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- BS7 - The operators for the late April BS7H DXpedition to Scarborough Reef [425DXN 823] are:
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| Chen Peng, BA1HAM | Paul Pescitelli, K4UJ |
| Fan Bin, BA1RB | Trey Garlough, N5KO |
| David Chen, BA4RF | San Hutson, K5YY |
| Chen Fang, BA4RC | Mike Mraz, N6MZ |
| Terry Liang, BA7NQ | Wayne Mills, N7NG |
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| Bob Vallio, W6RGG | Massimo Mucci, I8NHJ |
| Tom Berson, ND2T | Christian Entsfellner, DL3MBG |
| Joe Blackwell, AA4NN | Eddie Valdez, DU1EV |
- The group is seeking financial contributions to help defray the very significant of this DXpedition. Full details on how contribute can be found on the expedition web site (<http://www.bs7h.com>). QSL via KU9C.
- BY - Look for BD1DRJ/7, BA4ALC/7 and BD7KLO/7 to be active on the HF bands SSB and CW from Weizhou Island (AS-139) on 20-24 February. QSL via home calls. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
- C6 - Look for Peter, W2IRT/C6A and Tom, N2YTF/C6A to be active from Nassau (NA-001) from 24 February to 2 March. They will operate holiday style SSB, CW and RTTY, mostly on 17, 20 and 40 metres. Tom may be doing some satellite and HF-QRP work as well. QSL via W2IRT. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW. [TNX NG3K]
- FG - Look for F6GWV and F6HMQ to be once again active from Guadeloupe (NA-102) from 22 February to 6 March. They will be signing TO6T. QSL via F6HMQ. [TNX F6HMQ]
- FT - Gildas, TU5KG (FT5XQ and FT5WM) was expected to be in the Kerguelen and Crozet areas until around mid-March [425DXN 822], but plans have changed. He is on his way back to Reunion Island, where he expects to arrive on 20 February; on the 26th he will be in France for ten days. [TNX VA3RJ]
- HC - Rick, NE8Z reports he will be active again as HC1MD from Tumbaco, Ecuador between 24 February and 14 March. He plans to operate CW and SSB on 80-10 metres with 500 watts and a Carolina Windom. QSL via K8LJG.
- I - Special station I11MNA (Museo Nazionale dell'Antartide, <http://www.mna.it>) will be active for the 4th Antarctic Activity Week (19-25 February, see below) from the Antarctica National Museum in Genova. QSL via IZ1GJK. Further information can be found at <http://www.qrz.com/callsign/I11MNA> [TNX IZ1GJK]
- UA - Alexey/RA1QY, Andy/RN1CW, Serge/UA1AIR and Vlad/UA1CIO will be active as homecall/1 from Verperluda Island (EU-133, RR-01-11) on 17-18 February. QSL via bureau or direct. [TNX RN1CW]
- VP2M - Phil, G3SWH has received the hard copy of the licence for the 21-28

February activity from Montserrat [425DXN 823], and the call issued is VP2MWH (not VP2MPW as previously advised). This callsign has been re-issued from 2006, which could cause confusion with the QSLing process. Consequently, Phil and Jim, G3RTE will operate as VP2MTE. Look for them on 160-10 metres CW, with some RTTY and PSK31. QSL via G3SWH, direct or bureau (e-mail requests for bureau cards can be sent to phil@g3swh.demon.co.uk). [TNX G3SWH]

ZB - David, EB7AEY will once again be active as ZB2/403AL from Gibraltar on 23-25 February. He plans to operate SS and RTTY on 80-10 metres. QSL via EB7AEY. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]

ANTARCTIC ACTIVITY WEEK ---> The Worldwide Antarctic Program has announced that the fourth Antarctic Activity Week will be held from 19 to 25 February. The aim of this annual event is to promote worldwide interest in the Antarctic continent. Several special event callsigns from around the world are expected to take part in this year's AAW. Participating stations (QSL via operator's instructions) are announced from the following countries:

