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- 3Y_ant - Dag, LA9SDA is currently stationed at the the Norwegian base Troll (LA-10 for the Antarctica Award), Antarctica (AN-016), until 5 February. He operates PSK and SSB on 20 and 40 metres as 3Y9SDA with 100 watt into a dipole and a ground plane. Look for him around 07.30 UTC and after 19 UTC. [TNX DL5EBE]
- 9G - Franco, IK2BTI reports he will be leaving for Ghana on 10 January. He has applied for a licence and plans to operate SSB and CW for several months.
- 9M - 9M4SIX has been issued to the Malaysian Amateur Radio Transmitter Society, for 6m operation. The 9M4SIX beacon, supported by MARTS, JA10CZ and JI1ETU, is up and running on 50005 kHz from the QTH of Tex, 9M2T0. [TNX 9M2T0]
- 9M2 - Gerben, PG5M will be active as 9M2/PG5M from Pulau Pangkor (AS-072) on 5-7 January. He will operate holiday style on 40-10 metres CW only. QSL via PG5M, direct or bureau. [TNX PG5M]
- GM - Ken, G00RH plans to operate as GM00RH from Arran Island (EU-123) on 6-13 January. [TNX The Daily DX]
- HL - Kang, DS4DRE [425DXN 794] says he will remain on Hong Island (AS-093) through 30 June. He is active as DS4DRE/4 on 10-80 metres SSB and CW. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.
- I - The Torino Paralympic Radio Sport Team will issue a special QSL card (available through the bureau or direct from IZ1CCE) for contacts made with Carlo/IZ1CCE, Cataldo/IZ1DNR, Gianni/I1HYW, Gianni/IK1JNP, Luciano/IK1SOZ and Piero/IK1ZNN between 17 January and 1 March. They will promote the XXIII Winter Universiade (the World University Games organized by the International University Sports Federation) to be held in Torino on 17-27 January (<http://www.universiadetorino2007.org/ENG/home.aspx>). [TNX IZ1CCE]
- JA - Special event station 8J49JARL will be aired between 7 January and 20 May for the 49th JARL Annual General Meeting to be held in Okayama. QSL via bureau. [TNX VA3RJ]
- LZ - Radio Bulgaria's DX Editor Dimiter Petrov, LZ1AF will operate mostly CW as LZ50DX through the end of the year to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Radio Bulgaria's DX Programme (17 November 1957). Special QSL via the bureau. [TNX VA3RJ]
- OA - After the C6ARI operation from Elbow Cay (NA-219), Daniel, DL5YWM will travel to Peru. He plans to operate CW and SSB on 10-160 metres as OA4/DL5YWM in his spare time, from 12 to 31 January. Activities from Peruvian IOTA islands are also possibile. QSL via home call. [TNX DL5YWM]
- S2 - The S21XA team [425DXN 815] will depart on 7 January and expects to start operations with three stations around 18 UTC on the 9th (local midnight of the 10th). Updates will be posted at

www.ea3bt.com/s21xa.htm; QSL via EA3BT.

- UA - A group of operators from radio club RK10ZM will be active as RK10ZM/P from Russian District Mirny (RDA AR-10) on 11-15 January. They plan to operate on 80-20 meters CW, SSB and some digital modes with two stations. QSL via RK10ZM, direct or bureau. [TNX UA1PAC/1]

- VU7 - The VU7RG team has been granted permission to operate from Minicoy Island (AS-106, the rarest IOTA group in Asia), which will be the fourth VU7RG Operation Site with its own bandslots. IOTA chasers can expect 2-3 full equipped stations to be active on 10-40 metres (SSB and CW) as VU7RG/VU#xxx starting on 16 January. The other three operating sites - Agatti, Bangaram and Kadmat (all of them count for AS-011) - will use VU7RG. The operating frequencies for Minicoy are as follows:

40m	7030-7040	CW	7060-7070	SSB
30m	10110-10120	CW	-	
20m	14045-14060	CW	14265-14295	SSB
17m	18089-18108	CW	18138-18148	SSB
15m	21045-21060	CW	21260-21290	SSB
12m	24920-24930	CW	24952-24964	SSB
10m	28030-28045	CW	28550-28575	SSB

This means that the frequency plan for the other three locations has been slightly changed: please find the up-to-date table at <http://www.vu7.in/> ("Operations" section). [TNX DL4KQ]

- W - A group of operators from the Coastal Amateur Radio Association (<http://www.whitehallrepeater.com>) will be active on 15, 17, 20 and 40 metres SSB as W4BWZ from Pine Island (not IOTA), South Carolina on 11-14 January. QSL via KG4WNL.

