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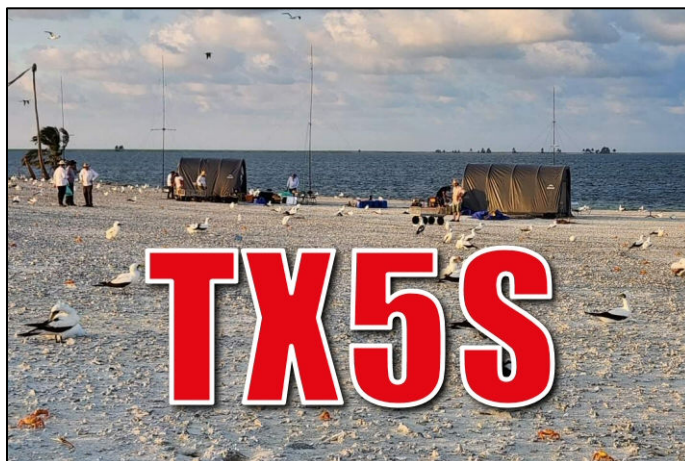
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# DX INFORMATION

**6W** - Gerhard, OE3GEA will be active as 6W/OE3GEA from near Dakar between 27 January and 4 February. He will operate CW on 30-10 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX DX Newsletter]

**6W** - Willy, ON4AVT will be active again as 6W7/ON4AVT from Warang, Senegal from 3 February to 16 April. Usually he operates mainly FT8 on 80-10 metres; he will be QRV also on the QO-100 satellite. QSL via Club Log's OQRS.

**8P** - Chris, WA7RAR will be active again as 8P9CB from Barbados (NA-021) on 10-25 January. Most of his operations will be portable at various locations, especially POTA sites. He will be QRV on 20-10m CW and SSB. QSL via LoTW, or direct to WA7RAR.

**8Q** - Keith, G3WRO will be active holiday style as 8Q7WR from the Maldives (AS-013) from 24 January to 6 February. He will operate SSB on 40-10 metres, possibly also on 80m. QSL via home call. [TNX The Daily DX]



**8R** - 8R7X is the callsign for the 14-24 February DXpedition to Guyana [425DXN 1675]. Four young operators (DJ4MX, DK6SP, HA8RT and M0SDV) will operate CW, SSB, FT8 and RTTY on 160-6 metres. QSL via M0OXO's OQRS and LoTW. See <https://8r-2024.com/> for more information.

**9A** - Throughout 2024 Tom, 9A2AA will use 9A67AA to mark his 67 years of activity on the amateur radio bands. QSL via home call.

**A3** - Darren, VK4MAP has been active as A31DJ since 28 December, and will remain QRV as A31DJ/p until 11 January. He was on Tongatapu Island (OC-049) until 2 January, then he moved to Eua Island in the same IOTA group. He operates SSB on 80, 40, 20, 15, 12 and 10 metres. QSL via VK4MAP (direct only).

**C6** - Look for Kevin, W1DED to be active as W1DED/C6A from Eleuthera (NA-001), Bahamas on 15-21 January. QSL via LoTW, or direct to home call.



**CEOZ** - As of 12 January, the **CBOZA** DXpedition's two air freight shipments sent out of Miami last month had cleared Chilean customs, and were at the port in Valparaiso and scheduled for shipment by cargo vessel out to Robinson Crusoe Island, Juan Fernandez.

The DXpedition is set for 10-24 February. The operation by the 7-member on-island team will be complimented by an off-island team of over 30 remote operators from around the world. They will be using a NexGenRiB (Radio in a Box, developed by Gregg, W6IZT, with assistance from Warren, KD4Z and John N4IHV) on FT8 and CW with the callsign **CBOZEW**.

As for FT8 operations, please note that the CBOZEW remote station will be using WSJT-X running Fox/Hound mode, while the CBOZA on-island stations will be running MSHV software.

«The DXpedition made the decision to use the different callsign for two reasons. First, it is a way to commemorate the DXpedition's organizer Marco Quijada, CE1EW who became a Silent Key in November. The second rea-

son is to distinguish the DXpedition's remote CBOZEW QSOs from the on-island CBOZA QSOs. Because the **remote CBOZEW contacts will not count for IOTA** under current rules in the IOTA program, the team felt the easiest way to manage this issue and honor IOTA's requirements would be by simply operating the remote RiB with a different call sign». For both callsigns QSL via Club Log's OQRS, or direct to N2OO.

