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*** DX INFORMATION ****

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- CE A large group of operators will be active as CE1Z from Punta Tetas Lighthouse (ARLHS CHI-075) during the South American Lighthouse Weekend on 25-27 February. They plan to be QRV on 160, 80, 40, 20, 17, 15 and 10 metres SSB. QSL via CE1WNR. [TNX NG3K]
- CN Ron, W3PV will be active as CN2PV from Rabat, Morocco from now until 1 May. He will be QRV mostly on 40 metres CW, but will also operate other bands when open. QSL via W3PV, direct or bureau. [TNX W3PV]
- CY0 - "Although the two previous attempts to access the island were unsuccessful, the team is eagerly looking forward to March anticipating improved weather, propagation and a landing", Randy, NOTG says. "We are pleased to note that routine supply flights to Sable for the small staff on the island have been successful and on schedule during January. Hopefully, will be a continuing trend of improved flight conditions as count down to an early March operation. Most of the DXpedition equipment and supplies are stored in the aircraft hanger Halifax, Canada, ready to be loaded onto the aircraft". Bookmark www.cy0dxpedition.com for updates.
- The club of the Radio Amateurs Vaudois (HB9MM) has been granted permission to use the antennas at the former broadcast transmitter in Sottens and will be active as HE3OM until the end of February. The "big" (188m high) antenna is used on 160, 80 and 40m, while the "small" one (125m high) is used on 137 kHz. QSL via HB9TOB. Further information can be found at www.hb9mm.com/sottens/ [TNX HB9AFI]
- HI Look for HI2RCD to operate SSB from Isla Saona (NA-122) for 24 hours starting around 14 UTC on 5 February. Planned operating frequencies are 28400, 21285, 18135, 14205, 7155 and 3785 kHz. [TNX DX World]
- HP Look for Kai, HP1/DL2BP and Swen, HP1/DJ2ST to be active on 80-10
 metres from Contadora Island (NA-072) on 6-17 February. QSL both
 calls via DL2BP. [TNX DX World]
- ISO Special stations IIOIDP from Cagliari (EU-024, QSL via ISOIGV) and IIOICH from La Maddalena (EU-041, QSL via IMOQMA) both representing former coast radio stations of the Italian Navy will be active on 5-20 March for the 5th Italian Navy Coastal Radio Stations Award (www.assoradiomarinai.it). [TNX ISOJMA]
- J3 Bill, K4LTA and his wife Ruby, K4UPS will be active as J37BO and J37RO from Grenada between 9 February and 10 March. Bill participate in the ARRL DX Contest as J38A. QSL via home calls. [TNX The Daily DX]
- J3 Roy, KE4TG will be active as J38RF from Grenada between 9 February and 10 March, with a focus on the digital modes. QSL via home

- call. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]
- J6 Volkmar, DF2SS and Marc, DL1VKE will be active as J6/DF2SS and J6/DL1VKE from St. Lucia (NA-108) on 5-17 February. They plan to operate CW, RTTY and SSB on all bands with two stations. [TNX DXNL]
- PY PU7RLM, PY7GK, PY7LZ, PY7VI, PY7XC and PY7ZY will be active as PY7CRA from Itamaraca Island (SA-046) on 11-13 February. They plan to have two stations active on 40-10 metres SSB and CW. QSL to PY7CRA, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
- TJ Suggested frequencies for the 10-20 February TJ9PF expedition to Cameroon [425DXN 1030] are as follows:

Band	CW	SSB	RTTY	PSK
10m	28024	28480	28082	28122
12m	24892	24960	24918	24920
15m	21024	21270	21082	21072
17m	18071	18140	18102	18100
20m	14024	14145	14087	14072
30m	10104		10142	10142
40m	7020	7075/7120	7038	7035
80m	3524	3785	3585	3570
160m	[*]	1850-1838	1842-1838	1842

[*] AS/OC: TX 1826.5 RX 1821.5 EU: TX 1832.5 RX 1834.5 NA/SA: TX 1832.5 RX 1834.5

QSL via F50GL, direct or bureau (e-mail requests for bureau cards can be sent to f5ogl.cameroon[@]free.fr) and LoTW. Logsearch and further information can be found at www.tj9pf.fr

- V2 Dave W9DR (V25DR), Tom W9AEB (V25TP) and Dave K9UK (V25DD) will be active holiday style from Antigua (NA-100) on 14-28 June. Expect V25DR to concentrate on 6 metres SSB and CW (50115 kHz), while V25DD and V25TP will operate SSB, CW and PSK31 on 80-10 metres. QSL via home calls. [TNX W9AEB
- V3 Torsten, DG7RO will be active as V31TF from Belize on 11-27 February. He will operate holiday style mainly RTTY and SSB, with some CW and SSTV on 160-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, and LoTW. [TNX The Daily DX]
- VE John, VE8EV and Gerry, VE8GER are planning an IOTA DXpedition to Tent Island (NA-193, tentative callsign XK1T). John says they are "targeting 5-7 days in late April over the Easter holidays with the final dates to be picked at the end of March to avoid any forecast unsettled geomagnetic conditions". It will be a "high-power/yagi operation, mostly 20m, mostly SSB (but likely more CW than previous trips)". Donations can be made through the OQRS page at http://ve8ev.blogspot.com/ [TNX islandchaser.com]
- VK Andrey, VK5MAV will be active as VK5MAV/5 from Kangaroo Island (OC-139) on 15-21 February. He will operate holiday style mainly CW on 20 and 40 metres (on or around 14012 and 7012 kHz), with 100 watts, a 2-element vertical phased on 40m and a G5RV. QSL via VK5MAV, direct (see qrz.com for instructions) or bureau.
- W Pete, VE3IKV will be active as VX3X/W4 from Key West (NA-062) on 6-18 March. He will operate mainly CW with some SSB on 17, 12 and 10 metres. He will look for Europe around 12 UTC and for Asia around 21 UTC. QSL direct to VE3IKV. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