- XT - John, F5VHQ (XT2HQ) will join the XT2C team [425DXN 809] in Ouagadougou, Burkina-Faso for the last days (15-20 January). The other ten operators expect to leave Paris at 15 UTC on 6 January and to be QRV the following morning. Their announced frequencies are as follows:

Band	CW	SSB	RTTY	PSK
6m	50096	-	-	-
10m	28014	28444	28082	28122
12m	24892	24966	24920	24920
15m	21014	21266	21082	21072
17m	18071	18140	18100	18100
20m	14014	14266	14082	14072
30m	10115	-	10140	10140
40m	7014	7057	-	-
80m	3514	3785	-	-
160m	(*)	-	-	-
(*)	AS/OC: TX 1830 RX 1820-1825			
	EU: TX 1832 RX 1835-1840			
	NA/SA: TX 1832 RX 1833-1835			

QSL XT2C via F9IE. The website for the expedition is at <http://xt2c.free.fr/> [TNX F5NQL]

- YO - Special event station YR0UE will be active until 10 January to celebrate the accession of Romania to the European Union. QSL via Y03KAA (bureau preferred). [TNX Y03JW]

- YU - YU60BCD and YT60W will be aired throughout 2007 by Radio Club

"Mihajlo Pupin" (YU7BCD) to celebrate their 60th anniversary. QSL via YU7BCD, direct or bureau. [TNX YU7AU]

ANTARCTICA ---> The "R7C Foundation" is conducting an expedition to Antarctica, which should finish on 15 January. The amateur radio operator (Igor, UA6DX) is expected to be active 30, 20 and 15 metres as CE8/R7C from Punta Arenas (Chile), CE9/R7C from Patriot Hills (Antarctica) and KC4/R7C from the South Pole. QSL to P.O. Box 2007, Moscow, 101000, Russia. [TNX DL5EBE]

PACIFIC TRIP ---> Hrane, YT1AD is going to the Pacific for the final arrangements for the April N8S expedition to Swains Island (<http://www.yt1ad.info/n8s>). He will operate as 3D2AD from Fiji on 25-26 January, as KH8/YT1AD from American Samoa between 27 January and 1 February, as with a 5W1 callsign TBA from Samoa on 1-5 February. [TNX YZ5W]

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425DXN: NEW SEARCH TOOL ---> Leonardo Lastrucci, IZ5FSA (iz5fsa.leo@tele2.it) reports he has developed a piece of software which allows to query the 425 DX News Archive now maintained on www.ari.it from the PacketCluster. The commands are:

SH/425 CAL shows the 425DXN Calendar "current" activities;
SH/425 BULL [num] where [num] is the bulletin issue number;
SH/425 [text] where [text] should be replaced with a callsign, an IOTA reference number, an island name, an Antarctic base, a lighthouse, etc.

425DXN: THE SPANISH EDITION ---> The website of the Union de Radioaficionados de Gijon (EA1URG, <http://www.ea1urg.com/>) now hosts the Spanish language version of 425 DX News. Many thanks to Fabian, EA1/LW6DX (web editing) and Miguel, EA1KI (translation).

ARRL NEWS ---> On 30 December Wayne Mills, N7NG announced that, effective 16 January, he resigns his position as ARRL Membership Services Manager. "Such an early departure had not been my plan", he says, "but had become necessary". Wayne had succeeded Bill Kennamer, K5NX on 2 May 2000, after serving as chairman of the ARRL DX Advisory Committee for three years. First licensed in 1953 at age of 10, he is best known for his operating on DXpeditions over the past 20 years - XZ1A (1995), BV9P (1995), BS7H (1997), H40AA (1998), TX0DX (2000) just to name a few. Wayne will be returning to Jackson Hole (WY): "I hope to regenerate an active interest in Ham Radio back in Wyoming", he says, "Maybe there'll be another DXpedition or two as well, and look for N7NG to be an active Wyoming contributor to LoTW as long as it's in business".