In addition to the original DXpedition budget, the team has incurred some significant unforeseen expenses: «so at this time we are appealing to DXers who have not lent support to the DXpedition to please consider making a donation». Bookmark <https://cb0za.com/> for more information and updates.

**CN** - Michel, F5LRL will be active as CN2DX from near Kenitra, Morocco from 20 January to 10 February. He will operate CW and SSB on 40-6 metres, and FT8 on 6m. Expect him to be QRV at 5-10 UTC and 18-22 UTC. QSL via EA5GL.

**DL** - DARC Team SES will operate special event callsign DM24EHF on 6-28 January. The suffix stands for European Handball Federation, whose 16th edition of the European Men's Handball Championship will be hosted in Germany (10-28 January). QSL via the bureau, or direct to DL2VFR.

**DL** - DG22SIXTY is the special callsign for DARC's Ortsverband Gemund (G22) to celebrate their 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary from 1 February until 31 December. QSL via the bureau.

**DL\_ant** - Felix, DL5XL will be active again as DP1POL from the German research station Neumayer III, Antarctica (AN-016) starting around 20 January until early March. In his spare time he will operate mainly CW, with some digimode and SSB. QSL via LoTW, or via DL1ZBO; QSOs will



also be uploaded to Club Log.

**DU** - "BJ", WA7WJR will be active holiday style as DU3/WA7WJR from the Region of Pampanga in the Philippines on 4-9 February. He will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10 metres. He also plans to be active from the Governor Macario Amedo Park and the Mount Arayat National Park during this trip. QSL direct to WA7WJR; all QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW, Club Log and QRZ.

**EA** - Look for EG59GURU/p to be QRV from various SOTA locations in Spain on 8-21 January. This activity is a tribute to Jose-Antonio Gurutzarri "Guru" Jauregi (EA2IF), an outstanding personality of the Summits On The Air programme, who passed away in 2022. See <https://sites.google.com/view/ea2if-memorial> for more information; QSL cards will not be provided.

**EA** - Members of URE Valladolid will be active as EG1GOY on 4-11 February for the 38<sup>th</sup> edition of the Goya Awards, whose ceremony will take place on 10 February. QSL via EA1URV (bureau). Presented the Academy of Cinematographic Arts and Sciences of Spain, the Goya Awards are the Spanish equivalent of the Academy Awards. [TNX EA1LT]

**ET** - Bob, W9XY and Ken, K4ZW plan to be active from the ET3AA club station at Addis Ababa University's Institute of Technology on 12-20 January. They will focus on the high bands as there are still noise problems on the low bands. QSL via N2OO. [TNX The Daily DX]

**F** - Special callsign TM26PVJ will be activated from 26 January to 4 February for the 26<sup>th</sup> "Percee du Vin Jaune", the festival celebrating the "Opening of the Yellow Wine" which this year will take place at Arbois (Jura). QSL via

F8GGZ.

**F** - Members of Radio Club Jean Bart, F6KMB will be active as TM6C on 4-18 February during the traditional Dunkirk Carnival (Carnaval de Dunkerque). QSL via F6KMB.

**F** - Francois, F8DVD will be active as TM21AAW on 4-18 February, to promote the 21<sup>st</sup> Antarctic Activity Week (18-25 February). He will be QRV from his home QTH in France. QSL via LoTW, or via home call (direct or bureau).

**FK** - After their operation from Wallis Island (see FW below), Stan and Ted will be active as FK/LZ1GC and FK/LZ5QZ from Port Ouenghi, New Caledonia (OC-032) on 10-18 March. They will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on the HF bands. QSLs via Club Log's OQRS (preferred) or via LZ1GC.

**FM** - Francis, F6BJW will be active again as FM/F6BJW from Martinique (NA-107) starting on 11 January for two months. He will operate CW on 80-10 metres. QSL via LoTW, or via the bureau to home call. [TNX F6AJA]

**FR** - Thierry, FY4JI will be active on various bands as FR4AV from Reunion Island (AF-016) from 4 February to 11 March. QSL via EA5GL.

**FW** - Stan, LZ1GC and Ted LZ5QZ will be active as

FW8GC and TX8GC from Wallis Island (OC-054) from 19 February to 9 March. They will operate CW, SSB, FT8, FT4 and maybe some RTTY on 160-6m. QSLs via Club Log's OQRS (preferred), or via



LZ1GC. See <https://www.c21gc.com/> for more information.

