

Propagation Studies Committee

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One of PSC's continuing concerns is to encourage the rational and knowledgeable use of all parts of the spectrum available to us. In this connection may I draw attention to the recent collection of G0KYA's and G3NYK's recent RadCom articles into an e-book Understanding LF and HF Propagation

(www.infotechcomms.co.uk/Understanding_LF_and_HF_Propagation.pdf) This has gathered a gratifying number of hits since appearing on the Society's web page.

PLT and similar scourges remain a continuing preoccupation - but that is a point that scarcely needs emphasising.

We are aware of the considerable number of beacons operating outside the HF band plan, particularly those on bands where Region 1 discourages beacon activity. The great majority are qrpp/qrss. Most are in Italy, though there are a few elsewhere. None of them is coordinated by me as HF beacon coordinator and usually I only learn of them by accident. This is a rather messy situation but, fortunately, I receive almost no complaints, which is as well since any attempt to clamp down would almost certainly be futile and ineffective.

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