Austria	OE3AIS/ANT, OE3KKA/ANT, OE3KTA/ANT, OE3RPB/ANT, OE3SGA/ANT, OE3WWB/ANT, OE4VIE/ANT
Bulgaria	LZ04ANT
Canada	VA3ANTA, VA7ANTA
England	GB0ANT
France	TM0ANT, TM0TAF, TM1ANT, TM2ANT, TM3ANT, TM4ANT, TM5ANT, TM5TAF, TM8ANT, TM8WAP
Germany	DR2007ANT
Italy	II0ANT, II1ANT, II1MNA, II2ANT, II4ANT, II5ANT, II8ANT, IO0ANT, IO2ANT, IO8IAA, IR0ANT, IR1ANT, IR2ANT, IR4ICE, IR7ANT, IU0ANT, IU2ANT, IU7ANT, IU8ANT
Romania	YQ2ANT
Russia	UE6ANT
Switzerland	HB9ICE
USA	K4A, K4Z/ANT, K9A, N5T/ANT

Full information on the AAW is available at <http://www.ddxc.net/wap>

ARRL INTERNATIONAL DX CONTEST (CW) ---> Object of the contest is for W/VE amateurs to work as many stations in as many DXCC countries as possible on 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, and 10 metre bands, while foreign amateurs (also including KH6, KL7, CY9 and CY0) work as many W/VE stations in as many of the 48 contiguous states and provinces as possible (full rules can be found at <http://www.arrl.org/contests/rules/2007/intldx.html>) The following stations have announced their participation in this year's event (from 00.00 UTC on 17 February through 24.00 UTC on the 18th):

Call	Category	DXCC	QSL
4L0N	SOAB HP	Georgia	MM3AWD
4U1UN	M/S	United Nations HQ	HB9BOU
A35RK	SOSB 80 or 15m	Tonga	W7TSQ
C6AKQ	SOSB 40m	Bahamas	N4BP
C6AHR	SOSB 160m	Bahamas	N8PR
C6APG	SOSB 80m	Bahamas	K4PG
CN2WW	M/S	Morocco	EA7FTR
CN3A	SOAB	Morocco	I2WIJ
CT9L	M/?	Madeira	DJ6QT

CW7T	SOSB 15m	Uruguay	K5WW
EA8/OH4NL	SOSB 20m	Canary Isls	OH2BYS
EA8EW	M/2	Canary Isls	RX3DU
FM5BH	SOSB 80m	Martinique	W3HNC
FS5KA	M/?	Saint Martin	W3HNC
HR2DMR	SOAB LP	Honduras	HR2DMR
IS0/K7QB	SOSB 160m	Sardinia	AA4NN
J70J		Dominica	KU9C
KP2/K3MD		Virgin Isls	K3MD
LR2F	M/S	Argentina	LU2FA
LX7I	M/S	Luxembourg	LX2A
OH0R	SO	Aland Isls	OH2PM
OM7M	M/2	Slovakia	OM3PA
P40W	SOAB HP	Aruba	N2MM
P49Y	SOAB	Aruba	AE6Y
PJ2T	M/2	Neth.	N9AG
PJ4A	SOAB HP	Neth. Antilles	K4BAI
PJ4/KU8E	SOSB 160m	Neth. Antilles	K4BAI
RK2FWA	M/M	Kaliningrad	DK4VW
TI5N		Costa Rica	W3HNC
V26G		Antigua	N2ED
V31TP		Belize	WC0W
V49A		Nevis	V44NK
V73ZZ		Marshall Isls	K7ZZ
VP9/W6PH		Bermuda	W6PH
WP2Z	M/2	Virgin Isls	KU9C
WP3C	SOAB LP	Puerto Rico	W3HNC

Do not forget to give a look to the Announced Operation listing maintained by Bill, NG3K at <http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/adxc2007.html>

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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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ANTARCTICA AWARD ---> The Award Manager (Gianni Marruccella, IZ8CGS) reports that all of the certificate requests received as of 31 December 2006 have been processed and mailed along with the complimentary map of Antarctica published by the Australian Antarctic Division [425DXN 700]. Up-to-date score tables are available at www.mdxc.org/antarctica/award.asp.

