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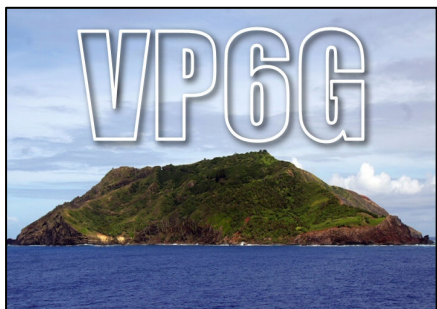
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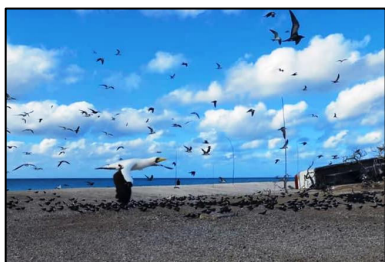
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DX INFORMATION



3D2_cr - 3D2AJT went QRT earlier than planned, on 17 April, as the Rebel DX Group is preparing a second operation from Conway Reef, which is expected to start soon under the callsign

3D2CCC. This will be a 2-man activity on 160-6 metres SSB (one station), CW (two stations) and FT8/FT4 (twelve stations). QSL via Club Log's OQRS. Bookmark <https://www.facebook.com/rebeldxgroup/> for updates.

5X - Jack, NP2OR has been active as 5X3L from Kayabwe («just a few steps from the equator line»), Uganda since 20 April, and will remain there until sometime in May. He will be QRV on 20, 10 and once in a while on 40 metres. QSL via LoTW, or direct via Club Log's OQRS. Updates will be posted to <https://hamradiosafari.blogspot.com/>.

9H - 9H6HE is the special callsign for the Malta Amateur Radio League (9H1MRL) to celebrate the swearing in of Dr. Myriam Spiteri Debono as Malta's 11th President. Look for activity from 15 April to 31 May, on 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres SSB, CW and digital modes. QSL via LoTW; paper QSL cards will not be available.

9X - Harold, DF2WO will be active again as 9X2AW from Rwanda on 2-17 May. He will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on the HF bands and 6 metres. QSL via M0OXO's OQRS. [TNX The Daily DX]

A5 - Janusz, SP9FIH and Leszek, SP6CIK will be active from Bhutan as A52P and A52CI, respectively, from 19 April to 4 May. They will operate SSB, CW and digital modes on 40-6 metres. Their QTH is located at about 3000 metres a.s.l., with a good short path opening to North America, Europe and Japan. QSLs via Club Log's OQRS. See <https://a5.dxpedititions.org> for more information.



A6 - In recognition of World Amateur Radio Day, the Emirates Amateur Radio Society will operate special callsign A60WARD (QSL via EA7FTR) between 15 and 24 April. Also expect activity by A60WARD/0, A60WARD/1, etc. (see <https://www.grz.com/db/A60WARD> for the QSL routes for the various suffix extensions)

CE0Y - Ben DL6FBL, Win DK9IP and Lutz DM6EE will be active as 3G0YA from Easter Island (SA-001) from 18 April to 6 May. They will operate SSB, FT8 and CW on 160-6 metres. On FT8 they will be using MSHV software («stay above 1000 Hz when calling/working us»). QSL via Club Log's OQRS (preferred), or via DJ4MX. Plans are to enable Club Log's Live



Stream feature. More information can be found on <https://www.grz.com/db/3G0YA>.

CN - To celebrate World Amateur Radio Day and the 99th anniversary of the founding of the IARU, special callsign CN99HR will be active on 13-21 April. QSL direct to CN8RAH.



CT - Special event stations CS2GPDx (continental Portugal), CR2GPDx (Azores) and CR3GPDx (Madeira) will be active on 1-31 May to celebrate the 30th anniversary of the Portuguese DX Group. QSL only via LoTW. A large number of

certificates and trophies will be available, see <https://www.grz.com/db/CS2GPDx> for detailed information. [TNX CT4NH]

EA - Celebrating the 75th anniversary of the Unión de Radioaficionados Españoles (URE), Spanish amateurs are allowed to replace their normal prefix from 1 to 31 May as follows: EA stations can use AO#75, EB stations can use AN#75, and EC stations can use AM#75, where "#" is the digit of their call area. For example,



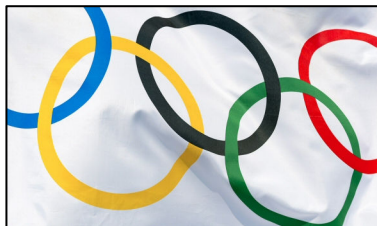
EA1FMJ will use AO175FMJ, EC5BUH will use AM575BUH, EB7KA will use AN775KA.

