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<<< PALMYRA, KINGMAN & BAKER >>>

Tony DePrato, WA4JQS (Director Of Operations, South Sandwich Island Dx Group) and Frank Smith, AH0W/W7 (Chairman, Midway-Kure Dx Foundation) announce a joint DXpedition to Palmyra Island, Kingman Reef and Baker Island. See KH1, KH5 and KH5 below for details.

- 3B7 - Urs, HB9ABO reports that a major DXpedition to St.Brandon (AF-015) will take place between 6 and 17 May. The DXpedition is being organized by the Union of Swiss Shortwave Amateurs (USKA) club station HB9RF. Team members 3B8CF, 4X1DF/A, HB9ABO, HB9ADP, HB9AFH, HB9AFI, HB9AHL, HB9AJW, HB9BQI, HB9BQW, HB9BXE, HB9JAI (team leader) and K5KG will operate 24 hours a day with four station on all bands CW, SSB, RTTY and SSTV. Logs will be available on a daily basis on a web site (still under construction). Financial assistance is appreciated - the cashier is Josef Meier, HB9AJW (100450.540@compuserve.com).
- 9G - The OPDX Bulletin reports that PA3AWW, PA3DEW and PA3FQX will be active (on all bands, CW and SSB) from Ghana as 9G1AA between 4 and 25 February. QSL via PA2FAS.
- 9G - Andy, G4ZVJ reports he will be active as 9G5VJ from Ghana between 5 February and 1 March. He will operate on all bands, mostly CW including the ARRL DX CW contest and possibly the WPX RTTY Contest. QSL via G4ZVJ either direct (Andy Chadwick, 5 Thorpe Chase, Ripon, North Yorkshire, HG4 1UA, England, UK) and through the bureau (bureau cards can be requested at andy@g4zvj.demon.co.uk).
- 9K - Hamad, 9K2HN reports that the Kuwait Amateur Radio Society (KARS) is organizing their third DXpedition to AS-118. The station 9K2F will be active for one week starting on 12 February. QSL via 9K2HN either direct (Hamad J. Al-Nusif, P.O. Box 29174, 13152, Safat, Kuwait) or

through the bureau. Questions may be addressed to Hamad at 9k2hn@moc.kw

- 9M0_spr- Suggested frequencies for the CDXC (Chiltern DX Club) 9M0C expedition (12-24 February) to Pulau Layang Layang, Spratly Islands (AS-051) [425DXN 349] are as follows (SSB/CW/RTTY): 1.842 and 1.824 MHz on 160 metres; 3.795/3.802 and 3.502 MHz on 80 metres; 7.080, 7.002 and 7.035 MHz on 40 metres; 10.102 MHz on 30 metres; 14.195, 14.022 and 14.080 MHz on 20 metres; 18.145 and 18.072 MHz on 17 metres; 21.295, 21.022 and 21.080 MHz on 15 metres; 24.945 and 24.892 MHz on 12 metres; 28.495, 28.002 and 28.080 MHz on 10 metres (a RTTY frequency for 17 and 12 metres has not been chosen as yet). The team will operate split listening within 5 KHz on CW and within 20 KHz on SSB. They will also operate in the General/Novice class bands occasionally, but especially near the end of the operation.
- 9N - The DX News Sheet reports that Rich, G4RHM has gone QRT as 9N1RHM. He is back in the UK and is unlikely to return to Nepal in the short term.
- 9N - Charlie, K4VUD will be active as 9N1UD [425DXN 341] between 19 February and 8 March (during his staying in Nepal he will make a side trip to Bhutan, but *no* activity will take place from A5). He is reported to operate during the ARRL DX CW Contest (21-22 February) and the ARRL DX SSB Contest (7-8 March). QSL via K4VUD (Charles Harpole, 3100 N. Hwy. 426, Geneva, FL 32732-9761, USA).
- 9U - Alex, PA3DZN left Burundi [425DXN 340] on 6 January and returned to the Netherlands.
- A4 - The Daily DX reports that Don, A92BE was expected to leave Bahrain around 20 January for a two year work assignment in Oman.
- AP - JA1EZM is active again as AP2AP from Karachi. Pakistan. He hopes to participate in the CQ WW CW 160 Meter DX Contests. QSL via JA1EZM.
- DL - Tom, DL8AAM reports he plans to be active from Hamburger Hallig Island (N-036 for the German Islands Award, it does not count for IOTA) on 21-22 February.

