

# WORKING DX WITH JOE TAYLOR

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### Joe Taylor, K1JT, 1993 Nobel Prize Winner

Taylor became interested in radio astronomy after obtaining his Amateur Radio license as a teenager. Today Taylor is well known for his 1974 joint discovery with Russell Hulse, of the first pulsar star in a binary system. Taylor used the Arecibo Radio Telescope to conduct moonbounce contacts with amateurs around the world using voice, Morse code, and digital communications. He is also known for his weak signal communication.





### http://physics.princeton.edu/pulsar/k1jt/index.html WSJT Home Page

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#### Weak Signal Communication Software

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### SOME OF JOE'S PROGRAMS

WSJT, MAP65, WSPR, and WSJT-X are all open-source programs designed for weak-signal digital communication by amateur radio.

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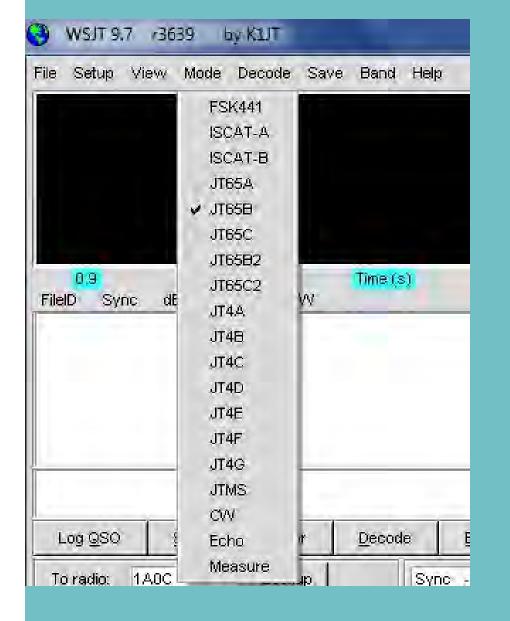
#### VHF/UHF

#### HF

EME (moonbounce) Meteor Scatter Ionospheric Scatter, **Skywave Propagation** 

The program can decode fraction-of-a-second signals reflected from ionized meteor trails and steady signals 10 dB below the audible threshold.

Check the WSJT pages and links at Joe's website for details about the many modes the program can produce:



WSJT for VHF can do many different modes. We will concentrate on JT65B for EME (Moonbounce) in this presentation.

Later we will talk about WSJT-X for HF communication.



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#### Description

WSJT facilitates basic digital communication using protocols explicitly optimized for a number of different propagation modes:

WSJT

- JTMS, FSK441 for meteor scatter
- ISCAT, JT6M for ionospheric scatter
- . JT65 for EME at VHF/UHF, and for QRP operation at MF/HF
- . JT4: for EME on the microwave bands

See the online WSJT 10.0 User Guide for details.

#### Downloads

Important note: in Vista, Windows 7, and Windows 8 install *WSJT* to a directory such as C:\WSJT or C:\HamRadio\WSJT rather than the default C:\Program Files\WSJT.

(Otherwise, you might need to set some read/write permissions explicitly.)

- Windows WSJT 10.0 (beta release, v10.0 r4336)
- WSJT 10.0 User Guide
- Windows WSJT 9.7 (v9.7, r3639)
- Linux WSJT 9.0
- . WSJT 9.0 Supplement to User's Guide
  - o English
  - o Italian
  - Portuguese
- Archival releases of WSJT7
  - · Windows WSJT 7.07
  - Linux WSJT 7.06
- Archival Windows release WSJT 5,9.8
- Archival Windows release WSJT 4.9.8

#### Description

### WSJT-X FOR HF and LF QSOs

WSJT-X implements JT9, a new mode designed especially for the LF, MF, and HF bands, as well as the popular mode JT65. Both modes were designed for making reliable, confirmed QSOs under extreme weak-signal conditions. They use nearly identical message structure and source encoding. JT65 was designed for EME ("moonbounce") on the VHF/UHF bands and has also proved very effective for worldwide QRP communication at HF: in contrast, JT9 is optimized for HF and lower frequencies. JT9 is about 2 dB more sensitive than JT65A while using less than 10% of the bandwidth. With either mode, world-wide QSOs are possible with power levels of a few watts and compromise antennas. A 2 kHz slice of spectrum is essentially full when occupied by ten JT65 signals. As many as 100 JT9 signals can fit into the same space, without overlap.

WSJT-X offers a "bi-lingual" operating mode in which you can transmit and receive JT65 and JT9 signals, switching between modes automatically as needed. Displayed bandwidth can be as large as 5 kHz. If your receiver has as upper-sideband filter at least 4 kHz wide, you can have all the typical JT65 and JT9 activity on screen at once, available for making QSOs with a click of the mouse. Even with standard SSB-width IF filters, switching between JT65 and JT9 modes is quick and convenient.

A beta release of WSJT-X Version 1,4 is now available, offering many new features.

#### Future plans

Plans call for future versions of WSJT-X to include the other popular modes from WSJT.

#### Downloads

Be sure to refer to the online WSJT-X User's Guide for the relevant program version: either Version 1.3 or the beta release. Version 1.4.

#### Windows

- . Eets release, Version 1.4: wsjtx-1.4.0-rc2-win32.exe
- Latest full release: <u>v1.3</u>, r3673

#### Linex

Installation instructions for version 1.4 can be found here in the User Guide. Download the package file appropriate for your system:

- . Debian, Ubuntu, ... (32-bit): vsitx 1.4.0-rc2 i386.deb
- Debian, Ubuntu, ..., (64-bit): wsitx 1.4.0-rc2 amd64.deb

## WEAK SIGNAL S/N LIMITS

MODE	B/W=2500 Hz	
SSB	~ +3 dB	#
FSK 441	-1	#
CW (ear and brain)	-15	#
ISCAT	-17 *	
JT4	-22 *	
JT65A	-24 *	
JT9	-26 *	
WSPR	-28 *	

# These signals are just detectable - NOT armchair copy !

\* These signal levels are NOT detectable by ear, only by a computer !

