3A — Nobby, G0VJG will be on a "radio only trip" to Monaco on 1-5 October. He will operate SSB on the HF bands as 3A/G0VJG. QSL via G4DFI. [TNX NG3K]

3V — Alfredo, IK7JWX reports he is organizing another expedition to take place from Djerba Island (AF-083) from 27 April to 4 May 2013. Plans are to operate as TS8IT (requested call) on the HF bands and 6 metres SSB, PSK31, RTTY and CW. The current operators list includes I8LWL, IK2DUW, IK2PGM, IK6CAC, IK7JWX, IK8GQY, IS0AGY, IT9SS1, IV3FSG and IW2NLC. If you want to join the team please contact Alfredo (ik7jwx2003[@]yahoo.it).

5H — Arne, OH2NNE will be active as 5H2DK from Moshi, Tanzania on 2-17 October. He may also be QRV using a portable setup from different locations between 18 and 27 October. He will operate SSB only on 80-10 metres. QSL via home call.

5U — Christian, 5U5U (ex-TL0A) is currently active from Niamey, Niger until 15 October. On 1 October he will be joined by Paul, F6EXV (5U6E) and Jan, DJ8NK (5U8NK). They will run three stations on 160-6 metres on SSB, CW and digital modes. QSL 5U5U direct only to Christian Saint-Arroman, Chemin de Mousteguy, 64990 Urcuit, France. QSL 5U6E via F6EXV (direct, bureau and LoTW; OQRS on Club Log). QSL 5U8NK via DJ8NK (direct, bureau and LoTW; OQRS on Club Log). Further information, including operating frequencies and logsearch, can be found at www.premiumorange.com/5u-2012/

5X — A large multi-national team from the Radio Club de Provins (F6KOP) will be active from Uganda on 6-18 February 2013. They will have six stations active on 160-6 metres CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via F1NGP, direct or bureau (OQRS provided by Club Log), and LoTW. Updates and further information on http://www.5x2013.com/ [TNX F5NQL]

9M2 — Shou, JA1XXI will be active as 9M2/JA1XXI from Port Dickson, West Malaysia on 5-15 October. He plans to be QRV on 20, 15, 10 and 6 metres. QSL via home call.

BY — Dale BA4TB, Mi BD4TQ, Tim BD4TJ, Ni BD4TR and Zhou BG4TVT will be active on 40-10 metres from Hengsha Island (AS-136) on 1-4 October. [TNX DX World]

C6 — Bob, W9XY will be active as C6AXY from New Providence (NA-001), Bahamas on 4-9 November. He will operate holiday style on 40-10 metres, CW and SSB with maybe some RTTY and/or PSK31. QSL via W9XY, direct or bureau. [TNX W9XY]

C6 — Rick, K6VVA will be active as C6AVA from the Berry Islands (NA-054), Bahamas on 7-11 December. He operate mainly CW with some SSB on 40, 30, 20 and 17 metres. QSL via N6AWD, direct or bureau.

DL — Peter, DK2RMP will be active as DK2RMP/p from Usedom Island (EU-129) on 7-14 October. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.
FH - Sam, F6AML will be active as TO2M from Mayotte (AF-027) on 4-19 October. He will operate CW and SSB on 80-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau (email requests for bureau cards can be sent to qsldxped[@]yahoo.fr). [TNX DX World]

GU - A team from the Martello Tower Group will be active as GP0PKT from Herm Island (EU-114), Guernsey on 4-8 October, 2012. QSL via G6NHB, direct or bureau. All QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW as soon as possible. Further information and logsearch at http://martellotowergroup.com/gp0pkt/

H4 - Bernhard, DL2GAC (H44MS) is returning to the Solomon Islands for a DX vacation from 18 October to 9 December. His main QTH will be Honiara (Guadalcanal, OC-047), with "short operations" from other IOTA groups (OC-127, OC-158 and OC-168) "if transportation can be arranged". QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX DL2GAC]

H4 - Phil, G3SWH and Jim, G3RTE will be active as H44KW from Guadalcanal (OC-047), Solomon Islands 18-28 February 2013. They will operate CW only on 80-10 metres; plans are to have two stations on the air for as many hours every day as is possible. QSL via G3SWH, direct or bureau (QOQRS for both direct and bureau cards can be found Phil's website). More information and updates at www.g3swh.org.uk/h44kw.html [TNX G3SWH]

HB0 - Frank, PA4N will be active as HB0/PA4N from Liechtenstein on 8-14 October. He will operate CW on 80-10 metres with a focus on Asia. QSL via home call. [TNX NG3K]

HS - Eddy, ON4AFU will be active as HS0ZJF/8 from Koh Samui (AS-101) on 7-24 October and as HS0ZJF/9 from Koh Butang (AS-126) from 26 October to 4 November. He will operate CW only on 40-10 metres with 100 watts and wire antennas. QSL via ON4AFU, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbioita.org]

I - IT9ATF, IT9BXR, IT9NPR, IT9PPG, IT9RDG and IT9WDC will participate in the CQWW DX SSB Contest as IF9A (Multi-Single) from the island of Favignana (EU-054). QSL via IT9ATF.

