

## 2003 HUNTING LIONS IN THE AIR CONTEST

### 1. ANNOUNCEMENT

The 32st annual Hunting Lions in the Air contest will take place on the weekend January 11 – 12<sup>th</sup> 2003.

### 2. OBJECTIVE

"To create and foster a spirit of international understanding and cooperation" among radio amateurs and Lions through world-wide radio communication. The contest is to commemorate the birthday of the founder of Lionism, Melvin Jones, born at Ft. Thomas, Arizona USA on January 13, 1879.

### 3. CONTEST PERIOD

The contest period will be 48 hours and will run from midnight UTC Friday/Saturday to midnight UTC Sunday/Monday.

### 4. CLASSES AND CATEGORIES

The contest is open to all appropriately licensed radio amateurs and Short Wave Listeners (SWLs) as follows:

Class 1 contestants are radio amateurs having no Lionistic affiliation.

Class 2 contestants are radio amateurs **operating on behalf of a Lions, Lioness or Leo Club**. A radio amateur in Class 2 may or may not be a member of the Lions Club for which he/she is operating. Stations in Class 2 must sign "Lion" and be reflected in log sheets as /L.

NB: each Lion, Lioness or Leo Club operating under Class 2 will be represented by the call sign of a radio amateur operating on behalf of that Club or by a dedicated Club call sign. No other radio amateur, whether a Member of that Lions, Lioness or Leo Club or not, may claim to represent that Club. Clubs heard to have more than one call sign representing them will be disqualified.

The following categories will be permitted in each class:

A single operator, all bands, single transmitter,

B multi operator, all bands, single transmitter,

C short wave listener (SWL). SWL's are:

- non licensed persons or,
- an amateur whose license is restricted and not permitted to operate on the HLITA contest bands.

### 4. BANDS, MODES AND CONTACTS

**BANDS:** 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 meters.

**MODE:** SSB and CW.

Please note that this is a single competition and that there will not be separate places for the two modes. The CW mode has been reintroduced for those operators who prefer to operate CW where possible.

**CONTACTS:** The same station may be contacted once on each band. It is thus possible to make 5 valid point-scoring contacts with the same station if worked on each of the 5 permitted bands. The contact may be SSB or CW as above but the modes may not be counted separately.

## 6. CALL

The SSB call should be "CQ Hunting Lions in the Air" or "CQ Hunting Lions" and the CW call; CQ LIONS.

## 7. EXCHANGE

Transmit RS(T) plus a serial number. Radio amateurs operating on behalf of a Lions, Leo or Lioness Club must transmit the operator's name, Club name and Lions district number.

## 8. QSO POINTS

One (1) point - each QSO with a non Lion station (Class 1),

Five (5) points - each QSO with a Lions, Leo or Lioness station (Class 2),

Twenty-five (25) points - each QSO with the convening station ZS6LCM/L

(NB! Due to the ease of contact, South African stations contacting ZS6LCM/L will score 10 points only. ZS6LCM will score the normal 5 points)

SWL's will score one point for each Lions Club Station heard exchanging reports with a non-Lion station and 5 points for an exchange between two Lions Club stations. 25 points may be scored for exchanges heard between the convening station ZS6LCM/L and another Lions Club station.

(NB! As above, South African SWL's will only score 10 points for contacts heard between ZS6LCM and another South African Lions Club station)

## 9. MULTIPLIER

The multiplier is the number of Lions, Leo's and Lioness Clubs worked. Each club may be counted only once irrespective of how many times worked.

## 10. FINAL SCORE

To obtain the final score, multiply the "QSO points" by "the number of different Clubs worked".

## 11. LOGS

The following details are to be logged:

**Date, Time (UTC), Sent and Received exchanges, the Station worked and Band.** Additionally, if contact is made with a Lion, Leo or Lioness Club (Class 2), the **Operator's name, Club name, and Lions district number** of the station contacted must be included on the station log sheet (Appendix 1).

SWL logs should, in addition to the above, include the **call signs of both stations heard** and the **sent and received exchanges** of each station. This information should be recorded once only for each QSO heard (Appendix 2).

Class 2 stations must also include the **Club name, Lions district number** and **postal address** of the Club for which they operate.

Contest logs may be submitted on disk (3.5" stiffer only), as attachments via email and as hard copy. Files may be in Excel, or in ASCII format with **one QSO on every new line**. The information shall be set out and tabulated in the same format as the official Log (see appendices). Each QSO must be

terminated by a carriage return. Only MS-DOS compatible disks will be accepted.

**NB! A written summary sheet must accompany the disk showing all required scoring information as well as your name, postal address, FAX number and/or email where you can be reached.** As email is rapidly becoming the most convenient mode of communication, this mode is preferred.

## **12. DISQUALIFICATION**

Logs that do not comply with the foregoing requirements will not be considered and will be rejected. Radio amateurs are expected to operate within the rules of their respective licenses and unsportsmanlike activity is to be discouraged. Actions and decisions of the Contest Committee are official and final.

## **13. DEADLINE**

All logs must be mailed to reach the local co-coordinator and envelopes must be date stamped no later than 28 February.

In the absence of a local co-coordinator, Logs may be sent directly to the co-coordinating Lions Club at the following address:

The HLITA Contest Committee  
Lions Club of Midrand  
PO Box 1548  
Halfway House  
1685  
South Africa

Or emailed to [rad.handfield-jones@pixie.co.za](mailto:rad.handfield-jones@pixie.co.za)

The Contest Committee will communicate the results to the co-coordinating Lions club and a final report will be submitted to the District 410 B office before June 30 same year. Winners will be advised by mail and a listing will be posted on the Internet at

<<http://www.sarl.org.za/public/contests/lionita.htm>>and <<http://www.geocities.com/lions410b/>>

## **14. AWARDS**

The first ten places in category A B and C will receive certificates. The first 10 Short Wave Listeners (SWL's) will receive certificates if they confirm contacts heard by submitting a log containing a minimum of 20 two-way contacts.

## **15. PUBLICITY**

The Lions Club of Midrand will promote and publicise the contest internationally via the Lion Net, the web pages above, through amateur radio magazines and amateur radio nets.

Questions regarding the interpretation of these rules will be judged and resolved by the Contest Committee.

## **16. INFORMATION**

Operators interested in additional information regarding this contest should write to the Contest Committee at the above address or via email to: [rad.handfield-jones@pixie.co.za](mailto:rad.handfield-jones@pixie.co.za)

