

# Net Logging Spreadsheet

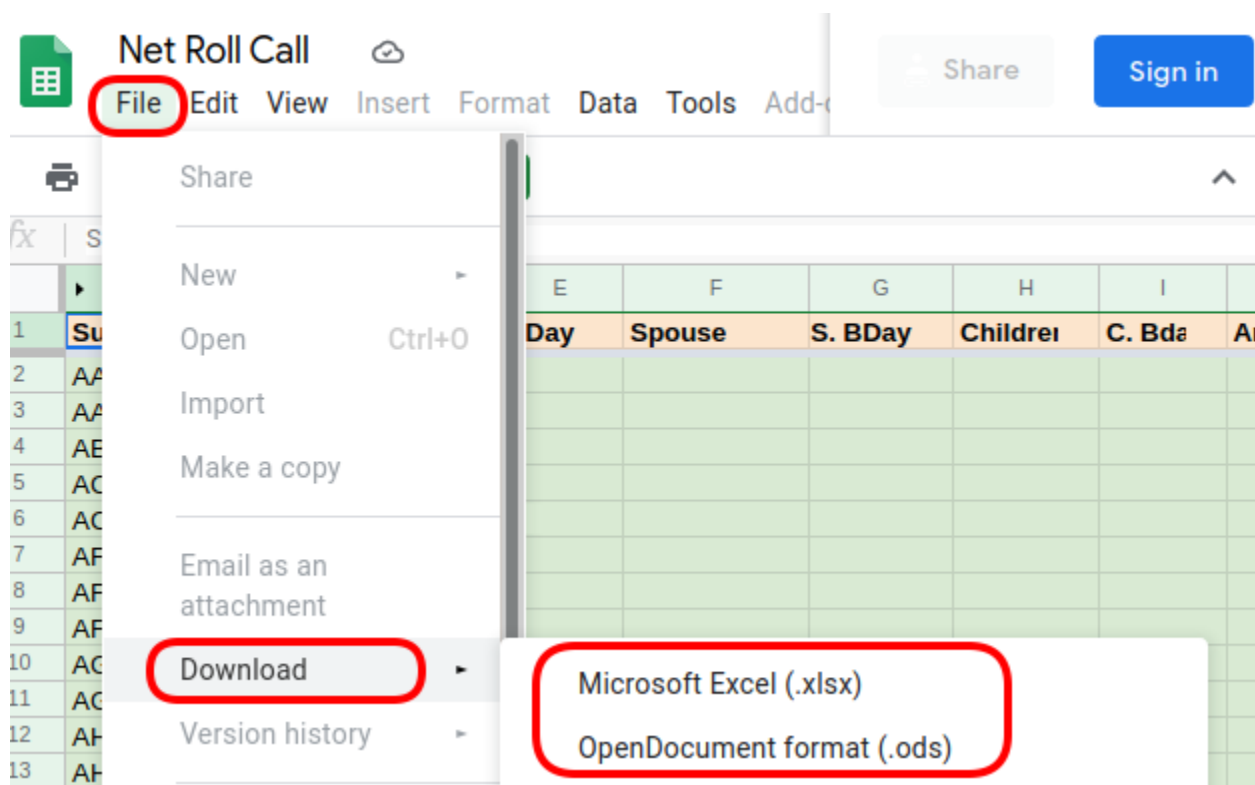


The spreadsheet cannot be used directly from the browser anymore. To use it, download the Excel or LibreOffice version for offline use.

## Downloading The File

Currently, the file is not public, contact [Patrick, VA7FI](#) if you'd like access.

Once you have the link, you can download it as a Microsoft Excel file or as an OpenDocument File:

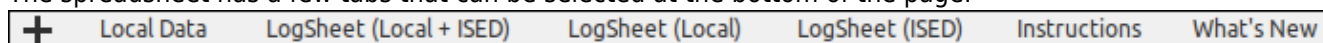


A few things to keep in mind:

- If you notice an error or omission, please email [Patrick, VA7FI](#). That way, other users will benefit from your updates.
- Download a fresh copy periodically so as to always have the latest database.

## Basic Idea

- The spreadsheet has a few tabs that can be selected at the bottom of the page:



- Data contains the actual information about a few hundreds of hams.

- LiveLogSheet is the “search / log” page used during the net.
- LiveLogSheet (lite) is a lighter version of the previous tab (for slower machines) that doesn't use ISED information.
- Instructions links to this page and lists a few changes I've made.
- ISED is a hidden tab that contains over 80,000 entries from the [ISED](#) website. The last update uses data from Sept 21, 2020.



The most important thing is that **you can type in and delete cells in green**, but you should **not edit or delete cells in orange**.

