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Mayotte Island

FH/G3SWH

26 February - 5 March

Desecheo Island

K5D

115,783 QSOs

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DX INFORMATION

K5D - DESECHEO ISLAND

Due to continued questionable weather (large waves, dangerous surf, high winds and rain unusual for this time of year), the K5D Team decided that all personnel and equipment (more than seven tons) would be transported to Desecheo Island by helicopter. The first flight with five team members took off from Rincon, Puerto Rico at 12.40 UTC on 12 February, but heavy winds during the day delayed several helicopter flights. The team was quite a bit behind schedule, and K5D became QRV at 16 UTC on 13 February.

The team consists of 22 operators: eight of them (K4UEE, K9SG, N4GRN, NA5U, VE7CT, W0NB, W0RUN and W8OI) will remain on the island through 26 February; other seven (K0IR, K5AND, N6MZ, W0GJ, W2GD, W6IZT and WB9Z) will leave Desecheo on 19 February and be replaced by the third group of seven (K0JGH, K1KD, K5AC, N4NX, NP4Z, VA7DX and WP3MW). K5D will be QRV on 160-10 metres CW, SSB and RTTY, with eight stations for the HF bands, plus one station for 6 metres (SSB and CW). Suggested frequencies (please read the Special Notes on the website) where to find K5D are: 1826, 3523, 7023, 10106, 14023, 18072, 21023, 24892, 28023 and 50106 kHz (CW); 1843.3, 3781, 7084, 14190, 18165, 21295, 24987, 28470 and 50130 kHz (SSB); 3589, 7089, 10149, 14089, 18108, 21089 and 28089 (RTTY).

Bookmark www.kp5.us for updates, propagation charts, on-line logsearch and detailed information on how to contribute, as financial support is still being sought and very welcome. An Online QSL Request System (OQRS) will be activated after the DXpedition goes QRT. You will be able to request your QSLs one of four ways: OQRS Direct, OQRS Bureau, direct mail to N200 (Bob Schenck, P.O. Box 345, Tuckerton, NJ 08087, USA) or via bureau to N200.

3B - Piotr, SP2JMR and Slavo, SP2JMB will be active as 3B9/homecalls from the Rodrigues Islands (AF-017) on 1-8 April, and as 3B8/homecalls from Mauritius Island (AF-049) on 9-17 April. They plan to operate SSB and CW on all bands. [TNX SP2JMB]

5N - Bodo, DL3OCH (KT3Q) will be working in Nigeria from 5 March until 24 July. He plans to operate EME and on the HF bands (160 metres included) probably as 5N/KT3Q. Hopefully he will also go and operate from IOTA group AF-076. QSL via DL3OCH. [TNX The Daily DX]

6W - Patrick, ON4HIL and Guido, ON4BAG will be active as 6V7P and 6V7O from Senegal on 22-28 February. They plan to operate SSB, RTTY and PSK31 on 160-10 metres. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX VA3RJ]

7Q - Allan, G0IAS will be active as 7Q7AH from the shack of Harry, 7Q7HB on the southern shore of Lake Malawi starting on 23 February for one month. Being aware that Malawi is needed on Top Band, they will try to erect an antenna for 160 metres. QSL via G0IAS, direct only. [TNX G0IAS]

8Q - After operating as 4S7FMG from Sri Lanka (AS-003, 9-12 February), Stavros, 5B4AFM has moved to the Maldives (AS-013) and will be active holiday style as 8Q7FM until 19 February. He operates

CW and SSB mainly on 30 and 40 metres. QSL for both calls via MOBBB. [TNX NG3K]

9A - A team of seven members of IOCA Group



(Franjo/9A2MF, Daki/9A2WJ, Boki/9A3KB, Dado/9A3TA, Emir/9A6AA,

Sven/DF9MV and Matt/DL5MFL) will be active as 9AOCI from Vela Palagruza Island (EU-090, CI-084) and lighthouse (LH-0057, CRO-012) on 8-16 May. They will operate SSB, CW and digital modes on 10-80 metres. QSL via DEOMST, direct or bureau. They also plan to

operate SSB as 9A/homecall and homecall/p from Mala Palagruza Island (EU-090, CI-461) and from the islet of Kamik Od Tramuntane (CI-960, new one for the IOCA programme). QSL via home calls. Further information will be available on <http://www.inet.hr/9a6aa/iocaplan.htm> [TNX 9A6AA]

9G - Rob, PA3DEW and Vincent, PA3FQX will be active again from Dormaa Ahenkro, Ghana starting on 14 February. They will be QRV as 9G1AA in their spare time; look for them around 16 UTC on 14140 kHz. QSL via PA3ERA. [TNX PA3AWW]

9K - Celebrating Kuwait's National Liberation Day, special event station 9K48NLD will be active on 20 and 40 metres SSB and CW on 25-26 February from the KARS headquarters. QSL via 9K2RA. [TNX NG3K]

AP - AP2ASHF (the suffix stands for Axel Helmut Scholz, Foreigner) is the callsign issued to Axel, DL7UPN. He expects to visit Pakistan "several times" before June and to operate CW, RTTY and PSK. QSL via DL7UPN. [TNX DX Newsletter]

C3 - Finn, OV8FM and Martin, 5P1M will be active as C3/OV8FM and C3/5P1M from Andorra on 10-13 February. They plan to operate SSB, RTTY, PSK31 and SSTV on 20 and 40 metres. QSL via OV1A. [TNX OV1A]

C5 - Stewart, GW0ETF will be on holiday in the Gambia between 23 February and 8 March and hopes to do some casual operating from the hotel with 100w and a 20m dipole, mainly CW but maybe some RTTY/PSK31. He must apply for the licence upon arrival, and he hopes to get C56/GW0ETF. QSL via home call (QSLling instructions at qrz.com). [TNX GW0ETF]

C6 - Once again Bob, N4BP (C6AKQ) and Kevin, K4PG (C6APG) will be active from the Bahamas on 18-22

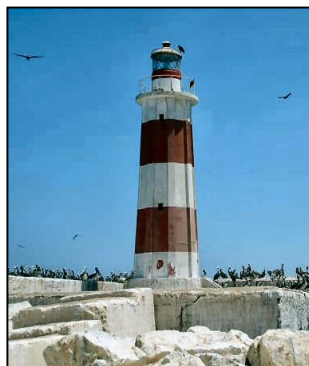
February. They plan to operate on 160 metres and either 40 or 80 metres during the ARRL DX CW Contest, and to concentrate on 30, 17 and 12 metres between antenna jobs. QSL via home calls. [TNX NG3K]

C6 - Harry, W6DXO will be active as W6DXO/C6A from South Andros Island (NA-001), Bahamas on 1-7 March. It will be a part time holiday style operation with a focus on 12, 17 and 30 metres. QSL via KF6JQO. [TNX NG3K]

CE - Members of Radio Club La Portada will be active as XR1A from Puerto Antofagasta lighthouse on 21-22 February for the South American Lighthouses Weekend (see "Good to Know" below). They will operate CW and SSB mainly on 20 and 40 metres. QSL via

