## Charlie the Tuner's HF High-Lites

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#### **Greetings DXers**

### Charlie the Tuner's DX High-Lites for July 2024!

Well, the hottest months are now here and if you have tried to do some work outside, you probably gave up fairly soon. Many of you felt the heat while setting up for Field Day last month. I trust it was worth it for you and that you had a great time even with the hot WX. I know that PCARS members certainly were out in force for Field Day. For the most part, the bands cooperated. Especially 40 meters. That band was chock full of signals and unfortunately a lot of noise. Hopefully it will stay populated for the rest of the Summer.

Looking at July, there are a lot of DX scheduled and a few DXpeditions. Let's take a look at what's coming up for this month and the near future.

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This report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operation or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know, so... - "Work First, Worry Later".

#### July...

**6O3T, SOMALIA**. 6O3T Team will be active from Somalia, in 2024. Team - IV3JPP, IV3DSH, IZ8GCE, IV3ZXQ, IV3AZV, YL3JA. They will operate on 160 - 6m, CW, SSB, Digital modes with focus on Low Bands and 6m Band. QSL direct, LOTW, ClubLog OQRS. Turbulent territory, and not always easy to activate. Therefore, the date is TBA for security reasons.

**7Q, MALAWI. REMINDER** - Don, K6ZO is QRV as 7Q6M from Embangweni and is here for six months while on work assignment in a hospital. Activity is in his spare time on the HF bands and 6 meters using CW, SSB, FT8, and EME. QSL via LoTW.

**8Q7**, **MALDIVES** (**BIYADHOO IS.**) OE3DEC will be active as 8Q7EC from Embudu Village, Maldive Islands, **IOTA AS - 013**, July 1-13, 2024.

**C5, GAMBIA**, Jean-Louis, F6ITS has just received his Gambian license and will be active as **C5GM** until December 2024. When not on his sail boat, he will QRV from Lamin Lodge (Grid: IK13qj). Jean-Louis says he has restarted CW after more than 10 years inactivity so is sorry for any mistakes and his slow speed. QSL info to follow.

**DL, FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY**. Special event stations DL2024E, DL2024U, DL2024R, and DL2024O are QRV until July 14 during EURO 2024, the 17th edition of the UEFA European Football Championship. QSL via bureau.

- **FP, MIQUELON IS**. Eric, FP/KV1J will be again active from Miquelon Island, **IOTA NA-032**, starting 2 July 2024. He will operate on 80 6m SSB, RTTY, CW, FT8 and FM Satellites. He will operate also in some contests. QSL via home call, LOTW.
- **GN7, UNITED KINGDOM**. GM7V Team will be active again from Benbecula Island, **IOTA EU 010**, in RSGB IOTA Contest, 27 28 July 2024. Team MM0CCC, MM0GPZ, GM0EGI, GM0LIR, GM4YXI, GM3WOJ. They will operate in Multi Two High Power Category. QSL via N3SL.
- **HL**, **REP. OF KOREA**. Team DT0IP (namely 6K2CFI, 6K2GRX, DS1TUW and DS1UDN) will be active from Munyo Island **IOTA AS-148** on 26-27 July, including part time participation in the IOTA Contest (27 July). They will operate SSB, CW, FT8 on 40-6 metres with two or three high power stations. Club Log's Livestream will be enabled. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW, or direct to 6K2CFI.
- **I, ITALY.** Giovanni, IZ7FLP will be active as IC8K from Ischia Island **IOTA EU-031** from 30 June to 7 July. He will operate SSB, CW and FT8/FT4 on various bands. OSL direct to home call, or via LoTW in due course.
- **I, ITALY**. Members of ARI Marsala (namely IT9BYS, IT9FUN, IT9FXY, IT9JLF and IW9APP) will be active as IQ9VG/p from La Scuola, one of the Stagnone Islands **IOTA EU-166**, on 13-14 July. They will be QRV on 40, 20, 15, 10 and 6 meters. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, or via IT9FUN (direct or bureau).
- **K8K**, **AMERICAN SAMOA**. Yuris, YL2GM will be active as K8K from American Samoa, **IOTA OC 045**, until 9 July 2024. He will operate on 160 10m. QSL via YL2GN, LOTW, ClubLog OQRS. K8K call sign is not confirmed yet.
- **OE, AUSTRIA**. Special event station OE40LCR is QRV until July 31 to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the Austrian Albert Schweitzer Society. QSL via operators' instructions.
- **OX**, **GREENLAND**. Bo, OZ1DJJ will again be QRV from western Greenland as **OX3LX** until July 16. He plans activity from grids GP47, GP60, GP80 and maybe some others during day trips; mainly active on 4/6m and some HF. A side trip to Christian IV island NA-151 might be possible. QSL via OZ0J.
- **S7**, **SEYCHELLES**. Zsolt, HA8PX will be active from Takamaka, Mahe island, Seychelles as **S79/HA8PX** during July 5-10, 2024. QRV on HF bands; CW, SSB & FT8. Spare time operation. QSL via H/c, Club Log OQRS.
- **T5, SOMALIA**. Alex, IT9HRK is QRV as T5/IT9HRK from Mogadishu. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using all modes. His length of stay is unknown. QSL via operators' instructions.
- **TO7, REUNION IS**. Giovanni, IZ2DPX will be active as TO7PX from Reunion Island, **IOTA AF-016**, 8 18 July 2024. He will operate on 40 6m, SSB, FT8. He will operate on 40 6m, SSB, FT8. QSL via IK2DUW, LOTW.
- **TR, GABON.** Roland, F8EN has been unable to be very active as TR8CR because of "problems with his amplifier". He is going back to France in the next few days for a family event, but expects to return to Gabon in early July with a new amplifier for at least a month.
- **VP5, TURKS & CAICOS.** Adrian, AA5UK will be active as VP5/AA5UK from Providenciales Island, **IOTA NA 002**, Turks and Caicos Islands, until 5 July 2024. He will operate on 40 6m SSB, Digital modes and also Satellites. QSL via AA5UK, LOTW.

