9M8 - Mirek, VK6DXI (9M8DX) has been active as 9M8DX/2 from Kuala Lumpur, West Malaysia during a business trip. He is now going to Kuching, East Malaysia (arriving on 13 August in the local late evening and departing in the local early morning of the 17th), where he will operate as 9M8DX, including a "relaxed participation" in the WAE DX CW Contest. QSL via SP5UAF. [TNX VK6DXI]

CE - Ismael, CE1TUW and several other operators others will be active as CE1Z from the lighthouse at Punta Tetas (ARLHS CHI-075) for the International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend (21-22 August). They will operate SSB and digital modes on 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres. QSL via CE1WNR. [TNX CE1TUW]

CX - The Radio Club Uruguayo will operate as CW1A from the lighthouse at Punta Brava (ARLHS URU-012) on 20-22 August. There will be at least two stations active on 80-10 metres CW, SSB and digital modes, plus another station for the VHF and UHF bands. QSL direct only to Radio Club Uruguayo, P.O. Box 37, 11000 Montevideo, Uruguay. [TNX CX3AL]

CX - The Centro de Radioaficionados de Rocha (CX1TA) will be active as CW0T from the lighthouse at Cape Santa Maria during the International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend. QSL via EA5KB. [TNX CX2TG]

F - F8AHQ and F6IFC will be cruising in the Morbihan (Bretagne) waters between 12 and 22 August. They plan to visit and operate from a few islands (especially Groix and Belle-Ile) in the EU-048 IOTA group, as well as from Ile Longue (not IOTA) and Ile aux moines (not IOTA). If the weather is fine, they might also go and operate from the Glenan islands (EU-094). Look for them on around 7070 and 12230 kHz. QSL via home calls. [TNX F6IFC]

F - Commemorating the 400th anniversary of the death of King Henry IV the Great, the Radio Club of Pau will be active as TM400H during the weekends between 13 August and 26 September. QSL via F6KDU, direct or bureau. Further information can be found at qrz.com [TNX F5NBK]

FK/C - Michel, FK8IK is part of a scientific expedition to the Chesterfield Islands (OC-176) and will be there until 19 August. He operates CW only as FK8IK/C during his spare time, on 80-10 metres using 100 watts and dipoles. QSL via FK8IK. [TNX NG3K]

GU - Bob, M0MCV will be active as MUOMCV from Guernsey (EU-114) on 16-21 August. He will operate holiday style on the HF and VHF bands SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX M0MCV]

HA - Members of the HA8KWO club station will operate SSB and CW as HG8SDS (QSL via HA8PH) and HG8WFF (QSL via HA8MT) from the historic site of Veszto-Magor in the Koros-Maros National Park on
14-21 August. [TNX HA0HW]

I - Francesco, IV3TMM will be active as IG9/IV3TMM from Lampedusa (AF-019) on 14-19 August.

LA - The Jaeren Amateur Radio Club (LA1J) will be active from Obrestad Lighthouse on 16-22 August. They will run five fully equipped stations on all bands and modes. QSL via LA1J, direct or bureau. Further information can be found at www.la1j.no/lh/ [TNX LA8OM]

OH - OH1BOI, OH1PEQ and OH1JJO will be active as OH1AV/2 from Vormo Island (EU-097) on 20-22 August. QSL via OH1BOI. [TNX rsgbiofa.org]

OZ - Look for OZ0FR/p to be active (SSB and CW) from Samso Island (EU-172) on 14-20 August and from National Park Mols Bjerge on 21-27 August. QSL via DL2VFR. [TNX DL2VFR]

PJ4 - A multi-national team of 15-20 operators is being formed to be active from Bonaire on 10-24 October "in anticipation of the new DXCC status on 10 October 2010". The current list of operators includes DJ8NK, DL9USA, K6AM, NOV, PA3GVI, PA8A, PA8F, PE2KY, PE2MC, PG4M, PJ4GT, PJ4LS, PJ4NX, W0LSD, W4PA and WP3UX. They plan to be QRV on 160-10 metres SSB, CW and digital modes from six locations around the island. "Due to the time of year, 6 meters will not likely produce much activity", they say, "but it will be a consideration". The group has been granted use of Radio Netherlands relay station's "impressive aerial park, which provides up to 21 dBi gain, during their dead hours", i.e. between 12.30 and 18.30 UTC on a daily basis. They expect to utilize this opportunity on 30, 20, 15 and 17 metres. All of the QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau through the services of Global QSL. Further information, updates and log search will be published on the expedition's website (www.bonaire2010.com). [TNX NOV]

