5X - Alan, G3XAQ will be active again as 5X1XA from Uganda on 4-16 March. He will operate CW only on the HF bands, with main activity during the RSGB Commonwealth (BERU) Contest. QSL via G3SWH. [TNX DX World]

C6 - John, C6ATS expects to be active from Anguilla Cays (NA-219) [425DXN 1293] on 21 and 22 February. Plans are to be QRV on 15 and maybe 17 metres, and to concentrate on working Europe in the UTC afternoon of the 22nd. "I'll stay QRV for as long as possible", he says. "I'm hoping not to have to leave before Monday night, but that will depend on the forecast I get on Monday morning. I will also take a break every few hours for battery recharging". QSL via M0OXO. Bookmark https://kk4oyj.wordpress.com/ for updates.

DL - A large group of operators will be active as DA0HEL from Helgoland Island (EU-127) on 5-13 March. They will operate SSB, CW, RTTY, PSK and JT65 on the HF bands. If weather permits, they will also be active as DL0IH from nearby Helgoland Duene. QSL via DF6QC; all QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

EI - Olivier, ON4EI will be active again as EI8GQB from Fethard, Ireland between 27 February and 30 March using an hybrid wind-solar power system from his caravan. He will participate in the ARRL DX SSB, Russian DX and CQ WW WPX SSB contests as EI1A. QSL for both callsigns via PA3249, direct or bureau, and LoTW. Follow his activity and antenna experimentation on www.qrz.com/db/EI8GQB.

FG - Michel, F6GWV and Gildas, F6HMQ will be active as FG/F6GWV and FG/F6HMQ from Guadeloupe (NA-102) from 26 February to 14 March. QSL via home calls. They will also use special callsign TO66R (QSL via F6HMQ). [TNX The Daily DX]

KP2 - John, KK9A will be active as WP2AA from St. Croix, US Virgin Islands (NA-106) from 28 February to 7 March, including an entry in the ARRL DX SSB Contest. QSL via WD9DZV. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]

PY - The PR2DX group will be active from Ilha Comprida (SA-024) on 20-21 February. A team of five will operate SSB and digital modes on 80-10 metres. This will be an "educational trip" for operators who are not familiar with pileup management, so please be patient. QSL via EA5GL; logsearch and OQRS on Club Log. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

UA - Special callsign R85PAR will be in use on 1-21 March to recognise 85 years of Russian polar aircraft. QSL via RZ5D. The operation is organized by Russia based "Fifth Ocean", a very active club that gathers amateur radio operators who are involved in aviation. Detailed information (in Russian) is available at www.aviaham.ru. [TNX RV3YR]
V4  - Thaire, W2APF will be active holiday style as V47JR from Nevis (NA-104) from 22 February to 1 March. He will operate CW and SSB on 80-10 metres. QSL direct to W2APF.

V7  - James, AH6OY will be active from Majuro (OC-029), Marshall Islands on 1-7 March, including participation in the ARRL DX SSB Contest. Callsign to be issued upon arrival ("will try to get V73I", he says). QSL via AH6OY, direct or bureau. [TNX rsghiota.org]

Z8  - Olli, OH0XX has been in Juba, South Sudan since 16 February and will remain there until the 22nd. He is QRV as Z81X, with activity on 80, 40, 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10 metres CW only and plans to participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest. QSL via OH0XX and LoTW; logsearch and OQRS on Club Log. [TNX NG3K]

AFRICA TRIP ---> Arunas, LY2IJ and Arkadij, UA4CC will be active as C91IJ and C92CC from Monzambique starting on 28 February for one week, and as 3DA0IJ and 3DA0CC from Swaziland for the following week. They will concentrate their activities on the low bands during their nights. QSL via home calls and LoTW; logsearch and OQRS on Club Log. [TNX UA4CC]

