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>>> 3Y0Z: BOUVET ISLAND <<<

The 3Y0Z Team's original plan was to fly from Punta Arenas (Chile) to King George Island (South Shetlands), where they expected to board the M/V Betanzos and begin their voyage to Bouvet [425DXN 1392].
On 13 January, however, the team gathered in Punta Arenas stated that "heavy sea ice east and north of King George Island" would make navigation "slow and of increased risk. We will therefore depart from Punta Arenas and sail directly to Bouvet. This has necessitated changes to preparations". On 16 January the team reported that they were awaiting "final clearance to sail which will be issued by the Chilean Navy, the regulatory authority for maritime safety".
Eventually the M/V Betanzos set sail on 19 January around 12.30 UTC. The team will be active as 3G9A/mm (QSL via N2OO) during their voyage; the sailing time to Bouvet is estimated at 14 days. "Whatever delay we encounter will not impact our results on the island", the team says, and their QRT date will be extended as necessary.

CT8 - Hermann, HB9CRV will be active CU8FN from Flores Island (EU-089), Azores from 22 January to 16 February. He will operate FT8 on 160-10 metres. Hermann and Antonio, CU8AS will participate in the CQ WW 160 Meter CW Contest as CR2W. QSL for CR2W and CU8FN via LoTW, or via HB9CRV (direct or bureau). [TNX DX Newsletter]

ET - Ully, DL9WVM has been active from the ET3AA club station in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia since 11 January, and will continue until 29 January. He plans to be QRV on weekdays between 6 and 15 UTC, and operate CW on 30-15 metres. QSL via N2OO and LoTW, OQRS on Club Log. [TNX The Daily DX]

H4 - VE3LYC's expedition time schedule [425DXN 1393] has been finalized. Cezar, VE3LYC (H4 callsigns TBA) and Bernhard, DL2GAC (H44MS) will be active from Mbanika Island (OC-168, Solomon Islands for DXCC) on 22-25 April; they will operate CW and SSB on 40, 30, 20 and 17 metres with two stations. From 29 April to 3 May Cezar will be active from the Duff Islands (OC-179, Temotu Province for DXCC). "There is a small possibility that following the OC-168 operation I may attempt to operate from Nggela Sule (Florida Islands, OC-158) on 26 and 27 April", Czar says. "However, under no circumstance I will rush to end the OC-168 operation in order to squeeze in some activity from OC-158". Bookmark https://oc-179.weebly.com/ for updates.

HC - Rick, NE8Z will be active again from Ecuador from 20 January to 10 February. He will operate CW and SSB on 40-6 metres as HC1MD from Tumbaco (Pichincha Province), as HC1MD/HC2 from Punta Blanca (Santa

Elena Province) and as HC1MD/HC7 from Papallacta (Napo Province). QSL via LoTW, or direct to K8LJG. [TNX The Daily DX]

HL - Look for HL23N to be QRV from Yonghung Island (AS-105) on 20-21 January. Activity will be on 80-10 metres CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via HL2UVH. [TNX The Daily DX]

IS0 - Simone, IS0AFM from Cagliari (Sardinia) is using special callsign IR0FOC through 31 December to celebrate the 80th anniversary of the First Class CW Operators' Club (https://www.g4foc.org/). QSL via LoTW or direct to IS0AFM.

PY0F - Rafael, PY2NDX and his son Joao Pedro, PU2XDX (11 years old) will be active as PY0F/PY2NDX and PU0F/PU2XDX from Fernando de Noronha (SA-003) from 27 January to 1 February. Activity will be mostly on 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres CW, SSB and possibly FT8. QSL via PY2NDX. [TNX The Daily DX]

V5 - Rudi, DK7PE (https://www.rooody.de/) will be active as V5/DK7PE from near Omarura, Namibia on 24-31 January. He will focus on the low bands, especially 160 and 60 metres, and will participate in the CQ WW 160 Meter CW Contest. QSL via home call.