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- EA - Pepe, EA5KB reports that EA5RKX [425DXN 345] is now expected to be active from Penyeta del Moro (EU-151) on Saturday 7 March between 13 and 20 UTC and possibly on Sunday 8 March between 8 and 12 UTC. For further information please contact Pepe at ea5kb@ctv.es
- FS - Dennis, K7BV reports he will operate from FS5PL's QTH in the ARRL DX CW Contest (21-22 February). QSL via N0JT. Dennis will also operate a day or two before and after the contest as FS/K7BV (QSL via K7BV either direct - Dennis Motschenbacher, 4357 Appollonio Way, Carson City, NV 89704, USA - or through the bureau).
- I - Special event station I0MFP (Millennium for Peace) [425DXN 333] will be active on 31 January and 1 February. QSL via IK0AZG.
- J3 - The DX News Sheet reports that K4UPS and K4LTA will be active (SSB and CW) from Grenada between 10 February and 3 March. They will be

joined for ten days by NK4N/OE3JOS and OE1GRU, with whom they will participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest (Multi Single. QSL via home calls).

- JA - Toshi, JA1ELY reports that Takio, JH3QFL will be active from Miyako Is. (AS-079) on 25 January. Look for him on 14.260 MHz between 08-10UTC and 40 metres CW or SSB between 20-22UTC. QSL via JH3QFL either direct (Takio Hata, 828-1207 Kawahara, Cyuzu 520-2423, Japan) or through the bureau.
- JT - A group of amateurs from the Mongolian Radio Sports Federation (including JT1CD, JT1AS, JT1BL, JT1BJ, JT1CJ and JT1CM) was active in mid-January as JU2DX from Eastern Mongolia. QSL via JT1KAA.
- KC4_ant- Bob, K4MZU reports that YL operator Deneb at KC4AAC (Anvers Island, AN-012) [425DXN 349] will be back on 21.243 Mhz this coming Sunday (25 January) looking for European contacts and will be listening for callers starting at 13.30UTC. This will probably be the last operation on 15 metres, as the station will be starting to prepare to close down next month. QSL via K4MZU.
- KG4 - Bill, W4WX/KG4GC reports he and WV3N/KG4AU, K4QD/KG4QD, WA4OMS/KG4OS, KG4WD and KG4PK will operate from Guantanamo Bay (NA-015) between 13 and 20 February. They will participate in the ADRS WW RTTY WPX Contest (14-15 February) as KG4GC: QSL via W4WX either direct (Bill Gallier, 4094 Sandy Run Drive E., Middleburg, FL 32068, USA) or through the bureau. After the contest they will be active on all modes and bands with their KG4 calls (QSL via home call).
- KG4 - The Daily DX reports that W4ZYT/KG4ZK, NW3K/KG4CH and W4SD/KG4SD will be active on all bands from Guantanamo Bay (NA-015) between 17 and 24 February (QSL via home calls). They will participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest and hope to use the call KG4DZ (QSL via W4SD).
- KH1 - After leaving Kingman Reef (see KH5K below), the MKDXF & SSIDXG team (K4AU, N4BQW, N4DAZ, W4DKS, KA4IST, WA4FFW and NH6UY) will sail to Baker Island (OC-089), where they will be active between 5 and 12 March. QSL and financial support via AC7DX.
- KH5 - Mark, KA4IST will depart Honolulu on 26 January and will open up operations from Palmyra Island (OC-085) around 4 February. Mark will operate during his off duty hours. On 20 February he will be joined by Chuck, N4BQW until the 25th, when other five operators (NH6UY, N4DAZ, WA4FFW, W4DKS and K4AU) will join the group. The sked at this time is for round the clock all-band all-mode operations from Palmyra till the 27 February. QSL and financial support via AC7DX.
- KH5K - After leaving Palmyra on 27 February, the MKDXF & SSIDXG team (K4AU, N4BQW, N4DAZ, W4DKS, KA4IST, WA4FFW and NH6UY) will sail for Kingman Reef (OC-096), where they will operate around the clock until 1 March. QSL and financial support via AC7DX.
- KH6 - The Daily DX reports that Bob, W9RB will be active as W9RB/KH6 from Maui Island, Hawaii (OC-019) between 16 and 21 February. He will participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest.
- KH0 - Toshi, JA1ELY reports that JN1TCC, JS1PNS, JA2HBK, JJ2NYT, JK2TQB and JR4URW will be KH0/ from Saipan (OC-086) between 14 and 16 February. This is their first DXpedition and they plan to operate on 10-40 metres SSB, CW and RTTY. QSL via home calls.
- KP2 - Larry, KE2VB is reported to participate in the ARRL DX CW and SSB Contests from WP2Z in the Virgin Islands (NA-106). QSL via KU9C.