EA - Once again the Federación Digital EA will operate special callsigns AO1EU, AO2EU, AO3EU, AO4EU, AO5EU, AO6EU, AO7EU, AO8EU and AO9EU on 3-12 May to celebrate Europe Day, the anniversary of the Schuman Declaration (9 May 1950) that paved the way to the European Union. See <https://www.fediea.org/eudota/> for more information. QSL direct to EA3RKF.

F - Dominique, F5PTI will be active as TM500NA on 14-28 April to memorialize the 500th anniversary since the first European explorer, Giovanni da Verrazzano, visited nowadays New York City area and named it New Angouleme. QSL via F5PTI.

F - Special callsign TM83JO will be active for fifteen days between 16 April, when the Olympic flame is lit in Greece, and 26 July, when the flame ends its journey by lighting the Olympic cauldron at the Paris 2024 Opening Ceremony of. Look for activity on 80-6 metres SSB, CW and digital modes, as well as via QO-100. QSL via the bureau, LoTW, eQSL.

F - Special callsign TM13JO will be active on 8-15 May as the Paris 2024 Olympic Torch Relay passes through the



French Department of the Bouches-du-Rhône. QSL via F5SDD. Also active during the same time frame are expected to be TM83JO from the Department of Var (8- 12 May) and

TM04JO from the Department of Alpes-de-Haute-Provence. QSLs via operators' instructions.

They will be followed by a large number of other special callsigns, which in the following weeks will cover the progress of the Olympic Torch as it crosses other Departments and Territories until its arrival in Paris on 26 July. The Association des Radioamateurs Vauclusiens (F5KPO) organizes the «Olympic Torch Relay Challenge» for contacts made with those stations - see <https://www.grz.com/db/TM00JO> for the details, and <https://www.oly24.fr/awardform.html> for the certificates.

FO - Hiroyuki, JI1JKW will be active holiday style as FO/JI1JKW from Bora Bora (OC-067), French Polynesia on 26-30 April. He will operate SSB, CW and FT8 on 40, 20, 17, 15, 12, 10 and 6 metres. QSL via LoTW, or via home call. [TNX The Daily DX]

G - The Wessex DX Group will be active as GB0WED on 20-27 April for Earth Day, the global event held annually on 22 April to demonstrate support for environmental protection. QSL via eQSL.



G - Joining Guglielmo Marconi's 150th anniversary celebrations, the Cornish Radio Amateur Club (GX4CRC) will be active as GB150GM from 27 April until 27 July. QSL via eQSL. This activity participates in the «Marconi 150 Award», organized by the Associazione Radioamatori Italiani (ARI) and the Coordinamento Stazioni Marconiane Italiane (CSMI) under the patronage of the Guglielmo Marconi Foundation. See IR2GMCL below.

GM - A large group of Camb Hams will be active as GS3PYE from the Isle of Mull (EU-008) from 27 April to 3 May. Look for them on 80-10 metres and QO-100. QSL only via Club Log' OQRS. [TNX G3ZAY]

HB9 - Celebrating the 150th anniversary of the birth of Guglielmo Marconi, members of the USKA's Valais/Wallis Section will be active as HB150GM between April and December. QSL via the bureau to HB9Y.

HR - John, AD8J has been active holiday style as HR9/AD8J from Roatan Island (NA-057) since 6 April, and he will remain there until 28 April. He operates CW, FT4, FT8 and maybe SSB on 80-6 metres. QSL via LoTW, or direct to home call. [TNX The Daily DX]

HV - Members of ARI Civitavecchia, ARI Roma, ARI Perugia and ARI YOTA Italia will be active as HV9TVM on 27 April, from 6 to 12 UTC. They will operate CW and SSB on 40 and 20 metres, and via QO-100 (CW, SSB and FT8). QSL via LoTW, or via IK0PHU. Plans are for HV9TVM to become a permanent amateur radio station located in the building that housed the first broadcasting centre of Vatican Radio, built by Guglielmo Marconi and inaugurated in 1931 by Pope Pius XI. Since 1995, the building has housed Vatican Radio's Technical and Historical Museum.

I - Celebrating the 150th anniversary of the birth of Guglielmo Marconi, members of ARI Montegrappa (IQ3RP) will be active as II3GM from 15 April to 15 May. QSL via operator's instructions.

I - Claudio, IU6RVC and Marcello, IW6PLZ will be active as IL7/IU6RVC and IL7/IW6PLZ from San Domino Island (EU-050) on 19-21 April. QSLs direct to IU6RVC.

I - Celebrating the 150th anniversary of the birth of Guglielmo Marconi, special station II5OX will be active on 20 April (7-15 UTC) from the Ximenian Observatory in Florence. A radiotelegraphic station, which was visited by Marconi, was set up at the observatory as early as 1912. QSL via IW5DPF, direct or bureau.

