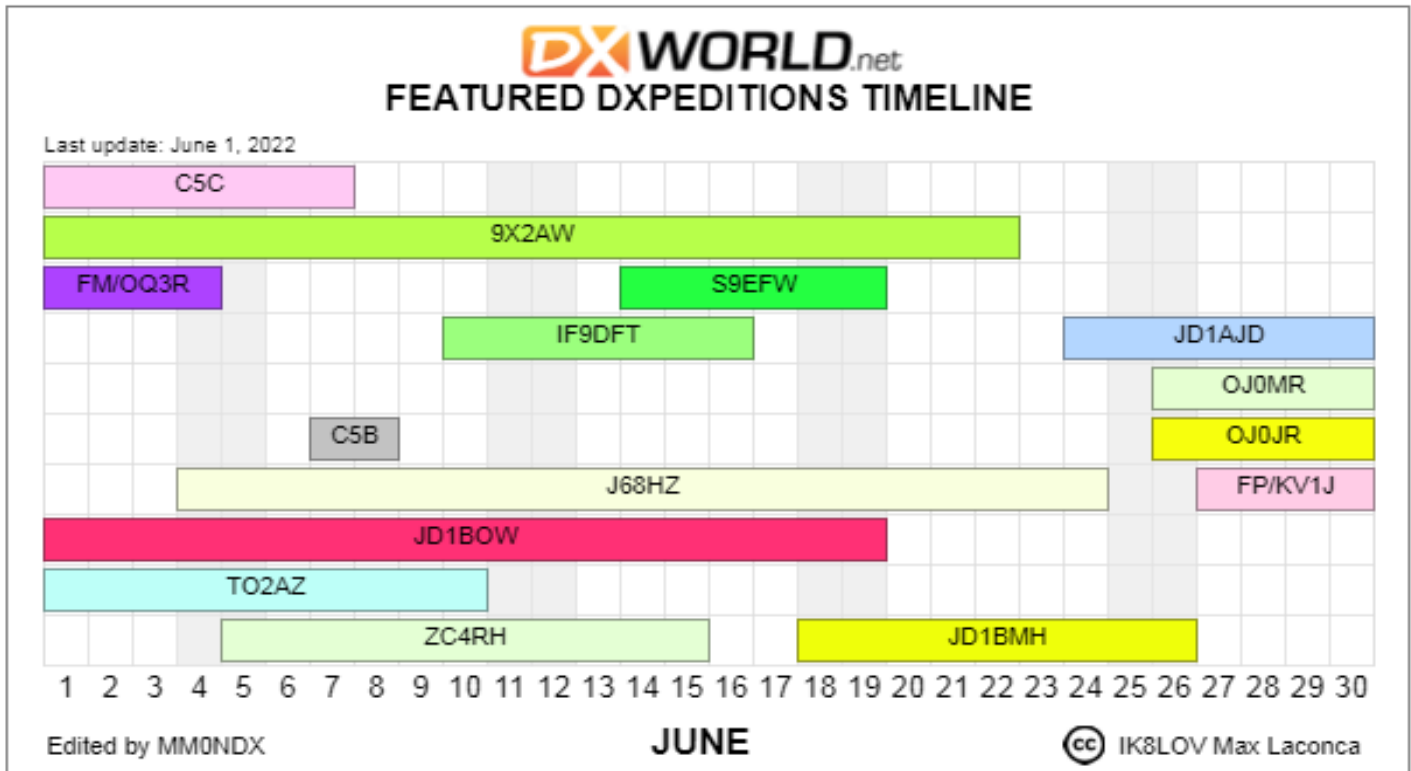


Monthly Values Smoothed Monthly Values Predicted Values

Space Weather Prediction Center

Upcoming DX

Credit to DX World



J28MD Djibouti

J28MD Team will be active from Djibouti, 29 October - 7 November 2022. They will operate on HF Bands.

FO/W1XGI Austral Is

Haru, JA1XGI will be active as FO/W1XGI from Austral Islands, 2 - 9 November 2022. He will operate on 160 - 10m, CW, and digital modes.

Field Day

Field day is June 25th to 26th. Rules have changed again for this year. Hope to hear you on the air.

6M Season

Your editor seems to think that 6M season this year is off to a slow start. Maybe I'm wrong. It might be that I had such a great year last year, that I expected as good conditions this year. Magic Band my.....! Many of us have different names for 6M. Non of which seem to be complimentary. So why do we do it? It has something to do with a DX'ers mind set. You just never know when the DX is going to show up. 160M is kinda like that as well. OD5 was calling CQ the other day on 6M. I was out of the shack for 30 minutes. I missed him! As of this writing I'm still listening for 6M DX. Oh for a new one!

