

# JAMBOREE ON THE AIR & JAMBOREE ON THE INTERNET (JOTA / JOTI)

#### AIM

- World Scout bureau has setup the following aim of JOTA:
  - the scouts get the possibility to make contact with scout in their own and other counties, and they get the possibility to develop the contacts they make during JOTA/JOTI
  - the scouts get knowledge of shortwaveradio
  - the scouts get knowledge of electronic components and equipment





#### JOTA HISTORY

- In 1911 1st Arundel Troop in Sussex, England worked with shortwave-radio. They experiment with radio communication on homebrew equipment.
- In 1913 The Marconi Company offered a free instruction in "Wireless Telegraphy" to members of youth movements. Baden-Powell hoped that Boy Scouts will use this opportunity and he said: "Wireless has become a favourite hobby with boys of the right kind, and it is a valuable hobby for them, because it has a big future before it...."
- The 10th 11th of May 1958, the first official JOTA took place. There were about 60 stations, hereby more than 20 from Great Britain.

#### JOTI HISTORY

- JOTI was pioneered in 1995 by Queanbeyan Rovers whilst one Rover, Norvan Vogt was on a student exchange in the Netherlands, with the home crew in Australia co-ordinated by Brett Sheffield.
- In November 1996 the World Scout Committee, noting that Scouting already had a considerable presence on the Internet, and that there was already an informal and rapidly growing Jamboree on the Internet, decided that JOTI should become an official international Scouting event, and that it should be held on the same weekend as the Jamboree on the Air (JOTA)

### JAMBOREE ON THE AIR (JOTA)

- Jamboree on the Air, known by its acronym JOTA
- It is an international Scouting and Guiding activity held annually on the third full weekend in October. The event was first held in conjunction with the fiftieth anniversary of Scouting in 1057 and was carried out by a radio amateur with call sign G3BHK
- It is now considered the largest event scheduled by the WOSM annually. (around 700,000 scouts from all over the world take part each year)

# JAMBOREE ON THE INTERNET (JOTI)

- known by its acronym JOTI
- It is an international scouting activity held annually. Participants, through the use of designated Chats from all over the world, can contact their fellow Scouts by means of the Internet.
- Common communication methods include ScoutLink (IRC), e-mail, and VOIP.
- This provides the Scouts with a means of learning about fellow Scouts from around the world.
- JOTI.org reports that JOTI had over 4,000 participants online at one time in 2005.

#### MAKING A CONTACT ON JOTA

- The radio amateur makes a contact with another radio.
- The radio amateur asks for a scout to talk another scout on the other side
- Basic information is shared (note phonetic alphabet is normally used)
  - Name & Surname
  - Name of Scout Group
  - Age
  - Weather / hobbies / activities held
- The radio amateur will then take a record of the receiver in order to exchange a QSL Card

#### CALL SIGN

- In order for a radio amateur to communicate, he / she must have a call sign.
- This is normally obtained from the Wireless and Telegraphy Department of the respective country.
- This call sign is shouted frequently by the radio amateur to establish a contact. He / she will also say that this is a special scout station for the Jamboree on the Air.

#### THE PHONETIC ALPHABET

 Since the connection on radio is not always very clear, the phonetic alphabet is sometimes used to ensure the best communication.

ALPHA	NOVEMBER
BRAVO	OSCAR
CHARLIE	PAPA
DELTA	QUEBEC
ECHO	ROMEO
FOXTROT	SIERRA
GOLF	TANGO
HOTEL	UNIFORM
INDIA	VICTOR
JULIET	WHISKEY
KILO	X-RAY
LIMA	YANKEE
MIKE	ZULU

## QSL CARD

- A QSL card is a form of a proof that the contact was established
- Each Group / Radio amateur has a different card which are exchanged between the parties
- The cards are exchanged via the radio amateur clubs
- A log of all the contacts will be kept for record purposes.
- A copy of the cards received are kept in an album

#### JOTA JOTI BADGE

- Every year WOSM issues a Badge to commemorate the event.
- This year can be worn on the scout shirt for a period of 1 year
- In order to obtain the badge one has to
  - Fully attend the weekend
  - Establish 2 radio contacts
  - Make 3 internet contacts
  - The contacts need to be written on a special sheet provided by the leaders