**H4** - Bernhard, DL2GAC will be active again as H44MS from Malaita (OC-047), Solomon Islands from around 10 February until 25 April. He will be QRV on a daily basis, with activity on 160-6 metres SSB and some FT8. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. He will upload his log to Club Log and LoTW.

**HL** - Ji, DS1TUW plans to be active as DS1TUW/2 from Paengnyong Island (AS-122, WWL PM27ix) from 29 February until around 1 UTC on 3 March. He will operate CW, FT8 and some SSB depending on propagation, on 40-6 metres. He plans to enable Club Log's Live Stream «to minimize the dupes», but «bear in mind there could be intermittent internet disconnections». QSL via Club Log's OQRS (direct and bureau), LoTW, or via home call.

**HS** - Champ, E21EIC and other six operators (namely E20NKB, E25KAE, HS0ZET, HS0ZKF, HS3NBR and HS6SSE) will be active as E20AX/p from Lipe Island (AS-126) on 12-14 January. They will operate CW, SSB and FT8 with two stations on 40-10 metres. QSL via E21EIC (but all QSOs will be confirmed automatically via LoTW and the bureau).

**I** - Throughout 2024 ARI Fidenza will use a series of special callsigns each representing a "keyword" that summarizes and characterizes the content of a sentence from one of Guglielmo Marconi's many public speeches:



II4TENC (January), II4INTU (February), II4SUCC (March), II4DETR (April), II4SEAS (May), II4RDFE (June), II4INNV (July),

II4BFRE (August), II4OTSR (September), II4VISN (October), II4BTFU (November), II4FCGD (December). QSL via IQ4FE. Information about the *Discovering Marconi* award: <http://www.arifidenza.it/>.

**I** - A team from Slovenia (S51V, S52OT, S54W, S56N, S57DX, S57UN, S59A) will be active from Lampedusa Island (AF-019) on 20-28 January. Main activity will be during the CQ WW 160-Meter CW Contest as IG9/S57DX; outside the contest they will be QRV on all bands and modes. DXCC wise this one counts as Italy, but as African Italy in the CQ Contests and the CQ DX Marathon. QSL via S57DX. [TNX NG3K]



**J3** - ON4HIL, ON4MA, ON5RA, ON5TN, ON6CC and ON7RU will be active as J38R from Grenada (NA-024) on 4-16 March. They will operate CW, SSB and FT8 on 160-10 metres, as well as RTTY on 20m, with up to four stations. Logsearch and Live Stream on Club Log; QSL via MOURX's OQRS; full log

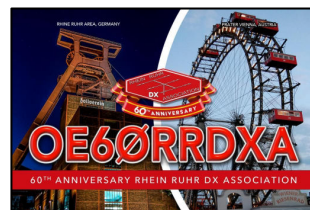
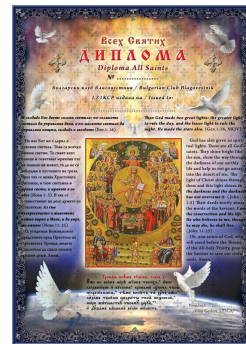
LoTW upload after six months. See <https://rockall.be/> for more information and updates.

**J7** - Laurent, FM5BH as J79BH and David, F8AAN as J79AN will be active from Dominica (NA-101) on 17-24 January. They will operate mainly CW, possibly with some SSB and FT8, on 80-10 metres. QSL J79AN via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW, or direct to F8AAN; QSL J79BH via Club Log's OQRS, or direct to FM5BH.

**JD1\_mt** - Take, JG8NQJ expects to be back to the weather station on Minami Torishima (OC-073) sometime in late January, his QSL manager reports. Usually he remains there for about three months, and is QRV as JG8NQJ/JD1 in his limited spare time. He operates CW and some FT8 (please note that he wants you to call with your signal report, not your grid square). QSL via J8CJY (direct), JG8NQJ (bureau) and LoTW.

**LU** - AMSAT Argentina, LU7AA will celebrate the 34<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the LUSAT (LO-19) satellite on 20-28 January. Activity on the HF bands will be on SSB, CW and digital modes. More information can be found at <https://www.grz.com/db/LU7AA>. [TNX LU4AAO]

**LZ** - Radio Club Blagovestnik (LZ1KCP) will use six special callsigns during 2024 to honour as many different Orthodox saints: LZ235IR (January and February), LZ543BN (March and April), LZ44IZ (May and June), LZ302IT (July and August), LZ1515IW (September and October), and LZ311PA (November and December). QSL via the bureau or direct to P.O. Box 36, 4300 Karlovo, Bulgaria. Details on the *All Saints 2024 Award* can be found at <https://www.lz1kcp.com/>.



