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## 6-12 August 2023 Checiny, Poland

#### YL-Event SP88YL Poland.

Sunday, 06 August 2023 to Saturday, 12 August 2023

Dear YIs - After the successful YL activity in the Czech Republic at OK5Z, we are pleased to inform you about the next event in Poland.

We are happy to be able to use the first class contest station from Michael SQ7NSN and Arek SQ7FPH for one week. The station is located in the municipality of Chęciny, about 100 km north of Krakow and about 200 km south of Warsaw.

The callsign SP88YL will also be used for some SOTA (summits on the air) and WWFF (World Wide Flora & Fauna in Amateur Radio) activities.

Each YL can participate individually. The OM as an accompanying person is also very welcome.

I am happy to accept expressions of interest/ registrations and to answer any questions you may have. Eva Thiemann, <u>hb9fpm@uska.ch</u>

## Czech Radio 100 years

18 May 2023 marks 100 years since the start of regular radio broadcasting in the Czech Republic, then Czechoslovakia, when the private company Radiojournal began broadcasting from a humble scout tent in Prague's Kbely.

Czechoslovakia is only the second country, after Britain, to broadcast regularly in Europe

Regular radio broadcasts in the Czech Republic started in 1923 and the beginnings of amateur radio activity and the first association of radioamateurs in the Czech lands can be traced to this period.

The first Czech radio amateur is considered to be Pravoslav Motycka, OK1AB.

His first radio contact on 8th November 1924 is the first publicized Czech contact.

On 19th May 1930 the first examinations took place in Czechoslovakia for amateur radio licence applicants OK1AH. Jarmila Hermanova, OK2YL from Telc, subsequently became the first Czech female amateur radio operator.



## Heřmanová (Prov. Štědrá) Jarmila March 16, 1909 - February 18, 1971 Prague 1st Woman with a radio amateur license in Czechoslovakia

Jarmila Hermanova · OK2YL

Jarmila Heřmanová's father was the administrator of the municipal power plant in Telč at the beginning of the 20th century. In addition, he had his own small shop with electrical goods in the power station, where radio amateurs from the wider area went to buy then-rare components. It is quite certain that Jarmila, a graduate of the municipal school, met a number of them here. With their help, she penetrated the secrets of amateur radio, learned Morse code, and broadcast without a license before 1930 under the brand OK2AJ. On June 13, 1931, as the first woman in Czechoslovakia, she successfully passed the exams for applicants for the license of "radio-electric broadcasting stations" at the Ministry of Posts and Telegraphs. Although she received a bouquet of roses from the chairman of the commission, this did not help her to continue using the callsign she was still using and was assigned OK2JL, a typo of OK2IL. In 1932, it was changed to OK2YL. She is mainly known under this call in the amateur radio world, with whom she actively communicated. In 1940, she got married in Prague and changed her surname to Štědrá. During the protectorate, like most Czech radio amateurs, she could not work and her equipment was confiscated. \*\*\*\*



## Women of Influence in Engineering - 2023 Ham Honoree

Michelle Thompson, W5NYV. Co-founder and CEO of the Open Research Institute (ORI), has been selected as a 2023 honoree for the Women of Influence in Engineering section published by the San Diego Business Journal (USA). The publication celebrates female trailblazers and highlights the honorees careers and accomplishments.

Michelle Thompson, W5NYV, has been an amateur radio operator for more than 25 years and was drawn to the hobby by her father and grandfather, who were amateur radio operators.

"We were a family of tinkerers, and my dad and granddad were always fixing and building things, including amateur radios," said Michelle Thompson. "Because of their influence, I was drawn to the vocation of helping people navigate difficult rules and regulations that impeded their learning and success."

In 2020, she founded ORI, a nonprofit research and development organization that provides all of its work to the

general public under the principles of Open Source and Open Access to Research. She is responsible for amateur satellite service regulatory reform and is a member of the FCC Technological Advisory Council. Thompson is also chair of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) San Diego Section. She founded the IEEE Information Theory Society, as well as the local Open Source Digital Radio Group. Michelle Thompson serves the ARRL Field Organization Southwestern Division as a Technical Specialist for the San Diego Section, and she is an ARRL Life Member. <a href="http://www.arrl.org/arrlletter?issue=2023-06-22#toc04">http://www.arrl.org/arrlletter?issue=2023-06-22#toc04</a>

43rd Alara Contest 2023 (Australian Ladies Amateur Radio Assoc.)

