

JOTA-JOTI PACK 2016

2016 Theme – Discover Our World

[This theme](#) encourages reaching out to Scouts around the world to engage in conversations and create opportunities for discovery. These opportunities include similarities and differences both culturally and in Scouting programs.

JOTA-JOTI Weekend Activities

The World JOTA-JOTI Team will provide a number of weekend activities including gathering a short list of information from each conversation over the air and over the Internet such as:

- National Scouting symbol
- National Scouting motto
- List of national Scouting ranks
- List of badges related to JOTA-JOTI

These could then be posted on social media, shared via amateur radio, IRC chat sessions, etc.

The Idea Box for Your Activity Proposals

Additional activities will be generated through online submissions from Scouts and Scout leaders. Submit your thoughts at [The Idea Box](#). Activities can be targeted for one-hour to one-day timeframes. A select group of activities will be posted on the JOTA-JOTI website with credit to those who developed the activity.

Website and Communication Channels

Information for organizing JOTA-JOTI in your country including interactive games, supporting information, and links to various resources are available at www.world-jotajoti.info

Here's what you'll find on the JOTA-JOTI website:

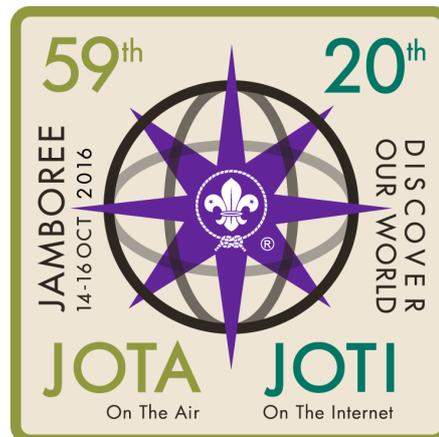
- Overview of how to participate targeted to Scouts and Leaders at world-jotajoti.info/how-to-participate-in-jota-joti/
- Detailed information on participating at world-jotajoti.info/what-is-jota-joti/
- Information on JOTA-JOTI fun activities at world-jotajoti.info/activities/
- Advanced discover projects from EIROforum publication "Science in School" for use during JOTA-JOTI at world-jotajoti.info/advanced-discovery-projects/
- Overview of JamPuz, the exciting on-air and online exchange of codes at world-jotajoti.info/jampuz/ including information on [conversations not just contacts](#) in a recent blog post.
- Frequent news updates at world-jotajoti.info/news/
You can also subscribe to receive updates by email as soon as they are published.
- Reports on all previous events from 1961 to 2015 at world-jotajoti.info/annualreports/
- Google's translation service is used to instantly translate every page from the pull down "Translate" menu.

And you'll find much more as we get closer to the JOTA-JOTI weekend.

You can also follow our official Facebook page at www.facebook.com/jota.joti.wosm and on Twitter at twitter.com/JOTAJOTI

Official Logo Of The Event

Once again this year, WOSM organised a [logo contest](#) to choose the official logo for JOTA-JOTI 2016. Entries were accepted throughout the month of March. The selection team reviewed over 300 entries with the winning design provided by Mark Tan Wengson, Chairman of Rover A Georgetown (South) Penang, Malaysia. You can purchase badges and pins from [World Scout Shops Limited](#).



JOTA-JOTI Sign-Up

Scout groups can sign-up for JOTA-JOTI using the scout.org registration system. With sign-up, a Scout group gets access to a variety of new features and exciting interactive possibilities for the JOTA-JOTI weekend. It is also possible to look through the sign-up groups, even select them by country, and pre-arrange contacts for the weekend.

There is no obligation to sign-up of course, but we recommend it so your Scout group can enjoy the additional facilities of the new event web portal.

Sign up at this link: world-jotajoti.info/sign-up-for-jota-joti/

If you are operating a national sign-up or registration system for JOTA-JOTI, we ask that you also ask people to sign up with the world system. This will allow them access to JID codes as well as late breaking information.

Participation Cards

A participation card for JOTA-JOTI, with the annual logo, is available at world-jotajoti.info/participation-certificate/. Scout groups may customize these by inserting the name of the participating group and distribute them to their membership, either in printed form or as an electronic certificate. The intention is that each participating group receives its card, as a confirmation of its participation and a souvenir of the event.

