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Each year in the third full weekend of October hundreds of Scouts and Guides all over the world exchange greetings, learn about each other's country and culture, swap programme ideas and make new friends. The contacts between them are established by amateur radio stations. This Jamboree-On-The-Air (JOTA) is the largest annual event for Scouts.

Chaque année durant le troisième week-end d'octobre, des centaines de milliers de Scouts et Guides du monde entier échangent des salutations, apprennent la culture des autres pays, se transmettent des idées de programme et se font de nouveaux amis, tout cela par contacts entre stations de radioamateurs. Ce Jamboree Sur Les Ondes (JSLO) est la plus grande manifestation annuelle du Scoutisme.



Cada año, durante el tercer fin de semana de octubre, cientos de miles de Scouts y Guías de todo el mundo se envían saludos, aprenden acerca de otros países y culturas, comparten ideas para el programa y establecen nuevas amistades. Estos jóvenes toman contacto mediante estaciones de radioaficionados. El Jamboree en el aire (JOTA) es el acontecimiento Scout anual más grande del mundo.



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# 1. FROM YOUR EDITOR

What lies before you now is the impression of what the 51<sup>st</sup> Jamboree-On-The-Air was like. It is based on information that National JOTA Organizers compiled and sent to the World Scout Bureau. Of course, the participating Scout groups all over the world provided the basic ingredients. Many thanks therefore, to all who sent information on their JOTA programme and adventures, for others to read and enjoy.

For the first time, we also used the input of the international web logs to compile this World JOTA Report, for those countries of which we did not receive a national report. Of course, the web logs do not give a nationwide overview, but it is better than no JOTA story at all. These web logs can be created live on the internet, during and shortly after the JOTA weekend. It is predominantly used by JOTI participants, but a number of quite good JOTA logs are there as well. What do they contain? It's basically a short account of activities going on at JOTA stations. They show photographs of the Scouts and activities, QSL cards, comments and suggestions. All what's needed is that the Scout group signs up for a JOTA account on a special server and access to the web log is made available. Wonder how we go to all those beautiful pictures of Scout antenna towers? Well, now you know.

With many thanks to the radio-Scouting team of The Netherlands, who made this application available internationally.

Which brings us directly to another change. The World JOTA Report no longer appears in printed form. It appears that it becomes increasingly difficult to get the report through the publication cycle in Geneva and distribute it on time to the Scout Associations and NJO's. With current technology the JOTA report can be presented on the internet in full colour and within hours of being finished. It alleviates the overloaded staff at the World Scout Bureau Office in Geneva of pre-print preparations and distribution. Plus it helps to reduce printing and postage cost. We are fully aware of the fact that it may read differently on the screen of a computer than sitting relaxed in a chair with a cup of coffee. Then again, you always have the possibility to print your private copy and read it off line. Not only this one, but ALL World JOTA Reports are available on the Bureau's web server. Look for the radio-Scouting pages.

On to JOTA then.

An agreement was reached to stop interference between the JOTA and the Worked All Germany contest (WAG) last year and carried forward into this year. Again this year, the WAG contest voluntarily maintained large contest-free sections on the amateur radio bands. The Scout frequencies were in the clear from the contest traffic.

With only one exception, none of the National JOTA Reports were received mentioned any interference due to the contest. This is similar to last year and an excellent result.

The World Scout Bureau operated HB9S from the Satigny Scout centre with good results. If it weren't the very modest propagation conditions, than it was certainly due to the enthusiasm of the crew and, once again, Günters special antenna system with spider beams on 40 m. Thank you all, it was great to meet you live on the air.

A glimpse of the 51<sup>st</sup> JOTA stories that we received from around the world:

## *Argentina:*

The Manuel Belgrano de Rosario group held a joke competition with the Calasanz San Antonio de Padua and Alte Brown groups.

## *Austria:*

The wireless game at OE3P was too difficult for the kids; they ran around for over three hours in the autumnal woods and attempted to pass their perplexity over the airwaves (....?!), what, however, little helped.

## *China:*

A complete translation into Chinese of the JOTA circuits and other information, nicely made into a JOTA Seminar Handbook.

## *Estonia:*

Venture Scouts from the capital were very motivated to come to ES5JOTA, which was 120 km away. They arrived first in Jõgeva by train. The radio station was about 13 km from Jõgeva so they decided to hike to the station on foot. They choose a direct route of 10 km, across a forest and they had to pass over a river.

## *Germany:*

Each year there is the "Peace Light", where in the birth grotto in Bethlehem, a candle is ignited. The light travels by plane to Vienna. Several hundred Scouts from 25 European countries receive the peace light and bring it into the main churches. The Scouts from Essen set up a radio station and spread the message of peace via amateur radio around the world.

## *Italy:*

Alternative power sources were explored by Genova Scouts. They got electricity from tin cans, filled with bleach, and they even built a "human battery"!

## *Madagascar:*

Albert met a station taking part in a contest and explained him that the frequency he used was scheduled for the Scout Jamboree; he immediately changed his call to CQ Jamboree, CQ Jamboree ... ..!

## *Malta:*

By Sunday morning, all our eyes were red with lack of sleep but the map was more colourful than before with pins covering almost the entire globe.

## *Netherlands:*

Two stations had a unique mobile club home: PA6BUS/J, travelling in an converted public transport bus, and the national station PA6JAM/J, which was maritime mobile on a retired freight vessel, the Corrie. Both travelled hundreds of kilometres and could be followed via APRS and live video.

## *Norway:*

Suddenly the wire antennas fell down from the spruce tree. How could that be? A thick rope had been used to keep the antennas in the tree. The problem at LA4JAM turned out to be a rope-eating squirrel!

## *Portugal:*

CT5EPG made a long QSO with PS7NE in Brazil: more than an hour; they've also shared pictures and suggestions of activities.

## *South-Africa:*

One of the displays in the "wireless room" which attracted a lot of attention were two old field telephones which had to be connected together with suitable wire.... (in the "wireless room" ?).

## *Turkey:*

Most of the JOTA stations participated in the "Stand up" event to support the UN Millennium Development Goal on the elimination of poverty.

These are just a few of the highlights of the JOTA. The complete overview is in front of you now. We trust you enjoy the next pages.

Richard Middelkoop, PA3BAR.  
Editor.  
30 December 2008.

## 2. RÉSUMÉ FRANÇAIS

Vous avez entre les mains un résumé de ce que fut le 51<sup>e</sup> Jamboree sur les Ondes. Il se base sur les informations réunies par les organisateurs JOTA de chaque pays et envoyées au Bureau Scout Mondial. L'élément principal reste bien sûr la participation de chaque groupe scout, dans le monde entier. Un grand merci donc à tous ceux qui ont envoyé des informations sur leur programme JOTA et leurs aventures. Nous vous souhaitons une bonne lecture.

Pour la première fois, nous avons également utilisé des informations reçues par le Web (Web-logs) pour rédiger ce rapport JOTA mondial, en particulier pour les pays dont nous n'avons pas reçu de rapport national. Bien sûr, les "Web-logs" ne donnent pas une vue d'ensemble du pays, mais c'est toujours mieux que rien. Ces "Web-logs" peuvent être créés en direct sur Internet, pendant et peu après le week-end du JOTA. Ils sont principalement utilisés par les participants au JOTA, mais un certain nombre d'entre eux parlent du JOTA. Que contiennent-ils ? C'est en fait un bref compte rendu des activités en cours d'une station JOTA. Ils montrent des photos des scouts et de leurs activités, des cartes QSL, commentaires et suggestions. Il suffit, pour un groupe scout, d'ouvrir un compte JOTA sur un serveur spécial et l'accès au "web-log" est alors disponible. Vous vous demandiez comment nous avons obtenu toutes ces belles photos de tours scoutes avec des antennes, et bien maintenant vous le savez. Nous remercions l'équipe radio scouting de Hollande qui a rendu possible cette application.

Cela nous amène directement à un autre changement. Le Rapport JOTA mondial n'est plus publié sous forme imprimée. Il semble que cela devienne de plus en plus difficile de faire publier le rapport à Genève et de le faire distribuer à temps par les associations scoutes et leur NJO. Avec la technologie actuelle le rapport JOTA peut être publié en couleurs sur Internet seulement quelques heures après avoir été terminé. Cela réduit la charge de travail du personnel du Bureau Mondial du Scoutisme à Genève, de la préimpression à l'envoi des exemplaires, et cela contribue également à réduire les coûts d'impression et d'affranchissement.

Nous sommes pleinement conscients du fait qu'il n'en va pas de même de lire sur l'écran d'un ordinateur, que de tendre assis dans un fauteuil avec une tasse de café. Bien entendu, vous avez toujours la possibilité d'imprimer votre copie privée et de la lire sur papier.

Non seulement ce rapport, mais tous les rapports JOTA mondiaux sont disponibles sur le serveur Web du Bureau. Recherchez les sur les pages de Radio-Scoutisme.

Revenons au JOTA.

L'accord trouvé l'an dernier pour mettre fin aux interférences entre le JOTA et le concours Worked All Germany (WAG) a été reconduit cette année. Cette année encore le concours WAG a volontairement maintenu des sections sans concours sur les bandes radio amateur, maintenant les fréquences scoutes en dehors du trafic de concours. À une seule exception près, aucun rapport JOTA national n'a mentionné d'interférences dues au concours. Comme l'année dernière, ceci est un excellent résultat.

Le Bureau Mondial du Scoutisme a exploité HB9S depuis le centre scout de Satigny avec de bons résultats, non pas dus aux modestes conditions de propagation, mais bien certainement à l'enthousiasme de l'équipe et au système d'antennes installé par Gunther, avec des faisceaux d'araignée, pour la bande des 40 mètres. Merci à vous tous, ce fut un plaisir de vous rencontrer en direct sur l'air.

Un aperçu d'anecdotes du 51<sup>e</sup> JOTA que nous avons reçues de partout dans le monde:

*Argentine:*

Le groupe Manuel Belgrano de Rosario a fait un concours de blagues avec les groupes Calasanz San Antonio de Padua et Alte Brown.

*Autriche:*

Le jeu "sans fils" à O E3P fut trop difficile pour les scouts, ils ont couru en rond plus de trois heures dans les bois et essayé de transmettre leur perplexité sur les ondes (... ?!).

*Chine:*

Une traduction en chinois de la circulaire JOTA et d'autres informations ont été rassemblées dans un superbe petit carnet JOTA.

*Estonie:*

Les Venture Scouts ont été très motivés pour venir à ES5JOTA qui était à 120 Km de la capitale. Ils sont tout d'abord venus à Jõgeva en train, puis ont décidé de marcher jusqu'à la station de radio qui se trouvait à environ 13 Km de Jõgeva. Ils choisirent un raccourci de 10 Km à travers une forêt et ils ont dû franchir une rivière.

*Allemagne:*

Chaque année il y a la "Lumière de paix": une bougie est allumée dans la grotte de la naissance à Bethléem. La lumière voyage par avion jusqu'à Vienne. Plusieurs centaines de scouts de 25 pays européens reçoivent la lumière de paix et la transmettent dans les principales églises. Les Scouts de Essen ont mis en place une station de radio d'amateur pour diffuser le message de paix dans le monde entier.

*Italie:*

Les sources d'énergie alternatives ont été étudiées par les scouts de Gênes. Ils ont fait de l'électricité à partir de boîtes en fer-blanc, remplies d'eau de javel, et ils ont même construit une "batterie humaine"!

*Madagascar:*

Albert a entendu un opérateur qui participait à un concours et il lui a expliqué que la fréquence utilisée était prévue pour le Jamboree Scout. Ce dernier a immédiatement changé son appel en "CQ Jamboree, CQ Jamboree" ... ..!

*Malte:*

Dimanche matin, tous les yeux étaient rouges avec le manque de sommeil, mais la carte était plus colorée que jamais avec les "pins" couvrant la quasi-totalité du globe.

*Pays-Bas:*

Deux stations ont eu un local mobile très spécial: PA6BUS/J voyageant dans un bus de transport public transformé, et la station nationale PA6JAM/J qui était en mobile maritime sur un navire de marchandises à la retraite, le Corrie. Les deux ont parcouru des centaines de kilomètres et pouvaient être suivies par les unités scoutes via APRS et par de la vidéo en direct.

*Norvège:*

Soudain, le fil d'antenne est tombé de l'épingle. Comment cela pourra-t-il arriver, une grosse corde ayant été utilisée pour fixer l'antenne à l'arbre? Le problème de LA4JAM s'est avéré être un écureuil qui avait mangé la corde !

*Portugal:*

CT5EPG a fait un 1000ong QSO avec PS7N E au Brésil, plus d'une heure, ils ont aussi des images et des suggestions d'activités.

*Afrique du Sud:*

L'une des démonstrations dans la "salle sans fil" qui a attiré le plus d'attention était en fait deux anciens téléphones de campagne qui devaient être reliés entre eux avec des fils ... dans la chambre sans fil(?).

*Turquie:*

La plupart des stations JOTA ont participé à la manifestation "Stand up" de soutien à l'objectif de développement du Millénaire des Nations Unies sur l'élimination de la pauvreté.

Ce ne sont là que quelques points marquants du JOTA. Le tableau complet se trouve dans les pages suivantes. Nous espérons que vous aurez plaisir à les lire.

### 3. HOW MUCH AND HOW MANY ?

How many Scouts were part of the 51<sup>st</sup> Jamboree-On-The-Air? Does it really matter? Some would say “no”, for as long as a couple of Scouts have fun with their radio contacts, it is all worthwhile. Others will say “yes”, because we have to convince our supporters that this Jambo ree is not just an occasional activity, but something that really offers a world-wide coverage with many, many Scouts and therefore a must to be a part of. Whatever the case, all the numbers and statistics taken from the received national reports are available for you on the next pages.

#### For the 51<sup>st</sup> JOTA, Scout radio stations operated from:

4	Algeria	*	23	<u>Estonia</u>	4	Liberia	10	Romania
1	Angola		6	Ethiopia	1	Libya	15	Russia
* 12	<u>Argentina</u>	*	31	<u>Finland</u>	6	Lithuania	5	Saudi Arabia
4	Armenia		13	France w	8	Luxembourg	1	Sierra Leone
* 13	Australia		1	Gambia	* 27	<u>Madagascar</u>	1	Singapore
* 22	<u>Austria</u>		2	Georgia	* 23	<u>Malaysia</u>	4	Slovakia
1	Bahamas	*	41	Germany *	10	Malta	10	Slovenia
2	Bahrain	*	29	<u>Greece</u>	w 2	Mauritius *	10	South Africa
w 2	Bangladesh		1	Guatemala	w 6	Mexico w	16	Spain
2	Barbados		1	Guyana	1	Moldavia	1	St Vincent
4	Belarus		1	Haiti	2	Monaco	5	Sudan
12	Belgium		1	Honduras	4	Morocco w	8	Swaziland
4	Bolivia	w	3	Hong Kong	1	Mozambique *	20	<u>Sweden</u>
w 13	Bosnia *		21	Hungary	3	Namibia	15	Switzerland
2	Botswana		5	Iceland	* 12	<u>Neth. Antilles</u>	* 15	<u>Tanzania</u>
6	Brazil		2	India	* 46	<u>Netherlands</u>	4	Thailand
6	Bulgaria		7	Indonesia	* 11	<u>New Zealand</u>	1	Togo
12	Canada *		14	<u>Ireland</u>	2	Nicaragua	2	Trinidad & Tobago
* 24	<u>Chile</u>		4	Israel	2	Niger *	38	<u>Tunisia</u>
* 7	<u>China Rep.</u>	*	55	<u>Italy</u>	1	Nigeria *	12	<u>Turkey</u>
4	Colombia		1	Ivory Coast	* 16	<u>Norway</u>	2	Ukraine
3	Costa Rica		1	Jamaica	w 9	Oman	3	United Arab Emirates
6	Croatia	*	17	Japan	1	Pakistan *	31	<u>United Kingdom</u>
w 12	Cyprus		4	Jordan	4	Paraguay w	20	United States
* 87	<u>Czech Rep.</u>		3	Kenya	2	Peru w	3	Uruguay
13	Denmark w		3	Korea	* 5	<u>Philippines</u>	* 4	<u>Venezuela</u>
1	Dominican Rep.		1	Kuwait	9	Poland *	66	<u>World Bureau HB9S</u>
1	Ecuador		5	Latvia	* 32	<u>Portugal</u>	5	Yugoslavia
7	Egypt	w	3	Lebanon	w 2	Qatar	1	Zimbabwe

\*: National report received and quoted in this World JOTA Report.  
w: No national report received but information quoted from the international web log.  
country underlined: non-licensed Scouts are allowed to speak themselves by radio.  
number: the number of other countries that was contacted.

Scouts :	570709
Guides :	<u>68270</u>
total participants :	638479
JOTA radio stations:	2917
radio amateurs :	10178
visitors :	46398
active countries :	116

Figure 1: Total participation in the 51<sup>st</sup> Jamboree-On-The-Air.

To arrive at a reliable estimate of the total number of participants, some statistics are needed, since not all the

countries have sent a JOTA report. These statistics are based on the average participation numbers of the countries that did send us a report, on the membership number of each Scout Association as registered at the World Scout Bureau and on the list of countries that were reported as being active in the event (in the table above). Guide participation has been added to the Scout numbers, except where the Association in the reporting country is a SAGNO. In the latter case the Guide participation is calculated using the registered membership figures from WAGGGS. Add it all up and you get the participation numbers presented in figure 1.

For the second year in a row, all national JOTA stories we received were sent via email !! Some Associations even sent us a back-up copy via postal mail, with a CD included.



Have a look at those numbers in figure 2.

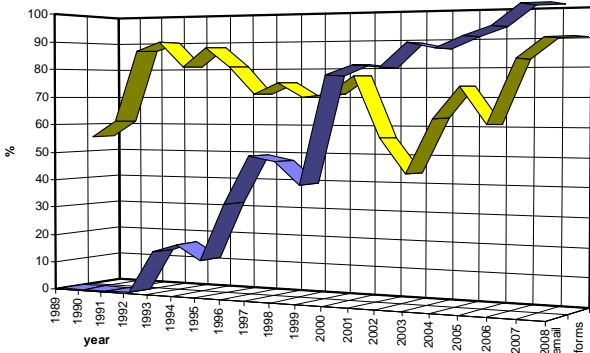


Figure 2. Percentage of national JOTA reports sent by email and of reports with a JOTA report form.

The electronic report form was popular as well, since it was included with 90% of all received contributions. The report form was again made available in electronic format on the web site, but no longer included with the JOTA circular on paper.

The printed JOTA information circular, however, left Geneva again very late this time (beginning of July) and has not have reached all participating units in time. Because of this we were forced to cancel the radio puzzle game and the internet-over-radio experiment that were announced in the printed version. Understaffing and other priorities in the Geneva office are the cause of this. For the next JOTA, the communication lines to all Associations will be drastically revised, so these hick-ups will not happen again.

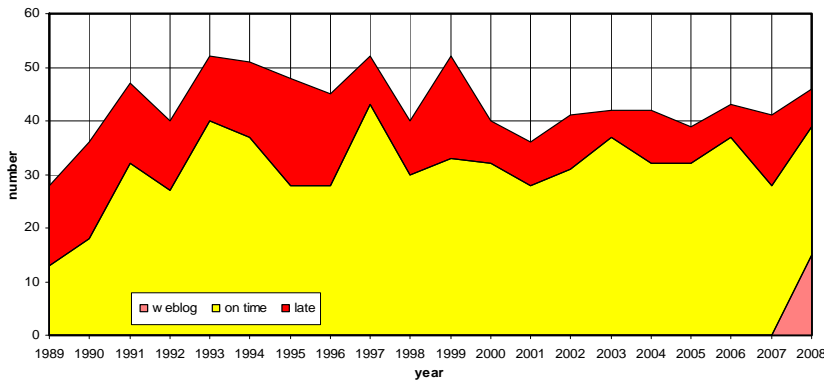


Figure 3: National JOTA reports received before the deadline and a little later. Plus number of weblogs used for the World Report.