**OE** - Celebrating the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Rhein Ruhr DX Association (<https://rrdxa.org/>), Jorg, OE6VIE is active as OE60RRDXA until 30 June. QSL via Club Log's OQR and LoTW.

**ON** - OT65BXE is the special callsign for members of UBA Section Bruxelles-Est to celebrate their club's 65<sup>th</sup> anniversary on 1-31 January. QSL via ON5UB.

**OZ** - Queen Margrethe II of Denmark will abdicate on 14



January, the 52<sup>nd</sup> anniversary of her accession. She will be succeeded by her elder son, who will reign as King Frederik X. To honour the incumbent monarch and welcome the new one, six special event stations in the Danish Realm (metropolitan Denmark, the Faroe Islands, Greenland) will be active on

all bands and modes as follows:

12-14 January OZ24QUEEN, OY24QUEEN, OX24QUEEN  
14-16 January OZ24KING, OY24KING, OX24KING

QSL via Club Log's OQRS (preferred), LoTW and eQSL, or via OZ1ACB. See



<https://www.grz.com/db/OZ24KING> for complete information about the available awards.

**OZ** - Celebrating King Frederik X's succession to the Danish throne, special callsign OZ24FX will be used by several operators on 14-21 January. QSL via LoTW, eQSL,

Club Log's OQRS (direct and bureau), or direct to OZ1ACB. See <https://www.grz.com/db/OZ24FX> for complete information about the available awards.

**P4** - Mathias, DL4MM will be active again as P4/DL4MM and P40AA (used for FT8/FT4 and during the CQ WW 160-Meter CW Contest on 26-28 January) from Aruba (SA-036) on 19-31 January. He will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 160-10 metres. QSLs via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW, or via DL4MM. [TNX NG3K]

**PJ5** - Janusz, SP9FIH will be active again as PJ5/SP9FIH from Sint Eustatius (NA-145) from 11 January to 3 March. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW, or via SP9FIH. Bookmark <https://pj5-2024.dxpedititions.org/> for updates. [TNX NG3K]



**PY** - PV6T (not ZZ2F as previously announced) is the callsign to be used from Tinhare Island (SA-080) on 10-11 January. Look for activity on 40, 20, 15 and 10m SSB and FT8. QSL via PP2LA.

**T32** - A German team (DF4GV, DJ7TO, DK2AMM, DL1KWK, DL2AWG and DL4SVA) will be active as T32EU from Kiritimati/Christmas Island (OC-024), East Kiribati on 13-27 March. They will operate CW, SSB, RTTY and maybe FT8 on 160-6 metres with three stations. QSL via DL2AWG.

**T8** - Look for T88AQ (QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW, or via JH6WDG), T88HS (QSL direct to JA6KYU) and T88SM (QSL direct to JA6EGL) to be active on various bands and modes from the Palau Radio Club on Koror Island (OC-009) on 12-18 January.



**TA** - Special callsign TC6EQ will be active on 1-29 February to commemorate the earthquake that struck Turkey on 6 February 2023, causing widespread damage and killing nearly 51,000 people. In particular, this activity will honour the memory of Mustafa Ezer (TA8DX), who lost his life in that

catastrophic event. QSL via LoTW. A certificate will be available on <https://tadx.org/awards>.

**UR\_ant** - Andrii, UT3UTQ has been active as EM1UTQ from the Akademik Vernadskyi station on Galindez Island (AN-006), Antarctica since 9 January. Also stationed at Vernadskyi is Serhii, UW5EHR, who has been QRV as EM1EHR since early December 2023. Both are members of the XXVIII Ukrainian Antarctic Expedition, which is expected to remain at the base until late March.

**V3** - Uwe, DL8UD will be active again as V31KO from Belize from 15 February to 6 March. He will operate SSB, CW and FT8 on 160-6 metres, and will participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest (17-18 February), the CQ WW 160-Meter SSB Contest (23-25 February) and the ARRL DX SSB Contest (2-3 March) as V30. QSL for both callsigns via DL8UD, bureau or direct.

**V4** - Look for Bob, V4/N4RF to be active holiday style from St. Kitts (NA-104) on 11-25 January. He will operate mainly CW, with some FT8 and SSB. QSL via LoTW (preferred), or direct to home call. [TNX The Daily DX]

**VK** - A team of six Australians (Chris VK5FR, Adam



VK5GA/VK2YK, Grant VK5GR, Ivan VK5HS, Andy VK5LA and Paul VK5PAS) will be active as VK5FIL from Flinders Island (OC-261) on 14-21 April. This IOTA group has not been activated since

2013. They will operate all modes from 160m to 70cm, including both terrestrial and satellite modes. QSL via M0OXO's OQRS. Bookmark <https://www.vk5fil.com/> for more information and updates.

