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>>> RODRIGUES 2004 <<<

The Five Star DXers Association, of 9M0C (February 1998) and D68C (February 2001) fame, has announced "Project Star Reach", a large-scale DXpedition to Rodrigues Island (AF-017).

A multinational team (so far including DL7AKC, EI5DI, G0MRF, G00PB, G3NUG, G3BJ, G3IZD, G3NHL, G3RAU, G3SED, G3WGV, G3WKL, G3XTT, G4FRE/WW2R, G4JKS, G4KIU, G4TSH, G4VXE, GU4YOX, JA1RJU, JH4RHF, KF7E, M0DXR, M0GMT, N7CQQ, NK7C and W3EF) will operate as 3B9C for over three weeks, including four weekends. The first members of the team will arrive on 15 March, and expect to spend the first two to three days installing antennas and equipment. Station breakdown will start on 12 April, though operations may continue for a further day or two after that.

3B9C will have up to fifteen high-power HF stations active simultaneously when band conditions allow. Activities will encompass SSB, CW, RTTY, PSK31 and, as appropriate, FM. There will also be satellite activity and possible EME. Large monoband antennas will be used on all bands, as the two main objectives are to provide the possibility for every amateur radio station in the world - even those running QRP or a very simple antenna - to make at least one contact with 3B9C; and to enable top DXers to put 3B9C in their log on as many bands and modes as possible.

Project Star Reach is seeking contributions from sponsors to help defray the very significant logistics costs of this DXpedition. For further information please visit <http://www.fsdxa.com/3b9c> [TNX G3XTT, g3xtt@lineone.net]

- 3Y_p1 - The January 2004 DXpedition to Peter I [425DXN 645] has been postponed until January 2005. "A last minute glitch developed in the transportation plan", Bob, K4UEE and Ralph, K0IR report. "Weather windows precluded a rescheduling for 2004", but "the 2005 expedition will be bigger and better!".
- 4U_un - Ray, W2RE and Frank, W2IX will be active from the United Nations HQ station (4U1UN) on 9 November. They plan to operate SSB and CW on all HF bands. [TNX W2RE]
- 5U - The VooDoo Contest Group will participate in the CQ WW DX CW

Contest as 5U5Z (Multi-Multi) from Niamey, Niger. QSL via G3SXW. This will be a field-day style operation, with seven 1KW stations and many antennas, covering 160-10 metres. The operators will be G0MTN, G3XTT, G4BWP (5U7WP), G4PIQ, K5VT (5U7VT), KC7V (5U7MF) and KY7M (5U7LF), and there will be some activity before the contest with personal calls while testing antennas and hopefully on the WARC bands if time permits. There will also be short operations from Burkina Faso (XT2) while in transit. QSLs for all contacts other than 5U5Z should be sent via home call. [TNX G3SXW]

- 9M6 - Bob, N200 will continue to be active as 9M600 from the Hillview Gardens ARC station (<http://www.qsl.net/9m6aac>) through 13 November. He has been joined by Peter/G4MJS and Jani/YB0US, who will be 9M6AAC and 9M6US respectively also through 13 November. The three of them will operate in the JA DX SSB Contest as 9M6A. QSL all calls via N200. [TNX N200]
- 9N - Janusz, SP9FIH will be in Nepal from 13 November to 6 December and hopes to get a licence for 40, 20, 17 and 15 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX SP9FIH]
- 9N - Look for Noboru/JA2AAU (9N7AU), Takashi/JA2ALN (9N7LN) and Yasu/JA9LSZ (9N7SZ) to be active from Katmandu, Nepal on 16-22 November. They will operate on 40-6 metres (beacon on 50.100 MHz), with three rigs (one for 6m), dipoles for 40 and 30m and two 5-element beams, one for 20-20m and the other for 6m. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX JA1ELY]
- 9Y - Mike, DL1HCM and Heye, DJ9RR will participate in the CQ WW DX CW Contest as 9Y4ZC (Multi-Two) from the QTH of Andy (DL4MEH) on Tobago (SA-009). Outside the contest they will concentrate on the low and WARC bands CW, with some RTTY and PSK. QSL for this operation via bureau to DL1HCM (please refrain from sending direct cards, all of the QSOs will be confirmed automatically through the bureau). [TNX DL1HCM]
- F - The Council of Europe Amateur Radio Club will be activated with the call TP6CE on 14-16 November. Look for activity on all the HF bands SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK. For further information please visit <http://www.ewwa.net> or <http://www.coe.int/T/E/Tp2ce/> [TNX F6FQK]
- F - Francois, F5JNE will be active from Belle Ile en Mer (EU-048, DIFM AT-015) on 17-24 November. He plans to operate on 20 and 40 metres mainly CW, starting around 13 UTC. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX F5NQL]
- F - Dom, F5SJB will operate again as TM5CW from 24 November through 8 December, including an entry in the CQ WW DX CW Contest. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX F5SJB]
- FS - Ann/W2AZK and Brian/KF2HC will return to St Martin (NA-105) with Gene/K2KJI, Mary Ann/K2RVH, Bob/W5GJ and Mike/WA2VUN on 3-10 December. The group plans to have 2 stations on 160-6 metres CW, SSB and PSK31. W5GJ and KF2HC will participate in the ARRL 160 Meter Contest using the call FS/W2JJ, while all other times operators will sign FS/homecall. QSL via home call, direct or via the bureau. QSOs with Ann and Brian are good towards the North Jersey DX Association's NJDXA Award (see <http://www.njdx.org> for details). [TNX KF2HC]
- GJ - Rich, K2WR will participate in the CQ WW DX CW Contest as GJ2A (SOAB High Power) from Jersey. QSL via GJ3DVC, direct or bureau.