### What is JT65-A, B or C?

- A form of digital communications originally developed by Joe Taylor, K1JT, for Moonbounce applications where signals are extremely weak.
- Uses sophisticated digital signal processing
- Also relies on a 5:1 redundancy it sends the encoded information with the powerful Reed Solomon code.
- The same sequence of tones never repeat, but the data is sent many times to allow for various types of QSB

## Many Different Tones

- A synchronizing tone is sent a fixed spacing above the carrier frequency of your transmitter on JT65 A-B-C (or varies on WSJT-X).
- You may see it anywhere in your receiver passband due to doppler shift.
- Those varied tones carry the information
- On the air it sounds like someone playing music

## Timing is Everything

- Each JT65 transmission lasts precisely 46.8 seconds.
- During transmission only a small amount of information is sent – about 13 characters
- Station clocks must agree within about 2 seconds
- As much as 80% of the transmission can be lost and still be decoded

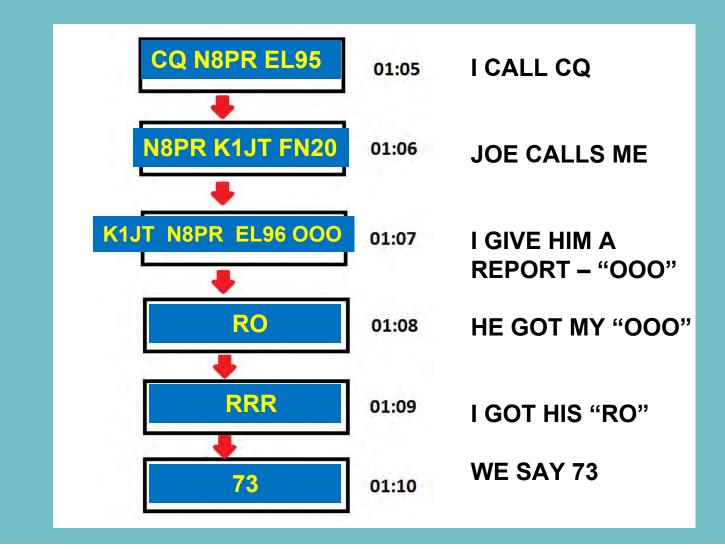
### **Taking Turns**

- Stations take turns transmitting
- Stations transmit on even or odd minutes, and then listen on the following minutes
- First Period = Even Minutes
- Second Period = Odd Minutes

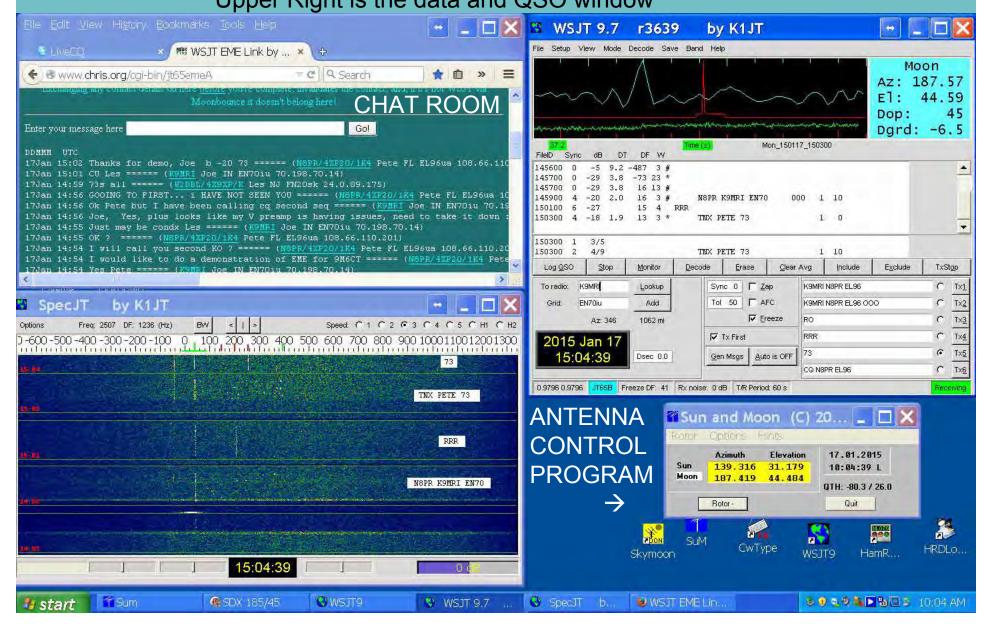
### Just the Facts!

- A JT65 contact is designed to exchange the bare minimum information needed to qualify as a "QSO"
- Call signs
- Signal Reports
- Grid Squares

# Transmitting and Receiving Sequence (VHF/EME):



#### Typical JT65B EME screen setup Upper Left is a chat room window to talk to others on EME Below it is the waterfall showing a QSO. Upper Right is the data and QSO window