Languages

Life would be so much easier, but perhaps less interesting, if every Scout spoke the same language. But this is not the case. How can we help Scouts communicate with fellow Scouts that do not speak their language? Here are a few ideas:

The translator machine:

There are free translation services available on the Internet. Several Scout groups have used it to translate radio or chat messages on the spot. It may not be very fast, but it is fun to do and it does help. You could even prepare a standard message for your Scouts in many different languages.

The J-Code:

The J-code is a tool that enables a very basic conversation in those cases where there is no common language between the youngsters. The J-code is simply a set of abbreviations similar to the Q-Code used by radio amateurs. It is not a code intended to hide the contents of the transmissions, quite the opposite, it is intended to enable communication. As such it can be used over amateur radio and in Internet chat contacts.

The J-code is available in 14 different languages and can be downloaded at world-jotajoti.info/j-code/. If your language is not among these, but you would be willing to translate the English version into your own language, please send us a copy so we can add it on the website.

The website:

The JOTA-JOTI website uses Google's translation service to instantly translate every page from the pull down "Translate" menu in the top right hand corner of the page.

Your JOTA-JOTI Souvenir

A badge with this year's logo and a number of JOTA-JOTI souvenir items are being made available to everyone via the World Scout Shop. These can easily be ordered on-line at www.worldscoutshops.com/jota-joti

JOTA-JOTI Trusted Partners

In early 2016 the World JOTA-JOTI Team announced the concept of [JOTA-JOTI Trusted Partners](#) and opened up the application process. By granting the status of "JOTA-JOTI Trusted partner" it will be clear to JOTA-JOTI participants and leaders which websites and services are trusted and recommended by the World JOTA-JOTI Team for use during the event.



To date, the following organizations have been named trusted partners:

- [ScoutLink](#)
- [JOTI Radio](#)
- [JOTI TV](#)

National JOTA-JOTI Coordinator

NSOs who haven't already done so are kindly requested to appoint a National JOTA-JOTI Coordinator (NJC) who:

- Has the required organizational skills to support the Scout groups participating in the JOTA-JOTI event in his/her country;
- Functions at a national level within their Scout Organization (most NJC's are members of an Association's international committee);
- Communicates directly with the World JOTA-JOTI Team and is the NSO's representative to the national amateur radio organization and/or relevant Internet organisations;
- Preferably is someone with his/her own amateur radio licence, or at least with a vast knowledge of amateur radio and/or knowledge of the Internet world.

The NJC has access to specific JOTA-JOTI information on the web as well as to a restricted electronic forum. In this way he or she can directly exchange views with NJC's of other countries, ask for assistance, and organize activities.

World JOTA-JOTI Team

The World JOTA-JOTI team is:

- Richard Middelkoop, team leader and World JOTA-JOTI Coordinator (*Netherlands*)
- Hannu Rätto (*Finland*)
- Ali Al Mamari (*Oman*)
- Philip Bird (*United Kingdom*)
- Jim Wilson (*United States of America*)

Peter Blatch is the World Scout Committee Liaison person for JOTA-JOTI and the team is supported by Stephen Peck – Director, World Events at the World Scout Bureau.

Subscribe to future posts on the website world-jotajoti.info so that you won't miss out on the latest information.

Correspondence to the World JOTA-JOTI team can be addressed to the World Scout Bureau or via email jota.joti@scout.org



National JOTA-JOTI Stories

With your help, the World JOTA-JOTI Team can compile a worldwide overview of the weekend and make it available to all participants. Of course, the information has to come from the participating Scout groups in your country. So you may want to ask them to prepare for that and send a short story of their activities to their National JOTA-JOTI Coordinator (NJC) after the event. Experience shows that National Coordinators need to indicate this early and often to the participants to get good results.

NJC are kindly requested to send "the story" of their country to the World Scout Bureau soon after the event. Please write us your ideas and comments, suggestions for future programmes and a description of the most exciting contacts. Note that an increasing number of participating Scout groups are using social media to submit stories and reports of their JOTA-JOTI adventures. This can greatly assist NJC to compile the national report for their country. Check if any groups from your country have submitted material on the web that is useful to you.

