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- 3B8 - Giovanni, I5JHW will be on Mauritius Island (AF-049) between 31 December and 14 January and will operate (including the RTTY Roundup on 8-9 January) as 3B8/I5JHW. QSL via home call. [TNX I5JHW]
- 3W - Mal, VK6LC will be working in the South China Sea area for the next four months. He reports he might operate from Con Son and Cu Lao Thu islands in his leisure days off, "but will not be considering DXpedition style operating, social 3W6 contacts only". [TNX VE6VK and I1HYW]
- 5H - John, IN3GNV will be active (SSB and RTTY) as 5H3MG from Tanzania between 10 December and 15 January. QSL via IN3YYQ. (Bruno Prospero, Via Roma 76/12, 39100 Bolzano - BZ, Italy). [TNX IN3VRR]
- 9G - Derek, F5VCR and others will be active from Abokwa Island (NO-REF), Ghana for six days including the first weekend of April. Further information is expected in due course. [TNX F5VCR]
- BY - A group of Chinese amateurs will operate (on SSB, CW, SSTV, RTTY and PSK31) special Millennium station BT2000 between 25 December and 2 January. The activity will take place from Qushan Island, Zhoushan Archipelago (AS-137). QSL direct to No. 39 Room 502, Zao Zhuang Road, Shanghai 200135, People's Republic of China, or through the bureau. [TNX The Daily DX]
- C6 - Pete, K2PS will participate in the ARRL 10 Meter Contest as C6A/K2PS from Nassau (NA-001), Bahamas. QSL via home call. [TNX The Daily DX]
- C6 - Wolf, DL2SCQ and Ann, DL1SCQ will be active as homecall/C6A from North Bimini (NA-048) between 24 December and 4 January. QSL via DL6DK. [TNX DL2SCQ and Islands On The Web]
- CO - According to Tito, LU7EE the 9-13 December IOTA operation from Cay Breton (NA-201) [425DXN 448] has been cancelled. [TNX The Daily DX]
- CT - A group of amateurs from Portugal and France will participate in the ARRL 10 Meter Contest as CT8W. QSL route to be announced later. [TNX CT4NH]
- ER - Special station ER2000A will be active between 15 December and 20 January to celebrate the Millennium. QSL via ER1DA either direct (Valery Metaxa, P. O. Box 9537, Kishinev, MD-2071 Moldova) or through the bureau. [TNX ER1DA]

- FG - Phil, ON4LCE will be active (10-80 metres WARC included on SSB, RTTY and PSK31) as TO2000 (Tango Oscar Two Oscar Oscar Oscar) from Guadeloupe (NA-102) between 20 December and 3 January. He will also try to operate from Les Saintes (NA-114). QSL via ON4LCE. [TNX ON4LCE]
- FM - Look for Ralph, K2PF and Steve, KU9C to participate in the ARRL 10 Meter Contest as FM5DN from Martinique (NA-107). They expect to operate before and after the contest as either FM5DN (QSL via KU9C) or FM/K2PF (QSL via K2PF). [TNX The Daily DX]
- G - UK radio amateurs have been allowed to use the suffix /2K during January to celebrate the Millennium. This means that anyone can add /2K to their callsign, club callsign or whilst operating a special event station. [TNX RSGB RadCom]
- HI - Steve, K8WK will be active (mostly on WARC bands CW) as HI8/K8WK from the Dominican Republic (NA-096) between 23 December and 2 January. QSL via K8WK (Steve Litwins, 2398 Woodbine Dr., Crestview, FL 32536, USA). [TNX K8WK]
- HR - Gerard, F2JD/HK3JBR will be active as HR5/F2JD from Honduras between mid-December and early January. [TNX F6AJA and Les Nouvelles DX]
- HS - Champ, E21EIC reports the following Thai stations are expected to be active during the ARRL 10 Meter Contest: E20GMY, E21EIC, HS0GBI, HS0/G3NOM, HS4BPQ, HS9EQY (YL), HS72A (QSL via HS1CKC).
- JA - Takeshi, JI3DST/3 plans to be active on from Awajishima (AS-117) between 00.00 UTC on 11 December and 3 UTC on the 13th. He will be active during the 10 Meter Contest. QSL via JI3DST (Takeshi Funaki, 2-18-26 Hannan-Cho Abeno-Ku, Osaka-City, Osaka, 545-0021 Japan). [TNX JI3DST]
- JA - Look for members of the Ehime DX Gang to activate club station JH5ZCP/4 from Ikuchi Island (AS-117) on 18-19 December. QSL via JARL. [TNX JI6KVR]
- KP2 - Dave, AG8L and Mike, KC8NJA will be active as KP2/AG8L (QSL via NN6C) and KP2/KC8NJA (QSL via NN6C) from the Windwood contest station on 9-15 December. Dave will participate in the ARRL 10 Meter Contest as WP2Z (QSL via KU9C). [TNX AG8L]
- LU - Tony, LU2FFD and Hernan, LU3FP will participate in the ARRL 10 Meter Contest as LU4FM from Radio Club Rosario. QSL to P. O. Box 263, 2000 Rosario, Argentina. Also look for Martin/LU3VED, Rafael/LU7VCH, Sergio/LU7YS and Alex/LU8VCC to participate in the contest as LT5V (QSL via LU8VCC: Alex Rocca, P.O. Box 37, 8332 General Roca, Rio Negro, Argentina) and for Seba/LU4FPZ, Ariel/LU6FUQ and Bob/LU2FA to be active (CW and SSB) as LT5F (QSL via LU4FPZ: Sebastian Rubio, 1 de Mayo 2128, 2000 Rosario, Argentina). [TNX LU3FP, LU4FPZ and LU8VCC]
- ON - ON stations have been granted permission to use the prefix OT between 23 UTC on 3 December and 23 UTC on 5 January to celebrate the wedding of Prince Philip and Princess Mathilde. Look for OT4ATW (ON4ATW), OT4AYM (ON4AYM) and OT4MA (ON4MA) to be active during the ARRL 10 Meter Contest (special QSLs via the bureau). [TNX ON4UN and others]