I - Look for IY0CG, IY0GA (Sardinia), IY0IMD, IY0MMR, IY0ORP, IY0TC, IY1MR, IY1SM, IY1SP, IY1TO, IY4FGM, IY5PIS, IY6GM and IY7M to be active during the International Marconi Day (27 April). QSL via operators' instructions. These stations

are affiliated to the Coordinamento Stazioni Marconiane Italiane which gathers amateur radio stations operating from historic Marconi sites located in Italy (<http://csmi.altervista.org/wp/>).

I - Commemorating the 150th anniversary of the birth of Guglielmo Marconi, members of ARI's Board of Directors will be active as IR2GMCL between 28 April and 27 July during the «Marconi 150 Award». See <https://www.qrz.com/db/IR2GMCL> for the rules. Paper QSL cards will not be provided; electronic QSLs will be downloadable from the HamAward platform.

JA - Take, JI3DST will be active again from the Miyako Islands (AS-079) between 24 April and 26 June. Call-signs to be used are JS6RRR, JS6RRR/6, JI3DST/6, JJ5RBH/6 and JR8YLY/6 on SSB and CW, as well as JS6RRR/p, JI3DST/p, JJ5RBH/p and JR8YLY/p on FT8/FT4. QSOs will be made available for Club Log and LoTW Matching on the IOTA website.

JA - Look for Mitsu, JE1HXZ/6 to be active from Yonaguni Island (AS-024) from 26 April to 5 May. He will operate CW, SSB, RTTY and FT8/FT4 on 160-6 metres. QSL via LoTW (preferred) or direct to home call; bureau cards can be requested by email (details on qrz.com).

Similarly active from the same island will be Sam, 7K1EAS, who will be QRV as JR6/7K1EAS from 30 April to 2 May. He will operate FT8 and FT4 on 15, 12 and 10 metres. QSL via Club Log's OQRS.

JD1_oga - Kou, JP1IHD will be active again as JD1BQP from Chichijima (AS-031) Ogasawara from 22 April to 3 May. He plans to operate SSB on 15-6 metres. QSL via the bureau to JD1BQP, or direct to JP1IHD; he will upload his log to LoTW and Club Log.

Also look for Harry, JG7PSJ to be active again as JD1BMH from the same island from 22 April to 4 May. He will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 40-10 metres. QSL via JD1BMH (bureau), or direct to JG7PSJ. Logsearch on <http://jq7psi.starfree.jp/jd1bmh/>. He does not use LoTW or PayPal

JW - Kaare, LA8EKA will be active as JW8EKA from the Svalbard Amatørradioklubb in Longyearbyen (EU-026) on 18-21 April. He will operate SSB and digital modes (FT8, PSK31, RTTY) on 80-10m. QSL direct to home call.

JW - Knut, LA9DSA and Helge, LB4MI will be active as JW9DSA (SSB) and JW/LB4MI (CW) from Svalbard between 29 April and 5 May. They plan to go portable for SOTA and possibly also POTA activations along with Bjørnarn, JW5WUA. QSLs via LoTW, paper cards will not be available.

KH0 - Look for KH0/JA6REX, KH0/W6HZH home call JH6HZH) and WH0B (home call JA6VQA) to be active from Saipan (OC-086), Mariana Islands on 25-30 April. They will operate FT8/FT4 with some CW and SSB on 160-6 metres. Cards for KH0/W6HZH and KH0/JA6REX will not be available, but they will upload their logs to LoTW, Club Log and eQSL; QSL WH0B via LoTW, eQSL or direct to JA6VQA. [TNX JA6VQA]

KH9 - Tom, NL7RR will be back to Wake Island (OC-053) from 15 April to 15 May. Look for NL7RR/KH9 to be QRV



daily at about 7 UTC on or around 14200 kHz. QSL via LoTW, or direct to home call; QSOs will also be uploaded to Club Log. [TNX The Daily DX]



OE - In celebration of the 150th anniversary of the birth of Guglielmo Marconi (25 April 1874), Enrico, OE7AFT (IZ4AFL) will be active as OE150GM on 19-28 April. He will operate CW only. QSL via LoTW, or direct to OE7AFT («neither SASE nor USD/EUR required»).

OE - Sylvia, OE5YYN and others will be active as OE20SOTA between 1 May and 31 October to mark the 20th anniversary since Austria joined the Summits on the Air programme. A certificate will be available, see <https://www.grz.com/db/OE20SOTA>.

OJ0 - Bjorn LA1UW, Tor LA3WAA, Kristoffer LB0VG, and Stian LB5SH will be active from Market Reef (EU-053) from 27 April to 4 May. OJ0T will be their main call-sign, but they will also use OJ0/homecall from time to time. They will Operate SSB, CW and FT8 on 160-6 metres



with up to four stations. QSLs via EA5GL and LoTW. See <https://oj0.no/> for more information.