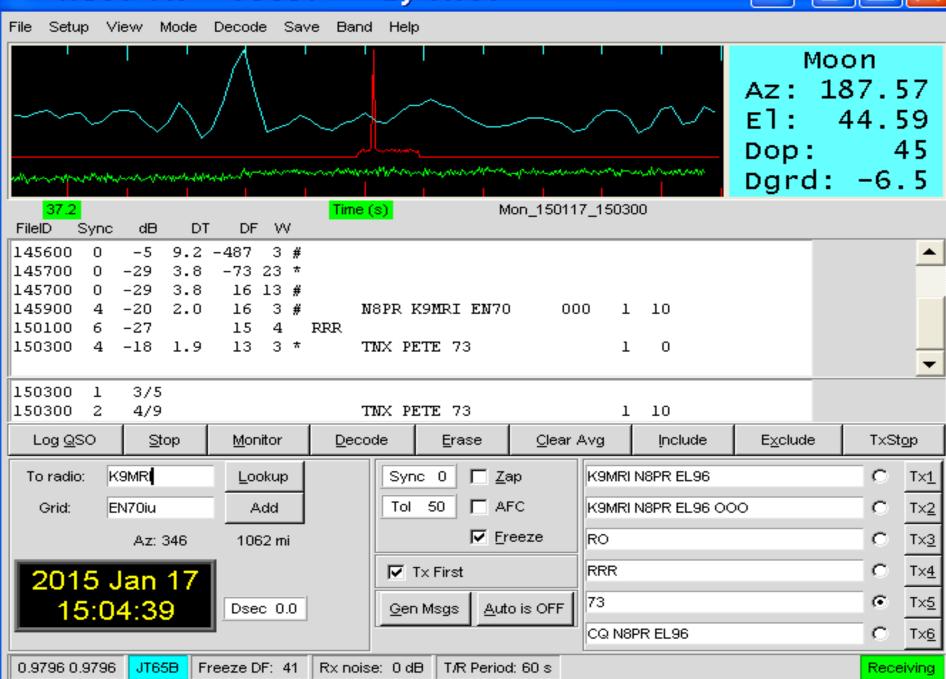


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CQ N8PR EL96	0	T× <u>6</u>
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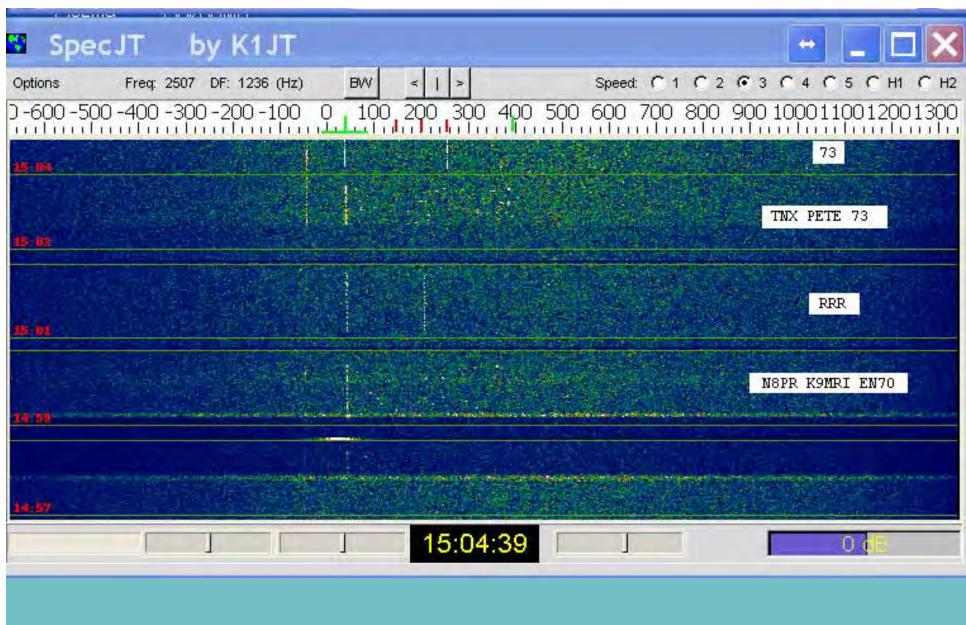
These are the standard messages that are sent on JT65B for EME