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- PJ2 - Ernest, ON4CFD will participate in the ARRL 10 Meter Contest from Curacao (SA-006) as either PJ9I or PJ9/ON4CFD. QSL via ON4CFD either direct (Ernest Lichtert, Wolvenstraat 101, 1070 Brussels, Belgium) or through the bureau. [TNX ON4CFD]
- PY - PY1KS and PY1NX will participate in the ARRL 10 Meter Contest as PY1NX (Multi-Single, Mixed). QSL via PY1NX.
- PY0_fer- Iwao, PY7FT and Nori, JA1WSK will be active as PY0FT from Fernando de Noronha (SA-003) between 21 and 28 December. Nori plans to concentrate on RTTY and PSK31 (look for him on 14084, 21084 and 28084 kHz), while Iwao will operate SSB as well as SSTV. QSL via JA1ELY. [TNX JA1ELY]
- SM_ant - Dominik, DL5EBE reports that Victor Karassev will not be able to operate from Norwegian Antarctic base "Troll" on his way to Novolazarevskaya [425DXN 445]. If he can be active from Swedish base "Wasa", he will operate as R1AND/A (QSL via DL5EBE).
- SV - Olda, OK1YM reports to be active from Athens as SV/OK1YM for one year at least. Look for him on CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL cards the OK DX Foundation (P.O. Box 73, Bradlec 293 06, Czech Republic). The web sites for Olda and the OKDXF are at <http://www.qsl.net/oklym> and <http://www.okdxf.cz>
- R1A_ant- Evgenij, was active as R1ANB/A from Russian Antarctic base "Vostok I" [425DXN 447] on 10 December and is expected to remain there for one more day only. Look for him around 16 UTC on 14.160 MHz. Next stop will be at "Komsomolskaya" base. QSL direct to RU1ZC. [TNX US4LCW]
- V2 - Tom, K8CX will be active as V26X from Antigua (NA-100) on 7-13 December. He will operate on all 9 HF bands and will participate in the ARRL 10 Meter Contest. QSL via K8CX. [TNX K8CX]
- V3 - Bert, PA3GIO will be active as V31GI from Southwest Caye, Glovers Reef (NA-180) on 19-24 March 2000 and from Little Water Caye (NA-180) on 26-29 March. Look for him on 10-80 metres SSB. QSL via PA3GIO either direct (Bert v.d. Berg, Parklaan 38, NL-3931 KK Woudenberg, The Netherlands) or preferably through the bureau. His web site is at <http://www.xs4all.nl/~pa3gio> [TNX PA3GIO]
- V3 - Art, NN7A will be active as V31JZ from Turneffe Islands (NA-123), Belize between 26 and 31 March 2000. Look for him on all bands mostly CW with some SSB on or around 21260 and 14260 kHz. QSL via NN7A either direct (Arthur M. Phillips, P. O. Box 201, Flagstaff, AZ 86002, USA) or through the bureau. [TNX NN7A]
- VK0_ant- According to Dominik/DL5EBE, Tom, VK0TS will be leaving Antarctica in about four weeks. He has already packed his amateur radio equipment, but some activity is still possible using the commercial equipment at the base.
- VP6 - Jukka, OH2BR confirms he will be active from Pitcairn Island (OC-044) for some three months starting in January 2000 [425DXN 435]. He will leave Finland on 9 January and arrive to Auckland, New Zealand on the 11th. Departure from Auckland to Pitcairn will be on or around 19 January, while the return voyage is planned in early