Thank you to Bernie, W3UR, The Daily DX, The Weekly DX, ARRL and DX World, NG3K, CLUBLOG and Dales Tales for their contributions to this

Upcoming DX

Credit to: NG3K Amateur Radio
Contest/DX Page

Start Date	End Date	DYCC Entity	Call	QSL via	Reported by
2022					
May					
2022 May01	2022 Jun15	Namibia	V5 [spots]	LoTW	TDDX 20220430
2022 May21	2022 Jun02	Mauritius	3B8 [spots]	DF3XY (B/d)	425DXN 20220513
2022 May21	2022 Jun04	Martinique	FM [spots]	ON4RU Direct	ON4RU 20220319
2022 May22	2022 Jun08	Gambia	C5C [spots]	LoTW	DXW.Net 20220131
2022 May26	2022 Jun05	Somalia	60100 [spots]	See Info	DXNews 20220530
2022 May27	2022 Jun10	Guadeloupe	TO2AZ [spots]	DL2AAZ	TDDX 20220429
2022 May27	2022 Jun19	Ogasawara	JD1BOW [spots]	LoTW	TDDX 20220527
CW WPX Contest, CW (May 28-29, 2022) Check here for pericontest activity					
June					
2022 Jun01	2022 Jun22	Rwanda	9X2AW [spots]	LoTW	DXW.Net 20220419
2022 Jun01	2022 Jul31	Gabon	TR8CR [spots]	F6AJA (B/d)	TDDX 20220405
2022 Jun04	2022 Jun24	St Lucia	J68	LoTW	TDDX 20220601
2022 Jun05	2022 Jun15	Cyprus SBA	ZC4RH	LoTW	TDDX 20220530
2022 Jun14	2022 Jun19	Sao Tome & Principe	S9EFW	LoTW	DXW.Net 20220419
2022 Jun18	2022 Jun26	Ogasawara	JD1BMH [spots]	JD1BMH Buro	DXW.Net 20211203
2022 Jun22	2022 Jun27	Jan Mayen	JX		DXW.Net 20211203

Editors NOTE:

I've intentionally left a wide margin here for your notes on band and mode fills required.

Upcoming DX

Credit to: NG3K Amateur Radio
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2022 Jun24	2022 Jul02	Ogasawara	JD1AJD	LoTW	JA1ADT 20220508
2022 Jun26	2022 Jul06	Market Reef	OJ0	LoTW	TDDX 20220516
2022 Jun28	2022 Jul05	Liechtenstein	HB0	LoTW	OZ0J 20220410
2022 Jun28	2022 Jul12	St Pierre & Miquelon	FP	LoTW	DXNews 20220421
2022 Jun30	2022 Jul08	Ogasawara	JD		TDDX 20220513
July					
2022 Jul01	2022 Jul12	Namibia	V5	LoTW	TDDX 20220411
2022 Jul04	2022 Aug04	Nicaragua	YN2RP	LoTW	DXNews 20220531
2022 Jul12	2022 Jul28	St Kitts & Nevis	V47JA	LoTW	W5JON 20220530
RSGB IOTA Contest (Jul 30-31, 2022) Check here for pericontest activity too.					
August					
2022 Aug05	2022 Aug09	Rodrigues I	3B9	TBA	TDDX 20220519
2022 Aug09	2022 Aug23	Seychelles	S79	TBA	DXW.Net 20220507
September					
2022 Sep09	2022 Sep21	Chatham I	ZL7	Club Log OQRS	K5WE 20220527
2022 Sep16	2022 Sep28	San Andres & Providencia	5K0T	Club Log OQRS	TDDX 20220516
October					
2022 Oct05	2022 Oct17	Comoros	D60AE	TBA	DXNews 20220506
2022 Oct10	2022 Oct25	Benin	TY5RU	R7AL	DXW.Net 20220319
2022 Oct21	2022 Oct23	Belize	V3E	LoTW	TDDX 20220426

Upcoming DX

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2022 Oct25	2022 Nov04	Saba & Sint Eustatius	PJ5	LoTW	W5JON 20211230
2022 Oct26	2022 Nov03	Cocos Keel- ing	VK9CM	EB7DX	VK6VY 20211208
CQ WW DX Contest, SSB (Oct 29-30, 2022) Check here for pericontest activi-					
2022 Oct29	2022 Nov07	Djibouti	J28MD	LoTW	DXW.Net 20220417
November					
2022 Nov01	2022 Nov09	Austral Is	FO	LoTW	JA1XGI 20220411
2022 Nov01	2022 Nov30	Central Afri- can Rep	TL8AA	I2YSB	I2YSB 20220405
2022 Nov02	2022 Nov07	Lesotho	7P8CW	LoTW	DXNews 20220524
CQ WW DX Contest, CW (Nov 26-27, 2022) Check here for pericontest activi-					
2022 Nov30	2022 Dec09	St Martin	TO9W	LoTW	DXNews 20220123
December					
2022 Dec15	2022 Dec31	Crozet	FT8/c	TBA	TDDX 20211028
2023					
January					
2023 Jan02	2023 Jan31	Montserrat	VP2MDX	LoTW	TDDX 20220508
February					
2023 Jan23	2023 Feb28	Bouvet I	3Y0J	LoTW	DXW.Net 20210809