**VP2M** - Thaire, W2APF will be active again as VP2MDX from Montserrat (NA-103) from 11 January to 11 April. He will operate CW, SSB, FT8 and FM on 80-6 metres. QSL via LoTW, or direct to W2APF. [TNX The Daily DX]

**VP6** - Roger, G3YBO hopes to be active as VP6/G3YBO from the shack of Meralda, VP6MW for one day, when his cruise ship stops at Pitcairn Island (OC-044). The date will be 28 January from 18 UTC onwards. He will operate SSB on 17-10 metres.



**VU** - Once again the West Bengal Radio Club (VU2WB) will provide assistance during the Ganga Sagar Mela on Sagar Island (AS-153). This is the annual gathering of Hindu pilgrims to take a holy dip in the Ganges, where the river merges with the Bay of Bengal. Expect some activity on the HF bands as AT24GSM on 9-16 January. QSL via operator's instructions; plans are to upload QSOs to Club Log.



**VU** - Team AT3SM will be active from St Mary's Island (AS-096) on 26-28 January. They will operate CW, SSB and FT8 (F/H) on 40, 20, 15, 10 and maybe 17m with up to three low power stations. QSL via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS, or via VU2XE. See <https://www.grz.com/db/AT3SM> for more information.

**VU** - A large team will be active as AU2RS from Nachugunta Island (AS-199) on 23-25 February. This IOTA group was activated for the first and only time by AT2RS back in December 2008. Plans are to operate SSB, CW and FT8 on 160-6 metres and via satellite QO-100 with five stations. QSL via M0OXO's OQRS. See <https://www.vu2rs.com/AU2RS/> for more information.



**W** - W7P is the callsign for the Northern Arizona DX Association to conduct a 10-year special event countdown to the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the discovery of Pluto by Clyde Tombaugh at Lowell

Observatory in Flagstaff, Arizona (18 February 1930). The inaugural event was held in 2021; this year's Pluto Anniversary Countdown will run on 10-18 February. Also, Doug Tombaugh (N3PDT), Clyde Tombaugh's nephew, will be operating during the event as W7P/0. QSL direct, see [https://www.nadxa.com/w7p\\_pluto\\_2030.html](https://www.nadxa.com/w7p_pluto_2030.html) for information.

**YB** - Emmanuel, F5LIT expects to be active again as YB9/F5LIT from Bali Island (OC-022) between 22 and 30 January. Usually he operates SSB on 40-10 metres. QSL direct to home call; he plans to upload his log to Club Log and LoTW.

**YJ** - Takio, JH3QFL and Mamoru, JH3VAA will be active as YJ0AA and YJ0MN from Vanuatu on 4-11 February. They will operate FT8 on the HF bands, and will also be on the Green Cube satellite. QSLs via LoTW, or direct to JH3QFL.

**Z6** - Rene, DL2JRM and Sebastian DG5CST, will be active as Z68XX and Z66BCC from Gjilan, Kosovo on 25-29 January. QSL both callsigns via DL2JRM, direct or bureau; logsearch on Club Log.

**ZF** - Craig, KA8DSS will be active as ZF2NB/ZF8 from Little Cayman (NA-016) on 20-26 January. He will operate SSB on 17, 15 and 10 metres. QSL direct to home call. [TNX The Daily DX]

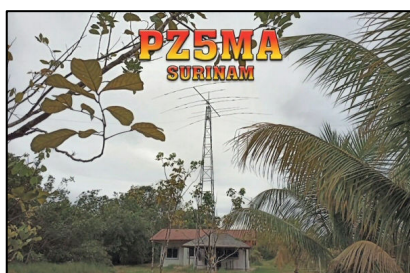
**ZL7** - Team ZL7D (ZL1CAP, ZL1LDP, ZL1OV and ZL3SSB) will be active from the Chatham Islands (OC-038) on 20-27 January. They will operate SSB mainly on 20, 15 and 10 metres. QSL via EA3FLW.