ZF

- John, K6AM will be active as ZF2AM from the Cayman Islands (NA-016) "for two weeks" in February, including entries in the ARRL DX CW Contest (19-20 February) and in the CQ WW 160m SSB Contest (25-27 February). Outside the contests he will operate some SSB as time allows. QSL via K6AM (direct or bureau) and LoTW. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]

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AF-068 POSTPONED ---> The 1-5 February IOTA operation from Herne Island (AF-068) [425DXN 1029] has been postponed until September. On 27 January the team was travelling to reach Dakhla, when a wheel broke and their car was turned upside down. Leo, I8LWL (5C2L) suffered a fractured shoulder and a slight head injury, and was hospitalized in Marrakech. He went back home on 31 January. The other team members are in good health; 5C2J (QSL via IK7JWX) will operate from Moroccan mainland until 7 February. [TNX IK7JWX]

FT5XT ---> Gildas, TU5KG was unexpectedly active for a couple of hours on 20 metres SSB from Kerguelen on 2 February. QSL via F4EFI. He usually operates from a fishing boat while sailing in Southern Indian Ocean from the waters around Crozet (FT5WQ/mm) and Kerguelen (FT5XT/mm).

IOTA BASH ---> The seventh annual IOTA Bash will be held on 11-12 March in Boerne, Texas, about 20 miles northwest of San Antonio. The agenda will include presentations on some of the most recent IOTA expeditions and a nice social programme. Details and registration form are available on the IREF website (www.islandradio.org). [TNX AD5A]

16TH IOTA DINNER ---> The 16th Annual Islands On The Air (IOTA) Dinner will be held on Friday, 15 April 2011, at the Holiday Inn Hotel and Conference Center, in conjunction with the 62nd annual Visalia International DX Convention (http://dxconvention.org/). For additional information regarding this event, please contact Ray Benny, N6VR (rayn6vr[@]cableone.net).[TNX N6VR]

QSL PJ7E ---> "We still have about 1000 QSLs to finish up the backlog. Tom, N4XP has been mailing about 600 per week. Please be patient as it just takes time. The OQSL card requests will be caught up by next week. If you have not received your QSL by March 1, please inquire at info@stmaarten2010.com and do not re-send cards at this time". [TNX W8GEX]

T32C ---> The website for the Five Star DXers Association's expedition to Kiritimati, Estern Kiribati (28 September-26 October) "goes from strength to strength, with all the latest news. For example, you can look at predicted propagation, make a donation via PayPal and other means, read about the island, and much more. At this time, though, we would particularly urge everyone to complete the survey of wanted bands and modes, which will help us in planning our operating schedule". Read the

latest Press Bulletin, issued on 3 February, and participate in the survey by going to www.t32c.com

TOP LISTS ---> The latest Topband, Topmode and Toplist listings are now available at www.425dxn.org/awards/toplist/index.html. QSOs confirmed through LoTW or included in on-line logs are eligible for listing. Send send your scores, as well as any request for further information, to Erminio Pandocchi, I2EOW (i2eow[@]fastwebnet.it)

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3D2OU, 3W1M, 4L5O, 5B4AIA, 5H3EE, 5KOT, 5N7M, 5R8IC, 5R8RJ, 5R8X, 5T0JL, 6V7Z, 7Z1CQ, 7Z1TT, 8R1AK/p, 8R1PY, 9L5VT, A31A, A45XR, AB5EB/KL0 (NA-158), AT10BP, C31CT, C50A, C56E, C5A, CK8G (NA-182), CN8KD, CO7PH, CS1CRE, D44TBV, DT8A, DU9/DL5SDF, E51NAA, EK3SA, EM75LWY, EU6MM, FG5LA, FG8AR, FP/AC8W, FR/DJ7RJ, HI3K, HK0GU/1, HKOGU/3, HV5PUL, IROLI, J2/K2TQC, J28AA, J48CM, J5V, JA1PBV/6W, KC4USV, KG4WV, KH7Y, KP4AO, MU/F4EGD, MU/F5CWU, N3DG/2 (NA-111), NP4A, NP4DX, OH9AA/p, OK4PA, OX/DF9TM, OX/DL1RTL, OX/DL2SWW, OX3WS, P33W, PJ2/K2TQC, PJ2/K5WLQ, PJ2/K8LEE, PJ2/N0YY, PJ2/N2MF, PJ2/W1NG, PJ2MI, PJ2T, PJ4/WA1Z, PJ4A, PJ4D, PJ4W, PJ4X, PJ6A, PJ7/K1GI, PJ7/K4UWH, PJ7/KC0VKN, PJ7E, PZ5T, R0/US0IW (AS-039), R11FJ, RK2FWA, S79K, S79LR, SN1A, ST2AR, TX3A, V85TX, VK0KEV, VK4LDX/p (OC-172), VK9GMW, T6MB, TA7/WK1S, TG9NX, VK9XO, VP2E/W1UE, VP2EMR, VP9HE, VQ9LA, VR2RG, VY2ZM, XF1RCS (NA-171), XV4SP, YJ0HA, YJ0VK, YW5LF (SA-059), Z21BB, Z29KM, ZB2FK, ZD9AH, ZF2AH, ZL7/N7OU, ZL7V, ZL7VR.

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