

31/10/2016 - 20/03/2017 LOW POWER MLA PARTY

To promote low power CW activity, there will be a weekly Low Power MLA Party on 80m, starting on Monday October 31, 2016 and ending on Monday March 20, 2017. Special attention will be given to stations using magnetic loop antennas.

The Low Power MLA Party is an informal ham radio activity. It should be considered a friendly meeting amongst CW QRP enthusiasts. As a rule, there are as few rules as possible.

1. Date & Time

Each Monday night, from 19:30 till 20:30 UTC, starting on October 31, 2016 and ending on March 20, 2017.

2. Stations

There are two categories of participating stations:

- (1) FOXES
 - Fox stations run max. 15 W output power. Running the lowest possible transmit power is recommended.
 - Foxes use magnetic loop antennas ONLY.
 - Foxes call 'CQ MLA' between 3560-3580 kHz. 3565 kHz is considered the main calling frequency.
 - Foxes must register once via the <u>EU QRP Foxhunt website</u> form ('Want to be a Fox' field). A password will be returned, allowing online logging.
 - Foxes enter their QSO data via the form on the <u>EU QRP Foxhunt website</u> not later than 48 hours after each Monday activity period.
- (2) HUNTERS
 - All stations working Foxes are considered 'HUNTERS'. There are no power or antenna restrictions for Hunters, but running low power is highly recommended. The use of MLA's will lead to bonus points.
 - Hunters work Foxes between 3560-3580 kHz. 3565 kHz is considered the main calling frequency.
- 3. Scoring
 - Each valid QSO between a Fox and a Hunter station counts for one point.

- For a QSO to be valid, at least the following data must be entered by the FOX station in the online log:
 - ✓ Date & start time in UTC
 - ✓ Call sign (without /QRP or /QRPP suffixes)
 - ✓ RST sent
 - ✓ RST received
 - ✓ Hunter MLA diameter when applicable (in cm)
- Log entries without Fox MLA data are considered invalid, in fact they will be blocked from uploading.
- If both Fox and Hunter are using MLA antennas, two extra QSO points are granted (= 3 points in total per QSO).
- At the end of each month, a temporary 'TOP 3 Hunters/Foxes List' will be published on the <u>EU QRP Foxhunt website</u>.
- At the end of the Low Power MLA Party, each Hunter/Fox with at least 5 valid QSO's will be presented a personalized, downloadable certificate.

Good luck to all participants and, most of all, have fun!

73, Jos ON6WJ