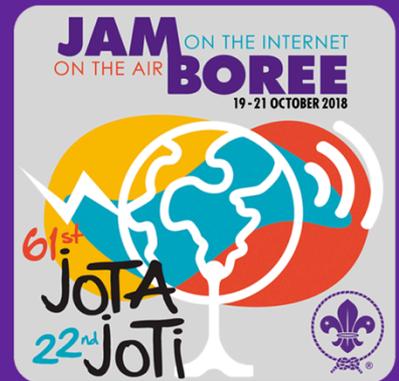




Jamboree on the Air - Jamboree on the Internet 2018 Report — Travel-Free Jamboree



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From the team

What a great year!

The World JOTA-JOTI Team (WJTT) had many new activities leading up to, and in preparation for the 2018 JOTA-JOTI.

Workshop

The team met in February 2018 at the World Scout Bureau in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, to finalize the reporting of the 2017 edition. And to start the 2018 preparations. The latter included a 2-day workshop with an invited group of eight representatives of different National Scout Organizations around the globe, who joined in with staff of the World Scout Bureau and the World Scout Committee liaison person to suggest future directions for the annual JOTA-JOTI activity.

An inspiring two days with an in-depth look at the event, its relevance for World Scouting and ways to raise it to the next level in the near future. Building onto our strategy paper produced last year with the 3 main themes "*promote and encourage*," "*changing the profile*," and "*innovative educational methods*".

The workshop suggested avenues to support greater involvement of young people in the JOTA-JOTI weekend, to achieve a target of 3 million registered attendees and an event available to as many young people as possible throughout the world. In accordance with the World Scout Committee's 2017-2020 triennium plan.

A long-term action plan was developed. The specific areas that were proposed include a realignment of the brand, an enhanced educational framework, having one centralized JOTA-JOTI platform, simplifying group registrations, building more effective 'safe from harm' mechanisms, an improved feedback process, collecting more validation data, increasing partnerships with external NGOs and supporters, having ambassadors to achieve the new targets, and linking the event to other major global events.

You may have noticed, that several of these areas have already been (partly) implemented in the 2018 JOTA-JOTI edition. Some as initial try-outs, others more developed and incorporated in the offered activities.

One of the items was a new and much simpler sign-up system, which also allowed direct feedback from the registered groups. Another new feature is the virtual Jamboree campsite, offered with several sub camps; each containing a wealth of existing and new activities, illustrated with lots of videos and incorporating materials kindly made available by external partners. All of this available on one centralized JOTA-JOTI website. More on this and other event developments further on in this report.



At the International Scout Centre in Kandersteg, Switzerland, the World JOTA-JOTI Team. Left to right: Philip Bird; Jim Wilson K5ND; Richard Middelkoop PA3BAR, Team Leader; Hannu Rättö OH7GIG; and Ali Al Mamari A41RV.

Promotions

On the promotion side, we had a major opportunity in June to showcase JOTA-JOTI at the largest amateur radio convention "Hamradio" in Friedrichshafen, which had 15.000 visitors. Not only could we participate in a Radio-Scouting stand on the fairgrounds with a local team, but we were also invited to present the opening speech of the Convention and reveal the 2018 JOTA-JOTI logo to the press. Furthermore, the team issued 2 World Scout Bureau circulars, wrote several team blogs about different topics on the JOTA-JOTI web site, and pushed lots of short messages over our social media channels at Facebook and Twitter.

Lustrum

The World JOTA-JOTI Team (WJTT) completed its first 5 years "on the job". What did we do so far? From the onset, the team worked towards a complete integration of JOTA and JOTI into one big event. We set up a logo contest, prepared the annual theme supported by programme materials from various sources, extended the JamPuz bingo game, and introduced world-wide games like Sinbad's Travels and John Bont's adventures.

We developed a strategic, long-term plan for the JOTA-JOTI's future and introduced a Trusted Partner scheme, with Scoutlink, JOTI.tv, JOTI Radio and Kitbuilding.org.

We initiated exchanges with the youth committee of the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) to involve young radio amateurs with the Scout groups and facilitated members of our sister organization WAGGGS to take part in JOTA-JOTI directly.

After the move from Geneva to Kuala Lumpur, the WJTT ensured the World Scout Bureau had again its own radio station 9M4S and we ran several promotions at large events like the World Scout Jamboree in Japan, the World Scout Moot in Iceland, the World Scout Conferences in Ljubljana and Baku, and radio conventions in Dayton and Friedrichshafen.

With all this and more, our efforts payed off: we're grateful to see that Scout participation numbers have nearly doubled over the past 5 years.

What's next?

The WJTT's annual meeting will be early 2019, in Kandersteg to finalize this World JOTA-JOTI Report and the 2018 evaluation.

And in July - August we will unlock the 2019 JOTA-JOTI travel-free Jamboree at the 24th World Scout Jamboree in North-America, to which you can connect directly over internet and on the air with Scout radio station NA1WJ.

Get inspired.....

National JOTA-JOTI Coordinators (NJs) in many countries collected, compiled, prepared and sent their JOTA-JOTI Story to the World Scout Bureau. Of course, the participating Scout groups all over the world provided the basic ingredients. Many thanks to all who sent us information on their programme and adventures.

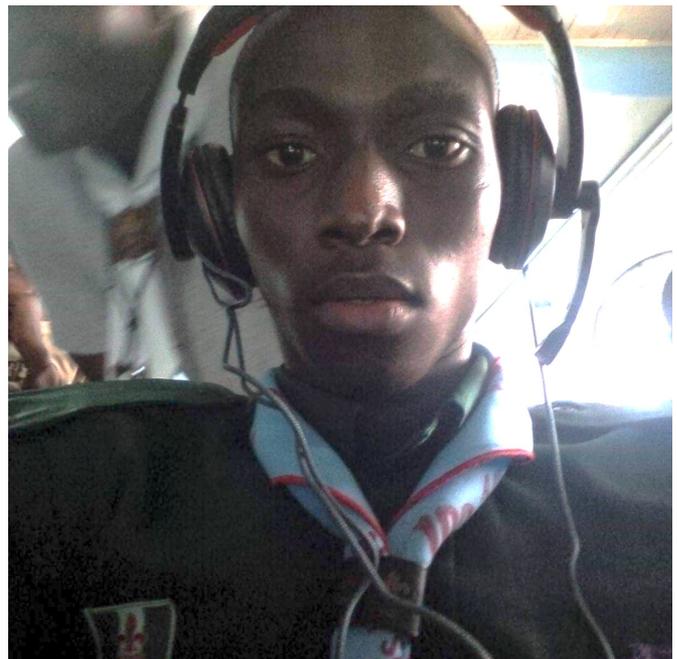
Thank you for your support to JOTA-JOTI. We trust that the next pages may give you inspiration already for the 2019 edition!

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World JOTA-JOTI Organizer*

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JOTA-JOTI in Numbers

Speaking of numbers, the World Scout Committee has put a priority on the growth of the Scout Movement. In line with that, the Committee presented a growth challenge to the World JOTA-JOTI Team: make the event accessible to as many WOSM members as possible. With the aim to grow the event up to 3 million participants by 2023, in synch with the Vision 2023 WOSM strategic plan. We are going to make the world's largest annual youth activity even larger...

To monitor progress, and give you insight in where we are all together, we include a larger set of numbers in this year's report and also present an overview per WOSM Region. So there's something to discover and explore....



But first, these are the countries that participated in JOTA-JOTI 2018:

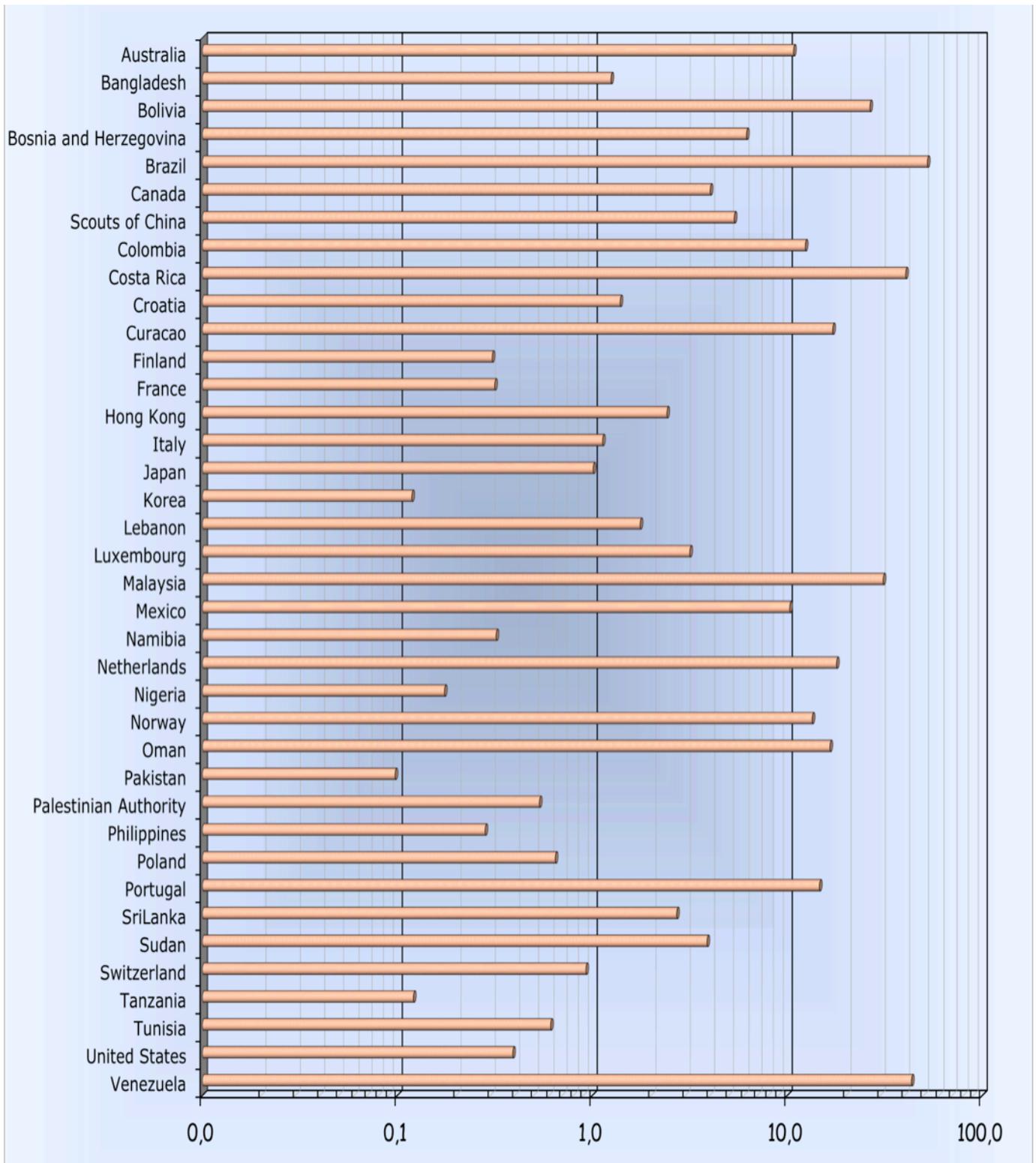
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	Angola	21	Denmark		1	Lesotho	5	Romania
18	Argentina	1	Dominica		1	Liberia	13	Russia
4	Armenia	5	Dominican Rep.		6	Libya	1	Rwanda
*	51 <u>Australia</u>	8	Ecuador		5	Lithuania	11	Saudi Arabia
18	Austria	15	Egypt	*	2	<u>Luxembourg</u>	5	Senegal
4	Azerbaijan	7	El Salvador		1	Madagascar	7	Serbia
1	Bahrain	6	Estonia	*	28	<u>Malaysia</u>	1	Sierra Leone
*	11 Bangladesh	* 30	<u>Finland</u>		6	Maldives	10	Singapore
2	Barbados	* 26	<u>France</u>		17	Malta	6	Slovakia
6	Belarus	1	Gabon		1	Mauritius	9	Slovenia
15	Belgium	1	Gambia	*	4	<u>Mexico</u>	18	South Africa
2	Belize	3	Georgia		1	Moldavia	23	Spain
3	Bhutan	26	Germany		1	Mongolia	* 30	<u>Sri Lanka</u>
*	96 Bolivia	1	Ghana		1	Montenegro	* 25	<u>Sudan</u>
*	56 Bosnia-Herzegovina	15	Greece		11	Morocco	1	Swaziland
2	Botswana	4	Guatemala		1	Mozambique	24	Sweden
*	45 <u>Brazil</u>	1	Guyana		1	Myanmar	* 13	<u>Switzerland</u>
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1	Brunei Darussalam	6	Honduras		4	Nepal	* 23	<u>Tanzania</u>
7	Bulgaria	* 4	Hong Kong		2	Neth. Antilles	10	Thailand
1	Burkina Faso	12	Hungary	*	15	<u>Netherlands</u>	1	Togo
3	Burundi	7	Iceland		15	New Zealand	11	Trinidad & Tobago
1	Cambodia	17	India		1	Nicaragua	* 61	<u>Tunisia</u>
4	Cameroon	23	Indonesia		1	Niger	19	Turkey
*	63 <u>Canada</u>	12	Ireland	*	60	Nigeria	5	Uganda
2	Chad	3	Israel	*	18	<u>Norway</u>	11	Ukraine
10	Chile	* 51	<u>Italy</u>	*	110	<u>Oman</u>	9	United Arab Emirates
*	15 China Scouts of	3	Ivory Coast	*	34	<u>Pakistan</u>	* 21	<u>United Kingdom</u>
*	36 <u>Colombia</u>	2	Jamaica	*	37	<u>Palestine Auth.</u>	* 118	<u>United States</u>
2	Comoros	* 50	Japan		5	Panama	6	Uruguay
1	Congo	4	Jordan		6	Paraguay	* 28	<u>Venezuela</u>
*	24 Costa Rica	3	Kenya		11	Peru	* 55	<u>World Bureau 9M4S</u>
*	5 Croatia	* 23	Korea	*	25	Philippines	4	Yemen
*	34 <u>Curacao</u>	5	Kuwait	*	56	<u>Poland</u>	1	Zambia
14	Cyprus	2	Latvia	*	55	<u>Portugal</u>	1	Zimbabwe

The number of other countries that were contacted is shown in front of a country's name.

* indicates that a National JOTA-JOTI Report was received and presented in this World JOTA-JOTI Report.

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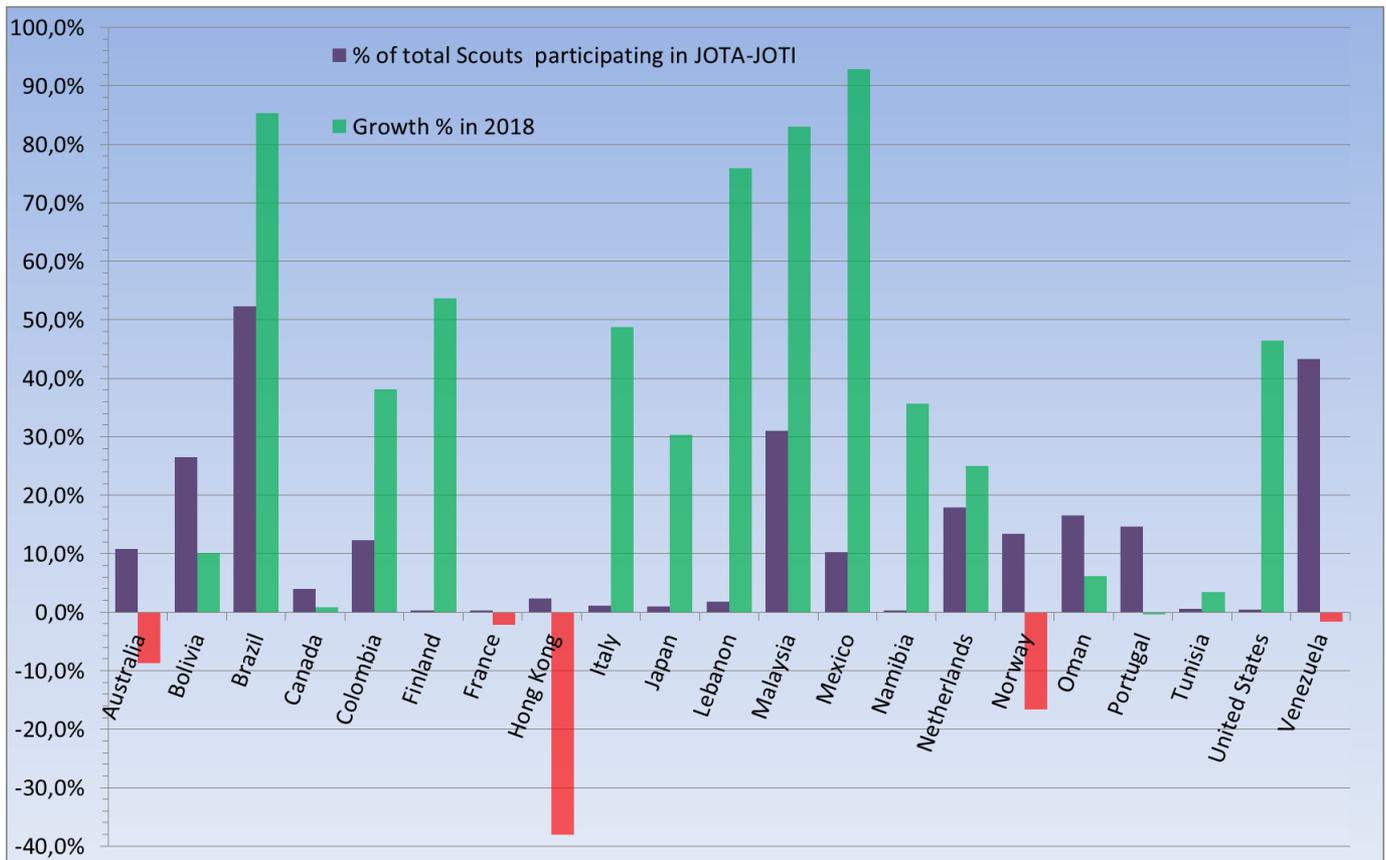
Let's have a look at what percentage of Scouts in a country actually participates in the JOTA-JOTI event. This is what we see from the reports of the National JOTA-JOTI Coordinators:



Percentage of all Scouts in a given country that took part in the JOTA-JOTI. (Note: logarithmic scale!)

Based on these, we can see that Australia, Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Costa Rica, Curaçao, Malaysia, Netherlands, Norway, Oman, Portugal and Venezuela rank amongst the countries with the highest participation rate, with over 10 % of all the Scouts in the country.