**PACIFIC TOUR** • Bob, GM4DLG was active as ZL7/GM4DLG from the Chatham Islands on 21-26 January. His next stops are Norfolk Island (VK9N, 2-7 February), New Zealand's North Island (ZL1, 9-13 February), New Zealand's South Island (ZL4, 14-24 February), Lord Howe Island (VK9L, 27 February to 3 March) and Tasmania (VK7, 5-9 March). He operates SSB on 80, 40 and 20 metres. [TNX The Daily DX]

**PACIFIC TOUR** • Hrane, YT1AD and his team (<http://www.yt1ad.info/pac24/>) will be active from Fiji (3D2), Samoa (5W) and Tonga (A3) between 7 February and 1 March as follows:

7-10 Feb	3D2AD (YT1AD), 3D2AB (YU3AA), 3D2LY (UA9OLY), 3D2RC (RC90)
10-19 Feb	5W8A (YT1AD), 5W0AA (YU3AA), 5W0LY (UA9OLY), 5W0RC (RC90)
20-27 Feb	A35AD (YT1AD), A35AA (YU3AA), A35LY (UA9OLY), A35RC (RC90)
27 Feb-1 Mar	3D2AD (YT1AD), 3D2AB (YU3AA), 3D2LY (UA9OLY), 3D2RC (RC90)

QSL via home calls. The operation from Tokelau [425DXN 1700] has been postponed until late 2024 or 2025.



## GOOD TO KNOW



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**3YØK: BOUVET ISLAND 2025** • «To date we have secured \$22,000 of the remaining \$150,000 needed to reach the expedition budget», the News Update #3 posted to Facebook on 2 January states. «January and February are critical months to achieve the needed funding to make the expedition viable. We will begin the purchase of equipment not committed as donations and continue to solicit sponsor agreements, but every dollar helps: so please visit <https://3y0k.com/> and click that little donate button – and remember, Century Club Donors will receive a special “Thank You” regardless of being in the log or not.

Coming in late February/early March we will have the vessel inspection to verify its seaworthiness for the long journey from the Falklands to Bouvet. At this time, we must make the first \$100,000 deposit presuming the boat passes professional inspection so funding is time critical, please help if you can, with whatever you can. We will also be procuring the custom-made tents to survive the harsh environment found from our previous activation of Bouvet, as well as proper antenna systems.

Up to June we will complete the testing of the remote equipment on a South Pacific expedition by some of our friends in the DX community and begin training the chosen remote operators. Note that the remote will be FT modes – all SSB and CW will be from the island only. All other equipment, radios and antennas will be tested under duress to ensure all work without failure on Bouvet.

The next steps are to optimize our landing plan relative to predicted weather conditions, put the finishing touch on our logistics plan and prepare all equipment and supplies for shipping to the Falklands. By late August or early September, the

container will be packed and sent to meet us at the boat in January or February of 2025. All equipment, hard supplies and logistical materials will be used for our Peter I expedition the following year, greatly reducing the costs for that adventure». Updates will be posted as things progress and milestones are reached.

«What is the current 3Y0K plan for landing the equipment? Learning from the 3Y0J mistakes is essential to achieve success. Last time we planned based on little to no information about the landing conditions. This time we base our plan on our own real experience – three of us already did many dinghy landings, and we know the waters». Read Press Release #3 (16 January) on <https://3y0k.com/3y0k-press-release-3/>.

**CEPT IDENTIFICATION AND OPERATING RULES** • John Crovelli (W2GD) and Ward Silver (N0AX) wrote a short article explaining how to operate and identify properly according to the CEPT rules: «there has been a lot of confusion about what is and isn't permitted and required», Ward says. «We hope this article will help reduce the number of rule violations and help all stations operate properly. It has been reviewed by knowledgeable individuals to be sure this information is accurate». The article can be found on <https://www.onallbands.com/guide-to-following-cept-and-fcc-license-rules/>.

**CQ WW 160-METER CONTEST** • Object of the contest is for amateurs around the world to contact other amateurs in as many USA States (CONUS plus District of Columbia), Canadian provinces, and countries as possible utilizing the 160m band (see <https://www.cq160.com/> for complete rules). This year's event will run on 26-28 January (CW) and 23-25 February (SSB), both legs from 22:00 UTC to 22:00 UTC.

**DAYTON TOP BAND AND CONTEST DINNERS** • The 34<sup>th</sup> Top Band Dinner will be held on 17 May, followed by the 30<sup>th</sup> Contest Dinner on 18 May. The events will take place at the Hope Hotel near Dayton, Ohio. Registrations for both the events will open on 15 January: see <https://www.topbanddinner.com> and <https://www.contestdinner.com>, respectively.

