3D2 – Akira, JA1NLX will be active as 3D2YA from Yanqeta Island (OC-156), Fiji on 15-21 March. He plans to operate mainly CW, possibly with some RTTY and SSB, on 80-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, and LoTW. Further information can be found at [http://ja1nlx-aki.blogspot.com](http://ja1nlx-aki.blogspot.com) [TNX NG3K]

8P – Look for 8P9VX (K3VX), 8P9WH (W3WH) and 8P9CS (K9CS) to be active from Barbados (NA-021) on 14-22 February. They will participate in the ARRL CW DX Contest as 8P5Y (Multi-Single). QSL all via K9CS. [TNX K9CS]

8Q – Berti, HB9SLO will be active holiday style as 8Q7LO from the Maldives (AS-013) from 27 December to 2 January. QSL via home call. [TNX DX World]

CT9 – Mathieu, MJ0ASP will be active as CT9/MJ0ASP from Madeira (AF-014) from 28 December to 7 January. He will operate CW on 40-10 metres. QSL via home call and LoTW. [TNX DX World]

CY0 – Ron, AA4VK and Murray, WA4DAN will be active as homecall/CY0 from Sable Island (NA-063) from 29 December to 6 January [425DXN 1069]. They plan to be QRV on all bands with two stations. QSL for both callsigns via WA4DAN (direct); bureau cards via each operator's home call. Updates, suggested frequencies and OQRS can be found at www.cy0dxpedition.com

DL – Jan-Henrik, DG8HJ will be active as DG8HJ/p from Fehmarn Island (EU-128) on 1-8 January. QSL via home call, bureau or direct. [TNX rg5biota.org]

EA_ssh – Adrian, EA1CYK is active in his spare time as EA1CYK/p from Antarctic base "Gabriel de Castilla" on Deception Island, South Shetlands (AN-010) until March 2012. He might also visit and be active from the base "Juan Carlos I" on Livingston Island (South Shetlands). QSL via EA7LS. [TNX DX World]

I – The Extreme DX & Contest Group will use special callsign II3CV between 25 January and 25 February to celebrate the Carnival of Venice. QSL via IK3HHX, direct or bureau, and LoTW. Complete information on the relevant award can be found at www.extremegroup.org [TNX IZ3EBA]

JD1_oga – Koji, JI1LET will be active as JI1LET/JD1 from Chichi-jima (AS-031), Ogasawara from 24 December to 1 January. He plans to operate SSB, CW and RTTY on 40-10 metres. QSL via home call.
JW - LA2XNA (JW2XNA) and LA8HGA (JW8HGA) will be active from Spitsbergen (EU-026), Svalbard on 16-20 March. They will operate SSB and PSK31 (JW2XNA) and CW (JW8HGA) on 160-10 metres, with an emphasis on the higher bands. QSL via home calls, direct to bureau, and LoTW. [TNX LA8HGA]

PA - Look for Marcel, PD5MVH/p to be active from Vlieland Island (EU-038) until 6 January. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

PA - ON5TC, ON5TQ, ON6QO and ON8VP will be active as PA/homecall from Schouwen-Duiveland (EU-146) on 26-29 December. They will operate mainly CW on 40, 30 and 20 metres. QSL via home calls, bureau preferred. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

PJ7 - Wojciech, SP9PT and other five Polish operators will be active as PJ7PT from Sint Maarten (NA-105) on 5-18 March. They will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 160-6 metres. QSL via SP9PT. A website is under construction at www.pj7pt.com [TNX SP9PT]

T8 - Starting on 23 December, look for T88KI (QSL via JL3TOG), T88XC (QSL via JA0FKK) and T8CW (QSL via JH0IJE) to be active from Palau until 6, 7 and 8 January respectively. They plan to operate CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK31 and JT65A on 160-6 metres. [TNX The Daily DX]

VP9 - Kei, KG2A (JJ1RJR) will be active as VP9/KG2A from Bermuda (NA-005) from 26 December to 1 January. He will operate SSB and CW on the HF bands. QSL direct to KG2A. [TNX NG3K]

W - Rick, K6VVA will be active as K6VVA/7 from Vashon Island (NA-065, www.k6vva.com/ iota/na065) on 1-3 January. He will operate mainly CW on 40-10 metres. QSL only via N6AWD, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

YS - A large team of operators from Germany, Czech Republic and El Salvador will be active as HU2DX from 29 January to 10 February. They plan to be QRV on 160-10 metres all modes running four stations simultaneously, with a focus on the low bands and digital modes. QSL via DH7WW, direct or bureau. Further information can be found at www.hu2dx.de

