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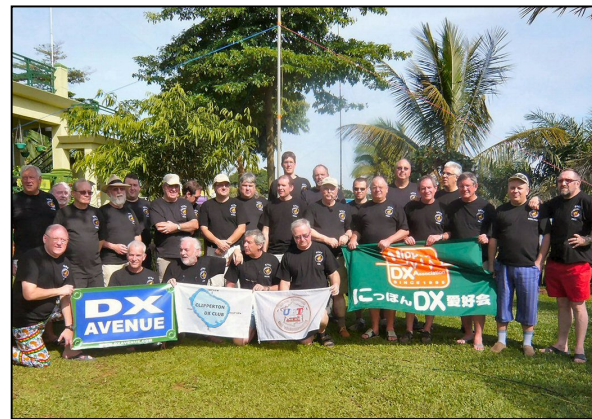
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DX INFORMATION

3B9 - Toshi JA8BMK, Ken JA8CDG/JN1THL and Yoshiko JQ1LCW will be active as 3B9DX from Rodrigues Island (AF-017) on 1-10 March. They will operate CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31 on 80-10 metres. QSL direct to EA5GL. [TNX DX World]

3D2 - Jim, W8ERI will be active as 3D2ZF from Taveuni (OC-016), Fiji Islands on 17-23 February. He will operate SSB on 80-10m. QSL via W8ERI. [TNX The Daily DX]

3V - Alfredo, IK7JWX and several other operators (I8LWL, IK2DUW, IK6JRI, IK8GQY, IK8TEM, IS0AGY, IW2NLC, KF5EYY, 3V8ESG, 3V8SA, 3V8SF and 3V8ST)



will be active on all bands and modes as TS8TI from Djerba Island (AF-083) between 29 April and 6 May. QSL via IK2DUW.

[TNX IK7JWX]

5V - Jack, F8AEJ will be active holiday style as 5V7JD from Lome, Togo from 4 February to 15 March. QSL via home call and logsearch on Club Log.

7P - Once again Peter, EI7CC will be active as 7P8PB from Lesotho on 6-26 March. He will operate holiday style from the station of his brother-in-law Gerry, 7P8CC (EI8CC, the Irish ambassador to Lesotho). QSL via EI7CC, direct or bureau. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW on a daily basis is at all possible. [TNX EI7CC]

8P - Gerry, W1VE will participate in the ARRL DX SSB Contest as 8P1V from Barbados. The week before the contest, starting on 26 February, he will be QRV as 8P9RM on 160-6 metres, with a focus on CW and the low bands, with "some SSB and RTTY thrown in". QSL direct to home call. [TNX W1VE]

9M2 - Taking part in the Chinese New Year Cultural and Heritage Celebration, special event callsign 9M4CNY will be active on 16 February from Penang Island (AS-015), West Malaysia. Expect operations on 40, 20 and 10 metres SSB, from 7 to 16 UTC. QSL direct to the qrz.com address.

9M4_spr- Christian EA3NT had to withdraw from the 10-18 March 9M4SLL DXpedition [425DXN 1132] due to work reasons, but he has been replaced by Pista HA5AO and George HA5UK. The other operators are John 9M6XRO, Steve 9M6DXX, James 9V1YC, Don G3BJ, Tony KM00 and Ben N6MUF/DJ0YI. 9M4SLL will operate from Pulau Layang Layang, Spratly Islands (AS-051) with five stations simultaneously at peak times, using full legal power linear amplifiers on all stations and vertical antennas sited within a few metres of the ocean. Activity will be on 160-10 metres, CW, SSB and RTTY. There will be no 60m operation as that is not permitted by the Malaysian licence. QSL via M0URX (OQRS for direct and bureau cards at <http://m0urx.com/>). Logs will be uploaded to LoTW within a few days after the end of the operation. Further information, including suggested operating frequencies, can be found at <http://m0urx.com/9m4sll> [TNX 9M6DXX]

A6 - Alex, SQ9UM will be active as A6/SQ9UM on 16-22 February. He will operate mainly CW and RTTY, with some SSB and PSK, on 40-10 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX SQ9UM]

C6 - Drew, N2RFA will be active as C6ABB from Nassau (NA-001), Bahamas on 10-21 February. He will be QRV on 80, 40, 20, 17 and 10 metres, with "some digital work" (PSK31, JT65, RTTY and possibly SSTV). QSL via N2RFA, eQSL and LoTW.

