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JOTA - Jamboree on the Air. Oct 14 – 16, 2022

Could you advertise JOTA - Jamboree on the Air. It is for Scouts and Guides all over the world to try and contact each other. They need radio hams to help them to do it.

It is the weekend 14/15/16th October. We will be running a station near Ludlow in Shropshire (UK) for the local scouts. In the past we have spoken to stations in Europe and the US. It's also a great way of introducing radio to the younger generation. We have had a number of Scouts go for their licence after attending JOTA.

M0OVW Gillian Sandell

JOTA will be 65 years old and JOTI 26 years old!! 🎂

Together they make #JOTAJOTI, the world's largest and most accessible Scouting event



Meerkat Mozzie in hot-air balloon

Meerkats are social animals that live in large groups throughout southern Africa.. They belong to the mongoose family and are a matriarchal society. You may recognise them from our facebook logo?

Meerkats are also the youngest Branch of the S African Scout Programme - Meerkats, Cubs, Guides & Scouts. Launched in 2019 the Meerkat motto is 'Stand Tall'.

In 2012 the 1st Randburg Meerkats (South African Scout group) waved goodbye to 3 little meerkats (soft toys) and sent them off on their adventures (aka The Meandering Meerkats). Mossie went to the UK, Missy to Canada and Mischief to Australia.

Do you think YL groups should have a mascot that they could exchange at International Meets?



Michelle VK2AYL at the controls of the helicopter

ALARA

Michelle VK2AYL, has agreed to become the new President of ALARA, below she tells us about herself.

My interest in amateur radio started at a young age through my family and participation in JOTA with my Girl Guide unit. Since obtaining my Foundation Amateur Radio Licence in 2006 my involvement with radio has stretched across many aspects of my life. I enjoy participating in field based amateur radio contests and joining in regular Scout, ALARA and Pilot nets on Echolink. I am the Girl Guides Australia National JOTA/JOTI Coordinator where I develop activities to introduce the Girl Guides to amateur radio and technology. Each year I set up a JOTA station, VK2GGZ, for my own Girl Guide unit and the other Scouts and Girl Guides in the surrounding areas. Radio has provided me, and the Girl Guides, a great opportunity to communicate and make friends with others particularly during recent times when travel and social activities have been limited.

I work as an Environmental Scientist where I prepare environmental impact assessments for major infrastructure projects. I enjoy being outdoors and traveling and have been fortunate to have participated in projects researching species such as rhinos in Kenya, leopards and baboons in South Africa, jaguars in Brazil and various other mammals in Canada. These activities have taken me to many remote locations where phone reception is not available and radio is used for both communications and wildlife tracking activities.

My other passion is aviation. I hold an aeroplane private pilots licence and have enjoyed continuing to learn new

flying skills including seaplane, skiplane, aerobatics, tail-wheel and bush flying. I have recently started my helicopter pilot training and am looking forward to the new adventures I will be able to undertake once I obtain my helicopter licence.

I am excited to have been elected as the ALARA president and look forward to encouraging more young people, particularly women, to actively participate in amateur radio.

Michelle O'Hare VK2AYL

17-5-2022 Issue 4 ALARA Column for A.R

Out-and-About

Alda Niemeyer (PP5ASN) on 10 & 11 Sept 2022, attended the 50 Years Celebration, (Golden Jubilee) of CRB (Club of Radio Amateurs of Blumenau), Brasil She celebrated her 102nd Birthday, 18 May, 2022 and she has been an active member of the Amateur Radio Club of Blumenau since 1976.

Rose KL7FQQ from Alaska, also part of YL-ISSB net. Licensed Ham Radio Operator for over 50 years. Interesting podcast interview.

Rose Rybachek is a lifetime member of the Pioneers of Alaska, she served as Editor of the Alaska Miner, and she was a columnist for the Fairbanks Daily News-Miner and the All-Alaska Weekly. Rose served as President of the Alaska State PTA and the Alaska Miners Association and has been a Licensed Ham Radio Operator for over 50 years.

