3B8 - Jan SM6GOR as 3B8HB, and Johnny SM6JBC as 3B8JB are active from Mauritius Island (AF-049) until 11 December. They will operate CW, RRTY, PSK and some SSB on 40-10 metres. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX The Daily DX]

3B - Matthias, DF6LO will be active as 3B9RF from Rodrigues (AF-017) on 24-29 November, and as 3B8RF from Mauritius (AF-049) on 1-6 December. He will operate JT65 with 30 watts, and occasionally CW with 100 watts, on 30-10 metres and maybe 40m. Expect him to be QRV for a few hours a day, mainly after 16 UTC. QSL via LoTW and eQSL only.

3B9 - Olof, G0CKV will be active again as 3B9HA from Rodrigues (AF-017) on 19-29 November. Main activity will be during the CQ WW DX CW Contest. QSL via LoTW. [TNX NG3K]

6W - Once again Francis, F6BLP (www.f6blp.org) will be active as 6W7SK from Senegal on 5-31 January. He will operate CW and some SSB and RTTY on 160-10 metres, with a focus on the low bands during his sunrise hours. QSL via F6BLP, direct or bureau, and LoTW; logsearch on Club Log. [TNX Les Nouvelles DX]

8Q - UA9CDC and R9DX will be active as 8Q7DV from the Maldives (AS-013) during the CQ WW DX CW Contest, with the main purpose of giving "zone and country to other participants". Before and after the contest they will be "somewhat active" on CW, SSB, RTTY or PSK. QSL via UA8DX. [TNX NG3K]

8Q - Jean, VE2FDJ will be active as 8Q7JC from the Maldives from 29 November to 5 December. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

9M2 - 9M2RHQ, 9W2HSX, 9W2MDY, 9W2NDQ, 9W2VDY and 9W2XKM will be active as 9M4CHM from Aman Island (AS-015), West Malaysia on 4-6 December. QSL direct to 9W2XKM. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

9M6 - Once again Saty, JE1JKL will be active as 9M6NA from Labuan Island (OC-133), East Malaysia on 26-29 November. Main activity will be during the CQ WW DX CW Contest. QSL via JE1JKL, direct or bureau, and LoTW. Email requests for bureau cards can be sent to 9m6na[@]jsfc.org.

GM - The Shetland Islands (EU-012), a separate contest multiplier, will be activated during the CQ WW DX CW Contest by MZ5A (op. G3WVG) on 160 metres and M25B (op. G3TXF) on 20 metres. They will operate from the Eshaness lighthouse. QSL both callsigns via G3TXF (please use Club Log's OQRS) and LoTW. [TNX NG3K]

HI - Brian, ND3F will be active as HI3/ND3F from Cabarete, Dominican Republic between 23 November and 3 December, including an entry in the CQ WW DX CW Contest. QSL via home call. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]

HP - Martin, LU9EFO will be active as HP1/LU9EFO from Taboga Island
HR - John, G4IRN will be active as HR5/G4IRN from Honduras on 22-30 November, including participation in the CQ WW DX CW Contest as HR2J. QSL for both callsigns via G4IRN (see http://g4irn.com/ for the links to Club Log's OQRS). Please note that John is not the QSL Manager for HR2J outside this operation. [TNX NG3K]

J5 - Livio, I23BUR and maybe other operators from the Verona DX Team will be active again as J52HF from Cumura, Guinea Bissau until 10 December. Expect spare time activity on 20, 15 and 10 metres SSB. QSL via I3LDP or via Club Log's OQRS.

J6 - Gary, K9AW will be active as J6/K9AW from St. Lucia (NA-108) from 24 November to 7 December, including an entry in the CQ WW DX CW Contest. QSL via K9AW. [TNX DX World]

JD1_oga- Take, JA1UII will be active again as JD1BON from Chichijima (AS-031), Ogasawara from 25 November to 5 December. He will operate CW, SSB and RTTU on 80-6 metres, and will participate in the CQ WW DX CW Contest. QSL via JA1UII, direct or bureau. [TNX The Daily DX]

OX - Bo, OZ1DJJ (http://geronne.dk/index.php/ox3lx/ox3lx-dxped) will be active as OX3LX from Sangmissog/Christian IV Island (NA-151) from 27 November to 2 December. He will be QRV on 40-6 metres, with a focus on 20 and 40 (maybe also on 80m). This is not a DXpedition and Bo will operate in his spare time, typically "around lunch and after dinner". He will also try and "give out some points" during the CQ WW DX CW Contest. QSL via OZ1PIF. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

OZ - Volker, DJ8VW will be active again as 5P8VW from Romo Island (EU-125) on 6-18 December. He will operate SSB and CW on 160-6 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau (OQRS on Club Log), LoTW and eQSL. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

PY - The ZY2QG team [425DXN 1278] is now expected to be active from Ilha da Queimada Grande (SA-071) for 24 hours only sometime bewteen 7 and 11 December. QSL via PY2DS, direct or bureau. See http://www.qrz.com/db/zy2qg for updates.