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425 DX NEWS MAGAZINE ---> The December 2017 issue is now available for download at http://www.425dxn.org/index.php. [TNX IZ3EBA]

FT8 OPERATING GUIDE ---> Gary, ZL2IFB has published his "FT8 Operating Guide", described as "a collection of pragmatic tips that takes over where the WSJT-X help and installation notes leave off". It is "specifically aimed at HF DXers": http://www.g4ifb.com/FT8 Hinson tips for HF DXers.pdf.
"It started out as my rough notes as I fumbled around with the new mode", he Says. "Those grew steadily over the past few months, absorbing information, advice and helpful hints from many sources including plenty of encouraging comments on the web version. I've peppered it with screen shots, quotes, comments and ideas, and given it a little structure. It's still not entirely 'finished' (partly because the operating techniques and software are still evolving) but I wanted to get it out there ahead of Bouvet, so those who intend to have a go at working 3Y0Z on FT8 have a chance to read and practice their skills, honing their techniques before the Main Event. Feedback welcome, especially corrections and further tips... such as how we are going to cope with 3Y0Z's extra wide splits, and wall-to-wall continuous callers".

QSL VIA OM3JW ---> Owing to health issues, OM2SA is no longer managing the QSLing duties for the DXpeditions of Mike, KM9D and Janet, KF4TUG. The Daily DX reports that now Steve, OM3JW has uploaded to Club Log the logs for their 2007 activities. He has the QSLs for these operations, and can confirm QSOs

made with:

E51QMA	11-25 May 2007	Suwarrow Atoll (OC-080), North Cook Islands
E51TUG	11-19 May 2007	Suwarrow Atoll (OC-080), North Cook Islands
FW0MO	27 Jul-12 Aug 2007	Nukutapu Island (OC-054), Wallis Islands
FW0YL	27 Jul-07 Aug 2007	Nukutapu Island (OC-054), Wallis Islands
H40MY	08-16 Oct 2007	Tikopia Island (OC-178), Temotu Province
T32MO	15 Jan-3 Feb 2007	Fanning Island (OC-084), East Kiribati

THE K3LP HUMANITARIAN AND SERVICE AWARD ---> "The Intrepid DX Group wishes to memorialize our friend, Co-Founder and President, David R. Collingham (K3LP). In recognition of David's humanitarian work as well as service to mankind, we are creating an annual 'David R. Collingham - K3LP Humanitarian and Service Award'. The purpose of this award is to recognize an individual or group for their humanitarian or service for the previous year. The award presentation will take place at the International DX Convention held in April at Visalia, CA. To make a nomination for the award, please send an email message to intrepiddxgroup@gmail.com. We will close the nomination period on January 31st, 2018". [TNX N6PSE]

+ SILENT KEY + Neville Cheadle, G3NUG passed away unexpectedly on 14 January. Licensed since 1959, he served in the RSGB Council, Management Committee, HF Committee and IOTA Committee; in 2015 he was made an Honorary Life Member of the Chiltern DX Club - The UK DX Foundation, after serving as Chairman (1994-2001) and President (2001-15). A serious DXer and IOTA chaser himself, he conducted several IOTA DXpeditions to Malaysia as 9M2/G3NUG, and led the Five Star DXers Association's 9M0C (Spratly Islands, 1998), D68C (Comoros, 2001), 3B9C (Rodrigues, 2004), 3B7C (Saint Brandon, 2007) and T32C (Kiritimati, 2011) DXpeditions. He also co-authored "Dxpeditioning. Behind the Scenes" (2000), a comprehensive handbook on planning, setting up and operating a successful DXpedition. In 2009 he was inducted into the CQ DX Hall of Fame.