- Look for some activity as MJ0AWR (QSL via K2WR, direct or bureau) before and after the contest. [TNX NG3K]
- HI - John, G4RCG and Bruce, KI7VR will operate on 160-10 metres as G4RCG/HI9 and KI7VR/HI9 from the Dominican Republic on 17-31 January. Look for G4RCG/HI9 to take part in the CQ WW 160 Meter CW Contest. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX G4RCG]
- HV - Look for HV5PUL to be activated from the Pontificia Universita' Lateranense, Vatican City between 10 and 14 November to celebrate the opening of the 2002-03 academic year, and again on 22 November. [TNX IW0DJB]
- KH2 - Setsu, JL1UXH (KK2H) and his wife Maki, 7L4FSR will be active (on all HF bands CW and SSB) as KK2H/KH2 from Guam (OC-026) on 12-16 November. On-line log will be available at <http://kk2h.4th.jp>; QSL via JL1UXH either direct (Setsu Yoshimura, 6-13-14 Minami-Shinagawa, Shinagawa-Ku, Tokyo 140-0004, Japan) or through the JARL bureau. [TNX JL1UXH]
- KH2 - Look for Yoshiro, JL3SIK to be active as N1VF/KH2 to be active from Guam on 21-24 November. He plans to operate on 40-6 metres CW and SSB. QSL via home call (Yoshiro Nishimura M.D., 2-6 Takemidai 4-Chome, Suita City, Osaka 565-0863, Japan). [TNX JI6KVR and JL3SIK]
- LU - Special call LU3CU will be aired on 8 November (from 21 to 23 UTC on 40 and 80 metres) from the Museum Ship "Corbeta ARA Uruguay" to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the rescue by that Argentine corvette of the ship-wrecked Swedish Antarctic Expedition under Otto Nordenskjold. QSL via LU4AA. [TNX LU7ADC]

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- PJ2 - K4BAI, N8BJQ, K8MFO, K8ND, W8WTS, PJ2DX and S50R will be at the Caribbean Contesting Consortium's PJ2T site on Curacao from 17 to 30 November, including a Multi-Two entry in the CQ WW DX CW Contest.
- SV - SV1EQU, SV1FJP, SV1GYG, SV1AIN and SV1HAO will be active as SX8E from the island of Aegina (EU-075) on 28-30 November. QSL via SV1EQU. [TNX SV9AHZ]
- T32 - Larry/N2WW (T32WW, QSL via N0KV), Bill/K0MP (T32MP, QSL via N0KV), Barry/N0KV (T32KV, QSL via home call), Greg/W0ZA (T32ZA, QSL via home call), Tim/N0ZM (T32ZM, QSL via home call), Paul/N00T (T32N, QSL via home call), Cheryl/N0WBV (T32YL, QSL via KT0F) and John/KT0F (T32TF, QSL via home call) will be active on all bands from Christmas Island, East Kiribati (OC-024) from 24 November through 8 December, including a Multi-Two entry in the CQ WW DX CW Contest as T32WW. [TNX The Daily DX]
- UA - Valery/UA3AOK, Aleksey/RA3AKF, Alex/RV3DPM, Vadim/RX3AKL and Vadim/RX3AKQ will operate (on 160-10 metres CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK) as RK3DZJ/3 and R3ARS/3 from the Russian National Park "Smolenskoe Poozer'e" (RRF-142) on 14-17 November. QSL RK3DZJ/3 via RA3DEJ, QSL

