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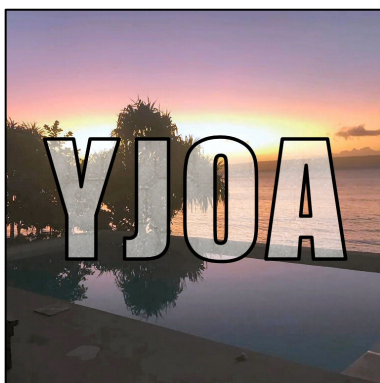
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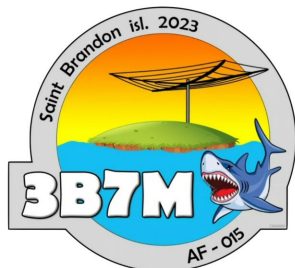
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DX INFORMATION

3A - Ennio, IW1RBI and his friends (Flavio IK1YDB, Gianluca IU1KBL, Andrea IU1JXW) will be active again as 3A/IW1RBI from Monaco on 20-23 April. They will operate SSB, CW and FT8 (mainly F/H) on 80-6 metres with up to four stations. QSL via LoTW, or via home call; logsearch and possibly OQRS on Club Log.



3B7 - The 3B7M DXpedition team's departure from Mauritius has been delayed owing to tropical cyclone Freddy. They set sail on 24 February, one day later than planned, and will extend radio operations until 8 March. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW, or via

OK6DJ. See <https://3b7m.com/> for more information.

3D2 - Wayne, N0UN is currently active as 3D2UN from Nadi, on the main island of Viti Levu (OC-016), Fiji. He operates «from time to time on human modes only, with an emphasis on CW». QSL via LoTW; he also uploads his QSOs to Club Log.

5V - Eric, F5LCX will be active holiday style as 5V23LE while visiting Togo on 13-25 February. QSL via LoTW.

6Y - Neville, G3RFS has been active again as 6Y5FS from Jamaica (NA-097) since 30 January. He will remain there for two months, and will operate mainly CW and some SSB. QSL via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS, or via G4BWP. The log will be computerised after Neville is back home. [TNX The Daily DX]

9G - Team 9G4X (Zeev 4X4ZS, Haim 9G5AF, Curt N2ZX, George N4GRN, Joe K9UR, Gregg W6IZT, Hal W8HC, Bob W9AP and Mike WB0SND) will be active from Langma, Ghana on 22-30 March, including a Multi-Two entry in

the CQWW WPX Phone Contest. Outside the contest they will operate five stations: three on 160-10 metres, one on 6 metres and one QRV on QO-100. QSL via Club Log's OQRS,



LoTW, or via K4NHW (see <https://www.qrz.com/db/9G4X> for more information). The team also looks forward to working with some of the local amateurs sharing DXpeditioning and contest operating experiences that they hope will encourage the locals to pick up and continue after departure. The 5-element antenna for six metres will be donated to the Accra Amateur Radio Club (9G2DX) for their continued use during the 6m season.

9K - Members of the Kuwait Amateur Radio Society will be active again as 9K9NLD on 1-28 February. The special callsign celebrates both Kuwait National Day (25 February) and Liberation Day (26 February). QSL via EC6DX.

9M6 - 9M8SOTA and 9M8BOTA are the special callsigns that 9M8HAZ and others will be using during 2023 while operating from various mountains and beaches in Sarawak, East Malaysia. QSL for both callsigns via 9M8HAZ (direct), LoTW and Club Log.

A6 - The Emirates Amateur Radio Society will take part in the celebrations of Kuwait National and Liberation Days as A60KWT (QSL via EA7FTR) and A60KWT/xx (see [qrz.com](https://www.qrz.com) for the QSL routes for the different suffix extensions) on 19-27 February. Also joining the celebrations will be the Saudi Amateur Radio Society as HZ1KWT on

19-25 February (QSL via HZ1SAR), and the Bahrain Amateur Radio Society as A91KWT on 20-26 February (QSL via EC6DX).