XQ11DM. [TNX XQ11DM]

CN - Russell, G5XW will be active again as CN2XW from Morocco on 13-23 February. This is another backpacking type holiday, so he will be running 100 watts into some



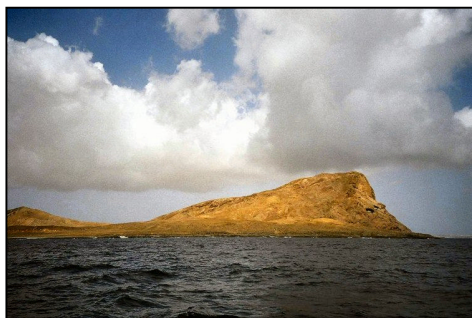
XR1A

sort of basic antenna. QSL via home call, direct only. [TNX G5XW]

CT - CT1AHU, CT1EHX, CT1GFK, CT1GPQ, CT1IUA and CT2IHP will be active as CQ1A from the island of Nossa Senhora do Rosario (DIP AL-19) on 8 February. They plan to operate SSB and CW with two stations on 40 and 20 metres, from around 8 UTC to 13 UTC. QSL via CT1GFK. [TNX CT1IUA]

D4 - Girts, YL2KL will be active as D4C from Cape Verde on 11-22 February, including SOAB entries in the ARRL DX CW and CQ WW WPX RTTY contests. He hopes for some activity on 30 metres. QSL via IZ4DPV. [TNX NG3K]

D4 - A group of seven German operators will be active from Sal Island (AF-086), Cape Verde on 11-25 March as



D44TXQ (Helmut DL3KBQ), D44TXP (Holger DL1COP), D44TXO (Juergen DJ2VO), D44TXF (Gerd DG3KAF), D44TXR

(Henry DL2RSI), D44TXI (Peter DH2KI) and D44TXS (Franz DL3PS/HB9EHQ). They plan to operate on 160-10 metres CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK31, Hell, Amtor and SSTV, with seven stations running 100 watts into vertical antennas. QSL D44TXS via HB9EHQ, others via home call. [TNX DL3PS]

DU - David, BA4DW is currently active as DU9/BA4DW from Mindanao Island (OC-130) until 10 February. He operates in his spare time with 100 watts and wire antennas. QSL via home call. [TNX BA4DW]

DU - Ed/4F1OZ, Roland/DU1KGJ, Jairus/DV1ERS and Frank/VE7DP plan to be active from Cujo Island (OC-120) from 4 UTC on 6 March to 2 UTC on the 9th. They will operate CW and SSB on 40, 30, 20 and 17 metres. Callsign and QSL route TBA. [TNX VE7DP]

EA - Celebrating the 200th anniversary of the birth of Louis Braille, special event station EG3LB will be active again on 20-22 February, 27-28 February and 1 March. Expect activity on SSB, CW and digital modes. QSL via EA3RKR, direct or bureau. [TNX EA3RKR]

EI - The Galway Radio Experimenters Club will celebrate St. Patrick's Day (17 March) operating as EJ4GRC from Inishmore, Aran Islands (EU-006). They will be active on all bands and modes, and a commemorative QSL card will be sent to all stations worked. [TNX EI7DMB]

F - The Council of Europe Radio Amateur Club (TP2CE) will be active as TP60CE from 27 February to 1 March to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the Council of Europe. QSL via F5LGF. A logsearch will be available at <http://ewwa.free.fr> [TNX F6FQK]

FG - Ilario, IV3CGJ will be active as FG/IV3CGJ/p from Marie-Galante, Guadeloupe (NA-102) on 13-24 February. QSL via bureau to home call. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]

FG - Nicolas, F5TGR will be active as FG/F5TGR from Guadeloupe (NA-102) on 15-28 March. He plans to operate CW and SSB on 10-40 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX F5TGR]

FG - Patrick, F4EBT will be active as FG/F4EBT from Basse-Terre, Guadeloupe (NA-102) from 21 March to 11 April. He plans to operate holiday style on SSB. [TNX F4EBT]

FH - Phil, G3SWH and Richard, G3RWL will be active from Mayotte (AF-027) between 26 February and 5 March [425DXN 919]. Both of them will use the single callsign of FH/G3SWH, and their activity will be mainly on 80-10 metres CW. Subject to QRN and site conditions, there may be some 160m CW activity, and Richard may also operate some later in the trip. They plan to have two stations on the air for as many hours every day as possible. QSL via G3SWH, direct or bureau (on-line form for bureau cards can be found at <http://www.g3swh.org.uk>). [TNX G3SWH]

FM - Dim, UT5UGR is active as FM/KL7WA (QSL via UT5UGR) from Martinique (NA-107) until 24 February. He will participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest as FM5KC. [TNX UT5UGR].

FM - Al, F5VHJ will participate in the ARRL DX SSB Contest (7-8 March) as TO5A from Martinique. QSL via F5VHJ (direct or bureau), or LOTW. [TNX F5VHJ]

FP - Eric, KV1J will be active again as FP/KV1J from Miquelon Island (NA-032) on 4-9 March. He plans to operate SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK31 on 80-6 metres, and to participate in the ARRL SSB DX Contest (SOAB). QSL via KV1J, direct or bureau. He will upload his log to LoTW. The webpage for the activity is at www.kv1j.com/fp/March09.html

FR - Stephane, F5UOW will be active holiday style as FR/F5UOW from Boucan Canot, Reunion Island (AF-016) on 8-22 March. He will operate mainly CW on 20 metres. [TNX F6AJA]

GD - The Barry Amateur Radio Society will operate from the Isle of Man (EU-116) from 28 March to 4 April. Thomas/DJ6OI, Jan/DJ8NK, Franz/DJ9ZB, Alois/DL8RBL, Glyn/GW0ANA, Yasu/JR1AIB, Curtis/MW0USK and Lois/MW3LOI will be active on 160-10 metres (6m will be monitored for openings) SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK under three callsigns: GT4BRS for SSB and CW, GT6BRS for data modes and GD8K during the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest (28-29 March). All QSL cards via GW0ANA, direct or bureau.