OK - Sixteen special event stations, representing the teams competing in the 87th Ice Hockey World Championship to be held in the Czech Republic (10-26 May), will be active from 27 April to 26 May:

OL87DL, OL87F, OL87G, OL87HB, OL87LA, OL87OE, OL87OH, OL87OK, OL87OM, OL87OZ, OL87SM, OL87SP, OL87UN, OL87VE, OL87W and OL87YL. Look for activity on 160-10 metres SSB, CW and digital modes. QSL via LoTW and eQSL; paper QSLs will not be issued, but 3 certificates will be available: see <https://ol87whc.cz/> for information.

ON - OT2024EPIC is the special call-sign for the Antwerp Port Contest Club (ON8APC) to promote the seventh edition of the Antwerp Port Epic cycling race. Look for activity between 19 April and 19 May (the actual day the race will be held on).

ON - Members of Club Radio Durnal (ON4CRD) will be active as OR9OAL on 1-31 May. The special call-sign marks 90 years since the death of Albert I, King of the Belgians, who died in a mountaineering accident at the age of 58. QSL via the bureau.

OX - Bo, OZ1DJJ will be active again as OX3LX from Greenland between 26 April and 9 May. In his spare time he will operate FT8, RTTY and CW from Kangerlussuaq (grid GP60), Nuuk (grid GP44) and Paamiut (grid GP51). QSL via OZ0J; QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW and Club Log.



OZ - A team of seven Belgian operators (ON1BN, ON4AWT, ON6EF, ON6VJ, ON7TA, ON7VM and ON9DJ) will be active as 5P5LI from Lolland Island (EU-029) from 29 April to 6 May. They will operate SSB, CW and digital modes on 160-6 metres. QSL via ON6EF, direct or bureau.

OZ - Dieter, DF2SD will be active as OV9R from Fano Island (EU-125) on 13-14 April for the IG-RY WW RTTY Contest. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, Club Log's OQRS. See <https://www.ig-ry.de/ig-ry-ww-contest> for the rules

PJ4 - "TJ", PE1OJR will be active again as PJ4TB from Bonaire (SA-006) on 13-28 April. He will operate SSB, FT8 and FT4 on 40-6 metres. QSL via LoTW. [TNX NG3K]

SP - Marking the 25th anniversary since Poland joined the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, special call-sign HF25NATO will be active from 1 May to 31 August. A certificate will be available for download on <https://hf25nato.spaward.pl> QSL via LoTW, or via Club Log's OQRS (only 100 «limited edition QSL cards» will be distributed on a first-come, first-served basis)

SV - Celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Second Hellenic Republic, several operators will be active as SX100D on 13-21 April. Look for activity on 160-2 metres SSB, CW and digital modes. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, Club Log's OQRS, or direct to SV2GWY. A certificate will be available for download on <https://sv2rck.gr/SX100D/>.

T8 - Nobu, JA0JHQ will be active again as T88PB from Koror (OC-009), Palau on 12-15 April, with main activity during the CW leg of the Japan International DX Contest (from 7 UTC on 13 April to 13 UTC on 14 April, <http://jidx.org/>). QSL via LoTW (preferred), or direct to JA0JHQ.

TT8 - Six operators of the Italian DXpedition Team (Franco I1FQH, Alfeo I1HJT, Tony I2PJA, Silvano I2YSB, Angelo IK2CKR and Stefano IK2HKT) will be active as



TT8RR (SSB, CW and RTTY), TT8XX (FT8) and TT8TT (call-sign for QSOs via QO-100) from Chad on 17-30 April. They will run four stations on 80-6 metres, plus one station dedicated to satellite. Operations will start on

FT8 (F/H at first, and normal mode on standard frequencies when the pileup decreases), other modes will follow. The hottest period of the year approaches (temperatures expected to reach 43 degrees Celsius in the shade) and the team has already taken measures by procuring an additional backup power generator, as the on-site generator will not be able to run 24/7. QSL via I2YSB. See <http://www.i2ysb.com/idx/> for more information, band plan and OQRS for direct cards included.

UA - A very large number of Russian stations using special prefix RP79 (where the letter P stands for "pobeda", i.e. "victory") will be active on 1-9 May to celebrate the 79th anniversary of the end of World War II. More information, including the list of participating stations and their QSL routes, is expected to be available on <https://pobeda.srr.ru/> in due course.