CE - Team CB7C will be active again from the lighthouse at Punta Corona on Chiloe Island (SA-018) during this year's American Lighthouses Weekend (17-19 February). They will operate SSB, FT8 and C4FM on various bands. QSL via LoTW, or direct to CE6TTL.



one day to the length of stay on Sable Island for the CYOS DXpedition team. The start date is still 20 March, and the end date is now 30 March. Depending on weather conditions, however, their stay might be shortened, or even extended beyond the departure date. Plans are for a team of eight experienced operators (K4ZLE, K9CT, N2TU, W0GJ, W2GD, W4DKS, WA4DAN and WW2DX) to be active on 160-10 metres CW, SSB and FT8 F/H; plans are also for activity to take place on 6 metres FT8 as well as on 2 metres EME and via satellite. QSL via Club Log's OQRS (preferred for either direct and bureau cards), direct to WA4DAN, and LoTW. See <https://t-rexsoftware.com/cy0s/> for more information and updates; CYOS is also on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/955351178705747/>.

D4 - Antonio, CT1FFU will be active holiday style as D4T from Ilha do Sal (AF-086), Cape Verde on 15-22 February. He will operate SSB, CW and digital modes on the HF bands, 6 metres, and QO-100. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. He will upload his log to Club Log.

DU - DU2WAA is the new callsign issued to David, VE3OI as of 17 February. Previously active as DU3DW from Angeles City (Province of Pampanga) and Subic Bay (Province of Zambales), he has moved to near Currimao, Ilocos Norte. He is QRV on 40-10 metres. QSL via LoTW, OQRS will be available later.



DU - «To avoid problems during FT8 operation», DU1/SP5APW will be the callsign that Jacek will be using from both Marinduque Island (OC-244, 9-14 March) and Calayan Island (OC-092, 18-26 March) [425DXN 1656]. Updates will be posted to <https://oc-092.blogspot.com/>. QSL via Club Log's

OQRS.

EA - Special callsigns AO1WRD, AO2WRD, AO3WRD, AO4WRD, AO5WRD, AO6WRD (Balearic Islands), AO7WRD, AO8WRD (Canary Islands) and AO9WRD (Ceuta and Melilla) are expected to be active on 10-13 February in celebration of World Radio Day. QSL for all

C5 - Gerard, F5NVF and Luc, F5RAV will be active again as C5C from Kololi, The Gambia between 14 February and 13 March. Expect activity on 80-6 metres SSB, CW, FT8 and FT4, plus possibly the QO-100 satellite. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, or direct to F5RAV. Updates will be posted to <https://twitter.com/6V7T>

CY0 - Parks Canada has agreed to add

callsigns direct to EA3RKF: Federacion Digital EA, Apartado Postal 3050, 08200 Sabadell (Barcelona), Spain.

EA - Commemorating the 43rd anniversary of the 1980 referendum for autonomy and representing the provinces of Andalusia, eight special callsigns will be activated on 22-28 February: AN43AL (Almeria), AN43CA (Cadiz), AN43CO (Cordoba), AN43GR (Granada), AN43HU (Huelva), AN43JA (Jaen), AN43MA (Malaga), AN43SE (Sevilla). In addition, AN43AND will be active on



28 February (Andalusia Day). QSL via LoTW and eQSL. See <https://www.qrz.com/db/an43and> for more information.

EA - Look for EG4IF, EG1GURU, EG2GURU, EG3GURU, EG4GURU, EG5GURU and EG7GURU to be QRV from various SOTA locations during March. 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 on 11 March 2022. QSL cards will not be provided; see <https://sites.google.com/view/ea2if-memorial> for the certificate that will be available.

EA6 - Robert, OK2PYA will be active as EA6/OK2PYA from various WWFF (World Wide Flora & Fauna) area on Mallorca, Balearic Islands (EU-004) on 1-7 March. He will operate CW on 40-10 metres, and will announce his operating schedule on <https://wwff.co/agenda/>. QSL via Club Log's OQRS and LoTW.

F - Francois, F8DVD will be active as TM20AAW on 10-24 February, including the 20th Antarctic Activity Week (19-26 February). He will be QRV from his home QTH in France. QSL via LoTW, or via home call (direct or bureau).

F - Members of Radio Club Jean Bart, F6KMB will be active as TM6C on 12-27 February during the traditional Dunkirk Carnival (Carnaval de Dunkerque). QSL via F6KMB.

F - Eric, F4ENJ will be active as TM5GI from Groix Island (EU-048) on 23-27 February, with main activity during the SSB leg of the Coupe du REF (REF SSB Contest, 25-26 February). QSL via the bureau.

FG - Once again Philippe, F1DUZ will be active as FG4KH from Guadeloupe (NA-102) from 15 February to 8 March, including participation in the SSB leg of the Coupe du REF (REF SSB Contest, 25-26 February) and the ARRL DX SSB Contest (4-5 March). QSL via LoTW, eQSL, or via F1DUZ.