PYOF - Owing to personal issues, Renner PY7RP (PY0R) has had to cancel his trip to Atol das Rocos [425DXN 1280, www.py7rp.com/rocas2015/]. Marenga, PU0FDN is expected to remain there until 21 November, and To be QRV sporadically as PUOR in his spare time. His novice licence grants limited privileges, and he can only operate on 12 and 10 metres SSB. [TNX PY7RP]

PYOF - Leo, PP1CZ will be back to Fernando de Noronha (SA-003) and be active as PY0F/PP1CZ on 19-26 January 2016. He will operate on 80-10 metres "all modes". QSL via home call, direct or through Club Log's OQRS. [TNX PP1CZ]

V3 - Jim, WI9WI will be QRV as V31WI from Belize on 22-30 November. He will operate CW, RTTY and some JT-65, with plans to be active in the CQ WW DX CW Contest. QSL via home call and LoTW. [TNX The Daily DX]

VK - Pavel, VK6NAX will be active as VK6NAX/p from Garden Island (OC-164) on 21 November, between 2 and 10 UTC. He will operate CW on 20 and 15 metres. QSL via home call, direct only.

VU - The Amateur Radio Society of India (ARSI) has been granted permission to use the the special call AU90IARU until 31 December.
to commemorate IARU's 90th anniversary. QSL via VU2CDP (preferably through the OQRS provided by Club Log), LoTW and eQSL. [TNX VU2CDP]

XV - Mats, RM2D (SM6LRR) will be QRV as XV2D ([http://xv2d.blogspot.ru/](http://xv2d.blogspot.ru/)) from Vietnam between 22 November and 6 December. He will be active holiday style on CW and SSB, with "more serious focus" on the CQ WW DX CW Contest (SOAB, but he could also decide for a single band, likely 40, 20 or 15m). QSL via LoTW (preferred) or direct to Mats Strandberg, ul. Matveevskaya 7-35, Moscow, 119517, Russia.

ZF - Dan, N6MJ will be active as ZF2MJ from Grand Cayman Island (NA-016) from 24 November to 1 December, including an entry in the CQ WW DX CW Contest. QSL via N6MJ. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]

ZL9 - The Department of Conservation of New Zealand has exceptionally issued an island Entry Permit and a one-off Concession Permit for an amateur radio operation to take place from the Antipodes Islands (OC-286, new one for IOTA) on 7-11 January 2016. The team will include Cezar (VE3LYC), Craig (VK5CE), Stan (SQ8X) and Bob (KD1CT); they will be active as ZL9A with two stations on 40-10 metres SSB and CW. DXCC wise, it will count for ZL9 (see Good to Know below). The cost of this operation will exceed $50,000, and donations are gratefully accepted - see [http://iotahunter.org/](http://iotahunter.org/) for further information and updates.

PACIFIC TRIP ---> Freddy, F4HEC will be active as KH2/F4HEC from Guam (OC-026) on 3-9 December, and as KH0/F4HEC from Saipan (OC-086) on 10-13 December. From both locations he will operate SSB on 80-10 metres. QSL via home call (direct) and LoTW. [TNX NG3K]

425 DX NEWS MAGAZINE ---> The October 2015 issue is now available for download at [www.425dxn.org/monthly/index.html](http://www.425dxn.org/monthly/index.html). [TNX IZ3EBA]

CORRECTION ---> The QSL route for ZX7DX is via Carlos Moreira, PT7ZT (not PY7ZT as reported in 425DXN #1280). QSL direct (Caixa Postal 73302, Fortaleza - CE, 60192-971, Brazil), via the bureau, and LoTW.

IARU 90 AWARD ---> Celebrating the 90th anniversary of the founding of the International Amateur Radio Union, IARU issues a certificate for contacts made with jubilee stations from ten different IARU member countries in the period 1 January-31 December 2015. The free of charge certificates are issued in electronic format directly from [http://iaru90.hamlogs.net](http://iaru90.hamlogs.net) (SWLs can send their application to ua6yw[@]mail.ru).