V6 - Kevin, N4DVR will be active as V6DVR from Chuuk (OC-011), Micronesia on 12-20 April. He will operate SSB on 20-10 metres. QSL via LoTW, eQSL and QRZ. [TNX The Daily DX]

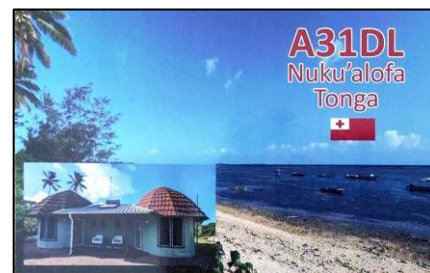
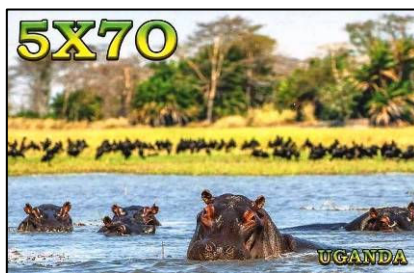
VE - Andy, VE1ANF will be active as VE1ANF/p from Bells Island (NA-081) on 19-21 April. He will operate mainly CW, possibly with some SSB and FT8, on 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10 metres. QSL via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS, or direct to home call. [TNX The Daily DX]

VE - Radio Amateurs of Canada is once again holding a "Get on the Air on World Amateur Radio Day" special event in which it encourages as many amateurs as possible to contact as many RAC stations as possible. Operating across Canada from 00.00 UTC to 23.59 UTC on 18 April, the RAC official stations will be VA2RAC, VA3RAC, VE1RAC, VE4RAC, VE5RAC, VE6RAC, VE7RAC, VE8RAC, VE9RAC, VO1RAC, VO2RAC, VY0RAC, VY1RAC and VY2RAC. QSL via LoTW or via the bureau. Those contact-

ing one or more RAC stations, on any band and mode, will be eligible for a certificate: <https://www.rac.ca/certificates/>.

XE - Special event station 6E0RM will be active on 17-26 May during the 10th edition of the Rally Maya Mexico. Activity is expected to take place on 40-6 metres from Merida (17-18 May, grids EL50, EL51, EL40), Campeche (19 May, grid EK49), Uxmal (20-21 May, grid EL50), Valladolid (22-23 May, grid EL50), and Cancun (24-26 May, grid EL61). QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW and Club Log.

YB - Special callsigns 8A145RA, 8A145KAR, 8A145TI and 8A145NI will be active on 20-22 April commemorating the 145th anniversary since the birth of Raden Adjeng Kartini (1879-1904). Look for activity on the five classic bands SSB. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, Club Log's OQRS, or via N200. See <https://award.orari.or.id/> for the certificates that will be available. R.A. Kartini was an activist who advocated for women's rights and female education;



in 1964 she was awarded the title of National Hero of Indonesia.

YJ - Chris, VK2YUS will be active again as YJ0CA from Port Vila (OC-035) Vanuatu between 27 April and 9 May. He will operate SSB on 40-10m, mainly between 21 UTC and 10 UTC. QSL direct to home call. He does not use LoTW or Club Log.

[TNX NG3K]

YU - Organised radio amateurism in Serbia began with the founding of the Society of Friends of Radio-Telegraphy and Radio-Telephony on 15 July 1924 in Belgrade. Celebrating 100 years of Amateur Radio in the region, the Amateur Radio Union of Serbia (YU1SRS) will be active as YT100R and YU100R from 1 April to 1 December. A certificate will be available: <https://www.radiosport.yu1srs.org.rs/>.

ZC4 - Dave, G4WXJ will be active holiday style as ZC4RH from the UK Sovereign Base Areas on Cyprus from 28 April to 9 May. He will operate FT8, FT4, SSB and CW on 40-6 metres. QSL via LoTW, or via DK6SP. [TNX The Daily DX]

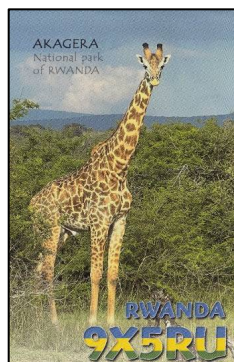
GOOD TO KNOW



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3Y0K: BOUVET ISLAND 2025 • «Donations have been temporarily suspended. Unfortunately, the financial risk for the small team is too high and we will spend the next few weeks in April to assess the situation and decide what to do. We will explore all possible options and will return with more information once we have reached a conclusion. We will not collect donations in this period».

4A5D • Pedro, EA5GL reports that all of the 4A5D QSOs have been uploaded to Club Log. (1,153 QSOs logged between 03:07 UTC on 30 March and 05:55 UTC on 31 March). The operation took place from Puerto Balleto on Maria Madre, the largest of the Islas Marias (NA-244). If you cannot find your contact, send Pedro an email (ea5gl@hotmail.com). QSL via Club Log's OQRS, or via EA5GL.



CASS AWARDS • The Cass Awards honour the wisdom and spirit of Cass WA6AUD (SK), and encourage DXpeditions to maximize the number of DXers worked with a Plaque for the single-operator DXpedition that works the most unique callsigns during a 2-week interval, and a Plaque for the "unlimited" DXpedition that works the most unique callsigns during a 4-week interval, with no limit on the number of operators of the activity.