<https://just-wanted-to-ask.simplecast.com/episodes/rose-rybachek-mining-for-gold-ham-radio-and-more-KPp5XFDJ>

yl from Namibia V51SA Angela Schenk joined a group of Namibian Operators activating V55V on the 2022 IARU Fieldday on 03 and 04 September 2022. The QTH is near Windhoek's Hosea Kutako International Airport on the plot, Ondekaremba,



Grannies on the Air

Congratulations to Suzanne Snape, VE7IM in British Columbia for earning the YLRL Great-Grand-mother Award. That award is earned by working 15 YLs who are Great-Grandmothers. Check out other YLRL awards on website YLRL.net. 1 Sept 2022



YU3AWA Marija Kostić of Serbia from the Vatican as HV0A

17th September 2022, Saturday 08:00 UTC to 13:00 UTC., SSB

The only YL in more than 20 years that has operated from the Vatican City.

* HV0A report*** 24 Sept 2022

Thanks to the graciousness of Francesco, IK0FVC, I (Marija YU3AWA) had the rare opportunity to be a guest operator at the Vatican amateur radio station, HV0A. Francesco opened some completely new doors for me in the

hobby. Accompanying me was my mentor, teacher, and friend Alex, YT3H.

Plans for this activation began in the Spring of 2021 but travel was impossible as the borders to most countries were closed due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

Finally after almost a year and a half, we were able to announce with certainty that YL Marija, YU3AWA, will be QRV and on the air from HV0A on September 17, 2022.

From the moment I stepped foot into the HV0A building, I was very excited and full of adrenaline, However I quickly became very comfortable and relaxed. Thanks to the hospitality of Francesco and being such a gracious host, I could feel his warm friendly welcome. Following a short conversation and explanation of the equipment at the station, Francesco handed me the headphones and said to me Marija, feel free to start operating when you are ready! I was elated since this was the opportunity I was waiting for so long and finally my dream was coming true. I started my operation on 40 meters since that was the best band at 07:40 UTC when I logged my first QSO and the upper HF bands were not open yet. Of course at that hour there were many Italian stations on 40 meters. Imagine what a huge pileup

this was my first time operating split frequency and it worked out extremely well.

moved to 20 meters continuing my split frequency operation. This was heaven since there was much less QRM and noise and the call signs were much easier to discern and copy.

as time went by more and more stations from outside of Europe, mainly North America, were calling and I logged hundreds of DX QSOs. More than 3 hours passed without me stopping

Eventually after 4 hours propagation changed and I handed the station over to top notch CW operator Alex, YT3H. Alex also operated split frequency in the CW portion of 17 meters.

I was having lunch while I enjoyed watching Alex with his speed and proficiency handling the huge CW pileup. We continued to make additional DX contacts on SSB. In our 7 hours and 20 minutes a total of 964 QSOs were logged. 707 on SSB and 257 on CW. The QSO rate was 2.22 QSOs per minute.

We had over 150 spots on the DX cluster which shows the tremendous amount of interest the DX community had following us and trying to work us. Vatican City ranks number 111 on the DXCC most wanted list.

I can't tell you how many emails and messages I've received since returning to Serbia. The support, encouragement, and positive comments from so many people, and the wonderful messages on how we handled the pileups were very gratifying.

These are fantastic memories I will have for the rest of my life.

88 - YU3AWA Marija

Postscript - IK0FVC Francesco Valsecchi : He dedicates his free time working with people to obtain donations, making good deals, and whatever it takes to help fund the HV0A operation and keep the station on the air. The funds he receives for paper QSL card requests is minimal, just to cover the cost of the cards and rising postage costs.



Jeanne Socrates, VE0JS/MM / KC2IOV, SV Nereida

Amateur Radio Helps Disabled Sailboat to Port 15/9/2022

On September 7, 2022, Jeanne (Jan) Socrates, VE0JS/MM / KC2IOV, and her sailboat, the SV Nereida, set sail from Cape Flattery, the north-western most point of the contiguous US. She was on her way to visit friends in San Francisco, California, but 2 days of 35 knot winds and storms left her sailboat disabled and her onboard radio equipment marginally operational. Amateur operators in New Mexico, California, and Canada, and members of 'Group 7.155' heard her requests for assistance.

Gil Gray, N2GG, was able to contact Socrates on 40 meters. "Her power was extremely low, and she was unable to communicate on 14.300 MHz to notify the monitoring group on that frequency," said Gray. "She needed help with wind and sea conditions, and tidal data for San Francisco Bay," he added.