CEO_ei - Nigel G3TXF, Martin G3ZAY, Michael G7VJR and John G4IRN will be active as XR0YG from Easter Island (SA-001) on 20-27 March. They will operate mainly CW on 160-10 metres, with a focus on the low bands and Europe. QSL via G3TXF (OQRS for direct and bureau cards on Club Log). They plan to upload their logs to Club Log and LoTW during the expedition. Chile experiences regular earthquakes, and the XR0YG team is making a donation of \$500 to RCCh (Radio Club de Chile) "in support of their emergency communications projects, in appreciation of their friendly backing of our expedition, especially for their help with our licenses and 30m permits for Easter Island". The website for the expedition is at <http://xr0yg.com/>

CE - Manuel, CE2UNE will be active as XR2BH from the lighthouse at Caleta Hornilla (Puerto Aldea) on 20-24 February, including participation in the South American Lighthouses Weekend. [TNX CE3FZL]

CN - EA5CP, EA5YU and EA9BLJ are active as 5C5T from Morocco until 18 February, including a Multi-Single LP entry in the ARRL DX CW Contest. QSL via EA5YU. [TNX



NG3K

CO - Celebrating the 20th anniversary of the Russian Robinson Club, a large team of operators (namely CO2WF, CO6LC, CO8ZZ, N3QQ, R3FA, RA3NAN, RK7A,

RW3RN, RZ3EC, RZ3EM and UA3EDQ) will be active from three Cuban IOTA groups as follows:

11-14 February T48RRC Moa Grande (NA-218)

14-16 February T47RRC Cocco Island (NA-086)

16-18 February T46RRC Santa Maria (NA-204)

They plan to be active on 160-10 metres CW, SSB and digital modes with three stations, and to participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest as T46T from Santa Maria Island. QSL via OQRS (to be activated for both bureau and direct requests on <http://cuba2013.ru/>) and LoTW; traditional direct requests to Eugene Shelkanovtcev, P.O. Box 70, Orel, 302028, Russia. [TNX RZ3EM]

CT9 - Once again Rosel, DL3KWR and Hardy, DL3KWF will be active as CT9/DL3KWR and CT9/DL3KWF from Madeira (AF-014) from 7 March to 3 April. They plan to operate mostly in CW and digital modes with a focus on 12, 17 and 30 metres. QSL via home calls. E-mail requests for bureau cards can be sent to dl3kwr@darc.de or dl3kwf@darc.de respectively. [TNX DL3KWR]



CT9/DL3KWR

D4 - Mats, SM7GIB

is currently active as D44TIB from Cape Verde until 7 February. He operates holiday style, typically during his early morning hours on the low bands. QSL via home call. [TNX QRZ DX]

ES - Celebrating the 95th anniversary of the Estonian Republic, a large number of callsigns with special prefix ES95 will be active from 15 February to 3 March. Information on the relevant award will be published on

the Estonian Radio Amateurs Union's website (www.erau.ee). [TNX ES2TI]

F - A team from the Lanester Amateur Radio Club (F6KPK) will be active on all bands and modes as TM2BI from Belle-Ile-en-Mer (EU-048) on 24-31 July, IOTA Contest included. QSL via F6KPK, direct or bureau. [TNX F4FFZ]

FG - Oliver, F6ARC will be active as FG/F6ARC from Guadeloupe (NA-102) on 2-14 February. He will operate holiday style with a focus on 30 and 40 metres CW. QSL via bureau or direct (details on qrz.com). [TNX DX World]

FG - Gildas, F6HMQ and Michel, F6GWV and will be active as TO22C from Guadeloupe (NA-102) from 17 February to 3 March. They plan to be QRV on all bands, with a focus on 160 metres. QSL via F6HMQ. [TNX NG3K]

FM - Valery, R5GA will be active as FM/R5GA from Martinique (NA-107) on 11-17 February, including an entry in the ARRL DX CW Contest as TO5X. Outside the contest, he is likely to concentrate on 30, 17 and 12 metres. QSL via UA3DX and LoTW. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]

FM - Al, F5VHJ will be active as FM/F5VHJ from Martinique (NA-107) from 25 February to 3 March, including an entry in the ARRL DX SSB Contest as TO5A. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, and LoTW. [TNX NG3K]



FO_ci - Announced frequencies for the TX5K DXpedition to Clipperton Island [425DXN 1136] are:

CW 1833 3523 7023 10103 14033 18083 21033
24903 28033

SSB 3785 7185 14185 18165 21285 24975 28515

RTTY 10137 14087 18097

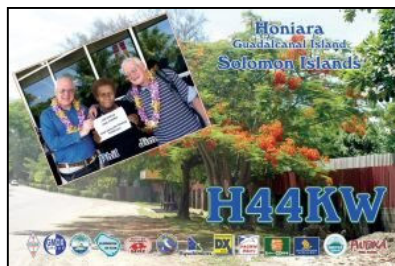
The team expects to arrive at Clipperton on 28 February. It will take at least one day to land and get the camp set up, so QRV should not be expected before 1 March. Bookmark www.tx5k.org for updates.