EUCW 160M CONTEST ---> The Union Francaise des Telegraphistes (UFT, the French EUCW society) sponsors the annual European CW 160 Meter Contest, which will be held on 6 January (20.00-23.00 UTC) and on 7 January (04.00-07.00 UTC). Rules can be found at <http://www.uft.net>, where it also possible to download the software written by Alain, F6EN0. [TNX F5NQL]

MARS ---> N. Khosbayar, JT1CD reports that a new organization, the Mongolian Amateur Radio Society (MARS), was established on 18 November 2006. "Once all licensed amateur radio operators of Mongolia have switched their membership from MRSF [the Mongolian Radio Sport Federation, ed] to MARS, we hope that we can change the name and keep IARU membership", he says. "MARS will continue to pay its due to IARU and the QSL bureau will be working permanently in the future". JT1CD is the Secretary General of the newly born organization, and held the same position at MRSF.

NOT THE MANAGER ---> Dieter, DK3SF says he has been receiving QSL cards for contacts made with C31GN since April 2006. Dieter operated as C31GN in July 1973 and July 1975, but has nothing to share with the 2006 station (a pirate).

NOT VIA K1WY ---> Paul Marshall, K1W0 is one of the sorters for the first call area QSL Bureau in the US. "We continue to receive hundreds of QSLs from Europe and Asia" for a number of stations that K1WY no longer manages. Please refer to the usual sources of QSL information (www.qrz.com, etc) for the following stations, and refrain from sending them via the bureau to K1WY: 4L0DXP, 4L4KW, 4L50, 5A30, 5N0AIP, 5N0NAS, 5R8ET, AX1TX, BV4FH, GI0PCV, OD5NJ, OX3SA, P29CC, RU0AK, S21J, TF0GX, TF4FT, TF4RX, TF7RX, TF7X, TF8GX, TF8RX, T00DX, UA0ACG, UA0AOZ, UA0DC, UA0ZBK, VK1TX and ZD7VC.

OPERATORS NEEDED ---> Frosty, K5LBU is organizing his annual trip to Africa, possibly Botswana (A22) or Lesotho (7P8). Plans are to arrive on 9 July and depart on the 23rd, which means two weekends on the air (IARU Contest included). Please contact Frosty (frosty1@pdq.net) if interested in joining him.

+SILENT KEY + Dewald Voigt, ZS1FRD, a 25-year-old antenna engineer and scientist, was killed in a transport accident shortly after arriving at SANAE, the South African Antarctic station. [TNX www.qrz.com]

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HAMATLAS: Dariusz "Darek" Milka, SP6NVK is the author of the "Internet Ham Atlas", containing complete information on all 337 DXCC Entities, over 3000 pictures and 1100 maps. Give a look to <http://www.hamatlas.eu/> [TNX NG3K]

QSL GALLERY: The large collection of QSL cards (4100+) on Les Nouvelle DX's

web site has been updated. Nine different galleries include cards for the ten Most Wanted DXCC Entities (140+ QSLs), each of the 58 deleted DXCC entities (700+ QSLs), obsolete prefixes (1700+ QSLs), Antarctic bases (600+ QSLs) & TAAF (Terres Australes and Antarctiques Francaises, 220+ QSLs), the various rare French DXCC island Entities (100+ QSLs), pre-1945 countries (200+ QSLs), French Departments and USA. Several cards are still needed and your participation is encouraged - please visit <http://LesNouvellesDX.free.fr> and send send your comments to LesNouvellesDX@free.fr [TNX F6AJA]

TOP LISTS: The latest Topband, Topmode and Toplist listings are now available at <http://www.425dxn.org/awards/toplist/index.html>. Please send your scores, as well as any request for further information, to Erminio Pandocchi, I2EOW (i2eow@ari.it)

VIDEOS: A couple of nice videos of VK3QI and his team mates' IOTA operations from Australian island groups (OC-220 and OC-228) are now available at <http://www.youtube.com/>: search for VI5PN and VI5BR, and enjoy the show (VI5WCP and VI3JPI are expected to be added soon). The video of the recent ZY6T operation from SA-023 is also available.