The report deadline was shifted this year from 31 December to the 15<sup>th</sup>. Since all info is now received via electronic ways, it saves considerably on the postal delivery time. It has the added advantage that reports can be processed over the Christmas holidays and consequently this World JOTA Report is available a lot sooner in January. Did it effect the number of reports that arrived late? No, it didn't, as you can see in figure 3.

To note from the address list in the back of this report, that almost all National JOTA Organizers now have an email address themselves to. This certainly helps the ease and speed of information exchange.

Of all the JOTA stations, 88% are in countries that do allow Scouts to speak themselves directly over the radio, which is nearly the same as last year, see figure 4.

National radio-licensing Authorities are more and more flexible in allowing this special facility to Scouts. If your country does not have this facility yet, please contact the World Scout Bureau so we can see how we can best assist you in discussion with your National radio-licensing au-

thorities.

An slight increase in the use of the web service: in 96% of all received reports, the NJO's indicated that they used the Radio-Scouting web site to get their JOTA information. The J-code (a universal abbreviation language introduced to overcome the language barrier and now available in 12 different languages) was used by 31% of all countries, which is also a small decrease over last year, but we have seen bigger numbers in the past.

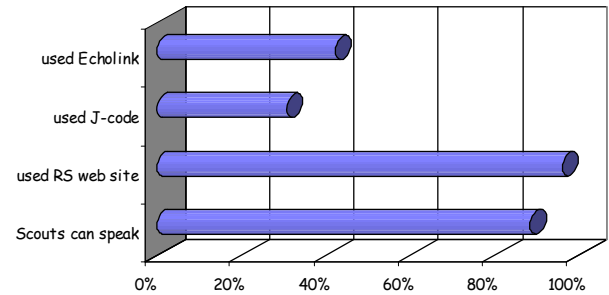


Figure 4: Different modes used for the 51st JOTA.

Echolink was used by 42% of all stations and is increasingly popular in countries with easy internet access and in times of less favourable radio propagation conditions. Figure 5 gives you the number of participating Scouts and Guides as a percentage of the total membership in their country.

Using a relative number makes it easier to compare the participation in different countries. Please note that we have used a logarithmic scale in this graph. That means that both small and large numbers can be displayed in the same picture. In comparing them, please read the scale numbers. JOTA is not a competition and these figures merely indicate that there are differences in interest, organization and reporting in these countries. Local circumstances can vary quite a bit. We noted that more countries than before are in the 1 to 10% range for the 51st JOTA, with some clearly above that: Madagascar (1.13%), Netherlands (17.6%), Netherlands Antilles (17.3%) and Portugal (27.2%).

Figure 6 shows the JOTA participation over the last five years.

We have included the participants using both Echolink and Radio during the weekend. The use of Echolink for JOTA is slowly on the rise. Echolink makes contacts possible where radio propagation fails in some instances.

Although a little less countries took part than last year, we enjoyed a slightly higher group of participants, well over half-a-million.

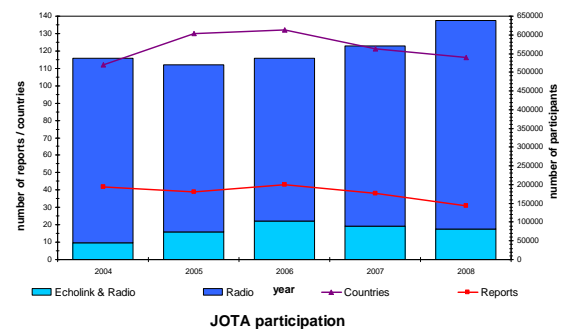


Figure 6: JOTA participation over the last five years.

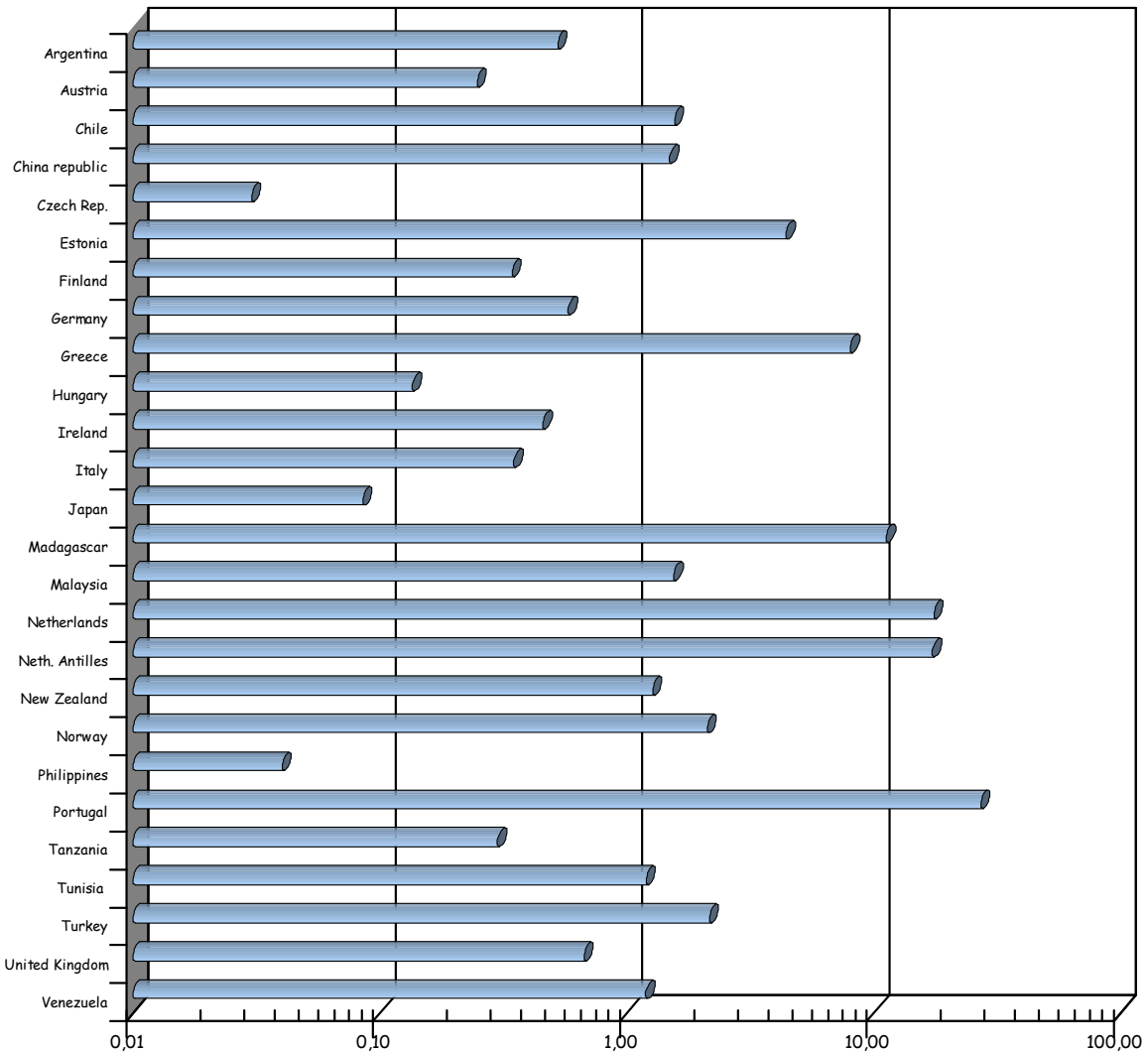


Figure 5: Percentage of all Scouts in a given country that took part in the 50<sup>th</sup> JOTA. (Note: logarithmic scale !)

**JOTA's history.**

A complete overview of 50 years JOTA history has been written by Les Mitchell, the JOTA originator, Len Jarrett, the former World JOTA Organizer and Richard Middelkoop, the current World JOTA Organizer. The book: "CQ Jamboree, 50 years of Scouting's Jamboree-on-the-Air" is published in February 2008 ( ISBN 978-90-812601-1-4) as a limited edition. A small number of copies is still available from the radio-Scouting web site or via your local bookstore.

From CQ Jamboree, we read the following:

**50 years ago: the 1<sup>st</sup> JOTA, 10 - 11 May 1958.**

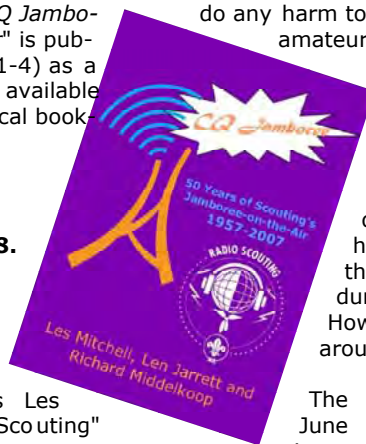
The Bureau issued a circular to all member Associations announcing a "Boy Scout Jamboree-on-the-Air" to be held on 10- 11 May, 1958" as announced by the International Scout Club, London." Enquiries were directed to "Hon. Organizer" in Reading, England. This, of course, was Les Mitchell. A similar account was made in "World Scouting" for March, 1958.

The April issue of "World Scouting" repeated the basic information and added that the Bureau's call sign for the event would be VE3RT.

All this came about following receipt of a letter from Les

Mitchell asking the Bureau to give the event its blessing and support. I recall that this was discussed at a staff meeting, and the unanimous opinion was that "it wouldn't do any harm to give it a try" and attempt to find a local amateur radio operator to represent the Bureau.

So Ray Thornton, VE3RT, placed his station and himself at our disposal for three or four hours on Saturday and Sunday, and we, the staff, arranged a rota so that one of us would sit with him during these hours. I don't recall what happened to the others but I do remember that we didn't hear any Scout stations at all during the time that I spent with him. However, my interest in amateur radio was aroused.



The June issue of "World Scouting" reported briefly on the event and said that British sta-

FIRST BOY SCOUT INTERNATIONAL JAMBOREE-ON-THE-AIR

## G3BHK/A

ENGLAND

Station Qth: H.Q. 79th Reading Scouts      Home Qth: 965 Oxford Road, Reading

To Radio: \_\_\_\_\_      Your Signal report was: \_\_\_\_\_

Confirming our QSO: \_\_\_\_\_      TX.—40'150W. Home built

on \_\_\_\_\_ May, 1958, at \_\_\_\_\_      RX.—National HRO-MX

hrs. GMT on \_\_\_\_\_ Mcs. PSE QSL      Antenna.—275' Long Wire

Operator.—Leslie R. Mitchell

**WE HOPE TO MEET YOU AGAIN NEXT YEAR**

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tions had contacted Scouts in about ten countries and added that "all ... were eager to join in next year". The report went on to say that "nothing has as yet been settled about next year's Jamboree". From these two comments, we can assume that it had already been decided that it was to be an annual event!

**40 years ago : the 11<sup>th</sup> JOTA, 19 - 20 October 1968.**

The Bureau went to Geneva and, in temporary offices, used the facilities of the International Telecommunications Union (ITU) Amateur Radio Club and their rare call sign of 4U1TU for the JOTA's of 1968 and 1969. The equipment and location were superb. The only problem was that, because the call sign was so unique, we were besieged by non-JOTA stations all the time and found it difficult to carry out our proper role. First JOTA "Aeronautical Mobile" reported by South Africa. World Report the biggest yet.

**25 years ago: the 26<sup>th</sup> JOTA, 16 - 17 October 1983.**

Propagation "extremely poor". Home computers appear in strength for the first time on RTTY and CW as well as logging. This makes it easier for the average Scout to enjoy a contact by CW. Quite a number of contacts were made using the Amateur Satellite OSCAR 10.

National Organizers suffer from the failure to send in reports of the activity. One says: "300 groups took the trouble to obtain a special call sign, but less than 25% bothered to report. When radio conditions are poor, everybody tries to avoid letting us know how badly they have done...." GB3RSS

from Yorkshire, UK, sums up in the World Report as having taken part in every JOTA so far with the same call sign. Des Walker, G3JWN, writes a 2-page story on their success.

Radio-Scouting takes another step forward with the "Elektron" exhibit at the World Jamboree in Alberta, Canada, including radio station VE6WSJ. The antenna array, in particular, was most impressive. The station kept a daily schedule with The Netherlands where the contingent news was recorded on a telephone answering machine at the National Office, for parents to dial in to. Paul Martin, EI2CA, the National JOTA Organizer for Ireland, held a presentation on JOTA and Radio-Scouting at the World Scout Conference in Dearborn, USA, which was very well received by the 500 leaders present from 80 different countries.

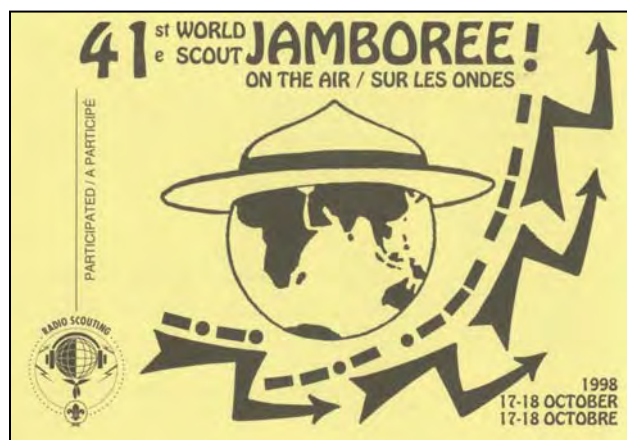
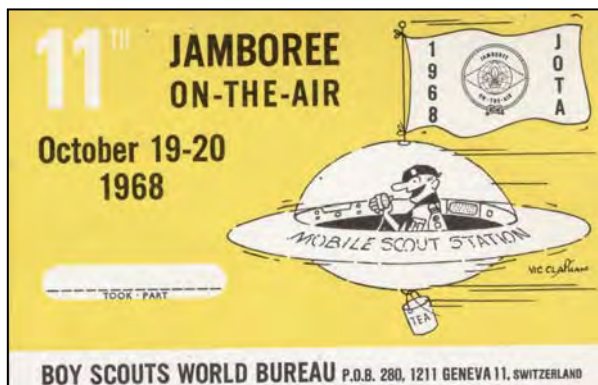
**10 years ago: the 41<sup>st</sup> JOTA, 17 - 18 October 1998.**

A change was announced of one of the traditional world Scout frequencies, the one on the 10 m band. With radio conditions improving we got many suggestions to change it into a more active part of the band.

A very determined radio amateur in Switzerland could not be stopped from participating in the JOTA. He was in hospital, but the Scouts put his station in a minibus in the hospital parking lot.

Scouts in Canada and the Netherlands ran a fox hunt with the help of a GPS receiver.

The Ministry of Telecommunications in China conducted official amateur radio exams during the JOTA weekend, especially for the Scouts, at novice level.



A combined JOTA / JOTI handbook was published in Spanish in Guatemala. Silk-printed T-shirts with a JOTA logo were available in Hong Kong. The WAGGGS centre Our Chalet in Switzerland was also on the air.



## 4. JOTA IMPRESSION

The JOTA is a major public-relations event for the Scout Movement as well. There is a large number of visitors that gets acquainted with JOTA and Scouting each year. The event also catches the attention of local and national authorities, as they are often asked to deliver the official national opening speech. Add all the media coverage of the JOTA to that and you have ample opportunity to promote Scouting.

### 51.ª Edição do JOTA/JOTI leva o nome de Coja ao Mundo

Desde 1987 que o Agrupamento de Escuteiros de Coja participa, no 3º fim-de-semana de Outubro, no JOTA (Jamboree On The Air) e, mais recentemente, no JOTI (Jamboree On The Internet).

Ambas as actividades juntam os escuteiros de todo o Mundo, permitindo que estes se contactem e

ultrapassem as dificuldades geográficas e linguísticas.

Tal como em anos anteriores, o Aeródromo Eng. Sebastião Ferrão foi a base de operações, cifrando-se o JOTA cojense em cerca de 80 contactos para 33 países, atingindo continentes como a Europa, África e América (do Sul e Norte).

Dos contactos efectuados, a organização destaca os conseguidos com a Arménia e o Níger (países novos, nunca antes contactados), a Tunísia, o Paraguai, os Estados Unidos da América e a pequena ilha de Santa Helena, em pleno Oceano Atlântico.

Para além da actividade rádio e internet, os Escuteiros de Coja e de Mourinho realizaram outras actividades, tendo alguns deles participado no local.

No final deste JOTA, a organização agradece a Albino Vitória, José Marques, Nuno Mata e Rodrigo Mes a prestimosa colaboração para a concretização da actividade, bem como à Junta de Freguesia de Coja, pela cedência do local.

E, esperamos, para o ano Coja já escutada em todo o Mundo, a voz dos Escuteiros locais na 51.ª edição do JOTA.



## İzciler dünyayı tek frekansta birleştirecek

Dünya izcilerini amatör telsiz istasyonları aracılığıyla buluşturan Jamboree On The Air aktivitesine İstanbul Lisesi, Sakarya İzci Grubu'nun kurduğu amatör telsiz istasyonu'yla katılıyor.

DÜNYANIN dört bir yanındaki fikir, bilgi ve tecrübeleri izcilik potansiyelinde bir araya getirilerek gerçekleştirilecek olan Jamboree On The Air (JOTA) dünyanın farklı köşelerinden izcileri bir araya getiren bir etkinlik olarak, bu yıl da telsiz yoluyla bir araya toplanıyor. Sözlük anlamı 'kargaşa' olan Jamboree sözcüğü dünya izcileri arasında 'toplantı' manasına geliyor. İnternet üzerinden JOTI (Jamboree on the Internet) adıyla da gerçekleştirilen bu toplantı her yaşta dünya izcilerinin katılacağı birleşme, çevre ve ergin izcilik konularındaki yarışmaları ile bu sene oldukça renkli geçeceği bekleniyor.

zamlenecek olan aktiviteye 80'i aşkın izcisiyle Türkiye'den en kalabalık katılımı gerçekleştirmeyi planlayan Sakarya İzci Grubu, Dünya İzcilik Teşkilatı'nın tasarruflarından, proje üretmeye çeşitli yarışmalarına katılarak ülkemizi temsil edecek. Bu sene ilk kez uygulanacak izcilik yarışmasının konusunu ise kırsal yaşamla ilgili izcilik yarışmaları (İzci İstasyonları) isimli yarışma olarak belirledi. İzciler, amatör telsiz ve internet aracılığıyla bir konuşma ünlükeden bir de farklı bir kıtadan izci gruplarıyla temas geçerek ortak çözümler üretmeye çalışacak. JOTA aktivitesini 1990 yılında Türkiye'de ilk kez gerçekleştiren etkinlik 18 Ekim Cumartesi günü saat 15.00'da İstanbul (Ereke) Lisesi binasında başlayacak ve Pazar gününün ilk ışıklarına kadar devam edecek.



İstanbul Lisesi, Sakarya İzci Grubu çatısı altında 80'i aşkın izci tek frekanstan dünyayı dört bir yanındaki izcilerle buluşturuyor.



### explorArte tu es espacio tu mundo tu es tito

explorArte esta vez te trae a una chica super scout que ha tenido la oportunidad de estar en 3 de los 4 espacios de convivencia del mundo scout. Se trata de Tania Mejía Navarro, quien desde pequeña se inició en el Movimiento Scout de Nicaragua, participando en la Manada, después en la unidad Scout y actualmente comparte sus vivencias y experiencias en el mundo de los Caminantes.

Se inició en uno de los Grupos Scouts de tradición y solidez en nuestro país, el "26 San Vicente de Paul", después formó parte del Grupo Scout "36 Thomas Ruiz" de la Universidad del mismo nombre. Hasta hace 4 años decidió unirse a las aventuras con nuestro Grupo 77 integrándose a la Patrulla Pantera, y hoy formar parte del equipo Cienfuegos de la comunidad Caminante.