FR - A group of FR operators will be active as TO1PF from Piton de la Fournaise, a 2600m high volcano on Reunion Island (AF-016), on 23-24 February, 11-12 May and 3-4 August. QSL via FR1GZ.

H4 - Ralph, H44RK (currently active as 5W0W) is planning an extensive IOTA tour around the Solomon Islands, Temotu Province included, on his sailing boat "Hafskip". It is expected to start in late April-early May from Liapari, Vella Lavella (OC-149) and continue through other IOTA groups, with 2-4 days of radio activity from each of them, until they reach Honiara (Guadalcanal). Then the plan is to get "selected crew/operators on board" and reach the Stewart Islands (OC-285, new one for IOTA). Preliminary information can be found at www.qrz.com/db/H40RK

H4 - Phil, G3SWH and Jim, G3RTE will be active as H44KW from Guadalcanal (OC-047), Solomon Islands on 18-28 February [425DXN 1117]. They will operate CW only on 80-10 metres: "please make only one QSO per band", they say. "Duplicate QSOs will not be logged".

Subject to a reliable Internet connection, they will upload the log to Clublog and www.q3swh.org.uk on a daily



basis. Otherwise the complete log will be uploaded after the expedition. QSL via G3SWH, direct or bureau (OQRS for both direct and bureau cards on Phil's website). The log will be

uploaded to LoTW as soon as possible after they return home. [TNX G3SWH]

HA - Celebrating the 30th anniversary of club station HG1S, special callsign HA30S will be in use until the end of the year. More information on qrz.com [TNX HA1DAE]

HA - Special station HG66MALEV (for Hungary flag carrier Malev, which ceased flight activity in February 2012, after 66 years of continuous operation) will be active until 31 March on 80-10 metres CW, SSB, RTTY and possibly PSK31. QSL direct to HG4I. [TNX HA5LN]

HC - Elena, RC5A and Alex, RA1AGL will be active as HC2/homecall from Ecuador between 10 February and 9 March. They will operate SSB and CW on 160-6 metres, and Elena will participate in both the ARRL Contests CW and SSB. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX RC5A]

HK - Alain, F6BFH was active as HK0/F6BFH from San Andres (NA-033) on 5-8 February, and is now active with the same callsign from Providencia (NA-049) until the 11th. On 13-15 February he will operate as HK1/F6BFH from Tierra Bomba (SA-040, with HK1/HK3JJH). QSL via home call, direct or bureau (email requests for bureau cards to f6bfh@f6bfh.net). [TNX F6AJA and Les Nouvelles DX]

HL - Rocky, HL1VAU is staying on Kanghai Island (AS-105) until the end of February. He is on a business trip and will operate on the HF bands mainly CW as HL1VAU/2. QSL via home call. [TNX HL1VAU]

ISO - Special stations II0IDP from Cagliari (EU-024, QSL via ISOIGV) and II0ICH from La Maddalena (EU-041, QSL via IM0QMA) - both representing former coast radio stations of the Italian Navy - will be active on 2-17 March for the 7th Italian Navy Coastal Radio Stations Award (www.assoradiomarinai.it). [TNX ISOIGV]

J3 - Roy, KE4TG will be active again as J38RF from Grenada (NA-024) from 6 February to 8 March. He will operate JT65HF, PSK31 and RTTY on 80-10 metres, with some activity (SSB, CW and digital modes) on 60 metres. QSL via KE4TG and LoTW. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

J5 - A group of operators from the Verona DX Team (namely IK3RBE, IK3VVD, IK3VZJ, IZ3BUR and IZ3STA) will be active again as J52HF from Guinea-Bissau between 10 February and 2 March. In their spare time they will operate SSB only on the HF bands and 6 metres. QSL via I3LDP.

J8 - Dave, G3TBK will be active once again as J88DR from St Vincent (NA-109) from 14 February to 11 March, including participation in the ARRL DX CW and SSB Contests. He will be QRV on all bands CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via G3TBK, direct or bureau. [TNX NG3K]

J8 - Mike, VA3MW will be active as J8/VA3MW from the island of Bequia (NA-025) on 15-19 February. He plans to be QRV on 20 and 15 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX VA3RJ]

JA - Special event station 8J6ISG will be active on all bands and modes between 1 March and 30 April to celebrate the opening of the new airport of Ishigaki (AS-024). QSL via the JARL bureau. [TNX VA3RJ]

KG4 - The Guantanamo Bay ARC station suffered extensive damages when hurricane Sandy hit Cuba. Ed

KN4KL/KG4KL (16-23 February) and Bill, W4WV/KG4WV (17 February-1 March) will be there to "get all antennas fixed and the shack back in operating condition". They plan to be QRV "as time permits after repairs are completed". QSL via home calls. [TNX The Daily DX]