FG - Look for Gildas, FG/F6HMQ and Michel, FG/F6GWW to be active again from Guadeloupe (NA-102) on 3-26 March. They will participate in the ARRL DX SSB Contest (4-5 March) and the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest (25-26 March) as TO3Z (QSL via F6HMQ). [TNX The Daily DX]

FM - Yuri, VE3DZ will be active as TO4A from Martinique (NA-107) on 15-20 February, including participation in the ARRL DX CW Contest. QSL via home call; see [qrz.com](https://www.qrz.com) for PayPal instructions.

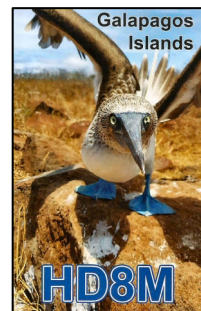


Dumont d'Urville Station (Ile des Petrels, AN-017) on 17-24 February, and finally as FT4YM/mm from the ice-

FT_ant - David, F4FKT [425DXN 1641] will be active as FT4YM/p from Concordia Station until the end of January. Then he expects to be QRV as FT4YM/m during the traverse from Concordia to the coast, as FT4YM from Robert Guillard Station at Cap Prud'homme around 11-12 February, as FT4YM from

breaker *L'Astrolabe* until 5 March. QSLs via F5PFP.

HC8 - Jim WB2REM, John K4LT and Bob KE2D will be active again as HD8M from Santa Cruz, Galapagos Islands (SA-004) on 1-11 March. They will operate SSB, CW and FT8 (F/H) on 160-6 metres. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, or direct to WB2REM; LoTW after six months. See <https://www.hd8m.com/> for the band plan and other information.



H4 - Bernhard, DL2GAC will be back to the Solomon Islands for three months (10 February-8 May). He plans to be QRV again as H44MS from Malaita (OC-047) on a daily basis from mid-February through the end of April, with activity on 80-6 metres SSB and some FT8. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. He will upload his log to Club Log and LoTW when he returns home.

HR - Alex, K6VHF will be active again as K6VHF/HR9 from Roatan Island (NA-057) on 8-15 February. He will operate FT8, RTTY and some SSB and CW on 80-10 metres. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW, or via home call. [TNX The Daily DX]

HZ - Special event stations 7Z3FD, 8Z3FD and HZ3FD will be active on 5-22 February to celebrate Saudi Arabia's Founding Day (22 February). QSL via HZ1SAR; the logs will be uploaded to Club Log.

I - Promoting World Radio Day (13 February), the UN Global Service Center ARC (4U1GSC) in Brindisi will be active as 4U13FEB on 1-28 February. DXCC wise, it counts for Italy. QSL via 9A2AA, direct or bureau.

I - Celebrating World Radio Day, ARI Torino (IQ1TO) will set up a station at the RAI Radio and Television Museum, and be QRV as II1MRTV on 11-13 February between 8.30 and 17.30 UTC. QSL via eQSL.



I - Members of ARI Novara will be active as II1CAI from 15 February to 30 June. The special callsign memorializes the 100th anniversary of the local section of the glorious Club Alpino Italiano (the Italian Alpine Club, founded in 1863). QSL via IQ1NO.

J6 - Amateur radio operators from Saint Lucia (NA-108) are allowed to use the special prefix J644 on 19-25 February, in celebration of the 44th anniversary since their country gained full independence (22 February 1979). For instance, J69DS will be signing J644DS (QSL via EB7DX).

J7 - Laurent FM5BH as J79BH and Yuri VE3DZ as J74D will be active from Dominica (NA-101) on 20-26 February. QSL J79BH via Club Log's OQRS or direct to FM5BH; QSL J74D via Club Log's OQRS or VE3DZ.

J8 - Gert, PA2LO will be active as J8/AJ4YX from St. Vincent Island (NA-109) on 11-21 February. He will operate mainly SSB and FT8 (F/H) on 80-10 metres, with some CW activity during the ARRL DX CW Contest (18-19 February). He will also «spend some time» in the Dutch PACC Contest (11-12 February). QSL via Club Log's OQRS (preferred) and LoTW, or direct to PA2LO. See <https://www.pa2lo.com/j8> for more information.