- P4 - The DX News Sheet reports that K2LE will be active again as P4/K2LE from Aruba (SA-036) between 2 and 15 February. QSL via K2LE.
- P4 - I2UIY, AI6V and W6OAT will be active (on all bands SSB, CW and RTTY) from Aruba between mid February and mid March. They will be active as P40K, P4/I2UIY, P40V and P49V and will participate in both the ARRL DX (CW & SSB) Contests and in the CQ WW DX 160 Meter SSB Contest.
- PY - Pedro, PP5SZ reports that a group of PY operators will be active as ZW2ST from Sao Sebastiao Island (SA 028, DIB 016) between 23 and 26 January. This and other PY island stations can be found on the Brazil DX Net (14.222 MHz, 18-21 UTC). QSL via PY2AE.
- PY - Mario, PQ8MM reports he will be joined by PQ8VA during his forthcoming activity from SA-045 [425DXN 349]. They will be active as PQ8MM/p and PQ8VA/p. Operations (10-80 metres SSB, possibly CW) from Maraca Island (DIB 39) are now expected to take place between 19 and 24 February. QSL direct to PQ8MM (Mario S. Gomes, P.O. Box 533, Macapa, Amapa 68906-972, Brasil).

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- S2 - The DX News Sheet reports that Andrew, G4VLV is active until March as S21YE from, Bangladesh. QSL via G4VLV.
- TJ - The Daily DX reports that Bob Ferrero, W6RJ and his son Bob Jr., W6KR will be active as TJ1GB from Cameroon between 15 February and 1 March. They will be on safari during daylight and on the air during darkness and will concentrate on 160 metres and the low bands. QSL via K6SLO (ex WA6SLO).
- VK - Australin amateurs will be permitted to replace the VK suffix with AX between 24 and 26 January to celebrate the Australia Day.
- VP2E - The Daily DX reports that Dick, K3DI will participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest (21-22 February) as VP2EEI from Anguilla (NA-022). QSL via K3DI (bureau cards can be requested at wilder@clark.net).
- VP5 - The Caribbean Contesting Consortium (CCC) will be active from VP5JM's QTH between 14 and 28 February. Operators K4LT, K8RF, KU8E, W8AV, W8TK, W9EFL, WA9S and W0CG will use VP5/ (QSL via home calls). They will participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest as VP5FXB (a special callsign in memory of the late Al Slater, G3FXB). QSL for VP5FXB via W8AV either direct or through the bureau. More information is available at <http://asgard.kent.edu/ccc/vp5fxb/vp5fxb.htm>
- XU - Harv, XU2FB is reported to be now active as XUF2B. QSL via N4JR.
- YN - Carlos, YN1CB reports to be active on 14.222 MHz at 4 UTC and on Saturdays on 14.215 MHz at 20 UTC. QSL via YN1CB (P.O. Box 3733, Managua, Nicaragua).
- YS - The Daily DX reports that "due to some unforeseen reason" the group of Finnish amateurs who was expected to operate as TG00H from Guatenmala [425DXN 347] has had a change of plans. They will now be active as YS1X from YS1RRD's beach QTH in El Salvador and are expected to be on the air by late Saturday aternoon (local time).

ZS - John, KA3DBN/VP2EBN reports he will be back in Africa between 1 and 19 March, starting in South Africa and moving around to A22, 7P8, 3DA0, Z2 and C9. He will try to be as active as possible from as many locations as possible on CW, RTTY and SSB. QSL via bureau to K3BEQ.

