3B8 - Alex, IW5ELA (http://honeymoonafrica2012.jimdo.com/) will be active as 3B8/IW5ELA from Mauritius (AF-049) on 5-12 September. He will operate holiday style mainly CW on 20, 17, 15 and 12 metres. QSL direct to home call; email requests for bureau card should be sent to iw5ela[@]gmail.com.

5R - Moise, F4EZG will be active as 5R8VE from Nosy Alanana (Ile aux Prunes, AF-090) on 1-3 September. He plans to be QRV on 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres SSB. QSL via F4EZG. [TNX F6AJA and Les Nouvelles DX]

5T - SP2EBG, SP3CYY, SP3FXY, SP3GEM, SP6EQZ and SP6IXF, with the special participation of Jean 5T0JL, will be active as 5T0SP from Mauritania from 24 November to 10 December. They will be QRV on 160-10 metres CW, SSB, RTTY. A band/mode survey can be found on the expedition's website (http://5t0sp.dxing.pl/) [TNX NG3K]

9M2 - Rich, PA0RRS will be active once again as 9M2MRS from Penang Island (AS-015) from 30 October until 26 December. He will operate CW, RTTY and PSK (plus SSB on request). QSL via home call, direct or bureau, as well as LoTW and eQSL. [TNX PA0RRS]

CU - An invited international group of 18 operators together with 11 resident amateurs will be active from the nine populated islands of the Azores during an "activity weekend" from 12 UTC 29 September to 12 UTC on the 30th (but the stations will be active starting on 28 September, as soon as they become operational). Look for CU1ARM (Santa Maria, EU-003), CU2ARA (Sao Miguel, EU-003), CU3URA (Terceira, EU-175), CU4ARG (Graciosa, EU-175), CU5AM (Sao Jorge, EU-175), CU6GRP (Pico, EU-175), CU7CRA (Faial, EU-175), CU8ARF (Flores, EU-089) and CU9AC (Corvo, EU-089) on CW (7000-7015, 18080-18090, 14050-14065 kHz) and SSB (7175-7195, 14250-14275 kHz).

Those making a QSO with at least 5 different islands will have a corresponding number of tickets placed into a lottery for a free trip to the Azores. Additionally, the first 25 operators making QSOs with all 9 islands will be eligible for a second lottery. The lottery will be drawn on 15 October (further information on www.dxsummit.fi). During or immediately after the weekend, the logs will be posted to Club Log. All QSOs will be confirmed through the bureau with special full-color cards. Direct QSL requests should go to CU2CE. [TNX ON5NT]

CY0 - WA4DAN and AA4VK have received all of the needed approvals to be active as WA4DAN/CY0 and AA4VK/CY0 from Sable Island (NA-063) on 8-17 October. Their operating permit includes several new restrictions on antennas, to minimize the environmental impact on the protected bird population. Details of their operating plans will be posted to www.cy0dxpedition.com

F - Look for Marc, F6HQP/p to be active from Yeu Island (EU-064) on
19-21 August. QSL via bureau. [TNX F6AJA and Les Nouvelles DX]

FO - Didier, F6BCW will be active from French Polynesia between 2 October and 8 November. On 2-6 October he will be on Tahiti (OC-046), with little to no activity expected. Then he will visit IOTA group OC-067 and operate CW only with 100 watts and dipoles from Huahine (6-15 October, 40-10m), Raiatea (15-19 October, on 30, 20 and 17m), Tahaa (19-22 October, on 40, 30, 20 and 17m), Maupiti (22-26 October, on 30, 20 and 17m) and again Huahine (27 October-8 November, 40-10m). If he does not get the special callsign he has applied for, he will operate as FO/F6BCW. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX F5NQL]

GD - Members of the Dundee Amateur Radio Club will be active as GT4AAF/p from the Isle of Man (EU-116) on 18-25 August. QSL is via bureau or direct to GM0BKC. [TNX rsgridota.org]

HL - The Gwangju DX Club will be active as D7G from Kogum Island (AS-060) on 17-19 August. Look for activity on 80-6 metres SSB, CW and RTTY. QSL via HL4CEL.