J8 - Sandro VE7NY, Allan VE7SZ and Rob N7QT will be active as J8NY from the main island of St Vincent (NA-109) from 24 February to 7 March, including a M/2 entry in the ARRL DX SSB Contest. They will operate SSB, CW and FT8 on 160-10 metres. QSL via M0URX's OQRS and

LoTW; the log will be uploaded also to Club Log.

J8 - Thomas, F4HPX will be active holiday style as J8/AG7JQ from «several islands» within Saint Vincent and the Grenadines sometime on 7-14 March. He will operate mainly SSB, with some FT8/FT4 «when tired» and maybe «a bit of automated (sorry) CW» on 40-10 metres. QSL via F4HPX (direct or bureau), LoTW and eQSL.

KP4 - Members of the Radio Operadores Del Este will be active as KP3RE from Isla de Culebra (NA-249) on 17-19 February. QSL via EA5GL.

LU - Radio Club QRM Belgrano, LU4AAO will be active from 25 February to 5 March to commemorate its 55th anniversary. Look for activity on various bands and modes. A digital QSL and certificate will be available, see <https://www.qrz.com/db/LU4AAO> for the details. [TNX LU4AAO]



enna International Centre for the CQ DX Marathon. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, or via UA3DX.

OX - Look for OX3LX (QSL via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS, or direct to OZ0J),



again from Kangerlussuaq, Greenland (NA-018) on 14-21 February. During the ARRL DX CW Contest they will be signing OX7A (QSL via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS, or via OZ1ACB).

OZ - Special callsign OZ625E will be active on 14-28



February for the opening of the new Enigma Museum of Communications in Copenhagen. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, or via the bureau to OZ1ACB. A special award will be available for contacts made with OZ625E/xx

stations with different suffix extensions; further information on <https://www.qrz.com/db/OZ625E>. [TNX OZ2I]
PJ2 - Andy, DK5ON will be active again as PJ2/DK5ON from Curacao (SA-099) on 4-22 March. He will operate SSB, CW and digital modes on 160-6 metres. QSL via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS, or via DK5ON (direct or bureau). [TNX NG3K]

PJ4 - Scott, NE9U will be active as PJ4/NE9U (QSL via LoTW, or direct to home call) from Bonaire (SA-006) on 11-26 February. He will also be part of team PJ4A (QSL via LoTW, or K4BAI) during the ARRL DX CW Contest. [TNX NG3K]

PJ4 - Justin, N9TTK will be active as PJ4/N9TTK (QSL via LoTW) from Bonaire (SA-006) on 16-21 February. He expects to be QRV from the Washington Slagbaai Provincial Park, and to be one the PJ4A operators during the ARRL DX CW Contest (QSL via LoTW, or via K4BAI).

PJ7 - Gary, KC9EE will be active holiday style as PJ7EE

from Sint Maarten (NA-105) on 1-8 March. He will operate mainly CW QRP and possibly some FT8 and FT4 on 40-10 metres. He will upload his log to Club Log and LoTW. [TNX The Daily DX]

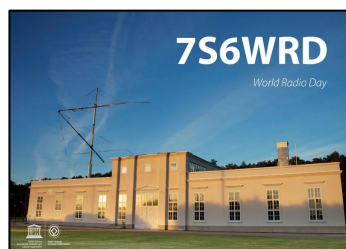
PJ7 - Tom, AA9A will be active again as PJ7AA from Sint Maarten (NA-105) from 3 March to 1 April. Usually he operates CW, SSB and FT8 on 80-10 metres. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW or direct to AA9A.

PY - ZX89L is the special callsign celebrating the 89th anniversary of LABRE (Liga de Amadores Brasileiros de Radio Emissao) on 1-15 February. QSL via LoTW. See <https://www.qrz.com/db/ZX89L> for more information.

PY - Renato, PY8WW has been active as PX8D from Mexiana Island (SA-042) since 18 February, and expects to remain there until 1 March. He is QRV on 40-6m CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL direct to home call.



SM - Once again the unique and still operational long wave transmitter, with call sign SAQ, at the Varberg Radio Station at Grimeton (southern Sweden) will be activated on 17.2 kHz CW



on 13 February in celebration of World Radio Day. The message transmission will take place at 15 UTC and the transmitter will be tuned up from around 12.30 UTC. Built in 1922-24, the Varberg Radio Station has been inscribed on the UNESCO World Heritage list since 2004. As for the amateur bands, Grimeton Radio Station SK6SAQ will be active as 7S6WRD on CW (3517.2, 7017.2 and 14017.2 kHz) and SSB (3755 and 7140 kHz) between 9 and 16 UTC. QSL via the bureau, or direct to Alexander GVV Radiostationen, Grimeton 72, SE-432 98 Grimeton, Sweden. See <https://alexander.n.se/en/> for more information.

