

The 144 MHz EME NewsLetter

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Namibia DXpedition 2009

Dan HB9CRQ/HB9Q has written a comprehensive report on the successful EME DXpedition to Namibia V5/KT6Q in January 2009. Have a look at the full story at: http://hb9q.ch/joomla/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=103&Itemid=139 or just go to www.hb9q.ch and select "dxpeditions".



From left: Pine ZS6OB and Dan HB9CRQ in Namibia (Photo: HB9CRQ)

Hermann DL2NUD on Tour in Australia

Starting on 4th February Hermann DL2NUD and Steffen DL9GRE travelled the Eastern part of Australia with a motor-home. Different from what they had planned – a tour from QG53 northward up to the QH squares – they were forced to stay in the QG grids. The natural disasters in Australia which brought floods to the North and wildfires to the South made that impossible; the entire QH was flooded. So far they

activated QG53WL on 5th, QG64NC from 6th to 8th, QG65FE on 9th and QG55WU on 11th February. Then suddenly there was no further sign of life from down under and many hams were quite concerned about their well-being. However, on the 15th they popped up again from QG49JR. The days before they spent searching for new QTHs but were not successful. Sadly by that time the window to Central Europe was more or less closed. However, the best is probably yet to come:

From 2nd to 15th March Sigi DK9FN, Bernhard DL2GAC and Hermann DL2NUD plan to activate Pigeon Island, Temotu Province (Grid RH29) for an entire two weeks on EME. Callsign will be H40HP. And from 17th March to 2nd April Hermann will be QRV again from the Solomon Islands from three different grids: QI90, RI00 and RI01.

The equipment is always the same, in VK as well on the islands: an 18 elements M2 and a linear amp. Sadly no pictures from VK are available yet.

Worked All States: Who is active from where?

Following a recent email exchange about the 2M EME WAS on moon-net, asking who is QRV from particular US States, Bob KD3UY volunteered to compile the required information and put it on his website. "Quick and dirty" – as he calls it. Ideally, he would like to list the two biggest stations in each state for both modes, JT65 and CW, with a maximum four entries per state eventually.

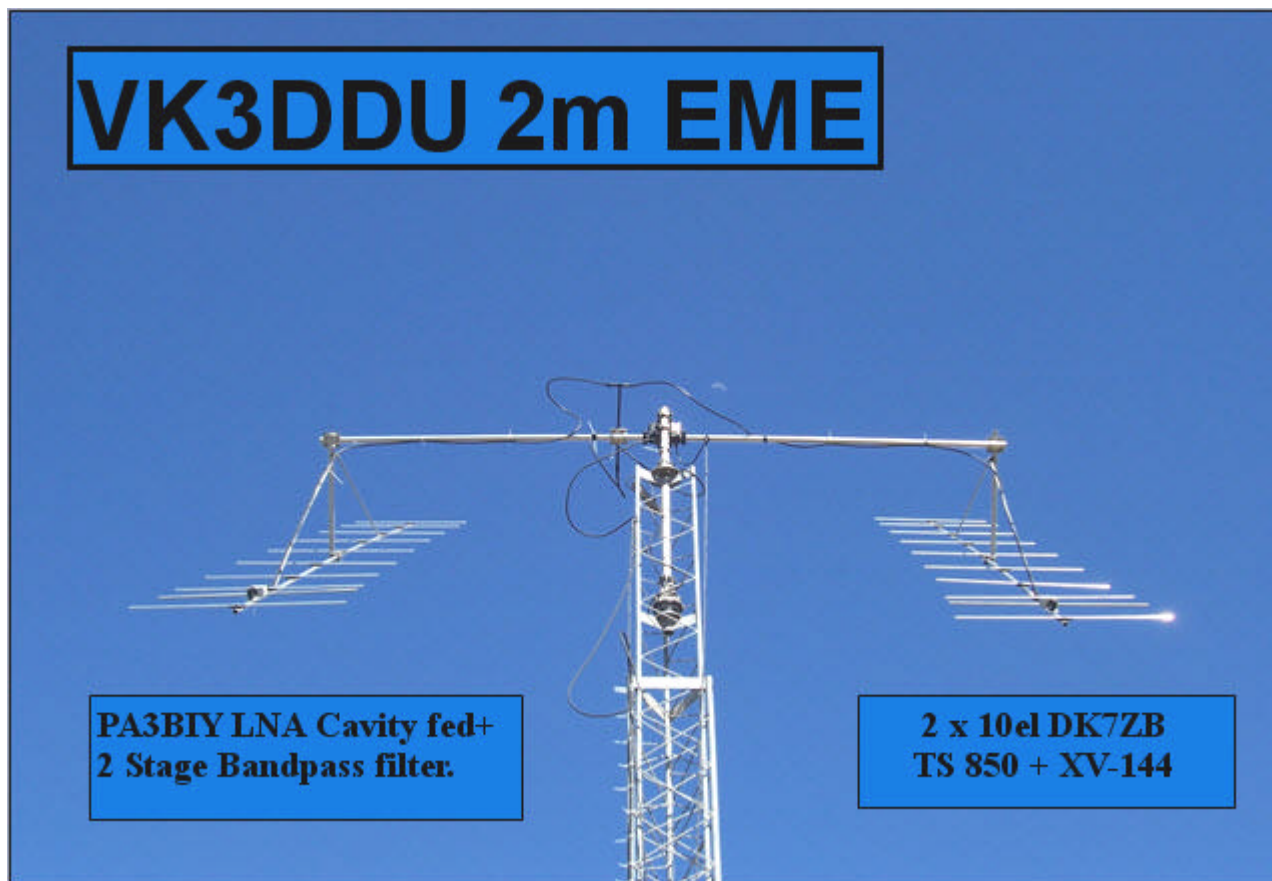
He requests corrections/additions. Specifically:

- 1) Any stations that should be removed from the list due to QRT, moving, etc.
- 2) Which stations are CW capable, which are not.
- 3) CW only stations
- 4) If you want your call removed from the list for any reason, let him know.
- 5) Bigger stations than the ones he has listed
- 6) Equipment changes
- 7) Any stations in the missing states
- 8) Chatroom active (or email accessible only)
- 9) Any other comments are gladly accepted.
- 10) Please, no guessing

Bob will not list email addresses of the stations; they are usually available on hamcall or qrz (if the OP wants it to be available).

Have a look at his website <http://home.comcast.net/~kd3uy/site/>

VK3DDU 2m EME



Paul, VK3DDU is very active on 2m EME now with 2 x 10 elements DK7ZB. He is often on the NOUK EME logger. (Photo: VK3DDU)

[Upcoming DXpeditions](#)

5Z4EME: Kenya for the first Time on EME!

A team of Rene PE1L, Eltje PA3CEE and Ronald PA3EWP is going on expedition to Kenya (5Z) in April. They plan to be QRV from 2nd April to 15th April 2009 from KI79MO, with the same equipment as from JW5E in 2008: about 700 watts out and two 10 elements xpols. Working frequency will be TX/RX 144,124 MHz (144,084 MHz for JA-Window) and **5Z4EME** will always transmit first. René has modified his dxpedition website <http://www.emellogger.com/> with information also on this trip, so stay tuned there.

E51EME: A new Chance for Rarotonga

Bob ZL1RS will be QRV as **E51EME** via EME again from Rarotonga (BG08DR) (South Cook Islands) from 26th March to 4th April 2009. He plans to use the same equipment as recently from Tonga, i.e. 4 x 5 elements DK7ZB and 600 watts out.

W7EME plans to be QRV from Nevada (DN11) and Wyoming (DN81)



Jeremy did a great job activating the rare grids CN72 and CN76 in February 2009 with a "trailer setup" with two each phased cc 17b2, one pair in each sense, H and V. From 21st February to 5th March 2009 he plans to travel to Nevada and Wyoming and work random on 144,118 MHz from there. Then the trailer will be handed over to another ham who will also put it into good use before Jeremy takes it back later this year. (Picture: W7EME)

Sardinia becoming QRV on EME!

Frank DH7FB and Bernd DF2ZC will activate the DXCC ISO on EME in May 2009. They plan to arrive on the island on April 30th and stay there until May 5th so there should be a good chance for those outside the tropo and meteorscatter 2000 km diameter from ISO to finally get that DXCC worked. More details in the next newsletter

For latest news on current and future DXpeditions check www.mmmonvhf.de!