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******* QSL ROUTES *******
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CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER
3B8CW	NI5DX	DP1POL	DL1ZBO	OD5VB	EA5GL
3B9FR	M0OXO	DS23BNU/3	DS3BNU	OD5YA	IZ8CLM
3D2JS	WB2TJO	DS23GOO/2	DS2GOO	OR4ESA	DL0ESA
3DA0AY	ZS6AYE	DS23MFC/1	DS1MFC	P29LL	EA7FTR
3G18PAX	XQ4CW	DS23RLZ/1	DS1RLZ	PX2A	PY2VM
4K6N	RW6HS	DU3LA	W3HNK	R110FS	R4AS
4M1K	OH0XX	E31A	JH1AJT	R75URAN	UA4AJD
4S7KKG	DC0KK	E709JAN	E77E	RI1ANC	RN1ON
4S7TNG	JI1SHQ	EA8AH	OH1RY	SN100PW	SP3ZAC
4X0B	4X6ZM	EA9KB	EA7FTR	SN100ZHP	SP5ZIP
5B4AGN	M0URX	EM25URD	UR7UT	SP26FIN	SP2PBM

5B4AHL	M0URX	ET3AA	N2OO	SP26WOSP	SP2PBM
5B4ALG	EC5AC	EX2V	RW6HS	ST60JOTA	ST2M
5B4ALX	IZ4AMS	FG4NN	NI5DX	SU9JG	EA5GL
5B4AMM	UT5UDX	FM1HN	W3HNK	T6TM	W2GR
5K6RM	HK6RM	FM5BH	W3HNK	TC5OCK	TA5FA
5R8SV	G3SWH	FR/F4DNU	F5KDR	TC630MECCA	TA3X
5X2S	JA1PBV	GB2GM	G3UCQ	TM0CXX	F6FMT
6Y6J	JA3AVO	GB8KW	G0UKN	TM390SR	F4DTO
7Q7JW	N6JW	H2X	IZ4AMS	UN9L	LZ1YE
8P5A	HA1AG	H91IT	HP1RCP	V31AX	M0URX
9A61AA	9A2AA	HF100ZHP	SP5ZHH	V31YN	DJ4KW
9H3RR	2E0EDF	HL0WOP	HL2DBP	V53DX	DO4DXA
9M2MRS	PA0RRS	HL23EIL	HL3EIL	V63AKB	JI1MDM
9Q6BB	W3HNK	HP3SS	AC2OV	V63AKB48	JI1MDM
9V1YC	W5UE	HS0ZBS	OE2REL	V73NS	W3HNK
9X2S	JA1PBV	HZ1TT	A61BK	VU2RBQ	DJ9RB
9X9PJ	N4GNR	J69KZ	W3HNK	VY2ZM	EA7HBC
A71DLH	DL0LH	J70VR	DD0VR	XR18PAX	CE3AA
A71OK	EA5GL	J79WTA	HB9MFM	XR3PAX	CE3AA
A91YOZ	A92AA	JW2US	LA2US	XT2AW	M0OXO
C6AJB	KG4LJB	KH6LC	WA6WPG	XW4XR	E21EIC
CN2JB	F5MMY	KL7SB	NI5DX	Z33F	EB7DX
CN8KD	EA5XX	LU/N3BNA	KA2AEV	Z81D	OM3JW
CO6HLP	IZ1DSH	LU1ZAB	LU4DXU	ZA/IK2RLM	IZ2LSP
CO6RD	EA5GL	LZ140LO	LZ1ZF	ZA/IW2JOP	IW2HAJ
CO8LY	EA7ADH	LZ1883PSS	LZ1KCP	ZF2LC	W2SM
CT7ANG	M0OXO	LZ25TRC	LZ1YE	ZF2PG	K8PGJ
CU2DX	CU2AA	NP2X	K5WW	ZL18HNY	ZL1SLO
CV7S	CX7SS	OD5ET	EB7DX	ZP5/N3BNA	KA2AEV
D80MT	DS3EXX	OD5KU	EB7DX	ZS4JAN	EA5GL

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