8Q - Ben, DL1RNT will be active as 8Q7NT from the Maldives (AS-013) on 4-17 April. He will operate CW, RTTY and PSK on 40-10 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX DX World]

DL - The German DX Foundation (www.gdxf.de) celebrates its 20th anniversary with a special callsign, DL20GDXF, to be aired from 1 April to 30 June. QSL via DL6DH (direct or bureau) and LoTW. Cards will also be available at the Foundation's booth at HAM-Radio 2016 (Friedrichshafen). [TNX DX Newsletter]

F - Didier, F4ELJ will be active as F4ELJ/p from Re Island (EU-032) on 9-16 April. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau.

HB0 - Jose, EA5IDQ will be active as HB0/EA5IDQ from Liechtenstein on 15-18 April. He will operate SSB and RTTY on 40-10 metres, with a focus on RTTY and the WARC bands. QSL via home call, direct or bureau (OQRS on Club Log). [TNX NG3K]

J8 - Brian, GW4DVB (www.g4dvb.co.uk) will be active again as J88PI from Palm Island (NA-025) on 12-22 April. QSL via home call.

KH6 - A group of five (AH6NF, AH6RH, KH7C, KH7U and WH6GS) will be active as KH6BWG from the rare Kalawao County on the island of Molokai, Hawaii (OC-019) on 1-5 April. They will be QRV on 40-10 metres SSB, CW and digital modes from the Kalaupapa National Historical Park. QSL via AH6NF (direct only) and LoTW.

KH8 - KC0W's "Worldwide DXpedition" [425DXN 1289] is expected to start on 12 April from Tutuila (OC-045), American Samoa. Look for KH8/KC0W to operate CW only on 160-6 metres; he will run 500 watts to vertical antennas over salt water. "I will start off by operating from a beach the east side of the island", Tom says. "Signals to EU/JA/VK will probably be attenuated due to the tall mountains running down the center of KH8. After a month or two I will then relocate to another beach on the west side of the island specifically for EU/JA/VK". Length of stay is not known, as he announced that "the determining factor will be when the pileups die down". Refrain from working him twice on the same band, as "any station trying to dupe QSO me will have all past QSOs deleted & will be blacklisted". QSL via KC0W, direct only ("all QSL cards sent to my PO Box while I'm on this DXpedition will be answered by an assistant"). He will not use LoTW.

OJ0 - Pasi, OH3WS will be visiting Market Reef on 9-10 April and might be QRV for a few hours as OJOW, mostly on 12 and 10 metres. QSL via OH3WS, direct or bureau. [TNX The Daily DX]

PY - A team from the Cabreuva DX Group will be active as ZV2CO from Ilha Comprida (SA-024) on 15-17 April. They will operate SSB, CW and digital modes on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres. QSL via PY2DS,
direct or bureau.

UA - The new planned dates for the UE23RRC operation from Kambal'nyy (Toporkov) Island (AS-142) [425DXN 1295] are 14-18 August. While the main team will be active from there with two stations, RK8A will go and operate as UE23RRC/p from Paramushir Island (AS-025) on 15-18 August. Further information on www.as142.org.

UA_ant - Mike, RW1AI will be stationed at Novolazarevskaya (Antarctica) from April for one year. He plans to be QRV as RI1AND on all bands on CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via RW1AI.

UN - Club station UN8LWZ in Kostanay, Kazakhstan celebrates its 50th anniversary this year and will be active as UP50LWZ from 7 April to 7 May. QSL via RW6HS, direct only. [TNX RW6HS]

UR - The first legal callsigns for Ukrainian amateur radio stations were issued in 1926. Commemorating that 90th anniversary, EM90LUR is active from 1 April to 30 June. Information on the "UR-Hamradio-90" certificate: http://uarl.com.ua/2016-files/aw-90-urhamradio.htm [TNX DX Newsletter]

VK9L - Michael, G7VJR will be active as VK9/G7VJR from Lord Howe Island (OC-004) on 15-20 April. He will operate CW only on the HF bands from a "favourable north-facing QTH for QSOs with Europe, and will be focusing on the radio at peak times". Logsearch on Club Log; QSL via M0OXO (OQRS on www.m0oxo.com) and LoTW. [TNX M0OXO]

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C5WP ---> Pedro, ON7WP (C5WP) has had to cancel his announced trip [425DXN 1299] as there was no guarantee that his luggage, including radio equipment, would make it on the flights from Belgium to The Gambia via Germany. [TNX DX World]

DXCC DELETION OF KINGMAN REEF ---> The ARRL Awards Committee has voted to delete Kingman Reef (KH5) from the DXCC List, effective 29 March 2016. Kingman Reef will be added to the Deleted Entities List on 29 March 2016. The total number of entities on the List will drop from 340 to 339. The deletion process is described in DXCC Rules Section II DXCC List Criteria, Part 5(a) Deletion Criteria: "An entity may be deleted from the List if it no longer satisfies the criteria under which it was added. However, if the entity continues to meet one or more currently existing rules, it will remain on the List."

With respect to the previous paragraph's text, Kingman Reef's original addition by virtue of separate administration has changed (separate administration by the U.S. Navy has been removed), and the reef does not meet any current criteria to remain on the list. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service administers Kingman Reef and Palmyra Island. The reef is too close to Palmyra Island to count as a separate entity. The reef is now considered part of the Palmyra/Jarvis DXCC entity. DXCC members who have affirmed credit with Kingman Reef will see their current entity totals drop by one on their DXCC awards - including on the
bands and modes where Kingman Reef credit is given. They will also see their DXCC Challenge totals drop commensurately. Honor Roll status will now be attainable after confirming 330 entities on the DXCC List. [TNX NN1N]

DXCC NEWS ---> P5/3Z9DX (Democratic People’s Republic of North Korea, 2015 operation) and ZA/IW2JOP (Albania, all operations) have been approved for DXCC credit. Dom, 3Z9DX was in Pyongyang, North Korea "for high level talks with officials and inspectors" in anticipation of a future operation. Unexpectedly he was able to give a demonstration and be active as P5/3Z9DX for a few hours on 20 and 21 December [425DXN 1286]. He made 784 SSB QSOs mainly on 15 metres with Asian stations; logsearch, statistics and OQRS on Club Log.

QSL EN7P ---> Apparently there are problems with the incoming QSL bureau, Vladimir UT1PG reports. He says that bureau cards should be requested by email (ut1pg[@]lrv.net.ua), and will be sent out "at the first opportunity". Direct cards go to P.O. Box 21, Kovel-8, 45008, Ukraine.

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