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- 5H - Vittorio, I2GPT ([www.i2gpt.com](http://www.i2gpt.com)) will be active holiday style as 5H1VC from Zanzibar Island (AF-032) on 4-12 January. He will operate CW (on 40-10 metres) and RTTY (on 20 metres only), typically during his early morning and late afternoon hours. QSL via RW6HS. [TNX RW6HS]
- 6W - Francis, F6BLP will be active again as 6W7SK from Senegal on 3-31 January. He will operate mainly CW on 80-10 metres. QSL via home call (direct or bureau), LoTW and eQSL. Logsearch at [www.f6blp.org](http://www.f6blp.org).
- A6 - Eventually the A63RI team was able to land on Dibba Rock (AS-124) on 27 December, and is now active with two stations (SSB and CW) until the 30th. QSL via IZ8CLM. A few pictures can be found at [www.mdxc.org/a63ri/](http://www.mdxc.org/a63ri/)
- DL - Special event callsign DB50FIRAC will be active from 1 January through 31 December to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Federation Internationale des Radio Amateurs Cheminots (International Federation of Railway Radio Amateurs). QSL via bureau, LoTW and eQSL.
- DL - To celebrate DARC Mainz Chapter's (DL0MZ) 60th anniversary, special callsign DL60JMZ (DOK 60K07) will be used from 1 January to 31 December 2014. QSL via the bureau. [TNX DK8ZZ]
- F - Weather permitting, Gil, F4FET/p and Diego, F4HAU/p will be active from Tombelaine Island (EU-156) for about 24 hours on 28-29 December. They plan to operate SSB and PSK with two stations on 80-10 metres. [TNX F4FET]
- FT/T - Activated for the first time in 1954 (FB8BK/T) and for the last time in 2000 (FR/F6KDF/T), Tromelin Island (AF-031) is one of the top ten Most Wanted DXCC Entities. Landing and operating permissions for the joint effort by the Radio Club de Provins and the Lyon DX Gang [425DXN 1154] have been granted, and Tromelin will be back on the amateur radio bands from 30 October to 10 November 2014. Six operators (Franck F4AJQ, Flo F5CWU, Fred F5ROP, Eric F5SIH, Seb F5UFX and Michel FM5CD) will be QRV on 160-10 metres CW, SSB and RTTY with four stations. The organizers estimate a budget in the range of USD 90,000 (with logistics taking a major share of it), and fundraising has started. Visit [www.tromelin2014.com](http://www.tromelin2014.com) for regular updates and information on how to contribute to this expensive project. [TNX F5NQL]
- FT/Z - On 21 December the FT5ZM team reported that "all the equipment the Amsterdam Island DXpedition team shipped to New Zealand is now aboard the MV Braveheart". The vessel was expected to sail for Fremantle, Australia on 26 December. Team members will begin arriving in Fremantle on 9 January, and will depart for their 9-day voyage on the 15th. Once ashore, they will have 18 days to set up, conduct the DXpedition and tear down for departure. "We've