A91HI ---> Plans are running smoothly and everything is now on schedule for the late April A91HI operation from Hawar Island (AS-202, new one for IOTA) [425DXN 1288], the team reported on 18 February. Fawaz, A92AA and an experienced team (7Z1OO, 9K2RR, A410O, A61DJ, A93LT, EI5GM, EI9FBB and MM0NDX) will be QRV with four high power stations on 40-10 metres CW, SSB and digital modes. They will use a combination of SP7IDX Technology Hexbeams and VDAs at the water's edge; the QTH has been carefully chosen on the north side of the island overlooking salt water "with magnificent take-off views to all corners of the globe". Administration costs are very high for this expedition: "no fewer than six different departments are required to give us clearance to operate amateur radio on Hawar Island. This is why it has taken almost two years for the first AS-202 activity to happen". Please consider making a small donation to help offset growing costs - see www.a91hi.com/support for information. "We are offering a free QSL to those who donate at least $5 before our departure. Just send your QSO details to our QSL manager (A92AA) after the DXpedition". [TNX MM0NDX]

ANTARCTIC ACTIVITY WEEK ---> The Worldwide Antarctic Program has announced that the 13th Antarctic Activity Week will be held on 22-28 February. The aim of this annual event is to promote worldwide interest in the Antarctic continent. Special callsigns (QSL via operator's instructions) are expected to be aired during this year's AAW from the following countries:

Australia  VK2ANT
Austria          OE88WAP, OE89ANT, OE90AAW  
Canada           VA3WAP, VA7AAW  
France           TM13AAW, TM13WAP  
India            AT3ANT  
Italy            I11YBJ, I12ANT, I13BOVE, I15ANT, I16ANT, I18POLE, I1PO2ANT, I1R1ANT, I1R1SP, I1R2A, I1R5ANT, I17IPY  
Reunion Island   TO1TAAF  
Spain            AO3ANT, AO4HAG, AO5WAP, EG1PAA, EG5WAP, EH5WAP  
Switzerland      HB9ICE  
The Netherlands   PA6ANT, PG16ANT  
Ukraine          EM20USAV  
USA              K4A, K4K  

Complete information on the AAW can be found at www.waponline.it.

ARRL INTERNATIONAL DX CONTEST (CW) ---> Object of the contest is for W/VE amateurs to work as many stations in as many DXCC Entities as possible on 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, and 10 metre bands, while DX stations (also including KH6, KL7, CY9 and CY0) work as many W/VE amateurs in as many of the 48 contiguous states and provinces as possible (complete rules can be found at www.arrl.org/arrl-dx). This year's event will run from from 00.00 UTC on 20 February through 23.59 UTC on the 21st. Do not forget to give a look at the Announced Operations listing maintained by Bill, NG3K at www.ng3k.com/Misc/adxc2016.html - good contest to you all!

ARRL INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN AWARD ---> Antonio Gonzalez, EA5RM is the winner of the 2015 ARRL International Humanitarian Award. He has made "six visits to the Bolivian Amazon in support of Solidaridad Medica Espana, a non-governmental organization that works to bring sanitation and medical assistance to places in need around the world. He's also been instrumental in the building, testing, and maintenance of solar-powered HF Amateur Radio stations in remote locations in Bolivia on behalf of the NGO Radioaficionados Sin Fronteras (RSF) since 2007, to facilitate communication into the remote locations he visits". [TNX ARRL]

CLUB LOG'S MOST WANTED LIST ---> The latest Most Wanted List, generated on 17 February, is available at https://secure.clublog.org/mostwanted.php. The information is derived from QSOs uploaded to Club Log (currently 338 million log entries available for analysis) and, to improve quality, only QSOs that have QSLs confirmed are considered to be worked.

LU1ZI ---> Bureau cards for the current operation from the South Shetland Islands [425DXN 1292] can be requested through the OQRS on the Radio Club Argentino’s website: www.lu4aa.org/wp/oqrs-lu1zi/.

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D2ACE CS7ACE PI4D PA3ERA Z81D OM3JW
D3AM UA1QV PI4DHG PA1JOS Z81X OH0XX
D3YL RA4HT PI4DX PD1DX ZA/IK2RLM I22LSP
D4Z IK2NCJ PI4F PD1WAT ZA/IW2JOP IW2HAJ
DP1POL DL1ZBO PI4SRN PA3DHR ZF2MJ N6MJ
DU1IST JA1HGY PJ2/W9NJY WD9DV ZM3T ZL3TE
E2X E20GMY PJ6/W6IZT N7XG ZS6CCY K3IRV
EH5RAC EA5URD PJ7TM K2GSJ ZV9TL PT9BM
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