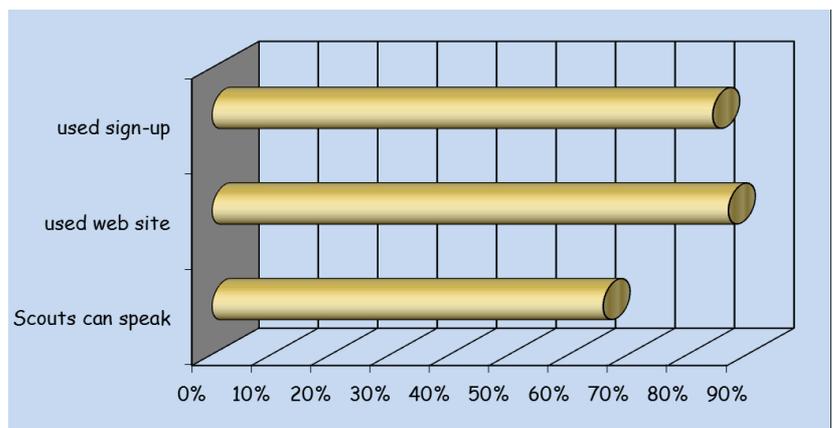
So which countries have involved more participants in JOTA-JOTI in 2018? We present the top ones in the graph below. As you can see, even if you already have good participation in your country, you can still stimulate a large increase (e.g. Brazil and Malaysia). And more growth potential is clearly present in other countries (e.g. Finland, Italy, Japan, Mexico and USA).



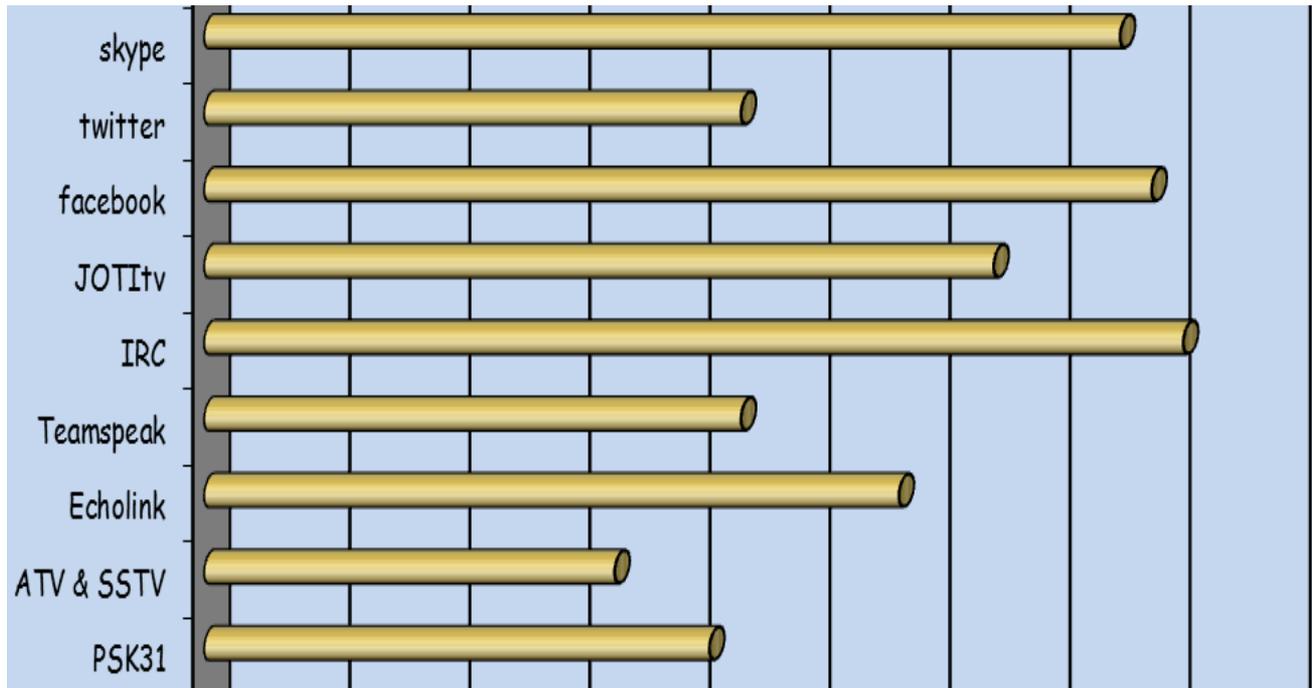
Growth percentage of JOTA-JOTI in 2018 compared to 2017.

Furthermore, we noted from the received National Reports that over 60% of the JOTA-JOTI amateur radio stations are in countries that do allow Scouts to speak themselves directly over the radio station. In fact, legislation is getting more liberal in many countries; it is not really a limitation anymore if Scouts do not hold a radio-license, as long as one licensed person is available at the station, they can operate the radio's themselves.

The JOTA-JOTI event web site was consulted by 85% of the National JOTA-JOTI Coordinators. Over 80% also used the new sign-up system on the event web site. For the first time, we had all features working as intended. At regular intervals, we could also provide National JOTA-JOTI Coordinators with details of the signed-up groups in their countries. And present an overview of all groups on an electronic world map. This really gave a nice impression of how wide-spread the event is.



IRC chat on ScoutLink and phone conversations on amateur radio remain the two most popular modes for JOTA-JOTI. Followed by Skype and Facebook use. Echolink, Teamspeak and JOTI-radio and -tv are growing media. Slow-Scan TeleVision (SSTV) was used a lot more this year. SSTV allows Scouts to transmit pictures over very long distances, using short-wave radio transmitters.



Different modes used during JOTA-JOTI 2018.

Which brings us to the actual participation numbers. The numbers are calculated based on the received National JOTA-JOTI Reports and the membership numbers of each National Scout Organization.

"Are all these numbers exactly accurate?", are we often asked. "They are as accurate as we can possibly get them", is the answer. Some countries have more accurate ways to count their participation than others, who can give us a good estimate. Several countries do not send any report, so we calculate (or rather estimate) their participation numbers, based on statistics from the others. So, there is some margin in the numbers. What we can say is that the participation was 12 % higher than last year. We reached an all-time high in participants this year; a good step towards reaching our target to increase the participation and spread JOTA-JOTI over a wider audience in World Scouting. After all, we would like as many Scouts as possible to enjoy this Travel-Free Jamboree.

Youth	1,534,266
Adults	303,079
Total Participants	1,837,345
Locations	27,133
Radio Amateurs	18,561
Visitors	54,633
Active Countries	144
Average Participants per Location	68
JOTA-JOTI	68

Event Insight

How has the event developed in the past and what can we learn from that for the future?

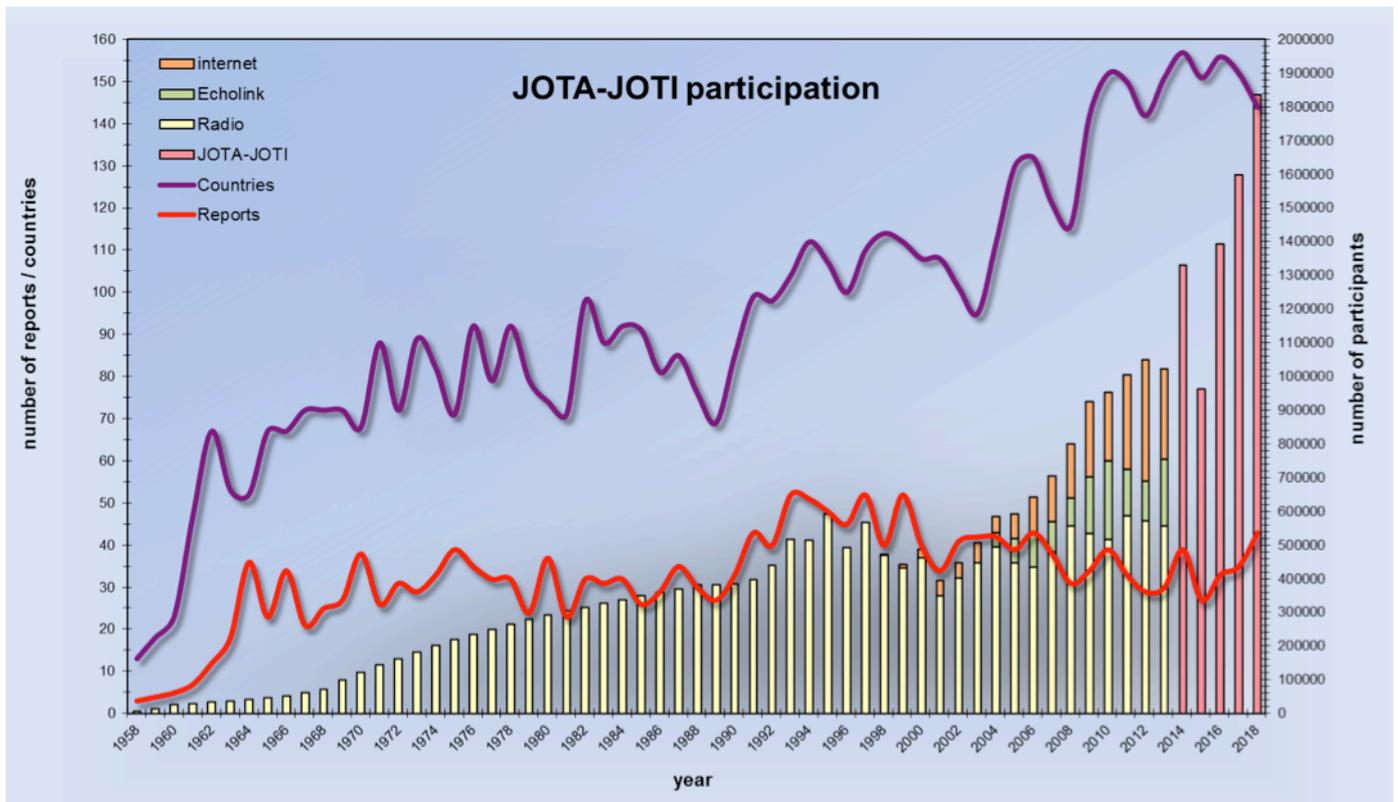
JOTA-JOTI is one joint event since 2013. The way that JOTI participation was reported in the past, however, differs from the JOTA statistics. Based on the data that we have on previous years, we have interpolated the numbers to complete the trend lines of the past decades.

To get a feeling for the growth potential of the JOTA-JOTI event, we present the full overview of the available data from the World Scout Bureau in the graph below. We see a gradual growing participation from JOTA's inception up to about 1990. At that era, a new World JOTA Organizer took over and drastic shifts on the political map, mainly in Europe, brought many more new Scout organizations into the JOTA event; we see the number of countries grow considerably.

From the onset of the new millennium, the influence of internet is clearly visible. Radio amateurs started to use the Echolink system to make long-distance contacts easier for the Scouts. Whilst

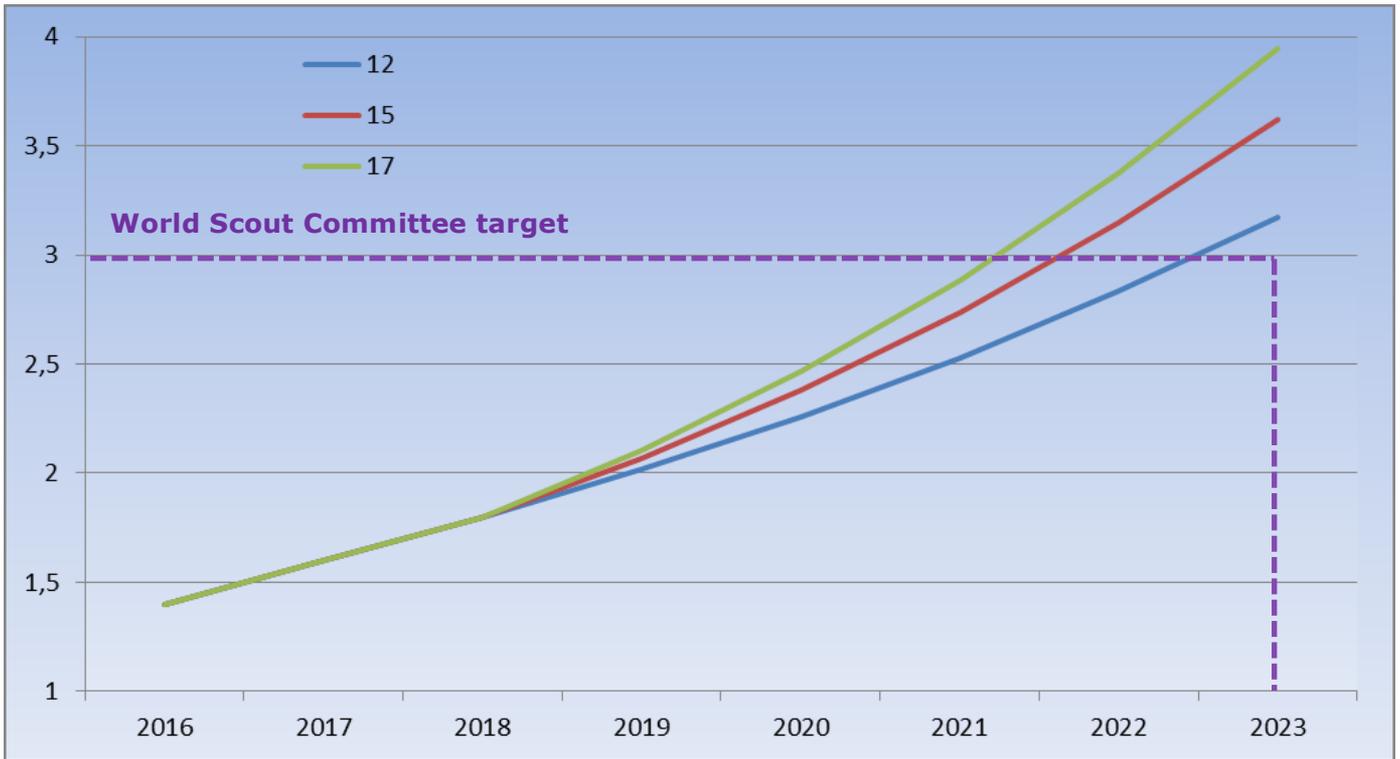
simultaneously, the JOTI was set up and further developed. The JOTI had a separate World JOTI Organizer from 2004 up to 2013. The new world JOTA-JOTI Team comes in place in 2013 and really boosts publicity, promotion and new content for the event. This has its effect on participation numbers, that race from around 1 million up to nearly 2 million.

As you can see in the graph, there was a dip in 2015. At the time, we had a registration system in place on the WOSM webserver scout.org that decided to become dysfunctional and simply stopped working on the Saturday morning of the JOTA-JOTI weekend. A slight drop in the number of received National Reports, didn't help either that year. Hence this large dip in participation statistics. We could have extrapolated the numbers manually, but that would be more guess work rather than calculations, so this is what we have.



JOTA-JOTI participants in different modes, countries taking part and received National reports.

From 2016 onwards, we're happy to see the numbers where we expected them, displaying a steady growth of around 14 % annually. Assuming the growth numbers can be sustained, or even improved, with the help of the National Coordinators and JOTA-JOTI Ambassadors, we can safely predict that the event will meet the target set by the World Scout Committee:

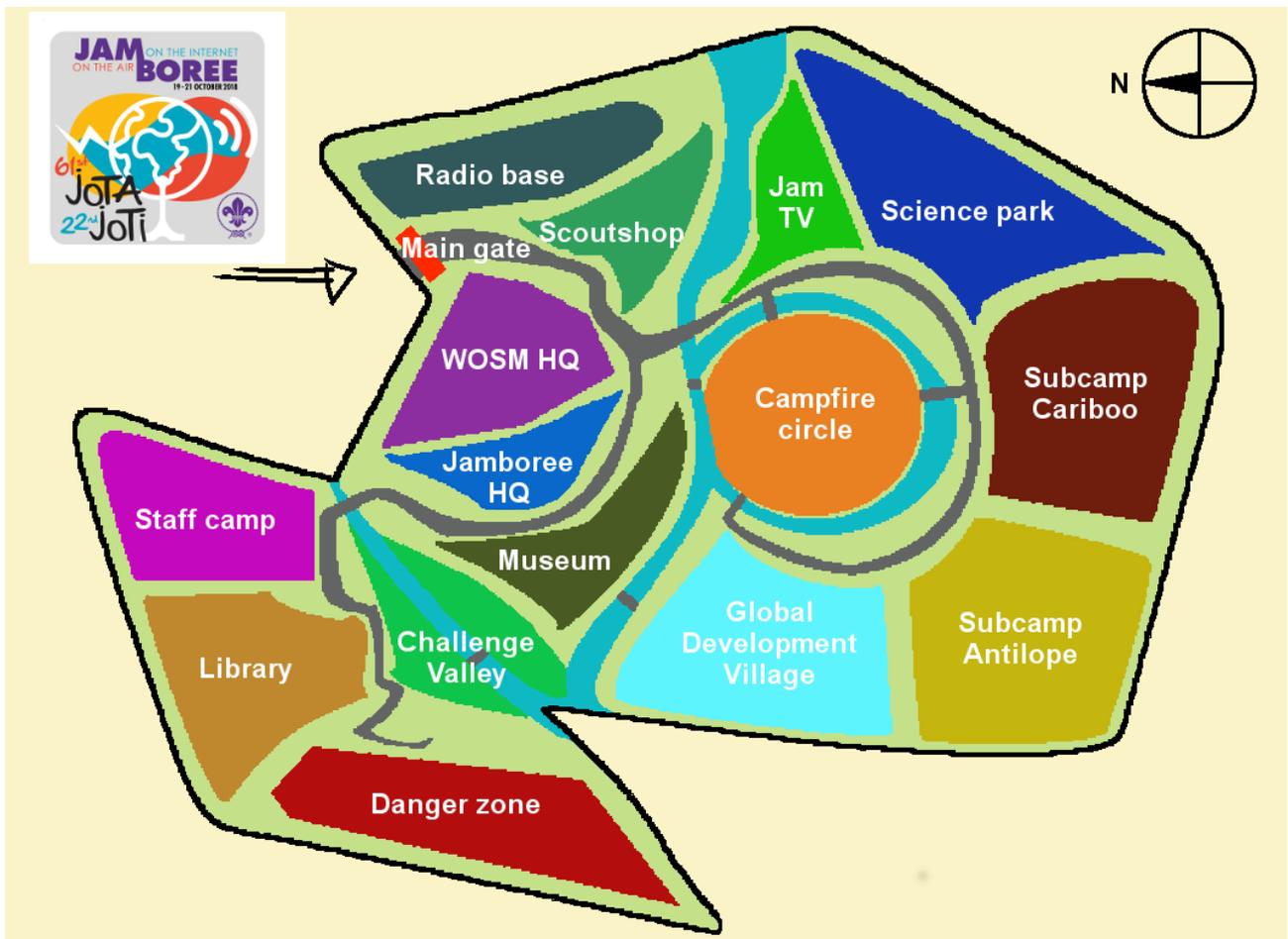


JOTA-JOTI participation prediction in millions, for a growth percentage of 12, 15 or 17% for the coming years.



