H2017PFO is a special callsign issued for the period 1 January-31 December to the Paphos Radio Club to celebrate Paphos (Cyprus) sharing the honour of being the European Capital of Culture for 2017 with Aarhus (Denmark). QSL via Club Log's OQRS or via 5B4AIE (direct preferred: for bureau cards, use the OQRS "bureau" option). [TNX 5B4AHJ]

Ron, VE3REV moved to Dakar, Senegal in August 2016, and is now QRV as 6W1SU. He will be there for two or three years, and will be active on 80-6 metres "phone only, but hoping to tackle CW later". He asks DXers to be "tolerant, patient, polite and supportive" with him. QSL via M0URX's OQRS (www.m0urx.com/oqrs/) and LoTW; traditional cards via M0URX (direct only). [TNX M0URX]

The newly formed EI DX Group will be active as 9N7EI from Nepal on 8-20 March. The 11-man team (EI2II, EI2JD, EI4GZB, EI5GM, EI5IQ, EI5IX, EI6FR, EI9FBB, EI9HQ, EI9HX and EI9KF) will operate up to five stations 24/7 on 80-10 metres CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via M0OXO's OQRS (www.m0oxo.com/oqrs/); traditional cards via M0OXO (direct only). The full log will be uploaded to LoTW "in a timely manner" after the DXpedition. See https://9n7ei.com/ for more information and updates. [TNX EI9FBB]

Bob N4BP (C6AKQ), Tim N4UM (C6ARU) and Mike K4RUM (C6AUM) will be active from Marsh Harbor, Great Abaco (NA-080) on 7-21 February. They will operate mainly CW on 160-6 metres. Plans are to participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest as individual single-band entries (on 80, 20 and 40 metres respectively). QSL C6AKQ via N4BP (direct) and LoTW; QSL C6ARU via N4UM (direct, no LoTW); QSL C6AUM via K4RUM (direct), LoTW and eQSL with logsearch on Club Log. [TNX The Daily DX]

Look for Tom EA9/DJ6TF, Sigi EA9/DL7DF, Juergen EA9/DL7UFR to be active from Melilla on 15-22 March. They will operate CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31 on 160-10 metres with two stations. QSLs via DL7DF, direct or bureau, and LoTW "within six months after the DXpedition". OQRS and further information can be found on www.dl7df.com/ea9/.

Tynemouth Amateur Radio Club's members G0SBN, G8YFA, GM3WOJ, M0GAE and M0KLO will be active as GSONWM from the Isle of Mull (EU-008) on 21-28 April. They will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 80-6 metres. QSL via M0URX's OQRS (www.m0urx.com/oqrs/) and logsearch on Club Log. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

Stan, LZ1GC will be active again as H40GC from Nendo (OC-100), Temotu Province on 3-17 October. Activity will be on the HF bands SSB, CW and RTTY. QSL via Club Log's OQRS (preferred), via home call (direct or bureau) and LoTW. More information will be posted
to www.c21gc.com. [TNX NG3K]

KG4 - Active from Guantanamo Bay (NA-015) will be Bill W4WV as KG4WV (10-24 February), Jim KG9LB as KG4AW (10-24 February), Keith KE4KDY as KG4DY (10-17 February) and Don W4ZYT as KG4ZK (17-24 February). They will operate CW, SSB, PSK and RTTY on 160-6 metres. QSL via home calls. [TNX The Daily DX]

PA - Marcel, PD5MVH will be active as PD5MVH/p from Ameland Island (EU-038) from 28 January to 11 February. He will participate in the Black Sea Cup International (4-5 February) as PD38EU. QSLs via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX DX Newsletter]

PY - Participating in the 9th South American Lighthouses Weekend, look for ZW2R to be active from Icapara Lighthouse on Ilha Comprida (SA-024) on 17-19 February. QSL via PY2LCD, direct or bureau, and LoTW.

PYOF - Leo, PP1CZ will be active again as PY0F/PP1CZ from Fernando de Noronha (SA-003) on 3-8 February. He will operate mainly CW with some SSB and RTTY on 80-10 metres, plus 6m if conditions allow. QSL via Club Log's OQRS or direct only to PP1CZ (neither the bureau nor LoTW are available). [TNX PP1CZ]

PZ - Matt, K0BBC will be active as PZ5W from Suriname on 27-30 January. He will operate SSB and digital modes. QSL via N0AT and LoTW; OQRS on Club Log. [TNX QRZ DX]

UA - The Radio Marathon "Moscow-870" [425DXN 1340] is running until 31 December. Special callsigns to be active next month are R870M (1-10 February) and R2017M (11-28 February). Detailed information on the event and the award programme can be found at www.moscow870.com.

