3D2 - Jim, WB2TJO will be active again as 3D2JS from Taveuni (OC-016), Fiji between early January and the middle of March. He will operate CW and SSB on 40, 30, 20, 17 and 15 metres. QSL direct to home call. [TNX DX World]

3V - Dave, EI9FBB and Col, MM0NDX will be active as 3V8CQ from Djerba Island (AF-083) from 30 December to 2 January. They will operate CW and SSB on the HF bands. QSL via operator's instructions. [TNX DX World]

9A - During 2018 Dragan, 9A6W and Tom, 9A2AA will use 9A36W and 9A61AA respectively to mark their 36 and 61 years of activity on the amateur radio bands. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX 9A2AA]

A5 - Pat, N2IEN will be active as A52PD from Bhutan on 2-14 January. He will operate CW and digital modes on the HF bands. [TNX The Daily DX]

A7 - Alain, F6BFH is waiting for his A7/F6BFH licence to be issued. He will be in Qatar on 1-12 January, with activity on the HF bands in his spare time. QSL via home call. He is also likely to operate for 48 hours from IOTA group AS-088 with the A70X team [425DXN 1389]. [TNX Les Nouvelles DX]

C5 - C5DX will be activated again on 9-16 February as part of a school trip to the Gambia. A party of eighteen students and three staff from Sandringham School in St. Albans will visit the Senior Secondary High School in Farafenni. Alan, will lead the DXpedition aspect to the trip. He will operate mainly CW, while four licenced students from the Sandringham School ARC (Jessica M6LPJ, Polly M6POG, Morgan M6MXD and Stan M6SQO) will operate SSB. It will be their first DXpedition so please be patient with them as they learn the craft of DX operating. QSL via LoTW or direct to G4DJX; logsearch on Club Log. [TNX G3ZAY]

CN - Manfred/DK1BT, Wolf/DL4WK, Sigi/DL7DF and Frank/DL7UFR will be active as CN2DF and CN2FR from Tahatout, Morocco on 13-20 February. 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". See http://www.dl7df.com/cn/ for logsearch and QTR.

D6 - IK5BCM, IK5CBE and IK5CRH will be active as D68I from the Comoro Islands (AF-007) from 28 January to 10 February. They will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 80-10 metres. QSL via IK5CRH.

DL - Celebrating 90 years of amateur radio in the city of Wismar, special event station DM90AIW will be active from 1 January to 30 June. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau and eQSL. Logsearch on Club Log. [TNX DX Newsletter]
DL - Special callsign DA200FWR will be in use from 1 January to 31 December to commemorate the 200th anniversary of the birth of Cooperative pioneer Friedrich Wilhelm Raiffeisen. The "idea and practice of organizing shared interests in cooperatives" was inscribed in 2016 on UNESCO's Representative List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity. QSL via the bureau, or direct to DK2PU. [TNX DX Newsletter]

DL - Special callsign DJ70WAE will be active from 1 January to 31 December to celebrate the 70th anniversary of the Worked All Europe (WAE) award. QSL via the DARC bureau.

DL - Special callsign DK200MARX will be in use on all bands and modes from 1 January to 31 December to commemorate the 200th anniversary of the birth of Karl Marx. QSL via the bureau, or direct to DK5PZ; logsearch on Club Log. [TNX DX Newsletter]

E3 - Zorro, JH1AJT will visit Eritrea again on 14-23 January. He will be joined by Franz DJ9ZB, Champ E21EIC, Dima RA9USU and Yan RZ3FW, with planned activity as E31A on 160-6 metres CW, SSB, RTTY. The main purpose of this trip is to support the Eritrea National Olympic Committee. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, or via JH1AJT. [TNX DX World]

EI - Special event station EI50AOM will be active in January-March to memorialize the tragedy of Aer Lingus Flight 712 (tail-number EI-AOM), which crashed en route from Cork to London on 24 March 1968 killing all passengers and crew. The station will devote one day beginning 22 January to remember each of the 61 persons who died, with operations culminating on the fiftieth anniversary of the crash. This is still the largest single loss of life in Irish civil aviation history. QSL via EI2KA, direct or bureau, and LoTW.

EI - To commemorate the sinking of Royal Mail Ship Leinster during World War I (10 October 1918), special callsign EI100MCV will be active between 1 January and 31 December, with particular activity in the weeks around the date of 10 October. This was, and still is, the single largest loss of life in the Irish sea with a total of 567 people lost. The intention is to use all modes and bands, operating on or close to frequencies ending with 18. QSL via the bureau.

G - Celebrating the New Year 2018, special event stations GB0HNY, GB1HNY, GB2HNY, GB5HNY, GB8HNY and GB9HNY will be active from 28 December until 24 January. They are being run by members of Denby Dale ARS: "whilst we are not issuing any QSL cards", they say, "you Can claim a special commemorative certificate for working 3 stations by sending your list of contacts via email only to Darran, G0BWB (g0bwb[@]g0bwb.com)".