SM - Kjell, SM4DDS will operate CW and SSB as 7S5A from Boko Island (EU-177) until 15 August. QSL via SM4DDS. [TNX SM4DDS]

SV - Celebrating their club's Silver Jubilee, all of the members of the Radio Amateur Association of West Greece (RAAWG) are allowed to use the special prefix SX25 until 27 October. Information on the relevant award can be found at qrz.com under SX25A. [TNX SV1DPI]

TA - TA2RX will be active as TC3LHW from Karaburun Sarpincik Lighthouse (ARLHS TUR-073) on 15 August. Look for him to operate mainly on 20 and 40 metres. QSL via TA1HZ. [TNX TA1HZ]

UA - Look for RA1ALA/1, RA1ALK/1 and RX1AW/1 to be active from Russkiy Kuzov Island (EU-147) on 16-28 August. QSL via home calls. [TNX The Daily DX]

VE - Len, VE9MY and Linda, VE9GLF will be active from IOTA group NA-027 on 20-29 August, with side trips to NA-198 depending on weather and boat transportation. They will operate holiday style mainly on 20 metres, with 100 watts and a vertical. QSL via home calls. [TNX islandchaser.com]

XX9 - Vincent, F4BKV will be active as XX9TKV from Coloane island (AS-075), Macao on 13-14 August. He will be running 100 watts into a vertical antenna, with a focus on 30 and 17 metres digital modes. QSL via F4BKV, direct or bureau, and LoTW. An Online QSL Request System for bureau cards can be found at www.f4bkv.net [TNX DX World]

Z2 - Herbert, Z21HB will be active again as Z21LS from Harare, Zimbabwe on 13-19 August. He will have no antennas for the low bands. QSL
via DE1ZHB (bureau) or direct to Herbert Baumann, Jadawel International, P.O. Box 61539, Riyadh 11575, Saudi Arabia (if still waiting for a direct card from him, please drop Herbert.Baurmann[@]gmx.net a line). [TNX DX Newsletter]

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425 DX NEWS MAGAZINE ---> The latest issue (July 2010) is now available at www.425dxn.org/monthly/index.html. Articles and pictures should be sent to Nicola Baldresca, I23EBA (iz3eba[@]iz3eba.it)

DXCC NEWS ---> 9UXEV (Burundi, 2010 operation) has been approved for DXCC credit. If you had this QSO rejected in a recent submission, please send a note to dxcc@arrl.org. Please check either your LoTW account or the live online daily DXCC listing, when credits are updated they will appear at these locations. [TNX NC1L]

E2E ---> On 7 August 2010 the Thailand licensing authority approved the use of the call sign E2E for all HF bands and all modes. "This is a real and legitimate call", HS0ZCW says, "sought for contests and DXing in representing Thailand on an equal basis like other 1x1 callsigns of other nations". The callsign has been issued to the Radio Amateur Society of Thailand's club station in Bangkok, whose main callsign remains HS0AC.

ILLW ---> The 12th annual International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend, organized and managed by the Ayr Amateur Radio Group, will take place from 00.01 UTC on 21 August until 23.59 UTC on the 22nd. Complete information on this popular event can be found at illw.net. The list of participating stations (nearly 390 so far) is at http://illw.net/

QSL B4R/5 ---> Please note that the QSL route for the recent B4R/5 activity from IOTA group AS-138 is via BA4TB (not BY4RSA, which is the ordinary route for contacts made with B4R). [TNX BA4TB]

QSL VIA VE1AL ---> "I am ashamed to admit that I have found a box of QSLs that I thought had been sent via the bureau many years ago", Al, VE1AL says. "The cards are for QSOs with CY9DXX, CY0DXX, VE1AL and VF1L, plus a few for other callsigns I have used. I am integrating my 2010 QSLs for VE1AL with these cards and they should be in the mail to the bureau within the next few weeks. Well over 1000 QSLs are involved and I regret that many will probably be returned due to various reasons". All of Al's computerized logs have been uploaded to LoTW, "but that does not include the CY9 or CY0DXX logs".

ZS8M ---> Pierre, ZS8M is off the air from marion Island until 19 August, while the supply ship is being unloaded. A new website, including pictures, news and log search, can be found at www.iz8epy.it/html/zs8m.html
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