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Time Table

1 March 2009
0830-1130 Z
1630-1930 Z

DUBUS CW EME Activity Night
(Rules www.sm2cew.com/aw_rules.html)

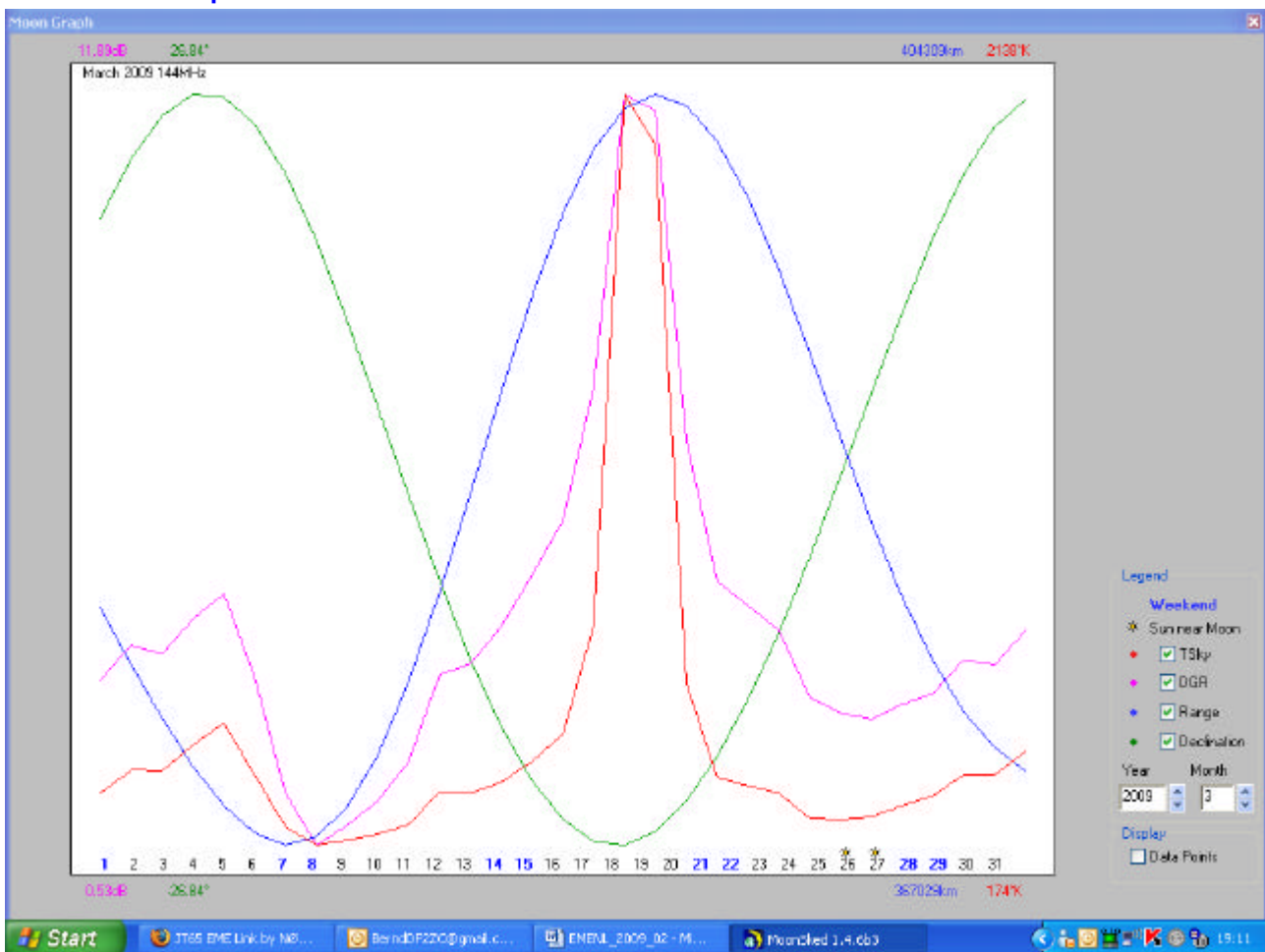
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ready for download at www.df2zc.de/newsletter

28/29 March 2009
0000-2400 Z

DUBUS CW EME Contest
(Rules www.marsport.org.uk/dubus/EUEMEcontest2009.pdf)

Moon Graph March 2009



(Courtesy of David GM4JJJ (www.gm4jjj.co.uk/MoonSked/moonsked.htm))