The "National JOTA-JOTI Story 2016" form can be downloaded from the NJC page on the event website www.world-jotajoti.info to help you compile your story.

The numbers that are requested on this form will be used to compile some statistics. A reasonable estimate would be appreciated if they cannot be specified accurately.

Photographs showing Scouts in action at the microphone or keyboard and of other activities like electronic kit building, foxhunting, semaphore, map plotting and the like are most welcome. Of course, we do not need all your photographs, sending the five best ones is greatly appreciated. So are clippings of local newspapers carrying the story of JOTA-JOTI in your local community.

We also appreciate if you can include links to audio-visual materials available on-line that you consider worthwhile to be included in the worldwide JOTA-JOTI report (but please be selective in your choice as we have space for just a few).

We look forward to receiving your input before 15 December 2016.

Specific Information For JOTA-JOTI Participants

Rather than bog you down with a great deal of information in this circular, we'll provide links to key information available on the JOTA-JOTI website. This will ensure that you're accessing the latest information – anytime and anyplace. You may also want to subscribe to the website News by entering your email address in the form on the right hand side of each page.

Please use the Translate menu to translate this information into any language you require.

What is JOTA-JOTI?

Good overview information at world-jotajoti.info/what-is-jota-joti/

What is JOTA?

Specific and detailed information about Jamboree on the Air including how to instructions, rules, DX cluster, Echolink, contest free frequencies, call signs, radio logbooks online, and Scout radio nets can all be found from the pull down menus at world-jotajoti.info/jota/

What is JOTI?

Specific and detailed information about Jamboree on the Internet covering how to, Scoutlink, social media, web chat, safe online, netiquette, teamspeak, JOTI Radio, and JOTI TV can be found from the pull down menus at world-jotajoti.info/joti/

How to Participate in JOTA-JOTI

We've assembled an overview at world-jotajoti.info/how-to-participate-in-jota-joti/ on how to participate in JOTA-JOTI as part of a group or even on your own.

JOTA-JOTI 2016 Game: [John Bont and the Hunt for the Lost Treasure](#)

To take part in this exciting game, Scouts need:

- An amateur radio station capable of communicating with other amateur radio stations, preferably on the HF bands
- Or a web radio receiver that can be operated by a computer. See our list at world-jotajoti.info/web-based-receivers/
- A computer connected to the Internet or a radio contact with someone that operates such a computer
- A printer connected to the computer
- An *Android* smart phone
- A piece of yellow paper, letter size or A4 size
- A similar piece of blank, white paper and a pencil to make notes
- Scout map reading skills
- Ingenuity and creativity

Scouts can take part individually, in patrol units or as a group. The aim is to:

- a) Work together with a Scout group in another country (to get the starting info for the game)
- b) Experience how to make a radio contact or listen to short-wave transmissions
- c) Learn the alphabet
- d) Apply basic map reading skills and compass use
- e) Learn how to download and install an app on a smartphone
- f) Experience information coding and decoding

Have fun discovering our world!

Other JOTA-JOTI Games

You can find lots of ideas for JOTA-JOTI games from the pull down menu at world-jotajoti.info/games/

Advanced Discovery Projects

With permission from EIROforum publication "Science in School" we are able to offer a number of JOTA-JOTI program suggestions. Find them at world-jotajoti.info/advanced-discovery-projects/

JOTA-JOTI Challenges

More fun activities from the pull down menu at world-jotajoti.info/jota-joti-challenges/

JamPuz

This activity of swapping identity codes between JOTA stations and JOTI locations has been very popular. You can find all the information needed at world-jotajoti.info/jampuz/

Annual Reports

You can find all the JOTA-JOTI reports dating back to 1961 at world-jotajoti.info/annualreports/. This is a good place to gain insight into what type of report to write for your association.



Have Fun!

We look forward to JOTA-JOTI weekend and encourage you to participate in the largest Scouting event in the world. Don't miss out on conversations across town and around the world that can help Scouts "Discover Our World".