IOTA 50TH ANNIVERSARY MARATHON ---> The 50th Anniversary Marathon starts on 1 January 2012 [425DXN 1042]. For a two-year period (from 00.00 UTC 1 January 2012 until 23.59 UTC 31 December 2013), IOTA chasers are encouraged to contact as many different IOTA groups as possible, and IOTA activators to play their part by operating from as many groups as possible, with special emphasis on the less-frequently activated ones. As participants will need the island name, not just the IOTA reference number, for the island station worked, those who post spots on the clusters are encouraged to include the island name in their postings where there is more than one IOTA group possibility. Full details of the Marathon are available on www.rsgbiota.org.

NOT THE MANAGER ---> Al, VE1AL has received two cards for contacts made
with 3V8S during the CQ WW DX CW Contest 2009. "I am not and never have been the QSL manager for this operation", Al says, and adds: "also, I still receive cards for ZK2DD and VA1S. I have the logs for the ZK2DD operation for only July 1979. If the call was re-issued, I cannot help. The VA1S logs are no longer available. I won't return the QSLs to the senders because of new, onerous, charges by RAC for membership and use of its outgoing bureau".

ON5NT ---> Ghis reports that as of 20 December his new mailing address is: Ghis Penny, P.O.Box 6, 9700 Oudenaarde, Belgium (mail sent to his old POB 93 will be forwarded). The operations Ghis is the QSL manager for are listed on qrz.com

+ SILENT KEYS + Recently reported Silent Keys include Walter Schreuer (K1YZW), Pat Parrish (K4YR), Michael W. Smith (N8GUZ), Aleksandr V. Rybak (UT0UA), Larry Amodeo (W2AX) and Zoran Levkov (Z30V).

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3B8FQ, 3D2R, 3DA0GF, 3XY1D, 4K9W, 4LIMA, 4W6A, 4Z5LA, 5B4AJC, 5C2J, 5TOJL, 5W1SA, 6L2BJ, 6O0M, 7Q7GM, 721HL, 8P3A, 8Q7CC, 8Q7SO, 8R1AK, 9G5SG, 9H1BT, 9H1XT, 9J2RI, 9K2HN, 9M2CLN, A52IR, AP2NK, AP2TN, C4N, C6ATA, CP8/DF7NX, D2QR, D9A (AS-026), DU2/JJ5GMJ, E72U, E77A, EA9/G3TXF, EA9EU, EK3GM, EK6TA, EL8RI, ER3MM, ER3ZZ, EW8OG, EX8DX, FY8MM, FK8GK, FP/M0BLF, FR/DJ7RJ, FR4NT, GJ7DNI, HB0/I2ESV, HJLIUA, HL5BLF, HQ9R, HR9/WQ7R, HS0ZBS, HS7AT/P (AS-101), HV50VR, HZ1FI, HZ1MD/p (AS-193), J28AA, J28RO, J69MV, J79KT, J792G, JD1BMH, JP6YME/6 (AS-023), JT1CS, JVS5A, JW3TR, JY4CI, JY5HX, JY62Z, JY7P, K4M, K8HH/C6A, KC4AAC, KC4USV, KH4/W5FJG, LT1F, LY2OU, NH0S, NH0S/KH2, OD5/DL6SN, OD5NJ, OJ0UR, OX4OK, OY/PA2AM, OY1OF, P40W, PJ4/JH5GHM, PJ7/W4BWU, PJ7NK, PJ7X, PJ7XK, PQ8P, PQ8XB, RA2FF, RI1FJA, STOR, SU9VB, SV2ASP/A, SV5BYR, T32TV, T6RH, TI8II, TJ3AY, TJ3IC, TK5MH, TK5UX, TLOA, TO72Z, TU2T, T29A, UA0BA, UA0SR, UA0YAY, UA9CUA, UK8OAR, UN7BEW, V212G, V26K, V31QS, V47KP, V51GB, V63KZ, V85TL, V12MI (OC-223), VK0TH, VK7K (OC-233), VK8DX, VK9CX, VP2MXF, VP5CW, VP8LP, VP8ORK, VP9/AA4V, VP9/K2XX, VP9HE, VP9KF, VY0V, XU7ACQ, XU7ACY, XV1X, XV2YL, YB0AKM, YF1AR, YJOABP, YJOHA, YK9A, YL2BJ, Z36T, ZA1E, ZA1G, ZB2B, ZD7VC, ZD7XF, ZD8Z, ZL8X.

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