The JOTA-JOTI Camp site

The event web site hosted a real World Scout Jamboree map, to present the participants the international atmosphere, just like being all together at one campsite. The idea was launched by the World Scout Bureau staff and implemented on the web site by the World JOTA-JOTI Team. Scouts could explore different activities, many illustrated with on-line video's. With a check-in and a real [Participant Handbook](#) for this Travel-Free Jamboree.



What could you find on the campsite?

Main gate

Check in at the Jamboree registration system, get your JID code and your participant handbook.

Scout Shop

Wonderful, a shop where you do not have to stand in line to wait for your turn. And it is open 24 hours! This is the place to buy your JOTA-JOTI badges and electronic building kits to solder with your Scouts.

Jam TV

Listen to Jamboree radio broadcasts with special JOTA-JOTI programmes and live interviews. Watch Scout TV broadcasts from around the globe. And join the video chat system to contact other Scouts worldwide with live video.

Campfire Circle

Take part in our interactive programmes, learn from inspiring campfire talks by renowned Scout leaders, sing a song and get together with other Scouts at our Digital Campfire meeting place.

Staff Camp

Find further guidance for troop leaders, get the overview of all activities, check the actual events calendar for the latest additions and upload your own events to invite other Scouts.

Global Development Village (GDV)

Through GDV module activities, you will learn about what you can do in your daily lives to help tackle various global issues. You will learn about what the United Nations and NGOs are doing around the world to deal with these issues. Sharing ideas among Scouts worldwide on how to create a better world will trigger "Innovation", which will help resolve global issues.

The JOTA-JOTI selected theme for 2018 is Life on Land — United Nations Sustainable Development Goal 15. It is defined as: Protect, restore, and promote sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems, sustainably manage forests, combat desertification, and halt and reverse land degradation and halt biodiversity loss.

The GDV offers the full programme package made available by the United Nations.

And....don't miss it, the ECO-Badge Challenge!

Science Park

The Science park activities stimulate your understanding of science. You will enrich your knowledge of the technologies underpinning contemporary societies through a number of experiments. And you will learn about the innovative technologies or technological ecosystems that are enriching people's lives, and moreover, have the potential to help us achieve a balance between the environment and humankind on our planet. The experience of breakthrough technology will inspire Scouts to pursue innovation.

Radio Base

Amateur radio is used to contact other Scouts around the world by a variety of methods. You can experience here the magic of connecting stations in a "wireless" way with simple means. And be amazed by radio contacts into space and even to the Moon and back. Have you practiced your Morse code yet? For this area you need the help of a licensed radio amateur. Need help to find one? Ask the Jamboree Headquarters.

Museum

In 2018 we are at the 61st Jamboree On The Air. The event has quite a history. The museum lets you explore it in great detail.

Exchanging badges is one of fun activities in Scouting. Make sure to exchange not only badges, but also friendship. You may prepare an electronic badge and swap it with another group by radio. How? Stop by and try the JOTA-JOTI official badge swap area.

Subcamps Cariboo and Antelope

Here is where your Scouts are camping. The JOTA-JOTI Internet Cafe is available all weekend in the subcamps. It offers all activities for which you need an internet connection, as well as the social media channels. The main Game Zone offers different educational games and plays from all over the world. You will also find the famous JamPuz here, the JOTA-JOTI bingo game. Do you have your JID code yet?

Challenge Valley

Looking for a challenge (or more) to do with your Scouts? This is the place to be. There are several different categories of JOTA-JOTI challenges, some easy, others more difficult. Try them all and have fun.

Danger Zone

Only for Scouts trained in Emergency Preparedness. Here you can display your skills how to handle in an emergency situation. What do you do when all communication channels fail? Scouts are very often amongst the first responders in any unforeseen situation. This campsite zone offers a realistic situation to learn new techniques and discover ways to solve problems. It helps Scouts to "Be Prepared".

Library

Want to get away from the busy places for a while? Enter the cool JOTA-JOTI library; a great place to find inspirational stories of previous JOTA-JOTI's (we have all reports from 1958 and beyond), discover Tips & Tricks for your programmes, read the stories of conferences and meetings of JOTA-JOTI organizers and take time to study the famous J-code.

Jamboree HQ

Meet the JOTA-JOTI organizers from your country and the world. Learn more about JOTA-JOTI world-wide. Sit down and relax in our on-line cinema to enjoy the show of JOTA-JOTI around the globe. If you have any questions on the JOTA-JOTI event or need help, this is the place to go.

And while you are there, check the actual events calendar for the latest additions and upload your own events.

WOSM HQ

Explore all exciting activities offered by the World Organization of the Scout Movement. Pick up the programme leaflets or download the complete information to use with your Scout troop. Ask questions to the WOSM programme leaders and get new inspirations.

Some programmes and suggestions are especially designed for younger Scouts. They are marked at the respective areas with the Wolf Cub symbol.

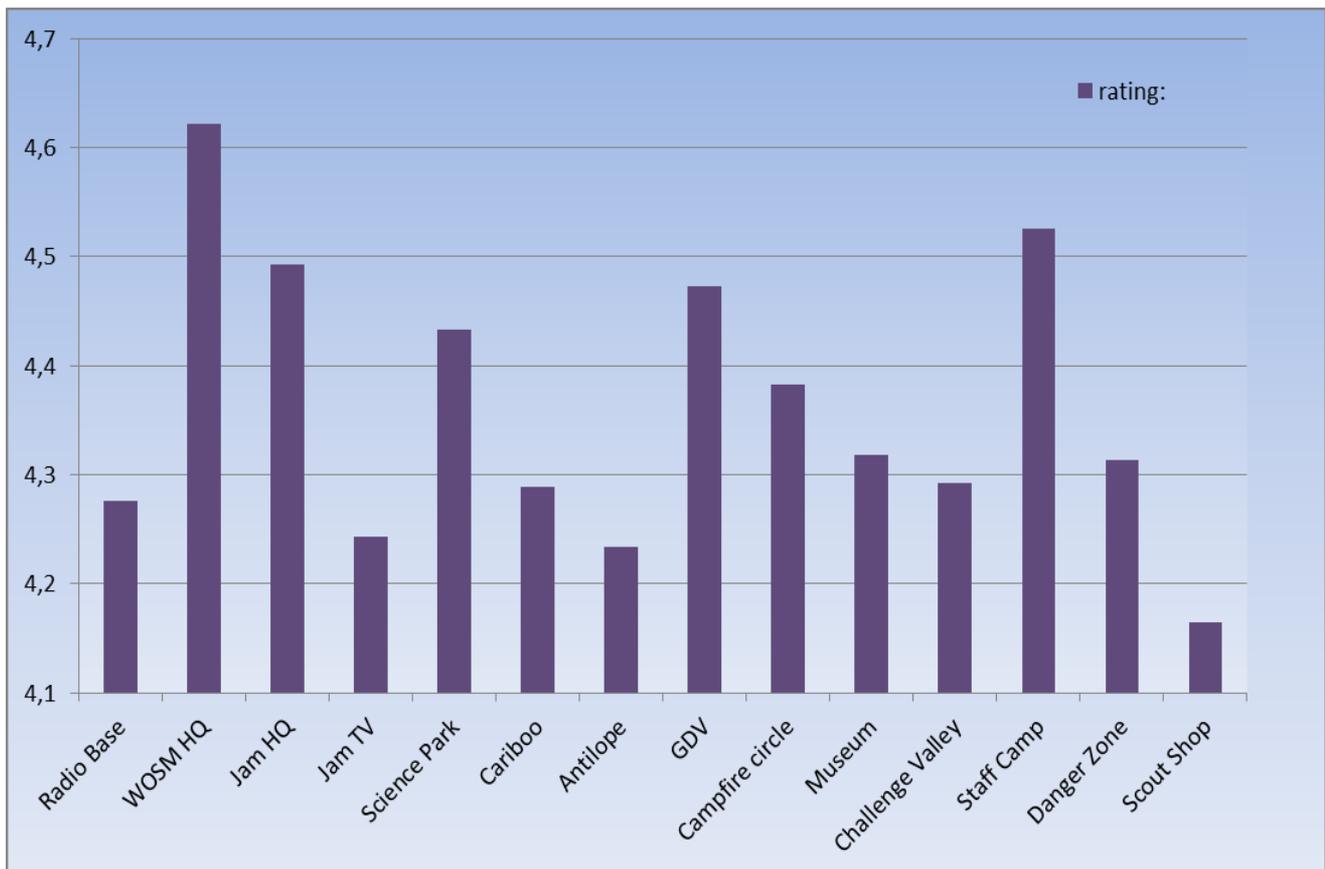


We asked campsite visitors to value the sub camps on a scale of 1 (needs improvement) to 5 (excellent). The graph below shows their ratings.

Clearly, the idea was appreciated by the JOTA-JOTI participants who visited the campsite. Only small differences between the areas exist. And we received a rating between "good" and "excellent" from all visitors.

From the report comments, we learned that, in particular, visitors appreciated the extra programmes for Cub Scouts that were offered. And some discovered to their surprise, the hidden features when they tried to get into the water on the camp site....

At the time of writing this report, the JOTA-JOTI campsite is still available on the web at www.world-jotajoti.info to explore and prepare your activities for JOTA-JOTI 2019.



Our new sign-up system

The new sign-up system was implemented this year on the JOTA-JOTI event web site and no longer on the main WOSM site scout.org. This had the advantage that the World JOTA-JOTI Team could easier manage and handle the data and make it available to National Coordinators. And we did not experience any malfunctions like in previous years with the WOSM web site. Scout groups did not need to make a scout.org account first either. The latter made it easier, in particular, for WAGGGS girl-guide units to participate as well; we saw an increase in WAGGGS participants from below 3 % in 2017 to 5.6 % this time, where the majority comes from Australia.

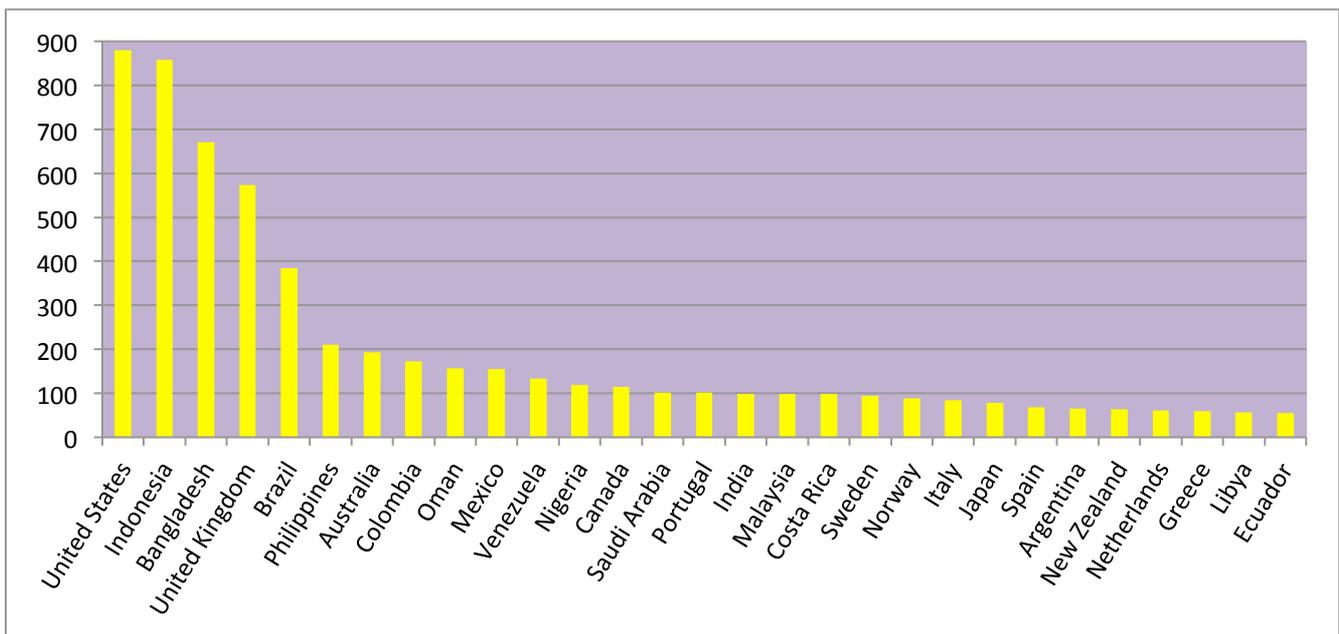
The new system also allowed us to present the locations of the participating groups on a large world map. An interactive map that groups could zoom in to

and click on each participating group to find their contact details. This presented a view of how wide-spread JOTA-JOTI participation really is.

The World JOTA-JOTI Team is now also able to extract participation overviews per country and region and we present some of those throughout this report, to give you an improved insight into the event.

The 30 countries with the highest number of Scout groups signed up, are shown in the graph below.

The new system also facilitated a report module, where groups could leave us their exciting weekend stories and pictures. We received no less than 1298 contributions in this way, that were made available to the respective National Coordinators.



The 30 countries with the highest number of groups signed up for the JOTA-JOTI 2018.

Per region

In this section, we take you to each of the WOSM Regions. We will show where the JOTA-JOTI stations are on the map and look at which countries are most active, and how the event has developed over the years.

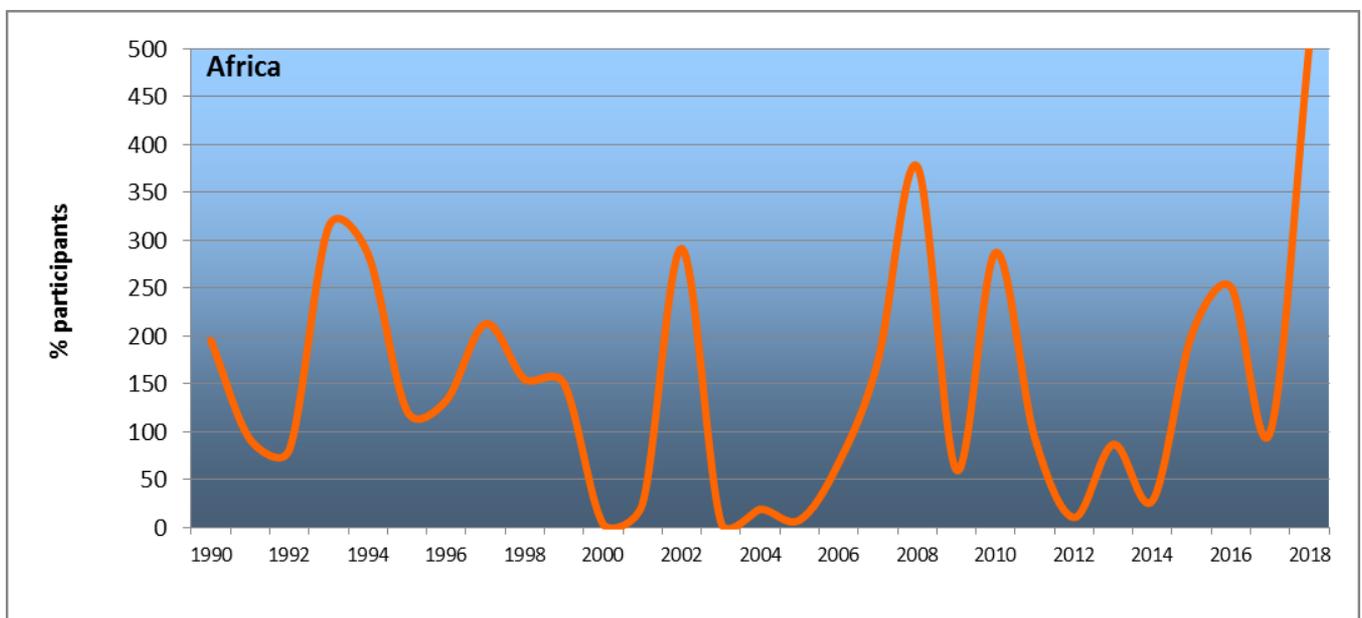
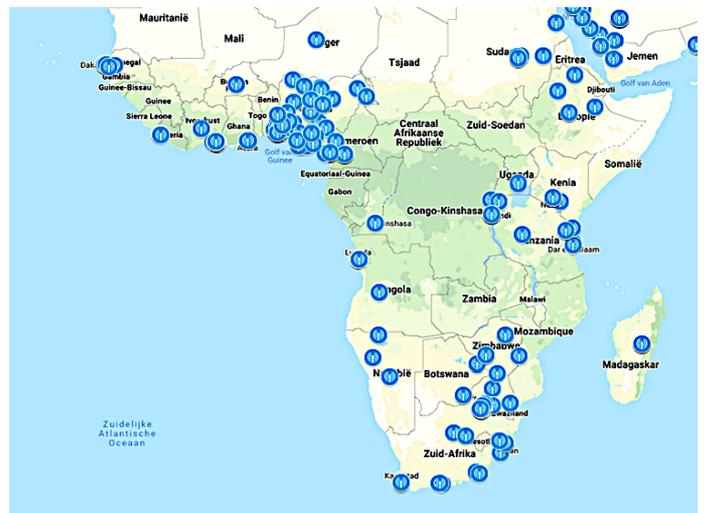
This info is only based on the reports that the National JOTA-JOTI Coordinators in the Region have kindly sent us. These can differ slightly from the total participation in the Region, as not all countries send reports each year. The number of received reports varies quite a bit per country and Region. So variations occur from one year to the next.

The year **2017** has been taken as the **100%** mark and other years are measured against the participation level of 2017. This makes it easier to see future growth relative to 2017 when the World Scout Committee gave us the growth target.