Con sus 16 años, esta chica amante de la música de PANDA y KUDAI, ha logrado representar al Movimiento Scout de Nicaragua en eventos nacionales e internacionales. Con su característica paciencia y la ternura en nuestro rostro, le hemos visto crecer en nuestro Movimiento esperando que llegue a ser pronto una excelente dirigente.



Por si aún te preguntas qué es lo interesante de esta chavala, te agregamos que este 2008 se nos bachillera y desea estudiar Medicina, además tiene el arte de tocar la flauta, y le hace capricho al Teatro.

Desde inicios del Movimiento Scout, la unidad Scout 77 compartimos miles de eventos cada año en miles de lugares del mundo, a esos eventos les llamamos JAMBOREE. En 1957, se lanzó el concepto del Jamboree Scout Mundial en el aire (JOTA, Jamboree On The Air), y ha sido una actividad popular que hoy involucra a más de medio millón de Scouts y Guías quienes nos comunicamos cada tercer fin de semana de todos los meses. En los 90s, por las emisoras de radio aficionado, se abrió paso a otro medio para unirnos mundialmente, a través del JOTI (Jamboree On The Internet).

La alegría de compartir con otros Scouts del mundo en el aire o en internet, comienza este 18 de octubre desde las 00:00 horas y termina a las 24:00 del Domingo 19, te animamos a que participes, prepara tu presentación, fotos de tu grupo, frases, un mapa mundial para ubicarte, direcciones web de tu país, de tu grupo, y por supuesto papel y lápiz para anotar a tus nuevas amistades scouts del mundo. Ah! Y si tienes una compu con acceso a cámara... será genial. Para mayor información pedite a tus dirigentes la dirección de alguna página de internet para que podás comunicarte y ser parte del Jamboree!!!

¿Vos sabías que nuestro grupo scout 77 obtuvo un certificado de participación en el JOTI del 2007?

www.jota-joti.org



全槓童軍第 51 屆空中大露營暨第 12 屆網上大露營

大山脚童軍

祖卡菲雅：須勇敢接受挑戰

警惕自己 远离罪案

祖卡菲雅到轉駁站及網室參觀童軍設的與國外聯系的網絡。

(大山脚 19 日訊) 大山脚童軍舉辦全槓童軍第 51 屆空中大露營暨第 12 屆網上大露營，來自 3 個州代表逾 750 人聚集在此露營中。

這項童軍大露營是屬於國際性的一項童軍聚會交流，每年 10 月第 3 個星期，全世界的童軍都會在同一時間不同地點舉辦童軍大露營。這項童軍大露營主要是讓全世界的童軍能夠通過傳播器及網絡聯系，並通過網絡互相交流，了解及分享



入歧途，身為童軍具有自律及團隊精神的型，必須勇於參與各項活動，多時時刻

活，發揮團結精神。他是於今日下午，出席在新亞小學，由大山脚童軍舉辦的第 51 屆空中大露營暨第 12 屆網上大露營的開

ALOTV 1st JOTA

Scouting groep 't Eikske deed me aan Jota/Joti



In het weekend van 17, 18 en 19 oktober vond de jaarlijkse Jota/Joti plaats. Dit is een jaarlijks terugkerend evenement waarbij scouts van uit de hele wereld contact met elkaar leggen via Radio en Internet.

Dit evenement werd dit jaar voor de 51<sup>ste</sup> keer gehouden. Ook scouting 't Eikske deed dit jaar mee hier aan. Op vrijdag 17 oktober is 't Eikske online gegaan en is non-stop online gebleven tot zondagmiddag 14 uur. Een marathon opkomst waarbij de meeste leden weinig tot geen slaap hebben gehad. De Explorers (jongens en meisjes 14 t/m 17 jaar) de leiding, de stam en het bestuur hebben tijdens het weekeinde contacten

gelegd met scouts o Van scouting groepen uit Austral Ook werd met spe werden georganiseerd Nederland en Sco

Scouting 't Eikske in Landgraaf mo in de leeftijd v meer informatie en hun deelname recht op www

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La Presse de Tunisie  
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Scoutisme

51<sup>e</sup> Jamboree mondial sur les ondes et 12<sup>e</sup> Jamboree sur Internet

Le Mouvement des scouts tunisiens organise, du 17 au 19 octobre au Centre de scoutisme international de Borj Cédria, le 51<sup>e</sup> Jamboree mondial sur les ondes (Jota) et le 12<sup>e</sup> Jamboree sur Internet (Joti), avec la participation de près de 70 scouts tunisiens.

Ce jamboree a pour but de promouvoir davantage le radio-amateurisme et l'Internet auprès des scouts et de les familiariser avec les nouvelles technologies de l'information et de la communication. Il permettra également à l'organisation scout tunisienne d'évaluer l'apport des stations radio implantées en Tunisie, dans le cadre de la coopération tuniso-allemande.

Le Mouvement des scouts tunisiens, rappelle-t-on, a réussi depuis 1997 à implanter sept stations radios-amateurs au sein des clubs centraux de Sousse, Monastir, Sfax, Médenine, Tozeur et Jendouba, alors que trois autres seront bientôt installées à Kasserine, Nabeul et Bizerte.

Plus de 500.000 scouts et chefs scouts du monde entier prendront part, à travers les ondes, à cette manifestation annuelle de radio-amateurisme.

# Pfadfinder beim „Jamboree on the Air“

## Friedberger DPSG in Kontakt mit Funkern in aller Welt

Friedberg | FA | Die Friedberger Pfadfinder nahmen seit Langem erstmals wieder am alljährlichen Jamboree on the Air, kurz JOTA, teil. Bei dieser Veranstaltung, die seit über 50 Jahren stattfindet, versuchen Pfadfinderinnen und Pfadfinder aus der ganzen Welt über Amateurfunk miteinander in Kontakt zu treten.

### Geräte kostenlos zur Verfügung gestellt

Begleitet von einem kleinen Rahmenprogramm (Löten eines Thermometers) wurde versucht, vom Clubraum der Friedberger Funkamateure Ortsverband Tango 19 des Deutschen Amateur Radio Clubs (DARC) aus Kontakt zu den Pfadfindern in aller Welt aufzunehmen. Raum, Gerätschaften und die Bauteile für die Thermometer wurden von den Amateurfunkern kostenlos zur Verfügung gestellt,



Beim alljährlichen „Jamboree on the Air“ traten die Friedberger Pfadfinder über Funk in Kontakt mit der Welt. Foto: privat

Nach einem Treffen aller deutschen Teilnehmer gelang es, mit Pfadfindern aus der Türkei, Italien, Schweiz, Spanien, Portugal, England und vielen anderen Ländern in Verbindung zu treten. Die weiteste Verbindung kam mit Pfadfindern auf der Insel São Miguel, der Hauptinsel der Azoren, zustande. Die Aktion war ein so großer Erfolg, dass beschlossen wurde, auch das nächste Jahr am JOTA teilzunehmen.

➊ **Weitere Informationen** über die DPSG Friedberg sowie Bilder vom JOTA und anderen Aktionen sind auf unserer Homepage [www.dpsg-friedberg.de](http://www.dpsg-friedberg.de) zu finden. Informationen rund um den Amateurfunk in Friedberg gibt es unter [www.tango19.de](http://www.tango19.de).



## «Scout Agesci» Raduno internazionale per il gruppo sempre in fase di crescita

Fine settimana "internazionale" per il gruppo Scout "Agesci Acireale 6" protagonista per la prima volta degli eventi "Jamboree", che annualmente si svolge una settimana di...

## Scouting uit de hele wereld in contact

Op vrijdag 17 en zaterdag 18 oktober neemt de scouting Jan van Hoof groep na enkele jaren van afwezigheid weer deel aan de JOTA, Jamboree on the air. Dit jaar is de JOTA er alweer voor de 51e maal. Scouts van over de hele wereld hebben dan contact met elkaar. Via de radio, maar ook op andere manieren. Het thema voor 2008 is "Back to Basic" B2B :)

Dat levert natuurlijk vele ideeën op zoals: rooksignalen gebruiken, blikjes aan een draad, zelf radio's gaan knutselen op een

plankje, Pac-Man spelen op een oude Atari. Er zullen deze dagen twee echte zendstations worden ingericht in het clubhuis aan de Nieuwe Haven, waarbij alle Jan van Hoof leden de gelegenheid krijgen om contact te zoeken met andere scoutingleden over de hele wereld. Zo kan een welp of bever uit Gouda straks contact hebben met een scoutinggroep uit Amerika, Rusland, Noorwegen of IJsland. Voor informatie van de landelijke commissie JOTA-JOTI: [www.jota-joti.nl](http://www.jota-joti.nl)



Un gruppo di scout Agesci Acireale 6

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# 'Sneeuwuilbraakbal' doorpiepen in morse

Radio-, internet- en morsecontacten met Brabantse scouts.

door **Andrea van Dael**  
**TILBURG** - 'Hier Papa Charlie één Charlie/Jota. Waar zitten jullie?' Via morse met een seinleutel uit de Tweede Wereldoorlog legt de scouting Pastor Simons Groep in Loon op Zand deze zaterdagochtend contact met een scoutinggroep in Italië. Piepies met korte rustpauzes klinken over en weer. Welpjes eromheen vinden de taal maar bar ingewikkeld. Begeleider zendamateur Paul Glaser: 'In morse gebruik je afkortingen, net als jullie met sms. Er zijn zelfs identieke afkortingen.' Spannender vinden de kinderen contacten via de amateurradio en -tv. Op een klein tv-schermpje in een kamer zijn meerdere scoutinggroepen in beeld. 'Waar zitten jullie? En hoe zien jullie de toekomst van scouting?' vraagt Peter-Jan (9) uit Heusden door een ouderwetse microfoon. Beelden worden uitgewisseld door de hoge hijskraan voor het clubhuis, met daaraan antennekabels bevestigd. Daarmee is contact met de zendmast in Utrecht. 'Leuk!' vindt Peter-Jan.

Een beetje apart vinden de kinderen de internetkamer in het clubhuis. Die staat er vanwege Jamboree On The Internet (JOTI). Via het ouderwetse systeem Internet Relate Chat (IRC) zijn er via de antenne contacten met Utrecht. Met honderden scouts uit de wereld tegelijk wordt 'gechat'. 'Veel minder overzichtelijk dan MSN,' zeggen een paar verkenners van de Pastor Simons Groep. Zij amuseren zich zaterdag verder met allerlei spelletjes rondom communicatie zoals laserstralen en 's avonds met swingende dj's voor de JOTA-rockavond.

Veel soberder gaat het er aan toe bij scouting Peerke Donders in Tilburg. Scouts hebben onder leiding een week lang gebouwd aan een negentien meter hoge zendtoeren van houten palen. Het touwwerk, zelf knopen maken, nadenken over constructies, dat hoort bij



JOTA-organisator van Peerke Donders, Dirk Spijkers, hangt de scoutingvlag in de door scouts gebouwde radiomast, samen met Kasper van Alphen.

scouting. En het past bij het JOTA-thema van dit jaar 'Back to Basics', licht begeleider Ad Spijkers toe. De toren is met een lier omhooggetrokken en met ladder te beklimmen. Bovenop de toren, op 23 meter hoogte, staat een draadbare antenne die vanaf de grond be-

stuurbaar is. Door de draadantennes eromheen kunnen wereldwijde contacten worden gelegd tot vierduizend kilometer. Thomas (10) en Kyrill (9) zijn benieuwd. Zaterdagmiddag draaien ze aan een frequentieknop en er klinkt flink gekraak. 'Hier papa Alfa

Jamboree On The Air



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**51° "Jamboree en el Aire"**



El próximo 18 y 19 de Octubre se realizará el 51° "Jamboree en el Aire" (JOTA), un evento a millón de Scouts de todo el mundo realizan contactos con los demás por medio del sistema de los chicos experimentan la emoción de compartir una conversación en vivo con un compañero/a. El JOTA es un verdadero Jamboree (del lenguaje Zulu significa "encuentro de tribus") durante el ideas del Movimiento Scout. Es una oportunidad para cada Scout de adquirir el real sentimiento del Grupo Scout N° 996 "Padre Juan Bonmesadri" del barrio Colón que fundado en el año 1996, de Colón (Av. Garzón 2024) y está integrado por más de 50 chicos de diferentes edades, barrios



# De lucht in met de scouting

Scoutinggroep Martin Luther King zet op aanstaande zaterdag haar deuren wagenwijd open.



De JOTA/JOTI is hét communicatie-evenement voor scouts. Het thema van dit jaar is 'Back to Basic'. Ook Scouting Martin Luther King doet dit weekend mee.

**KAATSHEUVEL** - Scoutinggroep Martin Luther King zet op zaterdag 18 oktober haar deuren wagenwijd open. Op deze dag kan iedereen het clubgebouw aan de burgemeester van Besouwlaan 2 (aan de achterzijde van de St. Jozefkerk) binnenlopen van 10.00 tot 15.00 uur. De scoutinggroep combineert deze open dag met de JOTA/JOTI.

Scouting Nederland organiseert

dit jaar weer de Jamboree On The Air (JOTA) en de Jamboree On The Internet (JOTI). Op zaterdag 19 en zondag 20 oktober leggen duizenden Nederlandse Scouts, via radio- en internetverbindingen contact met honderdduizenden andere Scouts in binnen- en buitenland. Wereldwijd nemen zo'n half miljoen Scouts in ruim honderd landen deel aan het evenement, dat dit jaar voor de 51ste

keer wordt georganiseerd. Van de ruim 300 deelnemende Nederlandse Scoutinggroepen doet ook scouting Martin Luther King mee. De JOTA/JOTI is hét communicatie-evenement voor scouts. Het thema van dit jaar is 'Back to Basic'. Ook MLK combineert oude technieken met de nieuwste digitale snufjes. Voor het zenden en ontvangen van radiosignalen is op het buitenterrein een grote hout-

ten toren gebouwd. Drie zendamateurs helpen mee om met hun apparatuur nationale en internationale verbindingen te leggen. De amateurs kunnen niet alleen praten via de zender, maar ook beelden versturen. Voor het gebruik van internet is een spellokaal tijdelijk omgetoverd tot computerruimte. Alle leden krijgen de gelegenheid om achter de radio of de computer plaats te nemen.



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## Comunicamos de Quarteira con o Mundo

O Agrupamento 1052 de Quarteira, no passado fim de semana, 18 a 19 de Outubro, participou em mais uma edição do JOTA/JOTI (Jamboree On The Air) (Jamboree On The Internet). Foram 48 horas non stop.

A actividade juntou as quatro seções de todo o agrupamento, incluindo os vários distritos de cada secção. A actividade realizou-se na Igreja de São Pedro do Mar, onde se localiza a sede do 1052.

Esta actividade teve como principal objectivo comunicar, quer via radio, quer via internet, com todo o Mundo.

Início do Júpiter 1052 - Rádio Quarteira de Quarteira

As actividades desse fim de semana foram muito interessantes e com um grande sucesso. Bem como o apoio de uma actividade de esculturas (monumentos) onde se vão fazer representações de esculturas, músicas e teatro.

No domingo, pelas 10 horas da manhã realizou-se a missa de agradecimento de todos os participantes de todas as seções de cada distrito.

O encerramento da actividade esteve marcado para as 17:30h da tarde, com a cantoria da Quarteira e do 1052.





Mencuba... Noriah Kasnon berpeluang menghubungi Stesen Jota 9M1GSN di Kem Pengakap Labu, Seremban, Negeri Sembilan sambil diperhatikan Hussainy.



Begini caranya... Abdul Mutalib Omar - 9M2SQL (kiri sekali) Station Master 9M1GSB menunjuk cara menggunakan peralatan penala antena.



Menerima kunjungan dari Pengakap Kumpulan Latihan Kelaniswara Malaysia (KLKM) Politeknik Sultan Azlan Shah, Behrang, Perak



Semoga berjumpa lagi di JOTA yang akan datang.

**SUNGAI BESAR Bersedia...**

Jambori Di Udara Pengakap Dunia ke-51 atau lebih dikenali Jamboree On The Air (JOTA) yang berlangsung di Sekolah Menengah Kebangsaan (SMK) Seri Bedena, Sungai Besar dimeriahkan dengan kehadiran dan penyertaan Timbalan Menteri Pendidikan dan Masyarakat, Noriah Kasnon yang juga Yang Dipertua (YDP) Majlis Persekutuan



Scouts sprekkan via de radio met andere scouts elders op de wereld. FOTO'S SCOUTING ANTIANO

**Local Scouts hold Jamboree-On-The-Air**

GRAAFF-REINET — Last Saturday, Bruce Maree, the radio amateur operator, and Claud Arnott, a licensed radio transmitter and supervisor of the local scouts while they operated the radio and guides all over South Africa during the 51st annual Jamboree-On-The-Air (JOTA). The JOTA is an annual event in which scouts and guides all over the world speak to each other by means of amateur radio contacts. Scouting experiences are exchanged and ideas shared, via the radio waves.

Since 1958 when the first Jamboree-On-The-Air was held, thousands of scouts and guides have "met" each other through this event. Not only do they talk to scouts from other parts of the world but it provides a chance to find out about other countries and about scouting elsewhere.

Many contacts made during the JOTA have resulted in pen-pals and links between scout troops that have lasted for many years.

This year, however, the local scouts couldn't contact overseas scouts as conditions weren't favourable.

With no restrictions on age, or and at little or no expense, the JOTA provides an opportunity for scouts and guides to contact each other by amateur radio, by licensed amateur radio operators. Many scouts and leaders hold licenses and have their own stations, but the majority participate in the JOTA through clubs and individual radio amateurs. Today some operators even use television or computer linked communication.

**DATE AND DURATION**  
The world-wide Jamboree-On-The-Air is organized to coincide with the third full weekend of October each year. The event starts at 06.00 hours local time on the Saturday and continues 48 hours later at 24.00 hours local time on the Sunday. Each station chooses its own operating hours within this period.



The local Scouts participated in the annual world-wide Jamboree-On-The-Air held last Saturday. Here some of them can be seen with Radio Ham, Claud Arnott.

**Jamboree via radio en internet**

Van een onzer verslaggevers WILLEMSTAD - Geen lieflijke in 2011 in Mexico, maar wel een wereldwijde Jamboree via Radio deed afgelopen weekend ook de Scouting Antiano aan mee. Het is een activiteit die elk derde weekend van oktober plaatsvindt.

„Jongeren over de hele wereld treden niet elkaar in contact om broederschap te ontwikkelen en aldus Scouting Antiano. De oudere contact gehad met jongeren in Venezuela, Engeland, de Verenigde Staten, Canada, Australië, Mauritius, Nederland, Mexico, Argentinië, Chili en Aruba.



De jongeren leren ook het semafoor seinen door middel van vlaggen.

Jota wordt al 51 jaar georganiseerd en Joti nu al 12 jaar. Het had voor de Scouting Antiano een kampweekend storm was het kamperrein te modderig. „Zoals het een echte scout betamt, is de activiteit wel nerveus opzet, gedurende een dag waren 550 jongeren aanwezig die onder andere van Jean-Carlo da Silva gehoord hebben over zijn reis naar Antarctica samen met Robert Swan en hoe onze natuur en wereld beter beschermd moeten worden. Er is ook een cursus verzorgd over Verder hebben de jongeren gewerkt aan het ontwikkelen van een logo voor het volgende Jota/Joti-evenement. De Jota kan meedoen aan de wereldwijde wedstrijd. De sportorganisatie Sedreko heeft de jongeren bezig gehouden met een e-sport.



Ook via internet hadden de scouts afgelopen weekend contact met anderen.

**A ballet feast at the radio entre los scouts del mundo**

Se cumplió la 51ª edición de Jamboree en el Aire. También intervinieron radioaficionados que no forman parte del movimiento scout.