LY - Celebrating the Act of Independence of Lithuania (16 February 1918), Sam, LY5W will be active as LY16W through February. QSL via home call. [TNX LY5W]

PA - Look for Marcel, PD5MVH/p to be active from Vlieland Island (EU-038) on 2-16 March. He will operate SSB on 40, 20 and 10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX PD5MVH]

PJ2 - Look for PJ2DX, PJ2/N0VD, PJ2/W9VA, PJ2/NP2L, PJ2/K9KM, PJ2/K9QVB and PJ2/W9NJY to be active be active from Curacao (SA-099) on 13-20 February, including participation in the ARRL DX CW Contest as PJ2T. QSL PJ2DX via LoTW (or to Geoff Howard, P.O. Box 1147, Coeur d'Alene ID 83816-1147, USA), QSL PJ2/N0VD via W3HMK, QSL PJ2/W9NJY via WD9DZV, QSL PJ2T via LoTW (or W3HMK), others via home call.

PJ2 - Joeke, PA0VDV will be active again as PJ2/PA0VDV from Curacao (SA-099) from 15 February to 22 March. He will operate CW only. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX PA0VDV]

PJ2 - Ulf, DL5AXX will be active as PJ2/DL5AXX from Curacao (SA-099) from 24 February to 11 March. He will operate holiday style on 80-10 metres, mainly CW with some RTTY. QSL via home call; an OQRS for bureau cards can be found at www.dl5axx.de [TNX The Daily DX]

PJ4 - Kazik, SP6AXW and Janusz, SP9FIH will be active on 160-6 metres as PJ4/SP6AXW and PJ4/SP9FIH from Bonaire (SA-006) on 8-20 April. QSL via SP9FIH. Logsearch and further information can be found on www.pj4-dxpedition.com [TNX SP9FIH]

PY - Marcelo, PY2FN will be active as PY2FN/p from the lighthouse at Ponta da Sela on Sao Sebastiao Island (SA-028) on 22-25 February. He plans to operate CW only on 40-6 metres and to participate in the South American Lighthouses Weekend. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

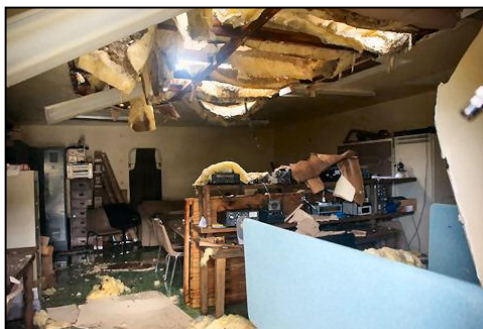
PY - PU5IKE and PP5RK will operate SSB and digital modes as ZW5WIM from Ilha da Paz (SA-027) and lighthouse on 23-24 February. QSL via PU5IKE, direct or bureau, plus LoTW and eQSL. [TNX PT7WA]

T2 - Rob GM3YTS, Tom GM4FDM, Gavin GM0GAV and Clive GM3POI will be active as T2GM from Tuvalu (OC-015) on 12-23 March. They will operate stations with amplifiers and vertical antennas placed either in or at the edge of the lagoon. QSL via GM4FDM, direct or bureau (OQRS on Club Log), and LoTW. The team will run a blog (<http://t2gam.org/>) courtesy MM0NDX before and during the expedition. [TNX DX World]

UA - Celebrating the 95th anniversary of the Russian National Military Forces, special call sign UE95RA (Russian Army) will be in use until 24 February on all bands and modes. QSL via UA3YLP. [TNX RV3YR]

V3 - Lee N8LJ (V31LJ), Stan AC8W (V31AC) and Jim KB8TXZ (V31VJ) will be active from Belize from 27 February to 6 March. They plan to be QRV on 160-6 metres CW, RTTY and SSB and to operate a multi-single entry in the ARRL DX SSB Contest. QSL V31LJ via K8ESQ, QSL V31AC and V31VJ via KB8TXZ. [TNX AC8JF]

V3 - Hernan V31HU, Ismael V31NV (XE1AY) and Enrique V32EE (XE2AA) will be active from Twin Cayes, South



Inside the Guantanamo Bay ARC's shack after Hurricane Sandy

Water Cay (NA-180), Belize on 6-12 April. They plan to operate on the HF bands and 6 metres. QSL via IT9EJW.