Africa

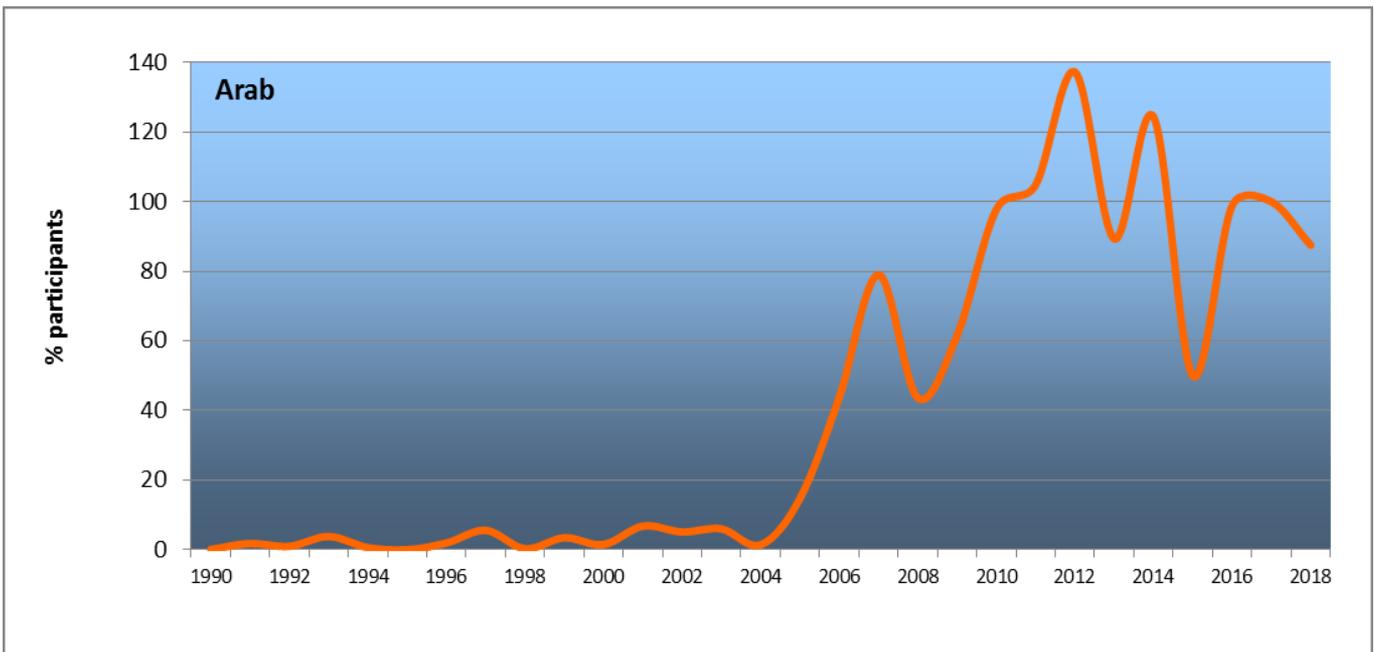
Participation shows large variations but the average is currently about the same as the initial numbers in 1990. Main drivers are Madagascar, South-Africa, Nigeria and Tanzania. Up a staggering 406 % compared to 2017.



Arab

Until 2004 any JOTA-JOTI participation in the Arab Region was rather small. A large boost to the event was given by Oman, followed by other countries in

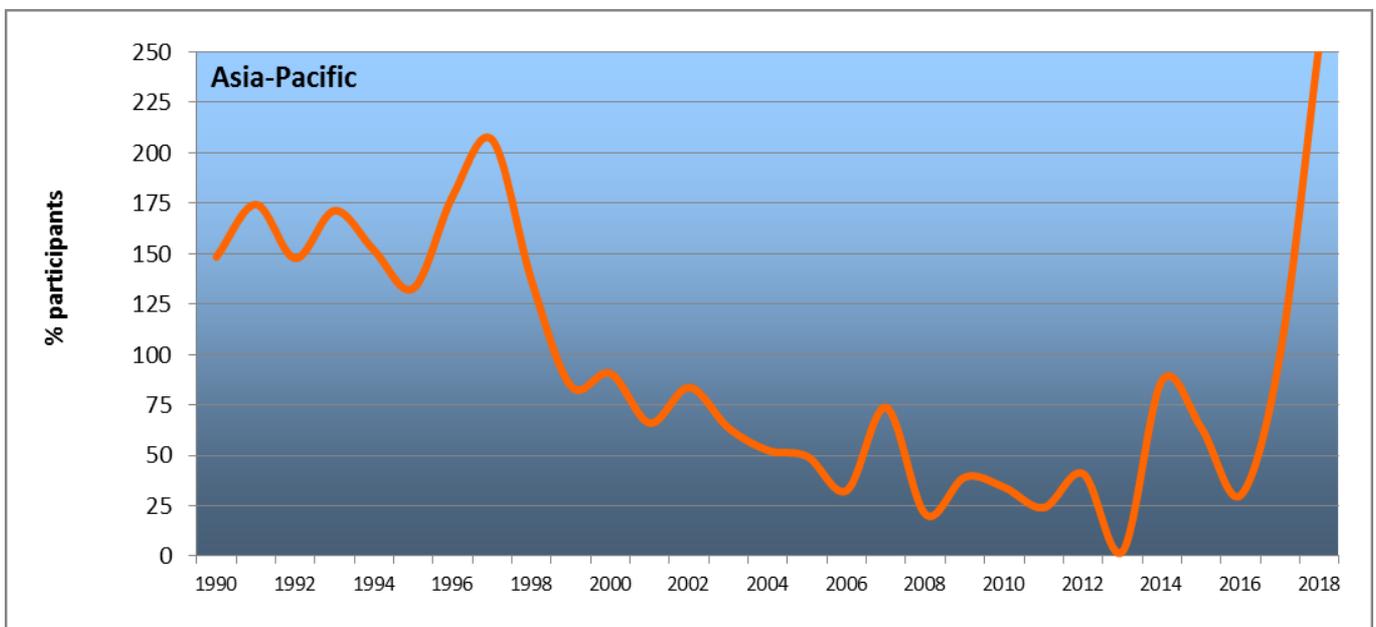
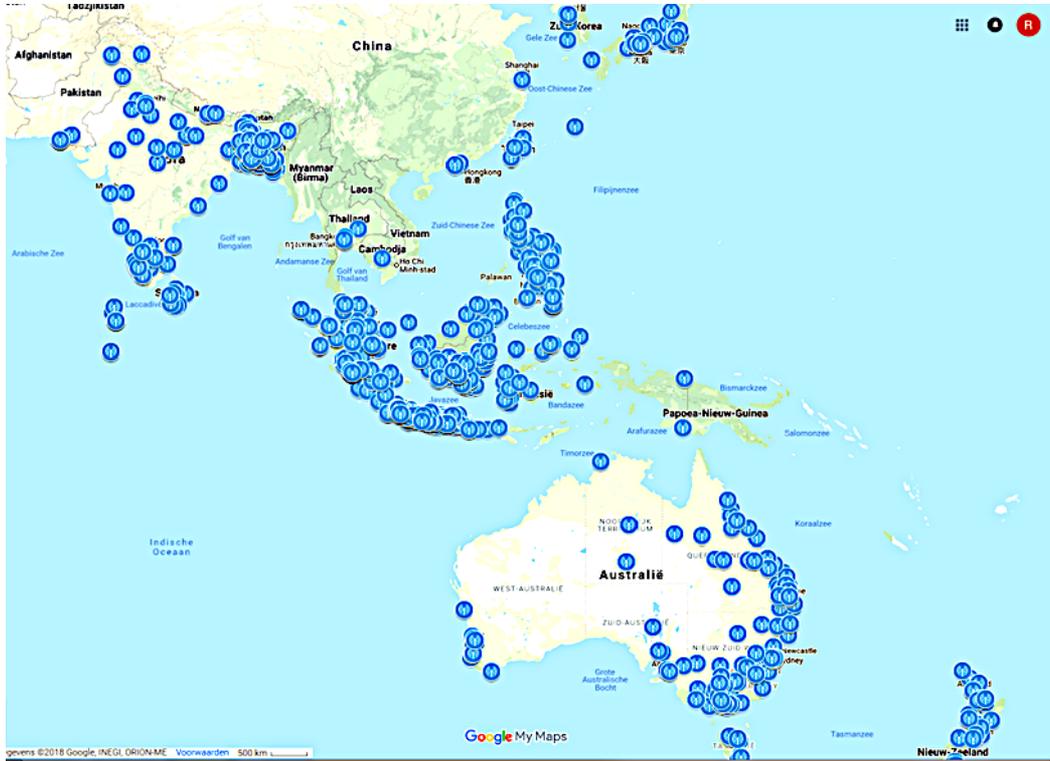
the Region, mainly Tunisia. And with active involvement of the Regional Office in Cairo. Slightly down 13 % compared to 2017.



Asia-Pacific

The Region started their own JOTA-JOTI event in 1999, scheduled 6 week prior to the world-wide event. This declined their participation in the world-wide event considerably. The Regional event has

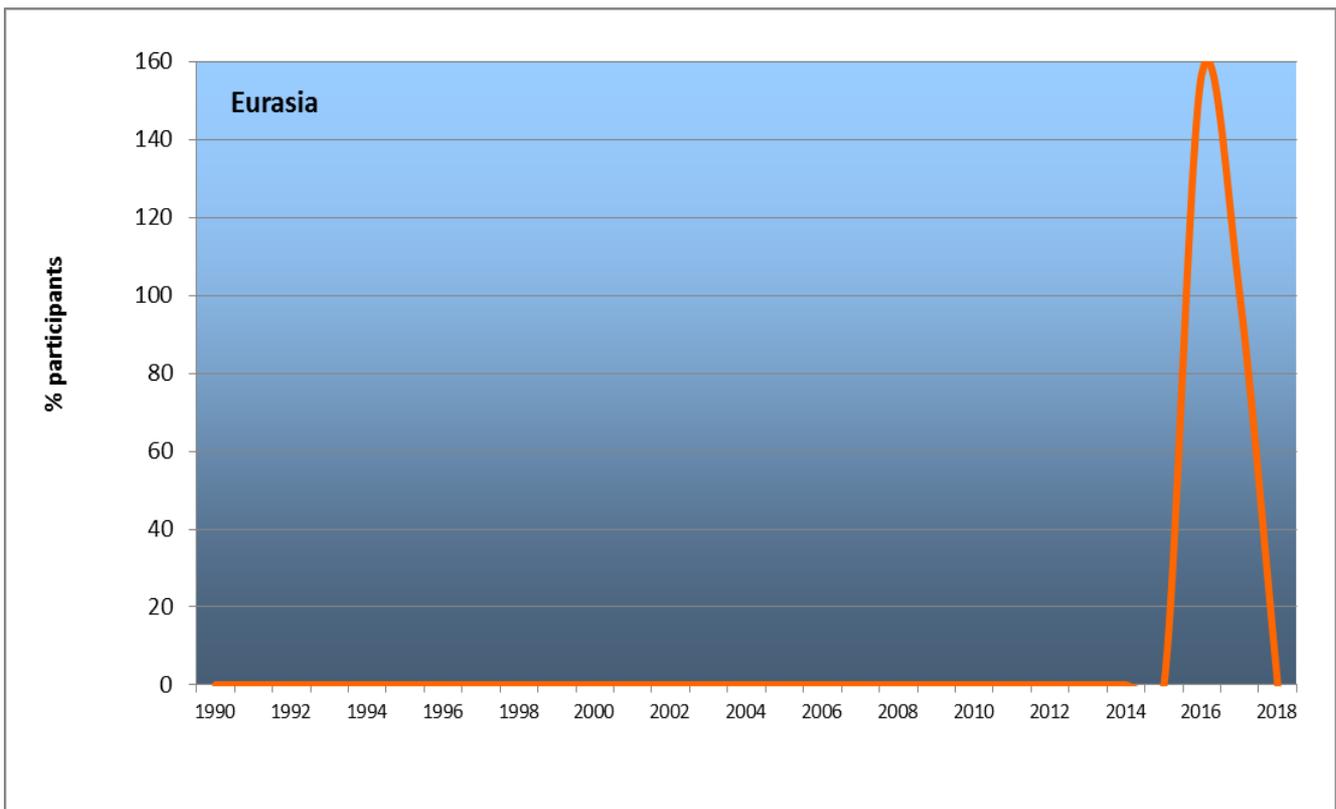
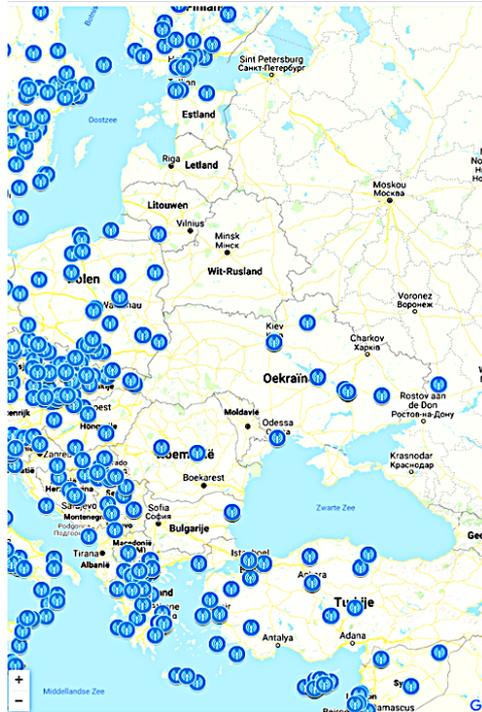
stopped in 2012 and numbers come back up since. Main drivers are Australia, Malaysia and Japan. Up a remarkable 155 % compared to 2017.



Eurasia

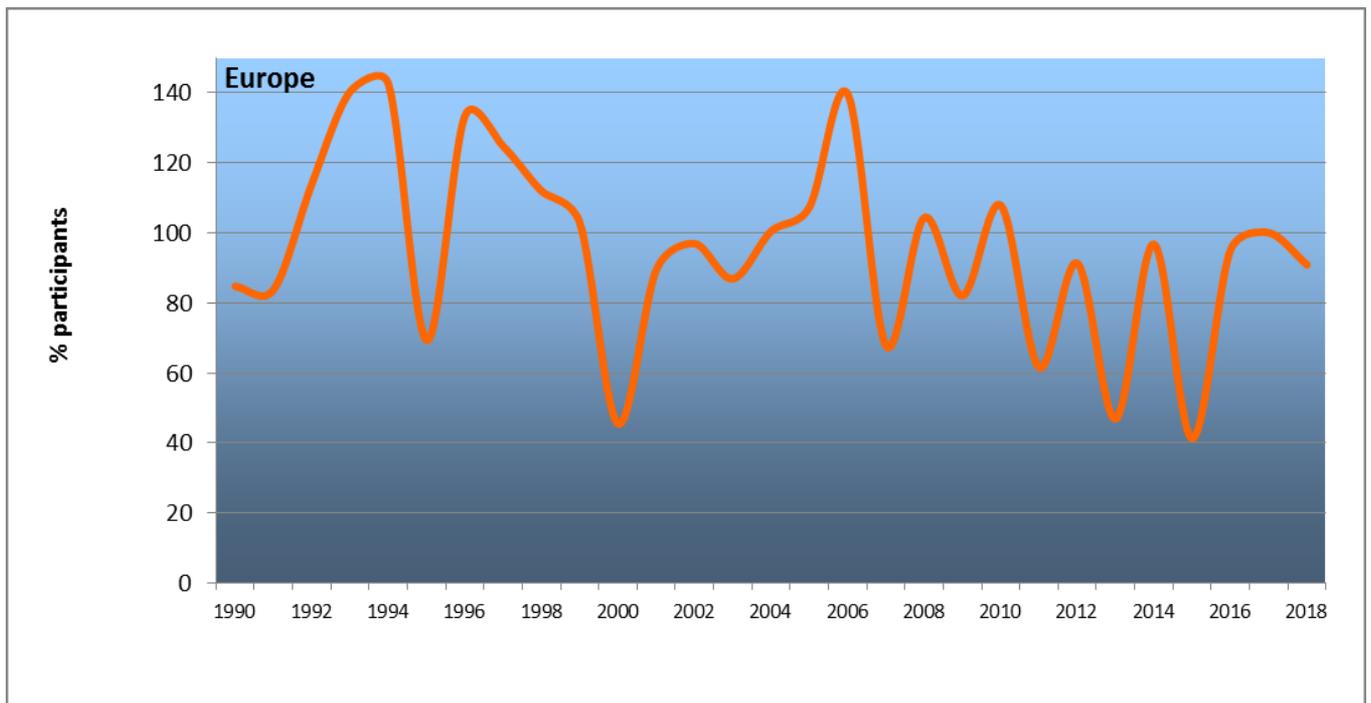
Participation numbers come from Ukraine only. Some scattered participation has been reported earlier in

the Russian Federation, but not substantiated with any numbers. No reports in 2018.



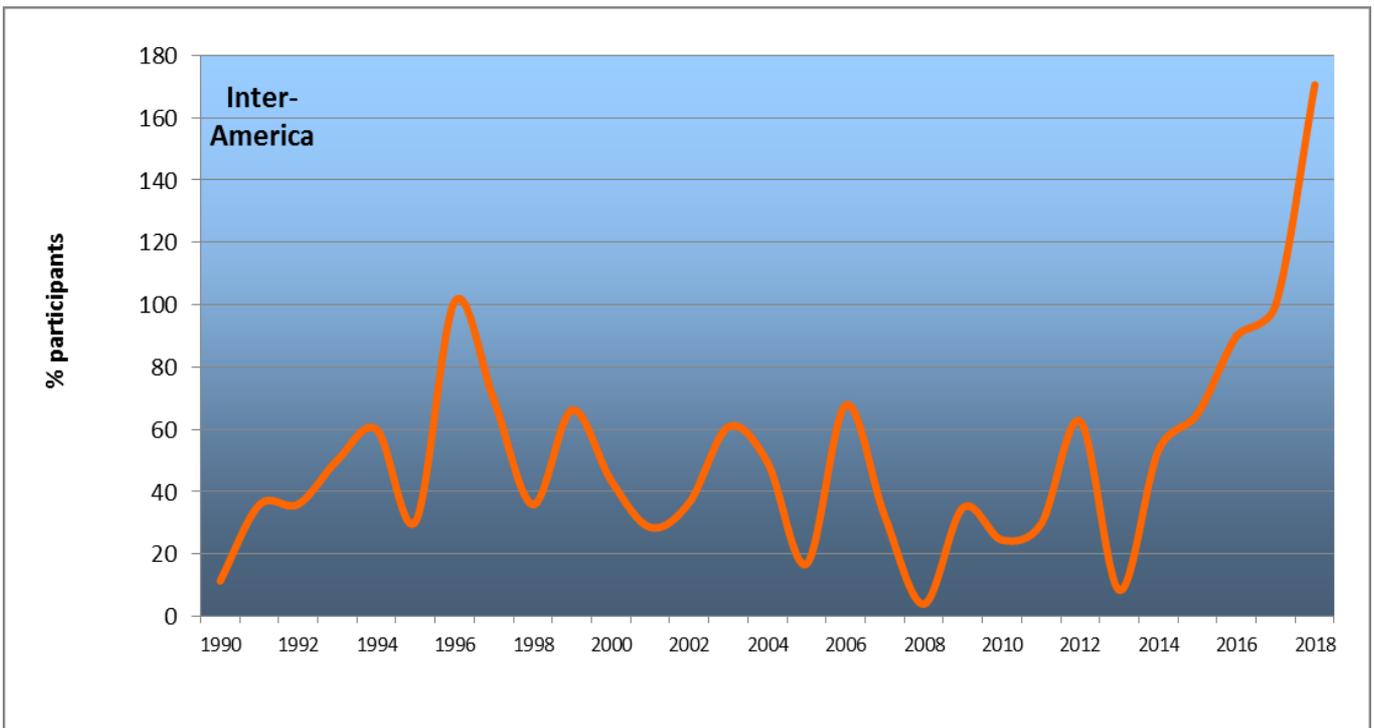
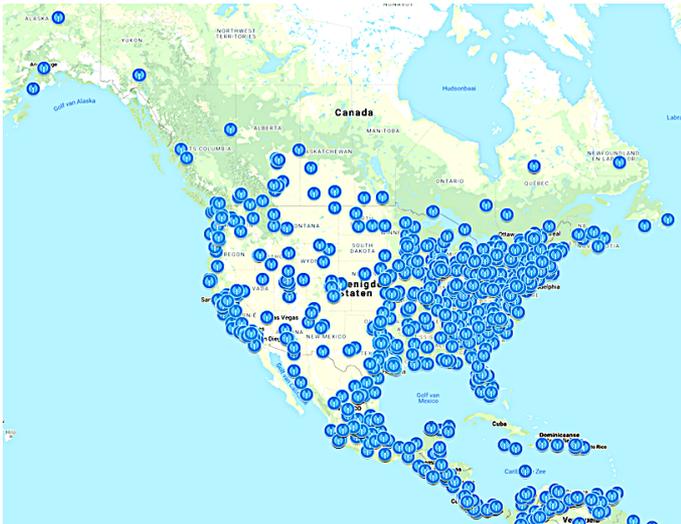
Europe

We see a slow decline in participation with large variations. Main drivers are Netherlands, Portugal and United Kingdom. A bit down 9 % compared to 2017.