## The Data Tab

Suffix	Pref	Name	BDay	Spouse	S. BDay	Children	C. BDay	Anniversary	A. Day	QTH	Notes	Today?	This Week?
AA	VA7	Richard	JUL 27									Jul 27	Week 31
AAK	VE7	Windy	JUL 28										Week 31
ABL	VE7	Don											

The Data tab contains information about each ham operator and a few formulas to flag important dates. This sheet is **NOT** the sheet you'll be using during the net, it's a sort of “database”:

Column(s)	Edit	Details
Column A	✗	Is hidden and contains formulas that the other tab needs.
Columns B – M	✓	Contains information about ham operators.
Columns E, G, I, K	✓	Are dates that should be entered as so 'JAN 1.' <sup>1)</sup>
Columns N – P	✗	Contains formulas and should NOT be edited.

Today? ▼ This Week? ▼ J

Sort Ascending  
Sort Descending

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Top 10  
Empty  
Not Empty

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Standard Filter...

Search items...

☒ All ☒ empty ☒ Jul 27

☐ empty ☒ Jul 27

OK Cancel

To add a new entry, see the [Adding Names](#) section below.

## Birthdays and Anniversaries

To see who is having a birthday or anniversary, filter column N or O (but not both at the same time):

- Click on the upside-down triangle on the right of Today? in Column N or This Week? in Column O.
- Remove the check mark on the left of (empty).  
Under Microsoft Excel, it's called (Blanks).
- Press OK

This will show only the lines of people that have a birthday or anniversary on the day or week. Note the names and callsign of these people to acknowledge them during the preamble.

Once you've got that information, you can re-check the (empty) lines to unhide them.

## The LiveLogSheet Tab

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P
Checks: 6				# of Birthdays or Anniversaries:				Today: 1		This week: 7					
Suffix	Prefix	Callsign	Dup?	Name	BDay	Spouse	S. BDay	Children	C. Bday	Anniversary	A. Day	QTH	Notes	Today?	#
aa		VA7AA		Richard	Sep 29							Chemainus		Sep 29	1
aa		VA7AA	y	Richard	Sep 29							Chemainus		Sep 29	1
jh		Prefix?													2
jh	ve7	ve7jh		Gabor								Crofton			2
jh	va7	va7jh		Jim								Campbell River			2
aaa		Prefix?													0
aaa	ve7	ve7aaa		Arthur Ellwood (ISED)								CAMPBELL RIVE			0
aaa	va7	va7aaa		Allan Stephen (ISED)								LANGLEY (ISED)			0
wek	ve7	ve7wek		Not Found											0

The LiveLogSheet tab is really the meat of this spreadsheet. During the net, all you need to do is type the suffix in Column A (**not** case sensitive).

- Column B can be left blank unless there are two callsigns with the same suffix (ex. VA7JH and VE7JH), or if the suffix is not in the Data tab at all (ex. "AAA"). If that's the case, Column C will ask you to add the prefix in Column B.
- Once Column C has the full callsign, it'll look up the information in the Data tab, and if not found there, it'll look in the ISED tab.
- Information from the ISED tab will have "(ISED)" written in the cells (ex. VE7AAA)
- If the callsign doesn't exist (ex. VE7WEK), the cells will be left blank.
- The cells in orange **should NOT be edited or deleted**.
- Cell D1 shows the total number of checks.
- The top shows the number of Birthdays and Anniversaries.

When the net is done, simply delete what you typed in column A and B (**NOT what appeared in the other columns**)

Note that I made up Richard's (VA7AA) birthday for the sake of illustration.

## Android Tablets/Phones

The spreadsheet was made to be used offline on computers, but some people might still want to use it on their tablets. Here are some instructions on how to do that for Android devices.

The first steps are to open the spreadsheet and make a copy of it to your “Sheets” app. You will need a Google Account to do this:

- Open the link in the mobile browser.
- Click on USE THE APP (you need “Sheets” installed).
- Click on the three dots on the top right corner.

docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1frF

**Net Roll Call**

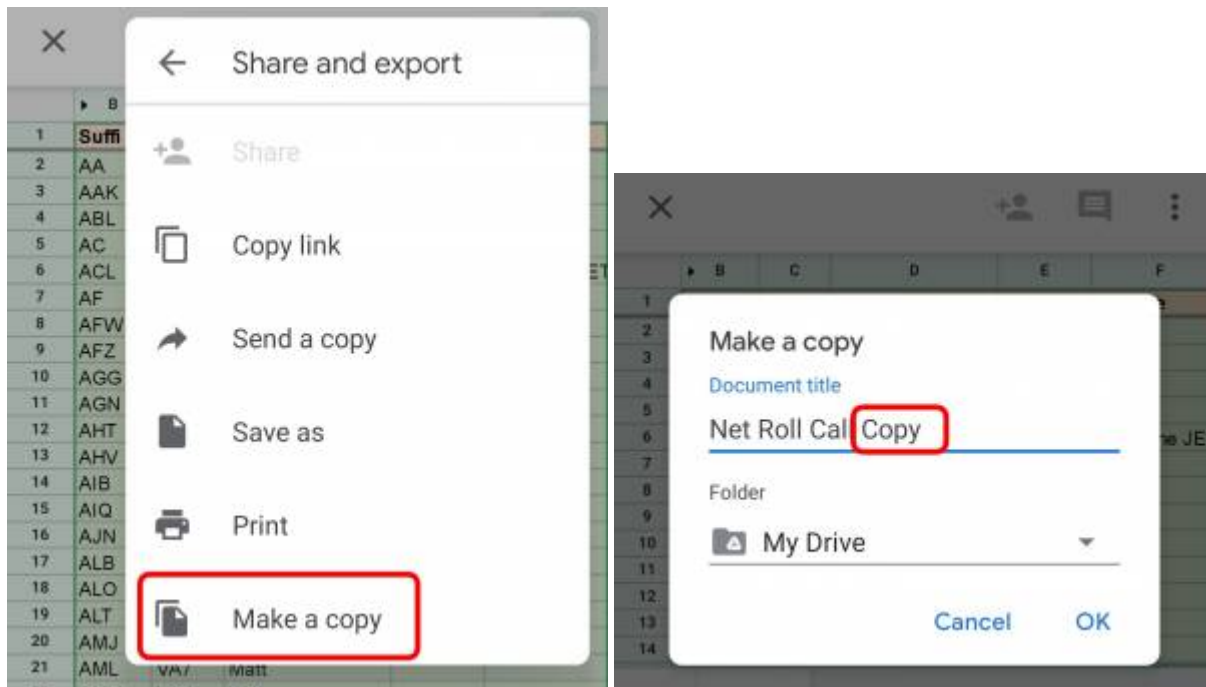
Data LiveLogSheet LiveLogSheet (lite) Instructions

	B	C	D	E	F
1	Suffi	Pref	Name	BDay	Spouse
2	AA	VA7	Richard		
3	AAK	VE7	Windy		
4	ABL	VE7	Don		
5	AC	VA7	John		
6	AF	VE7	Kosta		
7	AFW	VE7	Horst		
8	AFZ	VE7	Mark		
9	AGG	VA7	Alan		
10	AGN	VA3	Robert		
11	AHT	VE7	Dave		
12	AHV	VA7	Gary		
13	AIB	VA7	Bailey		
14	AIQ	VA7	Tom	AUG 20	
15	AJN	VE7	Tony		
16	ALB	VE7	Christopher		
17	ALO	VE7	Alan		
18	ALT	VE7	Bob		
19	AMJ	VA7	Joanne		
20	AML	VA7	Matt		
21	AMV	VA7	Rolf		
22	AN	VE7	Alvin		
23	ANT	VE7	Ken		
24	AOA	VE7	Gerald		
25	AOV	VE7	John		
26	API	VE7	Hugo	APR 20	Helen
27	ARE	VA7	Arbutus Ridge		
28	ARO	VA7	Sandilea		
29	ART	VA7	Art		
30	ARU	VA7	Michael		
31	ASI	VA7	Andrew		
32	ASO	VE7	Steve (SK)		

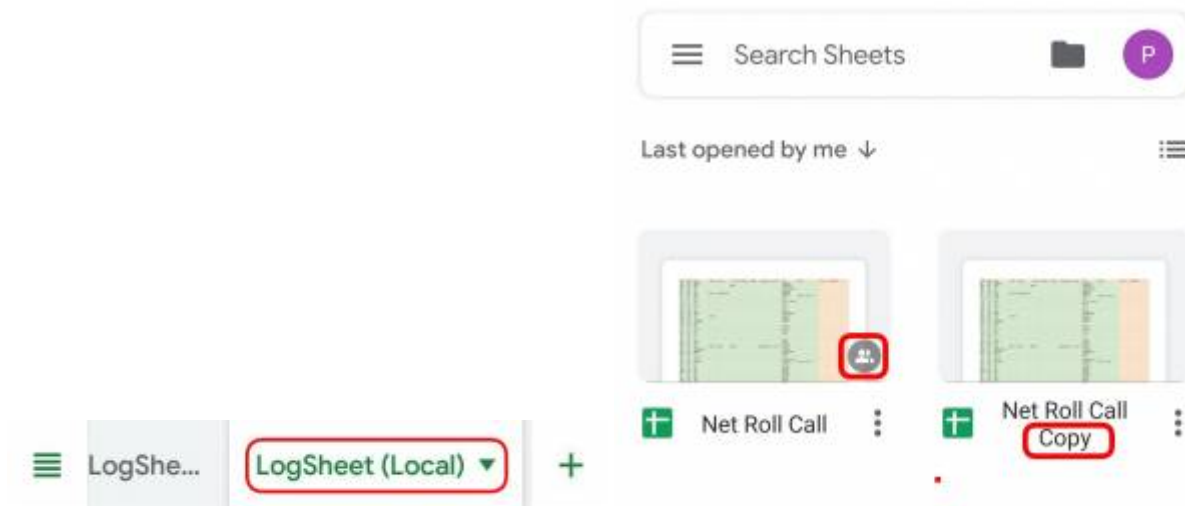
**Edit with the Sheets app**  
Make tweaks and share with others to edit at the same time.