GU - Lionel, MU0GSY will air two special event callsigns from Guernsey (EU-114) to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the Worked All Britain Awards Group: GP4WAB on 14-15 February and GP7WAB on 21-22 February. All of the QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau. [TNX VA3RJ]

HC - Rick, NE8Z will be active again from Ecuador between late February and early March. He will operate CW and SSB on 160-10 metres as HC1MD/HC4 from Same and Tonsupa (Esmeraldas Province) on 20-27 February, and as HC1MD from Tumbaco (Pichincha Province) from 28 February to 8 March. QSL via K8LJG. Information on the Ecuador and Galapagos DX Awards can be found at <http://webpages.charter.net/ne8z> [TNX NE8Z]

HP - The Radio Club of Panama and the Panama Canal Amateur Radio Association will be active on all bands and modes as H81L from Miraflores Lighthouse (ARLHS PAN-030) on 14-15 February. QSL via HP1RCP. [TNX HP1AC]

I - Luigi, IV3LNQ is active as IA3GM until 31 December to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Nobel Prize in physics awarded to Guglielmo Marconi. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX IV3LNQ]

I - Celebrating the 141st anniversary of the birth of Paul P. Harris, the founder of Rotary International, Rotary Club "Siracusa Monti Climiti" (Sicily) will be active on 20, 15 and 40 metres as IO9ROTA between 19 April and 19 May. The operator will be Adriano, IT9CCB. [TNX IT9CCB]



J3 - Bill, K4LTA (J37BO) and Ruby, K4UPS (J37RO) will be active again from Grenada from 18 February until 4

March. Bill will participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest as J38A. They will be joined by AK4Z, KT4E and KE4TG, who will be QRV as J3/home call. [TNX QRZ-DX]

J6 - Celebrating the 30th anniversary of their country, all amateur radio operators from St. Lucia are permitted to include the number 30 in their call signs immediately after the prefix J6 (for instance, J630B = J69B and J630KZ = J69KZ) until 25 February. [TNX The Daily DX]

J6 - John, W5JON will be active as J6/W5JON from Marigot Bay, St. Lucia (NA-108) from 24 March to 2 April, CQ WPX SSB Contest included. He will operate SSB on 160-6 metres, using 400 watts, dipoles and a 3-element yagi for 6 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX W5JON]

J7 - John, K3TEJ will be active as J7N from Dominica (NA-101) on 11-27 February, including a SOAB entry in either the CQ WW WPX RTTY and the ARRL DX CW contests. Outside the contests he will concentrate on 160, 30, 17 and 12 metres CW and RTTY. QSL direct to K3TEJ. [TNX K3TEJ]

J7 - John, G3LZQ will be active holiday style as J79WR from Dominica (NA-101) between 5 and 25 March. He plans to concentrate on 160 and 80 metres, and to participate in the Commonwealth (BERU) Contest on 14-15 March. QSL via G3LZQ. [TNX The Daily DX]

J8 - Nigel, G3TXF has been active as J88XF from Mayreau Island (NA-025) since 5 February, and will remain there until the 9th. He operates CW only, mainly on 40, 30, 20 and 17 metres. QSL via home call. The webpage for this trip can be accessed from <http://www.g3txf.com/index.html>

JA - Ken, JS3OMH has been active as JS3OMH/6 from the Tokara Islands (AS-049) since 25 February. He first operated from Takara Island and has now moved to Kodakara island until 28 February. He is QRV during his spare time on 40 metres CW and SSB and on AO-51 FM Satellite. QSL via bureau. [TNX JR3TVH]



Fernando de Noronha

JD1_oga- Look for JD1BLK (QSL via JM1LJS), JD1BMH (QSL via JG7PSJ) and JD1BLY (QSL via JI5RPT) to be active from Chichijima (AS-031), Ogasawara from 29 April to 12 May. They plan to operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 160-6 metres, plus satellite. Logsearches and further information will be available on their individual websites:

<http://radio-dream.com/jd1blk/e/> (JD1BLK),
<http://sapphire.ganko.tohoku.ac.jp/jd1bmh/> (JD1BMH),
<http://www.ji5rpt.com/jd1/> (JD1BLY) [TNX JI5RPT]

KH6 - Bill, AC0W will be active as KH6/AC0W from Maui, Hawaii (OC-019) for the ARRL DX SSB Contest (7-8 March), with some possible activity on 10-80 metres SSB a few days before and after the contest. QSL via home call. Bill will upload his log to LoTW. [TNX AC0W]

KH6 - Al, F5VHJ will participate in the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest (28-29 March) as NH7A from Hawaii. QSL via F5VHJ (direct or bureau), or LoTW. [TNX F5VHJ]

KG4 - Dan, W0CN (KG4CN) has had to postpone his trip to Guantanamo Bay [425DXN 929]. The new dates are 10-20 April (to be confirmed). He will operate SSB and some CW on 160-10 metres. QSL via W0CN, direct, bureau or LoTW. [TNX W0CN]

KP2 - Look for John, KP2/K3CT (QSL via home call) to be active from the US Virgin Islands (NA-106) on 18-25 February, with an emphasis on 30, 12 and 17 metres before and after the ARRL DX CW Contest. He will participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest as KP2M (QSL via AI4U). [TNX K3CT]

PA - Rene, DL2JRM will be active as PA/DL2JRM/p from Schouwen Duiveland (EU-146) on 14-15 February. He will operate CW on 80-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]

PJ - Jan, PA4JJ, will be active as PJ2/PA4JJ from Curacao (SA-006), Netherland's Antilles between 31 March and 11 April. He will operate holiday style on various bands, with a focus on 30, 17 and 12 metres and RTTY/PSK31. QSL via home call. A logsearch will be available at <http://www.pa4jj.nl/> and the log will be uploaded to LoTW. [TNX PA4JJ]

PY - PT2OP (as PX6T and PX6B) and PY6KW (af PY6KW/p or with a special call sign) will be active from Tinhare Island (SA-080) on 20-24 February and from Boipeba Island (SA-080) from 25 February to 1 March. They plan to operate SSB mainly on 20 and 40 metres, with 100 watts into G5RV. QSL via home calls. [TNX PT7WA]

PY - Participating stations in the South American Lighthouses Weekend (20-22 February, <http://www.grupodxbb.com.ar/faros.htm>) include Hamilton, PY6HD as ZZ6Z from Subauma Lighthouse (QSL via PY6HD); Ramon, PY6KY as PS6T (requested call) from Itapua Lighthouse (QSL via PY6KY) and Scout station PY1GE from Ponta Negra Lighthouse (QSL via PY1NEZ). [TNX PY1NEZ]

PYOF - Fabio/PY2AAZ, Anderson/PY2TNT, Alex/PY2WAS and Bob/N6OX will be active as ZY0F from Fernando de Noronha (SA-003) from around 23 UTC on 10 June through around 13 UTC on the 15th. Expect activity on 160-10 metres CW and SSB, plus 60m under a special licence granted by the Brazilian authorities. QSL via PY2WAS, direct or bureau. [TNX PY2WAS]

PYOF - Bill, W9VA and Jim, K9PPY will be active as PS0F from Fernando de Noronha (SA-003) on 3-19 March, including a M/S entry in the ARRL DX SSB Contest. A special e-mail address (ps0f@aol.com) has been set up; they will monitor it

before/during their stay and will consider email input in planning their operating schedule. QSL via W9VA. [TNX QRZ-DX]

SO - A multi-national team of ten operators (namely EA1CJ, EA1KY, EA2RY, EA3EXV, EA5RM, EA7AJR, F9IE, IN3ZNR, UT7CR and UY7CW)



will be active as S04R from Western Sahara on 12-17 April. They will operate SSB, CW and digital modes on 160-10 metres with at least three stations. The pilot station will be EA5BZ. QSL via EA5RM. Further information is available at <http://www.dxfriends.com> [TNX EA5RM]

SV - Demetrius, SV2GWY and other operators will be active as SX2CM 14-15 February, 10-11 May, 24-25 May and 5-7 July. The special call sign is in honour of the brothers saints Cyril and Methodius. All of the QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau; the QSL manager for direct cards is SV2GWY. Further information can be found at <http://sx2cm.blogspot.com> [TNX SV2GWY]