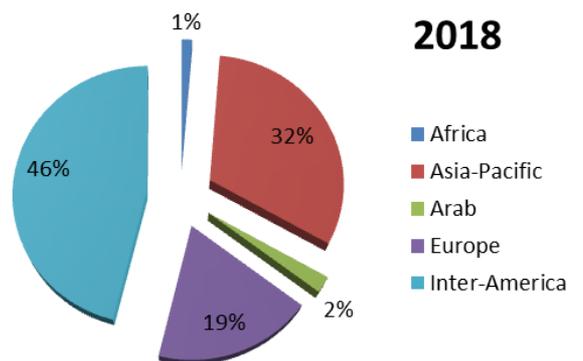
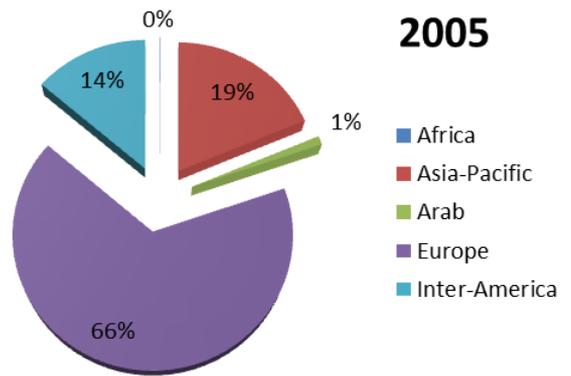
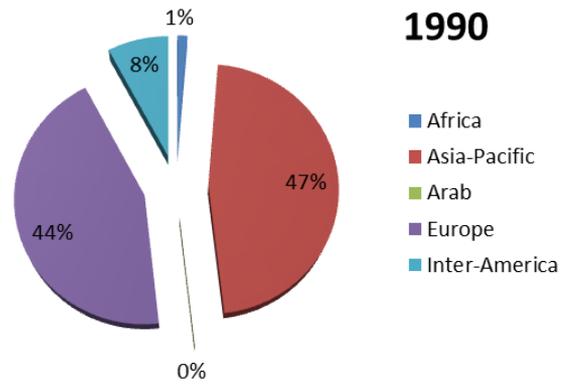
Inter-America

Participation shows large variations but sees a considerable increase in the recent years. Main drivers are USA, Brazil, Canada and Mexico. Up an impressive 71 % compared to 2017.



We can also conclude that JOTA-JOTI participation has shifted over time between the WOSM Regions, as illustrated in the pie graphs here. The Inter-America Region contribution has grown considerably and Asia-Pacific is working on a come-back.

The World Scout Bureau archives have all the participation numbers and details available for all WOSM countries from 1990 and beyond. National JOTA-JOTI Coordinators can request the info if this is helpful for estimating the JOTA-JOTI growth potential in their country.



JamPuz

JamPuz remains a key element of the JOTA-JOTI weekend. Thousands of those taking part in JOTA-JOTI also exchanged the JamPuz codes during their JOTA-JOTI weekend. It was clear to hear over the airwaves and see across the internet that a significant proportion of JOTA-JOTI participants took part in JamPuz.

Each location operating JOTA-JOTI used a unique code (known as a 'JID'). The code identified the country and WOSM Region of the group. When making contact with other JOTA-JOTI participants the groups swapped their 'JID' code. The codes are then recorded on sheets downloaded from the event website. Part of the challenge is then to collect codes from a variety of countries and regions as well as randomly allocated numbers and letters.



There were some changes to the way we managed the sign-up / registration system for JOTA-JOTI 2018, which meant those completing the process near (or during) the event created their own JamPuz code rather than being allocated one (the codes created were of the same format as those allocated). At the time of preparing this report, a decision has not been made on the process for issuing JIDs for 2019.

Each year we stress that JamPuz is about conversations not just contacts. We hope that the contact made will lead to a conversation between participants. All too often, however, that exchange is a very brief "JID please" that abruptly ends when the codes have been exchanged. We encourage adults leading JOTA-JOTI locations to discourage this practice, and to impress on the Scouts and Guides that *JamPuz is about conversation, not just contacts.*

Following feedback from the 2018 JamPuz, for 2019 we added some extra 'bingo' cards and also provided a 'Word' document for groups to record their own JID. From the many photographs we have seen online from JOTA-JOTI 2018 it is clear that these small changes were well received.

A JamPuz Participation Certificate was made available through the event website. Over 1,100 locations provided us with feedback on JamPuz 2018 to help us develop and improve this key element of the JOTA-JOTI weekend. Thank you to those that took the time and effort to provide their feedback.

As part of collating feedback on JamPuz 2018, we asked groups to describe JamPuz 2018 in one word. This is what we were told:



From the web

The JOTA-JOTI support materials and systems are all online. That includes instructions on how to participate, insight into games/activities, and social media — all to help Scouts connect with one another. Here are the key statistics from the weekend.

World-JOTAJOTI.info Website

Pageviews measured by Google Analytics the full week of the event: Tuesday to the following Monday (seven full days).

Page	2018	2017	% Difference
Total Website	422,185	267,011	58% Δ
Home Page	55,232	60,436	-9%
Jamboree Map	50,886		New
Join JOTA-JOTI	41,580		New
Sign Up Page	31,261	47,598	-34%
Signed Up/Registered	22,239	8,917	149% Δ
Participants Guide	13,176	850	1450% Δ
ScoutLink	10,818	6,447	68% Δ
JamPuz	10,466	9,387	11%

Δ large differences

JOTA-JOTI Social Media

Facebook measures are from Friday through Sunday. Twitter measures are over the month of October.

	2018	2017	% Difference
Facebook Total Reach	74,669	90,895	-18%
Facebook Likes	31,856	28,478	12%
Tweet Impressions	112,000	104,000	8%
Twitter Profile Visits	12,500	13,900	-10%

On the website traffic the big differences appear to be the fact that these links were the only ones available on the home page. All other pages needed to be found by navigating through the Travel-Free Jamboree interface.

JOTA-JOTI Trusted Partners

The JOTA-JOTI Trusted Partners for 2018 were: ScoutLink, JOTI.tv, JOTI Radio, and Service Kring JOTA-JOTI.

Service Kring JOTA-JOTI

This year the Service Kring JOTA-JOTI celebrated its 10 year anniversary. We started our activities in the Netherlands in 2008. First our efforts were aimed at producing cheap electronic building kits (non-profit basis!) for the Netherlands. The kits are intended to motivate youngsters to explore the wonderful world of technology.

Every year a new kit is developed and produced. Each kit is unique in its own way, but all kits have in common that they can be built without any prior experience and can be used for further (technological) activities. The kits consist of a high quality printed circuit board and components from reliable sources, so 100% success is guaranteed.

After 10 years the Service Kring JOTA-JOTI is still working on a non-profit basis, while the kits are still challenging and fun to build and use.



Electronic building kits

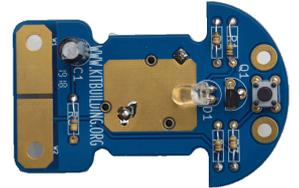
While some find a lot of joy in “big” building kits, others are looking for a kit for a short activity. In 2018 we produced multiple kits, one kit was the Lantern. An easy and quick to build kit, which only costs €2,-. Still this simple kit allows you to do a number of technological experiments. Ideas for these experiments can be found on our website.



Especially for the young Scouts some adult guidance is necessary. An extensive manual containing tips and tricks is available for each of our kits.

Most kits are produced only once in large quantity. Some kits, like the Lantern and Signal-finder are very popular and are still produced on regular basis.

Other kits like the Claplight, was especially designed for the World Scout MOOT in 2017. This kit proved to be very popular and became one of the kits for the 2018 JOTA-JOTI.



The Dutch Scouting JOTA-JOTI organisation choose their own theme, “Expedition Cosmos”. To support the theme we also had a kit we called “The Space Cruiser”. This kit was easy to construct and low in price, it sold out weeks before the JOTA-JOTI(!).

Besides the kits, badges and nametags, we organized a Funcube Satellite Challenge as well.

Although the challenge was organized just in time (the satellite had to be programmed!) a number of groups worldwide participated. Due to their enthusiastic reactions we are aiming at a new challenge for the JOTA-JOTI 2019.



Trusted partner

This year we were recognised as Trusted Partner of the world JOTA-JOTI organisation. Luckily all our publications are available in three languages, and we welcomed the international attention.

The kits are sent out around the world by our volunteers. At this moment 23% of our products is shipped abroad!



Our trusted partnership has helped to reach Scouts worldwide and give them the joy playing with technology!

Special JOTA-JOTI Locations

World Scout Bureau, Global support centre, Kuala Lumpur (9M4S)

The World Scout Bureau moved its permanent amateur radio station 9M4S this JOTA-JOTI weekend to the Kebangsaan Wangsa Melawati school in Kuala Lumpur. The school kindly hosted the event and received no less than 398 young Scouts from 18 schools in the area at her premises. They were joined by the Chief Scout of Malaysia and staff members of the World Scout Bureau. Run by Malaysian Scout leaders and Rover Scouts, the station was buzzing with activities since the early morning. It was an engaging experience, especially for those taking part in JOTA-JOTI for the first time.

Station manager Zakran Abdul Manan arranged for 20 members of the KL DX team to provide assistance. The KL DX team arrived Friday evening to set up the radio equipment and install the school classrooms with the different workshops.

Impression of the activities at 9M4S, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

9M4S made radio contact with Scouts in 10 different countries. Several in the region close by, but also a number as far away as Germany, Czech Republic and the USA. Scouts in another 17 different countries were contacted over internet channels; Italy, Australia and Mexico were, amongst others, remarkable connections.

The workshops for the Scouts included:

- VHF & HF QSO's, to give the Scouts an experience of using the equipment, to teach proper radio procedures, of QSO on the air, to explain what is radio propagation and how does it affect radio waves;

- Scoutlink, to connect Scouts and Guides from all over the world using IRC/Webchat;
- Semaphore flag signaling, let the scouts have a feel of flag signaling;
- Jigsaw puzzle, to have fun while working in groups to put together the puzzle of past JOTA-JOTI logos;
- Electronic kit, to explain the basic electronic and components and experience how to solder components on a board;
- Morse code, learn what is morse code and train on how to decode it;
- UTC, to explain the different time zones in the world and why these are there;
- Sustainable Development Goals, to expose scouts to the theme Life on Land and give an understanding on how does it affect them and what can they do;
- Exhibition by Malaysian Royal Police, show how do they communicate and what type of equipment they use;

In all, the weekend was a great success. We enjoyed the enthusiasm of the Scouts at the many workshops. We could really offer them a new experience with techniques, and "connecting Scouts together".



World Scout Bureau, Europe support centre, Geneva (LX9S)

The Europe support centre ventured to Luxemburg this year, by invitation of the Luxemburg Scouting Organization. The FNEL hosted the JOTA-JOTI event at their new Headquarters, not far from the centre of the city of Luxemburg. The HQ building is also home to the international Scout group of Luxemburg, *Les Diables Rouges*, who served as the main host team for the weekend and took care of an excellent catering team as well. As a convenient bonus, this meant we had Scouts at the station that could speak multiple languages, varying from Polish, Russian, Spanish, German and English to, of course, Letzeburgish.

For the occasion, station manager Yves Margot, HB9AOF, had united a large team of radio operators from The Netherlands, Luxemburg, Malta and Switzerland, including World JOTA-JOTI Organizer Richard Middelkoop, PA3BAR, to help run the many radio stations. Several board members and the chairman of the Luxemburg amateur radio club were part of the team as well.

Next to the radios that were installed at the Scout HQ, LX9S could use the impressive antenna farm of

LX7I, located 40 km away from Luxemburg city. An internet connection allowed the antenna system to be operated remotely, directly from the Scout station, which gave an enormous boost to long distance contacts.

For the official welcome on the Friday evening, both Luxemburg Scout Associations were represented by their respective chairpersons and international commissioners.

Event manager Frank Bauler had kindly arranged for several Luxemburg Scout groups to visit the station at different moments during the weekend, so each had ample time to do all the different workshops. Each visit started with Frank's introduction to the JOTA-JOTI event and WOSM in general. After which each subgroup could explore several HF radio contacts, the Internet Café, soldering an electronic kit, DMR radio contacts, hunt for JID's with the JamPuz or try their luck at the Morse Code competition. And as a special, a foxhunt in the area which required map-and-compass use as well as locating a fox that was walking around. Several Scout groups camped overnight at the premises, running radio activities till early in the morning.



Gilwell Park, London (GB2GP)

With a team of over 20 operators and staff, including a dedicated catering crew, GB2GP offered an extensive range of activities for over 320 youngsters. The main JOTA station operated three HF stations continuously. This year we ran a new activity, virtual badge swapping by Slowscan TV! This proved to be very popular. But the electronic kit building proved to be the favourite activity, with over 200 audio amplifier kits built over the weekend.

Another very popular activity was the ADS-B aircraft tracking display, helped by the fact that Gilwell Park is on the approach to Heathrow, Stansted and Luton airports on some occasions! The youngsters enjoyed identifying the aircraft flying overhead on the display, then rushing outside to see the aircraft as it passed over the campsite.

Skype proved to be the most popular, with complete groups able to video call each other across the world. Scoutlink again proved to be problematic with control of the content, and will likely be dropped as an activity from the station in the future. One activity we are looking at adding, is the ability to take a remote camera around the station and provide a running commentary in real-time to the groups we contact on Skype, concludes station manager Frank Heritage.



Asia-Pacific Regional Scout Conference, Manila (DX26APR)

On the occasion of the 26th Asia-Pacific Regional Conference, that took place in Manila, Philippines during the JOTA-JOTI weekend, the national amateur radio team set up a radio station directly at the Conference venue.

The opening of the program was transmitted on the 40-metres band. World Scout Committee Chairperson Craig Turpie delivered the welcoming speech. After that, WOSM Secretary-General Ahmad Alhendawi gave his regards on the air. Followed by a transmission from BSP National President Sctr. Wendell Avisado in the BSP National Office. Many conference delegates had an opportunity to visit the station and take part in JOTA-JOTI contacts.

Secretary General Ahmad Alhendawi (left) and Chairman Craig Turpie (right) with the radio team, preparing the opening speech.



JOTA-JOTI around the world

Australia (VK):

The Scout Association of Australia

Scout Participants	6702
Adult Leaders	579
Locations	144
Countries	51

Once again JOTA-JOTI was well supported by Australian Scouts. This year's numbers were down a little, but this was expected as it is a National Jamboree year. Many scouts were focused on their Jamboree preparations.

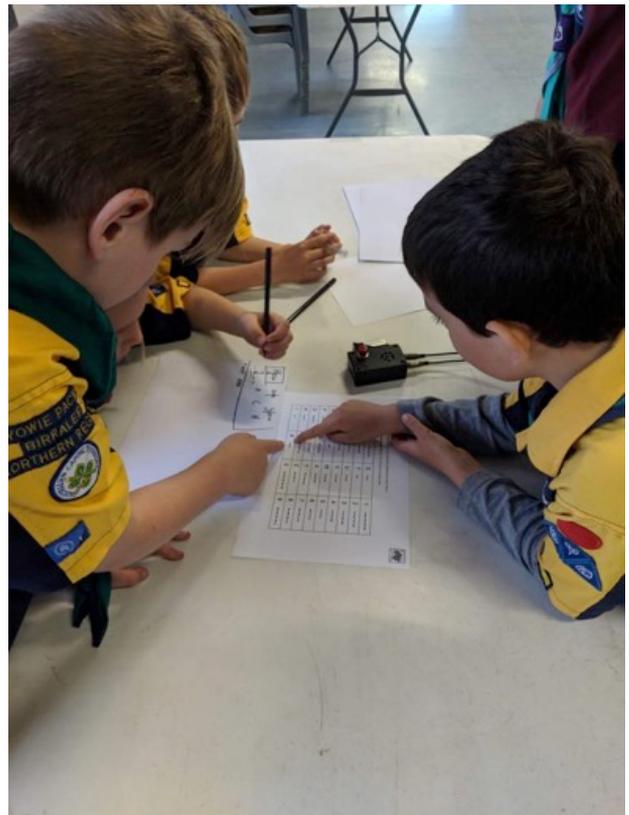
The Chief Scout of Australia His Excellency Governor General the Honourable Sir Peter Cosgrove AK MC (Retd) and the Chief Girl Guide Her Excellency Lady Cosgrove opened the 2018 event with a special address. This opening address was broadcast across Australia on the amateur bands and internet. Their Excellencies reaffirmed this year's theme "Life on Land" and reminded Scouts and Guides how important it is for us to look after our planet and fight climate change.

In the prelude to JOTA-JOTI 2018 a National Badge design competition was run. The winning entry was entered by a Rover from Western Australia who collaborated with her best friend (a Girl Guide) to come up with the great winning design.

Many interesting and varied activities were incorporated into this year's program. A JOTA-JOTI station located in Victoria included a live broadcast on the local community radio station OKR FM 98.3. The broadcast by excited Scouts took place from their JOTA-JOTI station. The activity was a great success creating an exciting experience for the Scouts and positive local publicity.

A station in Sydney reported a chance encounter where two Girl Guides on opposite sides of Australia were chatting using IRC. It turned out that the Guides had shared the same tent at the Guide Jamboree in Sydney less than 2 weeks earlier. The Sydney Guide was overwhelmed by the experience.