Low-power output on the HF radio made it very difficult to get Q5 copy, which would typically be Q2 or Q3. With the help of several software-defined radio (SDR) operators in Utah, California, and Maui, Hawaii, they were able to glean enough copy to understand her situation and answer questions for her navigation.

Gray, Jonathan Ayers, AI6NA, and Edwin E. Jenkins, K6EXY, are all experienced sailors. They were able to make periodic contact with Socrates and give her updated wind reports. Their last contact was on Monday, September 12, at 11:00 AM (MSDT). By this time, Socrates was sailing with only the forward sail on her 38-foot sloop. Fortunately, a "following wind" kept her moving without a mainsail. As she approached the Golden Gate Bridge, Socrates was able to use the tidal information passed on by amateur radio operators to make it safely to Berkeley Marina in San

Francisco Bay.

"I wouldn't call it a rescue," said Socrates, "just good amateur radio assistance -- and I'm grateful for their help." Socrates is 81 years old and the oldest person to have ever sailed around the world unassisted. Once her sailboat is repaired, she will sail again, not for records, but for the enjoyment of sailing the high seas.

<http://www.arrl.org/news/amateur-radio-helps-disabled-sailboat-to-port>

Amateur Radio New South Wales added: Many will remember Jan's recent visit to Australia

World Space Week 2022, Oct 4 -10

Sharon Hagle founded SpaceKids Global™ in 2015, with the goal of bringing space to children everywhere. SpaceKids Global is on a mission to ensure every child is ready to enter the space age. Astronaut, Sharon Hagle completed her flight on Blue Origin's New Shepard NS-20 launched on March 31, 2022.

June 14, 2022 SpaceKids Blog-post:

In 1962, a University of Connecticut student wrote a letter to NASA, offering to participate on a space mission. The Public Information Director responded in writing, letting Miss Kelly know that NASA has "no existing program concerning women astronauts nor do we contemplate any such plan."

Calling Miss Kelly?

Kerry Sanders of NBC reached out to SpaceKids to do a story to help us find her. Do you know who she is? Can you help us find her? She would be in her late 70's, and we are looking for friends or family who will share her life story with us. Miss Kelly was ahead of her time, and we salute her courage to try to open the doors for women in space.

Please email info@spacekids.global if you can provide any information. <https://www.spacekids.global/>



(1962 - 2022) 60 years on – Where are we Now?

The first woman in space was a Soviet cosmonaut. Valentina Tereshkova on June 16, 1963. (A year after Miss Kelly's letter)

1978 -16 years later : NASA opened the space program to female applicants, in response to the new anti-discrimination laws of the time.

1982 - 20 years on: The second woman to go into space was cosmonaut: Svetlana Savitskaya, who became the first woman to fly to space twice on July 25, 1984, and the first woman to walk in space.

1983: Sally Ride became the first female U.S. astronaut to go into space, June 18, third woman overall.

2008 - 46 years later: NASA astronaut Peggy Whitson (KC5ZTD) was the first female ISS Commander, starting April 2008, She holds the U.S. record for cumulative time in space – 665 days. She has tied the record for the most space-walks for any U.S. astronaut and holds the record for the most spacewalk time for female space travelers.

60 years later: 29 Sept 2022 Samantha Cristoforetti, IZ0UDF,officially became the first European woman commander of the International Space Station (ISS).



Ada Lovelace Day 11 October.

Ada Lovelace. (10 Dec. 1815 - 27 Nov. 1852)

An English mathematician and writer, she was one of the world's first computer programmers, and one of the first to see computers as more than just a machine for doing sums. In 1842 she wrote what is now recognized as the first computer programmes.

Ada Lovelace's work went widely unrecognized until the 1950s, when her papers were republished,

Editorial Comment:

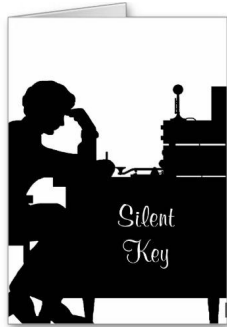
Since October 2013 we have supported Ada Lovelace Day, which is about sharing stories of women in STEM (Scientists, Technologists Engineers, Mathematicians).