NO, THANKS USE THE APP

- Click on Make a copy.
- Add the word “Copy” to the end of the name to distinguish it from the original.



- You are now using your copy, which you can edit.
- At the bottom, select LiveLogSheet (lite), which doesn't query the ISED tab and is quicker for mobile devices.
- In your Sheets app, you should now see two versions:
  - The one on the left with the little shared symbol is the original which you can't edit.
  - The one on the right is your own personal copy.



- Every so often, you should delete your personal copy (or make a backup) and download a fresh copy so that you can have the latest database.
- Please do NOT edit the database in your personal copy since no-one else will benefit from your edits. Instead, email [Patrick, VA7FI](mailto:Patrick.VA7FI@scarcs.ca) the information that needs to be added / edited in the online version.

# Notes for Admins

## Adding Names

To add a new name to the Data sheet:

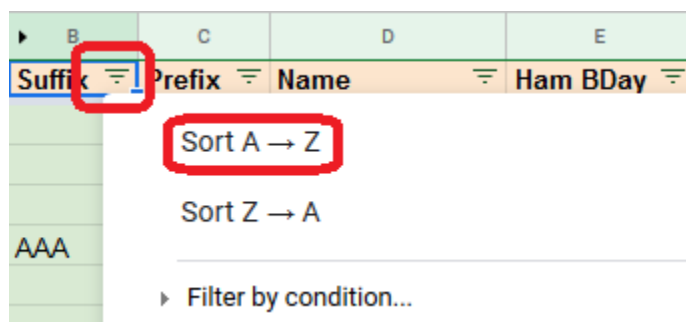
1. Edit the Google spreadsheet directly in the browser (**not your downloaded copy**). That way everyone will benefit from your updates next time they download a fresh copy.
2. Scroll down and use one of the empty lines below the current list. It doesn't have to be the very next line. For example, as of this writing, the last entry is in line 462, but you could use line 479. It really doesn't matter. All these empty lines at the bottom of the list have the formulas in Column A and N already pre-filled.



Do not Insert a line somewhere in the middle of the sheet to keep names sorted by callsigns. The problem with doing this is that Column A (which is hidden) and Column N contain important formulas and inserting a line leaves those cells blank for the new line.

	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	
1	Suffix	Prefix	Name	Ham BDay	Spouse	Spouse BDay	Children	Children Bday	Anniv
476									
477									
478									
479	AAA	VE7	test						
480									
481									

Now to sort, click on the upside-down triangle sign on the right of Suffix to see the filter menu for that column, and select Sort A → Z:



All the entries are now sorted by callsign suffix:

1	Suffix	Prefix	Name	Ham BDay	Spouse	Spouse BDay	Children	Children Bday	Anniv
2	AAA	VE7	test						
3	AAK	VE7	Windy						
4	AGG	VA7	Alan						
5	AGN	VA2	Robert						

## Deleting Names

To delete a name, do **not Delete Row**. Instead delete the green cells containing the information. Careful not to delete anything in the red cells in columns A and N which contain the formulas. Then resort the list to send the empty line back to the bottom.

## Updating ISED Tab

### Import file



File

**amateur\_delim.csv**

Import location

Replace current sheet ▾

Separator type

Custom ▾

Custom separator

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Convert text to numbers, dates and formulas

Import data

Cancel

- Download [Amateur call sign list \(delimited TXT format\)](#).
- Extract text file from zip file and change extension from:  
.txt to .csv
- In Google Sheets, unhide and select the ISED tab.
- Go to File > Import > Upload:
  - Replace Current Sheet
  - Custom: ;

1)

Dates must be formatted with three letters and be preceded by an apostrophe (') to force the proper formatting.