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1A4A	IZ4DPV	DT8A	HL2FDW	OY3QN	OZ1ACB
3W2TXR	JA2TXR	DU1/CT1EAT	CT1EAT	P40W	N2MM
3Y9SDA	LA9SDA	DZ50HBC	DU1HBC	P49X	W0YK
3Z2JMB	SP2PI	EA9/EA7RU	EA7RU	PJ2/WB9Z	AF9H
4K60F	UA3FDX	ED1NVA	EA1URV	R1ANF/P	RK1PWA
4L1UN	RW6HS	EI100S	EI3IP	R1FJT	UA4RC
4N1856T	YU1BM	EK3GM	IK2QPR	RW9FWR/4/m	RA9FDR
4N500ZZ	4N7ZZ	EK6TA	DJ0MCZ	S07EA	EA1BT
4S7UCG	DL7UCX	ES1WN	ES1AX	SC0XMAS	SM00GQ
4X4DK	VE3MR	EY8MM	K1BV	SC300VL	SK6HD
5H3VMB/5	UA4WHX	F0/NA80	JK1FNL	SD40JZ	SM5DJZ
5R8FU	SM5DJZ	FS/KN5G	KN5G	SN55ATR	SP2CA
5R8GZ	G3SWH	G6PZ	M5AAV	ST2R	S57DX
6F75A	EA5KB	GB1FVT	GM3TNT	ST2T	S57DX
6H1AY	XE1AY	GC8LED/P	G8LED	T30XX	JA8UWT
6H1CL	XE1CL	GI0RTN	G0RTN	TI4CF	W3HNC
6H1J	XE1J	HA501DAE	HA1DAE	TM0ZK	F50ZK
6I2EX	XE2EX	HA503FIN	HA3FIN	TM3WRC	F4ELU
6I2HUM	XE2HUM	HA508VK	HA8VK	UA0KBA/3	RL3DZ
6I2IA	XE2IA	HA509PN	HA9PN	UE3DDX/3/P	RZ3FR

6W1SE	JR2KDN	HF740K0	SP1NQF	UE3GMF	RA3GJ
6W7RV	F8CMT	HG1956R	HA3HK	UN7MMM	EA7FTR
7Q7BP	G3RMC	HK1XX	EA7FTR	V31JP	KA9W0N
7S5CF	SK5AA	HL0GHQ/2	DS2G00	VE2IDX	VA3YDX
7Z1UG	DG1XG	HL22	DS5SWL	VI3JAM	bureau
8J3YAGI	JA3YKC	HS0AC	HS0ZFZ	VK1AA/4	VE3EXY
8S30JC	SK7JC	HS0ZDY	SM3CVM	VP8/LZ1UQ	LZ1UQ
9A35Y	9A5CY	HS0ZFI	SM5GMZ	VP8CMH/MM	GM0HCQ
9G5SW	DC8XL	HZ1IK	DK7YY	VP8DIZ	G7KMZ
9J2B0	G3TEV	HZ1SK	IZ8CLM	VP9B0	W4ZGR
9J2CA	G3SWH	IY4FGM	IK4UPU	VP9F	N1HRA
9K2GS	EA5KB	J28JA	F5JFU	VQ9JK	G4FJK
9K2YM	EA5KB	K0B	KI0HV	VQ9NL	W4NML
9M2MRS	PA0RRS	K1Y	K4VD	W5TLH	W5AZN
9M6NA	JE1JKL	K3N	N3VOP	YB0AR	YB9BU
9M6XRO	M5AAV	KE0A/KP2	KE0A	YI1DZ	OM3JW
9V1YC	N5ID	KV2AA	W3HNK	YI9KT	SP8HKT
A35GN	VK2GND	LU1ZV	LU4DXU	YN2N	TI2OHL
A35TN	JA7GAX	LX2007L	LX1DA	YN4SU/9	TI4SU
A52K	JA1CG	LY7M	LY2BW	YR0UE	Y03KAA
A61AB	IZ8CLM	LZ0A	LZ1KDP	YR1A	Y03JR
A71EM	EA7FTR	LZ2007EU	LZ1BJ	YT150AT	YT1AT
C6ARI	DL30CH	N0FW/KP2	W8QID	YT150YT	YT7YT
CE0Y/JK1FNL	JK1FNL	ON4DAMIAN	ON4CP (a)	YT60W	YU7BCD
CN2DX	EA7FTR	ON4DAMIAN	ON4LN (b)	YU60BPQ	YU7BPQ
C02JD	AD4Z	OQ5M	ON5Z0	YV1RDX	IT9DAA
CQ00DX	CT2GZE	OR1Z	ON6IX	ZF2SC	KA9P
D2NX	JH7FQK	OT4A	ON4AEK	ZS5IE	ZR60TB
DK2006TZ	DL1SBF	OX3PG	WA0SMQ	ZS90DW	ZS4SM
DR06XVI	DM6HK	OX3XR	OZ3PZ	ZY6T	PY7GK

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