<<< RULES CHANGES FOR THE DXCC PROGRAM >>>

"Approved by the Board were rules changes for the DXCC program that had been recommended by the DXCC 2000 Committee. Under the new criteria, no countries currently on the DXCC list will be removed. In the future, countries will be referred to as entities. A political entity will be added to the DXCC list if it meets any one of three criteria: it is a UN member state, it has an ITU prefix block assigned, or it has a separate IARU member society. The new criteria also replace all DXCC measurements, including physical separation distances, with metric system figures roughly equivalent to the former distances. While the 57 entities on the deleted list will remain, no new countries will be added to the deleted list in the future. Deleted entities simply will be removed. In addition, the new rules specify a minimum 'island' size of 100 meters measured in a straight line. The DXCC field checking program will remain in place. The effective date of the changes will be announced later this year. The DXCC 2000 Committee was discharged with the Board's thanks."

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***** GOOD TO KNOW ... *****

DXER OF THE YEAR ---> The seventh annual New Orleans International DX Convention will be held at the Royal Sonesta Hotel in the French Quarter on August 14 and 15. "Beginning now, and continuing through the month of February", Don Boudreau (W5FKX, President of NOIDXC) reports, "we are inviting nominations for DXer of the Year. Please send in your nominations on behalf of those who have significantly contributed to our enjoyment of DXing". Nominations can be mailed to Stan Pulitzer, 4236 Vincennes Place, New Orleans, LA 70125, USA or e-mailed to w5jyk@aol.com

HS/9M NET ---> The Thailand/Malaysia 40 metres net is now run by Kareem, HS1RU each night between 13.00-14.00 UTC on 7.060 MHz. John, NT5C reports that Kareem is used to QSY to 7.052 or 7.057 and calling USA (listening 7.15 +/- QRM) from 13.10-13.20 UTC.

NA-198 ---> Dave, VE3LDT reports that Long island (CISA NF-038), which he activated on 2 September 1997, can now count for IOTA NA-198 (Newfoundland's coastal islands).

QSL MANAGER CHANGE ---> Conrad, VE2ICM notifies 425DXN of a change in QSL manager for the following stations: BA4TB, EX2M, T95LGN, UA0FDX, UN7EG, UN7FJ. The *new* QSL manager is HH2PK (QSL direct to P.O. Box 104, 22650 Plubalay, France).

QSL 9M2OM/P ---> Ray, G3NOM reports that all direct QSL requests for his 1997 IOTA operations (AS-072, AS-074, AS-097) received by 31/12/97 have been dealt with by G3NOM and G0CMM. The last batch was posted from the UK on 19/1/98. Cards received direct to-date since 31/12/97 will be sent if possible before the end of January 98 to meet the IOTA list deadline. Anyone who has sent cards direct to G0CMM or G3NOM who has not received a reply by 25/1/98 should contact Ray (g3nom@ibm.net) quickly. Work has started on cards received via the bureau.

QSL TK/OM3JW & TK/OM2DX ---> Steve, OM3JW and Mike, OM2DX report that the cards for their September 1997 activities from Corsica, EU-014 (TK/OM3JW & TK/OM2DX) and the island of Lavezzi, EU-164 (TK/OM3JW/p & TK/OM2DX/p) should be printed in late January. Please be patient.

QSL VK9EKY ---> Ron Wills, ZL2TT reports that cards for Zbig's current (VK2EKY, Lord Howe) [425DXN 349] and other DX calls may be requested via WA3HUP or via *7J6AAK/2* (either direct and through the JARL bureau). Please note that Zbig's *new* address [425DXN 350] is: Zbigniew Frank Murdzia, Shijimizuka 3-8-41, Shizuoka-Ken 432, Hamamatsu City, Japan.

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QSL VP5/WQ7X ---> Cards go via SP5INQ. Rys, SP5EWY reports the correct address: Zenon Kuciak, 08-460 Sobolew, Poland.

QSL VIA AC7DX ---> Ron, AC7DX is *not* the QSL manager for either JY5IN, T32LN, ZK2VE, VS6CT, VS6CT/KP2, BV/OH2BH, VR2BH and VR2EW.

QSL VIA IK2PZG ---> QSL cards for IIA (Italian Islands Award) activities by IK8UHA and IK8VRH are now managed by IK2PZG (Bruno Boccia, P.O. Box 27, 20051 Limbiate - MI, Italy).