- not yet reached our financial goals", the team says, "but with your continued support, that goal is in sight". Visit [www.amsterdamdx.org](http://www.amsterdamdx.org) for late breaking news and updates. [TNX K0IR]
- LA - Celebrating their country's Constitution Bicentennial, Norwegian amateur radio operators are authorized to use special prefixes throughout the anniversary year. LA stations may use the LI prefix, and LB stations may use the LJ prefix. Also, the Gardermoen Radio Club (LA2G) has been granted permission to use the special callsign LM1814 during 2014. [TNX NRRL]
- PY - The 26-30 December ZX8DX activity from IOTA group SA-025 [425DXN 1181] has been postponed until "the first two weeks of January". [TNX PT7WA]
- PY - Fabio, PP5BZ will try to go and be active as ZW5W from Santana de Fora Island (SA-088) on 27-29 December. His previous attempt earlier this month [425DXN 1175] had to be cancelled owing to bad weather. QSL via PP5BZ. [TNX PT7WA]
- VE - The Daily DX reports that David, VY0/VE3VID is back on Igloolik Island (NA-174) and plans to be QRV on 20 metres only starting on 1 January. He will participate in the ARRL RTTY Roundup (4-5 January).
- VK - Scott, VK7HVK plans to be active again as VK7HVK/p from Bruny Island (OC-233) on 28 December. QSL via home call. [TNX DX World]
- VK9/M - Norbert, DJ7JC has joined the operating team for the VK9MT DXpedition to Mellish Reef (28 March-9 April 2014) [425DXN 1179]. New corporate sponsors have signed on, the sailing schedule with the Evohe's skipper has been confirmed and K6TU's customized propagation prediction tool is now up and running at <https://www.k6tu.net/?q=node/add/dx-prediction-vk9mt>. "Depending on the weather and sea conditions", the team says in their latest press release (22 December), "our planned arrival at the reef is approximately 28 March. Radio operation will begin as soon as the HF stations are installed. Low band antennas will be installed on the second day for operation beginning that night". Donations are still being sought and gratefully accepted, see [www.vk9mt.com](http://www.vk9mt.com) for detailed information on how to donate. [TNX K5GS]
- W - Mark, AA1AC will be active from Aquidneck Island (NA-031), Rhode Island on 28-29 December. He will be QRV on 20-10 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX AA1AC]
- W - Once again Howie, K1VSJ will be active from Martha's Vineyard (NA-046) from 30 December to 1 January. [TNX The Daily DX]

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CQ DX MARATHON ---> The CQ DX Marathon ([www.dxmarathon.com](http://www.dxmarathon.com)) is a year-long DX hunt, with participants competing to see who can work the greatest number of countries ("entities") and CQ zones during the calendar year. The 2014 edition will start at 00.00 UTC on 1 January and will end at 23.59 UTC on 31 December. For 2014, the CQ Marathon is introducing a third class of

competition: the new Limited Class will allow those running 100 watts and small directional antennas to participate in their own class. Complete rules at [www.cq-amateur-radio.com/cq\\_contests/index\\_cq\\_contests.html](http://www.cq-amateur-radio.com/cq_contests/index_cq_contests.html)

GRANITE ISLAND (OC-228) ---> Paul, VK5PAS was active for a few hours from Granite Island on 27 December. Those who were not able to work him during his QRP operation, will have a second chance next year, as Craig, VK5CE has plans to operate from this island "probably around April for 2-4 days".

PMC CONTEST ---> The PMC Contest promotes contacts between stations located in the Peace Messenger Cities and the rest of the world. Sponsored by the Radio Club Slovenj Gradec (S59DCD), it will be held from 12 UTC on 4 January 2014 until 12 UTC on the 5th. Complete details can be found at [www.s59dcd.si/en10/](http://www.s59dcd.si/en10/) [TNX S54X]

QSL T32AU ---> Dave, G4GED is not and has never been the QSL manager for T32AU (January 2012). "I have received many cards through the bureau which I will forward to the VE3 bureau sometime next year", he says. The DXpedition's website ([www.t32kiritimati2012.com](http://www.t32kiritimati2012.com)) still lists QSL via VO1MX, but the entry on qrz.com shows via VE3AAQ. G4GED no longer has "any logs for any T3 callsigns from the 1980s".

T6EUPOL ---> This is "the official ham radio station of the European Union Police (EUPOL) Mission in Afghanistan". It is operated by Janusz, AK4JK. QSL direct only to Janusz Babol Vel Sobczyk, 8433 Southside Blvd, Apt 2711, Jacksonville FL 32256, USA.

W1AW WAS ---> Look for ARRL Centennial stations W1AW/4 from North Carolina and W1AW/8 from West Virginia to be on the air starting at 00.00 UTC on 1 January until 23.59 UTC on the 7th. Complete information on the ARRL Centennial QSO Party can be found at [www.arrl.org/centennial-qso-party](http://www.arrl.org/centennial-qso-party).