ZS-SOTA / ZS-POTA · (South African Summits-on-the-Air & Parks-on-the-Air)

Adele Slier Tyler (ZS5APT) · 27 Sept 2022

For the Spring ZS SOTA day - 24 September 2022 (Heritage day) We got permission to activate ZS/WC-152

Anyskop in the Ceres district. We arrived on the farm at 08:45 and after chatting to the owner - Lorraine, we started the 4x4 route to the summit. Proteas lined the route and the view of the surrounding mountains & cliffs was spectacular, the 4x4 route goes up to the activation zone, but we enjoy hiking the last 750m up to the summit, the views at the top were also amazing. Lorraine said that on a clear day you can see Table Mountain from the summit, but it was very hazy and overcast. We set up our station and our first contact was with Christi ZS4CGR & his XYL Marie ZS4MG who were activating a few HOTA (Heritage on the Air) points. In total we made 21 contacts, S2S contacts with Vaughan ZS2VR activating ZS/EL-020, Roy ZS3RW/1 & Esmé ZS3EW/1 activating ZS/WC-929 and Philip ZS6FY activating ZS/MP-069, a contact with Jacques ZS4WW who was activating ZSFF-0427 and Tjaart ZS3DR who was also activating a HOTA. We had a lot of fun and took photos of the beautiful flowers & rocks on the summit. Lorraine suggested that once we come down from the summit we must visit their orchard to see the nectarine trees and flowers that were in full bloom, but we came down from the summit too late to go and look, she was so sweet she sent me photos, which I have included.



Silent Keys

ZL3TCR / ZL3OV Bev Gillman became silent key on September 4, 2022 at Christchurch Hospital aged 66 xyl of Geoffrey, ZL3QR. She lived in Kawerau, in the Bay of Plenty on the east coast of the North Island of New Zealand. She was active as Local Net Controller on the 1st Monday of the month. She became a member of YLRL in 1998 We are indebted to ZL3TNT Ann Fraser for alerting us to this sad news.

To see the history of WARO (Women Amateur Radio Operators) NZ, go to Bev's home page of ZL1OS

<https://www.qsl.net/zl1os/hampage.html>

AD5BR Patricia L Knight of San Antonio, TX passed away unexpectedly on September 2nd, 2022 (age 66). She is survived by her husband of 22 and a half years N5NTG Lee Basing, son John and her stepson David. Licensed in 2000, She held an 'Extra' license and was a VE. She was a member of the Hill Country REACT Team, San Antonio Radio Club (SARC),

LU3HDV Verónica (Veris) Dreidemie. Q.E.P.D. 28/09/2022

She was a member of the Board of Directors of Radio Club Córdoba LU4HH (Argentina) and an instructor in the Amateur Radio courses for aspiring radio amateurs. She worked constantly to support the club and promote its activities. She inherited her love for the radio from her mother Marta García Dreidemie LU3HAM, of Argentina. Veronica was a heroine, fighting against an incurable disease for a long time, facing it every day with courage, bravery and hope until the last day.

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Calendar October 2022

- Oct 4 -10 World Space Week 2022 "Space and Sustainability"
- Oct 8-9 The Oceania DX Contest CW between 0600z Saturday and 0600z Sunday.
ALARA - YL Memorial Plaques: Florence McKenzie Memorial Plaque & Austine Henry
- Oct 09 Japan Ladies Radio Society (JLRS) "YL CQ Day" 09:00 UTC+09 – 16:00 UTC+09
- Oct 11 Ada Lovelace Day
- Oct 14-16 ARRL Pacificon Div Convention, YL Forum on Saturday, October 15th from 1400 - 15:50
- Oct 14-16 Jota-Joti (Jamboree on the Air)
- Oct 22-24 YLRL - DX/NA-YL Anniversary - SSB/CW/Digi, 1400 UTC Oct 22 – 0200 UTC Oct 24
- Oct 31 Halloween / Witches-on-the-Air (YL-Portugal) 2022 - 7th year

- Nov 2 – 7 7P8CW DXpedition 2022 LESOTHO (4 YLS)
- Nov 5 YL Net 1st Saturday of month, 2000 (UK) on GB3DA Danbury 2m repeater.