Dmitry "Dima" Zhikharev, RA9USU has won the 2023 Single-Operator Cass Award by working 13,784 unique callsigns (a new record) during his **7073T** operation from Socotra Island in Yemen.

The 9X5RU team (Slav Rodin OK8AU, Nick Tolkunov R5EC, Vasily Pinchuk R7AL, Mike Alekseev RU3UR, Leo Berezhnoy RW9JZ and Victor Filimonov UA3QLC) worked 40,959 unique callsigns from Rwanda, setting a new record to win the 2023 Unlimited Cass Award.



Sponsored by Club Log, the Northern California DX Club and DXLab, the Cass Awards are presented annually and issued in March for DXpeditions during the preceding year. See <http://www.cassaward.com/> for complete information.

CQ DX MARATHON • The CQ DX Marathon is a year-long DX hunt, with participants competing to see who can work the greatest number of countries ("entities") and CQ zones during the calendar year. Complete results of the 2023 edition are on <https://dxmarathon.com/results/2023/>.

CQMM DX CONTEST • The CQ MM DX Contest, organized by the Juiz de Fora CW Group, will be held on 20-21 April. It will run from 9 UTC on Saturday through 23.59 UTC on Sunday, on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres CW. Complete details, including the results of the 2023 edition, can be found at <https://www.cqmmcx.com/>



INDEXA NEWSLETTER • The Spring 2024 issue (#141) of the International DX Association's Newsletter is now available for download on the INDEXA website (<https://indexa.org/newsletters.html>). Highlights include *Embracing and Adapting Technology for DXpeditions* by Otis Vicens (NP4G), a tribute to the late Bob Allphin (K4UEE), trip reports of the T2C (Tuvalu, October 2023) and TX7L (Marquesas, November 2023) DXpeditions.



INTERNATIONAL MARCONI DAY • Organized by the Cornish Radio Amateur Club, the International Marconi Day (IMD) is a 24-hour amateur radio event held annually to celebrate the birth of Guglielmo Marconi (25 April 1874). It is not a contest, but an opportunity for amateurs around the world to make contacts with historic Marconi sites using HF communications techniques. This year's event will be held on 27 April, from 00.00 UTC to 23.59 UTC. Details, including information on the Award Certificates and the listing of participating stations, can be found at <https://gx4crc.com/>.



IOTA-60 DINNER IN FRIEDRICHSHAFEN • «To celebrate 60 years since the founding of the IOTA programme, an anniversary dinner will be organized on Friday, 28 June 2024, between 19:00 and 23:00, at the V20 Bio Restaurant in the Zeppelin Museum, Friedrichshafen. The event offers an opportunity for chasers and activators to share time together, chatting about topics of common interest, such as past and future expeditions, technology trends, and goals». Tickets should be purchased in advance, by no later than 31 May (there will be no on-site availability to join the dinner and/or pay for it). See <https://www.iota-world.org/management-news.html> for more information and detailed instructions.



N5J: JARVIS ISLAND 2024 • «It is 84 days to our departure for Jarvis Island from American Samoa», AA7JV posted to the DXpedition's website on 7 April. «We are busy building and testing equipment. In addition to the RIBs, a lot of our gear is built by us, specifically designed for remote operation where reliability is key».

The **station configuration** has been finalized. There will be six RIB stations on the island. Four stations are set up to be remotely operated via Starlink and the Internet by an experienced team of 24 operators from 8 countries, while two stations will be operated locally (from the boat) by AA7JV, HA7RY, N1DG, KN4EEI and the newly added team member Adrian, KO8SCA.

IOTA & POTA: «Jarvis is one of the rarest of the IOTA counters, having been off the air for 34 years. It is needed by 82% of IOTA program participants. Because of the requirements set by the permit of the USFWS, while the stations, antennas and power are all set up on Jarvis Island, the local operators must conduct the DXpedition from the MV *Magnet* which will still be in the Jarvis Island National Wildlife Refuge, just offshore. Both the IOTA and POTA programs have agreed to recognize QSOs made by the local operators, but will not allow QSOs made by internet remote operators to count. Therefore **QSOs made by AA7JV, HA7RY, N1DG, KO8SCA and KN4EEI will count for IOTA OC-081 and POTA K-0115**. Daily uploads by the N5J team to Club Log will identify the operators. Additionally, at the beginning of each operator shift the team will endeavor to post on the cluster the callsign of the operator so chasers have some real time notice. At this time, all phone operations are expected to be by the at island team as well, giving that mode 100% IOTA/POTA certainty. Website: <https://jarvisisland2024.com/>; Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1359664908071770/>.



