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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** DX INFORMATION ****
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3Y0J ---> The "Marama" has been anchored off Kapp Fie, Bouvet Island since 30 January. Reportedly, as of 3 February the team was "very busy working in very extreme and difficult conditions to transfer all the equipment and supplies from 'Marama' to Bouvet Island. The materials must then be carried or hoisted up to their campsite at a higher elevation. The Starlink Internet terminal has been disconnected. Internet communications with team members will not be possible again until the camp is established and Starlink set up. Team Co-Leader Ken, LA7GIA has asked that we be patient while they work. The satellite radios are being used to coordinate activities between the camp and the boat, and must be kept open for that purpose".
According to the information published on the DXpedition's website, the band plan for 3Y0J is as follows:

	CW	FT8	RTTY	SSB
160m	1820-1826.5-1835	-	-	-
80m	3510-3540	-	-	>3600
60m	5351.5-5356	5356	-	-
40m	7025-7040	7064	-	>7120
30m	10105-10125	10144	-	-
20m	14010-14040	14105	14125	>14225
17m	18074-18089	18090 & 18107	-	>18120
15m	21010-21040	21105	21125	>21225
12m	24895-24910	24921	-	>24925
10m	28010-28040	28086	-	>28400

On CW and SSB the operators will choose a frequency within the spectrum and limit the split to max 15 kHz and 30 kHz, respectively. The team will work closely together with their pilots, and if they see that something is not working, they will do adjustments.

6Y - Neville, G3RFS has been active again as 6Y5FS from Jamaica (NA-097) since 30 January. He will remain there for two months, and will operate mainly CW and some SSB. QSL via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS, or via G4BWP. The log will be computerised after Neville is back home. [TNX The Daily DX]

7X - Henning, OZ2I will operate CW only as 7U7EE from Djelfa, Algeria on 15-22 February, including an entry in the ARRL DX CW Contest. QSL via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS, or via OZ2I.

9K - Members of the Kuwait Amateur Radio Society will be active again as 9K9NLD on 1-28 February. The special callsign celebrates both Kuwait National Day (25 February) and Liberation Day (26 February). QSL via EC6DX.

9M6 - 9M8SOTA and 9M8BOTA are the special callsigns that 9M8HAZ and others will be using during 2023 while operating from various mountains and beaches in Sarawak, East Malaysia. QSL for both call-

signs via 9M8HAZ (direct), LoTW and Club Log.

C5 - Gerard, F5NVF and Luc, F5RAV will be active again as C5C from Kololi, The Gambia between 14 February and 14 March. Expect activity on 80-6 metres SSB, CW, FT8 and FT4, plus possibly the QO-100 satellite. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, or direct to F5RAV. Updates will be posted to https://twitter.com/6V7T.

DU - "To avoid problems during FT8 operation", DU1/SP5APW will be the callsign that Jacek will be using from both Marinduque Island (OC-244, 9-14 March) and Calayan Island (OC-092, 18-26 March) [425DXN 1656]. Bookmark https://oc-092.blogspot.com/ for updates. QSL via Club Log's OQRS.

F - Francois, F8DVD will be active as TM20AAW on 10-24 February, including the 20th Antarctic Activity Week (19-26 February). He will be QRV from his home QTH in France. QSL via LoTW, or via home call (direct or bureau).

F - Members of Radio Club Jean Bart, F6KMB will be active as TM6C on 12-27 February during the traditional Dunkirk Carnival (Carnaval de Dunkerque). QSL via F6KMB.

FT_ant - David, F4FKT [425DXN 1641] will be active as FT4YM/p from Concordia Station until 5 or 6 February. Then he expects to be QRV as FT4YM/m during the traverse from Concordia to the coast, as FT4YM from Robert Guillard Station at Cap Prud'homme sometime between 12 and 20 February, as FT4YM from Dumont d'Urville Station (Ile des Petrels, AN-017) on 21-27 February, and finally as FT4YM/mm from the icebreaker "L'Astrolabe" from 28 February to 5 March. QSL via F5PFP. [TNX DX World]

H4 - Bernhard, DL2GAC will be back to the Solomon Islands for three months (10 February-8 May). He plans to be QRV again as H44MS from Malaita (OC-047) on a daily basis from mid-February through the end of April, with activity on 80-6 metres SSB and some FT8. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. He will upload his log to Club Log and LoTW when he returns home.