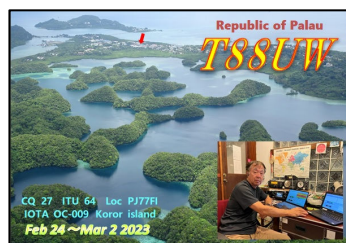
SP - The Polish Amateur Radio Union (PZK) sponsors a radio marathon to celebrate the 550th anniversary of the



birth of Nicolaus Copernicus (Mikolaj Kopernik, 19 February 1473), the Polish astronomer who formulated a model of the solar system centred on the Sun rather than Earth. Look for special event stations SN550K,

SN550O, SN550P, SN550E, SN550R, SN550N, SN550I, SP550K and SN550NC to be activated from 17 February to 5 March. A certificate will be available, see <https://550mk.pzk.org.pl> for complete information.

T30 - Norbert, DF6FK and Judith, DL2ZAD had planned to be travel to Banaba Island (OC-018) on 17 February, and be active as T33BB and T33BA, respectively, for 11-12 days. They had to cancel their operation, though, as «after daily visits to the government offices, they found no ship is going to T33 in the near future». They will remain in Tarawa (Western Kiribati) for a while, and be active as T30BB and T30BA. QSL via DF6FK, direct or bureau. [TNX The Daily DX]



T8 - Ichy, JH7IPR will be active again as T88UW from Koror (OC-009), Palau from 24 February to 2 March. He will operate mainly FT8, with CW and SSB if conditions

are good. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW or via home call (direct or bureau). Also look for JF6CHA to be active as T88CH during the same time frame.

TI - Nathan, N4YDU will participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest (18-19 February) as TI7W (QSL via M0URX's OQRS and LoTW) from Guanacaste, Costa Rica. Before the contest he will be QRV as TI5/N4YDU (QSL via LoTW, or direct to home call). [TNX NG3K]

V2 - Greg, N9GB will be active holiday style as V26DX from Antigua (NA-100) on 9-16 February. He will operate SSB, CW and maybe some FT8 on 40-6 metres. QSL via EB7DX and LoTW. [TNX The Daily DX]

V3 - Walt, W0CP as V31DJ (CW) and his wife Mary Kay K0ZV as V31DK (SSB and FT8) are active from Placencia, Belize until 11 March. They can operate on 160-10 metres. QSL V31DJ via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS, or via W0CP; QSL V31DK via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS, or via K0ZV. [TNX The Daily DX]



V3 - Paul, VE3AXT will be active as V31AX from Caye Caulker (NA-073), Belize from 11 February to 6 March. He will operate QRP on 20-6m. QSL via M0URX's OQRS.

V4 - Upcoming activities from St. Kitts (NA-104) include V4/K4KIU by Matt, K4KIU on 22 February-1 March (QSL via LoTW and Club Log), and V4/N4RF by Bob, N4RF on 19 March-1 April (QSL via LoTW, or direct to home call). [TNX The Daily DX]

VE - Members of the Newfoundland based Grassroots Amateur Radio Club (VO1GRC) will be active as VO1TAP from 18 February to 18 March. QSL via LoTW and eQSL. The callsign commemorates the anniversary of the USS *Truxtun* and USS *Pollux* naval disaster that occurred off the coast of Newfoundland on 18 February 1942.

VK - V1100MB is the special callsign for the Manly-Warringah Radio Society (VK2MB) to celebrate the 100th anniversary since its formation. Look for activity to start on 26 February until 25 February 2024. QSL via LoTW and eQSL.

VK0_ant - Allan, VK0AW will be based at Mawson Station, Antarctica for one year starting around mid-February. He is new to the amateur bands, and still inexperienced in pile-up technique. QSL via EB7DX and LoTW.