El grupo scout Tomás Santa Coloma llevó a cabo una actividad de carácter anual, que tiene como denominación Jamboree en el Aire. Se trata de una iniciativa tradicional, que consiste en establecer una comunicación entre scouts de distintos países mediante la utilización de equipos de radio. Como aspecto novedoso, en esta oportunidad las transmisiones se llevaron a cabo desde una carpeta ubicada en la Plaza San Martín.



En la Plaza San Martín, las transmisiones se realizaron durante más de 16 horas, desde una carpeta ubicada frente a la Municipalidad Municipal. Los contactos desde nuestra ciudad para la 51ª edición de Jamboree en el Aire tuvieron inicio el viernes a las 18 y se extendieron en forma inintermitente durante más de 16 horas. Además de chicos y jóvenes de las ramas de Tomás Santa Coloma, intervinieron el dirigente Oscar Mejide (licencia LUB EIP) y otros radioaficionados que no forman parte del movimiento scout pero brindaron una gran colaboración como Luis Antonio Vizza (licencia LU7 EJ), Miguel May Landá (LU8 DW) y Daniel Rey (LU3 DJ).

Como una práctica simultánea, las nuevas tecnologías permiten variar las transmisiones de radio con Internet y de este modo, contar con otra vía de comunicación. „Logramos establecer buenos contactos con Portugal, España, México, Perú, entre otros países. En el caso de la Argentina, fue posible conversar con gente del norte y también de Tierra del Fuego, incluyendo muchos otros lugares”, destacó Oscar Mejide.

La diferencia central con Jamboree en Internet es que “resulta más variado por el alcance y las ciudades que se pueden ubicar, pero no es posible escuchar la voz de la persona, crosses a través de su apodrinán la alegría que la ganara este diálogo. Las características son distintas”.

La instalación de la carpeta en la Plaza San Martín permitió que los vecinos se acercaran. “Principalmente el viernes por la noche, recibimos visitas de interesados en conocer las actividades que llevamos a cabo -manifestó-. Nos pareció importante que la sociedad se interesara un poco sobre lo que hacemos en este encuentro”.

**Libros y Juguetes**  
Los adolescentes de la rama Cominantes concretaron una colecta de libros y juguetes, que serán destinados al Jardín de Infantes Nº 911, del Barrio Benito Machado. La colecta se efectuó ayer, aunque no se obtuvieron muchas donaciones. Mejide señaló que “fue un paso resolutivo, es poco lo que se consiguió. Insistiremos de otra manera, veremos la forma de contar con un poco más de aportes para colaborar con el Jardín. Agradezco el apoyo de quienes colaboraron y seguramente, en otra ocasión volveremos a hacer una convocatoria similar”.



Το JOTA και το JOTA είναι δραστηριότητες που επιτρέπουν στον κάθε πρόσωπο να αναζητήσει ή να ψάξει κοινοί φίλοι φίλους με προσέχοντες σε άλλες περιοχές για να αναζητήσουν πληροφορίες για τη ζωή άλλων συνομηθών με τα ίδια ενδιαφέροντα. Συστά αυτού: οι ενδιαφέροντες για χρόνο και απλώς τη βάση για μελλοντικά ταξίδια και δράσεις.

**Τι έκαναν**  
Τα Λιμενικά της Μυτιλήνης συνδύασαν το Παγκόσμιο Πρόσκληση στο Αέρα με ένα ταξίδι στα όρη (η 2η Αγία Μυτιλήνης) και με το ψάξιμο του κορμού Μόγλι (η 3η Αγία Μυτιλήνης).

Οι Πρόσκληση αέρα στην Αστynomία και το Λιμενικό...  
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**Realizado a través de radio e Internet**  
**Jóvenes participaron en Jamboree Mun**

La escuela D 76 "Cenicientario" fue la base donde se reunieron los scouts de Iquique para participar en el 51 Jamboree Scout Mundial en el Aire, JOTA (Jamboree on the Air), además de la versión 12ª del JOTI (Jamboree On The Internet).  
La actividad, que se llevó a cabo entre el 18 y 19 del presente mes, tiene por finalidad reunir a miles de scouts de todo el mundo que se conocen a través de Internet y radio, usando cualquier tecnología localmente disponible, desde navegadores hasta correo electrónico, programas de chat, micrófonos, scanners, cámaras digitales y las tradicionales estaciones de radioaficionados.  
**FORMACION**  
En el colegio se habilitaron 6 computadores conectados a Internet e instalaron 3 estaciones de radio con el aporte del Radio Club Cavañada de Iquique y de la Radio Estación Scouts encabezadas por su delegado zonal, Claudio Magna (CEVIL).  
Los y las jóvenes scouts se comunican usando las frecuencias de radio y a través del tradicional CQ CQ Jamboree, logrando contactarse con variados grupos del mundo como por ejemplo los de Perú, Argentina, Estados Unidos, Europa y en especial con el grupo N° 33 de la localidad de Akita en Japón.  
Tres años de puesta en práctica, se puede afirmar que ambas propuestas consiguen crear lazos de amistad duraderos en el tiempo y motivan futuros viajes y excursiones de grupo.



Internet fue otro de los medios mediante el cual los jóvenes se comunicaron con el resto del mundo.

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**JOTA-JOTI: il mondo scout per aria e su Internet**

collettiva una presenza anche grazie alla rete Urban Web, Spm, e alla collaborazione...

Una JOTA nel segno di Jamboree...  
Il JOTA-JOTI è un'attività che si svolge attraverso la radio e Internet...  
L'attività è stata organizzata dalla scuola D 76 "Cenicientario"...

### Família escotista continua a crescer

■ O Grupo de Escoteiros de Góis reiniciou da melhor forma as suas actividades, após o período de férias. Com efeito, dois nomes elementos vieram engrandecer a "família", uma vez que Maria Barata Bandeira e Mariana Martins Garcia acabam de fazer a respectiva promessa perante a Lei do Escoteiro.



MARIA BANDEIRA e Mariana Garcia com a chefe da Tribo

Destaque ainda para um acampamento, realizado pela "Tribo Escotista", no terreno onde o agrupamento pretende erguer a sua sede. Um campo que teve como objectivo proceder à limpeza do espaço, tarefa que a "tribo" cumpriu de forma exemplar.

Para os próximos dias o Grupo de Escoteiros n.º... em perspectiva um des... cativo, uma vez que... par numa actividade... são mundial, dur... escoteiros de t... estão e contac... rádio amador... Internet. O e...

...to-feira, prolongando-se até... localidades de... Guia... participação da comunidade... sculação a asso...

que visam enriquecer os conhecimentos dos participantes, por um lado e, por outro, envolvem... participação da comunidade... sculação a asso...

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# Il gruppo Scilla 1 "on air" per la giornata dello scoutismo

di GIUSU SANTACATERINA

SCILLA - Il Gruppo Scout Agesci Scilla 1 in onda sulle frequenze di Jamboree on the air e su Youtube per festeggiare la giornata mondiale dello scoutismo. Svoltesi lo scorso ottobre, il cosiddetto Jamboree è atteso dagli scout di tutto il pianeta come momento da cogliere al volo per mettersi in contatto con i propri

tratti sparsi per il mondo. Anche quest'anno il gruppo scout di Scilla non si è fatto trovare impreparato. Così, pronti dalle proprie postazioni radio, gli scout scillesi si sono messi in contatto con le stazioni italiane ed estere stazionarie sulle frequenze del Jamboree. Le guide delle varie squadriglie del gruppo Scilla 1 hanno potuto comunicare con le stazioni scout di Slovenia, Ar...

Saraha, Firenze, Ucraina, Germania, Iesi (AN), Roccasoca (Fr), Viljo Valenlia, Belgio, Turchia, Ormai, Olanda, Ci... pio. La giornata, con le varie conversazioni tra ragazze di Scilla e quelli del resto d'Italia e del mondo, è stata poi trasmessa in streaming sul sito del gruppo. Il prossimo anno, ci...

# 5. THE 51<sup>ST</sup> JOTA AROUND THE WORLD

Note: Indicated per country you will find the numbers of participants, of JOTA radio stations and the number of different countries that were contacted. A question mark "?" indicates that the numbers were not available in the national report. For countries without a national report, information is presented from the web logs of individual Scout groups.

## Argentina (LU)

**participants: 258**  
**stations: 37**  
**countries: 12**

Scout group nuestra senora de las Nieves in Ushuaia, Tierra del Fuego made the longest contact over 10455 km with the Scouts at

AM8JAM on the Canary Islands.

On Friday at 2100hs, we conducted the official opening by Echolink for Argentina, writes Alejandro Afonso. From the town of Tres Arroyos where the Tomas Santa Coloma group operated LU9BSA; several groups were present with Argentine stations as well as AM8 JAM from Canary in Spain, who accompanied us at all times throughout the weekend. Some operated from the base in the Scout Group, others with a portable station in the middle of the street to listen to a friend and be part of the beginning of the event.

The comments of the various Scout groups that took part, are enthusiastic; some did games with the Q-code. Stations were set up in the plaza of the city or the municipal park, where Scouts spent the night in tents. In all cases, they were enthusiastic to communicating with other Scout brothers both by radio and by Echolink; all hope that next year we find again this beautiful event.

Our most exciting contacts:

The Inti Kaia group mentions communication with Uruguay despite the bad conditions on HF.



"me llamo Carlos y estoy en Argentina..."

For the San Vicente de Paul Scout group it was the QSO by Echolink with a museum in Queens where Scouts were on a tour.

LU9BSA, Scouts of Argentina, was able to engage in QSO with WOSM at HB9S, with Richard and Guadeloupe via Echolink.

For the Manuel Belgrano de Rosario group their most funny situation was a joke competition with the Calasanz San Antonio de Padua and Alte Brown groups.

The San Vicente de Paul de Mercedes groups tells us: a cub-Scout called a Rover to silence, because he could not hear the signal of his radio contact.

Alejandro wants to promote more activity in Argentina's JOTA and above all with Echo link, to give more possibili-

ties to many Scouts that have a simple portable station to make very good contacts with stations located far away.

## Australia (VK)

**participants: ?**  
**stations: ?**  
**countries: ?**

Scouts Australia is the National body bringing together the Scout Associations of the States of Queensland, New South Wales,

Victoria, Tasmania, South Australia and Western Australia, and the Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory. These State/Territory Associations, which operate independently, are referred to as "Branches", writes Bob Bristow.

Guides Australia JOTA activities are not included in this report, however many Scout and Guide groups collaborate with JOTA activities.



JOTA activities are conducted variously at Group, District, Regional and Branch levels. No formal reporting structure exists for this activity, although participants are encouraged to register online at

[www.jotajoti.org](http://www.jotajoti.org) and to complete a weblog. Although online registration rates for Australia

compare very favourably with those of other countries, I believe that the number of registrations under represents the actual participation rates, says Bob.

2008 saw increased interest in JOTA. HF propagation has been poor, and although some improvements prior to JOTA gave hope for some good international HF contacts, the JOTA weekend proved to have poor propagation, leaving Australian stations to rely mostly on other VK contacts. Good use was made of Echolink and IRLP to make international contacts, and I did hear of some groups successfully utilizing AO51 satellite for making contacts.

Groups participating in JOTA around Australia made good use of the Wireless Institute of Australia's weekly news broadcasts before and after JOTA to give news of their activities, and the December issue of the Amateur Radio Australia magazine carried several articles about JOTA activities around Australia. Amateur radio in Scouting receives excellent support from the Wireless Institute of Australia and amateur operators in general.

## Austria (OE)

**participants: 64**  
**stations: 6**  
**countries: 22**

Ernst Tomaschek writes that the most exciting contacts were with Costa Rica, Nicaragua, Sierra Leone, HB9S and the Manly Lotha Scout

Group near Brisbane, Australia. The Scouts also built a Morse Code trainer. Ernst suggests to include more digital modes in the JOTA programme.



Soldering a Morse code trainer.

From the Austrian Telescout newsletter we read: OE1XSC/5 in the Scout house in

Wells, by Franz OE5FSL.

This year we ran the JOTA together with the people of the Funkstammtisch. Friday afternoon a long wire antenna was strung across the terrain of the Scouts home. Initial tests showed that the antenna worked well; from Geneva, and from northern Germany we got consistently good reports. We started Saturday at 09:00 h. Peter OE5RTP built his SSTV station with antenna.

Furthermore, Rene OE5DRO prepared for the soldering of Morse-training generators. We started with the radio operation. There was a lot going on on 40 and 20 m, we quickly had some contacts. Peter also established connections in SSTV, where pictures were sent back and forth.

The physical well-being was looked after by Manuela and the wife of Walter OE5WFN. Manuela was very versatile, she made photos, hosted us superbly and she also conducted her first radio contact after successfully passing an amateur-radio examination.



At the station, ready for action....

At the soldering activity, young ladies were advancing. Natalie and Christine soldered immediately two functioning Morse generators. Also Irene was very active and skillfully

soldered some nice jewellery together. Some Scouts of the lower age levels visited us during the day.

Then after lunch the highlight: we had a connection with an Australian Scout. VK4SML was very good to hear at the repeater on the Schaffberg in the Echolink mode.

We were even able to reach Schlappi, a well-known Scout from Germany. In the evening we still managed a contact with HB9S in Geneva with very good signals.

On Sunday still a lot was going on. So we could reach some Scouts around the world both on shortwave as well as FM. Overall we had reached 14 countries with our TS-50 and the long wire antenna.

OE3P at the Teufelstein (devil stone mountain) by Dieter, OE3DBU.

For the 20th time the Scout group Perchtoldsdorf took part in the JOTA, since 1991 from the mountain lodge Teufelstein in the Vienna woods, 600 meters above sea level.

The lodge is open to the public and is the kitchen managed by a former Scout, who was awaiting us with delicacies. When building antennas, we ran into the darkness. For the first time since our JOTA we could not tune and test the antennas. So on Saturday morning we had to do it again and this time it worked. This time we worked only on short wave; 19 countries were reached.

The best stations were from Finland, the Guides and Scouts could speak German on the radio. And with Portugal, after the Guides tried with English, Rafael had the idea to speak Spanish, which worked as well for the Portuguese Scouts.

12 Guides and 15 Cubs visited the OE3P station. The wireless game that was held was too difficult for the kids; they ran around for over three hours in the autumnal woods and attempted to pass their perplexity over the airwaves, what, however, little helped. Ok, next year will be simpler.

## Bangladesh (S21)

from the weblog

The National Headquarters hosted JOTA station S21SHQ, where 80 Scouts took part. Most interesting was the contact with Oman.



JOTA instructions at the Bangladesh headquarters.

## Bosnia & Herzegovina (E7)

from the weblog

E71EYC was operated by the Savez izviđača Scout group, from the home of the local radio club in Zenica, with 25 Scouts and leaders.



## Chile (CE)

participants: 1222  
stations: 24  
countries: 14

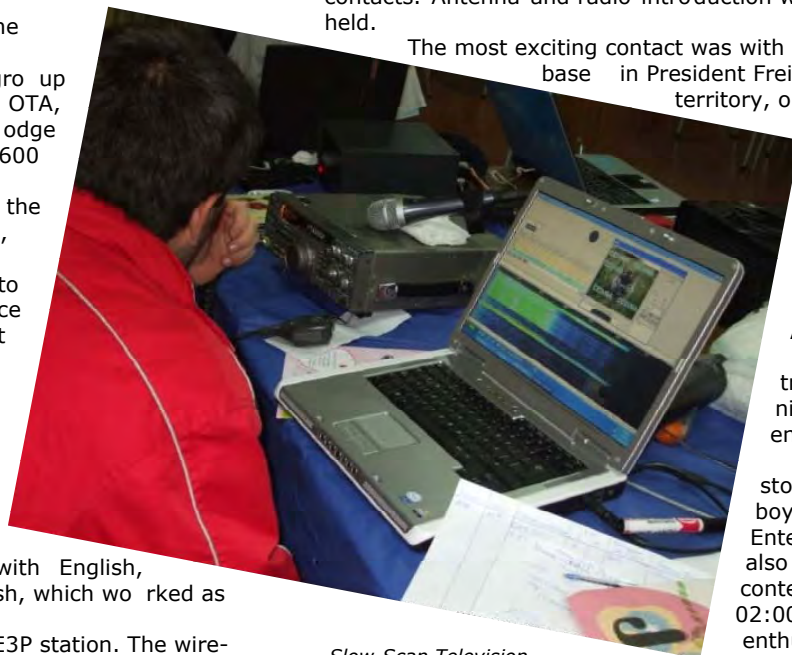
It was a very busy weekend, the stations have worked hard to have the facilities to make good contacts, writes Isabel Carreño.

Again radio propagation conditions were not the best but thanks to Echolink the boys were able to make interesting contacts. Antenna and radio introduction workshops were held.

The most exciting contact was with CE9 VPM, at a base in President Frei Antarctic territory, on King George Island.

I can also point out that it was a very interesting contact with a former scout CA3 VIS, Alexander, who was transmitting all night with great energy and told entertaining stories to the boys.

Entertaining was also a karaoke contest, held at 02:00 am where the enthusiasm of each interpreter was most remarkable, more than the musical quality. JOTA ideas for the future: invite for-



Slow-Scan Television images (SSTV) presented on a laptop computer, directly from the short-wave transmitter.

mer Scouts to participate in the stations; they enjoy it a lot and can offer valuable experiences to the boys.



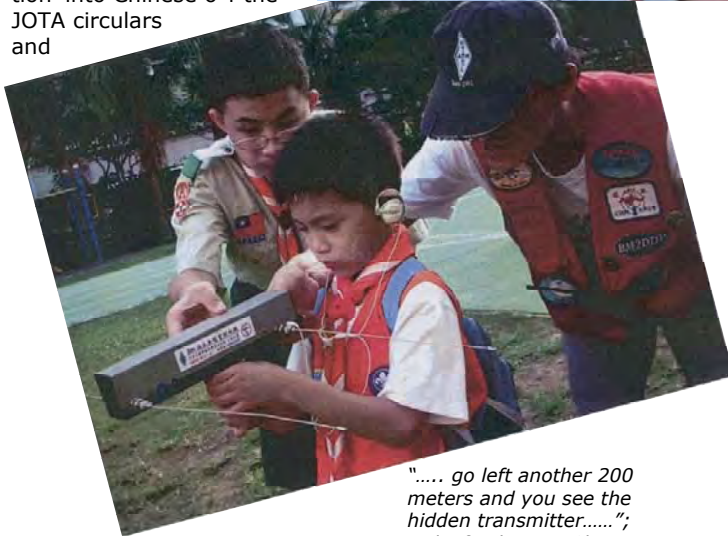
The team at CE3BSC.

### China (BV)

**participants: 1248**  
**stations: 12**  
**countries: 6**

We set up 12 stations nationwide, writes Chang Wen-Sing. Each station had different activities, like electronic kit building, morse code and fox hunting. Many stations also conducted merit badges tests on radio and computers. Some stations organized an overnight camp for the JOTA weekend.

The most exciting, and longest, contact was from BV0S with YV1JA, operated by Jay from Canada. Chang sent along with his report a complete translation into Chinese of the JOTA circulars and



"..... go left another 200 meters and you see the hidden transmitter....."; radio fox hunt in China.

other information, nicely made into a JOTA Seminar Handbook.

### Cyprus (5B4)

**from the weblog**

The 273rd Aglantzia Air Scout Group was on the air with 5B4NSE and made many contacts with Greece, because they share the same language. Also they had a barbecue night.



"...hi, my name is Alexandros, how are you?..."

### Czech Republic (OK)

**participants: 8**  
**stations: 1**  
**countries: 87**

Our „Karel Ort“ Old Scout Radioclub (8 members) participated in the JOTA event since many years, writes Jan Havelka.

We prefer the „On The Air“ magic of the shortwave communication. The features of radio wave propagation, choosing the right band for the right path, night and day, was the main program in the 51<sup>st</sup> JOTA.