May. Jukka will be operating (on 6-160 metres CW, SSB and RTTY) as VP6BR from either Tom's (VP6TC) QTH and/or the VP6PAC club site up on the hill. Jukka is seriously considering side trips to rare IOTA Henderson (OC-056) and Ducie (OC-182) islands transportation is available at reasonable cost. QSL via OH2BR (Jukka Heikinheimo, P.O. Box 37, FI-01361 Vantaa, Finland). Latest information will be available on Jukka's newly born web site at <http://www.qsl.net/oh2br/> [TNX OH2BR]

- VP9 - Gene, W2FXA will be active (on 10-40 metres SSB and CW) as W2FXA/VP9 from Devonshire Parish, Bermuda (NA-005) between 27 December and 4 January. QSL via home call. [TNX W2FXA]
- VR2 - The Hong Kong Amateur Radio DX Association (<http://www.qsl.net/vr2dxa>) has been granted the special Millennium call VR2K. Look for activity on all bands from now until 31 January, and again on 1-31 March and 1 May-31 July. QSL via VR2XRW. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]
- VU_ant - Bob, K4MZU reports that Mike, R1AND/RW1A still plans to operate from Indian Antarctic base "Maitri" [425DXN 435], but as "they only have the Base transmitter, he will not have the opportunity to go on when he wishes".
- W - The Old Barney Amateur Radio Club will operate special event station W1K to celebrate the end of the Millennium from 19 December through 2 January. QSL via N200 (Bob Schenck, P.O. Box 345, Tuckerton, NJ 08087, USA). For a special certificate in addition to a QSL card, include a 9x12 SAE with appropriate return postage or IRCs. [TNX N200]
- W - Members of the Carolina DX and Roswell DX Associations will celebrate the Millennium operating on all bands as WY2000 during the month of January starting at 00.00 UTC on the 1st. QSL via K4MQG.
- W - Frank, N5VT will be active as N5T to celebrate the Millennium. Look for him on all bands and modes, including RTTY and PSK31, between 1 and 15 January. Special QSL card via N5VT. [TNX N5VT]
- XE - Neil, G0JHC and Lee, G0ULN will be active (on 10-80 and 6 metres) as XE1/home call from Mexico between 22 December and 10 January. QSL via home calls. [TNX G0ULN]
- XU - Mauro, IN3QBR and Fabri, IN3ZNR will operate as XU7AAZ and XU7AAY from Cambodia between 24 December and 3 January. Look for them on all bands WARC included on SSB, CW and RTTY during the ARRL Round-up. QSL via IN3ZNR (Fabrizio Vedovelli, Via Gramsci 27, 38100 Trento - TN, Italy). [TNX IN3ZNR]
- XX9 - Moto, JK2PNY will be active (on 6-40 metres SSB and CW) from Macau on 15-26 December. Moto's call is XX9TSS, but this time he will be operating as XX9SAR, which will be used by all Macau stations to celebrate the handover of Macau (for this reason it is important to pay attention to the operator's instructions for QSLling). Moto will confirm his XX9SAR QSOs automatically through the bureau; if you need a direct card his address is Motoi Kawatsu, 17-15-205 Nishisugamo 3, Tokyo, 170-0001 Japan. [TNX JA1ELY]
- YB - Special station YE2K will be active on 10-80 metres SSB and CW between 18 and 23 December. QSL via YB2PBX either direct (P. O. Box 337, Surakarta 57103, Indonesia) or through the bureau. [TNX YB2ERL]
- YS - Markus, HB9KNA has been in El Salvador since 6 December and should be active until 12 January. The call was not mentioned, however he

plans to operate on 80-6 metres, WARC bands included. QSL via HB9KNA. [TNX DX News Letter]

ZL5_ant- Dominik, DL5EBE reports that Geoff, ZL5PX [425DXN 442] has been QRT for several weeks now. His last day on the air was 19 October and he is believed to have left Scott Base.