V4 - Once again John, W5JON will be active as V47JA from St. Kitts (NA-104) from 20 February to 21 March. He will operate SSB on 80-6 metres, and will participate in the ARRL DX SSB Contest. QSL via W5JON and LoTW. [TNX W5JON]

V6 - Mike, WB7DXA will be active as V63DXA from Micronesia between 21 February and 21 March. He plans to operate from Kosrae (OC-059) "for about a week", then hopefully from IOTA group OC-226 (Mokil and Pingelap Atolls, "but it all depends on

WX and other factors") and finally from Pohnpei (OC-010). Main activity is expected on 20 metres SSB, possibly with some CW. QSL via home call, direct and bureau, and LoTW. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]

V6 - Bob, 5B4AGN will be active as KH2/G3ZEM from Guam on 9-13 February and as V63ZM from Micronesia on 13-23 February. He will be QRV on 80-10 metres, plus 160 metres "if useful antenna arrangements can be made". QSL via M0URX. [TNX NG3K]

VK_ant - Craig, VK6JJJ expects to arrive at the Australian Antarctic station Mawson around 7 February and to remain there for

approximately twelve months. He plans to be QRV as VK0JJJ on 80-6 metres SSB and digital modes, with "a lot of priority given to 6m operation".

His plans include the installing of a 6m beacon (VK0RTM) at 50w on 50.300 MHz to monitor openings. QSL via K7CO. Further details can be found at www.grz.com/db/vk0jjj; he also has a blog at <http://craighayhow.blogspot.com.au/>



VK9N - A group of ten Oceania DX Group members (namely Allan VK2CA, Benton VK3CBV, Roy VK3GB, Lee VK3GK, Graeme VK3GL, Luke VK3HJ, Peter VK3IJ, Chris VK3QB, Catherine VK4GH and John VK4IO) will be active as VK9NT from Norfolk Island (OC-005) on 3-12 May. They plan to operate SSB, CW and RTTY on 80-10 metres, with

four stations "as often as possible" and "at least two stations on-air 18 hours per day". QSL via VK2CA, direct or bureau (please use the OQRS on Clublog). Logs will be uploaded to LoTW "as soon as possible after the DXpedition". Further information can be found at <http://vk9nt.odxg.org/>

VP2M - Will, AA4NC will be active as VP2ME from Montserrat on 13-20 February, including an entry in the ARRL DX CW Contest. Outside the contest he will operate CW, SSB, RTTY and on 30, 17 and 12 metres. QSL via home call and LoTW. [TNX NG3K]

VP2M - Jack, KB8RJ (VP2MRS) and Crissie, WD8KUR (VP2MUR) will be active from Montserrat (NA-103) from 20 February to 14 March. They will operate holiday style on 80-10 metres, mainly SSB with some PSK31. QSL via KB8RJ.

VP2V - Larry, KE2VB will be active as VP2V/KE2VB from the British Virgin Islands (NA-023) from 27 February to 4 March, including an entry in the ARRL DX SSB Contest.

He will operate CW and SSB before and after the contest, hopefully on 160-10 metres. QSL via NR6M.

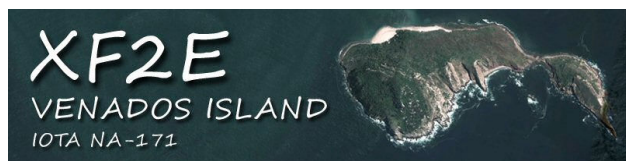
VP5 - Jeff, K0UU will be active as VP5/K0UU from Grand Turk Island (NA-003) on 13-21 February. He will operate CW with an emphasis on 30, 17 and 12 metres, and will participate in the ARRL DX W Contest as VQ5RP. QSL via K0UU, direct or bureau, and LoTW. [TNX The Daily DX]

W - Once again Joe, K5KUA will be active as K5KUA/5 from Galveston Island (NA-143) on 15-17 February. He usually operates CW only on 40-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [rsgbiota.org]

W - Dave, K3FT and Rob, N3RW will participate in the ARRL DX SSB Contest (LP Multi-Two) from the battleship "New Jersey" (NJ2BB) moored at the Camden waterfront, in New Jersey. "We will be using all WW2 original antennas and late model commercial transceivers", they say, "maybe even a military HF transceiver as well". [TNX K3FT]

W - Lou, W0FK plans to be active from Longboat Key (NA-034) on 2-16 March. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

W - Pete, VE3IKV will be active as W4/VA3RA from St. Simons Island (NA-058) on 2 March and from Key West (NA-062) on 3-15 March. Look for him on 30 and 17 metres CW. A side trip to the Dry Tortugas (NA-079) is planned on 11-14 March, if the weather is fine. Expect him to be signing VE3IKV/W4 while on NA-079 (a low-power battery and solar power CW operation on 30, 17 and 6 metres). QSLs via VE3IKV, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]



XE - Ismael XE1AY, Benjamin XE1AU, Armando XE1CIC and Enrique XE2AA will be active as XF2E from Isla de Venados (NA-171) on 21-26 April. They will be QRV on the HF bands and 6 metres. QSL via IT9EJW.

