



RADIO ACTIVITY FOR "WORLD POLIO DAY". SPECIAL ACTIVATION CALLSIGN AO7WPD

The **Union of Radio Amateurs of Cádiz** (Local Section of the Union of Spanish Radio Amateurs) in collaboration with the [Rotary Club Jerez Internacional](#), will carry out a special activation with the callsign **AO7WPD** to disseminate the **INTERNATIONAL DAY OF THE FIGHT AGAINST POLIOMYELITIS** that is celebrated every year on October 24, under the slogan **END POLIO NOW**. On that day around the world, "Rotarians" do all kinds of activities to give visibility to the fight that the Rotary Group and its allies (WHO, UNICEF, CDC, Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation) maintain against this cruel disease that mainly affects young children. Polio is not completely eradicated as it is still endemic in Pakistan and Afghanistan and poses a danger to the entire international community. Every year, millions of children around the world need to be vaccinated and permanent epidemiological surveillance is needed to detect the existence of the virus that can cause outbreaks of the disease.

The III Illustrious Rotarians Award is dedicated this year to the 50th anniversary of the feat, to the figure of **Neil Amrstrong**, an American astronaut participating in the **APOLLO XI mission**, being the first human to set foot on the surface of the Moon in July 1969.

Neil Amrstrong was an honorary member of the Rotary Club of Wapakoneta, Ohio. (USA USA).

The radio activity will begin at 00:00 UTC on October 19, 2024 and end at 23:59 UTC on October 27 and the days between the two dates. The assigned bands will be used, both in HF and in VHF and UHF in the modalities of SSB, CW, FM, FT8. The special callsign **AO7WPD** will be activated exclusively by members of the **Cádiz Amateur Radio Union**.

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Any participant who has a confirmed contact with the corresponding QSL in any band and modality will be able to obtain a diploma. Each contact made with **AO7WPD** will be confirmed by **eQSL** or via **Bureau** with a special QSL of this activity. The **Union of Radio Amateurs of Cádiz** (Local Section U.R.E.) delivers the special confirmation QSLs and the [Rotary Club Jerez Internacional](#) is in charge of awarding the diplomas to the radio amateurs who accredit their collaboration by sending the certification of the voluntary donation made. The maximum date to receive QSL confirming contact with the callsign **AO7WPD** is April 30, 2025, from that date no more participation diplomas will be sent.

Obtaining the III Illustrious Rotary Diploma 2024.

The **III Illustrious Rotarians Award** is a solidarity diploma, with the purpose of collecting donations for the permanent **POLIO+** project of Rotary International that is developed worldwide with the aim of eradicating the disease of Poliomyelitis. Rotary International, in alliance with other organizations such as the WHO or UNICEF, fight against Polio and other diseases, in countries in Africa and Asia where infectious foci are still reproduced. You can learn more about what Rotary is doing around the world against polio at <https://endpolio.org>.

X IMAGEN 2 "III Illustrious Rotary Diploma 2024."

To obtain the diploma, you just have to donate by pressing the red button with the slogan **END POLIO NOW** on the <https://rotaryjerezinternacioanal.org> website. In the process, you can choose between several amounts to donate or you can select the option "**OTHER AMOUNT**" and enter the amount you want to donate. **Very important, when putting the donor's data, include the callsign.**



Once the donation has been made, the proof of donation must be sent by email to the address dri@rotaryjerezinternacional.org . You can receive a diploma for each band and way it was worked, for this you have to make a donation for each diploma. The radio amateur who makes the largest donation for a single diploma will receive a special prize consisting of a metope commemorating the contest.

In the event of a tie between several participants, the metope will be drawn between them to see who is the lucky one. The rest of the finalists will receive a special mention as the top donor of the activity. The winner of the metope will receive it by courier at their home free of charge.

We expect a wide international participation in this activity in its third year, and we count on the generosity of radio amateurs from all over the world in the solidarity part organized by [Rotary Club Jerez Internacional](#).