V3 - Art, NN7A will be active again as V31JZ/p from South Water Caye (NA-180), Belize on 15-21 February, including an entry in the ARRL DX CW Contest. He will operate mainly CW on 160-10 metres. QSL via NN7A, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

V4 - Thaire, W2APF will be active as V47JR from Nevis Island (NA-104) from 18 March to 1 April. He will operate CW and SSB on 80-10 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX NG3K]

V5 - Georg, DD8ZX and Klaus, DJ9KM will be active again as V5/DD8ZX and V5/DJ9KM from Namibia on 6-18 February. They will operate SSB, RTTY and PSK on 160-10 metres, and if possible on 6m. Plans are to participate in the CQ WW WPX RTTY Contest (13-14 February), possibly as V55V (QSL via DJ8VC). QSL via V5/DD8ZX via DD8ZX (direct or bureau); QSL V5/DJ9KM via DJ9KM (direct or bureau) and LoTW. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]

VK9M - Rob, N7QT and Hawk, SM5AQD "are working to activate Mellish Reef this coming November". Plans are for eight operators to be active on 160-10 metres CW, SSB and RTTY with four stations. Details will be available in due course. [TNX DX World]

VU - Operated by the West Bengal Radio Club, special station AU2WBR [425DXN 1340] is expected to remain QRV from Sagar Island (AS-153) until 31 January. QSL via VU2NRO (National Institute of Amateur Radio, 6-3-1092/93 Raj Bhawan Road, Somajiguda, Hyderabad 500082,
India).

W - Once again members of the Palos Verdes ARC will operate as K6PV/6 from Santa Catalina Island (NA-066) on 23-26 February. Plans are to operate SSB, CW, RTTY, PSK31 and "some satellite work"; they expect most activity to be on 40, 30, 20 and 17m, "but if the higher bands are open, we'll be there". QSL direct to K6PV. [TNX rsqbiota.org]

XE - XF2L [425DXN 1340] is confirmed to be active from Isla de Sacrificios (NA-224) during the South American Lighthouses Weekend on 17-19 February. Activity will be restricted to daylight hours only, from 15 to 22 UTC. QSL via XE1SOV; logsearch can be found on http://puebladx.org/spcall/XF2L_log.php.

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9G5X ---> The website for the 7-21 March 9G5X DXpedition to Ghana [425DXN 1339] can be found at http://www.ossett.net/9G5X. Six operators will be active on 160-10 metres CW, SSB and RTTY with three stations. QSL via M0OXO's OQRS and LoTW; logsearch with leaderboard on Club Log. [TNX G3VMW]

AMATEUR RADIO ALGERIENS APPEAL --- > "Vlad, UA4WHX (7V7V) recently got in touch and wanted to convey to the DX world a serious problem about to occur within Amateur Radio Algeriens" (ARA, the local IARU member society): see http://dx-world.net/perilous-state-of-amateur-radio-in-algeria/ for detailed information. So far some 90 responses to the appeal have raised the 79% of the target amount.

QSL CY9C ---> Bureau cards for the August 2016 DXpedition to St. Paul Island Will be mailed on 1 February. "This is our closing date for bureau confirmations", the team states on their website, "no bureau cards will be processed after that date". Use Club Log's OQRS (the direct link can be found on http://cy9dxpedition.com/) and request your bureau cards "no later than 30 January".

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QSLs received direct or through managers: 5T5TI (AF-050), 5X1XA, 5Z4/DJ6TF, 5Z4/DL7KL, 7Y9GH, 7Y9I, 7Y9B, 7Y9SE, 7Y9TH, 8Q7SP, 9G5AM, 9N7XW, 9Q0HQ/3, A65BP, B90IARU, C37NL, C5FUD, CP6AA, DL800JE, DU1UD/p, E51Q, E6AC, H40GC, H44GC, HBOAFVL, JW0GB, JY9FC, K9AJ/VY0, KH2/DF8AN, OA7/DL2RMC, OX/O21LXJ, P4/DL6RAI, PJ2/PA3EYC, R23RRC (AS-091), R3CA/O (AS-038, AS-070, AS-152, AS-163, AS-164), R3CA/9 (AS-005, AS-068, AS-104)RC55YG, RW55YG, RZ55YG, S9YY, T30COW, T31T, TI7/K42GB, T05FP, UE23RRC (AS-142), V63AJ, VK5GR/p (OC-139), VK9LX, VP2MLB, VP6AH, VP6J, VU2GSM, VU7MS, XU7MDC, YB3MM/I (OC-237), YW6X (SA-090), ZA/ZA1P, ZD8W.

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