4W - 4W6A is the callsign to be used from Atauro Island (OC-232), Timor-Leste on 16-26 September [425DXN 1032]. Steve 9M6DXX, John 9M6XRO, Tim M0URX, Ant M80JZE, Oliver VK8DX and Stuart VK8NSB will operate SSB, CW and RTTY on 10-160 metres with four stations. This is not specifically an IOTA DXpedition, rather it is a DXCC DXpedition that happens to be from a rare IOTA group and the team will try "to give amateurs around the world a new DXCC band-mode counter on as many bands as possible". QSL via M0URX, direct or bureau. The entire log will be uploaded to LoTW "at the earliest opportunity". The group is requesting donations from DX clubs and individuals who wish to help, in order to cover the high cost of generator hire, fuel for the generators and the boat charter to and from the island. Further information, including QSLling instructions, can be found at www.4w6a.com [TNX 9M6DXX]

5V - DL3MBG, DL5MEV, DL5MGH and DL9MBI will be active as 5V7CC from Togo from mid-April until the 28th. They will operate SSB, CW, RTTY on 160-10 metres and EME. QSL via DL9MBI, bureau preferred.

9A - Alessandro IZ4AMS (9A8AMS), Sergio IZ4BBF, Gus IK4RQJ and Luca IK3AES will be active from the island of Sveti Nikola (EU-110) on 7-15 May. Look for 9A/IK4RQJ, 9A/IZ4BBF and 9A/IK3AES to operate CW, SSB an digital modes on 40-10 metres, while 9A8AMS will concentrate on 160, 80 and 6 metres. QSL via home calls. [TNX IZ4BBF]

9L - The 9L5MS team will be QRV later than planned, "hopefully during the weekend of April 2nd." Custom clearance of the container carrying antennas, food, water and generators is not expected before 4 April. For the time being, they will use "a minimal antenna farm" consisting of three fiberglass verticals for 40-10 metres. As soon as the other gear arrives, they "will concentrate on the low bands, using beams and receiving arrays". Bookmark www.sierraleone2011.com for updates.

CE - Cezar, VE3LYC and Dino, CE3PG are in the planning stages of an operation from Pupuya Island (SA-095). The activity could take place during the second half of November for four days. Further information is expected in due course. [TNX DX World]

CT7 - A group of operators from Portugal, Germany and Switzerland will participate in the IOTA Contest (30-31 July) as CR6W from Insua Island (EU-150). QSL via CS1GDX. Some operators will stay on the island a few more days after the contest. [TNX CT4NH]

DL - DB5BZ, DJ4FO, DJ4RU, DL1BGC, DL2VFR and DL4BBH will be active as DF0WFF from Langeness Island (EU-042) on 8-10 April. They will operate CW and SSB on the HF, VHF and UHF bands. QSL via DL2VFR, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

F - Twelve operators from France and Belgium will be active as TM1G
from the Glenan Islands (EU-094) from 27 July to 3 August, IOTA Contest included. Their main QTH will be St Nicolas Island (DIFM AT-010); side trips to the islands of Bananec (AT-064), Cigogne (AT-061) and Penfret (AT-059) are planned after the contest weekend. QSL via ON6DP.

**FM** - Oliver, F6ARC will be active as FM/F6ARC from Martinique (NA-107) on 6-21 April. He will operate holiday style, using mainly CW. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX NG3K]

**FO** - Yves, F6CTL will be active as FO/F6CTL in June-July as follows:
- 18-22 June Ua Pou Marquesas Isls OC-027
- 22-26 June Ua Huka Marquesas Isls OC-027
- 27-29 June Raitea French Polynesia OC-067
- 30 June-3 July Bora Bora French Polynesia OC-067
- 3-7 July Rangiroa French Polynesia OC-066
- 7-10 July Tahiti French Polynesia OC-046
- 11-14 July Rimatara Austral Isls OC-050

He will be running 100 watts into a vertical or a dipole, and will operate holiday style mainly SSB and digital modes. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX F6AJA and Les Nouvelles DX]

**FR** - Olivier, F4FLF will be active holiday style as TO2Z from Reunion Island (AF-016) on 9-22 April. He plans to operate SSB, PSK and RTTY during his evenings. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

**HI** - Marcello, IK8DNJ will be active as HI7/IK8DNJ from the Dominican Republic from 30 April to 13 May. He will operate holiday style on 10, 12, 15, 17, 20 and 40 metres SSB and digital modes. QSL via IZ8LKL. [TNX IK8DNJ]

**I** - Special station II1ECO will be active during the weekends between 2 April and 15 May for the "Ecolimpiadi" sports event (www.ecolimpiadi.it) to be held in Casale Monferrato (Alessandria). QSL via IZ1KIM, direct or bureau. [TNX TK1WNQ]

