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>>> 3Y0Z: BOUVET ISLAND <<<

After experiencing strong winds and turbulent seas, the 3Y0Z DXpedition arrived at Bouvet on 31 January at around 6 UTC, and dropped anchor off the east side of the island. On 1 February winds were 35-45 knots and the ship was pitching and rolling up to 30 degrees, which made flying and a landing attempt impossible. In the local morning of 2 February the situation had not sufficiently improved, and the forecast does not very promising [1]. Plans are to get everything ashore as quickly as possible when a weather window opens, "with never more people than our infrastructure can support". The "first strike team" will have to select and secure a site, and will include EY8MM, K0IR and Alejo Contreras Steading (Antarctic explorer, guide and mountaineer).

[1] <http://www.myweather2.com/City-Town/Bouvet-Island/Bouvet-Island.aspx>

- 4L - Furkan, TA7AOF and Golkem, TA7AZC will be active as 4L/TA7AOF and 4L/TA7AZC from Batumi, Georgia on 8-12 February. They will operate mainly digital modes, and will participate in the CQ WPX RTTY Contest. QSL via LoTW (preferred), or via home calls. [TNX NG3K]
- 5W - Dick, AD7AR will be active as 5W0LR from Samoa (OC-097) between 4 and 22 February, including an entry in the ARRL DX CW Contest. He will operate CW and FT8, with some SSB if conditions are good, mainly on 40-15 metres. QSL via LoTW or direct to home call; logsearch on Club Log. [TNX The Daily DX]
- D4 - Henning, OZ1BII (<http://www.oz1bii.dk/>) will be active as D44EE from Sao Tiago (AF-005), Cape Verde 15-20 February, including participation in the ARRL DX CW Contest. He will operate CW only on 160-10 metres, with activity on the WARC bands before and after the contest. QSL via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS, eQSL, or via home call (direct or bureau). [TNX NG3K]
- DU - Two special callsigns have been issued to Dindo, DU1UD for his activities from the islands of Mapun Island (OC-105) and Tawi Tawi (OC-174) [425DXN 1389]. The licences allow him to operate from either island at any time during 2018, and he will use DX8MAP for OC-105 and DX8TT for OC-174. "Due to Dindo's work commitments", his QSL manager (M0OXO) says, "the activations usually take place at very short notice". Bookmark <https://www.m0oxo.com/> for updates.
- ES - Special stations ES100A, ES100C, ES100F, ES100G, ES100J, ES100L, ES100M, ES100O, ES100P, ES100Q, ES100R, ES100S, ES100U, ES100X and ES100Z will be active from 1 February to 31 March to celebrate the 100th anniversary of Republic of Estonia. See <http://es100.eu> for complete information on the awards (give a look at the prize for the overall winner!). QSL via LoTW and eQSL; paper QSLs will be

sent via the bureau, and should be requested on the website before 31 May. [TNX ES1TI]

- PJ4 - Scott, NE9U will be active as PJ4/NE9U from Bonaire (SA-006) on 10-24 February. QSL via LoTW, or via NE9U (direct or bureau). He will participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest as PJ4A along with KK9K, K4BAI and K2NG. [TNX NG3K]
- TJ - The next operation of Silvano, I2YSB and the Italian DXpedition Team is planned to take place from Cameroon during the second half of March. The licencing process is underway. Further information is expected in due course. For the time being, a band & mode survey can be found on <http://www.i2ysb.com/idt/>. [TNX IK7JWY]
- TN - The Tifariti Gang will be active as TN5R from Congo on 9-19 March. Plans are for eleven operators (EA1SA, EA5KM, EA5RM, EA7AJR, EA7KW, F8ATS, F9IE, HK6F, IK5RUN, IN3ZNR and JH4RHF) to be QRV on 160-10 metres SSB, CW and RTTY with at least four stations. QSL via EA5RM; see <http://www.dxfriends.com/tn5r> for logsearch, OQRS and more information.
- V3 - Victor, WB0TEV (V31VP) and and Scott, KK7JS (V31CQ) will be active from Belize on 8-12 February. They will be QRV on 80-10 metres, including an entry in the CQ WPX RTTY Contest as V31VP (QSL via Club Log's OQRS or via home call, direct or bureau). [TNX ARRL DX Bulletin]
- V4 - Once again John, W5JON will be active as V47JA from St. Kitts (NA-104) from 13 February to 16 March. He will operate SSB on 160-6 Metres. QSL via W5JON (direct only) and LoTW. [TNX NG3K]
- VE - Mike, VE7ACN (<https://www.ve7acn.com/>) was QRV as VE7ACN/7 from Thetis Island (NA-075) on 24-28 January. He plans to be active again as VE7ACN/7 from South Pender Island (NA-075) on 7-14 February, and from Quadra Island (NA-091) on 13-19 March. Next he will operate as VA7XW/VE2 from Havre Aubert Island (NA-038) on 2-9 April, and as VE7ACN/VE2 from Harrington Island (NA-084) on 10-17 April. QSL via home call (direct or bureau), Club Log's OQRS and LoTW.
- W - Lou, W0FK will be active again as W0FK/4 from Longboat Key (NA-034) on 1-14 March. He will operate CW, SSB and FT8 on 40-10 metres. QSL via home call (direct) and LoTW. [TNX W0FK]