Many of these great experiences were repeated throughout the JOTA-JOTI 2018 weekend; illustrating the power of connecting Scouts wherever they may be, forging many memories and friendships.



Bangladesh (S21):

Bangladesh Scouts

Scout Participants	19500
Adult Leaders	500
Locations	70
Countries	11

As in previous years, Bangladesh Scouts promoted JOTA-JOTI which been run at district & regional level, so that participants got opportunity to take part in this occasion from their own chosen locations. In this year, a minimum of 20000 Scouts and Rover Scouts were reported to have participated in the 61st JOTA and 22nd JOTI with 16 radio stations, 47 amateur radio operators and 70 official bases that were active on the Internet.

At each district, Scout and rover team sequentially took part in JOTA-JOTI regular activities and art/poster competition. 5000 QSL card were printed and sent to each district of 13 Scout region of Bangladesh. SDG 15 based programs were also promoted to participants. Scouts had to draw a picture and rovers were instructed to make a poster with SDG theme, 'Life on land'. Everyone who submitted images of their drawing instantly received their electronic certificate from the official JOTA-JOTI link of Bangladesh scouts.

Under the guidance of current President Mr. Abul Kalam Azad, Chief National Commissioner Dr. Md. Mozammel Haque Khan and National Commissioner (Special events) Mr. Md. Mofazzel Hossain of Bangladesh Scouts, JOTA-JOTI event was held in Bangladesh. A pre-Jamboree orientation program was also taking place in the NHQ with participants represented from each district of Bangladesh Scouts. Both managerial and practical aspects were discussed in that course which eventually helped us to organize this event successfully all over Bangladesh.

On behalf of department of special events, we officially thank everyone who helped us to make this event a real success.



Bolivia (CP)

Asociación de Scouts de Bolivia

Scout Participants	1757
Adult Leaders	396
Locations	65
Countries	96

This year was marked by the adoption of the JOTA-JOTI Ambassadors. Here in Bolivia we have 8 districts and for each of them, 1 Ambassador was appointed.

The centre of all activity was on a Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/JOTA-JOTIbolivia>) in which all the documents, images, guides and presentations were deposited so that all the Scouts of Bolivia have access to, and the Ambassadors can encourage participation. Once again we grew in participation not only in numbers but in percentage (close to 30%), even though everything indicates that the membership in Bolivia will fall.

The JamPuz activity was consolidated and thanks to the Jamboree map of the JOTA-JOTI website, more participation in new activities was achieved. We believe that the activity was successful and we know that the year can be even more.

Bosnia and Herzegovina (T9):

The Council of Scout Associations in Bosnia and Herzegovina

Scout Participants	134
Adult Leaders	26
Locations	7
Countries	-

We are really proud to say that JOTA-JOTI in Bosnia and Herzegovina is growing in popularity more and more every year. This year we've had several Scout groups mimic what we did on the National JOTA-JOTI gathering last year and we were super thrilled! We've had newcomers experience talking to a person from abroad for the first time ever in their lives, and it was definitely a lovely sight to see. The Internet part of JOTA-JOTI has gained massive popularity in Bosnia after a Scout group from the town of Visoko made a connection with a British Scout group. From their online relationship they brought a real-life exchange between their Scouts. It just shows the simplicity of meeting people from different parts of the world that JOTA-JOTI offers. This year, we've had over 130 Scouts taking part in the event and we aspire for an even greater number next year.



Brazil (PY):

União dos Escoteiros do Brasil

Scout Participants	38353
Adult Leaders	15420
Locations	1901
Countries	45

JOTA-JOTI was an amazing activity for The Scouts of Brazil. Through the reports of many much regions of the country, we've noticed that there was an increase of at least 20% in our participation. The new JOTA-JOTI presentation is very attractive and similar to Brazilian way of doing JOTA-JOTI, with different tasks for each range of age. The map was also very helpful and revealed many different goals. Scout JOTI Challenge also gave a special opportunity for participants to develop many activities. Fox hunting, satellite contacts with the help of the ARSATC - Amateur Radio Satellite Community, meetings with friends from past JOTAs and fantastic contacts with new friends were the cherry of the cake.

We thank so much to the WJTT for good suggestions and help, but we specially say thanks to our NSO, that really understood the emphasis that the World Scout Conference gave to JOTA-JOTI and they helped a lot to organize a better activity. The Brazilian JOTA-JOTI Team is working hard on searching the activity goals for 2021: 3 million of participants.

**Canada (VE):**

Scouts Canada

Scout Participants	3146
Adult Leaders	387
Locations	248
Countries	53

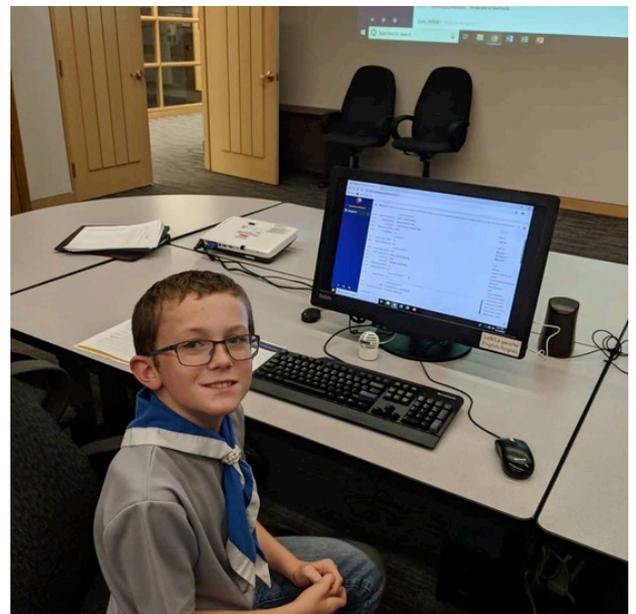
Both JOTA and JOTI continue to gain popularity in Canada with increased participation in both radio and Internet communications year over year. As always, our numbers are approximate as we know there are numerous events and activities that go unreported or under-reported. We have assumed about 35% additional in our numbers but it may be as high as 100% from anecdotal evidence.

Every year we get better and more interesting stories from participants, and it is clear there are many people very passionate about connecting with other Scouting youth around the world!

Some memorable conversations reported by participants included these two.

First, North Battleford reports: "We talked with a group in Cobargo, New South Wales where the Joeys (Beavers) and Cubs were visiting an animal rescue facility. They were taking care of a rescued baby wombat, which they showed us up close on the camera and we were able to capture a screenshot!"

Second, Fredericton (UNB) reports: "A memorable conversation had a burst of laughter from one Canadian Scout as someone from the UK was describing a crumpet"



Canada (VE2):

Association des Scouts du Canada

Scout Participants	242
Adult Leaders	45
Locations	24
Countries	10

The outreach efforts of our association have helped to maintain interest among our Scout units. Several new units participated in JOTA-JOTI this year, while others were absent for one reason or another. Our association faces a mobilization challenge from the amateur radio community to allow more units to participate in JOTA. An amateur radio event occurs during the same weekend which reduces the number of radio amateurs available for the JOTA.

At the JOTI level, participation was excellent for all participating units. Several exchanges took place with various Scouts, but mostly from Canada. Many of our Scouts are French-speaking French, which limits exchanges with non-French speakers.

**Colombia (HK)**

Asociación Scouts de Colombia

Scout Participants	1477
Adult Leaders	219
Locations	123
Countries	36

This year we had a 138% increase in youth participation which is awesome.

Scouts all over the country are integrating new technologies into the event, like the Zello App or including contacts in their WhatsApp messengers or Instagram to continue chatting after their turn at the radio station is over.

Other technologies that this year's increased adoption rate is JOTI.TV, EchoLink and Skype.

Thanks to new adults incorporated in our association, we can report an increase from 11 to 66 radio operators comparing to last year. That's an incredible 660%.

As usual this year we had the cooperation of the Colombian Army, Fire Corp, public schools and even some Town Halls that provided radio equipment, computers, internet or locations to organise the event.



Costa Rica (TI):

Asociación de Guías y Scouts de Costa Rica

Scout Participants	5226
Adult Leaders	1174
Locations	135
Countries	-

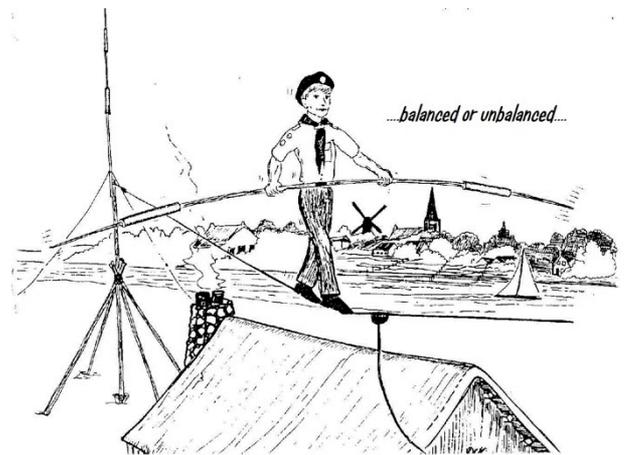
This year the number of participants increased, we are so motivated for this reason and how the JOTA-JOTI is a great opportunity for all.

**Croatia (9A):**

Savez izviđača Hrvatske

Scout Participants	40
Adult Leaders	5
Locations	3
Countries	-

Scouts from Croatia participated from Friday to Sunday, 50 participants from Osijek, Rijeka, Zagreb and gornji Rajic.

**Curacao (PJ2):**

Scouting Antiano

Scout Participants	200
Adult Leaders	50
Locations	1
Countries	35

This year we had a big preparation for our JOTA-JOTI camp which we gave the local theme "Let's get together and make a difference". But due to weather condition, we needed to do the camp for only 1 day which was the Saturday, October 20. Unless the weather condition, the Scouts were happy seeing each other, making connection with Scouts over the world and participated with enthusiasm to this day. We had more than 200 Scouts, more than 50 Scout leaders and more than 50 visitors who attended.



Finland (OH):

The Guides and Scouts of Finland:

Scout Participants	190
Adult Leaders	60
Locations	35
Countries	30

In year 2018 the head JOTA-JOTI station OH2JAM was located in Malmi Airport, Helsinki, operated by Air Scout troop Malmin Tuulenkävijät. The biggest individual JOTA-JOTI event in Finland was located in Tornio, Lapland where 40 scouts took part in Lapland Scout District's tracker scout event (scouts age 12-15). Local radio amateurs made it possible for the participants to make contacts by radio and also for example Skype calls around the world were made.

Many interesting activities were made during the JOTA-JOTI weekend, including contacts via radio and active IRC chat. One troop in South-Western Finland has a radio amateur course for scouts during JOTA-JOTI. The number of participating radio stations and JOTI locations slightly grew from last year and the interest towards the event seems to be constantly growing. A JOTA-JOTI team has been established for years 2018-2020 to develop the event so the number of participating troops is expected to grow even more!



France (F):

Scoutisme Français

Scout Participants	271
Adult Leaders	47
Locations	9
Countries	-

A lot of enthusiasm and new participants this year. A great support from radio amateurs. Thank you to them for their patience and their pedagogy. A beginning in digital modes.

The management of questions around the theme ODD15 is difficult to reconcile with the various games on offer and the discovery of radio procedures. You have to choose and organize in parallel other activities like fox hunting, orientation, etc. Young people enjoy learning how to use walkie talkies at games. The JOTA-JOTI is for everyone!



Hong Kong (VR2):**The Scout Association of Hong Kong**

Scout Participants	2078
Adult Leaders	335
Locations	5
Countries	4

Outreaching to the town. In the past 20 years, the JOTA-JOTI HQ was stationed in the Association Headquarters located in a commercial district and we have moved our JOTA-JOTI HQ to Yau Tong, a residential area in East Kowloon to encourage participation of Scout members living in the neighbouring district. The event was a great success and many Scout groups that haven't participated in JOTA-JOTI before joining us at the first time. The radio section of JOTA-JOTI operated their station at the Association Headquarters and connected to JOTA-JOTI HQ and 4 other sub-stations via amateur radio and the Internet.

**Italy (I):****Federazione Italiana dello Scouting**

Scout Participants	1000
Adult Leaders	190
Locations	35
Countries	50

This year Italy had a marked improvement in participation and reporting. The reasons are many. First of all, after a long time Italy has again a ScoutLink coordinator; this meant better communication, better programme on IRC, better moderation... more Scouts taking part!

Moreover, we explored new channels to communicate with Italian Scout groups, which resulted in more groups being involved. More than half of the groups took part for the first time!

Last but not least, this year's registration system was a HUGE improvement. This encouraged groups to report their participation.

JOTA-JOTI is a very environmentally friendly event. But Scouts from L'Aquila discovered how to make it even more so, by learning how to recycle old computers! JOTA-JOTI in Italy is becoming more and more international. In the past many Italian groups would only contact other Italian groups, and talk/chat in Italian. This year we also had reports of Scouts chatting on IRC in Arabic from Italy. On the other hand, a HAM club in Germany had recruited an Italian living there so our Scouts from Modena could talk to them in Italian. On the technical side, for the first time we had reports of radio stations using digital transmissions, in particular FT8. CW (Morse code for the laymen) is still going strong, both in Radio and in kit construction.

Beginner's luck... Scouts from Cecchina, near Rome, on their first participation managed to talk to Scouts from soon-to-be-recognized Scout associations of Uzbekistan and Vietnam.



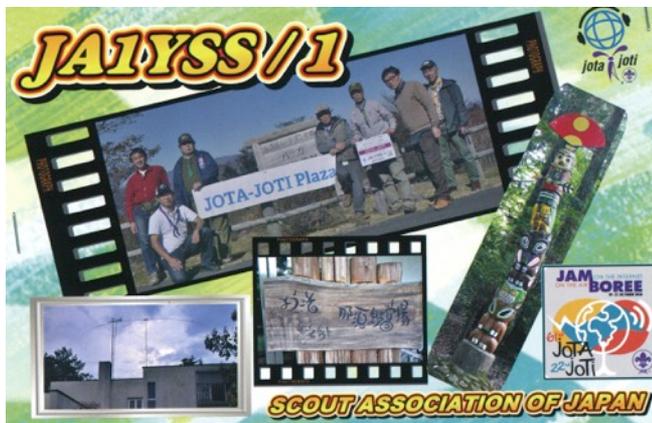
Japan (JA):
Scout Association of Japan

Scout Participants	695
Adult Leaders	357
Locations	58
Countries	50

Scout Association of Japan (SAJ) operated this year at Nasu Camping site in cooperation with the Japan Boy Scout Amateur Radio Club (JA1YSS). On the 21st of October, we set up mobile stations on the Hapogahara Highlands of Yaita City, Tochigi Prefecture.

There was about 300 communication stations with 7 operators, and we were able to communicate with England and Abu Dhabi in overseas.

We were able to deepen our friendship through the radio waves with many Scouts, the person concerned and OB who were looking forward to communicating with JA1YSS.



Lebanon (OD):
Lebanese Scouting Federation

Scout Participants	241
Adult Leaders	30
Locations	56
Countries	31

It was a successful JOTA-JOTI experience where more than 240 of the Lebanese Scouting federation members from different local associations enjoyed interacting with other Scouts from 31 different countries. It was a Scouting occasion full of fun while singing and sharing cultures and traditions. Overall the Scout troops enjoyed the experience and the event will definitely even go bigger and wider spread by next time. It was the second year in a row, that Scout troops teamed up with Radio Amateurs of Lebanon to bring an exciting JOTA-JOTI weekend. Cubs, Scouts, Rovers and Leaders joined to learn about Amateur Radio and to communicate with Scouts from all over the world. A booklet was handed to each of the Scouts to help them navigate across the stations. The activity started with the Scouts learning how to solder a Morse code transmission circuit, which they had to use later for a disaster simulation game using Walkie-Talkies. The Radio Amateurs widened the knowledge of the participants with a presentation on radio transmission, its technicalities, its huge importance in times of crisis, and on how it can be enjoyed as a hobby. All these workshops were the build-up for the actual HAM Radio experience. Being in the radio room, you would feel the burst of excitement each time that CQ Jamboree call was received from across continents.

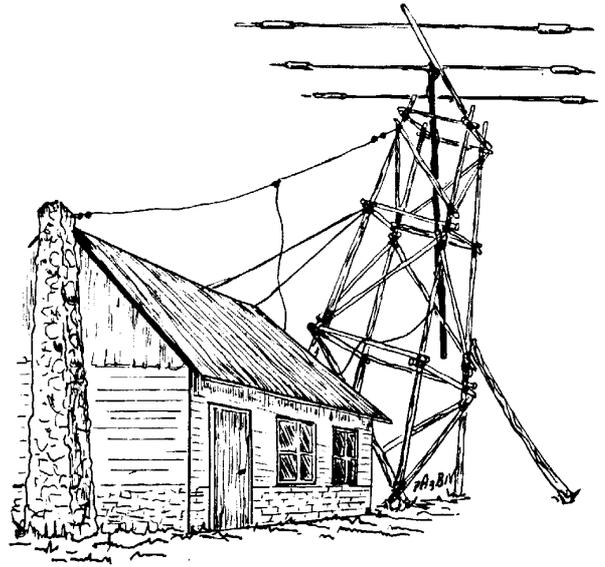


Luxembourg (LX):

Luxembourg Boy Scouts Association

Scout Participants	210
Adult Leaders	37
Locations	9
Countries	2

Even if only 9 Luxemburgish Stations participated to the JOTA event, it was a successful and instructive event. In times where all youngsters are accustomed to use cell phones with internet access, worldwide contacts made fortuitously with shortwave equipment are always an exciting experience. A very special event was the presence of the European WOSM Station with the callsign LX9S and operated by an international team and especially by our world leader in radio Scouting, Richard Middelkoop.



Malaysia (9M):

The Scouts Association of Malaysia

Scout Participants	18920
Adult Leaders	3012
Locations	55
Countries	28

This year was the biggest JOTA-JOTI we ever had in term of number of participants. Including Scouts, leaders and radio operators, the total reached 22,336. There were also 815 visitors comprising of parents, teachers etc. This year we added more supporting programs to the radio which are limited in number. All supporting programs were fun and related to communication. Soldering, communicating using different means and equipment, games like finding callsigns on the world map and building antennas to be used during their fox hunt. Amateur satellite communication using homemade antenna through LAPAN 02 (IO-86) to Indonesia was also successfully done by one of the stations. Some stations also invited government agencies to exhibit their communication equipment. Police came with their patrol car and bikes where the Scouts could experience listening to the normally encrypted communications. The army brought their backpack portable HF radio which was tuned to JOTA frequencies for the Scouts to use. Scouts were obtaining skills and knowledge while enjoying the JOTA-JOTI activities.