XT - JA3VWT (XT2VWT), JH3AEF (XT2AEF), JA3IVU (XT2IVU) and JA1CJA (XT2CJA) will be active from Burkina Faso from 22 February to 2 March. They will operate SSB, CW and digital modes on 80-10 metres. QSL via home calls. [TNX The Daily DX]



XT - XT2TT is the callsign for the Italian DXpedition Team to use during their activity from Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso [425DXN 1125] from 21 February to 6 March. Eight operators

(namely I1HJT, I2YSB, IK2CIO, IK2CKR, IK2DIA, IK2HKT, IK2RZP and JA3USA) will be active on CW (1826.5, 3515, 7015, 10115, 14025, 18070, 21025, 24891, 28025 and 50105 kHz), SSB (3760, 7145, 14220, 18145, 21295, 24945, 28475 and 50125 kHz) and RTTY (14081 kHz) with four stations. The pilot stations will be IK7JWY and (for 6m) IK0FTA; a dedicated forum will be on www.hamradioweb.org. Further information, including real-time logsearch, QSLing details and OQRS for direct cards, can be found at www.i2ysb.com/idx

XU - Eddy, ON4AFU (www.on4afu.net) will be active as XU7AFU from Cambodia until 14 March. He will operate CW only on 40-10 metres with 100 watts and wire antennas. QSL via ON4AFU, direct or bureau.

XU - John, XU7ACQ will be active from Cambodia from 10 February to 18 March. He will operate SSB, CW and digital modes on 80-10 metres. QSL via KF0RQ. [TNX DX World]

XV - A team from the Lufthansa Amateur Radio Club (namely DD8ZX, DH6ICE, DH0RAK, DK7TF and DK8ZZ) will be active as XV2DLH from Vietnam on 16-25 February. QSL via DK8ZZ and LoTW.

YB - YB6AR and several other operators will be active as homecall/p from Pulau Bunta (claimed for IOTA group OC-245) on 15-17 February. They plan to be QRV on 40, 30, 20, 15 and 10 metres SSB and RTTY. QSL via operator's instructions. [TNX Mediterraneo DX Club]

YB - Adhi YB3MM, Asri YB6AF, Joanes YB6AO, Ucok YB6AR, Evendi YC6EI and Budi YF1AR will be active from Breueh Island (OC-245) on 9-17 March. QSL via IZ8CCW.

YN - Scott, K7ZO will be active as YN5Z from Nicaragua from 27 February until 3 March. His main focus will be a SOAB entry in the the ARRL DX SSB Contest. QSL direct to K7ZO and LoTW.

YO - Special event callsign YO2013EYOWF will be active on 15-24 February for the European Youth Olympic Winter Festival to be held in Brasov, Romania. Expect activity on 80-10 metres SSB, CW and digital modes. QSL via YO6MP. Information on the relevant award can be found at www.grz.com/db/YO2013EYOWF

YS - John, NO7B will be active as YS1/NO7B from El Salvador from 21 February to 12 March. He will operate SSB only on 40-10 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX The Daily DX]

Z8 - Ken, K4ZW will be active again as Z81Z from Juba, South Sudan from 25 February to 6 March. He plans to be QRV on the low bands as time permits. QSL via home call. [TNX The Daily DX]

ZA - Max, IZ4JMA reports he is now living in Albania and will be on the air as ZA/IZ4JMA starting from 25 February for 18 months at least. He can be QRV on all bands and modes. QSL via IZ4JMA.

ZF - Dave, N4QS will be active as ZF2DP from the Cayman Islands (NA-016) on 8-12 February. He will participate in the CQ WPX RTTY Contest; before and after the contest he will also operate some CW and SSB primarily on 30, 17 and 12 metres. Logserach on Clublog; QSL via home call and LoTW.

ZK3 - Dieter, DJ2EH is active as ZK3T from Tokelau (OC-048) until 20 February. He is QRV on 160-10 metres mainly CW with some RTTY. QSL via home call.

ZS8 - Carson ZR6CWI has been appointed as the Space Weather Engineer at Marion from April 2013 to May 2014. He plans to be QRV on the amateur radio bands, "at this stage SSB only". No call sign has been allocated yet, but his QSL manager will be ZS1HF. [TNX DX World]

ZS_ant - Adam, ZS7V is taking up the position of electronic engineer & team leader at the South African National Antarctic Expedition's station SANAE IV. He plans to be QRV (SSB only) in late February, and to remain at the base until February 2014. QSL via ZS1HF.

AFRICAN TOUR ---> Steve, HA0DU and Laci, HA0NAR will be active as 6V2R from Senegal and as J5NAR from Guinea Bissau starting around 9 February. They also plan to operate as 6V2R/p from Carabane Island (AF-078) and as J5NAR/p from Jeta Island (AF-093). QSL for both calls via HA0NAR, direct or bureau.