KH0 - Kazuo, J8BPHT will be active as AH0KT from Saipan (OC-086) on 4-9 October. He will be QRV on 80-6 metres, with planned activity also on 10 metres FM and AM. QSL via home call and LoTW. [TNX NG3K]

OZ - Mike, DG5LAC will be active holiday style as OZ/DG5LAC from Langeland Island (EU-172) from 29 September to 5 October and from Nordjylland (EU-171) on 6-12 October. Expect activity on 80-10 metres SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbioita.org]

P2 - The IOTA expedition to Papua New Guinea [425DXN 1102] has added one more group to the announced itinerary. The team includes Axel DL6KVA, Hans-Peter HB9BXE, Eddy K5WQG, Derek G3KHZ and Hans SM6CVX; their schedule is as follows:

- 20-24 October P29VCX Emirau Island (OC-103)
- 27-31 October P29NI Tatau Island (OC-099)
- 2-4 November P29VPB Lihir Island (OC-069)

The main team will fly home on 6 November, while Hans will continue the trip and be active from three other groups:

- 6-9 November P29VCX Buka Island (OC-135)
- 9-12 November P29VCX Manu Island (OC-025)
- 12-13 November P29VCX Loloata Island (OC-240)

QSL P29NI and P29VPB via G3KHZ; QSL P29VCX via SM6CVX. Bookmark
The earliest allotment of call letters to identify countries was made at the 1912 London International Radiotelegraphic Convention. Commemorating this centennial, special event station PB100PREFIX (www.pb100prefix.nl) will be active on 4-31 October. QSL via PB0P.

Ben, DO1BEN will be active as PD/DO1BEN from Texel Island (EU-038) on 8-14 October. He will operate mainly digital modes with some SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX rsqbiota.org]

Mike, G4IUF will be active as PJ6/G4IUF from Saba (NA-145) between 1 October and 1 November. He plans to operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 80-6 metres "most mornings and early afternoons". QSL via home call. [TNX The Daily DX]

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T8 - Kiichi, JF1LUT will be active as T88IK from Palau on 5-10 October. He plans to be QRV on 17, 15, 12, 10 and 6 metres SSB. QSL via JF1LUT, direct or bureau.

V4 - Once again John, W5JON will be active as V47JA from St. Kitts (NA-104) from 12 October to 1 November. He will operate SSB on 160-6 metres, and will participate in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest. His wife Cathy (W5HAM) will also operate occasionally as V47HAM. All QSLs via W5JON and LoTW. [TNX W5JON]

Aki, JA1NLX will be active as JA1NLX/VK4 from Hamilton Island (OC-160) on 18-23 October. He will operate CW and SSB on 40-10 metres. QSL via home call and LoTW. Logsearch (look for JA1NLX/VK4_2012) and OQRS for direct and bureau cards on Club Log. [TNX JA1NLX]

Special event callsigns N1A, N2A, N3A, N4A, N5A, N6A, N7A, N8A, N9A and NOA will be activated from each of the US call areas on 7-13 October to celebrate the 8th anniversary of the North American QRP CW Club (NAQCC). QSL via operator's instructions. Details on the event can be found at http://naqcc.info/ [TNX VA3RJ]

Andrea, IK7YTT will be active as XX9TTT from Coloane Island (AS-075), Macau on 26-29 October. He will participate in the CQWW DX SSB Contest on 16 metres. QSL via IZ8CCW, direct or bureau. Further information can be found at http://www.mdxc.org/xx9ttt/ [TNX Mediterraneo DX Club]

The "Baltic Trader" - the cargo ship that Rob, M0VFC/ZD9UW is on [425DXN 1116] has been slightly delayed. They are now expecting to reach Tristan da Cunha on 29 September.

CQ WW RTTY DX CONTEST ---> This year's event will run from 00.00 UTC on 29 September through 24.00 UTC on the 30th (rules at www.cqwwrtty.com). Please visit www.ng3k.com/Misc/cqr2012.html for the Announced Operations listing maintained by Bill NG3K. The following stations are expected to participate:

