

1 General position

CDXC moved reflector hosting from Yahoo! to Groups.io in July 2017. The transfer went seamlessly and so far it has been working very well.

Message latency has dropped from unacceptably long delays on Yahoo! to consistently just a few seconds, this has been a welcome improvement.

Co-moderation of the reflector with Dave G3YMC is a very robust arrangement. We avoid the problem associated with a single point of failure.

2 VDSL2

VDSL2 continues to be a major issue with some of our members. There have been a report on our reflector recently about in-house modem wiring and reducing the distance from the master filtered socket to the modem.

This has the benefits of reducing HF QRM, reducing modem susceptibility to amateur transmissions and increasing consumer broadband speed.

CDXC strongly supports the policy of the RSGB in addressing the VDSL2 issue.

3 WJST-X and FT8

FT8 has been rapidly adopted by the DX community, especially those with small antennas, high noise floors and low power.

An upcoming DXpedition to Mellish Reef, VK9MA 3-16 November, is the first DXpedition to announce their intention to use FT8 if RTTY doesn't produce the required pileups.

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