NEW BAND AT 5 MHZ ---> During the 18 November afternoon plenary session of the World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-15) in Geneva, a new amateur service allocation at 5 MHz was approved. Although only a small allocation of 15 kHz between 5351.5-5366.5 kHz was eventually agreed, it is the first new allocation at HF since the WARC of 1979. After intense pressure from
the fixed service primary user, power limits have been set at 15 watts EIRP in Regions 1 and 3, 20 watts EIRP in Mexico and 25 watts EIRP in Central America, South America and most of the Caribbean area. Member Societies not having an allocation under Article 4.4 of the Radio Regulations are urged to contact their administration to have this narrow segment included in their licence, although the new Radio Regulations will not come into force until 1 January 2017. [TNX IARU Region 1]

QSL VIA SM5DJZ -- The Daily DX reports that CQ DX Hall of Famer Erik Sjoelund, SM0AGD is in declining health. Jan, SM5DJZ has been asked "to take care of all of Erik's old DXpedition logs" (see www.qrz.com/db/sm0agd). SM0AGD's DX activity has spanned 30 years, and his 1982 Transpacific DXpedition remains unforgettable.

QSL YJ8RN/P -- Rod, YJ8RN "had computer issues and lost track of which QSLs were sent and which were not" for his recent operations from IOTA group OC-110. "Any still needing his card, email him with details to renereltech[@]gmail.com". [TNX The Daily DX]

QSL YW5Z -- On 14 November some 800 "missing" QSOs were added to the log of YW5Z (August 2015 operation from IOTA group SA-059). The direct link to Club Log's OQRS for direct and bureau cards can be found on the QSL manager's (DM4TI) qrz.com page.

VP8STI & VP8SGI -- "The licenses (VP8STI for South Sandwich, VP8SGI for South Georgia and VP8IDX for Falklands & /mm) have been issued and are in hand. The RV Braveheart is being prepared and loaded for her long voyage halfway around the world to meet the team in the Falkland Islands. We expect to land at South Sandwich and begin operations sometime on 17 January, if sea conditions and weather permit. After ten days at South Sandwich, we will break camp and voyage three days to South Georgia. We expect to land and be on the air on 1 February. This is a "Pure DX" DXpedition, whose sole focus is getting you in our logs! To date, we have raised $153,500 from the global DX Community. The 14 team members have contributed $210,000 towards our entire budget of $425,000. If your club or you yourself have not already donated will you please consider a donation? We cannot get there without you!" See www.intrepid-dx/com/vp8. [TNX N6PSE]

WWQR AWARD -- The WWQR Award series is an opportunity for every active ham to join the World Radio Team Championship community. The award is issued on a yearly basis (2015, 2016 and 2017) for working stations from the 29 WRTC Qualification Regions. Applications should be submitted through the DARC Community Logbook (DCL). For detailed information, including a step-by-step guide, see www.wrtc2018.de/index.php/en/activities/wwqr-award. [TNX DL6MHW]

ZL9 RENAMED -- The ARRL DXCC Department has announced a name change for ZL9, which will switch from "Auckland and Campbell Islands" to "New Zealand Subantarctic Islands". It will include the Antipodes Islands and the Bounty Islands, but will not include The Snares or any islands claimed by New Zealand south of 60 degrees south. This is just a clarification and an administration change, and will not be a new Entity or a changed Entity.
QSLs received direct or through managers: 3B8CF, 3G02C, 3XY5M, 4W/JI1AVY, 5H3EE, 7X2JV, A61BK, A0150N, AT150ITU, B7/BA4TB (AS-097), BA7IA (AS-143), BG3UPA, C4W, CO3JA, D1K, E30FB, E41WT, E51DWC, E6GG, ER1LW, FR4PJ, HB9FAX, HC8/G8OFQ, IU3EHS, JA0JH9/QK9C, JW/M0BLF, JW/M0VFC, JW9JKA, N5M (NA-120), NP2X, NP4A, OD5NJ, P40A, PZ5RA, RI1LA/1 (EU-086), R7AL/0 (AS-172), RI1ANZ, RI1PT (EU-188), SO1WS, SV9/LZ3FN, SW9AA, T41C (NA-093), T46BC (NA-204), TI9/3Z9DX, V26M, V73A, VE7DP/7 (NA-181), VK2SSI (OC-194), VK6BP/p (OC-071), VK6LW, VP9/WW3S, VU2CDP, VY0/VE3LYC (NA-009), VY0M (NA-248), YB4IR/2 (OC-186), YB4IR/8 (OC-274), YD8UPS, YE3B (OC-197), YF1AR/0 (OC-177), YW5RYL (SA-035), ZD7FT.

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