Simple but containing all the data needed for a valid QSO

### WSJT 9.7 r3639 by K1JT

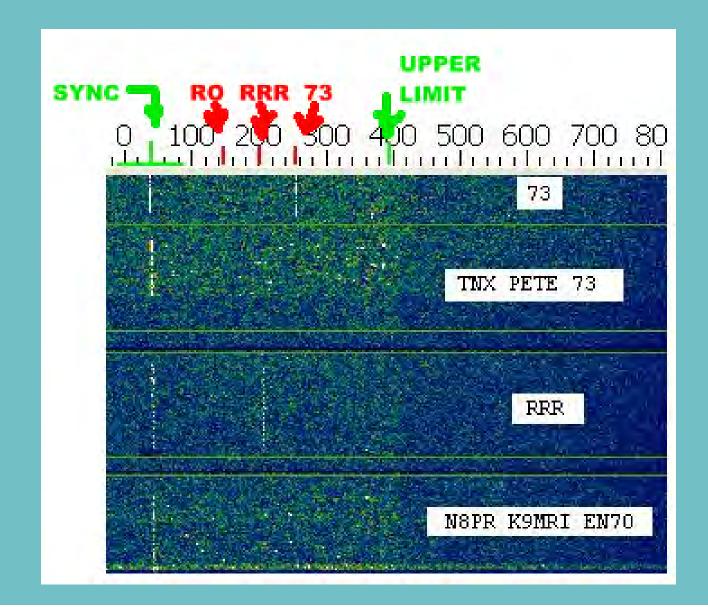


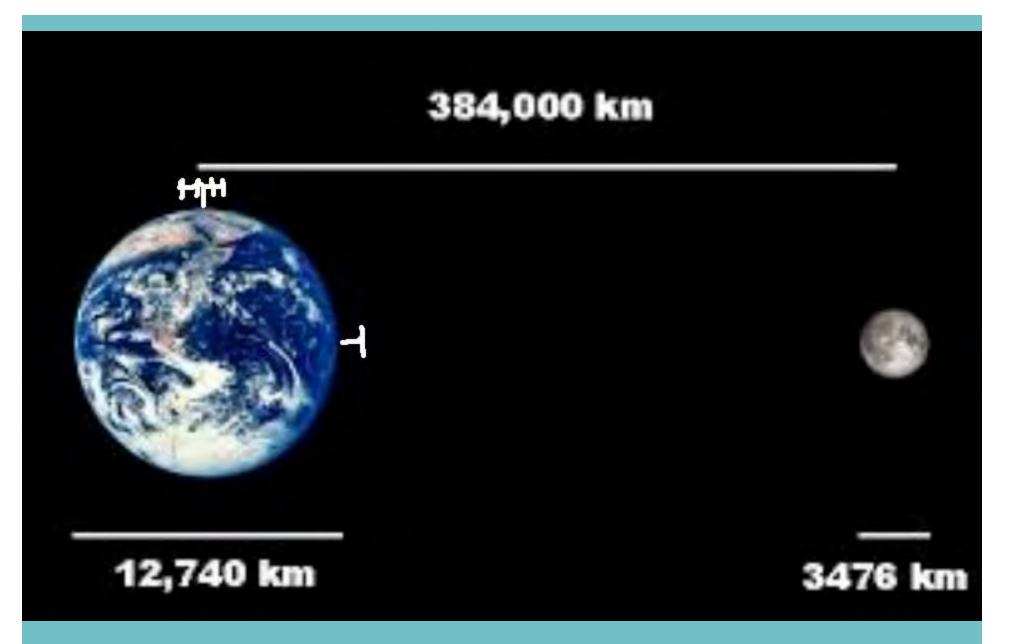
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This is what I see on the waterfall during an EME QSO

# With JT65 A,B,C Modes you can visually a message because of the simple tone spacing for reports.





Not considering Faraday shifts and other signal effects, a horizontally polarized signal leaving Europe looks like a vertically polarized signal in the USA.

So, can I work DX on the VHF Bands With JT65 modes ?

Yes.

Many stations have DXCC on 2 Meters using JT65B on Moonbounce !

But, you do need a good antenna.

24 Yagi Array at KB8RQ



### Original 2x9 array at N8PR



### JT65 on HF

- The JT65 "revolution" on the HF bands is primarily due to Joe Large, W6CQZ.
- Joe wrote a piece of software called JT65-HF that makes it much easier to operate JT65 and make successful contacts.
- Since Oct, 2014, a newer program WSJT-X has been used.
- WSJT-X is currently available for Windows, Mac and Linux.
- Excellent mode for low power or antenna restricted stations.

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With either mode, world-wide QSOs are possible with power levels of a few watts and compromise antennas.

NOTE: That does not mean you MUST use QRP or small antennas on this mode, it only means that it is effective at low signal levels.

You still have to put out a signal that will be heard somewhere... AND hear the other guy.

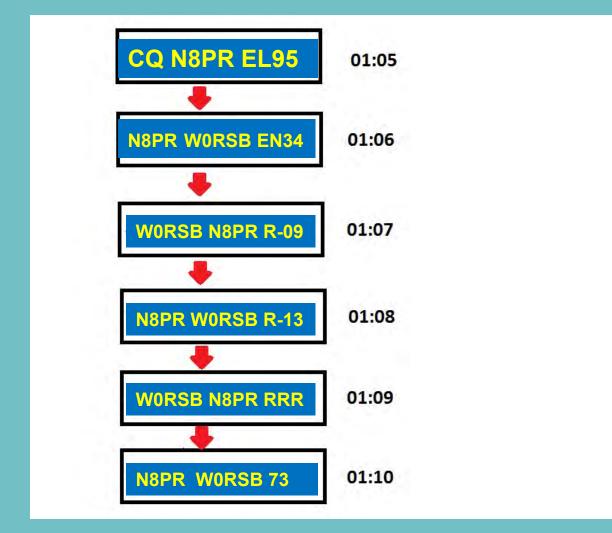
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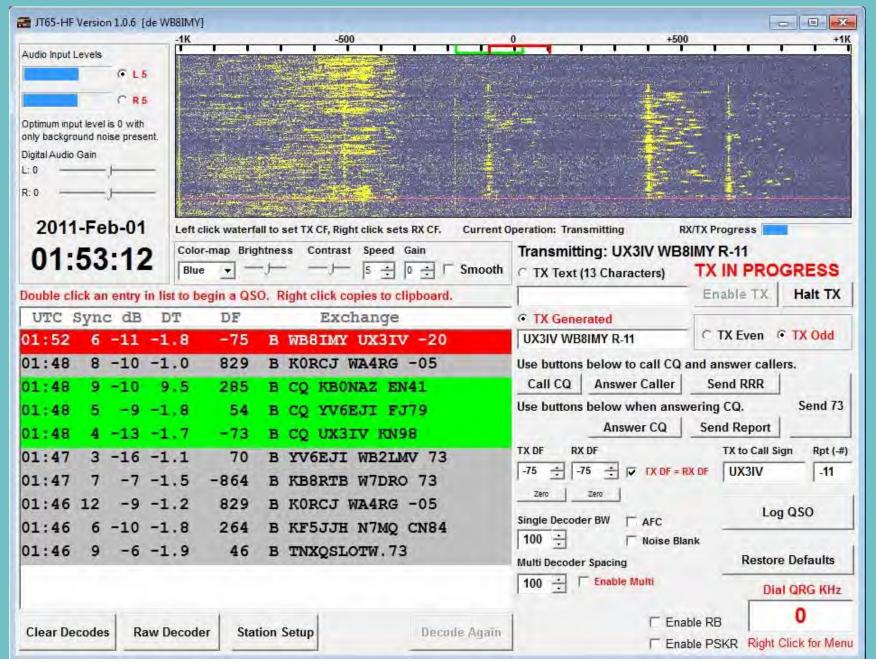
### Contacts by the "Colors"

- WSJT-X (and JT65-HF) uses color highlighting to indicate which stations are calling CQ, which stations are in contact with each other, and which stations are transmitting to you.
- The program also has preformatted responses that you can send by simply double clicking on the appropriate line.