PACIFIC TOUR ---> Gerhard, OE3GEA will be touring the Pacific between 4 February and 20 March, with holiday style activities on 30-10 metres (plus 40 and 6m if possible) from Fiji (4-9 February, callsign TBA), Tonga (10-13 February, callsign TBA), New Zealand (14-20 February as ZL/OE3GEA), Rarotonga in the South Cook Islands (21-24 February as E51GEA), French Polynesia (25 February-10 March as FO/OE3GEA) and Hawaai (11-20 March as KH6/OE3GEA). QSLs via OE3GEA, direct or bureau. [TNX DX Newsletter]

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3Y0Z: BAND PLAN --- > The Band Plan for 3Y0Z is as follows (frequencies might be adjusted depending on conditions or interference):

BAND	CW	SSB	RTTY

160m	1.826.5	-	-
80m	3.523	3.785	3.580
60m	5.400	5.400	-
40m	7.023	7.082	7.045
30m	10.108	-	10.142
20m	14.023	14.185	14.080
17m	18.079	18.130	18.099
15m	21.023	21.285	21.080
12m	24.894	24.955	24.912
10m	28.023	28.485	28.080
6m EME	50.190	-	-
2m EME	144.144	-	-

FT8 will not be a primary mode for 3Y0Z, but it will be used only "when we cannot use the standard, higher rate modes", i.e. "when the band dies, or before it opens". The FT8 transmit frequencies will be 1835, 3570, 5357, 7071, 10133, 14067, 18095, 21067, 24912, 28067 and 50316 kHz. 3Y0Z will transmit low in the passband (200-400 Hz) and LISTEN UP: set your transmit frequency higher in the passband, and be certain your TX and RX frequencies are not locked together. Detailed guidelines for FT8 are available on <http://www.bouvetdx.org/band-plan-frequencies/> ("Ten Steps on How to Work 3Y0Z (Bouvet) With FT8").

LOTW & WAZ AWARD--- > Beta testing for bringing CQ Magazine's Worked All Zones (WAZ) award program into ARRL's Logbook of the World (LoTW) system continues to move forward. Some problems in the implementation were discovered by testers and have since been corrected; the documentation has also been improved by feedback from the testers. In parallel, the LoTW server has been executing a background task that creates and populates a WAZ account for each LoTW user. Beta testing will continue until this background task completes. When all WAZ accounts have populated, LoTW-WAZ will be made available to everyone. The goal is for operators to be able to directly submit LoTW confirmations for WAZ credit. Standard LoTW credit fees and separate CQ award fees will apply. [TNX ARRL]

Z60A ---> Project Goodwill Kosovo is moving into its second week. In total, hams from 10 countries will participate in the project's current phase. "The 40,000 QSO mark has been passed as the team is concentrating on maximizing its Asia and North America numbers", the team reported on 30 January. "They are well on their way by penetrating those selective openings. Be patient, as their best effort is given at all times in spite of the high noise level. As the locations are fixed, the only improvement opportunity is to see whether low-laid receiving antennas would help with this mission. The second week team will try to accomplish that task as they move toward the upcoming weekend.

Many are asking about an immediate LoTW upload during the operation, and these options are being taken under consideration. An LoTW upload and early QSL card may be considered as an additional service, while its modest

compensation would be exclusively directed to further support for evolving Amateur Radio in Kosovo".