QSL VIA IT9FX Y ---> IT9FX Y reports that direct QSL cards for the following operations by the Egadi DX Team have been all sent out: Asinelli (EU-166, IIA

TP-016, August 1997) [425DXN 323], Levanzo (EU-054, IIA TP-009, September 1997) [425DXN 331], Il Faraglione (EU-054, IIA TP-013, September 1997) [425DXN 331].

QSL VIA NP2AQ ---> The OPDX Bulletin reports that those who still need a QSL from Ron's (NP2AQ) previous operations (DL4FDU, EY8/NP2AQ, 4L0MR and EK9RM) should send their cards to Ron Maples, U.S. Embassy Mexico City/ESO, Box 3087, Laredo, TX 78044-2087, USA. QSO data may also be e-mailed to rmaples@compuserve.com

QSL VIA WW9DX ---> The OPDX Bulletin reports that effective 1 January 1998 all of cards for Mike's (K9NW) past and future operations are managed by the Western Wisconsin DX Association: QSLs for PJ7/N0BSH, NP3/N0BSH, NP4/N0BSH, FS/N0BSH, V47NZ, FS/K9NW and WH7/K9NW are now via WW9DX either direct (P.O. Box 411, La Crosse, Wisconsin 54602, USA) or through the bureau.

VISALIA 1998 ---> The 1998 International DX Convention will be held from 1 to 3 May at the Holiday Inn in Visalia, California. For further information please contact Rick Samoian, W6SR at 714-993-0713 (home) or 310-616-3912 (work) or send an e-mail to: scdx@primenet.com

WABA DIRECTORY ---> The ninth edition of the WABA 46-page Directory is available from IK1GPG at US\$ 11.00 (postage included). It includes more than 800 calls used from Antarctica since 1959, the list of Antarctic bases, the rules for WABA (Worked all Antarctic Bases Award) and WASA (Worked all Antarctic Stations Award) etc. For further information please contact IK1GPG: Massimo Balsamo, Strada Statale 28 Nord # 7, 12084 Mondovì - CN, Italy.

QSL received via direct: 3F6V (NA-071), 3W5KVR (AS-130), 4S7BRG, 4U1ITU, 4U0ITU, 5A28, 5B4/RU3FM, 5N0MVE, 5V7A, 7Q7DX, 9G1BJ, 9M2OM/p (AS-097), 9M6OO, 9M8TG, 9Q5TR, 9U5DX, 9V1AG, 9V1YC, A35KY, A61AS, AA1NC/p (NA-031), BD7JA/7 (AS-131), CT3/DL1RNW, CV5A (SA-030), D68QM, EP2MKP, FH/DF2SS, FH/DJ2BW, FO5DX, FO0BRD, FO0KEO, FR5ZQ/T, FT5ZG, FW5XX (OC-054), GM6UW/P (EU-112), GU0SUP, HF0POL, HP1XBI, DL7DF/HR3, HK3JJH/0A (NA-133), HK3JJH/0B (NA-132), ID8/IK8WEJ (IOTA EU-144; IIA CS-002, 003, 007, 008, 009); ID8/IZ8AZV (IIA CS-007, 008, 009, 010), ID8/IZ8BGY (EU-144; IIA CS-001, 003, 004, 007), IF9/IT9FX (EU-054; IIA TP-009), IL3/IK3GES (IIA RO-020), IM0/ISONHT (IIA CA-025), IT9WKH/IT9 (EU-166; IIA TP-016), JD1YBJ, JL1KFR/JD1, KH4/N4BQW, KH5/N4BQW, KH6/N4BQW, KH8/N5OLS, K7CXJ/KH8, KH0CE, KH0/JA4DND, KH0/JI3CEY, KH0/JO1CRA, MU0ASP, SV8/IK7WPH/p (EU-052), TA0/DJ8QP/p (AS-098; AS-099), TA0/IK3GES/p, TM7I (EU-065; DIFM AT-001, 002, 008, 010, 036, 042, 057, 059, 121), TO7I, TT8DX, VK2IOM (OC-223), VK9WY, VK9YM, VK0TS, VR6MW, XF3/EA3AOK (NA-090), XF3/EA3BT (NA-045), ZA/IK7JWX, ZX1A (SA-029).

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