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2023 RSGB Band Plans

This edition of *RadCom* includes the 2023 Band Plans and if you are looking for significant changes you may be initially disappointed (or relieved!).

Apart from a couple of minor formatting changes, this edition is basically marking time pending a series of UK and International discussions that will occur later in the year. The online edition, which has the space for historic change notes, includes this more forward-looking change note for 2023, which we reproduce here:

No formal changes for January 2023, but please note the following are under review:

- HF: IARU review / expansion of data segments
- 145MHz: Repeater usage / spectrum efficiency (inc. Note-11)
- Implications of WRC-23 on 50MHz, 1.3GHz and perhaps other bands
- Incorporation of formal bandplans for 122-123, 136-141 and 241-250GHz to reflect growing usage

Whilst we do not rule out a mid-year tweak, the two key events that will influence much of this are the IARU Region-1 General Conference and the ITU 2023 World Radio Conference (WRC-23), which are in November and December.

Please note that the RSGB Band Plans are current and are thus quite distinct from the longer-term discussion for the HF bands mentioned above that is slowly occurring at IARU level and was presented at the 2021 RSGB Spectrum Forum annual meeting (and in the online minutes of that).

In addition to <code>RadCom</code>, the latest band plans can be found on the operating section of the RSGB website at rsgb.org/bandplans – and, if you are unsure, by all means contact either hf.manager@rsgb.org.uk, vhf.manager@rsgb.org.uk or microwave.manager@rsgb.org.uk