R3ARS/3 via RA3AKF. For information on the RFF Award, please visit <http://www.hamradio.ru/rrc/> [TNX RA3AKF]

- VK9_ck - Sasi, JA1KJW and Kuni, JA8VE will be active (on 160-10 metres CW, SSB and RTTY) as VK9CJ and VK9CV from the Cocos (Keeling) Islands (OC-003) from 27 November to 7 December. Look for VK9CJ to participate in the CQ WW DX CW Contest. QSL via JA1KJW, direct or bureau. [TNX JA1ELY]
- XU - Jack, XU7AJV and Wim, XU7TZG were finally expected to leave for Koh Poah (AS-133) [425DXN 652] on 5 November. The length of their stay is not known. QSL for both via ON4AJV. [TNX ON5KL]
- XU - OM3TZZ (ex SU9ZZ), OM1KW, OM3TA and OM1ATT will be active as XU7ACZ, XU7ADC, XU7ADA and XU7ADB from Cambodia from 26 November to 3 December. They will operate on 160-10 metres CW, SSB and RTTY, and will participate in the CQ WW DX CW Contest as XU7ACZ. QSL via home calls. [TNX OM3JW]
- YL - More than 20 Latvian stations will be using special prefix YL85 until the end of November to celebrate the 85th anniversary of the Republic of Latvia. [TNX YL3AD]
- ZK3 - Silvano/I2YSB, Flaviano/I2MOV, Carlo/IK1AOD and Marcello/IK2DIA will be active with two stations from Nukunonu, Tokelau Islands (OC-048) on 13-25 February. QSL via I2YSB (direct) or IK2DIA (bureau). Further information will be available at <http://www.qsl.net/i2ysb> [TNX I2YSB]
- ZS - A group of amateurs from the Boland Amateur Radio Club (<http://www.qsl.net/zs1bak>) will operate a special event station from the Sutherland Observatory, which hosts the largest telescope in the southern hemisphere. Look for ZS1SALT (South African Large Telescope) on all HF frequencies SSB, CW and digital modes from around 11 UTC on 21 November until 10 UTC on the 23rd. QSL direct only to P.O. Box 273, Strand 7140, South Africa. For additional information on the project, please visit the website <http://www.salt.ac.za> [TNX ZS4BS]
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CONTEST/DX MEETING ---> The 9th annual International Contest/DX Meeting organized by Contest Club Finland (CCF) will be held on 16-18 January 2004. For further information please visit <http://www.qsl.net/ccf> or e-mail OH2IW (oh2iw@oh2u.com). [TNX The Daily DX]

JT QSL BUREAU ---> The new address for the Mongolian Radio Sport Federation (MRSF) is P.O. Box 830, Ulaanbaatar-24, Mongolia.

URE CONVENTION ---> The annual URE Convention will be held in Badajoz, close to the border between Spain and Portugal, on 5-8 December. Some of the presentations include S05X (Western Sahara), TZ6RD (Mali), EG9IC (Chafarinas Islands) and Martti Laine, OH2BH on the Albania 2003 Project. Full information on this event can be found at

<http://www.ure.es/badajoz/badajoz.htm> [TNX EA5RM]

QSLs received direct: 3B9ZL, 3G5Q, 4W3DX, 5V7BR, 7P8NK, 7P8ZZ, 8Q7LC, 9G5VJ, 9L1JT, 9M2/G4ZFE, A45WD, CT3BX, EG9IC (AF-036), EP3CQ, FH/G4IRN, HK0/W9AAZ, IM0/IK5PWQ, J5UCW (AF-093), J5UDX, JW8D, K9AJ/VY0 (NA-007), K9PPY/VY0 (NA-225), KD6WW/VY0 (NA-131), KH2/G3TXF, KH8/DL2AH, LU6Z, LY10ZZ, LY2ZZ, LY5A, P29TL, R1ANC, S79IRN, S79MX, S9SS, TI2VW, TR0A, TX0AT, TZ6RD, UA0ACG, UA1ADQ/0 (AS-042), UE1RRC/1 (EU-119), V63TXF (OC-012), V63TXF/p (OC-078), V73GE, VK9XAB, VP2MLE, VP2MPF, VQ9LA, W5BOS/AL5 (NA-121), XF2IH (NA-224), XW2A, YI/KV4EB, YM0KA, Y02LEA, ZD7VC, ZK1CG, ZS1RBN, ZW8M (SA-042).

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