SV - George/SV1QN, Fotis/SV1AIN, Giannis/SV1GYG and Nikos/SW1GYN will be active as homecall/8 from Zakynthos Island (EU-052) on 23-29 March. They will

operate on 160-6 metres all modes. QSL via home calls. [TNX SV9AHZ]

TA - Rene, DL2JRM will be active as TA0/DL2JRM/p from Kekova Island (AS-115) on 23-25 February. He will operate CW on 40-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]

TI - Klaus/DK6AO, Gunter/TI7WGI, Andy/DH8WR (EA2CRX), Norbert/DL2RNS, Rene/DL2JRM and Daniel/DL5YWM will be active with a TI7 callsign TBA from San Jose, Murcielago Islands Island (NA-191) on 17-20 April. They plan to operate around the clock on 80-10 metres SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via DK6AO, direct or bureau. The website for the expedition is at www.ti7.info. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]



Murcielagos Islands (NA-191)

TT - Frank, F4BQO will be active again as TT8CF from Chad from 27 February to 1 July. He plans to operate CW and SSB on the HF bands. QSL direct to F4BQO. [TNX F8REF]

TU - Paolo, F8ENY will be active as TU/F8ENY from San Pedro, Ivory Coast from 16 February to 2 March. He will operate mainly on 20 metres. [TNX F5NQL]

UA_ant - Nick, RW6ACM (ex R1ANL) is active as R1ANB from the Russian Antarctic station Mirny. He operates CW and SSB on the HF bands and will remain there for the next few months. QSL via RN1ON, direct or bureau. [TNX RN1ON]

UA - A few activities for the World Flora Fauna Award (www.wff44.com) are expected to take place between 6 and 8 February. Look for UE1RFF/3 to operate CW and SSB on 20, 40 and 80 metres from three different locations. QSLs via UA1RJ. [TNX RW3GW]

UA - Look for special callsigns UE3YAR (QSL via RV3YR) and UE3YRA (QSL via RA3YC) to be aired until 24 February for the AFARU (Armed Forces Amateur Radio Union) and RDA activity programmes. [TNX RV3YR]

UR - Celebrating the 50th anniversary of Ukrainian club station UB5KFF, special callsign EM50KFF will be aired on all bands and modes from 14 February to 1 March. QSL via US0KW, direct or bureau. [TNX US0KW]

V2 - Peter, G3TKK will be active holiday style as V25TK from Antigua (NA-100) from 27 February to 12 March. He plans to operate CW on 40-17 metres. QSL via G3TKK, direct or bureau. [TNX G3TKK]

V3 - Phil/AB7RW (V31RW), his wife Barbara/AC7UH (V31UH), Rick/KT7G (V31TB) and Jake/N7WO (V31WO) will be active from Placencia, Belize on 10-24 February. They will participate in the CQ WW WPX RTTY Contest as V31TB (QSL via KT7G) and in the ARRL DX CW Contest as V31WO (QSL via N7WO). Outside the contests QSL via the operator's instructions. [TNX N7WO]

V4 - Nick, G4FAL will be active as V4/G4FAL from Rawlins Plantation, St. Kitts (NA-104) on 12-17 March, including participation in the RSGB Commonwealth Contest (BERU) on 14-15 March as V47CD. He plans to operate only CW on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres. QSL via home call or LOTW. [TNX G4FAL]

V5 - Klaus, DJ4SO will be active again as V5/DJ4SO from Namibia from 14 February to 12 March. He will operate mostly CW and RTTY/PSK31 on 160-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. The logs will be uploaded to LoTW. [TNX The Daily DX]

V6 - Mike, KM9D (V63MY) and Jan, KF4TUG (V63TO) are now lying to anchor in the lagoon of Nukuoro Atoll (OC-259), Micronesia. They will remain there "for not less than 3 days". QSL via OM2SA. Their next stop might be Kapingamarangi Atoll (OC-167), some 300 kilometres south of Nukuoro. Follow their course at <http://www.findu.com/cgi-bin/track.cgi?call=KM9D> [TNX The Daily DX]

V8 - Sam, G4OHX will be active as V8FHX from Brunei on 11-23 February. He plans to operate mainly CW on 80, 40 and 20 metres, but he may also get on 30m. QSL via home call (direct only). [TNX The Daily DX]

V8 - Special event station V85NBD25 is active until 12 UTC on 10 March to celebrate the 25th anniversary of Brunei as an independent and sovereign nation. Information on the relevant award can be found on the Brunei Darussalam Amateur Radio Association's website (<http://www.bdara.net/>). QSL via qrz.com [TNX The Daily DX]

V8 - Kanzi Takemasa, JA4ENL will be active as V85NL from Brunei on 6-9 March. He expects to operate mostly CW on all bands. [TNX K1XN]

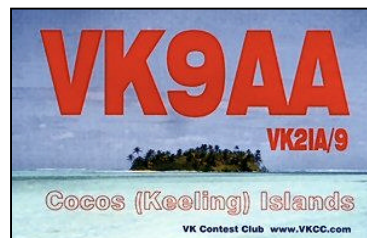
VE - Heinz, VA7AQ will be active as VE9/VA7AQ from Grand Manan Island (NA-014) on 20-25 March. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX VA7AQ]

VE - Cezar, VE3LYC will try to operate from the Fox Islands (NA-186) between 31 March and 3 April. This IOTA group was activated only once and very briefly by WT2O/VE8 sixteen years ago, and sits at #1 on the Most Wanted NA-IOTA List. He will operate SSB and CW with 100 watts and a multi-band vertical antenna, with a focus on 20, 30 and 40 metres. Information about callsign and QSLing (direct and bureau) will be posted on QRZ.com before the expedition. The islands are polar bear resting areas, and a special permit has been obtained for this operation from the Manitoba Conservation Authority. Cezar will be accompanied by two professional guides for the duration of his stay. Costs of this operation are considerable and both group and individual donors are sought and will be graciously acknowledged. [TNX VE3LYC]

VK - Chris, GOWFH will be active as VK7ACG from Tasmania (OC-006) from 19 October to 17 November. He will operate SSB on 160-10 metres, with a focus on the low bands. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX GOWFH]

VK - John, VK6HZ (VK6ARI) will be active holiday style from Rottneest Island (OC-164) between 3 and 9 March. QSL via VK6NE. A logsearch will be available at <http://www.vk6hz.com> [TNX OPDX Bulletin]

VK9C - Bernd, VK2IA reports he will be active again as VK9AA from Cocos (Keeling) (OC-003) on 14-27 March. He will operate CW and SSB on 160-10 metres. QSL via DL8YR.