GOOD TO KNOW



18TH IOTA DINNER ● The 18th Annual Islands On The Air (IOTA) Dinner will be held on Friday, 19 April at the Visalia Conference Center, in conjunction with the 64th International DX Convention. Further information on this event at www.dxconvention.com/pages/dinners-iota.html [TNX N6VR]

3D2C ● The Association has been given the first video of the Conway Reef DXpedition (3D2C) from September 2012. This 25 minute video is on the INDEXA web site (www.indexa.com) and can be viewed by clicking on the "DXpedition Videos" tab. [TNX K4MQG]

AFGHANISTAN ● Salvatore, IZ1BWB is the operator of the Italian Army Alpine Brigade "Taurinense" station YA/IZ1CCK in Herat, Afghanistan. He and Stefano, I0KTE will be QRV on 10 February at 9 UTC on 21195 kHz. QSL via IZ1BWB. [TNX IK1MTX]

ANTARCTIC ACTIVITY WEEK ● The Worldwide Antarctic Program has announced that the 10th Antarctic Activity Week will be held from 18 to 24 February. The aim of this annual event is to promote worldwide interest in the Antarctic continent. Special callsigns (QSL via operator's instructions) are expected to be aired during this year's AAW from the following countries:

Australia	VK2ANT	Poland	HF0A
Bulgaria	LZ10ANT	Romania	YQ0ANT, YQ8ANT
Canada	VA3WAP, VA7AAW	Spain	AO1ICE, AO4HAG, AO7WAP, EG1WAA
France	TM10AAW, TM10WAP	Switzerland	HB9ICE
India	AT3ANT	Netherlands	PA6ANT, PF13ANT
Italy	I12ANT, I15ANT, IO5ANT, IO5SP, IP2ANT, IP8AAW, IR0WAP, IR1ANT, IR1SP, IR7WAP	USA	K0ANT, K4A, K4K, N6A

Complete information on the AAW can be found at www.waponline.it

BLACK SEA INTERNATIONAL HF CUP ● The Black Sea International HF Cup, organized by the Black Sea Contest Club, will be held on 2-3 February, from 12 UTC on Saturday through 11.59 UTC on Sunday. Complete information at www.bscc.in/index/black_sea_cup_international_oficial_page/0-54 [TNX UV5EOZ]

CO8DM & LOTW ● Doug, CO8DM is converting his paper logs into electronic format and uploads them to LoTW. This is an error-prone exercise, so if you cannot find a match on LoTW, please email your QSO data to Doug for him to correct any error. [TNX CO8DM]

CQ WW 160-METER CONTEST (SSB) ● Objective of the contest is for amateurs around the world to work as many US States, Canadian provinces and countries as possible on 160 metres CW (<http://cq160.com/rules.htm>). A list of stations that have announced their participation in this year's event (from 22.00 UTC on 22 February through 22.00 UTC on the 24th) is maintained by Bill, NG3K at <http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cq160s2013.html>

DX ACROSS AFRICA ● Jon, TF3ZA is part of a 15-man team travelling in an ex-military vehicle from Reykjavik, Iceland to Cape Town, South Africa. This 20,000 km trek will take about six months, with planned activity on 160-6 metres CW and SSB from CN, 5T, 6W, 3X, TU, 9G, 5V, TY, 5N, TJ, TR, TN, 9Q, 9J, Z2, A2 and ZS. QSL via TF3ZA. Details can be found at www.dxcrossafrica.com

DXCC NEWS ● The following operations have been approved for DXCC credit: 5X8C (Uganda, current operation), T6BP (Afghanistan, operation commencing in 2011), T6TJ (Afghanistan, operation commencing in 2012), Z81A and Z81D (Republic of South Sudan, current operations commencing in 2012).

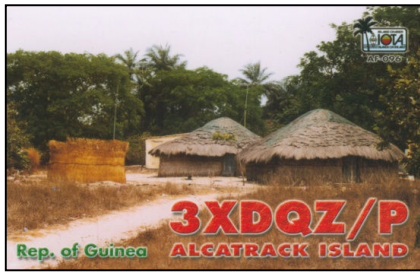
HELP NEEDED ● Antoine, 3D2AG plans to be active again as 3D2AG/p from Rotuma in late March/April. He is looking for spare parts for his "14-years-old ICOM 706-MKII, which is faulty (no TX). If anyone can help please contact me, so that I can be operational on 6m from Rotuma". His email address is on qrz.com



INTERNATIONAL DX CONVENTION ● The 9th International DX Convention organized by DX Italia will take place on 28 April at the Savoy Beach Hotel, Paestum (Salerno). Please visit www.dxitalia.it for full details on the programme, or e-mail iz8edj@gmail.com for further information. [TNX IZ8EDJ]