NOT THE MANAGER ---> Victor Diniz, CT1AUO (contact him at ctlauo@netcabo.pt, if you need a QSL manager) is receiving (and returning to sender) many bureau cards for CS5A he cannot reply to. Please note that he can confirm contacts made with CS5A between 2001 and June 2004 only.

QSL V51AS ---> The new QSL route [425DXN 823] should be all right effective 10 March. Send your cards to Frank Steinhauser, Schlossstr. 68A, 82140

Olching, Germany and be prepared to wait a bit: this is not a QSL manager, so it may be up to four months before you will hear back from Frank, but it is a reliable route. [TNX WE7K]

QSL VIA I2WIJ ---> Roberto, I2WIJ reports that "due to unpredictable delays in QSL card printing", he is currently unable to confirm contacts made with CN3A and 5D5A. Hopefully the QSL cards will be available before then end of March. Please be patient.

QSL VIA IV3SKB ---> Cards for contacts made with IU3A operated by IV3HAX between 2001 and 2005 should be sent direct to IV3SKB. Do not send any bureau or direct card to Mauro, IV3HAX, because he cannot receive them. [TNX IV3HAX]

QSL VIA IZ8CLM ---> Sal, IZ8CLM reports that all of the contacts made with S79RS (May-June 2006) and CE70RG (July 2006) have been confirmed automatically via the bureau. Sal also has the complete logbooks for Samir, OD5SK from 1983 to date.

+ SILENT KEY + Gianni Rizzi, I7RIZ (ex I8RIZ) passed away on 13 February. A personal friend of your trulies for several years, he was a serious DXer with 337/351 (current/deleted) credited DXCC Entities, as well as a keen IOTA enthusiast. We will miss his presence on the pile-ups and at the various HF meetings and conventions he and his wife Marisa used to attend on a regular basis.

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LOGS: On-line logs for DX0JP (Spratly Islands) can be found at <http://www.dxcom.jp/dx0jp/>

LOGS: The on-line log search for VU7MY (Minicoy Island, Lakshadweeps) is now up and running at www.vu7.in (moreover, 800 QSOs from a paper log have been added to the VU7RG data base). [TNX DL4KQ]

ON6TT: Peter Casier, ON6TT is writing a number of short stories about his travels. Many of them are in the background of his DXpeditions and DX activities in the past years (FO0CI, AH1A, VK0IR, 3Y0PI, D3T, 9Q5TT, YA5T, 5X1T, AP2ARS, etc). The short stories can be found in blog-format at <http://theroadtothehorizon.blogspot.com/>