Mexico (XE):

Asociación de Scouts de México,
Asociación Civil

Scout Participants	3754
Adult Leaders	932
Locations	180
Countries	-

This year's event was an interesting challenge because the use strategy of the different modes and frequencies was changed, given the transmission conditions, digital systems such as FSK, RTTY and SSTV were used, on the other hand, it was innovated in the use of satellite for communications. In terms of digital modes in 2mts and 70cm as IRLP, Echolink and DMR, the various national and international conference rooms were used as contacts, where at least 47 stations were present in those platforms. It is worth mentioning that although there was not much DX, the national participation among the different country groups was increased. Initially, a simulation of the National Emergency Network (El Terremoto) between three cities of the country was started along with the FMRE, which will give us a guideline for a greater participation in the coming year. Additionally, the number of radio amateurs in the country was increased by 350%, as a result of the motivation and preparation prior to JOTA-JOTI.

As for the Internet, there was an active participation of the 180 registered stations, it is worth mentioning that there were many cases where from the cell phone Scouts participated in the various platforms such as facebook, twitter, whatsapp and Scoutlink, which was not recorded in the 180 registered stations.

**Namibia (V5):**

Scouts of Namibia

Scout Participants	80
Adult Leaders	-
Locations	-
Countries	-

2-3 weeks before JOTA-JOTI starts, Scout HQ live was turned upside down. All you could see was Rambo and his team rushing into the building and out again..... Packed with cables, PCs, boxes and tools, it felt like being in an ant nest. Normally this set up would take a week, but this time it was a bit different. We got new hardware and a lot to upgrade... The JOTA-JOTI Team wanted to make 110% sure that everything would work perfect. And it did. Two days before JOTA-JOTI started, everything was ready and tested. On Friday our JOTA-JOTI event started at 12h00 and from that point on it was a blast. We had outside activities and a little snack bar added to this event and it helped a lot to attract people from the outside. Our Scout Ham Shack went on the air and within 5 min. we had a pileup. The JOTI division started at 14h00. The kids still had school till 13h00. Within the next 48 hours we had over 80 Scouts and cubs taking part in this event. Experienced Scouts showing and "teaching" the young Scouts and cubs how to operate a radio station or PC - talking to other Scouts from all over the world. The result: The JOTA team made 1375 QSOs (radio contacts) 46 of these contacts were other Scout stations. The JOTI team made 3882 contacts per skype. Most of these contacts were with other Scouts from all over the world. After 48 hours we all could agree that this event was one of the best JOTA-JOTI events Namibia had so far.



The Netherlands (PA): Scouting Nederland

Scout Participants	16000
Adult Leaders	4000
Locations	215
Countries	15

Nationwide, we took part with 215 groups. This year Scouting St. Hubertus Herten hosted the national headquarters. We had a spin-off of the yearly nation theme "the final frontier" called Expedition Cosmos, where our Scouts had to find solutions for various situations. Youngest Scouts played games, older Scouts by challenges. The national headquarters operated on ScoutLink, ScoutFM (internet radio) and amateur bands HF, 2metres and 70cm. As every year our opening was at 22:00 and we organised a challenge. Saturday evening the "JOTA wedstrijd" took place. It's a contest but only for radio stations & participants. Points are given only between radio stations. Extra points are awarded for 70 cm connections. The results are logged in our online log website, which is available for all our participants. With this, and other activities, we try to promote the usage of the 70 cm amateur band. And off course CAMRAS joined us for our moonbounce activities. National and international Scout groups ordered again the electronic kits, some versions are sold out, others almost. The youth at the guest group enjoyed their JOTA-JOTI and we had again a good event. The JOTA-JOTI organisation of Germany visited various Dutch groups and the headquarters to have an impression how the Dutch groups and JJHQ are organised.



Nigeria (5N): Scout Association of Nigeria

Scout Participants	1022
Adult Leaders	286
Locations	109
Countries	60

The 2018 JOTA-JOTI had the highest number of participants in the history of Nigeria, with 109 registered groups, 1,308 participants.

Participants were able to contact a total of 60 countries.

Four Girl Guide groups participated in the event, making it the highest level of GG's participation in recent times.

The event was coordinated from Lagos State Nigeria where the Chief Commissioner participated fully. The coordinating team was led by Osoria Asibor (NJC), Ezekiel Shomefun & Obinna Gasparibole.



Norway (LA):

The Guides and Scouts of Norway

Scout Participants	2500
Adult Leaders	-
Locations	79
Countries	-

From Norway a minimum of 2.500 scouts and guides were reported to have participated in the 61th JOTA – 22st JOTI 2018 with 44 stations and minimum 85 radio amateurs active in JOTA, and 65 bases were active in JOTI (of which 35 active in JOTI only), with a total of minimum 120 scout groups. Reports have not been received from all participating scout units, so therefore the numbers above represent minimum numbers, from documentation received.

A Nordic Puzzle for this year's JOTA-JOTI was made by Denmark, according to an inter-Nordic agreement. The participants reported many other activities for all the different categories of participating scouts and guides. The Scouts in the Nordic countries also enjoyed the annual Nordic JOTA-JOTI badge.

As part of Nordic coordination there are opening ceremonies for each Nordic country sequentially on the 80 m Scout Frequency. The Norwegian official opening was conducted by the JOTA-2018 Headquarters Station LA1JAM, operated by LB4FH. The opening speech was given by the Norwegian International Commissioner at the opening ceremony transmitted from LA1JAM. The Norwegian Scout headquarters stations with JAM call sign suffixes contacted a number of radio stations during the JOTA-JOTI weekend.

The National JOTA-JOTI Organizer Tom V. Segalstad, LA4LN, operating the headquarters station LA4JAM during JOTA, was presented with the Russian E.T. Krenkel Award and gold medal for outstanding global contribution to the amateur radio movement.

The Lesja Scout Group was participating in JOTA from a cabin near Dovre Mountain, nearly one thousand meters above sea level, with the radio amateur LB4CD. The highlight was a contact with Canadian Scouts at the station VO2MS in Goose Bay. In Norway there is a tradition to name Scout patrols after Norwegian wild animals. It created extra interest when the Scout patrol "Bamsemums" was introduced on the air in JOTA from LB4CD. This patrol is named after a popular commercial chocolate, in the form of teddy bears – hence the translated uncommon Scout patrol name could be "Teddy Bear Chew".

The LA3JAM call sign was used by the 13 Rogaland Scout groups with 140 participating Scouts, who had the pleasure to enjoy a number of activities: HF radio JOTA contacts, radio orienteering (Amateur Radio Direction Finding, ARDF), radio communication

training, GPS orienteering, avalanche search, IRC, Morse code, and more. All JOTA-JOTI participants here were given an impressive 16 pages pamphlet describing most aspects of necessary information for their JOTA-JOTI participation: Q-codes, J-codes, the Morse code, the phonetic alphabet, description of all activities, and more!

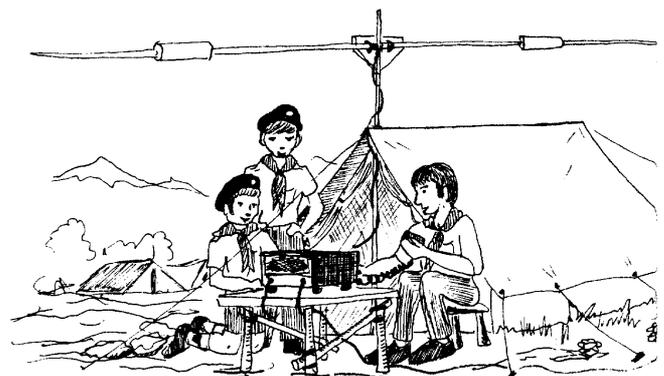
The Hvaler sea Scouts, on an island in South-East Norway, participated in JOTA with their LA1KYS call sign, and in JOTI with ScoutLink contacts. They enjoyed having an online quiz with another Scout group at another place in Norway.

LA1JAM was active in JOTA from the Karmøy Island, Western Norway, with LB4FH in charge. 131 Scouts plus 16 rover Scouts plus 36 Scout leaders participated with good support by parents and radio amateurs. The Scouts could participate in JOTA and JOTI, in addition to a number of other Scout activities. Via JOTI the Scouts managed to make contacts with other Scouts in all continents of the world, except Antarctica.

The Drøbak Scouts, south of Oslo, participated in JOTA with their LA1DFS call sign, and in JOTI from 6 PCs. In addition, the Scouts participated in a 10-stop contest in the outdoors, with subject matters related to radio and orienteering. The Scouts enjoyed JOTA and JOTI, and are looking forward to next year's JOTA-JOTI.

From Oslo participated Scouts from the JOTA stations LA1SP and LA5CH. Both radio amateurs LA1SP, Hans, and LA5CH, Nic, are JOTA veterans. Nic has participated in all JOTAs since 1961!

LA7USA was active in JOTA with 18 Scouts from the 1st Storåsen Group. They had a number of other scout activities in the outdoors. They especially enjoyed this year's Nordic Puzzle, which they were able to solve with pieces of information collected from other Nordic participants in JOTA-JOTI.



Oman (A4):

Oman Scouts and Guides

Scout Participants	3120
Adult Leaders	392
Locations	69
Countries	110

This year our main JOTA-JOTI station was in Buraimi University College (BUC). BUC is one of the best Colleges in the area with beautiful and inspiring building. The college has wonderful Scouts who made this years' event such an amazing one which will stick in our head for many years.

Inside the college there were five JOTA-JOTI stations: Radio, Echolink, IRC, TeamSpeak and for the first time we added video station. Also, we made a station to run seminars for TeamSpeak and a place for games and challenges. In the side garden of the college the Scouts made a small beautiful camp with beautiful tents and beautiful Scoutcrafts.

Internet and Radio Communication Team (IRCT) is the official central team who support the Scouts and guides in the country to make their JOTA-JOTI experience unforgettable. The team is supported by the Oman Scouts and Guides HQ, Royal Omani Amateur Radio Society, TRA and the telecommunication companies. As usual, The team got a special call sign for JOTA-JOTI (A43JOTA).

Each year the team got support team from the host, this year we had a wonderful support team from BUC! You can't imagine how great they were. Both teams worked very hard and more than we expected. They started working four days before of the event to prepare the stations and the laps. Then they worked in the weekend by shifting day and night to make sure that the team is online from Friday to Monday early morning. The Internet and Radio Communications Team was excellent. A big thanks for all the members.

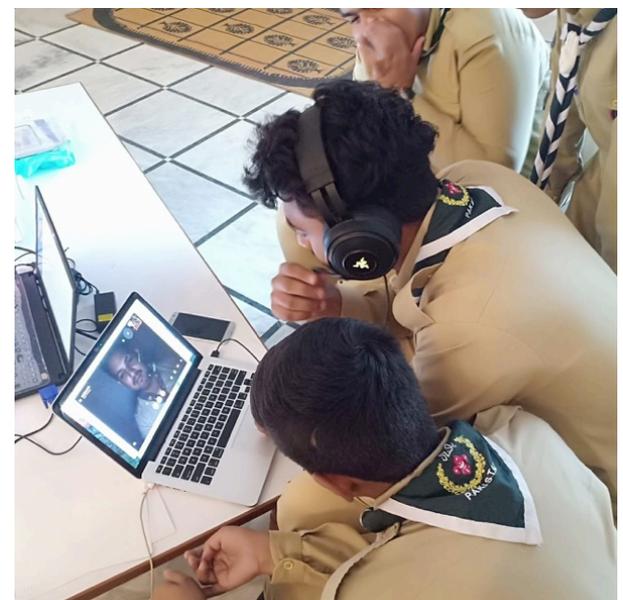


Pakistan (AP):

Pakistan Boy Scouts Association

Scout Participants	630
Adult Leaders	61
Locations	30
Countries	34

JOTA - JOTI provided the opportunity to the Scouts to contact the Scouts of almost all regions of the World and share their Scouting activities and interests especially the Scouts with low financial resources who cannot participate in international Scout gatherings / events. They sang songs for one another, shared Scouting experiences and be aware of Scout badges and other items in their countries. Skype was the main source of communication / contact this year.



State of Palestine (E4):

Palestinian Scout Association

Scout Participants	136
Adult Leaders	44
Locations	31
Countries	36

This year our participation in JOTA-JOTI was amazing and more Scouts have joined it. One of the stories we had, that our Cubs and Girl Scouts who live in Jerusalem were able to contact with the other Palestinian Scout groups out of the Separation Wall, that made them so happy! Besides that, JOTA-JOTI have linked between Palestinian Scout in Palestine with Palestinian Exile Scout in Syria and Lebanon, and it gave them the opportunity to know each other and tell some stories and information about Scout situation and activities in each side.

**Philippines (DU):**

Boy Scouts of the Philippines

Scout Participants	5235
Adult Leaders	352
Locations	62
Countries	25

On the day of 20th October 2018, the Philippine station DX26APR concluded the Jamboree-on-the-Air/Jamboree-on-the-Internet (JOTA-JOTI) at the Philippine International Convention Centre (PICC), Pasay City, adjacent to the then concluding 26th Asia-Pacific Regional Scout Conference.

At 0730H, honourable guests Mr. Ahmad Alhendawi, Secretary-General of the World Organisation of the Scout Movement (WOSM) and Mr. Craig Turpie, Chairperson of the World Scout Bureau arrived at the station.

The opening of the program was held on-air at 40-metres 7.095MHz. There were amateurs on different districts that were assigned to dedicate the prayer, Scout oath and law. After that WSB Chairperson Mr. Craig Turpie delivered the welcoming speech followed by WOSM Secretary - General Mr. Ahmad Alhendawi gave his regards on-air.

After the program, the station had a short conclusion and briefing before handling the JOTA-JOTI traffic.

After the event, the station was packed up and went to a dinner appointment.

There were about two-hundred in total who were present and participated.

Overall JOTA-JOTI 2018 was a great success with a large percentage of Amateur Radio clubs in the Philippines in partnership with Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts of the Philippines taking part. A total of 61 Amateur Radio Clubs officially registered with 5035 Scouts participated. DX1BSP would like to thank everyone that participated in the largest International Scouting Event.



Poland (SP):

Związek Harcerstwa Polskiego, ZHP

Scout Participants	234
Adult Leaders	38
Locations	20
Countries	56

Polish Scouts and Guide took part widely in this year's JOTA-JOTI. Besides having fun in exploring this year's new formula our enthusiastic rovers were inviting Scouts around the world to participate in the European Jamboree to be held 2020 in Gdansk, Poland.

**Portugal (CT):**

Federação Escotista de Portugal

Scout Participants	9542
Adult Leaders	2159
Locations	89
Countries	55

The propagation was not that good this year. During the weekend it was possible to make contacts with other countries and the Scouts had the opportunity to make new friends and to strengthen old friendships. Most stations in JOTA participated in the JamPuz activity. Several stations had workshops, such as photography, satellite communications, PMR, Morse code, fox hunting and even some radical activities such as climbing and rappel. The largest number of participants was in JOTI, because it's easier and does not need to have a responsible radio amateur. JOTA-JOTI had a lot of technique, lots of communication and above all had lots of fun. The village of Cascais (near Lisbon) hosted the "European Youth Capital". Thus, the "Associação das Guias de Portugal" (Girls Guides), the "Associação dos Escoteiros de Portugal" (Portuguese Scout Association) and the "Corpo Nacional de Escutas" (Catholic Scout), organized JOTA-JOTI together. It was an activity that brought together more than 3,000 boy Scouts and girl guides, in one place, which allowed the sharing of experiences and that everyone could participate in JOTA-JOTI.



South Korea (HL):

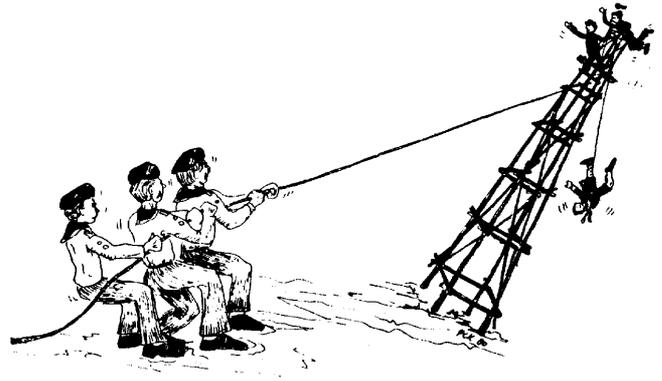
Korea Scout Association

Scout Participants	103
Adult Leaders	52
Locations	3
Countries	20

Korea Scout Association runs a JOTA-JOTI at National Training Center and various locations every year.

More than 150 Scout members and leaders participated in 2018 JOTA-JOTI event.

We run several programs (JOTI, QSL card making, QSO, CB, CW and etc.) for JOTA-JOTI promotion. And these programs focused on education and experience for JOTA-JOTI.

**Sri Lanka (4S):**

Sri Lanka Scout Association

Scout Participants	1000
Adult Leaders	45
Locations	15
Countries	-

Sri Lanka Scouts organised the annual international event inspiring its members in cross-border networking utilising amateur radio and internet respectively. It was a significant event as this kind of Jamboree is held simultaneously in 152 countries worldwide, using advanced technology which enables participants communicate with one another, irrespective of their location, share their views and build brotherhood among them.



Sudan (ST):**Sudan Scouts Association**

Scout Participants	487
Adult Leaders	89
Locations	21
Countries	25

This year JOTA-JOTI had the biggest event participation from Sudan, we had many activities on the air as well as on the internet. All has been running all over the weekend, training sessions have been conducted to orient Scout leaders and the event Ambassadors' to support Scouts and help them to achieve a successful participation. All these good results have been possible because of the great support from the head of the Sudan Scouts Association Mr. Issam. We started the preparations five months before the event and this is a good idea to attract more participants from different edges of Scouting & Guide groups.

We have done a useful course for amateur radio and joti knowledge & skill, to the members for both Scouting & Guiding. The course was held in corporation with Sudan Technological Scouts Group States.

The major station for JOTA-JOTI this year was with call sign ST2BSS. Really beautiful group, because the members join the event with families. Sudan Scouts joined the event this year from five radio amateur stations as network for VHF, All around Khartoum state, and for HF transmitting we worked from four stations, and for Echolink worked from three stations.

Ham Sphere is a good chance for all the members to get the amateur training before the event. For Internet the members joined from the major cities. The members this year had many activities because we got the facilitation from the world JOTA-JOTI internet site (like TeamSpeak, IRC on Scoutlink, skype, facebook).

All the participants who joined the event, got the certificates and badges. The lovely HF QSO this year was done with our friend Jochen DK8ZM, worked from DP9S the main German radio Scout station.

This year we worked all the continents around the globe by HF, Echolink, Ham Sphere, Skype, Facebook.

SUDAN TV invited Sudan/JOTA_JOTI & Technological Scouts -team for live interview on the air for 15 minutes.