VK9N - Dom, VK2HJ will be active as VK2HJ/VK9 from Norfolk Island (OC-005) on 17-20 February. In his spare time he will operate SSB on 40-10 metres. QSL via EB7DX. [TNX The Daily DX]



VK9N - Chris VK3QB, Luke VK3HJ, Alan VK6CQ and Patrick VK2PN, along with guest operators Matt K0BBC and Tom VK3FTOM, will be active as VK9NT from Norfolk Island (OC-005) on 17-31 March. They will operate CW, SSB and FT8 on 160-10 metres and «some basic 6m» with up to three stations, and will participate in the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest as VJ9N. QSL via M0OXO's OQRS and LoTW. Tom, VK3FTOM has also got his personal callsign, VK9TOM, which he will use starting on or around 13 March for «some QRP operating» while on the island.

VP2V - Steve, AA7V will be active again as VP2V/AA7V from Tortola, British Virgin Islands (NA-023) on 16-20 February. He will operate CW only on 160-10 metres (probably 30, 17 and 12 metres excluded). QSL via LoTW, or direct to home call. [TNX The Daily DX]

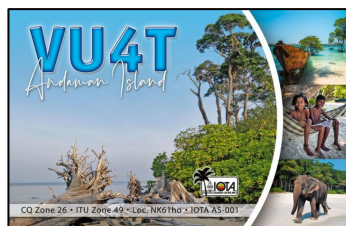
VP5 - Bill, AC0W and Pat, K0PC will operate CW as VP5/AC0W (QSL via LoTW, or via home call) and VP5/K0PC (QSL via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS, or via home call) from Providenciales (NA-002), Turks & Caicos Islands on 14-20 February. Main activity will be during the ARRL DX CW Contest using the call VP5K (QSL via LoTW,

Club Log's OQRS, or via K0PC).



QTH of Meralda, VP6MW. QSL direct to home call (no LoTW or eQSL).

VU4 - Gopan, VU3HPF (M0XUU) and Ram, VU2JXN will be active holiday style as VU4T from Port Blair, South Andaman Island (AS-001) on 2-5 March. They will operate mainly CW and maybe some SSB on 40-10 metres, running 200 watts into an elevated vertical near the beach. They will also be active on QO-100 (CW and SSB). No QSL via M0URX's OQRS and LoTW; the log will be uploaded also to Club Log and the QO-100 DX Club's website.



W - W7P is the callsign for the Northern Arizona DX Association to conduct a 10-year special event countdown to the 100th 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 11-20 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 for information.



XZ - Akio, JE2QIZ has been active again as XZ2B from Yangon, Myanmar since 5 February, length of stay unknown. He is permitted to operate on 21000-21030, 24890-24910, 28000-28030 and 50080-50100 kHz. He is affected by heavy QSB, and asks for «high speed CW call» so that he can copy your callsign on QSB peaks. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, or direct to JH3SIF.

YB - Jozef, ON6HX will be active as YB9/ON6HX from Lombok Island (OC-150) until 8 March. He expects to be QRV on 80-10 metres «all common modes supported, including CW». QSL via home call, LoTW, and eQSL.

YB - Look for Dave, YC5YC/7 and Arli, YC7UDD/p to be active from Teluk Harapan Beach on Maratua Island (OC-166) on 25-27 February. They will operate SSB, FT8 and RTTY «on all open bands», and will upload their logs to LoTW and Club Log. Also QRV are expected to be other ten operators (YB7UFO/p, YB7UK/p, YB7VAS/p, YB7VBD/p, YB7WKX/p, YB7YD/p, YC7UPZ/p, YC7USF/p, YC7VBA/p, YD7VHO/p), who will concentrate on BOTA (Beaches On The Air) operations.

ZD7 - Andy, DK7MG will operate CW as ZD7MG from St. Helena Island (AF-022) on 11-25 February. He also plans to be QRV as ZD7MG/p from at least one summit for the SOTA programme. «The most promising bands for DX should be 15m and 17m during daytime, and I will mainly use verticals», he says.

ZL7 - Volker, ZL1VV has been active again as ZL7/ZL1VV from the Chatham Islands (OC-038) since 23 February, and will remain there until 2 March. In his spare time he operates SSB on 20, 17, 15 and 10m. QSL via LoTW. [TNX The Daily DX]