IOTA NEWS ● The following operations in the period October 2012/January 2013 have provided acceptable validation and are therefore approved for IOTA credit: RA4HKM/0 (AS-025), C6AVA (NA-048 & NA-054), YB4IR/5 (OC-075), L22D (SA-022) and LU6W (SA-096). SA-096 is now confirmed as a valid IOTA group. [TNX G3KMA]

LIGHTHOUSE WEEKEND ● The fifth South American Lighthouses Weekend will be held on 22-24 February. Details, including a listing of participating stations, can be found at www.grupodxbb.com.ar/faros2013/index.htm



QSL VIA F5OZC • Alain, F5OZC has logs and cards for the following operations by F8DQZ: 3XD02 & 3XD02/p (AF-051, April 2003), J5UAT & J5UAT/p (AF-020, April-May 2003), 3XDQZ/p (April 2004, the first and so far only operation from IOTA group AF-096) and F8DQZ/p (EU-105, August 2004). QSL direct only to Alain Rebondy, 4 rue des Violettes, 49260 Breze, France. [TNX VE3VHB]

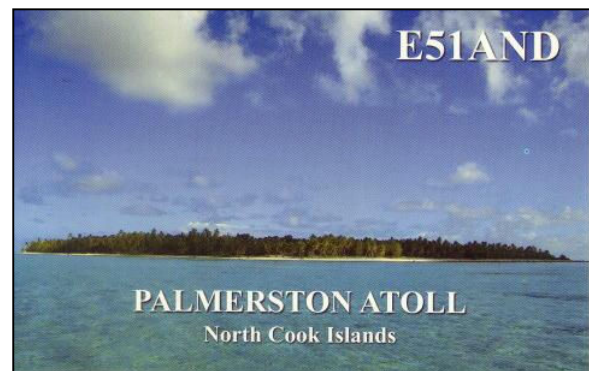
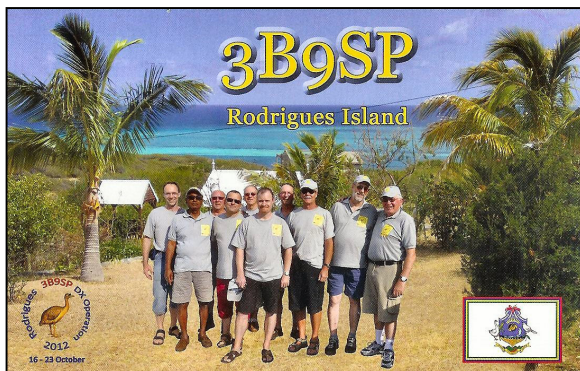


QSL VIA G3SWH • Phil, G3SWH has been also been appointed as QSL manager Thor's (TF4M) various operations as

follows: 4U/TF1MM, 4U1ET, 4X/TF1MM, 4W3DX, 4W6MM, 9A/TF1MM, 9A6MM, OD5/TF1MM, TF1MM, TF1MM/4L, TF1MM/YU1, TF1PS, TF1PSN, TF3MM, TF4MM, TF6MM, TF6PS, TF7PS, VK8CW. There are log searches for all activities at www.g3swh.org.uk [TNX G3SWH]

TOP LISTS • The latest Topband, Topmode and Toplist listings are now available at <http://www.425dxn.org/awards/toplist/index.html>. QSOs confirmed through LoTW or included in on-line logs are eligible for listing. Send your scores, as well as any request for further information, to Luciano Lucini, IK2QPO (ik2qpo@425dxn.org).

WRTC 2014 JUDGING COMMITTEE • The judging committee that will be responsible for certifying the results of the 2014 World Radiosport Team Championship competition will be formed by David Sumner (K1ZZ, Chief Judge), Nodir Tursoon-Zadeh (EY8MM), Don Field (G3XTT), Dan Street (K1TO) and Dick Norton (N6AA). More information is available at www.wrtc2014.org



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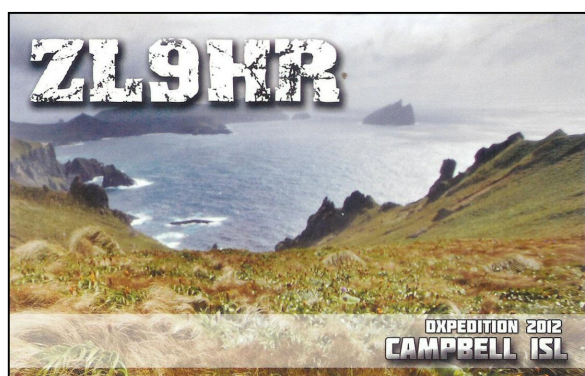
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