VK9L - The Oceania Amateur Radio DX Group will operate as VK9LA (<http://www.odxg.org/vk9la.htm>) from Lord Howe Island (OC-004) from 23 March to 3 April, CQ WW WPX SSB Contest included. A large group of operators (IZ3ESV, K5YY, N2OO, N2OZ, SQ8X, SQ9DIE, SV2KBS, VK1TX, VK3HJ, VK3QB, VK4FW, VK4IO, VK4VCH, VK5CP, VK5PO and W5SL) will be active on 160-6 metres CW, SSB and RTTY, with seven HF stations plus one for 6m, monoband yagis, monoband verticals and a quantity of wire antennas for the low bands. QSL via VK4FW.



VK9M - AA7JV and HA7RY will be active as VK9GMW from Mellish Reef (OC-072) between 22 March and 6 April (actual operating dates are subject to change due to weather). This will be "another low-key, simple DXpedition", with a strong focus on the low bands (although George and Tomi intend operate on all HF bands). QSL direct to HA7RY. The logs will be uploaded to LoTW. Please visit <http://www.vk9gmw.com> for further information, including detail on how contribute to the DXpedition. [TNX AA7JV]



VP2M - Bob, AA1M (VP2MPL) and Mike, W1USN (VP2MPR) will be active from Montserrat (NA-103) from 25 February to 7 March. They plan to operate CW, SSB and PSK31. QSL via home calls. [TNX AA1M]

VK9N - Willy, ON5AX and his wife Magda, ON3AX will be active as VK9N/ON5AX from Norfolk Island (OC-005) on 15-22 March. QSL via ON5AX. [TNX ON5AX]

VP2V - Rick, K6VVA will celebrate his 65th birthday operating from Tortola, British Virgin Islands (NA-023) on 20-24 February. Expect him to operate mostly CW as VP2V/K6VVA (QSL via N6AWD), and to participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest as VP2VVA (QSL via N6AWD). [TNX NG3K]

VP8 - John, G3VPW will be QRV as VP8KF from the Falkland Islands (SA-002) on 5-31 March. He will be staying with the McLeods (VP8LP/VP8AIB); the first two weeks he will be working at the Stanley Ionospheric

Observatory, the further ten days are for "some DXing". He plans to operate CW and SSB on 10, 20, 15, 40 and 80 metres, with a focus on the contests (ARRL DX SSB, RSGB Commonwealth, CQ WW WPX SSB). QSL via home call. [TNX G3VPW]

VU - VU2DSI, VU2ROE, VU2SMN and VU2SMS will be active as AU30SHI on 21-22 February to commemorate the birth of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj (19 February 1627), the founder of the Maratha Empire. They will operate from Shivneri Fort, the historic military fortification where Shivaji was born; suggested frequencies are 7070, 14250, 14215, 21280 and 28290. QSL via VU2DSI. [TNX VU2DSI]

W - Dennis, WA2USA will be active as WA2USA/4 from Bogue Banks (NA-112) on 12-24 February. He plans to operate RTTY, CW and SSB on 160-10 metres, and to participate in the ARRL DX CW and CQ WW WPX RTTY contests. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]

W - Fred, N5IVZ will be active from South Padre Island (NA-092) on 28 February, from 14 UTC to 23 UTC. QSL via home call, direct only. [TNX VA3RJ]

XE - Bernardo, XE2HWP will be active as XE2HWP/XF1 from Isla Magdalena (NA-078) on 28 February and 1 March. He will operate QRP on +/- 14260 and 50120 kHz. QSL via home call. [TNX The Daily DX]

YN - Hank/K8DD (YN2DD), Stan/AC8W (YN2WW), Lee/N8LJ (YN2LJ) and Jim/ will be active on all bands and modes from Nicaragua on 17-24 February. They will participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest as YN2DD. Check www.grz.com for QSL information. [TNX K8DD]

YN - Jeff, N1SNB will be active from Nicaragua on 5-9 March. He hopes to sign YN2NB during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (SOAB) and H7/N1SNB outside the contest. QSL via home call. [TNX NG3K]

YS - Eric, K9GY will be active again from El Salvador on 18-23 February, including an entry in the ARRL DX CW Contest (21-22 February). He plans to concentrate on 160, 30, 17 and 12 metres before the contest. QSL direct to home call, or (preferably) via LoTW. [TNX The Daily DX]

YVO - The YWOA DXpedition to Aves Island (NA-020) [425DXN 925] is still scheduled to take place in March. The team is waiting for the Venezuelan Navy to give the actual dates. Bookmark <http://yw0a.4m5dx.info> for updates. [TNX IT9DAA]



YVO - Aves Island (NA-020)

Z3 - Members of the Macedonian Telegraphic Group (MCWG) will be active as Z30MCWG from 20 February through 31 December. They will operate mainly CW on all of the HF bands. QSL direct to Z35M. [TNX Z35M]

ZF - Bob, K3UL will operate mainly CW as ZF2UL from the Cayman Islands (NA-016) from 28 February to 7 March. He will be active holiday style, but he plans to spend at least two nights on the low bands. QSL via home call. [TNX The Daily DX]

ANTARCTIC ACTIVITY WEEK I The Worldwide Antarctic Program has announced that the sixth Antarctic Activity Week will be held from 16 to 22 February. The aim of this annual event is to promote worldwide interest in the Antarctic continent.

Several special event call signs 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 OE3AGA/AAW, OE3AIS/AAW, OE3HM/AAW, OE3KKA/AAW, OE3RPB/AAW, OE3SGA/AAW, OE3WWB/AAW
 Bulgaria LZ06ANT, LZ09IPY
 Canada VA2WAP, VA3AAO, VA3WAP, VA7AAW
 England GB0ANT, GB4IPY
 EU Russia UE6ICE
 France TM0ANT, TM1ANT, TM5ICE, TM8ICE
 Germany DA0ANT, DR09ANT
 Italy IA0IPY, I12ANT, I15AM, I15ANT, IP9IPY, IR1ANT, IR1WAP, IR2WAP, IU2ANT, IU8ANT, IY8WAP
 Morocco 5D0IPY
 Slovenia S50IPY
 Spain EG2ANT
 Switzerland HE8ICE
 Ukraine UR2XO/WAP, UR5KCC/WAP, UR5KGG/WAP, UR8LV/WAP, UT1KY/WAP, UT7UA/WAP
 USA K4A, N5T/ANT, W6A

Full information on the AAW can be found at <http://www.waponline.it>

ANTARCTIC ADVENTURE I CE9XX, FT5YJ and VP8DLM are the call signs issued to Mehdi, F5PFP for the Antarctic cruise [425DXN 888] that will take place between 18 February and 17 March (<http://www.french-polar-team.fr/>). Plans are to visit and operate from several Antarctic bases located in the South Shetlands (AN-010) and Palmer Archipelago (AN-012), as well as on the Antarctic mainland (AN-016). Mehdi and Jean-Pierre, ON7ZM plan to operate mainly SSB on 20 metres (14315 kHz), with some activity on 17, 30 and 40 metres. QSL via F5PFP, direct or bureau. [TNX F5PFP]



ANTARCTIC VOYAGE I Willy, ON5AX and his wife Magda, ON3AX will be active as OR3AX and OR4AX from on board the "Spirit of Enderby" and from the Ross Sea region in Antarctica between 9 February and 10 March. QSL via ON5AX. [TNX ON5AX]