# Transmitting and Receiving Sequence (HF):



### This is an earlier version of JT65-HF – It will still work, but the latest Version, WSJT-X is easier to use.

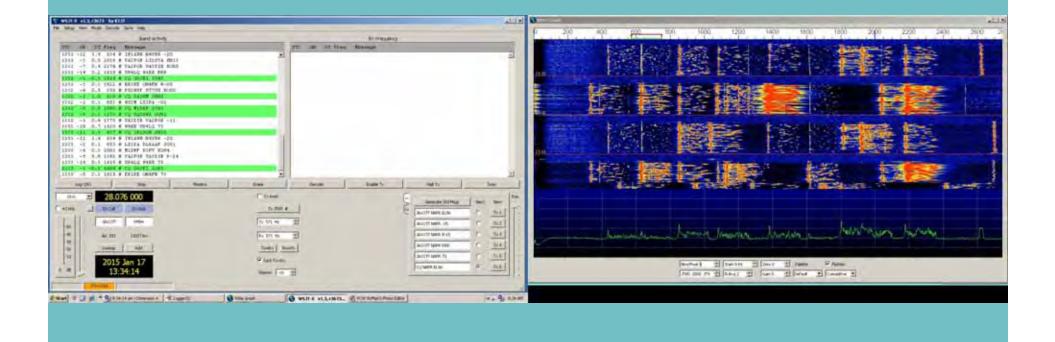


WHEN WSJT-X IS RUNNING YOU WILL SEE TWO WINDOWS:

THE DATA WINDOW WHICH HAS ALL THE QSO INFORMATION

AND THE WATERFALL WHICH SHOWS ALL THE STATIONS IN YOUR RECEIVER PASSBAND.

WSJT-X WILL DECODE BOTH JT65 AND JT9 SIMULTANEOUSLY.



### DATA AND QSO WINDOW

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### Understanding the WSJT-X and JT65-HF Decoding Screen

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- **UTC** When the signal was received.
- **Sync** A measure of how well the synchronizing tone is being received. Higher is better.
- **dB** The signal to noise ratio of the received signal in dB. Higher is better. 0 is the upper limit.
- DT The calculated offset of the received signal from your local clock. Values of .3 to 1.9 are typical.
- **DF** Offset in Hz from the center point (0).

Here is a 3 minute recording on the WSJT-X waterfall.

Notice how many signals there are.

Some are very strong and others weak.

If you are TOO STRONG you may distort and not decode

The following was taken at 8:30 AM on a Saturday Morning on 10 meters using a 3 element tri-bander 40 feet high pointed at 045 degrees (at Europe).

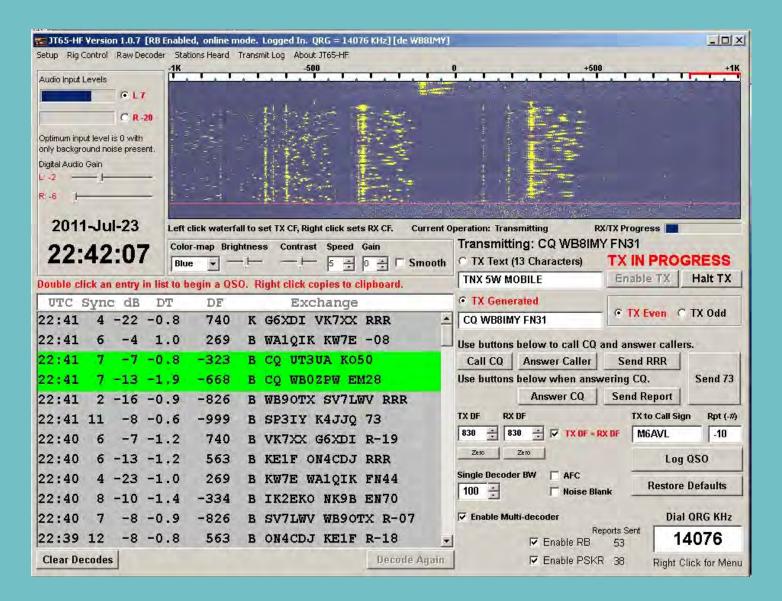
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# Let's Follow an Actual Contact, Step by Step

This contact was made from WB8IMY while running just 5W on 20 meters using two Hamstick mobile antennas connected together as a dipole.