PACIFIC TRIP ---> Adriano, IK2GNW will be active from the Pacific for six weeks starting on 20 January 2000. He will operate (on CW, SSB and RTTY for one week from each location) from French Polynesia and the Austral Islands as FOOPRE (call to be confirmed), from the North Cook Islands as ZK1NW, from Tonga as A35NW, from Wallis & Futuna as FW/IK2GNW and finally from Hawaii as KH6/IK2GNW. Actual dates depend on local flights. QSL via I2YSB either direct (Silvano Borsa, Viale Capettini 1, 27036 Mortara - PV, Italy) or through the bureau. [TNX I2YSB]

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NA-056 ---> Eduardo, CO8LY was active as CO8LY/CO4 from Cayo Largo (NA-056) for a few hours on 9 December. QSL direct only to EA7ADH.

QSL 9G5AA ---> Please note that the QSL manager for the 9G5AA *1999* CQWW CW operation is Tom, GM4FDM (Roger, G3SXW was the manager in charge for the *1994* operation). Tom expects the cards from the printer before Christmas. Bureau QSLs can be requested via e-mail at twylie@net.ntl.com (do not follow up e-mail requests with a bureau card!) Otherwise send your cards either direct (Tom Wylie, 3 King's Crescent, Elderslie, Renfrewshire PA5 9AD, Scotland, UK) or through the RSGB bureau.

QSL AH2R ---> The QSL manager is JI3ERV (not JI1ERV as mentioned in 425DXN 448, apologies for the typo) either direct (Toshinobu Aki, 1-9-26 Ikuno-higashi, Ikuno, Osaka 544-0025, Japan) or through the JARL bureau.

QSL P29BI ---> Steve, VK4EMS made 6733 QSOs (3285 SSB, 3448 CW) operating in his spare time as P29BI from Bougainville (OC-135). His QSL manager (VK4EJ) reports he now has all the logs and can guarantee same day return for QSLs. Please send your cards to Bernie McIvor, 30 Brennan Parade, Strathpine, QLD 4500, Australia. [TNX VK4EJ]

QSL P29VHX ---> Uwe, DJ9HX reports all of direct and bureau cards received so far for P29VHX (OC-008, OC-025, OC-034 and OC-153) have been processed. Incoming requests are now being answered within one week.

QSL R1ANF & R1ANF/A ---> Oleg, R1ANF says that "his change of QSL address for the R1ANF/A operations caused much confusion". Contrary to what previously reported [425DXN 446], cards for both R1ANF (Russian base "Bellingshausen",

South Shetlands) and R1ANF/A (Chinese base "Great Wall" and Korean base "King Sejong", both on South Shetlands) should therefore be sent to RK1PWA (Nick Shapkin, P.O.Box 73, 164744 Amderma, Arkhangelskaja, Russia). [TNX DL5EBE]

QSL TM0Y ---> Jean-Pierre, ON4BBA reports the cards for TM0Y (18-25 July activity from Yeu Island, EU-064) will be being processed and it is hoped to send them before the new year. QSL via ON4AMM either direct (Mary-Lou Moons, Oudestraat 9, B-3560 Lummen, Belgium) or through the bureau.

QSL VO2CQ ---> Chris, VE3FU (Chris Allingham, 3417 Torwood Drive, Dunrobin, ON K0A 1T0, Canada) reports to be in the process of having new colour photo QSLs printed, so it will take a few months before they are ready. There is no need to resend your QSL. [TNX IK7WUJ]

QSL VIA I0MWI ---> I0MWI is the QSL manager *only* for M1Y (1978-82, never active as T77Y), T77CD, T77E, T77G (1985-92, never active on CW), T77GM (1989-96, pirated since 1997). Bureau cards are processed for A.R.I. members only, others should send their requests direct to Stefano Cipriani, Via Taranto 60, 00055 Ladispoli - RM, Italy. Cards for other San Marino stations should be routed through their QSL managers or through the ARRSM QSL Bureau (P.O.Box 77, 47031 Repubblica di San Marino). [TNX I0MWI, i0mwi@libero.it]

QSL VIA W3HC ---> Mac reports he has ogs and cards for HS0E for the years 1989 (5 April-31 December), 1990 (1 January-31 December), 1991 (1 January-31 December) and 1992 (1 January-25 December). Mac also reports he is no longer the QSL manager for J73JT.

