3B8 - Paul, HB9ARY is active again as 3B8HC from Mauritius Island (AF-049) until 15 February. He operates SSB and slow CW on 80-10 metres, with a focus on 80m. QSL via NI5DX (direct only), LoTW and eQSL. [TNX The Daily DX]

3X - Alain, F5OZC and Sebastien, F8DQZ plan to be active (callsign TBA) from the Los Islands (AF-051), Guinea between 5 and 26 February. They will operate mainly CW on 40-10 metres. QSL via F5OZC. [TNX DX World]

6Y - Yuri, VE3DZ will be active as 6Y2T from Jamaica (NA-097) on 14-21 February, including an entry in the ARRL DX CW Contest. QSL via home call. [TNX NG3K]

7P - Pista, HA5AO will return to Lesotho on 10-26 February. He will be overseeing the project at a local orphanage that he started during his October 2016 visit and will deliver donations received since then. In his spare time he will be active as 7P8EUDXF on 40-10 metres mostly CW. QSL via HA5AO and LoTW; see www.ha5ao.com for logsearch and OQRS. Money donated to 7P8EUDXF will be used only for humanitarian purposes. [TNX K5GS]

9H - Nobu, JA0JHQ (http://pandasan.jimdo.com/) will be active as 9H3NH from Malta (EU-023) on 9-12 February. Main activity will be on 40, 30 and 20 metres CW, as well as on 40-20 metres RTTY during the CQ WPX RTTY Contest. QSL via JA0JHQ, bureau or direct, and LoTW; logsearch on Club Log. [TNX DX World]

A5 - A5A will be activated again on 10-17 February by Zorro JH1AJT, JayCie E20NKB and Champ E21EIC. The main purpose of this trip is to support the launch of the Paralympic Committee with the Bhutan Olympic Committee. Activity will be on 160-10 metres CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via JH1AJT; logsearch and OQRS on Club Log. [TNX DX World]

CX - Henry, LU4DXU will be active as CX/LU4DXU from Isla de Lobos and Isla Gorriti (both count for IOTA group SA-039) on 4-11 February. QSL direct to home call. [TNX VE3LYC]

EP - The Alborz DX Club, EP2C (www.irandx.ir) will be active during a field day operation from northern Iran on 8-10 February. Activity is permitted on 40, 20 and 15 metres SSB and CW. QSL via EA5GL.

G - GB952MT is a special callsign for the Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society to celebrate the 95th anniversary of wireless station 2MT (www.emmatoc.com), the first regular radio broadcast service in the UK. Look for activity on 12-14 February.

HP - Mike, W1USN and Bob, AA1M will be active as HP/home call from Panama on 10-22 February. They will operate SSB, CW and digital modes on all available HF bands. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau, and LoTW. [TNX NG3K]

HP - Mek, SQ3RX will be active as HP/SQ3RX from Volcan, Panama on 12-15
February. He will operate CW and some SSB and RTTY on the HF bands. QSL via home call, Club Log's OQRS and LoTW. [TNX The Daily DX]

I - 4U7FOC is the callsign that Robert, S53R will be using during this weekend's FOC Marathon. He operates from the United Nations World Food Programme's club station (4U0WFP) in Rome, Italy. QSL via S57DX. The Marathon (www.g4foc.org/contests) runs from 21 February until 21 UTC on 3 February until 21 UTC on the 5th; it is open to FOC members only, who "would prefer not to be called by non-members".

JA - Look for Take, JI3DST to be active as JI3DST/5 from Shodo (AS-200) on 11-14 February. QSL via home call, bureau preferred. [TNX rsqbiota.org]

P4 - John, W2GD will be active again as P40W from Aruba (SA-036) on 12-20 February, especially during the ARRL DX CW Contest (18-19 February). Outside the contest expect some activity on 160, 30, 17 and 12 metres as time permits. QSL via LoTW or direct to N2MM.