NCDXF DXCELLENCE AWARD • Created in April 2021, the Northern California DX Foundation's DXcellence Award is awarded to «the outstanding DXpedition of the last twelve month, which received funding from NCDXF. The award is intended to recognize excellence in a DXpedition, exemplified by practices, ethics, management, transparency, impact upon the DXing community, and lastly exhibited fun! The winner of the award is determined by the NCDXF Board of Directors. The board considers several factors, including performance, complexity of the DXpedition, and impact on Club Log's most wanted ranking. Especially important are activities associated with humanitarian efforts and education».

This year's DXcellence Award has been conferred on **TX5S**, the January 2024 DXpedition to Clipperton. The award was presented to K5GS during the 75th International DX Convention.

The NCDXF looks forward to other DXpeditions this year that will qualify for the next award in 2025. The mission of the Northern California DX Foundation is to provide necessary financial support for well-organized DXpeditions to desirable DXCC Entities and to support advances in DXpeditioning skills, technology, and infrastructure: <https://www.ncdxf.org/>.



NCDXF NEWSLETTER • The Spring 2024 issue of the Northern California DX Foundation's Newsletter is now available for download on the NCDXF website: <http://www.ncdxf.org/pages/newsletter.html>. Highlights include *Clipperton Island, TX5S* by Gene Spinelli, K5GS; *Trindade and Martim Vaz Islands, PR0T* by Stephano Silva, PT2IC; *DXpedition to 702WX Socotra Island, Yemen 2024* by Vladimir Zencak, OK2WX; *W8S. An International DXpedition to Swains Island* by Adrian Ciuperca, KO8SCA; *Tristan da Cunha, ZD9W* by Yuris Petersons, YL2GM;

Marquesas Islands, TX7L by Didier Cadot, F6BCW, and John Trummer, F5VHQ

RIOPOL • This is the new callsign for Oleg, RD1A, who was previously QRV as RI41POL and RI0SP. He is participating in the North Pole-41 expedition to the Arctic onboard the *North Pole*, a large self-propelled drifting research vessel replacing the drifting ice stations built on ice floes. QSL via RN3RQ.

SWODXA DX DINNER • The 39th 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 at the University of Dayton. The keynote speaker will be Dave Anderson, K4SV, veteran of many DXpeditions. The "DXpedition of the Year" and the inductees into the CQ DX Hall of Fame will be announced during the event; <https://swodxaevents.org> for the tickets and the list of DX Dinner prizes. [TNX AJ8B]

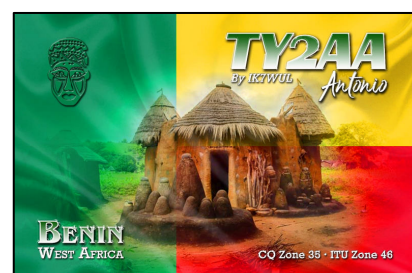


WORLD AMATEUR RADIO DAY 2024 • Every 18 April, radio amateurs worldwide take to the airwaves in celebration of World Amateur Radio Day. It was on this day in 1925 that the International Amateur Radio Union was formed in Paris. IARU has announced that the theme for this year's World Amateur Radio Day will be «A Century of Connections: Celebrating 100 years of Amateur Radio Innovation, Community, and Advocacy». Announced special callsigns participating in WARD 2024 include stations from Bahrain (A91WARD), Belgium (OP24WARD and OR24WARD), Croatia (9A24WARD), Cuba (T47R), Czech Republic (OL1WARD), Denmark (5P0WARD), France (TM99WARD), Germany (DA24WARD), Greece (SZ0WARD), Iceland (TF3WARD), Kuwait (9K9WARD), Morocco (CN99HR), Netherlands (PA24WARD), North Macedonia (Z30WARD), Oman (A43WARD), Romania (YO1ZMR), Saudi Arabia (HZ1WARD), Spain (AO5WARD, EG5DMR, EG5WRD and EG7DMR), Switzerland (HB9WARD), Turkey (TC3WRD), UAE (A60WARD).

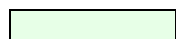
WORLDWIDE HOLYLAND DX CONTEST (WWHC) • The traditional Holyland Contest has become the Worldwide Holyland DX Contest since 2023. Any station anywhere can work any other station for points; contacts with 4X/4Z stations will attract more points. The contest will take place on 19-20 April, from 21.00 UTC on Friday until 20.59 UTC on Saturday (24 hours). See <https://iarc.org/iarc/#HolylandContest> for the rules and the results of last year's event. [TNX 4Z4KX]



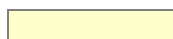
WRTC 2026: TENT SPONSORSHIP PROGRAMME • Details have been announced of the opportunity to sponsor a tent at WRTC 2026 in the UK: «we have 50 teams and therefore 50 tents are available. Of the 50 total tents, 42 of these are by QA (Qualification Area), 4 for Youth, 1 for the returning Champions, 2 Sponsored and 1 Wildcard». Tent Sponsorship applications will be open at 00:00Z on 27 April. See <https://www.wrtc2026.org/>.