My Name is Marija and I'm the contest Manager for Alara. We will be holding our 43rd Alara Contest on the 26th & 27th August 2023 Should you have any queries please contact me. Kind regards, Marija Simmonds VK5MAZ <u>https://mail.google.com/mail/u/0/#sent/FMfcgzGsnBdGcSgjDPVPfbmWfMqLGqjz?projector=1&messagePartId=0.1</u>



#### 5 years of CE4YLC Radio Club YL Chile

Founded June 19, 2018 in Rancagua (Chile) by Leticia San Martin Corrial – XQ4NUA, club president and great friend of this publication (Selvamar Noticias)

5 years of making this radio club respected and invited to many events.

5 years of daily struggle to demonstrate that amateur radio is not only for men,

5 years since this publication has accomanied her, learning from the group.

5 years in which we have always found a yes, in response to our requests.

5 years of seeing how new blood was incorporated into radio amateurs.

5 years of sweetening amateur radio with voices that make our hobby plural

5 years of radio and CE4YLC

It only remains for us to congratulate each and every one of its operators because

5 years of YL in amateur radio is something to be proud of.

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## XQ4NUA, Leticia founder of CE4YLC Yankee Lima Chile ,

Women in Chile create thriving community through radio. Yankee Lima Chile is the first women's radio club in the world

"My parents taught me this wonderful hobby from a very young age, my father Waldo CE4BFF and my mother Patricia CE4PBU taught me the magic that all this entails."

After 29 years as a ham radio operator, XQ4NUA, Leticia created her own radio club, Yankee Lima Chile, the only one known to be made up exclusively of women.

"We highly value respect and support for each other. We are like a family. If one of us is feeling down, we make sure to try and help or call to give a few words of encouragement," Leticia explains.

Leticia was the first woman in Chile to reach the highest rank in the amateur radio world, the "Advanced Operator" level.

During the pandemic, the hobby has grown

."The fact that you're working remotely from home, as I do, the fact that you can't go out because you're in quarantine, has increased the use of radio," Leticia explains. "I think the pandemic, in a way, made it easier for us to be on the radio, to be able to participate. And there are also emergency networks."

"When I initiate a call, I want to talk to any station, to any country. So you wait and suddenly a station is answering. You take their callsign, and you give them yours. 'My name is Leticia, I am located in the city of Racangua, 85 km south of Santiago de Chile'. And that's where the conversation starts."

There are about 6,500 ham radio operators in Chile and three million in the world, most of them in the United States, Europe and Asia. Only about 15 percent of the amateur operators are women. Leticia's club is unusual in that it is made up of women only, with members ranging in age from 14 to senior citizens. There are 22 women in the group that was formed in 2018.

The callsign of the radio club, CE4YLC, has a meaning. "CE" stands for the country, "4" is the region of Rancagua, and "YLC" is the name of the radio club (Yankee Lima Chile). "YL" comes from Young Lady, the old-fashioned nickname for women involved in ham radio.

Ham radio helps in times of natural disasters and power outages – the CE4YLC club is recognized in Chile by the national emergency agency.

"Ham radio enriches my soul and spirit. It keeps you alive, it motivates you, having so many friends all over the world, forming bonds of friendship that never end. It's wonderful," shares Leticia. [Edited extract from Global Voices, by Melissa Vida, 15 June 2021] https://globalvoices.org/2021/06/15/women-in-chile-create-thriving-community-through-radio/

## Calendar

July 8-9 the IARU HF Championships and WRTC-22

July 28 - 30 Nordic ARDF Championships 2023, hosts Finnish Amateur Radio League SRAL.

Aug 6 – 12, 2023 YL-Event SP88YL Aug 26 – 27, 43rd ALARA Contest 2023 Sat 26 at 0600UTC- Sunday 27 at 0559 UTC **CONTACT** yl.beam news: Editor Eda <u>zs6ye.yl@gmail.com</u> newsletters can be found: <u>https://jbcs.co.za/wp/</u> Italian Radio Amateurs Union: QTC U.R.I. <u>https://www.unionradio.it/qtc-la-rivista-della-unione-radioamatori-italiani/</u> West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society <u>https://wosars.club/category/yl-news/</u>

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