During the radio Scouting weekend our club completed contacts with 87 countries from all continents. We've had a long and

enjoyable contact with Scouts from St. Helena Island ( ZS7SSG ).

We also had a long communication with the Scouts from Madagascar 5R8GZ/J and continued in an e-mail exchange with the operator Luciani after the contact.

We used the antenna facilities of Dan, OK1DIG, and had a campsite operation from his QTH in the woods.

We are looking forward for more sunspots and better conditions on the higher bands in the next JOTA. We remain to be the fans of true radio Scouting on shortwave.

JOTA Operator Antonin OK1GW (77) has achieved the Gold Level and Platinum Level of the Centenary of Scouting Radio Award.



### Estonia (ES)

**participants: 4 5**  
**stations: 3**  
**countries: 23**

Our most exciting contact was with Bosnia-Herzegovina from ES4JOTA: we could talk with them for a long time, writes Deivis Treier. We also spoke with HB9S in Geneva.

A few venture Scouts from the capital were very motivated to come to the radio station ES5JOTA, which was about 120 km from the capital. They arrived in Jõgeva at about 18:45 with a train. The radio station was about 13 km from Jõgeva so they decided to hike to the station on foot. They had printed maps and they chose a direct

route of 10 km, but across a forest and they had to pass over a river. They reached near to the station but the water level of the river was very high because of beaver dams, so the river was unsurpassable. The weather was rainy and it was dark, so they changed the route for safety and hiked to the radio station by road. The total hike now took 19 km. It was a true venture. The longest contact was with CE6TFA JOTA station in Chile using CW, over 13000 km.



"See guys, this is how a radio amplifier works. This here is a ventilator...."



"...und mal schöne Grüße von uns beide hier in Deutschland...."



The German-JOTA JOTI badge was this year designed by a participating Scout group, "Po werkothe" from W illich-Schiefbahn.

A very nice electronic kit emerged. It is an LED thermometer, for which you can set the temperature range yourself. Sincere thanks to Klaus, DF3GU, who developed this.

For the first time during the JOTA weekend, there was a headquarter station, where all the NJO's of the ring's Associations met for the weekend and initiated the activities from there.

Some activities had been planned upfront, including a communications and sked game. On Saturday the German Sked was held again, from the headquarter station in Amberg. The station called radio stations from Germany, Switzerland and Austria. We'd like to thank again the local team in Amberg for the outstanding support. With the good equipment we were very well heard throughout Germany.

Another novelty this year has arisen after the JOTA. Each year

### Finland (OH)

**participants: 184**  
**stations: 21**  
**countries: 31**

We had all our district chairpersons (for program) in a national meeting. We told and

showed them what JOTA is about and hopefully they are organizing locally a JOTA-weekend next year, hopefully in a bigger scale than ever! The most exciting contact was via Echolink with Richard in HB9S and our National board member for communications.

Good to notice that reports are difficult to get back; in the future I know that pressure must start immediately after weekend!, concludes Banda.



### Germany (DL)

**participants: 1180**  
**stations: 83**  
**countries: 41**

As in the past few years, also this year the 3 German RDP associations worked together for the preparation of the Jamboree on the

Air (JOTA).

Already in May, the German-JOTA JOTI Conference (DJJK) took place near Berne, by invitation of the Swiss Scouts. It was attended by Scouts from Austria, Switzerland and Germany. For the first time this year, also with Scouts of the Netherlands.

For JOTA, numerous use was made of the world-wide registration system.

there is the "Peace Light", where in the birth grotto in Bethlehem of Jesus Christ, a candle is ignited. From there, the light travels by plane to Vienna. On the third Advent Sunday, several hundred Scouts from 25 European countries, receive the peace light and bring it into the main churches of the Catholic dioceses and Protestant churches. During this event, the Scouts from Essen set up a radio station with the local amateur radio club. They spread the message of peace via amateur radio around the world. Thanks to the Scouts and radio amateurs for your commitment to this action, include Lars Weimar (BdP), Jo chen Sulovsky (DPSG) and Christian Bischoff (VCP).

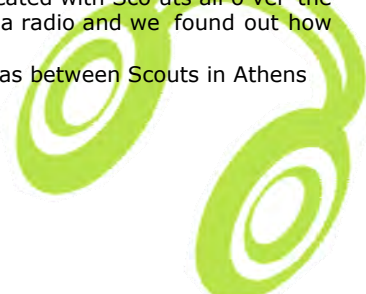
### Greece (SV)

**participants: 1670**  
**stations: 15**  
**countries: 29**

Costas Theologis writes that the weekend was worth remembering.

We had a great time and we communicated with Scouts all over the world. Also we constructed a radio and we found out how to use morse signs.

The most exciting contact was between Scouts in Athens and in Istanbul.





dormitory. Four licensed operators ran the station. A kit building activity complemented the regular JOTA operation. Guides of the Piliscsaba Scout group visited the station. Thanks to HA2NW, HA2EDX, HA2CM for making this event successful!

The MCSSZ station HA5MCS was, as usual, ran by HA5YI Tibor. HA5KID worked a station from Qatar.

The well-known HAM scout grandmother, HA5FQ Márta slightly changed her team this year: the elder grandsons, being active for years during JOTA's, were replaced by two younger granddaughters Klári and Angelle. The very youngest granddaughter Csilla is also catching up. They are all members of the 173. Kemény Zsigmond Scout group in Budapest.

On Saturday morning, HA5CQA was still wrestled with the pine tree in the backyard in order to get the new 40 m dipole up and running. Next time he'll use the pine tree of the neighbour which is about twice as high.

A JOTA information web

page was started in Hungarian.



A crowd gathers outside the tent on a market square in Athens to see the JOTA operations. Scouts can practice their Q-code and J-code knowledge from large bulletin boards.

## Hong Kong (VR2)

### from the weblog

The Association Headquarters of the Scout Association of Hong Kong was on the air with VR2EA. A staggering 8453 Scouts and leaders passed by the station in a large hall in the headquarters.



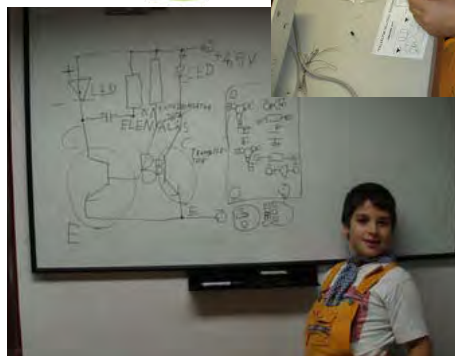
Mr Anthony Chan, Chief Commissioner of Hong Kong, presents a souvenir to the Guest of Honour, Mr W K Wong, Director of Broadcasting of Hong Kong.

## Hungary (HA)

**participants: 28**  
**stations: 6**  
**countries: 21**

Péter Horvath reports that the longest contact was made by the 14. Holló Scout group with LA4I in Aardalstangen, Norway over 1450 km. HA2ECM: "Personally, it was my favourite connection because we never spoke on radio before. Now at least Reidar and 3 other Scouts could be reached at LA4I."

HA2ECM Laci and the 14. Holló scout group installed a JOTA station in Esztergom. The station was located in a



The fine art of Hungarian soldering.....

## Ireland (EI)

**participants: 190**  
**stations: 4**  
**countries: 14**

Scouting Ireland had four stations for the 51<sup>st</sup> JOTA, two of which had special event call signs celebrating 100 years of Scouting in Ireland. EI100S and EI100SI were used by the 1st Kilkenny and 18/19th Cork Scout Groups. EI5MRC operated on voice and PSK from the Mount Mellray Scout Centre in the



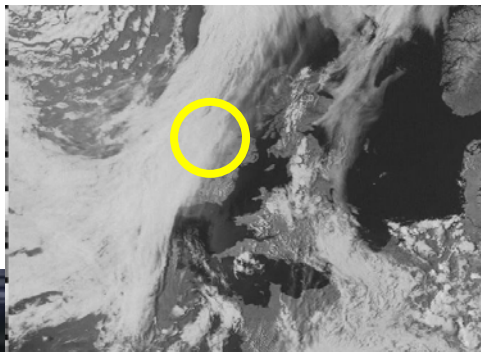
Knockmealdown Mounts of County Waterford. EI1SI operated from Tralee in County Kerry where Scouts built intruder alarms, water pressure detectors, morse oscillators and morse keys, and participated in fox-hunting. Visitors at EI1SI included volunteers from local Coast Guard and Lifeboat Stations.

Jack, a 14 year old Sea Scout at EI1SI, held the microphone to his ear, in cell phone fashion and told a great story about his Sea Scouting escapades, writes Seán O'Súilleabháin.



Scouts in full action at EI100SI whilst....

Earlier in the year, both EI100SI and E100S were activated for Scouting Ireland's Centenary Jamboree. EI100SI was QRV from the main Jamboree site at Punchestown in County Kildare where 12,000 Scouts gathered and EI100S was QRV from Blessington Lake, 30 km away in County Wicklow, which was the centre for the Jamboree's water activities. Despite record rainfall and flash flooding (twice) a full radio training programme was provided with Scouts operating on voice, PSK, APRS, Echo link and downloading live pictures from weather satellites.



....Jochen DK8ZM watches how the weather develops; clearly a challenge, but a real radio-Scout never gives up!

## Italy (I)

**participants: 572**  
**stations: 16**  
**countries: 55**

Gino Lucrezi writes us: after a JOTA-JOTI national seminar, held by FIS (Federazione Italiana dello Scouting), an increased participation in JOTA has been achieved this year (even though we didn't get many evaluations after the event). Several groups choose to perform a radio fox hunt. Hints for this activity were disseminated during the FIS meeting.



"a little bit more to the right.... don't you see the radio fox now?...."

Alternative power sources were explored by Genova Scouts, doing many experiments on the matter. They got electricity from tin cans, filled with bleach, and they even built a "human battery"!

The Scout Group Roma 60 was celebrating 40 years of activity and a new Scout house, so all Scouts from the region moved there for JOTA. It was the biggest station in Italy, with 109 people attending. Of course, it was organized with the regional radio-scouting team!

The Belpasso 2 group, on the "Monti Rossi" (red mountains) in Sicily was very pleased to discover that the Swiss Scouts they were talking to were on top of a mountain, as well.

The scouts in Castellamare di Stabia (near Naples) were really pleased to find scouts in Venezuela who spoke a perfect Italian!



How to catch a radio fox, explained in Italian.

## Japan (JA)

**participants: 214**  
**stations: 38**  
**countries: 16**

The longest Scout radio contact was made by the 33rd Akita Scout Group at JE7YSS over a distance of 25,600km with the Cape Town Scout Group in South Africa, writes Yoritake Matsudaira. Before the event, the Scout Association of Japan (SAJ) circulated the information to Scouts and leaders through its local Scout Councils and Scouting magazines as well as its website. A memorial QSL card and a badge were made for



Transmit,... listen....and signal in Morse code !



promotion. During the 51<sup>st</sup> JOTA, JA1 YSS/1 operated at the National Headquarters of the Scout Association of Japan, Mitaka-city in Tokyo. The station succeeded to contact around 100 stations

in Japan and overseas despite the bad radio conditions which did not allow contacts with stations in the APR countries.



Have a go at semaphore flag signaling.

Akita, Chiba, Saitama, Fukui, Aichi, Shiga, Narita and Kumamoto Scout Council also operated stations. There were 30 Scouts and leaders who joined JJ1YXI, operated by the Chiba Scout Council and 28 Scouts and leaders who joined JL3YCK, Shiga Scout Council. Echolink was also actively operated by some stations. Shiga Scout Council made some contacts using a translated J-Code sheet in Japanese.



There was a Scout who had just got his radio licence and was instructed by a Rover Scout on the air.

## Korea (HL)

**from the weblog**

The best contact was with Portugal, where a Scoutmaster gave us so many questions about our Scout group and we had a delightful chat with him for a long time.



Hyunjin Kim and Hyojeong Jang, ready to call CQ Jamboree from 6K0DE. (QSL card of GB100J at the World Scout Jamboree in Chelmsford has been received and is on display right above the transceiver).

## Lebanon (OD)

**from the weblog**

The Lebanese Scout Federation set up JOTA station OD5RAL in Beirut, together with the Radio Amateurs of Lebanon. Mohamed Al-Fata, the administrative Scout commissar spoke via the radio. The longest contact was made with Scouts in French Polynesia.



## Luxemburg (LX)

**from the weblog**

LX1JAB was on the air in Neuhäusgen with the Abbé Pierre Scout group. They constructed a special "broom" antenna for their WiFi link.



The Luxemburg "broomiFi" antenna carried the computer signals to the internet access point.

## Madagascar (5R8)

**participants: 18000**  
**stations: 10**  
**countries: 27**

The longest contact was made by the Antiliny I Madagasikara (A.I.M) Scout group with Scouts in Adis Abeba, Ethiopia, over 3126 km, reports Albert Solonjatovo.

The official opening of the JOTA in Madagascar took place on 18 October at 9h at the large building of the Ministry of Education. The opening ceremony was under the patronage of the Ministry of Youth and Sports and the Ministry of Education. After the speech there was a discussion between the president of the Scouting federation in Madagascar and the governmental authorities, religious leaders

and Scouts; a cocktail was held in atmosphere while talking of the Scouting in Madagascar. Immediately after, the first CQ Jamboree sounded at the station; 5R 8GZ/Jamboree transmitted from the official JOTA site at the Office of Communications of the Malagasy State (OTME) to Andafiavaratra.

In summary we had much luck this year and propagation allowed us to contact 27 countries in the world.

The longest contact was established with the Scout group of Adis Ababa in Ethiopia with the call sign ET3AA.

Despite the English language, managed to greet and understand each other. We thank our friends Abil, Reg, Mike, Till and Jimmy at the Ethiopian station for this great opportunity during which the Scouts and Cubs of Madagascar have spoken frenziedly in articulating in the language of Shakespeare: "Hello Ethiopia ... I'm the boy Scout X ... Nice to meet you ... etc. ..."

Albert met a station taking part in a contest and explained him that the frequency he used was scheduled for the Scout Jamboree and not for the contest; most funny is that he immediately changed his call to CQ CQ Jamboree Jamboree ... !

Working on the 17 meter band Scout Luciani J'osoin was attacked by hundreds of stations, and it was really a pile-up rather than JOTA. Luckily an operator was always beside him to get him out of trouble.

It is high time to think and take seriously the formation of Malagasy Radio-Scouting because many young Scouts look a lot to radio, writes Albert. Since there is no radio-amateur in Scouting, it would be better to train one in the Scout Federation of Madagascar, which could spark off to the regions.

The ideal is that each of the five HQ's forming the FSM has a station in the 2 regions for their daily communications and training of future Scout radio amateurs, or the performance of their duty to rescue or relief of life during disasters.

### Malaysia (9M)

**participants: 1840**  
**stations: 10**  
**countries: 23**

This year, Malaysia Scouts celebrated our centenary anniversary. To commemorate the event, we were given 16 special-event call signs. The call signs were 9M1CSx, which means: 9M for Malaysia, 1C for 100 years, S for Scouting and x is the unique station letter.



.... so after you finished speaking, you say "back to you, HB9S this is 9M1CSZ".....

a friendly future of



10 stations operated during the World JOTA weekend and a few of them also had camping as part of their activities. There is one station that had nearly 1000 participants. Even though not every participant got a chance to QSO, but the exposure given to them on JOTA and amateur radio, makes that they cannot wait for the next JOTA, reports Zakran Abdul Manan.

The longest contact was made by 9M1CSZ with 3DA0SS in Swaziland.

Normally, in October and November, schools in Malaysia and I think in other countries as well, writes Zakran, conduct their end-of-year examinations. In some classes, they even have their major exams. Due to the recent increasing interest with Scouts especially in JOTA, it is high time for us to relook at our schedule and maybe good to shift our JOTA date towards the beginning or middle of the year.

### Malta (9H)

**participants: ?**  
**stations: ?**  
**countries: ?**

We have embarked on a "Centenary challenge" encouraging our Scouts to meet Scouts from Australia, Ireland, South Africa and New Zealand, who, like Malta, celebrated their centenary during this year. We have produced a Postcard in this regard, writes David Schembri.

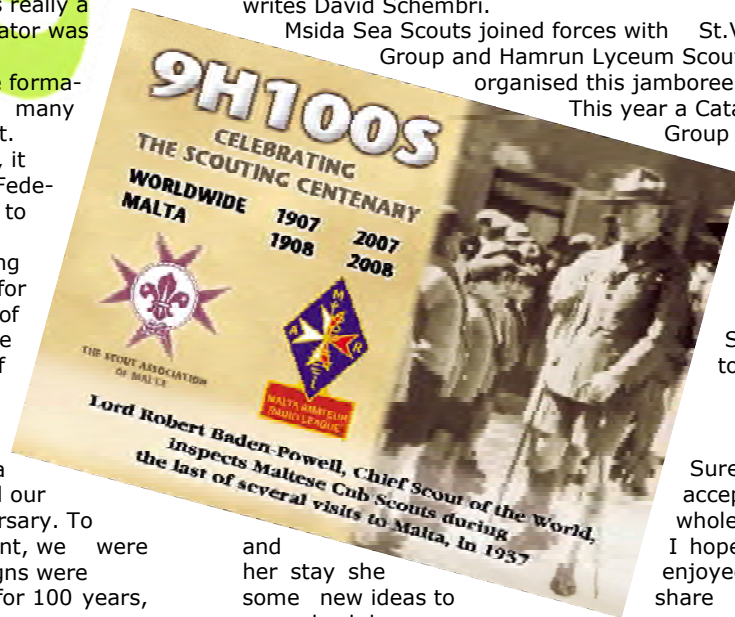
Msida Sea Scouts joined forces with St.Venera Scout Group and Hamrun Lyceum Scout Group and organised this jamboree.

This year a Catalan Scout Group Leader was

in Malta studying English and her wish was to join a

Maltese Scout group to enlarge her international Scouting experience.

Sure enough, we accepted her wholeheartedly. I hope that during the visit she enjoyed it and got to share within her



and her stay she got some new ideas to bring back home.

Our set program entailed in communication using internet and radio, survival crafts, a cooking competition and some rescue techniques.

No one had any difficulty to communicate using radio amateur equipment.

The survival craft was something new to all present members; we created 2 types of stoves. One was by using two aluminium cans and some methylated spirit as fuel and the other using a large tin and saw dust as its fuel. It



The Maltese Scouts in action.

was a challenging activity mainly to boys where fire is their inspiring factor.

Cooking competition is an activity where imagination takes place. At the end, where most of the time I am one of the judges (who knows why?☺) you will certainly be surprised by what sort of dishes the Scouts prepare along with a great taste and presentation. This activity aids in team building and communication skills between the

patrol members.

For the past ten years the Mosta Scout Group participated fully in the event and this year, being the year we are celebrating 100 years of Scouting in Malta, was not an exception. Being such a big occasion, Mosta and Rabat groups decided to join forces and make this weekend a memorable one for our members. Rabat Group has just moved into their new, big headquarters and so they invited us to join them for the first ever live in held there. On Friday night a group of leaders went to the headquarters to prepare all the necessary equipment needed for this event. All aerials were erected, radios connected and laptops wired. Before they called it a day they tested all equipment and made a few test contacts with other operators. Early Saturday was the time for the activity to commence and soon after we arrived at Rabat both groups were divided into mixed patrols and instructions about the programme were given. We have planned six stations for the 45 participants from both groups. This gave them the opportunity to have ample time to make enough contacts. In the meantime the other groups had various activities situated within the area of the premises or a visit to the St Paul's Catacombs, a treasure hunt, a play-station game and a variety of mind teasers games.



Exploring the catacombs...