Switzerland (HB):**Mouvement Scout de Suisse**

Scout Participants	200
Adult Leaders	33
Locations	10
Countries	12

Again this year it was a lot of work to gather new Scouts for the event. Because the JOTA-JOTI is not well known in Switzerland, we are working very hard also for the promotion of the event. We know about the great success in the Netherlands, so we are in contact with them to improve the event.

This year we were lucky to have again 10 groups participating. They were very motivated and had a lot of fun.

The leaders told me that they were specially excited about the contacts over DMR and on the Internet. However they also told me that there were a lot of mostly Indonesian persons only asking for the JID which were not very interesting chats.



Scouts of China (BV):

The General Association of the Scouts of China (Taiwan)

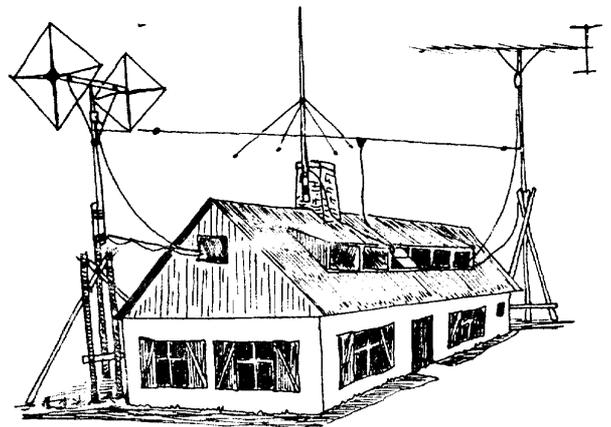
Scout Participants	3000
Adult Leaders	-
Locations	10
Countries	5

This year we had 10 JOTA-JOTI stations participated the JOTA-JOTI weekend from Scouts of China in Taiwan. The estimated number of participants is about 3000 Scouts, leaders, visitors and public in large.

The biggest event was held in Taipei City as usual. The Taipei City Scout Council hosted a Scout Fun Fair to promote ham radio and legal usage of radio during JOTA-JOTI weekend, which attracted more than 1500 participants in this gathering.

BW0S also operated in Miao-Li City by operator BX4AN, and the station organized an overnight JOTA-JOTI camp for the weekend. Scouts also had the chance to take merit badges by participating JOTA-JOTI activities.

BW0S station attracted Scouts not only from Miao-Li city, but also from nearby cities, such as Taichung and Taipei. BW0S made radio contact with Scouts from Philippines, Malaysia, Brunei and Japan due to the limitation of radio wave. However, Scouts were excited to talk to their counterparts on the air.



Tanzania (5H):

Tanzania Scouts Association

Scout Participants	550
Adult Leaders	101
Locations	6
Countries	23

Nationally the event took place at Tanga region. About 200 Scouts participated, including visitors and the adult leaders. Chief Guest was Tanga Regional Commissioner, who was represented by the DAS Tanga District Administration Secretary, Ms Faidha Salim. She encouraged more youth to join the Movement and enjoy the Scouting programme. Radio communication, video chatting, Skype, IRC, Facebook and Twitter were all used during the 3 days event. Scouts were most excited during the live video chatting with other Scouts around the globe. Scouts and Leaders who participated JOTA-JOTI for the first time, requested the programme to be implemented to weekly Scouts net chat.



Tunisia (3V8)

Les Scouts Tunisiens

Scout Participants	130
Adult Leaders	20
Locations	3
Countries	-

The Tunisian Scouts organization along with Association des Radio Amateurs Tunisiens (ARAT) worked together in planning for the JOTA-JOTI event, which was held this year on 19, 20 and 21 October 2018.

This year's program was indeed distinguished by its richness, abundance, and its diversity compared to previous years. The first day program consisted of receiving participants, delivering speeches by the organizers, introducing the attendees to the program and exposing them to the world of ham radio through a lecture. During the second day, the activities mainly consisted of the following:

Workshop on how to use the radio, procedures of communication, ethics, etc.

Workshop to learn about electromagnetic waves and antennas.

Workshop to learn more about digital communication, its importance in the world of amateur radio at low solar cycle, and the used techniques.

Workshop to learn about microcontroller systems (Arduino) and programming.

Workshop to build a crystal receiver.

ARDF Workshop (Fox Hunting).

The day ended with a classic activity for this event, called The Great Game. This game is designed to mainly test what the participants have learnt from the various workshops. It consisted of a competition to design and build a simple wire antenna and set up a station to perform a radio contact with the main station. All teams were able to pass through all stages and managed to make successful QSOs. The game was followed by a ceremonial atmosphere of a Tunisian Scout tradition, which is known as "Camp fire".

United Kingdom (GB)

The Scout Association

Scout participants:	945
Adult leaders:	231
Locations:	22
Countries:	21

This year the JOTA-JOTI weekend was blessed with the mild weather appreciated by campers and not least aerial riggers. There had been talk of strong winds but they were gone in good time for setting up.

There seem to be two main types of event - the very large with several hundred participants and the very small, often with less than a dozen visitors, yet both large and small scale events have their strengths. The large events are frequently at permanent Scout centres and have good resources while the smaller stations are making the best of limited resources. If the Scouts are involved in establishing the station they often maintain an interest beyond JOTA-JOTI weekend.

Stations report varying conditions, the stations able to use permanent aerials doing well while those with less efficient systems sometimes struggling. This year there were no complaints about the German contest though our own station was certainly aware of their presence. Interestingly several stations had a contact with a Scandinavian YL contest - though no-one complained!



United States (W)
 Boy Scouts of America

Scout Participants	11575
Adult Leaders	350
Locations	876
Countries	-

Registration jumped 46% with 314 JOTA-JOTI stations registered on the JOTA-JOTI.info registration system, up from 215 in 2017. Station reports increased 23%, 266 filed versus 226 in 2017. The number of amateur radio operators involved came in at 1,087 up from 958 last year. JOTA-JOTI saw increases in Internet as well and, overall, everyone had a great time and are excited about participating in 2019!



Venezuela (YV):
 Asociación de Scouts de Venezuela

Scout Participants	5431
Adult Leaders	1057
Locations	2348
Countries	28

In this edition of the JOTA-JOTI we joined efforts nationwide to connect DMR (Digital Mobile Radio). It was a success at Venezuela and international level and this way we could involve more radio stations for the event.



Scout Group Stories

Aldebarán, Caracas, Venezuela

It was a spectacular experience to talk with Scout brothers from all over the world; the children of the Pack could engage in conversations in other languages, exchange views on doing outdoor activities and related to sustainable development, and exchange opinions about the projects they carry out locally with members from all over the world. The Scout brotherhood is alive and in line to

62 Heredia, Costa Rica

Our group carried out the activity in a radio ham club in Heredia, through them the recipients of the four sections were able to interact with other groups in our country, such as Alajuelita, Hatillo, among others. The emotion that was evident in the faces of the boys was very significant, since most of them had never participated in such an experience, for them there was enough time to experience the conversation with different guides and Scouts, they asked them his name, locality of where they were and the colors of the scarf.

Argentino Boliviano Santa Cruz de la Sierra, Bolivia

It has been an extraordinary experience that allows the participants an unforgettable experience and the creation of greater and closer ties. The kids were very happy with this activity.



1 Moravo, Bluefields, Nicaragua

It has been difficult for me at the beginning of the event to focus the attention of all the young people since they exclude themselves and only wanted to talk with known people of their city, country or continent, but as they talk on different platforms and exchange information on Scout themes as well as promoting the values of it, they realized that Scouting is the same in all places.

Kairos Cochabamba, Bolivia

This year we made the event in our 2 units, the Cubs branch had videoconference through Skype and WhatsApp, explorers and pioneers through Jampuz and Irc, through their cell phones. We also entered the page of Jotajoti.info to see the different activities of the Jamboree map. For many it was a new activity so they found it interesting to meet Scouts from different countries and learn a little about their customs. For example, in the video call of the Cubs with a pack from Colombia, I called their attention that their shirt is colored blue.

La Salle de la Colina Caracas, Venezuela

It was much fun to participate in the JOTA JOTI 2018. I made several chats with some cubs and wolf cubs in Bolivia, from here in Caracas. A girl wrote to me about Indonesia !!! I do not know where it is but it is very far away. Chat in English and we talk about our countries. I liked it a lot and I hope it will repeat more often. You visited the museum section ... and I read a lot about the Scout history. I liked it a lot.



Scout Group Visoko, Bosnia Herzegovina

JOTI Story from our Esma, a 16 year-old Scout from Visoko, B&H!

Everybody in their life have something special, something that leaves a big trace in their heart. They always go back to that, again and again. For me, that's Scouting. Once, when you become a Scout it is hard to resist its charms and magical moments that go with it. Every new activity, every new meeting with old friends wake up old memories on some moments you had together. Such activity is JOTA-JOTI, the Scout meeting on the air and on the internet from the whole world. How many smiles, dear words and new faces can you see on that small screen?

In Visoko, a small city in the heart of Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Scouts represent one little world from that they never want to leave. This year we participated in JOTA-JOTI and we made new friendships, met many other Scouts from different countries. When you are a Scout, sometimes it seems like the world is really small. From 40 million Scouts from the world, you again occasionally meet old friends on internet and wake up memories, you live it again.

For me and Scouts from our city JOTA-JOTI represents new opportunity for meeting with the Scouts from the whole world and also meeting with the friends from our country. This year Scouts from Konjic, a city in central part of Bosnia and Herzegovina visited us. With the great time that we had together and activities too, we reached out to more than 30 countries all over the world, and got more than 80 JIDs.

Sometimes I feel that JOTA-JOTI doesn't give us only new friendships and renews old ones, but it gives us and make inexhaustible connection between us-Scouts and unite us. Religions, nations, cultures, ages... That is our difference but we all have something in common-we are Scouts by heart, by soul.

Truly, with the whole heart we are hoping for next JOTA-JOTI meeting!

Esma Šahinović,
Scout group "Visoko"

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Some Woorree Scout Group and some Guides from the Geraldton Guide Unit in Geraldton WA held a combined event at our Scout Hall. Even though we only had 20 Youth in total take part this year everyone seemed to have fun and enjoyed the experience of JOTA JOTI, as for all of them this is their first year at taking part. We had 4 Laptops on the go and 2 Radios operating - HF(shortwave) and UHF. Also had a Morse code operation set up happening outside. Youth members operated and experienced all three stations.

They had great fun with the JamPuz games that I printed off for them. Was excitement with the interaction at Jamboree campsite. The Cub Scouts took the ideas from the Science Park to demonstrate to others at the next meeting. Couldn't get some of them away from the Antelope Subcamp. The Leaders found information at the Global Development village to be of use in badgework for their Unit/Sections for the future.

We had Youth popping in and out during the weekend and never seem to tire at all. There was food on the go all weekend and games while waiting.

Only the older Scouts slept over at the Hall but did have their own campfire etc. and kept Leaders busy asking questions through the night.

They all want to come again next year so hope they spread the word about the fun they had and who they chatted to over the weekend.

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Lorraine Bowen/ Group Leader



Quebec Council, Montreal Canada

On October 20, 2018, the Quebec Council of Scouts Canada (JID 6CA52U) held a "ScoutCon"—akin to "ComiCon"—with activities, games, information booths, and training pertaining for Scouting in Canada, and specifically, in Quebec. As part of the event, three youth representatives participated in JOTI at ScoutCon, none of whom were even aware of JOTI/JOTA before. Scout Ethan Iverson (Deputy Youth Council Commissioner of MarCom, or Marketing and Communication), Cub Alistair Watson (a Howler with 1st Huntingdon Pack), and Cub Rowan Luckow (a Howler with 1st Greenfield Park Pack) led the JOTI station for other youth who came to the day-long event.

Being "Youth-Led" is a critical element of the Canadian Path philosophy and curriculum developed by Scouts Canada. Youth are encouraged to choose their own adventures and chart their own paths, so that they are merely supported in their self-led exploration, as opposed to being entirely led by adult-decided activities. Ethan, as DYCC and the senior member of the team, did a fantastic job researching JOTI himself before the event with an adult mentor to whom he could pose questions. He planned the JOTI activities and chose a focus. He then taught Alistair and Rowan before the event opened, so that the two Cubs, in turn, could teach other youth about the event. Youth-planned, youth-led.

Ethan, Alistair and Rowan decided that they would rather have conversations with as many other Scouts around the world as possible and record their JID codes and the home locations of those that they reached, rather than play any organized games. They had a great deal of fun communicating with youth and adult volunteers from 19 other locations (Philippines, England, Ireland, Scotland, Malta, Uruguay, Indonesia, Finland, Norway, Australia, Denmark, Sweden, South Africa, Portugal, Algeria, Switzerland, the United States, Slovenia, and Cyprus). They collected 43 JID codes and had chats with at 20-30 additional participants without registered JID codes.

Some conversations discussed differences of uniforms, food, culture, activities, climate, culture, and the role of Scouting in the community. Others were very funny, as in the case of the asterisked (*) JID code in the picture, a fellow who concluded every conversation by asking people if they liked pancakes and bacon. By the time he chatted with the third member of our Quebec Council JOTI team, the youth were at the ready with a funny reply. When asked, "Do you like pancakes and bacon?"...our third youth replied, "Well, I think what's more crucial here is for ME ask YOU whether or not you like WAFFLES?"

Thanks for all that you do and they are looking forward to expanding their participation next year!

Yours in Scouting,

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Group 2 Madero, Cd. Madero Tamaulipas, Mexico

This JOTA-JOTI 2018 in the troop section was an incredible experience; years ago we could not hold conversations beyond a "Hello"; this time, we even talked about the traditions of our country, we chose "Day of the Dead" because it is the celebration closer to these dates, we asked them to observe a set of Dia de Muertos and tell us if they recognized or had heard about that holiday, some Scouts if they located it, and others definitely not, but everyone liked the idea of knowing more about that tradition that for us means a holiday.



Bato RDHS Scouts Bato Cataduanes Philippines

Jamboree on the Air and Jamboree on the Internet:
A Once a Year Experience

Our simple experience started when our School Outfit Advisor, Buddy Flores asked me for a favor, "Sir, my Scouts and I are very much willing to join the JOTA-JOTI, but I don't know the procedures in joining such activity. I don't even have the knowledge in operating radios. Could you please help us, Sir?" Honestly, I failed to answer his request instantly.

That request bothered me for some time. It made me think, rethink and even prayed for the guidance in making decision rightfully. Several things came into my mind. First, I have known that the first group of radio amateurs that we requested for assistance was no longer interested to assist us. Secondly, our group (DX4ARC) is no longer as active as it was before. Although I am a member of the second group I don't have the gadget (HF Radio) that could be use in distant communication.

The abovementioned situations hinders me from accepting the request of our Scouts' Outfit Advisor.

But looking on how active and enthusiastic our Scouts are, who am I to refuse such simple request. A request from the Scouts to experience the very rare opportunity a young could have. An experience that a Scout could have in just once a year.

I made up my mind. I will accept the challenge and I will do whatever I could to help them realize this unique experience for a Scouts.

So I called up one of my colleagues in the radio amateur group (Sider - DU4SLT) and asked him if he could permit us to use his HF Radio and other equipment. Fortunately, he does not refuse but he told me he could not assist us during the actual activity due to some important errands.

Sider offered his HF radio for use on the JOTA. Since I was not familiar with the procedures in operating this gadget, I seek assistance for other DX4ARC members in our group chatroom but failed. Everyone is busy and no one is interested to help me on that event.

"I have to make it possible by myself, no matter what happen", this thing came into my mind. So I have to search on the net the operating manual of the radio. I also searched all the needed documents and qualifications for the activity, apply our group to the WSOM and BSP National Headquarter and other related matters.

Through divine intervention, everything goes smoothly. All the required information were provided to the BSP. We installed all the needed

equipment in classroom successfully.

God is really good. Sider called me up saying that he cancelled his appointment and told me he could be with us during the activity.

Together with the Outfit Advisor, we planned out the complete details of the participation of our school on 2018 Jamboree on the Air and Jamboree on the Internet. He is the one managing the requirements of his Scouts from the registration to council, parental consent, food provisions, venue structuring and others. While the technicalities of the event were assigned to me.

On the actual event (October 20, 2018), we had 33 boy Scouts and 10 girl Scouts a total of 43 registered Scouts. Most of them were in type A Scout uniform and aged from 12 to 16 years old. Adult leaders were composed of one Outfit Advisor, Mr. Salvador Flores and four representative from Amateur Radio Club of Catanduanes (DX4ARC).

The members of the amateur radio club that assist us were: Nilo (DW4NBS), Sider (DU4SLT), Boyet (DV4BBB) and me (DW4ELG) serving also as Institutional representative as authorized by our School Principal.

Our group listened the opening ceremony conducted by the BSP National Headquarter at exactly 8 o'clock in the morning. Right after the opening ceremony we responded to the roll call of the net controller and registered 43 participating Scouts.

Every Scouts were guide in the utilization of the radio and on how to access in the internet for possible contacts. All of the Scouts were very participative and excited to meet other Scouts from different places of the country and in other countries as well. Excitement on their faces were very noticeable. They were so fulfilled after a successful contact from other places.

Due to limited facilities, we allowed our Scouts to have practice in radio communication using portable channelized 2 way radios. This activity also added color to the event. Everyone enjoyed communicating to other Scouts even for shorts distance only. This conversation were include on their log as an additional to the contact from other councils using HF radios.

Everyone had enjoyed the activity... A rare event that some Scouts due to lack of facilities could not experience. Or an activity that could be experienced once in every year.

I always consider every situation as an avenue for learning. With this event, I have learned many things. These learnings will help me improve in our next participation for this event.

Lorenz Gando (DW4ELG)

Scout Group "Les Fourmis Laborieuses" Bafousam, Cameroon

The Scout group "the Laboring Ants" decided to celebrate the JOTA JOTI 2018 with the children of "the very small sunshine" orphanage, located in BANDJOUN, West Cameroon region. 40 young people between the ages of 1 and 19 live in this centre.

30 Scouts of the group, attended this event and put their efforts to contribute to bring joy to these young orphans. So we created our JOTA -JOTI resort in this orphanage.

Several teams were trained to perform the various tasks planned. The first group, mops, ballets and rakes in hand, took care of the cleaning of the center. The other group took care of the shared meal with the others.

The young people exchanged with the other young people of the world from the platform Scoutlink, skype, whatsapp and facebook. The JID codes collected allowed young people to practice Jampuz, much appreciated by them.

At the end of the activity, the Scouts planted the JOTI tree. There were two fruit tree plants (an avocado tree and a mango tree).

Through these actions, we have not only contributed to the achievement of the SDGs, but also honored Article 6 of the Scout Law "Scout is good for plants and animals".

It should be noted that before leaving the center, the founder expressed the desire to have a Scout unit in her centre. A promise has been made and we will return very soon for the supervision of these young orphans.



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