I - IBOE will be active from Ventotene Island (EU-045) on 25-31 August. Plans are to operate SSB and digital modes on 80-10 metres, hopefully with two stations. QSL via operator's instructions.

I - Celebrating the 30th anniversary of the adoption of the MB339 aircraft by the National Aerobatic Patrol (the Tricolour Arrows aerobatic team of the Italian Air Force), special callsign II3PAN will be in use on 1-20 September. QSL via IV3IUM, direct or bureau. Information on the relevant award can be found at www.ariudine.it/freccetricolori_30_PAN/segreteria.html

JA - Take, JI3DST will be active as JI3DST/JI1 from Shikine Island (AS-008) on 12-16 September. He will operate CW, SSB, FM, RTTY and PSK31 on 40-10 metres, and will take part in the Scandinavian Activity Contest (15-16 September) as JI3DST/1. QSL via home call, bureau preferred. [TNX JI3DST]

KH0 - Mike, JA6EGL and Yu, JE6DND will be active as KK6WW/KH0 and KHOR from Saipan (OC-086) on 6-9 September. They will operate CW and SSB on 30-10 metres. QSL via home calls, direct only. [TNX JN6RZM]

KL - Look for KL7/KJ4OAP, KL7/W2NAF and KL7/K8GU to be active from Adak Island (NA-039) from 23 August to 12 September. They plan to be QRV in their spare time on 40-6 metres mainly CW and digital modes. QSL via home calls and LoTW. [TNX The Daily DX]

LX - Anne, OH2YL will be active as LX/OH2YL from Luxembourg on 24-31 August. She will operate CW on 80-10 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX NG3K]

SM - Jorgen, SM3CXS will operate CW and SSB as SG3U from Grimskar Island (EU-176) on 23-26 August. QSL direct or bureau, and LoTW. [TNX SM3CXS]

SV - The White Tower DX Team will operate as J48SV from Samothraki Island (EU-174) on 24-27 August. QSL via SV2FPU, LoTW and eQSL.

T6 - Ilian, LZ1CNN (ex YI9LZ) will be active as T6LG from Afghanistan from September 2012 to February 2013. He plans to be QRV on all bands SSB and CW. QSL via LZ1ZF, direct or bureau, and LoTW. Instructions for direct QSLineg on qrz.com under T6LG.

VK9X - Pekka, OH2YY will be active on 40-10 metres as VK9XM from Christmas Island (OC-002) on 6-12 October. QSL via home call,
direct or bureau. [TNX OH2YY]

W - Look for W1S to be active from the lighthouse on Seguin Island (NA-137) during the ILLW (18-19 August). QSL direct to AK4KP. [TNX VA3RJ]

W - The Fort Myers Amateur Radio Club (W4LX) will participate in the ILLW from the Boca Grande lighthouse on Gasparilla Island (NA-069). [TNX VA3RJ]

XE - Manuel, XE2HUQ and other operators will be active as XF1F from San Francisco Island (NA-124) on 7-13 October. They plan to be QRV on 160-10 metres SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via XE2HUQ.

YO - A group of Romanian operators will be active as YP1S from Sacalinu Mare Island (EU-183) on 23-29 August. QSL via YO9FNP. [TNX DX World]

YV - Members of the Grupo DX Caracas will be active as YW5B from Isla La Blanquilla (SA-037) on 22-27 August. They plan to be QRV on all bands and modes. QSL via DM4TI.

ZA - Look for ZA/OK1DX (QSL via home call), ZA/OK1FCJ (QSL via OK1DRQ) and ZA/OK6DJ (QSL via via home call, LoTW and eQSL) to be active on all bands from Albania from 27 September to 3 October, including participation in the CQ WW RTTY Contest as ZA/OL8R (QSL via OK1DRQ). [TNX NG3K]

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HEARD ISLAND 2014 ---> Updates of the team and the Project Description (version 4.3) are now available at www.heardisland.org. "You will see in the Project Description that we have developed a wide-ranging scientific program, including radio operations (the DXpedition), real-time communications, mountain science, biological science, atmospheric science, astronomical science, documentation, and educational outreach. We are proposing that the AAD collaborate on some of the research. We are interested in establishing a collaboration with any person or group that can fit into the research program (or extend it). The next NEWS update will be on 15 September. The next round of team members will be announced on 15 October, but if you are interested in joining the team (on the island or offsite), we invite you to contact us anytime."