05 VP9I Bermuda N1HRA
05 VY2/WC3O Canada K3MJW
07 HQ2N SO LP Honduras EA5GL
08 8P2K SOSB 10m Barbados KU9C
08 VP2V/AA7V SOAB HP BVI NR6M
09 P40G M/S Aruba LoTW
12  3G1Z        M/?        Chile           CE1WNR
13   LS1D        M/?        Argentina       AC7DX
14   CR2X        SOAB        Azores          OH2BH
14   LX7I        M/2        Luxembourg       LX2A
15   ES9C        M/S        Estonia          ES5RY
15   IT9P        M/S        Sicily           IT9CHU
15   IQ1RY        M/2        Italy            IW1FNW
15   OGOZ        SOSB 10m    Aland Isls       W0MM
15   OH0I        SOSB 20m    Aland Isls       OH3BHL
15   OH0KAG      SOSB 40m    Aland Isls       OH1KAG
15   OH0Z        SOSB 15m    Aland Isls       W0MM
15   ZA/OK1DX or ZA/OK6DJ Albania         hc
17   EY0A        SOSB 15m    Tajikistan       UA4LCH
20   SW9XB        SO          Crete           DJ9XB
20   TA4/HA3JB    SOSB        Turkey           HA3JB
24   BV2A/4        M/S         Taiwan          qrz.com
26   HS8FLU      SOSB 20m    Thailand         HS8FLU
26   HS8JYX      SOSB 15m    Thailand         HS8JYX
27   NH2T        SOAB HP     Guam            W2YC
32   ZL3X        M/S         New Zealand      ZL3PAH
33   CR3L        M/M         Madeira          DJ6QT
35   6V7X        SO LP       Senegal          IK2FIL
37   5Z4EE       SOAB HP     Kenya            NV7E
40   TF2RR        M/S         Iceland          TF3AO

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CLUB LOG OQRS ---> "There has been an update to Club Log which may prove useful to international expedition teams (outside NA) who want to receive OQRS payments in their home currency", Michael G7VJR says. From 23 September 2012, Club Log OQRS has support for US Dollars (USD), GB Pounds (GBP), Euros (EUR), Australian Dollars (AUD) and Japanese Yen (JPY), thus removing the overheads for expeditions who use these currencies. "In future, when you request a card from Club Log, you might be asked to pay in one of the currencies above instead of dollars. Don't forget that PayPal will show you how much you're paying in your own currency before you send funds overseas".

DXCC NEWS ---> "Congratulations to the team which helped to reintroduce Amateur Radio to Kosovo, and welcome back to the airwaves to the returning Hams. As of this time Z60K, and/or any other Z6 station, will not count for any entity for DXCC awards purposes as they do not qualify under the DXCC rules. Any future change in Kosovo's DXCC status will be announced by ARRL". [TNX NC1L]

+ SILENT KEYS + Michael Owen, VK3KI passed away on 22 September, at 75 years of age. He was IARU Region 3 Chairman and President of the Wireless Institute of Australia (WIA), and he also served as IARU Vice President.
Sid T. May, ET3SID, Chairman of the Ethiopian Amateur Radio Society (EARS), passed away on 25 September. An electrical engineer, Sid established the first Ethiopian radio club in 1993. The club station ET3AA was enjoyed by many different elementary schools before it was moved to its current location, the Institute of Technology at the Addis Ababa University. Sid taught Amateur Radio licensing classes in Ethiopia for more than 15 years. He administered RSGB and ARRL license exams sessions, and got more than 120 students pass the examination.

Thirty-nine-year-old Maj. Goran Savic, YT2A (YZ1SG) lost his life on 26 September, when a Serbian military aircraft on a training flight crashed into a residential area northwest of Belgrade. If there were no causalities among the residents, it is because he made an effort not to hit buildings until the very last moment before ejecting.

QSLs received direct or through managers: 4J0SFR, 4L1MA, 4O7VB, 5T0JL, 9A205AN, 9A8VB, 9M2/R6AF/p (AS-097), 9M4SLL (AS-051), 9M6XRO, 9V1YC, A45WW/m, BX5AA, CB4WJK, CP6XE, CX2DK, CY9M, D3AA, DPGVN, E40VB, E7/UA4WHX, EA1CYK/P (AN-010), FK8CP, GS6PYE/p (EU-108), GW3LEW, H44UD (OC-149), HBO/HB9AON, HC5VF, J68HZ, J69MV, J88CG, JG8NQJ/JD1, JY8VB, KL2HD/p (NA-039), KP2/KZ5D, MW0YVK, OH0JV, OH2DZ/p (EU-096, EU-097, EU-126, EU-184), OJ0R, P4/WA2NHA, P43A, PJ2/DF8ZH, R6AF/p (EU-185), SM/OH2DZ/p (EU-139), ST2AR, SU9VB, T88HK, T8CC, TA3J/0 (AS-099), TF/OH2DZ, TG9NX, TJ3AY, TK/DL1RTL (EU-164), TX7M, V5/DJ2HD, V85TL, VK6LW, VK9NMZ, VU2PAI, XE1ZW, XF1C (NA-165), YL2BJ, YW5PI (SA-048), 238VB, 2A1TC, 2D7DL.

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