**DX SOUND CLIPS** • Tom's (K8CX) DX sound clips for 2023 can be found at <http://hamgallery.com/dx2023/>. The large collection of clips (MP3 format) covers DXpeditions, rare and semi-rare DX. This makes 26 full years of sound clips available.

**EU DX CONTEST** • The fourth edition of the European Union DX Contest (EUDX Contest) will be held on 3-4 February (from 12 UTC to 12 UTC). Complete information can be found on <https://www.eudx-contest.com/>. The objective is for amateurs around the world to contact as many other amateurs in as many European Union regions and countries on 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres CW and SSB.



**QSL GALLERY** • The large collection of QSL cards on *Les Nouvelles DX's* website has been updated. Seventeen different galleries include 21,774 cards for the ten Most Wanted DXCC Entities (2014-23), the 62 deleted DXCC Entities, obsolete prefixes, stations from Maghreb from 1945 to 1962, Allied Forces stations in Germany (1945-80), special stations commemorating ITU and IARU, stations using the United Nations prefix (4U), Antarctic bases and TAAF (Terres Australes et Antarctiques Francaises), amateur radio "globetrotters", the various French DXCC island Entities in the Pacific Ocean, the Indian Ocean and the Americas (1945-1969), pre-1945 countries, French Departments and CONUS, plus a gallery for cards not accepted by DXCC. Your participation is welcome: <http://www.lesnouvellesdx.fr/galerieqsl.php>. [TNX F6AJA].

**SWODXA DX DINNER** • The 39<sup>th</sup> DX Dinner, sponsored again by the SouthWest Ohio DX Association (SWODXA) and held in conjunction with the 2024 Dayton Hamvention, will be on Friday, 17 May at the Marriott Hotel in Dayton. Tickets can be purchased on <https://swodxaevents.org/>.



**TX5S** • The team departed from San Diego on 11 January at 20 UTC, destination Clipperton Island. Follow their voyage at <https://share.garmin.com/TX5S>. During the crossing they were active as N6WM/mm from various ocean grids, which will be duly noted on the QSL cards (QSL via M0URX's OQRS).

The *Shogun* arrived at Clipperton later than expected due to rough seas. By late afternoon local time (UTC -8 hours) on 18 January, nine team members had landed on the island, but they did not yet have any radios yet. Operations started on 20 January at 02.13 UTC. At that time there was only one station running CW on 17 metres, as landing on the island was very challenging, and the team had to stop



sending over equipment when the seas became too dangerous. The camp itself had to be redesigned on the fly to a smaller footprint.

The weather forecast indicates that the team will need to depart the island earlier than originally planned. The objective is to safely navigate over the reef, which requires cooperation between the tides and winds. Therefore, the current plan is for TX5S to begin tear down on 27 January. There will be some activity on 30, 40, 17, 12 and 10 metres during the local night between Saturday and Sunday. On 28 January, all DXpedition equipment and personnel will be removed and the *Shogun* will depart for San Diego.

QSOs are being uploaded to Club Log (Live Stream enabled) and to M0URX's website (<https://www.m0urx.com/oqrs/logsearch.php>), where the OQRS will be enabled shortly after the team leaves the island. QSOs with early donors are being uploaded to LoTW within 24 hours. "Not in Log" and "busted calls" will be investigated by submitting the form on M0URX's website.