PT0S & 6 METRES ---> The PT0S team will be making a special effort to put St. Peter and St. Paul Rocks on 6 metres during its 12-24 November operation. "We have experienced 50MHz operators", they say, "and will be taking high performance gear to effectively exploit openings. We'll operate on SSB and CW and an additional effort will be made for 6m EME, during the time when the moon is at the horizon". Please visit http://pt0s.com/ for further information.

QSL HK0NA ---> As of 8 August, all traditional direct requests received through 31 July (with appropriate return funds) and all OQRS direct requests received through 5 August have been processed and mailed – a grand
total of 74,190 QSOs. "The QSL process has been temporarily 'paused' while we give all of our special QSL processors and handlers some time off", N2OO says. "We will re-start direct QSLing in early September, then start on the OQRS bureau requests soon after". The logs were uploaded to LoTW on 10 August, but some QSOs are missing. N2OO is aware of the problem and is working on this with ARRL.

QSL VU7M ---> The new address where to send direct cards for the current DXpedition to Minicoy Island (AS-106), Lakshadweepes [425DXN 1109] is: 9026 Phillip Dorsey Way, Columbia MD 21045, USA. This is just a mail drop, as the actual QSL cards will be mailed from India. Include a self addressed label (SAE non required) and at least two US dollars.

QSL YV7/UA9YAB & YV5/UA9YAB ---> The QSL cards for the late UA9YAB's operations from IOTA groups SA-012 (YV7/UA9YAB) and SA-035 (YV5/UA9YAB) will be handled by UA9YPS. QSL direct only to Aleksandr Y. Shishkin, ul. Kalinina 18-18, Rubtsovsk, Altajskij kr., 658213, Russia.

+ SILENT KEY + Aleksandr A. Vedernikov, UA9YAB (aka XU7AEQ and JT0YAB) died unexpectedly on 9 August during his vacation in Venezuela (YV7/UA9YAB and YV5/UA9YAB) [425DXN 1099]. He was only 50 years old, and leaves behind his wife Nataliya and two children. DX World.net has now set aside a dedicated page (http://dx-world.net/ua9yab-family/) for donations to be sent to help offset the high costs for returning Alex's body home.

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3B8CF, 3C0E, 3C6A, 3G7C (SA-018), 4S7AB, 4S7BRG, 5B8AD, 600CW, 6V7Z, 6Y5WJ, 9G5TT, 9J2KC, 9K2HN, 9L0W (AF-037), 9Y4HQ, A35CT, A52JY, A5A, C21XF, C07EH, C08LY, C08ZJ, C7XCO, D1POL, E51M, ER5A, ES3AX, ES9C, EY7AD, EZ2BP, F6ATS/6W, FG5LA, FJ/W6JKV, FK8CE, FWOAR, GR100MGY, H44UD, HC2/KF6ZWD, HH4/W3CMP, HK0NA, HK1MW, HP1AVS, HV0A, J52HF, JD1BLY, JT1CO, JX5O, KH8/N9YU, KP4RV, KP4VP, N5K, NH02, OD5NH, OD5NJ, P35/SO6X, P7DDX, PY0FF, S21YY, SA6G/7 (EU-137), SU9VB, SV2ASPA, T32C, T32TX, T32XX, TA3X, T05T, TX4T, UA9MA, UN3M, V73AX, V73NS, V85SS, VP2MFF, VP2MQR, VP2MSN, VP6T, VQ9JC, VR2KF, WE8A/KH0, XV9MA, XX9E, YB8Y (OC-221), YI9EO, ZD7XF, ZL2WL.

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