PACIFIC TOUR I Yuji, JH2BNL (V63AR, V73J, NH0AA) and Mine, JA2NQG (V63WW, V73M, AH0F) will be active from Micronesia, the Marshall Islands, Palau and Guam as follows:

04-06 March	Chuuk	(OC-011)	V63AR, V63WW and V63C (club call)
06-09 March	Pohnpei	(OC-010)	V63AR, V63WW and V63P (club call)
09-11 March	Kosrae	(OC-059)	V63AR, V63WW and V63T (club call)
11-14 March	Majuro	(OC-029)	V73J and V73M
14-16 March	Palau	(OC-009)	T8 call signs TBA
17-19 March	Guam	(OC-026)	NH0AA/KH2 and AH0F/KH2

They plan to operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 160-10 metres. QSL via home calls; the QSL route for the three V6 club calls is via JH2BNL. [TNX JA2NQG]

PACIFIC TOUR I Hrane, YT1AD and David, K3LP are planning two DXpeditions to three DXCC Entities: Tokelau (ZK3) & Central Kiribati (T31) to take place in April or September 2010, and Conway Reef (3D2C) for late September 2011. In order to organize these operations, Hrane and Miki (YU1DW) will be travelling to a few South Pacific islands between 20 April and 7 May this year, and be active as follows:

22 April	Samoa	5W8A (YT1AD) and 5W0DW (YU1DW)
22-24 April	American Samoa	KH8/N9YU (YT1AD)
25 April	Fiji Islands	3D2AD (YT1AD) and 3D2DW (YU1DW)
27-29 April	Western Kiribati	T30M (YT1AD) and T30DW (YU1DW)
4 May	Fiji Islands	3D2AD (YT1AD) and 3D2DW (YU1DW)

More information will be available at <http://www.yt1ad.info/t31> [TNX YT3W]

PACIFIC TOUR I Bill, N7OU and Bob, W7YAO will be active as 3D2OU and 3D2NB from the Fiji Islands on 11-16 February. From 17 February through 2 March they will operate from Tuvalu as T27OU (N7OU) and T27A (W7YAO), including a M/S entry in the ARRL DX CW Contest. Operation will be 160-10 metres, mostly CW with some SSB and RTTY. QSL via home calls. [TNX NG3K]



Tuvalu (OC-015)

CQ WW WPX RTTY CONTEST

A number of changes have been made in the 2009 rules, including the SWL category (thanks to Marek, SP7DQR, who has written SWL log check software and to Dan, I1-12387, who will lead the SWL log checking). Please visit <http://www.cqwxrtty.com/> for complete information on the contest. The following stations have announced their participation in this year's event (14-15 February):

Call	Category	DXCC	QSL	Call	Category	DXCC	QSL
4M5DX	M/S HP	Venezuela	IT9DAA	LT2F	SOAB LP or SOSB 20m	Argentina	EA5KB
D4C	SOAB LP	Cape Verde	qrz.com	LV6D	M/S	Argentina	EA5KB
EF8M	SOAB HP	Canary Is	RD3AF	NP3U	M/2	Puerto Rico	WP4U
ES5Q	M/S	Estonia	ES5RY	TC3EC	M/S	Turkey	TA3GO
HI3CCP		Dominican Rep.	ON4IQ	UU7J	M/?	Ukraine	UU0JM
HI3TEJ	SOAB LP	Dominican Rep.	ON4IQ	V31TB	M/?	Belize	KT7G
J7N	SOAB	Dominica	K3TEJ	WA2USA/4		USA	WA2USA
LQ0F	SOSB 40m LP	Argentina	EA5KB	WP4I	SOSB 80m	Puerto Rico	W3HMK
LS1D	M/S	Argentina	LW9EOC	YN2S		Nicaragua	W3HMK
LTOH	SOAB HP	Argentina	EA7FTR	Z37M	M/?	Macedonia	Z37M

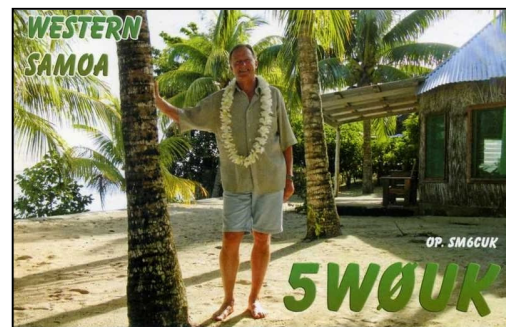
Do not forget to give a look at the Announced Operations listing maintained by Bill, NG3K at <http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cqjwpx2009.html> - good contest to you all!

CQ WW 160-METER DX CONTEST (SSB)

Object of the contest is for amateurs around the world to work as many US States, Canadian provinces and countries as possible on 160 metres SSB (rules at <http://cq160.com/rules.htm>). The following stations have announced their participation in this year's event (from 22.00 UTC on 27 February through 22.00 UTC on 1 March):

Call	DXCC	QSL via
4LOG	Georgia	qrz.com
C6ANM	Bahamas	WA2IYO
KP2M	US Virgin Islands	A14U
P40A	Aruba	WD9DZV
RW2F	Kaliningrad	DK4VW
UU7J	Ukraine	UU0JM
XE1RCS	Mexico	qrz.com
ZF2AM	Cayman Isls	K6AM

Do not forget to give a look at the Announced Operations listing maintained by Bill, NG3K at <http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cq160s2009.html> - good contest to you all!



GOOD TO KNOW



14TH IOTA DINNER I The 14th Annual Islands On The Air (IOTA) Dinner will be held on Friday, 17 April 2009, in the Plaza Room of the Holiday Inn Hotel and Conference Center, in conjunction with the 60th annual Visalia International DX Convention (<http://dxconvention.org/>). For additional information regarding this event, please contact Ray Benny, N6VR (rbenny@sbcglobal.net) or Will Costello, WC6DX (wc6dx@sbcglobal.net). [TNX N6VR]

A DIFFERENT KIND OF AMATEUR RADIO COMPETITION I The overall Amateur Radio population has diminished dramatically, and the group at Radio Arcala (OH8X) is poised to try some new methods to attract young people congregating in many non-traditional hangouts such as Virtual World on the internet. The overall Radio Arcala strategy is spelled out on the OH8X Webpages but one of the key buttons - "On Young People's Terms" - is still to be drafted. Radio Arcala challenges members of our fraternity of all ages to draft the text for this button in a way that is both appealing and informative enough to encourage today's youth to take the step we once took. Please submit your paper (no more than 250 in length in English or Spanish) by email no later than 15 March to oh8x@sral.fi (English) or yv5amh@iaru-r2.org (Spanish). Details on the project can be found at <http://www.radioarcala.com> [TNX OH2BN]



ANDORRA I The Andorran Radioamateurs Union (URA) reminds that the local administration has not implemented the CEPT Recommendation T/R 61-01. Therefore any C3/homecall activity should be regarded as illegal. The up-to-date list of licenced amateurs can be found at <http://www.ura.ad/>

APPEAL FOR HELP I Abubaker, DL1AL (5A1A) submitted "a very large number" of 5A1A QSL cards for ARRL awards, but they got lost between Germany and the US. "In an effort to rebuild my cards to apply for various awards, as well as to create a QSL album of contacts from Libya, I need your help", he says. "Please check your logs and if you worked 5A1A from 1995 onward, would you please send me a card to confirm the contact? You may send the card via the German bureau to DL1AL (my German callsign) or to my address in Germany".