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CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER
3G1B	HA1AG	DP1POL	DL1ZBO	RI20ANT	RW3RN
3G1D	EA5GL	DU1KA	NR6M	RL3DS	RW6HS
3G3O	CE3OP	EI0YOTA	ON9CFG	RT22TK	RW6HS
3G3W	XQ4CW	EK3GM	IK2QPR	S01MZ	EA1BT
3G6OS	CE6RFP	EL2DT	EL2FM	S506PMC	S59DCD
3W1T	RW6HS	FK8RO	F5IRO	S506SLG	S59DCD
3Z13XMAS	SP6IEQ	FW5JJ	F5RXL	S51ZZ	S54G
4A1TD	XE1GZU	GB2W	M0DOL	S79ACR	UA3DJY
4L8A	K1BV	GW7X	G8DX	SE70AA	SK5AA
5B4AHL	M0URX	H40FN	DK9FN	SN0ZIMA	SQ3ODX
5N4EAM	IK2IQD	H70ORO	TI4SU	SN110RAEM	SP9HTY

5Q2T	OZ0J	HA21WFF	HA6PJ	SN1ZIMA	SQ1KSL
7P8CE	DK1CE	HC2IMP	IK2DUW	SN3WOSP	SP3CGK
7P8DJ	DJ2HD	HC8VWT	K8FC	SO110RAEM	SP2FAP
7P8WO	DH3WO	HF110RAEM	SP2FAP [1]	T48LT	CO8IR
7X5QB	EA7FTR	HF110RAEM	SP3GVX [2]	T8CW	JA0FOX [b]
8P8T	KI1U	HF2013PLL	SP8KEZ	T8CW	JH0IXE [d]
8P9JB	J69AZ	HF450NS	SP3KEY	TC9SAM	TA1HZ
9J2BO	G3TEV	HL5KY	W3HNC	TM0R	F5GGL
9K2/SP4R	SP7DQR	HP1/IZ6BRN	IZ8CLM	TM0T	F4DXW
9M2TO	JA0DMV	HP1A	HP1RCP	TM1A	F6KOP
9M6XRO	M0URX	IA0MZ	IW0EFA	TM50ENSO	F5LGQ
9Q0AR	ON4CFC	J79WTA	HB9MFM	TM50QF	F6KSU
A25CE	DK1CE	JG8NQJ/JD1	JA8CJY [d]	TM6M	F4DXW
A25DJ	DJ2HD	JG8NQJ/JD1	JG8NQJ [b]	TM7F	F6KRC
A41KJ	NI5DX	JW/PY2SEX	DL1NX	TM7G	F4CWN
A61SM	A61BK	JY4CI	K2AX	TM7X	F5BSB
A61ZX	IZ8CLM	KP2VI	W1MBB	TM7XX	F5MUX
A66TQ	IZ8CLM	LZ1JY	W0FS	TR0A/p	SM7EHU
A91ND	IZ8CLM	M6T	G4PIQ	UE22A	RV1CC
A91NM	IZ8CLM	N1MY/KH2	JH1LHJ	V55A	M0OXO
C4Z	G3SWH	NP2X	K5WW	V55V	DJ8VC
C91C	ZS6ALB	OA2/AL4Q	DJ8QP	VI6WA100	VK6IR
CE9/UA4WHX	UA4WHX	OA4SS	KB6J	VK0JJJ	K7CO
CN2OS	PD0JOS	OF9X	OH2BH	VK2013TDF	M0OXO
CN3A	IV3ZXQ	OG3077F	OH3JF	VQ9JC	ND9M
CN8KD	EA5XX	OH2YOTA	ON9CFG	WH0AU	JP3WAU
CO7WT	N2CQ	OM20TUSR	OM3RP	YB4IR/8	YB4IR
CO8LY	EA7ADH	PA14HNY	PA1AW	YF1AR/8	N2OO
CP6AA	IK6SNR	PB14HNY	PA1AW	YL2013YOTA	ON9CFG
CR2T	CU2AF	PJ2T	W3HNC	YN5Z	K7ZO
CR5A	CT1FFU	PJ5/K6NAO	JA1HGY	YW2LV	YV5YMA
CR6K	CT1ILT	R7378TM	RM8W	ZF2YL	AE9YL
CS250CLE	CS5RPT	R95DOD	RA3SI	ZM90DX	M0OXO
CS2C	OK1RF	RI1ANC	RN1ON	ZR9C	ZS6WN
CX3TQ	IK2DUW	RI1ANP	RN1ON	ZW5B	K3IRV
D4C	IZ4DPV	RI1ANR	RK1PWA	ZW8T	PS8HF

[1] 15-22 December 2013

[2] 23-31 December 2013

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