Obviously the main focus of the activity was the communication part and it was amazing what a great interest the members showed during this part. The ease in communication is taken as for granted these days but we only appreciate how important it is when we find ourselves without it. Our Scouts were communicating with other Scouts and Guides from all over the world and some discussions turned out to be so interesting that they were exchanging addresses to make sure that they will keep the friendship in the future. I also asked the Scouts to acknowledge their radio contacts by sending them what we call a QSL card. In these cards one can find all the information about the group. In the meantime, the other groups were busy with the other events; the treasure hunt was a challenge for teamwork while the visit at the catacombs turned out to be very cultural. Early Sunday morning Mass was celebrated for all us and this was done to ensure that we all fulfilled our spiritual vows. It would be a special event this year since Malta celebrated the 100 years since Scouting began on our shores by setting up a national station at the Island Headquarters. Everything was on a larger scale and was opened to

all those groups who did not have the opportunity of organising this event on their own. The vans were loaded with equipment under a grey sky and as soon as they left the stores a thunderstorm started! I thought that the radio operators would be scratching their heads but as soon as we reached our destination they were all wearing raincoats and running around already setting up the antennas. Everything was set, the teams were created and the Fgura Scout Group started the first contacts from the National Centenary Station. Our radio call sign for this year would be the very special 9H100S which was used during the Scouting Sunrise celebration in 2007. Scouts leaders and helpers all woke up for their night shifts to keep the ball rolling and the map filled up with pins very fast! Most of Europe was covered by the time breakfast was eaten and we were joined by our Cub Scouts who didn't miss out on the action



and spent many hours taking part in this activity by talking on the radio. The hall was constantly alive with static from the radio. In the afternoon, the Naxxar and Attard Groups came to visit the station and took part in the event by adding to our logs and having fun meeting new Scouts on the airwaves. Contact was made via radio with the World Scout Bureau in Geneva where we talked with Yves but the farthest away we got was Swaziland!

Radio contacts were kept going strong with Echo link which gave us the opportunity to reach the four corners of the globe despite the bad conditions. We had some great but crazy amateurs with us and at one time we had a World War II radio set up and it was used to make a QSO with a French station.

By Sunday morning, all our eyes were red with lack of sleep but the map was more colourful than before with pins covering almost the entire globe. The event was quickly coming to an end and all the Scouts tried to finish



Where old meets new: a laptop PC connected to a World War II radio set to make a contact; for JOTA, everything is possible !!

their awards by noon when the station was closed down to start packing up. In the end we had clocked up more than 80 radio QSOs and everybody had a wide grin on their face. For another year it had been a great JOTA and as the last things were packed up, plans for the next year were already being made to make the Jamboree experience better than ever.



JOTA: the dish operator...

Castellammare di Stabia  
NAPLES - ITALY



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## Mauritius (3B8)

from the weblog

The Mauritius Scout Association had 3B8MSA on the air for the JOTA.

Scout Melwyn Madelon was interviewed by a journalist of the Mauritius Broadcasting Corporation, the national TV station.



Vincent l'Eluse showing techniques of soldering in the kit building corner.

## Mexico (XE)

from the weblog

The Grupo 6, Baden Powell transmitted from Zacatecas with XE2YWF. They only made local contacts because of bad radio conditions.

"CQ Jamboree, CQ Jamboree, aqui XE2YWF...."



## Netherlands Antilles (PJ)

participants: 488  
stations: 3  
countries: 12

Rolando Manual writes: not a physical but a global Jamboree through Radio and Internet. The youth of Scouting and the Girl Guides

Antiano of the Netherlands Antilles have had contact with other young people from Venezuela, England, the United States, Canada, Australia, Mauritius, Netherlands, Mexico, Argentina, Chile and Aruba. It was for Scouting Antiano of the Dutch Antilles to be a weekend



Soldering, semaphore and radio ... JOTA ingredients.



camp, but because of tropical storm "Omar" the camp ground Round Cliff was very muddy. So the Scouts did

an alternative activity, albeit in a smaller structure, for a day on the Mount Caramel College.

There were 600 young people who listened to Scout Jean-Carlo da Silva about his trip to Antarctica along with Robert Swan and how nature and our world should be better conserved. There was also a course on semaphore and morse signals. Furthermore, young people participated in a drawing contest, which had the theme "Global Warming". The Scouts have also been involved in youth sports and games. Finally, in the evening hours a salsa workshop was held.

## Netherlands (PA)

participants: 18545  
stations: 206  
countries: 46

The national theme for 2008 was "Back to Basic", says Jan Kluiver. Groups used their fantasy: old radio receivers and transmitters, Commodore 64 computers, morse code and semaphore games. Scouting 't Eiske organised a night hike and used a truck from 1942 to drop the Scouts. Chris Dorna provided 450 kit building sets of AM radios to groups. Sound without battery! Also 2000 electronic combi kits (battery tester and bouncing ball) were soldered during the weekend.

Scouting Rey de Carle made contact with Japan, in CW. The other side lowered the transmission speed, so the Scouts could follow the morse code

Two stations had a unique mobile club home: PA6BUS/J, travelling in an inverted public transport bus, and the national station PA6JAM/J, which was maritime mobile on a retired freight vessel, the Corrie. Both travelled hundreds of kilometres during the weekend and could be followed via APRS and live video. A lot of traditional (wood and rope) antenna towers were built, 2/3 of the Dutch JOTA stations. Scouting Aarle-Rixtel decorated



"amateur television", Scouting Schipluiden.



Girl scout soldering an electronic game at PA70TP/J Thomas More group, Prinsenbeek.



Lighted wood & rope tower (height 20 m); PA0TLM/J Aarle Rixtel.

their tower (20 meters) like the Eiffel tower. The highest tower was constructed by the Willebrordus group in Gemert (44 meters!).

The opening of the JOTA took place at 22.00 h local time, by a well known Dutch musician and former Scout Daniël Lohues.



Could you think of anything more Dutch?..... The look-out in the crows nest in the antenna mast of PA6JAM/J on board of the Corrie, passing the Dutch windmills of Zaanse Schans.

## New Zealand (ZL)

**participants: 400**  
**stations: 8**  
**countries: 11**

A number of stations took part – probably 8 or 9. There were adequate numbers of reports sent in to be any more precise, says Jim Parnell. The longest contact was made by the Malvern Scout group over 19600 km with Portugal.

## Norway (LA)

**participants: 620**  
**stations: 15**  
**countries: 16**

Charlie Brown in the "Peanuts" cartoon series has a problem with a kite-eating tree. Here in Oslo, Norway, we experienced an antenna-eating tree! Because suddenly the wire antennas fell down from the spruce tree. How could that be? A thick rope had been used to keep the antennas in the tree. But it appeared that the rope had been chewed on! The problem at the Headquarters station LA4JAM during JOTA 2008 turned out to be a rope-eating squirrel! The solution was to replace the chewed-on rope with 3 mm steel wire. May be the squirrel now has to get an appointment with a dentist?



LA4JAM operator Tom with a squirrel and the broken rope, chewed on by the squirrel.

Apart from this incident, we had a great time at LA4 JAM, says Tom-Victor, working stations on all continents. A big surprise was to meet David GI4FUM from the Scout station 3DA0SS in Swaziland on 15 m. Tom has known David for more than 30 years. A fantastic contact. David made Swaziland come on the air for the first time in JOTA!

## Oman (A4)

**from the weblog**

The Sultan Qaboos University Rover brought A4 1NJ/J on the air in the capital Muscat.

They had a very nice QSO with Alex from Mexico and shared a lot of interesting is-



JOTA in Oman: a piece of cake....

sues and hope that the friendship stay forever.

On the Events Calendar for the JOTA we find: the delivery of electrical circuits, view electronic devices and scientific projects from some colleges, recycling of waste, burning wood, chess competition and a workshop world camp live on the air.

From the Sunday this continues with: delivery of electrical circuits, educational workshops in the delivery of electronic circuits, painting contest for children and session photography.

## Philippines (DU)

**participants: 1324**  
**stations: 22**  
**countries: 5**

The Opening Program of the 51<sup>st</sup> Jamboree-On-The-Air in the Philippines started on 18 October 2008 at exactly 08:00 h, writes Arsenio Cortazar. Before the opening program, the DU-NET was done to roll call all participating stations.

On 08:00 h the prayer was done at Kidapawan City, in the Southern Part of the Philippines by DW8LBA. A rededication to the Scout Oath followed by DV8BKB in Zamboanga City and a rededication to the Scout Law by DX1BSP in the BSP National Office in Manila. The Secretary General of BSP, J.Rizal C. Pangilinan, held the opening remarks.

".....listen, listen ..... what does he say....?"

Inspirational messages from the Girl Scouts of the Philippines President Teresita B. Choa were transmitted by

DX1GSP at the GSP Headquarters in Manila. And closing remarks from Jimmy A. Kho, president of the Philippine

Association. There were 1,324 Scouts and 85 leaders present during the opening program. After the program the Scouts were divided into four groups to attend different activities: introduction to radio communication and proper use of the radio, semaphore and rappelling.



Semaphore in action.

## Portugal (CT)

**participants: 14500**  
**stations: 96**  
**countries: 32**

Several Scout activities were developed based on the theme "Earth: our home". Among them, a radio game where Scouts exchanged messages between them.

Beyond this, there was also a "fox hunting" in which Scouts had the chance to practise Scouting and direction finding, writes António Manuel Ribeiro da Silva (CNE)

The most exciting contact was between CT7AEE (CNE group 542, in Entroncamento) and the Swiss station HB9 WW where one Scout is the son of Portuguese emigrants, who despite the lan-



gauge difficulties managed to communicate in Portuguese with his fellows Scouts in Portugal. A funny situation arose when Scouts exchanged messages with other Scouts and after that, communicated via ATV to meet the person they were talking to via the radio. The longest contact was made by CT7AEE at the CNE 542 group in Entenrocamento with VK1BP in Australia over 18271 km.



"... yes, we can all hear you here. And now comes my best joke..."

António suggests that JOTI take place in a different weekend from the JOTA.

This year the participation of AEP had an increase of stations with 20 special call signs and some groups took part in the activity for the first time, reports Jose Araujo (AEP).



Live amateur television pictures and another soldering action.

The conditions were very different from each other i.e. one of the new groups had only a dipole and the radio shack on the outside



of a motorhome while in Madeira Island the Scout station used the facilities of the Madeira DX team with all the state of the art in ham radio equipment.

Five stations used Echolink and made QSOs with Scouts from all over the world. One of those stations (CT5EPG) made a long QSO with PS7NE in Brazil as they were in contact for more than an hour; they've also shared pictures and suggestions of activities.

## Quatar (A7)

from the weblog

The Qatar Scout and Guides Association mounted the JOTA station A71ABP. They especially remember a contact with Tunisia. Tunisian Scouts set up camp at the Kcavera Scout Centre. Essidriya communicated with them and talked about some things in Scouting.



At the mike in Quatar.

## South Africa (ZS)

participants: ?  
stations: ?  
countries: ?

Dave Gemmell sent us the following extensive overview of JOTA in South-Africa.

Evan, ZS6EVD, with the help of his brother Brian, organized a very

successful station at SCENE which is the Official Training Centre at Mafikeng. One of the main highlights was the construction of the mast which supported the G5 RV antenna! Judging from the photos Evan submitted, the chaps did a fine job!!

Evan also had his Echolink system up and running, adding the necessary amount of technological advance. He had help from an Australian Ham, Peter and his family who were visiting Mafikeng at the time. It is obvious that they all had a very good time!

JOTA station ZS6MUS was set up in the wireless room of the SAAF Museum in Gauteng. Although not many contacts were made, the 100 or so youngsters attending



"Hi, I'm Michael. My dad is also a radio amateur..."

enjoyed the tour around the Display Hall, the aircraft hangars and the exhibits on the air base apron.

One of the displays in the wireless room which attracted a lot of attention were two old field telephones which had to be connected together with suitable wire. Many of the younger Scouts were very impressed with the manner in which these devices worked!!! Especially in these days of the cell phone.

About 79 boys & girls attended the northern Natal Scout district camp at the Hattingspruit Dam in Ladismith. The groups involved were 1st Ladysmith Scouts & Cubs, 3rd Newcastle Scouts & Cubs and Newcastle Girl Guides.

The main operators were Ronnie ZS5ABD and Johan ZR5JF. Apart from running the HF part of the station these two hams also established Echolink sets.

Graaff-Reinert used the call sign ZS2JAM at Union High School. The Scouts who attended enjoyed but were very shy and did not quite know what to say when handed the mic.

Equipment used was Kenwood TS 870 with a Rybakov 806 Multiband Antenna. Conditions were not that good but the stations worked were mostly 5x/7. Claud was amazed when Scoutmaster Bruce Maree said it was the first time in 20 years that a station was set up at the school. Much interest has been shown in CW classes and electronic project building.

On a bright and clear Saturday the JOTA station of the 1st Cambridge Scouts and Vincent Cubs, East London was set up by the Border Amateur Radio Club. This event was actually a Scout Camp run on a farm where there had been



Our all-band, Scout-constructed vertical HF antenna.



quite a bit of rain!! Despite this, the station was up and running well before 9 h!  
 40m was extremely kind and many contacts were made, without the usual midday fade-out. Many thanks, as well to Anthony ZS2 BQ and Peter ZS2ABF, who made some late afternoon contacts with Saipan and Germany.  
 Ivan ZS2 ILN, Nico ZS2 NC and Phil ZS2 NP helped the Scouts and Cubs build simple alarm circuits supplied by the Club. This activity really went down well and hopefully the ham bug has bitten a couple of them.

## Spain (EA)

**from the weblog** AM8JAM operated from Las Palmas on the Canary Islands. A special contact was made with Argentina. EA8HQ writes a special thanks to Scouts of Argentina for the incredible infrastructure that they made at national level for the Jamboree on the Air, linking radio stations via Echolink, which gave the option to all Spanish-speaking Scouts to express themselves in their original language. A LU1 BCP, Alejandro Afonso, coordinator of the national team of radio Scouts, who despite having a wife hospitalized, was there at all times to monitor the activity.

## Swaziland (3DA0)

**participants: ?**  
**stations: 1**  
**countries: 74**

David Hutchinson, GI4FUM, wrote us about his DXpedition to Swaziland to mount a JOTA station there with a local Scout group:

After the Afri75 Dxpeditio n to Hawane Resort in Swaziland in March 2007 Daniel ZS6JR suggested to me that I might be interested in operating a JOTA station for the scouts in Swaziland in October this year. My wife and I had been out to Namibia in February and I was quite keen to get the excuse to go back to Hawane and perhaps also the Kruger National Park. Gillian, GI8MIV, had been bitten by the safari bug in February and happily I was able to persuade her to come with me in October.

We flew out to Johannesburg on 14th October, hired a rental car from O.R.Tambo Airport and stopped over a night in Pretoria before driving up to Swaziland. The roads from Pretoria to the Oshoek crossing post are good and the drive took us 4 hours. We arrived in Hawane on Thursday

16th October and the first job was to help Daniel erect the ¼ wave vertical and 28x40m radials for 80m. The 60ft tower with A4S and 40m square are still in place. We started testing on air later that afternoon running Daniel's FT100MP and IC2KL. Hawane Resort is in the mountains of We stern Swaziland at 4,500ft ASL near to the border with South Africa and 15km West of the capital Mbabane.

3DA0SS operated from 16h to 19h October 2008. A group of 10 Swazi scouts and leaders backpacked with us from the Friday evening until the Sunday morning. They learned about phonetic alphabet and all had the opportunity to speak on the air from the station to other scouts. Station operators were David GI4FUM and Daniel ZS6JR.

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## Sweden (SM)

**participants: ?**  
**stations: 61**  
**countries: 20**

Per-Olof Hansson writes us that this year 61 different stations were running the JOTA weekend. Most of them participated the whole weekend and some just during some hours.

Some of the stations had just a few Scouts and other had gathered the whole district. The QSO's were mixed with Scout activities like food over the fire, building a wind-break or a tent, and "treasure searching with radio". The Vikingarna Scouts in Stockholm contacted British Guides who had gone to Swaziland in Africa just to run the JOTA from there.  
 We still use the Nordic registration system for JOTA, says Per, since we are not pleased with the international one. (He didn't mention why).



Per at his JOTA station in Stockholm.

## Tanzania (5H)

**participants: 300**  
**stations: 2**  
**countries: 15**

Scouts during the JOTA weekend had camping activities, kim games, Scouts book exhibition, climbing and crossing Scout bridges and camp fires.

The longest contact was made by 5H3TSA with a Scout group in Sarasota, Florida, USA.

Also Swaziland was contacted with 3DA0JAM, writes Hidan Ricco. He suggests to have a high-speed CW competition during the next JOTA and is looking for additional radio equipment for his Scouts.

## Tunisia (3V8)

**participants: 6%**  
**stations: 4**  
**countries: 38**

It was our pleasure to participate in the JOTA as a virtual meeting of Scouts from all over the world. Some 50 Scouts were on the air from the radio clubs station in Borj Cedria, 3V8CB/J, including 8 novices and many visitors. It was a nice opportunity for them to discover this hobby and to have SSB voice and SSTV photos transmitted over the air waves all over the world.

We have made about 500 QSO's in various bands such as 12, 17, 20, 40, 80 m; we used a Kenwood TS440s and 100 watts. The antenna is a 3-element beam and an inverted-V dipole for 80 m.

We started by explaining the hobby's goal and some technical aspects.

The goal of the JOTA was achieved by contacting many Scouts practicing amateur radio.

David, GI4FUM, and "his" Swazi Scouts.



## Turkey (TA)

**participants: 228**  
**stations: 8**  
**countries: 12**

This was a year which is not quite different one from previous ones. Some 40 groups made an application and 16 of them reported their work, says Savas Baran.

There are groups who participate and hold very relevant activities but do not bother to share their activities nationwide. For the 52nd JOTA we will focus on this issue. The groups who reported their work covered very interesting activities and workshops.

Ankara: Doganay Scout and Guide Group is a veteran of organizing a province-wide JOTA. They brought all Scouts and Guides together with new creative workshops. I made one related to international opportunities for Scouts. Specifically on the application of themes of amateur radio and

JOTA to European Scout Region's projects like Lands of Adventures.

Antalya: Turgurreis Guide and Scout group also had a good facility to make a province-wide event. They had several workshops and held an exhibition about "stand up against poverty".

Eskisehir: well prepared for JOTA participation with a good number of Guides and Scouts from Eskisehir and Yunus Emre Guide and Scouts groups. They had a most interesting QSL Card. They made the card on the wall and photographed it to print their QSL cards. It was a very original creative idea.



"Hello London, this is Ankara calling...."

İstanbul: there were several groups from İstanbul and some of them were veterans of JOTA but only two groups reported their activities. Sakarya SG group and Seyyahlar. Sakarya report had a series of photos sharing their work and showing their Scouting and Guiding room with a heritage of almost one hundred years.

İzmir: the Aegean Seahorse SG group had a semaphore learning workshop, They presented maritime signal flags and their meanings. Learning about amateur radio and J-codes. They collected points with their individual activities at each workshop. They played a game with the Bolivian wheel.

Kayseri Scouts came together with Guide and Scout contingents from the Afyon Karahisar, Adana and Osmaniye provinces at and enjoyed a full weekend of JOTA. The Hacilar Zinde Guides and Scouts were on the air with their own gear.

Most of the JOTA stations on the air had both their own Scout radio operators and many amateur radio veterans from TRAC and ANTRAC radio clubs. These men, 47 this year, presented a strong JOTA opportunity to our children around Turkey and encouraged our young leaders to become radio operators.

It is nice to grow in number of participating groups and JOTA stations. says Savas. We already begin to work to have those numbers at least two-fold next year.

Most of the JOTA stations participated in the "Stand up" event to support the UN Millennium Development Goal on the elimination of poverty; also on Friday afternoon in their schools' closing-flag ceremony; some thousand young Scouts and school children became aware of this important humanitarian action.

JOTA ideas for the future: simple competitions to make Scouts know each other and a program to make a JOTA climate event.