ARRL INTERNATIONAL DX CONTEST (CW) I 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/2009/intldx.html>). This year's event will run from 00.00 UTC on 21 February through 24.00 UTC on the 22nd. Do not forget to give a look at the Announced Operations listing maintained by Bill, NG3K at <http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/adxc2009.html> - good contest to you all!

BEAM HEADINGS I The North Jersey DX Association provides personalized beam headings centered on your location to every entity on the DXCC list. The Beam Headings page can be found on the redesigned NJDXA website at <http://njdx.org/dx-tools/beam-headings.php> [TNX W2DEC]

HE8CIC I "After 600 QSOs and two contests with the call HE8CIC it seems that most of the amateurs are not informed about the HE8 activities", Josef, HB9CIC says. "Very often I had to repeat many times the prefix and lost a lot of time". Please note that amateur radio operators from Switzerland can replace their HB9 or HB3 prefixes with HE8 and HB8 respectively until 31 December [425DXN 921], to celebrate the 80th anniversary of USKA, the Swiss IARU Society.

IARU NEWS I Balloting by IARU Member-Societies on four proposals presented to them in September 2008 was completed on 10 February 2009. Seventy-three Member-Societies cast votes or abstentions on the four proposals, which have been adopted. They concerned the ratification of the nominations of Timothy S. Ellam (VE6SH/G4HUA) and Ole Garpestad (LA2RR) to serve respectively as President and Vice President of the IARU for a five-year term beginning on 9 May 2009, and the admission to the IARU of the Emirates Amateur Radio Society (EARS) and the Kazakhstan Federation of Radiosports and Radioamateur (KFRR).



IARU R1 BAND PLAN I The IARU Region 1 new HF Band Plan will become effective on 29 March 2009. It can be found at <http://www.iaru-r1.org/Spectrumbp.htm>



LIGHTHOUSE WEEKEND I The first South American Lighthouses Weekend will be held from 12 UTC on 20 February until 24 UTC on the 22nd. A list ("Listado Oficial") of participating stations and further information on the event can be found at <http://www.grupodxb.com.ar/faros.htm>

LOGS I A logsearch for J20SE's recent operation is now up and running at <http://www.ik3ges.it/iv3fsg.htm>, and the QSL cards are being printed. [TNX IK3GES]

PMC CONTEST I The International Association of Peace Messenger Cities (www.iapmc.org) was established twenty years ago to recognize and encourage the role and responsibility cities have in creating a culture of peace. The Radio Club Slovenj Gradec, S59DCD (ex YU3DCD) sponsors the WW PMC Contest, to promote contacts between stations located in the Peace Messenger Cities (currently 93) and the rest of the world. The contest (CW and SSB) will be held on 12 UTC on 7 February 2009 until 12 UTC on the 8th. Complete details can be found at <http://www.s59dcd.si/english/index.php> [TNX S54X]

QSL 3V8SS I Antonio, IZ8CCW is the new QSL manager for 3V8SS, effective 1 January 2009. He is trying to get a hold of old logs. [TNX IZ8CCW]

QSL 4L50 I Beginning with 2009, the new QSL route for Omari, 4L50 is via N3SL. Omari was very active into 2000, when he took leave of radio for family obligations. N3SL does not have access to any logs prior to 1 January 2009, but current logs are in hand (log search at <http://www.qsl.net/n3sl/manager.htm>) and cards are on the way from the printer. [TNX N3SL]



QSL 7X0DX & 9M8DX I The new QSL route, for either past and future QSOs, is via SP5UAF, direct (Tomasz Barbachowski, Zeromskiego 10, 05-070 Sulejowek, Poland) or bureau. The former QSL manager (Tadeusz "Teddy" Barczyk, DL4DBR) passed away on 2 January [425DXN 925]. Those who worked 7X0DX in September 2008 and sent their cards to Teddy, please be patient and do not send second requests. Teddy's wife (Renia, DL3DBR) will send the QSLs and other documents to SP5UAF as soon as possible. [TNX SP5UAF]

QSL 9M6JC I Buzz, NI5DX is the new QSL manager for John Lee, 9M6JC. Buzz will be able to answer all requests for contacts made with John, but there will be a delay in sending out cards until 9M6JC sends some blank cards to NI5DX. New cards will be ordered shortly and will take about 5 weeks to arrive after the order goes to the printer. [TNX K1XN and The Golist]

QSL EA8BWW I Buzz, NI5DX is the new QSL manager for Damian, EA8BWW. Once logs are transferred, Buzz will be able to confirm all contacts made with EA8BWW. QSL cards will be ordered, so expect a delay of 6 weeks or more to receive your EA8BWW card. [TNX K1XN]

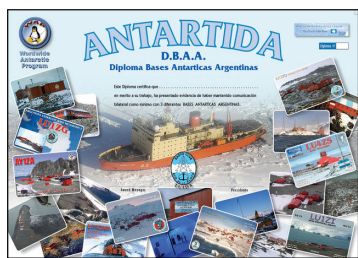
QSL LY70W I Sam, LY5W says that the QSLs for LY70W (72,000 QSOs in two months) arrived from the printer on 4 February. The first batch of 180 direct cards was mailed on the 5th, bureau cards will follow.

QSL NA-059 I Tim Tillman, NL8F (previous callsign NO7F/KL7) is the only full time resident amateur radio operator active from Dutch Harbor, Unalaska Island in the rare NA-059 IOTA group. QSL via K8NA (Theodore Pauck Jr, 2820 Lenox Drive, Troy, MI 48098, USA). [TNX K8NA]

QSL TG9/IV3IYH I All direct and e-mail QSL requests for TG9/IV3IYH received as of 27 February have been answered and logs are uploaded on LoTW. Bureau QSL cards can be requested via email to IK2ILH (ik2ilh@libero.it), including the QSO details. Please do not send your card when requesting a QSL via email. [TNX IV3IYH]

QSL VE1OTA I This callsign is used by Dana, VE1VOX when operating from an IOTA qualifier. The new QSL route for contacts made after January 2009 is via VE3EXY (direct or bureau). Cards for contacts made before January 2009 still go to VE1VOX. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]

TOP LISTS I The latest Topband, Topmode and Toplist listings are now available at <http://www.425dxn.org/awards/toplist/index.html>. Please note that 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 Erminio Pandocchi, I2EOW (i2eow@fastwebnet.it)



WAAB AWARD I Sponsored by the Radio Club Rio de la Plata (www.lu5da.org.ar), is it issued to licenced amateurs and SWLs for contacting amateur radio stations located at the various Argentine Antarctic bases. The Award Manager is Horacio Ledo, LU4DXU (lu4dxu@hotmail.com). [TNX W9KNI]