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YB, INDONESIA. Look for Ferdy YB9MKF/P, Herry YC9MFD/P and Nando YD9LAU/P to be active from Semau Island IOTA OC-241 during July 4-7, 2024. QRV on HF bands. QSL via YB9BU.

**ZC4, UK SOVEREIGN BASE CYPRUS**. Adrian, G0KOM will be active as ZC4MK from the UK Sovereign Base Areas on Cyprus (AS-004) on 10-17 July. He will concentrate on 6 metres, "with other bands a secondary consideration if 6m is not open". QSL via Club Log's OQRS, or via home call.

#### Look Ahead & Reminders...

**7Q, MALAWI.** 7Q7MW Team will be active from Malawi, during end of the October 2024. They will operate on HF Bands, including activity in CQ WW DX SSB Contest, 26 - 27 October 2024.

CY9C, SAINT PAUL ISLAND. CY9C Team will be active again from Saint Paul Island, IOTA NA - 094, 26

August - 5 September 2024. They will operate on 160 - 6m CW, SSB, RTTY, EME, SAT, FT8. QSL via WA4DAN direct, OQRS, LOTW.

N5J, JARVIS IS. N5J Team will be active from Jarvis Island, IOTA OC - 081, 5 - 20 August 2024. Team on Island - AA7JV, N1DG, HA7RY, KN4EEI. 25 ops will be remote. They will operate on 160 - 6m, CW, SSB, FT8. DXCC Country - Jarvis and Palmyra.

**VK0, DAVIS STATION ANTARCTICA**. Dave, VK2DS is active as VK0DS from Davis Station, Antarctica, until November 2024. He will operate on HF Bands, plus 6m and EME 2m and 23cm. QSL via home call.

**XT2MD**, **BURKINA FASO**. XT2MD Team will be active from Burkina Faso, 31 October - 11 November 2024. They will operate on HF Bands and EME. QSL via IK2VUC buro or direct.

**XW**, **LAOS**. Vincent, F4BKV is QRV as XW4KV until the middle of 2024. He is active only on 15 meters. QSL to home call.

YI, IRAQ. Antonio, IZ5WPZ is QRV as YI9WPZ until August. Activity is on the HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL via IK2DUW.

My usual disclaimer: These DX events can change due to various reasons that sometimes are out of the hands of those who are doing the planning. Keep the ethers wobbling and work some DX. Uncover your rigs and put some power to them! If you happen to have boat anchors, light up those tubes.

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