3Y0J

- A four-men reconnaissance party spent four days and three nights on Bouvet Island under challenging conditions. After that, the team decided to reassess their plans and scale back operations.
- On 5 February eight operators plus Peter were able to go onshore («the landings were accomplished by holding onto a line attached to a buoy and floating 150 meters to the beach in our survival suits», LA7GIA says) with basic radio equipment and essential supplies to survive on the island for a few days.
- Activity started on 6 February at 16.20 UTC, and operations continued until the team decided to pull out before the arrival of a 60-knot storm. 3Y0J went QRT on 13 February at 18.51 UTC.
- Conditions on the island were extremely difficult and primitive. The team had just one tent, neither tables nor chairs, and limited heating.
- They had antenna capabilities on 12, 15, 17, 20 and 30 metres, and operated CW, SSB and FT8 with two radios running 100 watts to wire/vertical antennas: one station at night and two stations during the day, unless weather conditions dictated otherwise. «Pile-up was difficult as our signals were weak», LA7GIA says. «We had good reception and very often we called 3 to 5 times to log a QSO. We focused on fewer bands to maximize All Time New Ones».
- FT8 operation began on 8 February. 3Y0J used WSJT-X F/H mode, so they (the Fox) had to transmit on the even cycle (00/30), while the chaser (the Hound) had to transmit on the odd cycle (15/45). The team on the island, however, «did not have any device to sync against, and our clock were 14 seconds off - which meant we at some time were TX odd, while we thought it was even».
- Two of the Norwegian team members made a few QSOs with their own personal 3Y callsigns: LA7GIA as 3Y7GIA (QSL via home call and LoTW) on 10 February, and LA7THA as 3Y7THA (QSL via M00XO) on 11 February.
- The *Marama* set sail for Cape Town, South Africa on 16 February, and arrived on the 25th.
- The logs have been uploaded to M00XO's OQRS: <https://www.m00xo.com/oqrs/logsearch.php?dxcallsign=3y0j>, and few statistics are also available on Club Log (<https://clublog.org/charts/?c=3Y0J>).
- QSL via M00XO OQRS (preferred), or direct only to: Charles Wilmott, 60 Church Hill, Royston, Barnsley, S71 4NG, United Kingdom. The QSL Policy is detailed at <https://www.m00xo.com/3y0j-bouvet-2023/3y0j-bouvet-qsl-policy/>.
- Missing call checks for CW and SSB contacts should be reported to M00XO by using the «Not in Log» form on his OQRS. «No digital QSOs will be changed whatsoever, absolutely no exception. Thus there is no need to contact the QSL manager about this».



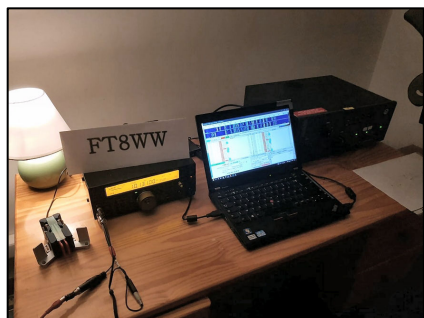
FT8WW

On 2 February Thierry reported that the French Polar Institute Paul-Emile Victor (IPEV) «does not object to the TAAF making an amendment so that I can resume traffic under the following conditions:

- Over four rolling weeks only the first three are authorized for traffic, the fourth is forbidden to me for "analysis of logs".
- I must provide the logs each week in a format "understandable" by their services.
- Traffic below 14 MHz is prohibited; it seems that 10 MHz disturbs the measurements, so exit 10 and 7.

The conditions that were in force remain valid, namely:

- Five hours per day prohibited to carry out the absolute measurement.
- Stopping of all broadcasts ten days before the departure of the boat for Reunion Island».



The permit extension was granted, and FT8WW resumed activity on 10 February. He will be QRV until 6 March, then he will have to cease operations for one week. Finally, he expects to resume activity again on 13 March for a few more days. He is required to QRT ten days before the *Marion Dufresne* arrives to take him and others off the island. Depending on sea conditions, the ship is expected to stopover at Possession Island on or around 26 March. As for the QSL cards, Paul, F6EXV does not want to receive requests by post, and urges



everybody to use exclusively Club Log's OQRS.

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ANTARCTIC ACTIVITY WEEK • The Worldwide Antarctic Program has announced that the 20th Antarctic Activity Week will be held on 19-26 February. The aim of this annual event is to promote worldwide interest in the Antarctic continent. Special callsigns (QSL via operator's instructions) are expected to be aired during this year's AAW from Algeria (7T22ANT), Austria (OE20AAW, OE88WAP, OE89ANT, OE90AAW), Bulgaria (LZ20ANT), France (TM20AAW), Italy (IB2WAP, II2YLPS, II3MNA, II2ANT, II5ANT, IR1ANT, IR2A), Netherlands (PA6ANT, PF88ANT), Poland (SP0ANT), Spain (EH3ANT), USA (K4C). Complete information on the AAW can be found on <http://www.waponline.it/>.