## United Kingdom (G)

**participants: 4067**  
**stations: 109**  
**countries: 31**

As the 51st JOTA approached, it was clear that there would be plenty of stations taking part. After all the celebrations last year it might be expected that some might opt out in 2008 while

others might have been encouraged to take part again. About a hundred stations registered but others took part using club or personal call signs. It remains an uphill struggle to get them to send in a report, writes Richard Gaskell. Some stations were featured in the Radio Society of Great Britain members magazine, RadCom, which is good publicity for both Amateur radio and Scouting but not much help to the JOTA coordinator's statistics.

Conditions seem to be improving, making for better international contacts. One station reported that they experienced problems with the German contest. Echolink and PSK31 are gaining in popularity. Not surprising since these modes offer good, clear long distance contacts.

It is rewarding to see and hear young licensed Scouts operating JOTA stations some for the first time after only passing the examination a few days earlier. The new training scheme seems to have addressed the old problem of having passed the examination but not having the practical operating experience. These newly licensed operators are very competent. Let us hope they progress to the advanced licence so they can run their own stations in the future.

More stations are using the JOTA weekend to run large scale events catering for large numbers of participants and offering a wide range of communication or science based activities. GB2LC at Linnet Clough ran their weekend camp again with over 200 Scouts while GB4TDS ran a 1-day event packed full of activities to keep 350 Scouts of all ages very busy. Most stations reporting had between 30 and 50 taking part and quite a number include JOTA in a range of international activities. Sleepovers, if not camping outside, continue to be popular and several stations offered outdoor cooking and campfires. Those held at activity centres could also offer abseiling, archery and rifle shooting. One station, GB2CDS Colchester, operated from

a tent in a farmer's field, but most stations use Scout meeting places. Several stations mentioned hearing the International Space Station in contact with Scouts.

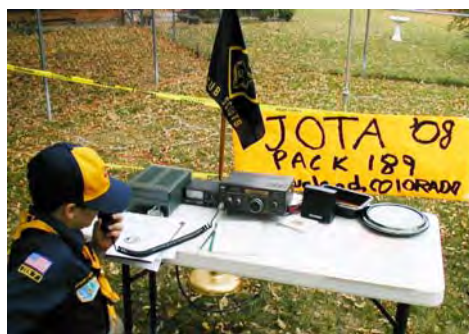
For the second time we offered a UK JOTA blanket badge based on the official logo as the earlier one had been so popular. We plan to do this every year as it makes up in some part for the lack of badges to be earned for amateur radio activities in the current programme.

## Unites States (W)

from the weblog

The Longs Peak Council, Cub Pack 189 in Lowland ran JOTA station KN0UR. Two contacts were made back to back to two different islands. One on the Southeast Coast of the US and the other on the Northwest Coast of the US. The Pearson family hosted the Pack's first JOTA, Astronomy Night and Hot Dog get together.

Troop 317 in Gahanna, Ohio ran station W8SGT and contacted the United Kingdom, much to their surprise. We did not expect the HF bands to be open without active sunspots.



The outdoor station KN0UR of the Cub Scouts in Lowland.



Logo suggestion for the next JOTA, from Turkey.

## Uruguay (CX)

### from the weblog

The Scout out group 996, Padre Juan took part with CX 1AA. Their most exciting contact was with Brazil, because they had to master the language problem. Also they maintained in touch after JOTA with Scout groups 25, 51 and 54 in Uruguay, and undertake activities together.



CX1AA with Padre Juan Scouts.

## Venezuela (YV)

**participants: 148**  
**stations: 13**  
**countries: 4**

Again this year, JOTA was an special occasion to make contacts with Scouts around the world. The event has been an excellent opportunity

to demonstrate our Scout spirit and world fellowship, says Reinaldo Perez.

The Manuel Piar group had the longest contact over 2940 km with Scout in Bolivia.



A local TV station interviews JOTA participants and leaders.

## World Scout Bureau (HB9S)

**participants: 5**  
**stations: 1**  
**countries: 66**

The team HB9S again operated this year from Scout centre "Les Pérouses" near Geneva with five operators.

Several stations were run in parallel: an HF station, connected to a 3 elements beam, was dedicated to the 20m and 15m; a second HF station on 40m with a 2 elements antenna built by DL9BCP; a third HF station, with a dipole, for PSK31; one VHF-UHF transceiver, connected to a vertical antenna, was used for local contacts and to listen the ISS space shuttle, and collect some nice SSTV pictures from ISS; one PC for Echolink operation via the local ADSL line.

Some special calls out of our JOTA log: 9H100MR SG, 9H100S, CT9500AEP, ZD7SSG, 3DA0SS, JE7YSS, YF2ZJH, TA51JOTA, ES5JOTA, A47JOTA, IR0JOTA, ON4JOTA,

AM8JAM, CE3JAM, DL8JAM, HB9JAM, LA1JAM, LA3JAM, LA4JAM, OH2JAM, PA6JAM, TC1JAM, VE3MYF (Len), LA8RU (Tormod), CE3TLE (Isabel), and so many others...

Some good DX on 40m band : YB6ZAK and 11 stations from the States

General comments :

The station was visited by members of the WSB staff and a French rover Scout group from Ananmasse. Several Scouts leaders from Geneva had a meeting in Satigny as well. We had less contacts this year, but a few short openings on the 15 m bands let us know that the new solar cycle is starting and we can expect more long distance contacts next year, concludes Yves Margot.



The HB9S operator team and the antenna to connect them with the world: (left to right) Yves HB9AOF, Günter DL9BCP, Frank MoAEU, Paul PA5UL and Richard PA3BAR.



## 6. THE 12TH JAMBOREE-ON-THE-INTERNET

Every Scout that starts his "career" as a Cub Scout in the age of 6 is a fully educated Rover Scout 12 years later. He is a fully accepted member of his group, a role model for all younger Scouts and has achieved so much competence that all others can rely on him even in challenging situations. In 2008 we finished the first dozen of World Scout Jamboree-On-The-Internet (JOTI) events. It had been a challenging start as Cub Scout 12 years ago, but today no one doubts in the fact that JOTI has developed to an important event for Scouts all around the world able to support their education and knowledge. On my opinion the time is ripe to focus on creating new ideas for the topics of our events instead of convincing others that the Jamboree-On-The-Internet is not an activity for a small group of computer enthusiasts.

Looking at the numbers of registrations at the World JOTA-JOTI Registration System (<http://www.jotajoti.org/>) in 2008 we could realise a significant increase of participants. I am quite happy that there are more and more countries who appointed a National JOTI Organizer (NJO) that is taking care for this event in his country. Such persons being in charge of the JOTI are important multipliers for the event. They prove that there is someone who is able to answer all related questions in the language of the local organizers and the participants. Maybe they are the first one in a country who are organizing a Jamboree-On-The-Internet station and are inviting others to learn from him and organize an additional station next year.

If you have read the last World JOTI Report, you know that we faced some problems in 2007. The logo for the 11th JOTI appeared very late and had not been in accordance with the Jamboree-On-The-Air (JOTA) logo in the year before. So I'm very happy that we were able to offer a joined JOTI & JOTA logo in 2008 again.



added pictures, videos, newspaper articles and QSL cards to it. So everybody is able to overview what's going to happen on other stations. Additionally it is in fact a very good source for NJOs to collect information for their yearly report to the World JOTI Organizer. Thanks a lot to the developer Mark Kuiphuis and the indefatigable promoter Jan Kluiver for their good and hard work.

But what would the Jamboree-On-The-Internet be without the chatting? No matter if the participants are using their fingers on a keyboard or their voice speaking into a microphone: It is the direct contact between the Scouts that makes this event so interesting; that's where you learn a lot about Scouting in other groups and foreign countries. Out partner ScoutLink (<http://www.scoutlink.net/>) is offering the IRC and voice chat servers and therewith the ability to perform a JOTI. Scoutlink has all the manpower to monitor the channels and assure that the servers are running all the time. It has always been a very good cooperation and I'm looking forward to it in the upcoming years.

The internet is developing very fast. 12 years ago just a few people were able to get in touch via voice chat. Today it is quite usual for nearly everybody to have a video chat. It is up to us to keep our eyes open and integrate new services that fit in the concept of the Jamboree-On-The-Internet. There are very few limitations to that; one important limit is that the Scouts need a common entry point to get in touch with each other. If you have ideas for new services don't hesitate to get in touch with me. Thus we can ensure that the 2009 JOTI will be an unforgettable event for every participant again.

Thanks to everybody supporting the JOTI

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Another challenging situation in 2007 was the huge number of requests on our World JOTA-JOTI Database website (at <http://www.jotajoti.org/>). Caused by this high traffic our web server was not able to handle all requests in time and was generating web pages slower and slower. In the end he did not respond any more. For the 12th JOTI we spread the services to three different servers (jotajoti.org web server/ jotajoti.org database/other web servers) which solved the issues from 2007 completely. We monitored all servers during the whole weekend and did not see a single delay or outage in delivering the web pages although the number of accesses increased in 2008.

In addition we observed an increase of interest for our weblog application (at <http://www.jotajoti.org/weblog/>). Scout groups are able to create an own report website about their JOTA-JOTI activities quite easily. Available for the third time, 15% more groups created such an online report and



**World JOTI Station Team**

## JOTI Statistics

### Registrations at World JOTA-JOTI Registration Database

Year	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
<b>Groups</b>	472	561	472	621	547	853	1172	1774	2122
<b>Single Scouts</b>	936	1159	1589	2700	3176	4814	4549	5762	7743
<b>Countries</b>	87	98	93	105	120	128	121	130	129

### Used Services of World JOTA-JOTI Registration Database

Year	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
<b>E-Mail Addresses</b>	629	829	1159	990	1115	1504	4183	9321	9865
<b>Entries in Guestbook</b>	421	377	421	481	754	1087	-	-	-
<b>JOTI Validation Cards</b>			2146	4125	5013	6867	8151	11853	17598
<b>Locations of Stations</b>						1285	654	2793	3154



**Map of registered JOTA-JOTI stations**

## Registrations at World JOTA-JOTI Database and number of Weblogs by countries

Reg.: Registrations

Webl.: Weblogs

(Countries do just represent the location of the station, not the membership to a Scouting Association of that country):

Country	Reg.	Webl.
Afghanistan	18	
Albania	1	
Algeria	22	
Andorra	1	
Angola	1	
Argentina	172	
Aruba	6	
Australia	381	
Austria	24	7
Bahrain	6	
Bangladesh	31	1
Barbados	4	
Belgium	6	
Bolivia	183	1
Bosnia&Herzegovina	5	1
Brazil	145	1
British Virgin Islands	1	
Brunei Darussalam	30	
Bulgaria	15	
Burkina Faso	4	
Cameroon	1	
Canada	84	1
Chile	142	1
China	2	
Colombia	196	
Congo, Dem. Rep. of	10	
Congo, Republic of	1	
Costa Rica	65	
Croatia	15	
Cyprus	26	1
Czech Republic	215	
Denmark	52	1
Dominican Republic	12	
Ecuador	58	
Egypt	465	3
El Salvador	42	
Estonia	6	2
Ethiopia	5	
Finland	87	8
France	22	
French Polynesia	1	
Germany	179	6
Ghana	1	
Great Britain	416	4
Greece	33	
Grenada	1	
Guatemala	9	
Guyana	14	
Honduras	49	
Hong Kong	25	2
Hungary	20	2
Iceland	12	
India	67	1
Indonesia	306	
Iraq	2	
Ireland	9	
Italy	166	13
Jamaica	1	
Japan	36	4
Jordan	24	5
Kazakhstan	2	
Kenya	3	
Kuwait	1	
Lebanon	16	2
Libya	36	
Lithuania	1	

Country	Reg.	Webl.
Luxembourg	33	1
Macedonia	2	
Madagascar	41	1
Malaysia	268	4
Maldives	16	
Malta	53	2
Mauritius	24	1
Mexico	454	3
Micronesia, Fed. State of	1	
Morocco	16	
Namibia	1	
Nepal	4	
Netherlands	243	33
Netherlands Antilles	8	1
New Zealand	145	1
Nicaragua	101	2
Norway	117	
Oman	283	8
Pakistan	42	1
Palestinian Territ.	5	
Panama	24	
Paraguay	38	
Peru	107	
Philippines	267	2
Poland	69	3
Portugal	245	13
Puerto Rico	80	
Qatar	15	1
Romania	45	
Russian Federation	116	5
St. Vincent&the Grenadines	2	
Saudi Arabia	475	
Senegal	8	
Serbia	52	
Singapore	12	
Slovakia	29	
Slovenia	9	1
South Africa	24	1
South Korea	23	1
Spain	46	1
Sri Lanka	37	
Sudan	4	
Suriname	3	
Swaziland	1	
Sweden	39	
Switzerland	48	4
Syria	3	
Taiwan	262	2
Tajikistan	1	
Tanzania	11	
Thailand	5	
Togo	1	
Trinidad and Tobago	4	
Tunisia	33	1
Turkey	124	16
Uganda	3	
United Arab Emirates	1	
USA	430	5
Uruguay	24	1
Uzbekistan	1	
Venezuela	1291	14
Yemen	2	
Zimbabwe	2	
<b>sum</b>	<b>986</b>	<b>196</b>
	<b>5</b>	

ScoutLink IRC Network had connections from:



country	connects	masks	host-masks	hosts
Algeria	55	36	35	20
Andorra	1	1	1	1
Angola	6	2	2	2
Argentina	1073	509	401	255
Aruba	358	150	52	36
Australia	11854	4993	1978	769
Austria	156	63	38	28
Bangladesh	53	27	15	10
Barbados	6	3	3	3
Belgium	336	66	31	21
Belize	4	1	1	1
Bolivia	1474	851	606	177
Bosnia&Herzegovina	7	5	4	3
Brazil	6721	3072	1725	680
Brunei Darussalam	267	138	64	9
Bulgaria	45	13	11	11
Canada	1873	731	386	171
Chile	2661	1268	926	358
China	17	9	7	5
Colombia	701	354	274	170
Costa Rica	1018	520	412	90
Croatia	682	383	251	152
Cyprus	474	192	64	36
Czech Republic	253	121	68	39
Denmark	4512	1241	455	152
Dominican Rep.	162	93	78	46
Ecuador	614	198	145	34
Egypt	571	274	142	54
El Salvador	136	68	42	17
Estonia	21	8	8	5
Ethiopia	2	2	2	1
Europe	141	51	10	5
Falkland Islands	2	1	1	1
Finland	1893	693	485	236
France	424	212	132	40
French Polynesia	60	41	37	35
Germany	6784	3665	1893	575
Great Britain	9987	3843	1831	685
Greece	266	147	113	83
Guatemala	28	17	17	7
Guyana	8	3	3	3
Honduras	328	145	94	31
Hong Kong	356	143	56	46
Hungary	72	34	23	12
Iceland	190	88	43	25
India	55	41	33	22
Indonesia	3950	1933	1085	430
Ireland	38	19	14	8
Israel	34	2	1	1
Italy	1540	804	429	311
Ivory Coast	50	22	20	10
Jamaica	37	14	3	2
Japan	36	18	17	15
Jordan	8	4	4	2
Kazakhstan	33	18	15	15
Kuwait	12	9	7	5
Lebanon	45	25	20	10
Libya	99	37	31	16

Lithuania	5	4	2	2
Luxembourg	588	243	120	54
Madagascar	6	3	3	2
Malaysia	1317	553	341	103
Maldives	5	5	5	4
Malta	3524	975	305	79
Mauritius	266	165	112	24
Mexico	5254	2280	1289	518
Morocco	3	3	3	3
Namibia	72	32	31	2
Nepal	6	6	6	6
Netherlands	33697	13823	3237	821
Netherl. Antilles	207	83	65	33
New Zealand	2093	904	496	244
Nicaragua	9	5	3	2
Norway	10162	3404	1294	327
Oman	1799	782	518	234
Pakistan	49	17	11	7
Palestinian Terri.	24	10	8	5
Panama	333	73	37	28
Paraguay	280	80	31	15
Peru	1601	809	635	198
Philippines	795	302	184	54
Poland	510	285	257	131
Portugal	10632	4565	1912	1145
Puerto Rico	813	336	248	59
Qatar	10	5	5	3
Romania	97	49	38	36
Russian Feder.	512	193	122	85
Saudi Arabia	29	17	14	10
Senegal	25	10	8	5
Serbia	908	382	138	64
Singapore	22	14	12	10
Slovakia	283	92	42	8
Slovenia	5	4	4	4
South Africa	1079	599	240	105
South Korea	55	40	37	1
Spain	839	433	171	89
Sri Lanka	96	47	32	24
Suriname	7	4	2	2
Sweden	7844	3716	1000	328
Switzerland	26142	15957	5384	121
Taiwan	411	238	82	54
Tanzania	16	10	7	7
Trinidad&Tobago	1	1	1	1
Tunisia	7	6	6	5
Turkey	777	422	305	96
United Arab Emir-ates	6	2	2	2
Uruguay	360	173	116	88
USA	12238	5084	2094	327
Venezuela	9067	5430	3706	875
Vietnam	3	3	3	2
Yemen	2	2	2	2
Zimbabwe	40	17	14	6
Other	1642	779	347	157
sum	<b>199162</b>	<b>90897</b>	<b>39731</b>	<b>12604</b>



## **What is ...?**

### **IRC Chat**

Internet Relay Chat (IRC) is a form of real-time Internet chat based on a simple text. Participants can connect to an IRC network through a server using an application called IRC client \*). They are then able to talk (by typing via the keyboard) either in a virtual channel to multiple or directly to one person. Usually channels are divided in different languages.

During the JOTI weekend we use the IRC network of ScoutLink ([www.scoutlink.net](http://www.scoutlink.net)). It is run by Scouts for Scouts and available the whole year. If you want to get in touch with Scouts via IRC chat, just connect to ScoutLink.

\*) IRC clients could also be available as an applet on a web page.

### **Voice Chat (TeamSpeak)**

Voice Chat is a way of real-time communication on an audio base. Participants have to connect to a TeamSpeak using the TeamSpeak client software. They can join a virtual channel and talk to multiple persons using a microphone and loudspeaker/earphone via computers sound card.

For JOTI we use the TeamSpeak server of ScoutLink ([teamspeak.scoutlink.net](http://teamspeak.scoutlink.net)). It is (as IRC network) from Scouts for Scouts and available throughout the whole year.

### **Video Chat (NetMeeting/Ekiga)**

Video Chat, as well known as video conference, is a way of real-time communication on a video and audio base. Participants directly get in touch with another station using a special application (available at [www.ekiga.org](http://www.ekiga.org)). To find other stations using Video Chat a special online directory is available.

For the JOTI weekend the World JOTI Team provides an extra directory service at [video.joti.org](http://video.joti.org) which just lists other Scout stations taking part in that event.

### **World JOTA-JOTI Database**

The World JOTA-JOTI DB is a mix of the World JOTA-JOTI Registration System and a special website offering various services for JOTA-JOTI participants.

Every Scout group or individual Scout taking part in JOTA-JOTI is asked to register before participation. This registration information is available for the National JOTA-JOTI Organizer (NJO \*). When finished this registration an online account at the World JOTA-JOTI DB is created that offers a subset of different services. As an example it is possible to search for other JOTA-JOTI stations and check how to get in touch with them.

\*) NJO has to register at the system before and to request access to the data.

### **Weblog**

Weblog is a special website where users can publish an online diary.

During the JOTI weekend the World JOTI Team offers such a weblog at the World JOTA-JOTI Database ([www.jotajoti.org](http://www.jotajoti.org)). Scout groups are able to describe their station, publish photos and video messages and tell about the contacts they enabled during the event.

### **E-mail Address**

An e-mail address is the base to get in touch with other persons by e-mail. Since it is very cheap and easy to write an e-mail, it is often used to send unwanted advertising (junk mail/spam mail). Spam senders often gather the e-mail addresses for their advertisements from websites. Thus it is important not to publish your address on web pages.

