

ESSEX DF DATES – 2018

(Program calendar – initial planning)

National DF contests and Bank Holiday dates etc are also included.

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| Wednesday | 14 Feb | Chelmsford | Club Trophy | + Getaway TX | |
| Sunday | 11 or 18 Feb? | Colch-Chelms | Essex Snowman | 2 Station Event | |
| Friday | 23 Feb | Colchester | Club Trophy | + Getaway TX | |
| Wednesday | 14 March | Chelmsford | Club Trophy | + Getaway TX | |
| Friday | 23 March | Colchester | Club Trophy | + Getaway TX | |
| SUNDAY | 25 March | (BST STARTS) | (Clocks forward | by 1 hour) | (GMT to BST) |
| FRIDAY | 30 MARCH | GOOD FRIDAY | EASTER | WEEK-END | |
| SUNDAY | 1 APRIL | EASTER DAY | EASTER | WEEK-END | |
| MONDAY | 2 APRIL | BANK HOL. | EASTER | WEEKEND | |
| Sunday | 8 April | ECMDF | Multi 1 | | |
| Wednesday | 11 April | Chelmsford | Club Trophy | + Getaway TX | |
| Sunday | 22 April ** (Also | RSGB G.T Peck | Nat. Qual. Q1 Trophy on this | Event) ** | |
| Friday | 27 April | Colchester | Club Trophy | + Getaway TX | |
| MONDAY | 7 MAY | MAY-DAY | BANK | HOLIDAY | |
| Wednesday | 9 May | Chelmsford | Club Trophy | + Getaway TX | |
| Sunday | 13 May | RSGB | Nat. Qual. Q2 | | |
| Sunday | 20 May | ECMDF | Multi 2 | | |
| Friday | 25 May | Colchester | Club Trophy | + Getaway TX | |
| MONDAY | 28 MAY | SPRING | BANK | HOLIDAY | |
| Sunday | 3 June | RSGB | Nat. Qual. Q3 | | |

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| Sunday | 10 June | ECMDF | Multi 3 | | |
| Wednesday | 13 June | Chelmsford | Club Trophy | + Getaway TX | |
| Friday | 22 June | Colchester | Club Trophy | + Getaway TX | |
| Sunday | 24 June | RSGB | Nat. Qual. Q4 | | |
| Sunday | 8 July | RSGB | Nat. Qual. Q5 | | |
| Wednesday | 11 July | Chelmsford | Club Trophy | + Getaway TX | |
| Sunday | 22 July | ECMDF | Multi 4 | | |
| Friday | 27 July | Colchester | Club Trophy | + Getaway TX | |
| Sunday | 29 July | RSGB | Nat. Qual. Q6 | | |
| Wednesday | 8 August | Chelmsford | Club Trophy | + Getaway TX | |
| Sunday | 12 August | RSGB | Nat. Qual. Q7 | | |
| Sunday | 19 August | ECMDF | Multi 5 | | |
| Friday | 24 August | Colchester | Club Trophy | + Getaway TX | |
| MONDAY | 27 AUGUST | SUMMER | BANK | HOLIDAY | |
| Sunday | 2 Sept | RSGB | Nat. Qual. Q8 | | |
| Sunday | 9 Sept | ECMDF | Multi 6 | | |
| Wednesday | 12 Sept | Chelmsford | Club Trophy | + Getaway TX | |
| Sunday | 23 Sept | RSGB | National Final | | |
| Friday | 28 Sept | Colchester | Club Trophy | + Getaway TX | |
| Sunday | 7 Oct | ECMDF | Multi 7 | | |
| Wednesday | 10 Oct | Chelmsford | Club Trophy | + Getaway TX | |
| Sunday | 21 Oct | Colchester - Chelmsford | Mid-Essex Trophy DF | 2 Station Event | |
| Friday | 26 Oct | Colchester | Club Trophy | + Getaway TX | |
| Saturday | 27 Oct | Mid-Thames | Eric Mollart Memorial Trophy Event | Triple Night DF | Usually on the week-end that clocks go back |

| SUNDAY | 28 Oct | (BST ENDS) | (Clocks back | by 1 hour) | (BST to GMT) |
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| Sunday | 11 Nov | ECMDF | Multi Spare | | |
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| Wednesday | 14 Nov | Chelmsford | Club Trophy | + Getaway TX | |
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| Friday | 23 Nov | Colchester | Club Trophy | + Getaway TX | |
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| Sunday | 18 Nov 2018? | BTBDFFA | 2018 AGM | (At Alan Simmons' | QTH) ?? |
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Chelmsford Club events (Wed. evenings) - - Start from Tiptree Heath - - NGR TL 883 148

Colchester Club events (Friday evenings) - - Start from Fordham Heath - NGR TL 945 263

The Chelmsford and Colchester Club's evening events **normally** start at 7.30 pm from the above locations. However, the organiser may, if he wishes, start the event from an alternative location and at a different time. The details of the new start location and time must be published and notified to intending competitors though by e-mail, or other method if necessary, at least a week before the event.

The Gary Parker "*North Essex Radio DF Map*" to be used, unless specified otherwise by the organiser.

NOTE

The Chelmsford Club events are nominally planned to take place on the 2nd Wednesday in the month, starting from Tiptree Heath.

Similarly, the Colchester Club events are nominally planned to take place on the 4th Friday in the month, starting from Fordham Heath.

From 2018, events will take place within the monthly period of February until November, with the particular month being determined by operator availability and also the number of competitors available to make the event viable.

Full details will be notified in advance.

However, these dates may be individually adjusted to fit-in with the overall DF calendar.

National DF and EC-MDF Multi-TX Contests take place on Sunday afternoons at various locations, with start location details being published separately.

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