### WB8IMY is Calling CQ...

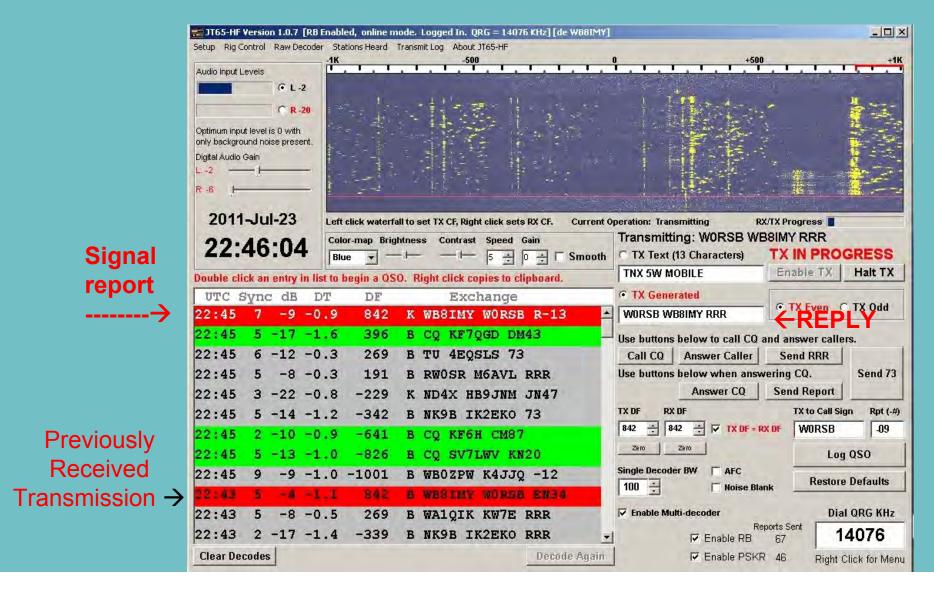


### W0RSB Has Answered. WB8IMY Is Replying with a Signal Report Note the top line with the RED background

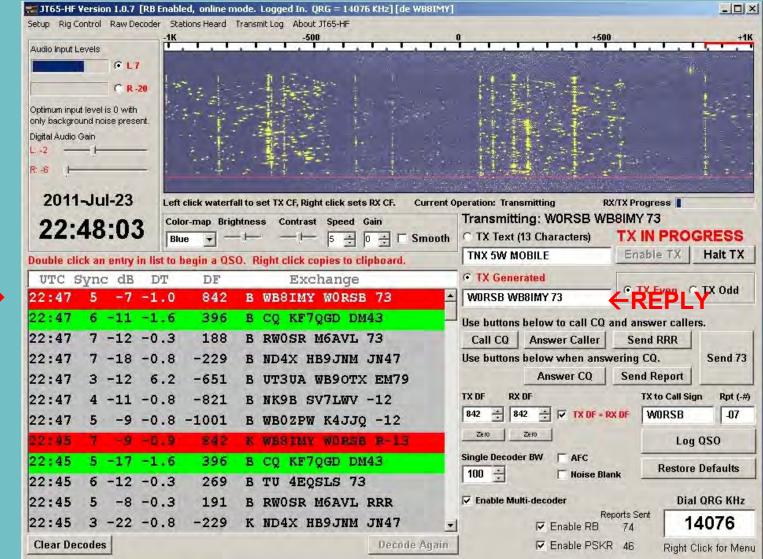
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22:43 3 -11 -1.3	2 -598 K CQ ON5UN J011	Use buttons below when answer	ing CQ. Send 7
22:43 5 -13 -1.	4 -668 B CQ K9JKM EN52	Answer CQ	Send Report
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### W0RSB Confirms My Report and Gives a Report of -13 dB. WB8IMY Replies "RRR"



# W0RSB sends 73 and WB8IMY does the same



73

### You Can Also Send Short Text Messages. The White Text is UR3CTB Telling that he is Running 30W to a Dipole Antenna (top gray line)

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22:55 3 -20 -	0.8 -229 K ND4X HB9JNM	R-18 Call CQ Answ	er Caller Send RRR
22:55 12 -14 -	1.4 -307 B KD8EZS M6KL	0 73 Use buttons below	when answering CQ. Send 7
22:55 5 -9 -	1.1 -595 B CQ ON5UN JO	11 Ans	wer CQ Send Report
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### JT65 Contacts Are Valid For Most Awards

- DXCC (Digital or Mixed mode)
- Worked All States (Digital, Mixed or JT65)
- Worked All Continents (Digital or Mixed)
- CQ WPX and other awards
- Also supported by ARRL's Logbook of The World

# What Do You Need to Try JT65 on HF?

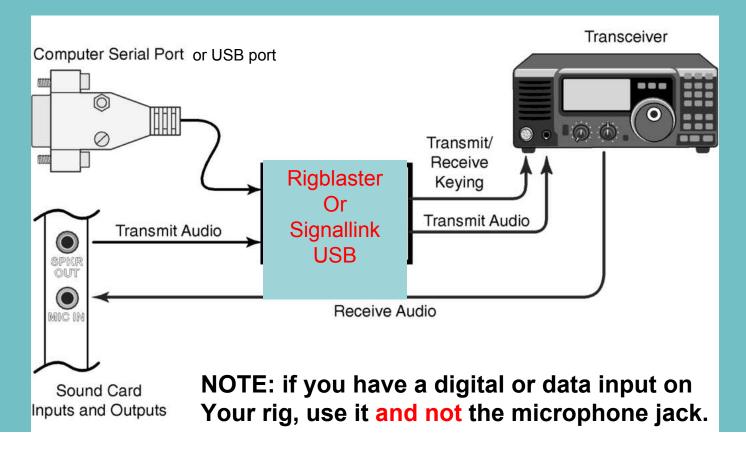
- SSB Transceiver and antenna
- Computer with sound card (in and out)
- Sound Card Interface between the two





### **Typical Installation**

- This installation will work the same as for other soundcard based digital modes like AFSK or PSK31 (MMTTY)
- Your interface can key the rig through a COM/USB port or you can use VOX to key the rig.



### Configure the Software First

#### Configuration

Station Setup	Rig Control/PTT	Heard List/P	PSKR Setup/RB Setup   Macros   Si570 USB Control   Colors   Diagnostics
Callsign WB8IMY Grid (4 or 6 Cha FN31	Prefix NONE 🝷	Suffix NONE 💌 I value.	Note: Suffix/Prefix is suggested to only be used in situations where you have a legal requirement to do so. You may define a suffix OR a prefix but not both. Suffix/prefix support in the JT65 protocol is a (very) complex issue. My suggestion is to avoid its use if at all possible. Suffix/prefix support in JT65-HF is, at best, incomplete.
Sound Input De			Sound Output Device
JU1-Microphon	e (Realtek High D	letini	O3-Speakers (Realtek High Definiti
RX Sample Rate	TX Sample R		le Automatic RX/TX Sample Rate Correction.
In most cases	it is suggested th	nat Automatic	il skewing of spectrum display until SR settles. This is harmless. sample rate correction be enabled. 5 times. (Runaway TX watchdog)
🗖 Disable Mu	Itidecoder while in	n QSO. Sugge	ested unless you have a fast CPU (>1.5GHz).
Enable Mul	ltidecoder after 2 r	minutes of no <sup>-</sup>	TX (If disabled by option above).
Restore det	faults sets Multide	ecoder On	
Send CW I	D With 73 or Free	Text Message	e
Save text o	f decodes and tra	nsmissions to	) file.
Location of RX/	TX history file (JT6	Shf-log.csv)	
C:\Users\Stev	ve\AppData\Local	VIT65-HF\	
			Save Settings and Close Window