During the JOTI weekend World JOTI Team publishes the addresses of Scouts on a website to give Scouts the ability to get in touch with each other. To prevent getting spam mails, the team offers special JOTI e-mail addresses. Those addresses will be configured as a forwarding to the normal addresses of the scouts and get deleted after the event \*). So participants cannot be bothered by spam mails after the event.

These addresses will be created automatically when registering for the JOTA-JOTI at World JOTA-JOTI Database ([www.jotajoti.org](http://www.jotajoti.org)).

\*) To keep in touch with Scouts afterwards participants are able to tell their normal e-mail address directly to them before the special JOTI e-mail address gets deleted.

### **Validation Cards**

"JOTA-JOTI Validation Cards" is a special web service to confirm and keep records of a contact during the JOTA-JOTI weekend.

Participants can send and receive such Validation Cards within their account at the World JOTA-JOTI Database. All the cards sent and received will be listed within the account and can be printed or downloaded as images.

### **Participation Certificates**

Participation Certificates are intended as a documentation of JOTA-JOTI participation of Scouts. A certificate can be created within the account of the World JOTA-JOTI DB by entering the name of the Scout and printed afterwards.

# 7. JOTI AROUND THE WORLD

## Argentina (.ar)

**countries: 25**

The event is now organized by an own NJiO in Argentina: Luis Gonzalez. Thus four Scout groups took part in the 2008 Jamboree-On-The-Internet: San Jose Obrero D04Z09, San Jose Obrero D03Z10, Tomas Santa Coloma D01Z13 and Padre Benito Lopez D01Z36. They showed that the Argentinean Scouts are very ingenious in finding a way to connect their notebooks to the internet: one group made a wireless connection to the town hall of their city and celebrated the JOTI on a place between this hall and a church in a tent. Another group was able to provide 30 computers for their participants.

## Australia (.au)

**countries: ?**

Bob Bristow reported of several JOTI stations being organized on various Group, District, Regional and Branch levels. There is a continuing high number of participants from Australia in this event. Not just Scouts are taking part, it is also a quite popular activity for Guides.

## Austria (.at)

**countries: 23**

24 Scouts and groups from Austria registered at the World JOTA-JOTI Registration System. Unfortunately Ernst Tomaschek, the NJiO, did not get any reports of JOTI stations.



## Chile (.cl)

**countries: 10**

Even the organizers of the stations in Chile were struggling very much to get the computers and internet connection running, they have finally been successful and the Scouts were able to get new friends all around the globe. NJiO José Miguel Bastidas Lopez reported that there were quite a lot of activities beside IRC and Instant Messenger (IM) chatting, e.g. a karaoke challenge. Some participants tried to find other Scouts they already had met before on national Scout camps.



## Croatia (.hr)

**countries: 121**

Damir Donelli, the NJiO from Croatia, reported of another very successful Jamboree-On-The-Internet in his country. He organized a national game which encouraged participants to get in touch with Scouts from other countries.

## Cyprus (.cy)

**countries: 34**

The NJiO of Cyprus, Nicolas A. Mannoouris, reported that Scouts took the chance of the JOTI to invite their parents and friends and celebrate this worldwide event together with them. So they were able to show them what it means to be part of a worldwide movement. To prevent participants and guests to stay hungry a big barbecue was organized. To make it easy for the Scouts to log their contacts, questionnaires were provided to them. They just had to insert nickname, country etc. and had a good overview about their contacts afterwards.

## Czech Republic (.cz)

**countries: ?**

For the JOTI participants of the Czech Republic a special online game "Teepek's Music World" was organized where they could learn a lot about music and European countries. On Sunday evening the "Trickery at Eurostar Competition" started a kind of national closing ceremony. NJiO Michaela Cakrtova reported that also the "World Scout Challenge" was popular within their country.



## Democratic Republic of the Congo (.cd)

**countries: ?**

For the 3rd time Scouts from the Democratic Republic of the Congo took part officially in the Jamboree-On-The-Internet on a national level. In 2008 the elementary school "Mgr Bokeleale" in Gombe hosted this station with more than 50 participants from the whole area. Several clubs of associations in the areas of Scouting and Amateur Radio visited the national station and were impressed by the very good organization. In four days the participants were well prepared to take successfully part at this event and to get in contact with Scouts around the world.

## Finland (.fi)

**countries: 82**

In Finland the JOTI is very popular. Beside communication via the internet, NJiO Matti Hirvonen reported, that the Scouts played a lot of games (in reality and online) during the weekend. Some others worked on describing Scouting on the Finnish and the International Scout Wiki. TeamSpeak was also an interesting activity as well as swapping patches in the #collectors channel on the ScoutLink network.



## Hungary (.hu)

**countries: 10**

The JOTI is still developing in Hungary. The NJiO Gábor Babos is trying hard to promote the event in all possible ways. Even more it was a big success that there were more users connected to Scout-Link as in the year before.

## Iceland (.is)

**countries: 14**

Sturla Bragason told us about two big national JOTA-JOTI events organized near Sellfos and at Akureyri. Iceland will host the 8th European Radion Scouting and Internet Seminar (ER SIS) in Úlfjótssvatn from May, 29th to June 1st 2009.

## Italy (.it)

**countries: 61**

In Italy the Jamboree-On-The-Internet entered the decade of mobile internet. Gino Lucresi, NJO of Italy, reported that there were a lot of Scout groups taking part by using an UMTS internet connection via a mobile phone. Since a lot of the groups had a webcam as well, they created a special website collecting the pictures of all this cameras on one page.

## Japan (.jp)

**countries: 16**

The Japanese Scouts were very keen on using the video chat during the 2008 JOTI. NJiO Natsuki Takano reported that the Scouts learned a lot about the internet during the Jamboree-On-The-Internet weekend. Participants also used online message boards to get in touch with Scouts from all over the world.

## Madagascar (.mg)

**countries: 5**

Thanks to the good contacts of NJiO Emmanuel Andrianivo to the government, there were three JOTI stations in the capital of Madagascar, Antananarivo. Although the Scouts were able to use computers of various ministries, they had to limit the time for sitting in front of the PCs. This shows the tremendous interest of the young people in this event.



## Germany (.de)

**countries: 56**

In Germany the RdP member NJiOs Lars Weimar (BdP), Jochen Sulovsky (DPSG) and Michael Kohlert (VCP) organized the JOTI together again. Some activities were planned on a German speaking level together with Austria, Switzerland and guests from Netherlands on the German Speaking JOTA-JOTI Conference (DJJK) in Bern. A lot of things were organized: kit building "LED Thermometer", the annual JOTA-JOTI patch (in 2008 designed by a Scout group for the first time), quiz channel and many games. The German Speaking TeamSpeak Sked took part on Saturday evening again and was joined by several groups.



## **Mauritius (.mu)**

**countries: 25**

More than 130 Scouts of Mauritius took part in the 2008 Jamboree-On-The-Internet. Beside IRC chat applications like GoogleEarth and video chat were very popular, reported the NJiO Didier Camalboudou. The "World Scout Challenge" was also an interesting activity to take part in.

## **Netherlands (.nl)**

**countries: 66**

A very special location for the Netherlands "JOTI Control Center" was selected in 2008: A retired freight vessel. NJO Jan Kluijver and his whole team had their whole computer equipment on board of the ship "Corrie" and travelled hundreds of kilometres through their country. Since the mobile network in the Netherlands is so well developed, they were able to use UMTS/HSDPA to connect to the internet and never lost their connection during the whole weekend. The whole trip could be monitored since the team provided a video live stream.



## **Netherlands Antilles (.an)**

**countries: 5**

Boy Boy and Girl Scouts from Curacao celebrated the 12th JOTI on a weekend camp. Not even the tropical storm "Omar" – which "joined" their campsite during the event and its rain which made the whole ground very muddy – was able to disturb the activities, reported the NJiO Ryjairo Kleinmoedig.

## **New Zealand (.nz)**

**countries: 6**

With 145 registrations and 244 connected hosts to the ScoutLink IRC Network the participant numbers slightly increased in 2008 in New Zealand. Unfortunately NJO Jim Parnell did not get much feedback from his JOTI stations.

## **Norway (.no)**

**countries: 39**

NJO Dag Anders Kjærnes organized the Jamboree-On-The-Internet 2008 in Norway again. With 117 accounts at the "World JOTA-JOTI Registrations System" this country's number of participants was 30% higher than last year.

## **Philippines (.ph)**

**countries: 12**

The JOTA-JOTI in the Philippines was opened with a common ceremony. Then the participants were well introduced how to use the JOTI station for easily getting in touch with Scouts from the whole world. After that the computers in the BSP National Office were busy until Sunday night. So Scouts were chatting whole day and whole night in various shifts.

## **Poland (.pl)**

**countries: 50**

NJiO Hubert Mik organized various Jamboree-On-The-Internet activities in Poland. The JOTI stations used IRC chat, voice chat and the Global Registration System to connect to Scouts from 50 different countries. Official guests visited the stations and the press reported about the activities of the Polish Scouts.

## **Portugal (.pt)**

**countries: 52**

Several thousand members of the Scout Associations AEP and CNE took part in the 2008 JOTI. The NJiOs Jose Araujo (AEP) and David Manuel de Matos Branco (CNE) reported that their participants were running a special internet radio broadcasting channel and an online streaming TV program for Scouts. Additional participants played games dealing with the ecological problems and the human rights in the world.



## **Russian Federation (.ru)**

**countries: 35**

NJiO Vladimir Glazov reported that the Scouts of various parts of the Russian Federation took part in the Jamboree-On-The-Internet 2008. They were using IRC, voice chat and video chat to get in touch with Scouts from other parts of the world. Using the World JOTA-JOTI Registration System, they were sending JOTI validation cards and creating participation certificates. The "World Scout Challenge" was also a very interesting activity to take part in.

## **Spain (.es)**

**countries: 17**

Rafael Parodi de Porres, the NJiO of Spain, created a handbook for organizers and participants of the Jamboree-Of-The-Internet which explains the event and gives advice how to organize it. The internet connection worked well at the most Spanish stations, but unfortunately the group "San Francisco" had problems with a wrong WiFi network and was not able to connect.

## **Sudan (.sd)**

**countries: ?**

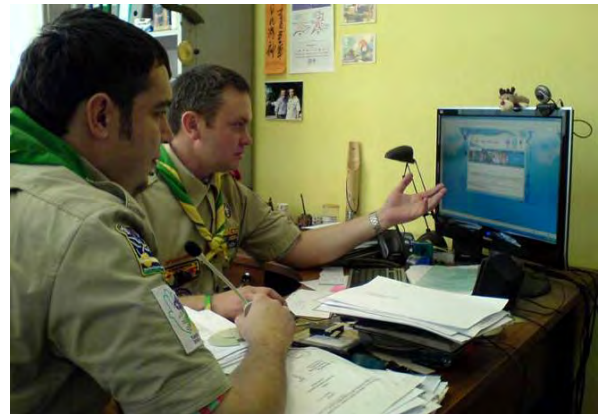
The NJiO of the Sudan, Musaab Habieb Marhoum Alhashmi, reported that 64 Scouts of his country participated in the 2008 Jamboree-On-The-Internet. Four of them also took the chance to register at the Global Registration System.



## **Switzerland (.ch)**

**countries: 39**

The new NJiO of Switzerland, Judith "Mogusch" Stierlin, continued the very successful JOTI work in her country. Stations were organized in several areas of the country. So nearly every Swiss Scout was able to take part in the Jamboree-On-The-Internet at such a station without the need to travel for more than one hour. Beside IRC and voice chat those stations offered further activities like GPS games.



## **Tanzania (.tz)**

**countries: 21**

Hidan O. Ricco, the NJO of Tanzania, reported that 60 Scouts and Guides took part in the Jamboree-Of-The-Internet. They used services like E-Mail and IRC Chat to get in touch with Scouts from other countries. It was a special fun for the participants to send and receive Scout group photos.

## **Tunisia (.tn)**

**countries: 43**

More than 20 members of the Tunisian Scouts attended the 2008 JOTI. Kammakh Montassar reported that Scouts took part in the activities IRC and voice chat. Seven members and groups registered at World JOTA-JOTI Registration System and used services like [@2008.jotajoti.org](mailto:@2008.jotajoti.org) mail-addresses, participation certificates and JOTI validation cards.

## **United States of America (.us)**

**countries: 9**

Over 1000 Scouts from the US participated in the 2008 Jamboree-On-The-Internet. The BSA created an own JOTI badge for this event. The Scouts now enjoyed the ability to get in touch with several Scouts from foreign countries via IRC chat instead of just chatting with the people they are already familiar to with their Instant Messenger. Ray Moyer reported that the boys were so keen on chatting that they continued to use the keyboard even after a Hamburger had fallen down on it. It was hard work to clean it up afterwards.

## **Venezuela (.ve)**

**countries: 31**

A new NJiO, Reinaldo Pérez, is now organizing the JOTI in Venezuela. He reported that one group of his country created an own Facebook Group to add their contacts. Beside from that the Scouts used IRC, voice and video chat to create friendships in the whole world.

## **World Station (scout.org)**

**countries: 18**

In 2008 a World JOTI station was online at Satigny (near Geneva) in Switzerland. Together with the World JOTA Station (HB9S) the operation team took advantage of getting in touch with Scouts from all over the world. The operators Aerolife, Holgi, Nairobi and Webrat were supported by Paolo, Hiroshi, Ray & Richard A. from the World Scout Bureau.

## 8. FORTHCOMING EVENTS

The International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) Region 1 held its Regional Conference in Cavtat, Croatia 16 – 21 November 2008. The Conference united representatives of all Amateur Radio Associations in Europe and Africa (Region 1). The Norwegian Amateur Radio Association NRRL made an important proposal to the Conference. The aim of the proposal was to obtain special attention for the support of the JOTA by amateur radio organisations. An additional benefit would be that no interfering activities would be organized in the annual JOTA weekend. The proposal was presented by the Norwegian delegate, Tom-Victor Segalstad LA4LN. Tom is also the National JOTA Organizer for the Norwegian YMCA Scouts.

Amateur radio organizations have difficulties with getting new membership amongst young people. It is not so easy to have direct access to e.g. schools to present information on the amateur radio hobby and gain the interest of possible young amateurs. JOTA of course, has for years offered an excellent opportunity to let young Scouts get acquainted with radio transmissions and all aspects of the hobby. This is where a mutual interest arises between Scouting and the IARU.

The Norwegian proposal was wholeheartedly welcomed by the IARU Conference and turned into an official recommendation to Region I member organizations. Recommendation 24, as it is now known, reads:

### **CT08\_C3\_Rec 24: (Paper CT08\_C3\_39)**

In recognizing the importance of the JOTA (Jamboree-On-the-Air) for radio amateur recruiting, it is recommended that Member Societies encourage radio amateurs to assist boy scouts and girl guides to participate in the annual JOTA the third full weekend of October each year, organized by the World Organization of the Scout Movement (WOSM) and to use this opportunity to present amateur radio recruiting possibilities to the scouts/guides.

**Proposed NRRL, Seconded NARL, agreed unanimously**

It is expected that a similar initiative can be taken at the IARU Conferences for Regions 2 (2010, San Salvador) and 3 (2009, Christchurch, New Zealand). The ARRL in the US has already taken an interest and listed Recommendation 24 on her web site. Would you know any Scout-related delegates to the above mentioned Conferences? Let us know.

National JOTA Organizers can benefit from this Recommendation in getting assistance from their national amateur-radio organization for the JOTA weekend. They can of course help them also to implement any policies and activities that support the Recommendation. Thank you NRRL for taking this initiative !

# World Scout Frequencies

band	phone (MHz)	cw (MHz)
80 m	3.690 & 3.940	3.570
40 m	7.090 & 7.190	7.030
20 m	14.290	14.060
17 m	18.140	18.080

band	phone (MHz)	cw (MHz)
15 m	21.360	21.140
12 m	24.960	24.910
10 m	28.390	28.190
6 m	50.160	50.160

# Scout Nets

Weekly or monthly nets exist in which licensed Scouts meet on the air.

Echolink is the basis for the World Scout Net, held once a month. Wouldn't it be fun to meet new friends even if it is in the middle of the night at your location? This adds to the international atmosphere, as you often experience during the JOTA. Join in and meet fellow Scout radio amateurs world-wide !

Country day		time	frequency	netcontrol
Denmark	Saturday	13.00 GMT	3.740 MHz	
European Scout Net	Saturday	09.30 GMT	14.290 MHz	
Japan	3rd Saturday of month	23.00 local	21.360 MHz	JA1YSS
Norway	Saturday	15.30 local	3.740 MHz	
Sweden	Saturday, even weeks	15.00 local	3.740 MHz	
Sudan	Friday	13.00 GMT	21.360 MHz	ST2M
United Kingdom	Saturday	09.00 local	3.740 MHz	G3BHK
United States	Sunday	20.30 GMT	14.290 MHz	K2BSA
World Scout Net	1st Saturday of month	22.00 GMT	Echolink 131124	PA3BAR

## 9. NATIONAL JOTA ORGANIZERS

*This list contains the names of the active National JOTA Organizers (NJO), i.e. those who have sent reports to the World Scout Bureau at least once during the past two years. Packet-radio- and email addresses have been added where known to us. Information on JOTA is sent directly to the NJO's below and is also sent to the International Commissioner of every Scout Association as well as to the World and Regional Scout Committees.*



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The following reports were received after close of editing, but just in time for this short summary:

Two HF stations were active in Khartoum, **Sudan (ST)**, from the sea Scout radio club, ST2KSS and ST2BSS. Three members passed their amateur-radio exam this year and now have their own HF license.

The Khartoum sea Scouts used VHF handhelds during a boat-hike they made to six cataracts in the river Nile. The Sudan NJO, Magdi was on mission with the World Food Programme during the JOTA in Kenya and took the opportunity to visit BP's grave in Nyeri.



Some 4300 Scouts and Guides took part in **Oman (A4)** from 43 different JOTA stations. This was the result of hard work of a fixed team of 18 experienced leaders that prepared the JOTA event. The headquarter station was moved to Harmez in Musnadem. This allowed more participants around the Sultanate to take part. A large set up was made for Echolink: one station for each continent.

The Directorate General of Scouts and Guides of the Ministry of Education sent out official invitations and letters so we could introduce as many youngsters as possible to the event, writes Hisham Salam Badawi.

The opening ceremony was done in the main hall with 650 guests by his Excellency the Governor of Musnadem. Afterwards they all visited the JOTA history exhibition and the radio room.

JOTA enjoyed a good press coverage in several newspapers. The National TV Channel of the Sultanate broadcasted an interview with the Governor, participants and a member of the organizing team.

A special station was set up in the Khasab historical fort in Musnadem. Such an interesting experience for the participants and visitors. With just a dipole and an HF radio, the fort was put on the international map. Forty Scouts and Guides at the fort. The fort is us,

Besides radio, we offered an electronics and computer workshop, and one on art designs. The latter produced more than 500 designs for the annual JOTA logo!

51 years of JOTA history was assembled in a special exhibition, highlighting the Omani JOTA participation since 1991. A sea voyage was undertaken as well, in the Harmez strip to visit Telegraph Island (Jazeeraat Al Telegraph).



UAE Scouts visiting the JOTA station in the historic fort Khasab.

A staggering 180 JOTA stations took part in **Spain (EA)** writes Luis Pascual Martínez (ASDE). The best contact was with the San Antonia Scout group in Avila. With very strong signals it seemed like it was a contact to the house next door, in fact it was over 500 km. It was impressive to see all Cub Scouts go quiet during the radio contact with Scout Group Calasancio 126.

Antoaneta Petkova Gribacheva reported that two patrols from **Bulgaria (.bg)** participated in the 2008 JOTI. They were chatting via IRC and took part in the "World Scout Challenge".



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