QSL ROUTES



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CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER
4A5D	EA5GL	CQ75URE	EA4URE	OM7M	OM4MM
4L2M	EA7FTR	CQ7X	CT1ILT	P49Y	AE6Y
5K4X	HK4RCA	CR6T	CT1ESV	PF00T	PA2TMS
5P5K	DL7AOS	CS230ARR	CT1ARR	PJ2T	KU9C
5Z4PA	M0URX	D4C	IK2NCJ	R165B	RK1B
7Q7CT	EA7FTR	DU1KG	EA5GL	S570CST	S59CST
7X2GK	IK2DUW	DU6/PE1NSQ	EA5GL	SK100FRK	SK4AO
8S0C	SM0MPV	E28AM/p	E21LLR	SK100KTH	SK0BU
9G5AR	N4GNR	ED3T	N4GNR	SO9I	SQ9ORQ
9J2REK	EA5GL	ED8M	EA7FTR	SP73VOT	SP5U FK
9K2JJ	EA5GL	EP2LMA	EA5GL	SP80ZUM	SP3PDO
9K2NO	EC6DX	FK8HA	K3IRV	SU1SK	N2OO

CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER
9K9A	EC6DX	FM4LV	KU9C	SZ5RDS	SV5AZP
A44A	EC6DX	H44MS	DL2GAC	T47C	IK2DUW
A60WAAD	EA7FTR	HB90G	HB9AOF	TF3W	TF3MH
AO75AN	EA4URE	HG3N	HA3LN	TG9ADQ	VE7BV
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AO75CM	EA4URE	HI3LT	EB7DX	TM3P	F4IVV
AO75CT	EA4URE	II2AUT	IQ2UL	TM4Y	F6KOP
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AO75EU	EA4URE	II4CLM	IZ3WNH	TO1Q	F1ULQ
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AO75PA	EA4URE	KP2B	EB7DX	VP6G	M0OXO
AO75URE	EA4URE	LX7I	LX2A	VQ5P	N2OO
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C37N	C37URA	ME5W	M0HMJ	XL3T	VE3AT
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CB7H	XQ1KN	OE2024EM	OE4HLF	YJ0VK	M0OXO
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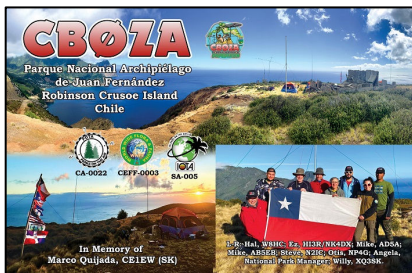
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5H3PV	EA5GL	EN185UPP	UR4UWY	TM200CF	F4DTO
5P0WARD	OZ1ACB	HP1XV	EA5XV	TM500NA	F5PTI
6D2SOL	XE2M	II3AAV	IQ3VI	TM800MAH	PA3EER
6Y5HN	EA5GL	II3CHI	IQ3RW	TM80TSF	F8GGZ
7Z1VD	EA5GL	LY20EU	LY2QT	TT8RR	I2YSB
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A2NEW	EA7FTR	PB75NAVO	PI4RS	V51WH	DK2WH
A43WARD	EC6DX	R165ASP	RV1AQ	VK5FIL	M0OXO
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A8OK	OK6DJ	R2014NC	RQ7L	VP8YLJ	G2YL
A91WARD	EC6DX	R90KEDR	RA3LBA	VP9NR	K1EFI
AO5WARD	EA5URV	R95FSI	RA8CP	XV9NI	JR1UFN
AP2HA	JA1WIO	RI0POL	RN3RQ	XV9Q	N4GNR
AT24JOS	VU2JOS	RI1ANE	RN3RQ	XW0LP	M0OXO
C21TS	M0OXO	SN20UE	SP6ZJP	YR20RRO	YO5KUC
CB40E	XQ1FM	SN40RVG	SP2UUU	ZS6/PB5X	PA1AW



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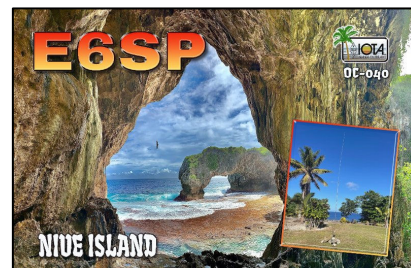
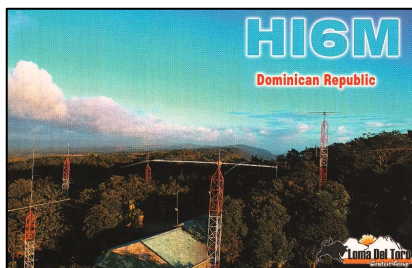
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