WINQSLPOLICY I Manfred Meier, DF6EX (author of WINQSL and WIN-QSL-Collector) has just started a new project called WINQSLPOLICY. This application shows "where you can expect a return of QSL-cards via Buro, via Direct or if you just worked a Dollar-IRC-Collector". The database currently contains more than 10,000 entries, and club-licences are free of charge. Detail can be found on www.winqsl.de/qslpolicy. [TNX DF6EX]

DXCC NEWS

The following operations have been approved for DXCC credit:

A5100A	Bhutan	2008 operation	ZA0/I0SNY	Albania	2008
T6EE	Afghanistan	2006 and 2007 operations [*]	ZA0/I8LWK	Albania	2008
TN5SN	Congo	Current operation effective October 2008	ZA0/I8YGZ	Albania	2008
TT8HA	Chad	2007 and 2008 operations	ZA0/IK2AQZ	Albania	2008
TT8SK	Chad	2008 and 2009 operations	ZA0/IK7JWX	Albania	2008
ZA/F4DTO	Albania	2008			

[*] Additional documentation has been received from T6EE to include 2006 and 2007 operations. If you had a QSO rejected for these dates send a note to dxcc@arrl.org to be placed on the list for an update. The DXCC Blog has been renamed Century Club Awards Web, and its new URL is <http://www.arrl.org/blog/Century%20Club%20Awards> [TNX NC1L]

ABOUT K5D



K5D: the campsite (photo by KP4IA)

I A third interview with Glenn Johnson, W0GJ, expedition co-leader, can be found on the Documentary Archive's Desecheo special web page (www.dokufunk.org/desecheo). The interview was given to Wolf Harranth, OE1WHC on 6 February.

I The logsearch is now up and running on DXpedition's website (<http://www.kp5.us/>). It currently covers the period from 16 UTC on 13 February until 01.10 UTC on the 20th (67277 QSOs). The team now has "a more robust internet connection and the gap between uploaded logs should begin to shrink". The online lookup "cannot correct any problems we discover in the logs. Those will be dealt with when we're off island. In short, if you cannot find a Q in the online log, work us again just to be certain!"

26 February, after 115,728 QSOs (contact number 100,000 was made at 04.14 UTC on the 24th). The Online QSL Request System (OQRS) has been activated, and now you are able to request your QSLs one of four ways: OQRS Direct, OQRS Bureau, direct mail to N200, or via bureau to N200. A fourth interview with Glenn Johnson, W0GJ, expedition co-leader, can be found on the Documentary Archive's Desecheo special web page (www.dokufunk.org/desecheo). The interview was given via satphone to Wolf Harranth, OE1WHC on 23 February.

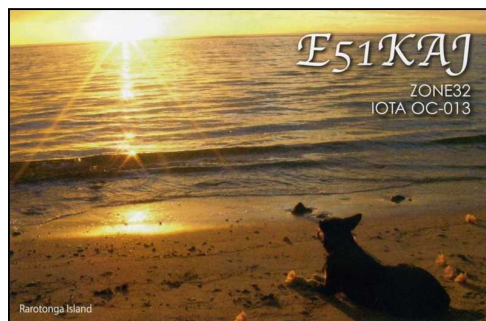
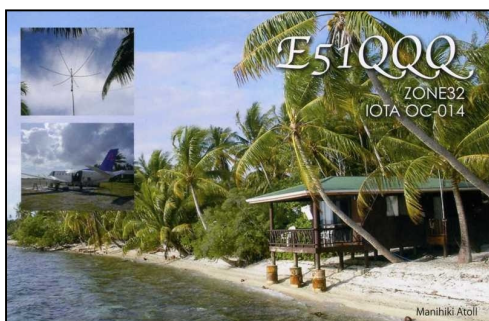


The DX community worldwide mourns the loss of James B. Smith, VK9NS, who passed peacefully away on Norfolk Island on 10 February after a short illness. First licenced in 1947 as VS1BQ (Singapore), over sixty years Jim operated under a large number of call signs and from many countries all over the world, including new and rare DXCC entities and IOTA groups (A35MR, A51JS, A52JS, H40AB, S21ZA, T31JS, T33JS, VK0JS, VK9WW and W1RZ/KH9, just to name a few). "I mention being dragged 'kicking and screaming' into the hobby", he said in his autobiography ("The Old Timer"), "but once there now feel that I have participated in the hobby in many ways. I have been lucky (if that is the right word) to have travelled

extensively and often the travel has been related to Amateur Radio in the sense of DXpeditions. I have always been interested in DXing and being able to give something back to the hobby has been lots of fun and dare I say it often hard work". The stories of a number of his DX operations can be found on the website of the Heard Island DX Association (www.hidxa.nlk.nf), formed in 1980. Jim's inestimable contribution to DXing was acknowledged in 1986, when he was inducted into the CQ DX Hall of Fame. Jim is survived by his wife Kirsti (VK9NL) and his four children: Bruce (G3HSR), Stuart, Sheena and Fraser, all living in the UK. Condolences can be sent to Kirsti (jimkirsti@ni.net.nf). "A Tribute to Jim B. Smith, VK9NS" can be found on the Documentary Archive Radio Communication's website (<http://www.dokufunk.org/vk9ns>).



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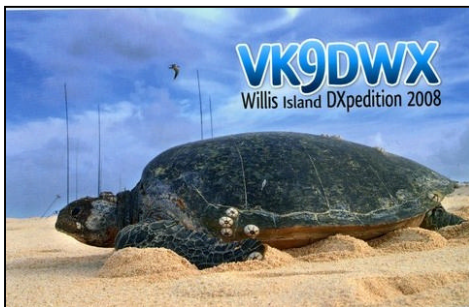
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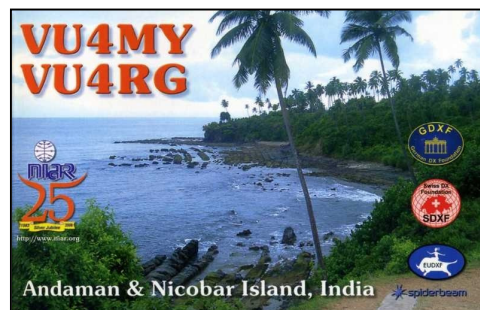
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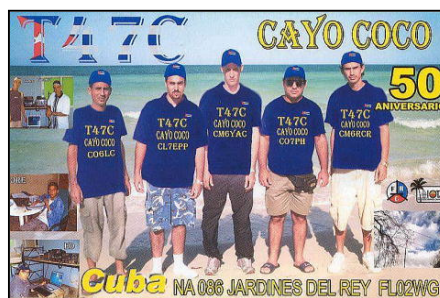
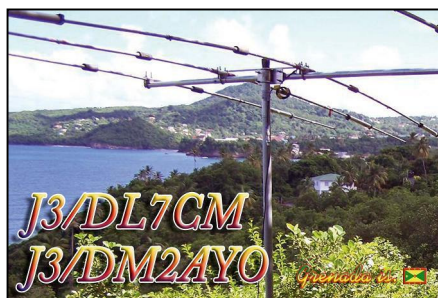
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