DECEMBER YOTA MONTH 2014



After the success of last year's December Month and the YOTA summer events it's time for new action !

During the whole month of December several countries will become active with YOTA as suffix for call sign. The idea for this is to break the ice for some youngsters and take the microphone in the hand. As seen over the years the YOTA-group is growing fast and every week more youngsters are asking to participate.

Let us all make YOTA popular in our hobby and let us all help to put youngsters on the HAM radio train!...

Applicants must ensure that the callsign is used primarily to put Youngsters On The Air (Youngsters are defined by IARU R1 as 'under-26')

WHEN:

1 December 2014 00:00 UTC till 31 December 2014 23:59 UTC

CALLSIGNS:

Every country is allowed to have a maximum of 2 call signs with YOTA in suffix. If it is not possible in your country to have such a special callsign, exceptions will be made to add /YOTA after your callsign. Please let this know by sending an e-mail with these details to: Lisa – PA2LS or Tommy – ON2TD

Your call sign(s) will be put on the website and in the bulletins.

Callsigns received by now:

A43YOTA GI14YOTA GW14YOTA GD14YOTA GM14YOTA LX..YOTA OM9YOTA OM14YOTA ON4YOTA PA6YOTA

* Would you like to participate? Register at least before 24 November 2014, by sending an e-mail to **december(@)ham-yota.com**

BANDS / MODES:

Every band / mode is allowed. This is NOT a contest but a shout to the world of hamradio. Try to get as much youngsters on the air in this month. In many counties youngsters without a license can go on air as second operator.

QSL & QRZ.COM:

QSL MANAGER: OM2FY - Brani

QSL-CARDS: There is one uniform card that will be send via bureau by OM2FY. The backside content holds information about YOTA and a label with QSO-details with correct call sign.

LOGS: <u>ONLY</u> in ADIF !

Send your log weekly to <u>qsl@ham-yota.com</u>, we need to receive at least before **10 January 2015** all logs.

Filename contain call sign + week of the month.

Examples: ON4YOTA-1.adi, ON4YOTA-2.adi

Please make sure to take care of these log files. It's not you but the other operator that wants a QSL card. We've seen in the past things go wrong, try to <u>be strictly with your logs</u> !

QRZ.COM: Also a uniform text will be provided for your QRZ page. You can complement this with own information. IMPORTANT: Set QSL manager on your page to OM2FY. Even if you already used the call sign in previous or future activities.

AWARDS:

Awards will be available for radio amateurs that made QSO's with YOTA stations. Award manager is Bjorn – ON9CFG There will be a bronze – silver – gold – platinum award. SWL can also request awards. Also the award will be something special than the regular boring looking thing you get © Sample of award in the last page. AWARD INFO AND RULES ON THE BOTTOM PAGE

SKED:

A sked will be provided. Sked leading by the YOTA crew.

More volunteers wanted Please let us know ASAP !

! IMPORTANT ! HOW YOU SHOULD MAKE YOUR QSO'S ON AIR:

Let us all be fair, if you listen on the bands and try to work a special station, the only frustration you get is people non-stop shouting their callsigns, most of all only the 2 characters. Even when the station is in the middle of a QSO, just shout over it.

This problem is avoid very simple. The operator of the special station has to follow some simple rules and the stations calling have no other option than follow the operator.

Many times you here saying that it's the novice or new hams who misbehave on this, well, let us show that we all know exactly how it's done proper !

Therefore we try to encourage the <u>DX CODE OF CONDUCT</u> among youngsters.

Let us agree to use constantly the rule: Only full callsigns. You will be amazed how discipline suddenly kicks in....

Off course it's better to use all rules of 'The Code', we specially like to hear every YOTA callsign use this discipline ad show that youngsters have the best behavior on the bands.

PICTURES AND ARTICLES:

We would like to receive pictures and articles (soapbox) of your activity. We will publish them on www.ham-yota.com

FUNDING

We are looking for fundraisers who would like to support this activity. With this funding we will cover the expenses made for QSL printing.

Please contact december(@)ham-yota.com if you are interested.

COORDINATORS:

Lisa – PA2LS pa2ls@iaru-r1.org Tommy – ON2TD on2td@ham-yota.com Extra hands welcome !

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YOTA Award December 2014

May be requested by any licensed amateur radio or SWL

Different awards:

Bronze : ... worked YOTA stations

Silver : ... worked YOTA stations

Gold: ... worked YOTA stations

Platinum: Worked all YOTA stations as published on www.ham-yota.com

(number of stations needed for the awards will be announced in the end of November)

Price:

Free of all costs. Awards will be electronically distribute to reduce the workload and to save costs.

Claiming:

Only contacts during December 2014 are valid. Each station may be counted only one time. All bands and all modes. By sending your log for those QSO's to <u>on9cfg@uba.be</u> All logs will be published on ClubLog

Distribution:

Starts at 1 February 2015

Awards will be personalized and sent in .pdf files. If you like a quality hard copy just send it to your local photo printer shop.

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