# QSL ROUTES

From 425 DX News # 1706

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CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER
3A/MM0NDX	EB7DX	EG7KZ	EA7KZ	PJ4MM	M0URX
3A/MM0SAJ	EB7DX	EI80MB	EI6AL	PV2K	EA5GL
3V8SF	LX1NO	EK/RX3DPK	EA5GL	PV6T	PP2LA
3W3B	E21EIC	EP5TJS	EA5GL	R2024NY	RQ7L
4K6AG	DC9RI	EX0DX	HB9DUR	SK100FRK	SK4AO
4L/UN7IDW	K6VHF	GB8KW	G0UKN	SN32WOSP	SP6ZHP
5B4AMX	LZ3SM	HC5AI	EB7DX	SO130MK	SP3PDO
5K6RM	HK6RM	HC7AE/1	EA5GL	SP130MK	SP3PDO
6Y1A	6Y5PW	HH220Y	N200	SP32WOSP	SP3PGX
8A0RARI	N200	HS0ZME	SM6NT	SU1SK	N200
8P2K	KU9C	II4TENC	IQ4FE	T88AQ	JH6WDG
8P9JB	J69Z	JW/M0PLX	SP7DPJ	T88HS	JA6KYU
9A100RKZ	9A1ADE	KL7SB	N4GNR	TM130SMK	F4IIQ
9A67AA	9A2AA	KP2B	EB7DX	TM3Z	F4DSK
9K9N	EC6DX	LY310KD	LY2NZ	TM700MP	F8GGZ
9Y4I	9Z4A	LZ05RN	LZ1ZF	UE24NY	RQ7L
A65BP	UA6MF	LZ146GO	LZ1KCP	V51MA	NY0V
A71GO	F6BFH	LZ235IR	LZ1KCP	V51WW	NC8R
AP5ARS	IK2DUW	LZ55ZF	LZ1ZF	VP8KCA	G5KC
AT5D	VU3EFG	N6WM/mm	M0URX	VP9IN	EC6DX
ATM2024	VU2UUU	OE24BI	OE5CCN	W2HRU	KA2D
CS2024HNY	CT1REP	OR100LGE	ON6YH	XU7AKJ	JA3ULS
D2EB	IZ3ZLT	OT65BXE	ON5UB	YI3AIA	IK2DUW
D4L	IK2NCJ	OX24QUEEN	OZ1ACB	YI5THA	EA5GL
DL100ANA	DH7WW	OY1OF	M0URX	YW6CQ	YV6BXN
DM24EHF	DL2VFR	OY24QUEEN	OZ1ACB	Z68BB	EA5GL
E20AX/p	E21EIC	OZ24QUEEN	OZ1ACB	ZF1MA	EA5GL
EA9KB	EA7FTR	PA80STAR	PA1UN	ZL7DX	M0OXO

CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER
3DA0AQ	EA5GL	C5SP	SP3PS	SN25PCH	SP2KFQ
4U1GSC	9A2AA	CN2DX	EA5GL	SN50GUC	SP2GUC
5R8IC	F6ICX	EE6DSA	EA6URM	SP150WW	SP3PDO
5X4E	IQ3CO [b]	ET3AA	N200	TG9AWS	N200
5X4E	IZ3ZLG [d]	HK3C	M0URX	TM26PVJ	F8GGZ
5Z4PA	M0URX	J79BH	FM5BH	TR8CR	F6AJA
5Z4VJ	M0URX	LY13LY	LY80	TX5S	M0URX
7O2WX	IZ8CCW	OE60RRDXA	OE6VIE	UE81M	RQ7L
7Q7CT	EA7FTR	OS75ENSOR	ON4OS	UE81ML	RQ7L
8P5A	HA1AG	OX24KING	OZ1ACB	XV9Q	N4GNR
8Q7SQ	SP5MDB	OY24KING	OZ1ACB	YS3CW	I2JIN
8Q7WR	G3WRO	OZ24KING	OZ1ACB	Z66BCC	DL2JRM
9H/OU2I	OZ2I	P40AA	DL4MM	Z68XX	DL2JRM
A65HS	9K2HS	R900BL	UF1M	ZD7Z	IK2DUW
AT3SM	VU2XE	R900RO	RT1L	ZL7D	EA3FLW
C21TS	M0OXO	SK100KTH	SK0BU	ZX2FF	PY2AE



**QSLs received direct or through managers:** 3D2AG, 3D2RRR, 3W9C (AS-130), 4U1A, 4U1UN, 4X6TT, 5W0LM, 6W/IV3FSG, 7X2AR, 7X2ET, 8P6ET, 8R1AK/p (SA-068), 9M8LJW, A22EW, B2/BY1AA (AS-158), CE2SV, CO7MTL, D4C, E51D, E51JAN, E51WL, E6AM, FK8HM, FO/AA7JV, FW1JG, HK0/PY7RP, HR5/F2JD, HZ1TT, K8R (OC-045), KG4NE,



KH0/DL2AH, KL7AC, OD5ZZ, P4/WE9V, PJ7PL, PS0F, PZ5MA, R100GA, S01WS, T2C, T33T, T77LA, TG9ADM, TK4W, TO4A, TO9W (NA-105), UN9L, V4/N2HX, V51MA, V63AH (OC-059), V6SX (OC-011), V73AH (OC-029), V85A, VB2M (NA-176), VK9CY, VK9DX, VK9XY, VP2V/KD9TAW, VP2V/W1DED, VP2V/MM, VP6MW, VR2XMT, W8S (OC-200), XT2AW, XV9Q, YJ0CA, YJ0TT, ZD7BG, ZD7MY, ZD9W, ZL7/SP5EAQ, ZL7DX, ZL7IO.

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