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3B9/G3TXF  G3TXF      DX0JP      JA1HGY      PX8I      PV8IG
3D2TE      WB6JZY      DX0JP      JA1RJU      (a) R0UPOL  F8DVD
3W2TXR     JA2TXR      ED6GRM     EA6SB       R1AND     RU1ZC
3W9JR      OK1JN       EF8A       EA8AUW      RA9LI/9   UA9LP
4K5D       K2PF        EK6TA      DJ0MCZ      RK3AWL    W3HNC
4K9W       DL6KVA      EL/DL8USA  pirate      ST2BF     W3HNC
4L8A       DJ1CW       EX8AB      RX3RC       ST2R      S57DX
4N160SRS   YU1SRS      FM5CD      F5VU        SU0ARA     DL1BDF
5C5W       EA5XX       FT5XQ/MM   F4EFI       SV5/SM8C  SM0CMH
5N2/SQ8JCA SQ8JCA      GB0ANT     M3ZYZ       T20HC     DL9HCU
5N6EAM     IK2IQD      HH2FJM     F5RPB       T80W      JM1LJS
5T5DY      F8PDR       HH7/N3BNA  KA2AEV      T88XX     JA6ENF
5T5SN      IZ1BZV      HI3TEJ     ON4IQ       TC5C      W4JS
5W0IM      YU1KX       HJ4OBA     EA5KB       TM0TAF     F4TTR
5W0KD      Z32AU       HK1X       EA7FTR      TM4ANT     F6BFH
5W5AA      YT1AD       HS0ZGG     SM3CVM      TM5TAF     F6AXX
5Z4/9A3A   9A2AA       HV0A       IK0FVC      TM8ANT     F8DVD
5Z4DZ      PA1AW       HZ1EX      SM0BYD      TM8WAP     F5XL
6H1YYD     EA5KB       HZ1NH      EA7FTR      TR8CA      F6CBC
6V7E       RW3TN       IO2ANT     I8YGZ       TT8FC      EA4AHK
6W/DK8YY   DH7WW       IR7ANT     IZ7AUH      TU5JD      IK2IQD
6W/F6HMJ   F6HMJ       IR8ANT     I8ACB       UE3DRS     RZ3FR
6W/RW3TN   RW3TN       J20MM      I2YSB       V26G       N2ED
6W1SA      F4BIT       J20RR      I2YSB       V31AT      K5PI
7X/DB1JAW  DB1JAW      J37LR      VE3EBN      V31DG      DL2SWW
7X/DK5MH   DB1JAW      J37T       VE3EBN      V31FG      DL2SWW
9G1YK      PA3ERA      J43BSF     SV1CIB      V31GW      DK9GG
9K2YM/P    EA5KB       J46J       SV1BJW      V31KO      K4NO
9Q1D       SM5BFJ      J75KG      KU9C        V31TG      AB5K
9Q1EK      SM5DQC      J79DX      VA3YDX      V31TP      WC0W
9Q1TB      SM5DQC      J79IU      W9IU        V31YN      DJ4KW
A35DR      JA2BDR      J79RV      KK9K        V31ZL      W5ZL
A35JN      JA2EWE      J79WI      WI9WI       V44KJ      WB2TSL
A35LS      JA1CJA      J79XBI     SM0FWW      V73ZZ      K7ZZ
A61NT      ON5NT       J79XX      K1XX        VK9DNX     DJ2MX
A61TX      W4JS        JW5NM      LA5NM       VP2V/DL2AU DL2AU
A71EM      EA7FTR      JW5QFA     LA1MFA      VQ5FOC     W9VNE
C56YK      ON7YK       JW9DL      LA9DL       W4MOT/4    W4MOT
C6AHR      N8PR        KH7X       K2PF        XU7TZG     ON7PP
C6AKQ      N4BP        LT0H       EA7FTR      XW1A       E21EIC
CE2P       EA5KB       LU1FAM     AC7DX       XW1LLR     E21EIC
CN8IG      EA7FTR      LU1QS      IK2QPR      YI9GT      SP3GTS
CN8SG      EA7FTR      LU5FF      EA7JX       YI9SV      N4JR
CO8LY      EA7ADH      LZ170VL    LZ1KZA      YN4SU      TI4SU
CT3AS      DJ8FW       NP4A       W3HNC       YT60W      YU7BCD
CT9M       CT3EE       OH0PM      OH2PM       YW0DX      IT9DAA
CU1CB      EA5KB       OY3QN      OZ1ACB      YW0DX      YV5TX      (b)
D2DX       OH2BAD      P29ZAD     N5FTR       YY4DCA     YV4AJ
D60VB      UA4WHX      P40LE      K2LE        Z24S       W3HNC
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D90HE/2	DS2GOO	P49V	AI6V	ZK3RE	HA8IB
DT0HF	HL2FDW	P49X	W0YK	ZL6FF	ZL2TX
DU9/N0NM	W4DR	PJ4/KU8E	K4BAI	ZW150BP	PU1KGG

(a) EME QSOs only (b) YV stations (direct)

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