QSL VIA W6/G0AZT ---> "All requests received for TY1RY cards have been processed and are in the mail. Further requests for confirmation should be sent direct only to Eddie Schneider, Box 5194, Richmond, CA 94805, USA. I only have 30 requests for GU0AZT cards. If anyone still needs GU confirmed on RTTY, pse send your requests as soon as possible, so that I can order a specific number of cards". Finally, please note that Eddie is NOT the general QSL manager for 3V8BB. He can only confirm RTTY contacts he made from 3V8BB on 9-13 October 1996. [TNX W6/G0AZT]

YA4A ---> It was active during the CQWW CW Contest, but it is believed it was a pirate. Neither Jan, K5MA ("I worked him", he says, "and have no idea why he picked my callsign to 'nominate' as QSL manager") nor Dick, K4UTE are the QSL manager for this station (however Dick still has logs and cards for his own genuine YA4A activity back in 1963-65). [TNX OPDX Bulletin and IV3TMM]

+ SILENT KEYS + Former ARRL HQ staffer, "CQ Magazine" DX columnist, original editor of "DX Magazine" and "The DX Bulletin", active contester and DXer Charles J. "Chod" Harris, WB2CHO/VP2ML, of Santa Rosa, California, died at 50 years of age on 8 December of complications from a severe heart attack he had suffered in early November.

Tiit Praks, ES7RE, President of ERAU, died on 7 December in a car accident in Finland. [TNX ARRL and ES2NA]

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*** NEWS FROM THE WEB ***

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LOGS: Logs for Steve, G4UOL recent operation as GD4UOL are available at http://www.g4uol.demon.co.uk/gd4uol_search.htm (some 10,100 CW QSOs) [TNX G4UOL]

LOGS: Doug, N6RT reports the following new/updated logs are now available at <http://dx.qsl.net/logs>:

DS5DNO (through 14 November)

DU1ODX (through 29 November)

HL5FUA (through 5 December)

ID8/IK8VRH (IOTA EU-144, August 1999)

KP4AH (through 28 November)

NH0E (through 28 November)

T32PO (through 30 November)

VQ9CV (through 26 November)

WL7M (through 4 December)

XX9TDX (through 1 December)

YC0LOW (through 27 November)

R1MV: The R1MV site is under construction and may be visited at www.vbg.ru/events/MVIDX/index.html [TNX OH2BR]

WLH: A FAQ page for the World Lighthouses award is now available at <http://www.infini.fr/~tquere> [TNX F5OGG]

QSL received via direct: 3C2JJ (AF-082), 3D2RR, 3V8BB, 3XY1BO, 4J9RI, 4M7A, 6V6U, 9A2000B (EU-110), 9G1MR, 9G5MF, 9M6NA (OC-133), 9U5D, 9V1BG, A35SO, A45XJ, BV4QW, BV5GQ, BY4CYL, CE0ZIS, CE3F, CU3DJ, CY9CWI, E4/JA8RUZ, E41/OK1DTP, E41/OK1FHI, F5SNY/P (EU-074, EU-105), F5SNY/P (EU-157), FG5EY, FK/F6BUM (OC-032, OC-033), FO0SUC (OC-066), FT5YG (AN-017), FT5ZH, FT5ZJ, GD3AHV, GJ3YHU, H76C, HK3JBR, HL0IHQ/2 (AS-122), HL2WA, HS9AL (AS-126), HU4U, IK7VJX/7 (IIA LE-037), IL7/IK7VJX (EU-050), IQ7T, IZ7CFF/7 (IIA LE-004, 017, 025, 041, 031), JA6LCJ/6 (AS-037), JA8BGR, JF6WTY/6 (AS-067), JI3DST/3 (AS-117), JL1KFR/JD1, JL6UBM/6 (AS-032), JW4CJA (EU-027), JY9NX, K7IL/KH0, KH0T, KH2/N2NL, LU1ZC, LX2DX, LY7A, N6IC (NA-066), OD5SB, P29BI (OC-135), P3A, P40HQ, PZ5JR, R1MVA, RM6A, S57J, S79ZG, S92YN, SV9ANH, T24DX, T33RD, T33VU, T88II, TG9IGI, TI1C, TJ1GD, TY1RY, TY8A, TZ6YV, UA0ZY/p (AS-142), V26B, VE8YEV/VY1 (NA-193), VK8AN/8 (OC-229), VO2WL, VP2MHJ, VP5/WB8VTK (NA-003), VU2PAI, WL7EM (NA-019), XE3VD, XF4MX, XX9TRR, YI1HK, YM7PA, ZA0IS, ZC4RAF, ZL4IR/7, ZS5NK, ZV0SB, ZV0SW, ZV8A (SA-016).

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