PJ2 - Joeke, PA0VDV will be active as PJ2/PA0VDV [425DXN 1341] from Curacao (SA-099) from 1 March to 1 April. He will operate mainly CW on 40-10 metres, and possibly 80m. QSL via LoTW or direct to home call. [TNX PA0VDV]

PJ7 - Forthcoming activities from Sint Maarten (NA-105) include PJ7AA from 15 February to 18 March (SSB and CW on 80-10 metres; QSL via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS or direct to AA9A), and PJ7/OH2IS on 17-25 February (mainly CW on 80-10 metres; QSL via Club Log's OQRS and LoTW).

TI - Gerry, W1VE will be active holiday style as TI7/W1VE from Costa Rica on 4-11 February. He will operate mainly CW on 40-10 metres, and possibly 80m. QSL via LoTW or direct to home call. [TNX The Daily DX]

UA - A team of five (R6LGT, R6MG, RX3F, RZ3K, RZ5D and UA3EDQ) will be active as RI0Z from Beringa, one of the Komandorskiye Islands (AS-039), on 5-13 July. A side trip to Mednyy Island is also being planned. Bookmark www.ri0z.com/en/ for more information and updates.

V4 - Look for Bryan, V4/N8WD and Tom, V4/K4ZGB to be active with the "Buddies in the Caribbean Veterans DXpedition" to St. Kitts (NA-104) on 14-20 February. QSL via home calls; V4/N8WD will also upload his log to LoTW and eQSL. [TNX DX World]

YB - YB9HKM, YB9IUS, YB9JIN and YB9KA will operate special event station YB9K from Lombok Island (OC-150) on 16-19 February for the annual Bau Nyale Festival. Expect activity on 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres SSB. QSL via HA3JB (direct); Indonesian amateurs can QSL to ORARI Daerah Nusa Tenggara Barat.

ZC4 - Bob, 5B4AGN (G3ZEM) and Steve, G3VMW are active as ZC4A from the UK Sovereign Base Areas on Cyprus for the next coming days. While waiting for the licence to be issued, Bob operated as ZC4ZM between 14.25 UTC on 2 February until 09.28 UTC on the 3rd. QSL both calls via M0URX's OQRS (www.m0urx.com/oqrs/) and LoTW, logsearch also available on Club Log. Traditional cards should be sent direct only to Tim Beaumont, P.O. Box 17, Kenilworth, CV8 1SF, United Kingdom.

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CLUB LOG & IOTA ---> "I have made Club Log's first IOTA feature live", Michael G7VJR announced on 27 January. "The Call Tester is now capable of identifying IOTA islands (groups and island names), with time frames, maps of the locations and comments added by the RSGB IOTA team to help with any ambiguities". Please note that "none of the research for these IOTA definitions originated in Club Log", and that "the only way an IOTA definition will be added is when the IOTA Validation Team choose to do that".

CLUB LOG'S MOST WANTED LIST ---> The latest Most Wanted List, generated on 31 January, is available at https://secure.clublog.org/mostwanted.php. The information is derived from QSOs uploaded to Club Log (currently 407 million log entries available for analysis) and, to improve quality, only QSOs that have QSLs confirmed are considered to be worked. The most wanted charts are rebuilt once per month, on average.

E51PT ---> After being QRT since 1984, Pia Taraeka ("Papa Pia"), E51PT is back on the air from Manihiki (OC-014), North Cook Islands "thanks to the generosity of members of the Western Washington DX Club". He can operate CW and SSB on 80-10 metres "running 100 watts into an all band dipole". QSL via N7BX, direct only (no LoTW). [TNX The Daily DX]


IOTA DINNER ---> The 22nd Annual Islands On The Air (IOTA) Dinner will be held on 21 April at the Visalia Conference Center in conjunction with the 68th International DX Convention. As the IOTA Dinner is not included in the main Convention registration, there will be a separate registration and fee for it. See www.dxconvention.com/pages/dinners-iota.html or contact Will, WC6DX (wc6dx[@]sbcglobal.net) for information. [TNX WC6DX]

V63DX ---> Sho, JA7HMZ has cancelled his 17-24 February [425DXN 1341] operation from Pohnpei, Micronesia. He was expected to be QRV as V63DX and V6A during the ARRL DX CW Contest. [TNX NG3K]
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