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 ***** QSL ROUTES *****

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CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER
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3G9A/mm	N2OO	EM0I	UT2IZ	OP4U	ON7USB
3V8CB	LX1NO	EP2LMA	EA5GL	OQ5M	ON5ZO
3W3B	E21EIC	ES5G	ES5TV	OR7R	ON4LG
3Z70M	SP9PRR	FG4KH	F1DUZ	OS8A	ON8VK
4K9W	DL6KVA	G3U	G3UJE	P29VXG	JA1XGI
4L2M	EA7FTR	G5W	G3BJ	P29XC	ZL2XC
4U0WFP	S57DX	GB1LBC	M6ENP	P33W	UA3DX
4U13FEB	9A2AA	GM4Z	GM4ZUK	P40AA	DL4MM
4U1A	UA3DX	GS2MP	N3SL	P40LE	K2LE
4X2M	4X4DZ	GW0A	GW4SKA	P49MR	VE3MR
5P5CW	DL5SE	H84VC	SP7VC	PF2018SNK	PA0MBD
5T2AI	NI5DX	HC1MD	K8LJG	PJ2ND	K8ND
5W1SA	JA1DXA	HF0DKI	SP2DKI	PJ2T	W3HNC
5X2B	JA1PBV	HG6N	HA6KNB	PJ4NX	M0URX
6M0NR	DS4GGM	HG7SNOW	HA7PL	R1943S	RZ4AWB
6W1SU	M0URX	HG7T	HA7TM	R900BL	UF1M
7X5KBS	M0SDV	HG8DX	HA8FT	RA75SB	R4AS
7X5QB	EA7FTR	HG8R	HA8JV	RA75SK	R4AS
8P1W	KU9C	HG8X	HA8RC	RF1A	RQ1AP
8P2K	KU9C	HH2JR	W3HNC	RI1ANA	RN1ON
8P9CA	KB8YRX	HL23N	HL2UVH	RI50ANO	RN1ON
9A36W	9A6W	II4HRZ	IQ4FE	SI3A	SM3LIV
9H18VLT	9H1SP	J52EC	IZ3BUR	SK2T	SK2AT
9H3AF	G8MLQ	J68HZ	K9HZ	SN7Q	SP7GIQ
9H3YY	DL2JRM	J88PI	GW4DVB	SO5Y	SP5PPK
9J2BO	G3TEV	JT5DX	JT1CO	SP100N	SP9MA
9J2MM	N4GNR	JW4JSA	LA4JSA	SU0ERA	SM5AQD
9N1AA	N4GNR	KC4AAA	K1IED	T88PB	JA0JHQ
A71AM	M0OXO	KH0R/KH2	JE6DND	TI2CF	W3HNC
AX5MTM	W3HNC	KL7SB/VP9	NI5DX	TI3/N8JAJ	K8EF
AX5PAS	M0OXO	LX7I	LX2A	TM2D	F5KHP
C5YK	ON7YK	LY100E	LY1RMD	TM39PVJ	F8GGZ
C6AGU	HA7RY	LY100F	LY1RMD	TM4K	F4EGZ
C81G	PG5M	LY100H	LY1RMD	TM55M	F4ESV
C8X	PA5X	LY100I	LY1RMD	TM5G	F8TRL
CE2AWW	N7RO	LY100J	LY1RMD	TM7A	F5IYJ
CN8PG	EA7FTR	LY100M	LY1RMD	TO7D	F6ITD
CO2JD	AD4Z	LY100O	LY1RMD	TR8CA	F6CBC
CP5HK	EC5AC	LY100Q	LY1RMD	UK8FF	W3HNC
CR140AA	CU3AA	LY100QT	LY2QT	V31MA	M0OXO

CR2W	HB9CRV	LY100R	LY1RMD	V47UR	NR6M
CR3DX	OM2VL	LY100S	LY1RMD	VI70HI	M0OXO
CR6K	CT1ILT	LY100U	LY1RMD	XV9WJR	WA7WJR
CU8FN	HB9CRV	LY100V	LY1RMD	YE1K	EA5GL
CX2DK	EA5GL	LZ11C	LZ2DB	YP0C	YO3CZW
D68I	IK5CRH	LZ250MT	LZ1KCP	YP100ARR	YO9RIJ
DP0GVN	DL5EBE	LZ5R	LZ1YQ	YR100R	YO3KAA
DR18WRD	M0SDV	MD2C	MD0CCE	YR2V	YO2LC
E2X	E20GMY	MW5R	MW0EDX	YR8D	YO8KRR
E51IAN	M0INB	MX0SNB	G3SVK	YR8E	YO8RNI
E7DX	E77E	OC4MS	OA4O	YV1KK	OH0XX
EA9LZ	EA5KB	OD5ZZ	NI5DX	Z60A	OH2BH
EF6T	EA3AIR	OG7A	OH6MW	ZC4A	M0URX
EF8R	EB7DX	OH0R	OH2PM	ZF2BJ	K0BJ
EH3DK	EA3ZK	OH0Z	W0MM	ZF2PD	N2LM
EI0R	EI6FR	OK5Z	OK2ZI	ZF9CW	K5GO
EI100MCV	EI6AL	OK7K	OK1BN	ZM4T	ZL3IO
EI50AOM	EI2KA	OL3Z	OK1HMP	ZS6CCY	K3IRV

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