ARRL INTERNATIONAL DX CONTEST • Object of the contest is for W/VE amateurs to work as many stations in as many DXCC Entities as possible on 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, and 10 metres, while DX stations (also including KH6, KL7, CY9 and CY0) work as many W/VE amateurs in as many of the 48 contiguous states and provinces as possible (see <https://www.arrl.org/arrl-dx> for the rules). This year's event will be held on 18-19 February (CW) and 4-5 March (SSB). Give a look at the Announced Operations listings maintained by Bill, NG3K: <https://www.ng3k.com/Contest/>.

LIGHTHOUSE WEEKEND • The 15th American Lighthouses Weekend will be held on 17-19 February. Details, including a listing of participating stations, can be found on <https://www.grupodxb.com.ar/>.

QSL ET3SID • Bob, N200 has logs covering only the periods 13 February-2 June 2008, and 8-13 December 2011. QSL for these dates go to Bob Schenck, PO Box 345, Tuckerton NJ 08087, USA. Sid May, ET3SID passed away in 2012, and all other logs are missing.

TURKEY-SYRIA EARTHQUAKE • A 7.8 magnitude earthquake, followed by aftershocks and another 7.5 magnitude event, struck Turkey and Syria on 6 February, leading to a large loss of life and many casualties. The emergency communications group of TRAC is involved in the response activities, primarily expected to be on VHF/UHF as well as on 3777, 7092 and 28540 kHz. Please give way to any emergency traffic around those frequencies. Also in use for emergency traffic might be 1855, 18155, 14270, 21270 and 24955 kHz.



VOYAGE TO THE PACIFIC • George, AA7JV and Mike, KN4EEI will be operating as /mm from the power catamaran *Magnet* during a two-year journey across the Pacific. They will be mostly on 160-40m CW and on 30-10m FT8 and CW. Also, they plan to operate CW, FT8 and some SSB from a number of DXCC Entities.

Their first stops will be at the Marquesas Islands (OC-027) approximately on 18-30 March, followed by the Tuamotu Archipelago (OC-066, French Polynesia) and the Society Islands (OC-046 and OC-067, French Polynesia). In order to allow QSOs to be acceptable for DXCC credit, they will set up on various islands using the RIB landing craft and their Radio In a Box (RIB) stations.

In pioneering experiment sponsored by the Northern California DX Foundation, a remotely controlled station will be operated on 6 metres along the way from hundreds of very rare grid squares: «we intend to test out the

Starlink connections en route using the call KH7Z/mm in the afternoons when the vessel is in calm waters». All KH7Z/mm QSOs will be uploaded automatically to LOTW after the completion of each grid. The *Magnet* left Bahia Golfito, Costa Rica on 21 February. Grids will be posted to <https://www.qrz.com/db/KH7Z> as they are activated.



YOTA SUMMER CAMP 2023 • The Hungarian Radio Amateur Society (MRASZ) will host the 11th edition of the Youngsters on the Air Summer Camp in the city of Győr on 5-12 August. This event brings together young radio amateurs from IARU Region 1 member societies, as well as guest teams from Regions 2 and 3, creating an opportunity to learn all about different nationalities and cultures, foster international friendships and goodwill, and learn new amateur radio skills. Each IARU R1 member society is invited to take part with a team of maximum four persons. Applications must be submitted before 28 February: <https://www.ham-yota.com/yota-hungary-2023/>.

QSL ROUTES

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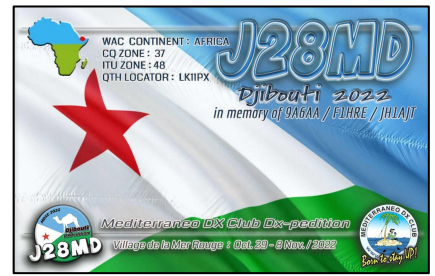
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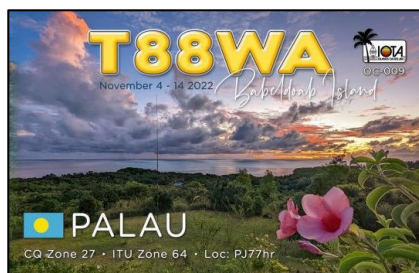
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