# "Tell" JT65-HF Which COM Port is Used for T/R Switching

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### Accurate Time is Important

- If you have an Internet connection, update your time in Windows Control Panel before you start operating. Some say the Windows time synchronization isn't adequate for JT65-HF, but that hasn't been my experience.
- If you are running *Windows XP*, try *Dimension4*. This program will sync your clock automatically.
- http://www.thinkman.com/dimension4/

### What's Your Grid Square?

- Use K2DSL's Web page to determine your grid square from your street address.
- http://www.levinecentral.com/ham/grid\_square.php



# JT65 HF Frequencies (All USB)

- 1838 kHz
- 3576 kHz
- 7076 kHz (European stations often use 7039 kHz)
- 14076 kHz
- 10139 kHz
- 18102 kHz
- 21076 kHz
- 24920 kHz
- 28076 kHz
- These are shown and can be selected on the JT65-X screen

But I am only a Tech Class Licensee -- Can I work DX with JT65-X?

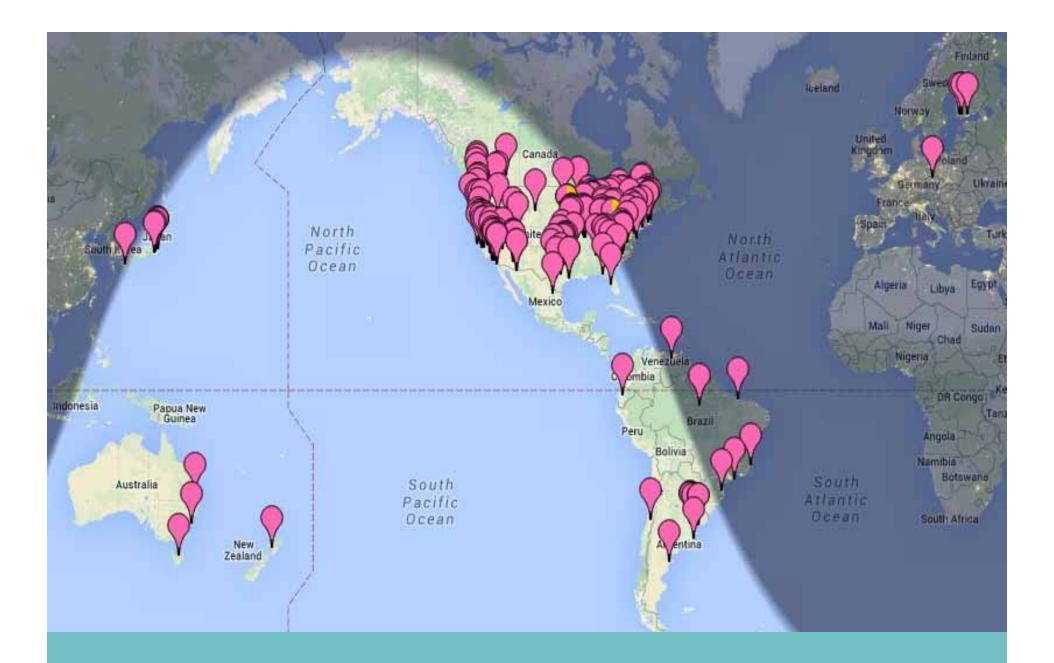
YES!

You can get DXCC on 2, 6 or 10 Meters !

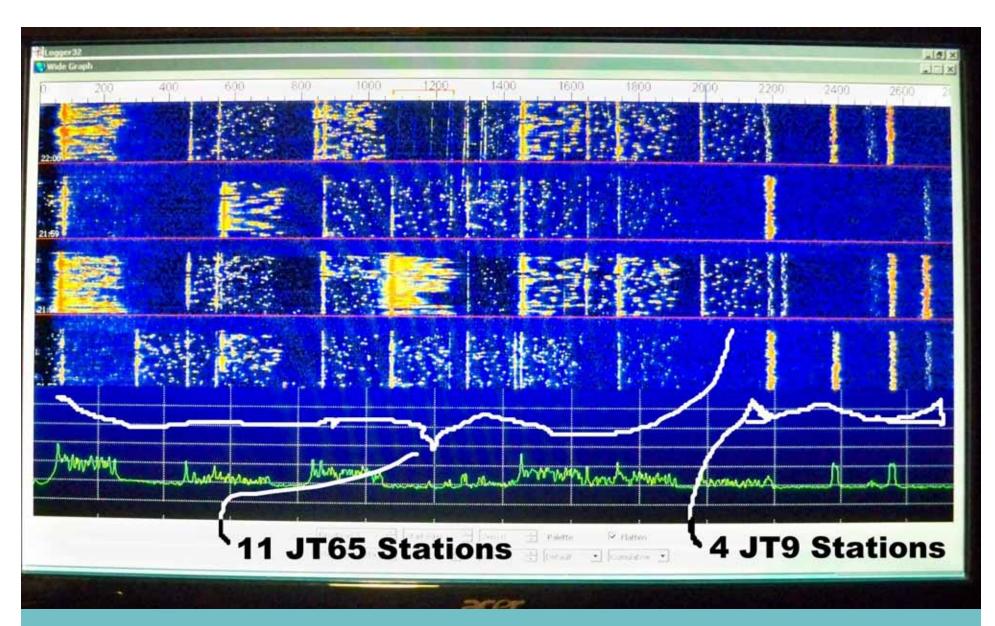
Joe Taylor's programs will allow you to get on the digital modes on all of these:

6 & 2 Meters and above... Tropo Meteor Scatter Moonbounce (EME) Aurora Satellite

Novice and Technician classes: 28.000-28.300 MHz: CW, RTTY/Data--Maximum power 200 watts PEP



JT-65 Operators Spotted at 5 PM on Dec. 4, 2014 on 10 meters



A typical afternoon on 10 meter Digital modes – JT65 and JT9 Saturday - December 20. 2014 Here are a few of the stations I have in my log at N8PR

Notice VK6 on 80 Meters, Japan on 40 Meters.