**JD1_oga** - Mokoto JI5RPT (JD1BLY), Harry JG7PSJ (JD1BMH) and Masa JE4SMQ (JD1BMT) will be active from Chichijima (AS-031), Ogasawara between 30 April and 13 May as follows:
- JD1BMT 30 April-4 May
- JD1BLY 30 April-7 May
- JD1BMH 4 May-13 May

They will be QRV on 160-6 metres CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via home calls. Logsearches to be found on their personal websites:
- JD1BLY: [http://www.ji5rpt.com/jd1/](http://www.ji5rpt.com/jd1/)
- JD1BMH: [http://sapphire.es.tohoku.ac.jp/jd1bmh/](http://sapphire.es.tohoku.ac.jp/jd1bmh/)

**JW** - Morten, LA9DFA will be active as JW9DFA from Spitsbergen (EU-026) on 14-19 September. He will be QRV on the HF bands and possibly 6m using mainly CW, with some RTTY and SSB. He will participate in the Scandinavian Activity Contest CW (17-18 September) as JW3C. QSL both calls via LA9DFA, direct or bureau, and LoTW. [TNX LA9DFA]

**LA** - Bjorn, LA5UKA and Trond, LA9VDA will be active as LA6Q from IOTA group EU-079 on 8-11 April. They will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 80-10 metres. QSL via LA9VDA. [TNX LA9VDA]

**LA, SM** - A group of five Dutch operators will be active as either LG5LG and SJ9WL from Morokulien, the station on the border between Sweden and Norway (www.sj9wl-1g5lg.com), on 10-16 April Activity will be
on 160-6 metres CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL for both callsigns via LA4EKA, direct or bureau. [TNX DX World]

**P2**  - Tim, KD5SSF will spend a couple of years in Ukarumpa, Papua New Guinea, and will be active as P29ZL. He will operate PSK31 and SSB in his evenings and during the weekends, using 100 watts and inverted V antennas for 10, 15, 20, and 40 metres. [TNX DX World]

**TA**  - Memorial station TC2J will be active on 7-10 April to honour S. Fazyl Turkan, TA2J (1950-2006), an outstanding member of the Turkish amateur radio community who passed away five years ago. He was "keen CW operator", TA1HZ says, and "an elmer who enjoyed sharing his knowledge and experience with others". QSL via YM7KK, direct or bureau. Information on the relevant free of charge award can be found on qrz.com under TC2J.

**XV**  - Mal, VK6LC will be active from Vietnam in April. He will operate holiday style on 20 metres CW and SSB as XV2LC from Ho Chi Minh City on 10-15 April and as XV4LC from the Mekong delta on 20-25 April. QSL via VK6LC. [TNX DX World]

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TOP LISTS ---> The latest Topband, Topmode and Toplist listings are now available at www.425dxn.org/awards/toplist/index.html. QSOs confirmed through LoTW or included in on-line logs are eligible for listing. Send your scores, as well as any request for further information, to Erminio Pandocchi, I2EOW (i2eow[@]fastwebnet.it)

DIE CONTEST ---> The 13th DIE Contest will be held from 6 to 12 UTC on 19 June (80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres SSB). There are a few changes in the rules. Islands, lighthouses and EA prefixes will count as multipliers; premium QSO points will be given for working them as well as for contacting special event DIE stations. Contest rules can be found at www.diplomadie.net [TNX EA5KB]

VK7DI ---> Hazardous sea conditions in the Bass Strait caused the VK7DI team heading for Deal Island (OC-195) [425DXN 1038] to reverse. The operation has been postponed to October, further information is expected in due course.

VP8DMH ---> Mike, VP8DMH was QRV from the British Antarctic Survey's King Edward Point Base, close to the old whaling village of Grytviken, South Georgia, on 23 March. This was a stop-off en route from Rothera to Port Stanley, Falkland Islands, at the end of Mike's posting to Rothera. QSL via G0VGS. [TNX 5B4AHJ]

**ON-LINE LOG SEARCHES**

5M2TT  http://www.i2ysb.com

9N7AN  http://logsearch.de/index.php/logsearch

S2IYZ  http://www.s21yx.com/log.php
Recently reported Silent Keys include Robert Williams (G4LVQ/EA7FGS), Wah How "Howie" Lee (KH6CD), Yury G. Sinitso (UA1RJ), Krishnappa Ramaswamy (VU2BRK) and Michael R. Koss (W9SU), the owner of Industrial Communication Engineers (ICE), who passed away on 28 March at 57 years of age.


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