G - Celebrating the anniversary of the founding of KW Electronics by Rowley Shears, G8KW (5 January 1953), special event station GB8KW will be active from Eltham, England on 6-7 January using vintage equipment. QSL via G0UKN.

GM - Special event station GB2KW will be active on 1-28 January from near Inverness, Scotland using a variety of different vintage transceivers, transmitters and receivers manufactured by KW Electronics Ltd during the 1960s and 1970s. Activity will be on 160, 80, 40 and 20 metres SSB and CW. QSL via LoTW and eQSL only, no paper QSLs will be available.
HH - Special callsign HH70A will be active from 1 January for six months to celebrate the 70th anniversary of the Radio Club d'Haiti. QSL via W3HNK. [TNX DX World]

HR - Gerard, F2JD will be active again as HR5/F2JD from Copan, Honduras from 15 February to 10 May. He will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on all bands. QSL via F6AJA, direct or bureau; logsearch on http://LesNouvellesDX.fr/voirlogs.php. [TNX Les Nouvelles DX]

I - ARI Fidenza will use a series of special callsigns throughout 2018 to honour twelve of "the most eminent scientists who have given a fundamental contribution to the theoretical, experimental and technological development of the Radio Communications technology": II4MXW (James Clerk Maxwell) in January, II4HRZ (Heinrich Rudolf Hertz) in February, II4CAO (Temistocle Calzecchi Onesti) in March, II4MAR (Guglielmo Marconi) in April, II4TES (Nikola Tesla) in May, II4AMP (Andre-Marie Ampere) in June, II4COU (Charles-Augustin de Coulomb) in July, II4VOL (Alessandro Volta) in August, II4LNZ (Heinrich Lenz) in September, II4OER (Hans Christian Orsted) in October, II4HRN (Joseph Henry) in November and II4FRD (Michael Faraday) in December. See http://www.arifidenza.it/ for complete information on the "Science Milestones in the History of Radio Award". QSLs via IQ4FE, bureau or direct. [TNX IK4CIE]

PA - Jef, DD2CW will be active as PA/DD2CW from Texel Island (EU-038) from 30 December to 4 January. He will operate SSB and CW on the HF bands. QSL via home call. Direct or bureau. [TNX DX Newsletter]

UA - Special event station UE18NY will be active from 30 December to 8 January for the "Russian New Year 2018" radio marathon organized by the Miller DX Club. Other special callsigns will be active from the various Federal Districts of Russia: UE18A (Northwest), UE18C (Central), UE18E (Volga), UE18F (South), UE18G (North Caucasus), UE18M (Ural), UE18U (Siberia) and UE18Z (Far East). A number of certificates will be available, see http://mdxc.hamlog.ru.

UA_ant - Nikolai, RW6ACM has been active as RI1ANA from Molodezhnaya Station, Antarctica (AN-016) since 23 December, and will remain there until February. In his spare time he operates CW, SSB and digital modes on the HF bands. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW or via RN1ON, direct or bureau.

VU - Bernard, VU2BMS (DL2GAC) reports that 6-16 January are the dates for AU2WBR's activity from Sagar Island, (AS-153) [425DXN 1389]. The station might be QRV also at other times until 31 March. QSL via VU2NRO.

XT - Harald, DF2WO will be active again as XT2AW from Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso on 8-22 January. He will operate CW, SSB and FT8 with a focus on 80, 60 , 40 and 30m. QSL via M0OXO's OQRS and LoTW.

YJ - Chris, VK2VUS will be active again as YJ0CA from Efate (OC-035), Vanuatu on 9-17 January. He will operate SSB on 40 and 20 metres. QSL direct to home call. [TNX The Daily DX]

SOUTHEAST ASIA TRIP ---> John, KB4FB will be back to Southeast Asia in January-February, with holiday style activities from Vietnam as 3W9FB (early January and again early February), Laos as XW4FB (two weeks starting around 9 January), Thailand as HS0ZEG (a week starting around 23 January). QSLs via LoTW. [TNX The Daily DX]
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QSLs received direct or through managers: 3XY3D (AF-051), 5X2B, 7V9A (AF-094), 9X2AW, A25BE, A25BI, CE2AWW, CT9/DL5AXX, DU1/SP5APW (OC-090), E51WL, H40GC, HD086QRC, J5T, LU3XX (SA-008), P40L, P25V, R71RRC (AS-071), RIOZF (AS-039), S01WS, S21ZAS (AS-127), S21ZDC (AS-140), S9CQ, S9YY, T29A, VK5CE/8 (OC-198), VK9CI, VK9CZ, VK9XI, VP8DXU, VU2GSM, YJ0JA, ZA1WW.

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