I was heard in Namibia on 160, But I did not hear him. I was Running 1000 watts on JT65-X !

🚍 Logbook page (C:\LOGGER32	Napr)		and the second	-				×
DATE FIME ON BANK	MODE	CALL	CQZ	FREQ	NAME	QSL VIA	Route	QSL se +
17 Oct 13 07:26:00 2M	JT65	YJOHP	32	144144.00	Hermann	DL2NUD		13 Jan
21 Oct 13 12:05:00 2M	JT65	JH8CMZ	25	144128.00	Take			
22 Oct 13 13:09:00 2M	JT65	JM1GSH	25	144108.00	Kony			
26 Oct 13 06:54:00 2M	JT65	SV9ANJ	20	144114.00	Xteam		DF2ZC	30 Oct
05 Nov 13 17:37:41 15M	JT65	DL8ZBA	14	21076.00				25 Jul 1
09 Dec 13 23:54:26 160M	4 JT65	C6ARU	08	1838.00		Bahamas - I	80 M JT6	5
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10 Dec 13 00:16:47 160M	4 JT65	KG4Q	05	1838.00	Larry			
02 Jan 14 01:10:52 40M	JT65	VE3FMC	04	7076.00				
09 Jan 14 23:19:00 2M	JT65	W1AW/4	05	144113.00	Ric			
02 Feb 14 19:13:00 2M	JT65	W1AW/5	04	144135.00	George			
03 Feb 14 16:38:00 2M	JT65	ER5WU	16	144132.00	Anatol			
05 Feb 14 20:37:00 2M	JT65	W1AW/4	05	144107.00	Rav			
17 Jul 14 10:38:00 2M	JT65	KH8/ZL1RS	32	144138.00	Bob			24 Aug
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03 Aug 14 00:04:07 20M		IZ2MZL	15	14076.00	-	_		
03 Aug 14 18:46:17 12M		NGORB	03	24917.00				
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23 Aug 14 04:28:41 160M		W5UN	04	1838.00	Dave			
23 Aug 14 04:37:33 160M	and the second	WA2GSX	05	1838.00				
23 Aug 14 05:03:26 160N		ABIOC	05	1838.00				
23 Aug 14 05:10:04 160M		N8DEA	04	1838.00				
30 Nov 14 20:41:05 2M	JT65	W1AW/3	05	144119.00	Jim	N1SZ		
04 Dec 14 08:40:00 2M	JT65	W1AW/1	05	144121.00	Dave			
11 Dec 14 04:01:39 2M	JT65	W1AW/9	04	144149.00				
20 Dec 14 21:40:06 12M	the second se	W1AW/KH6	31	24917.00		Hawaii 12	M J 165	
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06 Jan 15 12:20:00 40M		JA10TT	25	7076.00		Japan 40		
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21 Dec 14 21:46:21 10M	JT9	W1AW/KH6	31	28078.00				

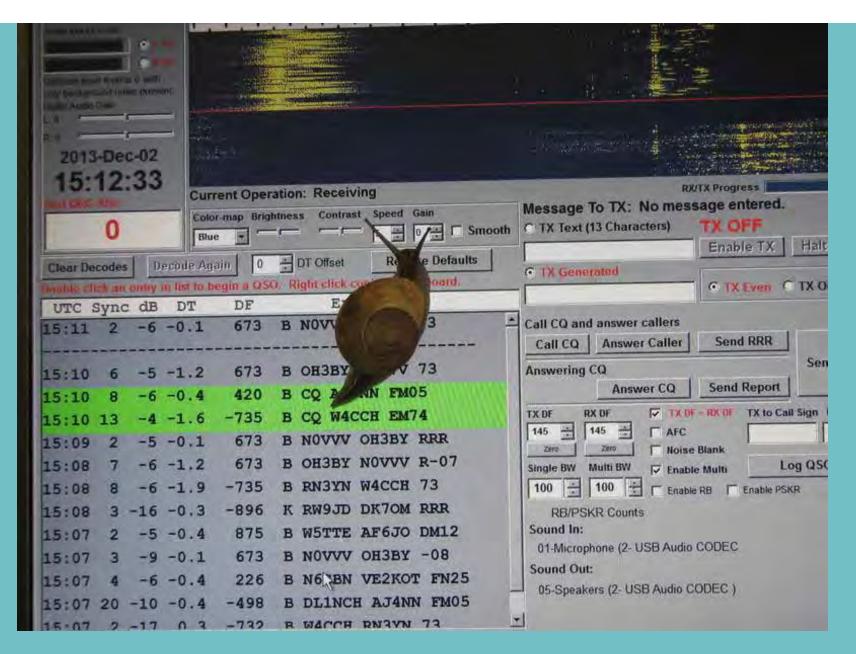


N8PR Pete

K1JT Joe Taylor

W4AS Sebastian

We met Joe at the ARRL Centennial Convention in Hartford, CT this past summer (2014)



In case you think that this is a "Fast" operating mode, it is not ! Tim – N4UM – took this photo while operating as C6ARU in the Bahamas.



### See You on JT65!

# Thank you for your attention.

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