HR - Alex, K6VHF will be active again as K6VHF/HR9 from Roatan Island (NA-057) on 8-15 February. He will operate FT8, RTTY and some SSB and CW on 80-10 metres. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW, or via home call. [TNX The Daily DX]

I - Promoting World Radio Day (13 February), the UN Global Service Center ARC (4U1GSC) in Brindisi will be active as 4U13FEB on 1-28 February. DXCC wise, it counts for Italy. QSL via 9A2AA, direct or bureau.

I - Members of ARI Novara will be active as II1CAI from 15 February to 30 June. The special callsign memorializes the 100th anniversary of the local section of the glorious Club Alpino Italiano (the Italian Alpine Club, founded in 1863). QSL via IQ1NO.

J7 - Laurent, FM5BH and Yuri, VE3DZ will be active as J79BH from Dominica (NA-101) on 20-26 February. QSL via Club Log's OQRS; or direct to FM5BH. [TNX NG3K]

J8 - Gert, PA2LO will be active as J8/AJ4YX from St. Vincent Island (NA-109) on 11-21 February. He will operate mainly SSB and FT8 (F/H) on 80-10 metres, with some CW activity during the ARRL DX CW Contest (18-19 February). He will also "spend some time" in the Dutch PACC Contest (11-12 February). QSL via Club Log's OQRS (preferred) and LoTW, or direct to PA2LO. See https://www.pa2lo.com/j8 for more

information.

OE - Celebrating World Radio Day, the VIC Amateur Radio Contest DX Club (4U1A, http://4u1a.club/) is expected to be active as 4UNR on 12-28 February. This activity counts for Austria for DXCC, and for the Vienna International Centre for the CQ DX Marathon. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, or via UA3DX.

OZ - Special callsign OZ625E will be active on 14-28 February for the opening of the new Enigma Museum of Communications in Copenhagen. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, or via the bureau to OZ1ACB. A special award will be available for contacts made with OZ625E/xx stations with different suffix extensions; further information can be found on https://www.qrz.com/db/OZ625E. [TNX OZ2I]

PJ4 - Scott, NE9U will be active as PJ4/NE9U (QSL via LoTW, or direct to home call) from Bonaire (SA-006) on 11-26 February. He will also be part of team PJ4A (QSL via LoTW, or K4BAI) during the ARRL DX CW Contest. [TNX NG3K]

PY - ZX89L is the special callsign celebrating the 89th anniversary of LABRE (Liga de Amadores Brasileiros de Radio Emissao) on 1-15 February. QSL via LoTW. See https://www.qrz.com/db/ZX89L for more information.

SM - Once again the unique and still operational long wave transmitter, with call sign SAQ, at the Varberg Radio Station at Grimeton (southern Sweden) will be activated on 17.2 kHz CW on 13 February in celebration of World Radio Day. The message transmission will take place at 15 UTC and the transmitter will be tuned up from around 12.30 UTC. Built in 1922-24, the Varberg Radio Station has been inscribed on the UNESCO World Heritage list since 2004. As for the amateur bands, Grimeton Radio Station SK6SAQ will be QRV on CW (3517.2, 7017.2 and 14017.2 kHz) and SSB (3755 and 7140 kHz) between 9 and 16 UTC. QSL SK6SAQ via the bureau, or direct to Alexander GVV Radiostationen, Grimeton 72, SE-432 98 Grimeton, Sweden. See https://alexander.n.se/en/ for more information.

SP - The Polish Amateur Radio Union (PZK) sponsors a radio marathon to celebrate the 550th anniversary of the birth of Nicolaus Copernicus (Mikolaj Kopernik, 19 February 1473), the Polish astronomer who formulated a model of the solar system centred on the Sun rather than Earth. Look for special event stations SN550K, SN550O, SN550P, SN550E, SN550R, SN550N, SN550I, SP550K and SN550NC to be activated from 17 February to 5 March. A certificate will be available, see https://550mk.pzk.org.pl for complete information.

V2 - Greg, N9GB will be active holiday style as V26DX from Antigua (NA-100) on 9-16 February. He will operate SSB, CW and maybe some FT8 on 40-6 metres. QSL via EB7DX and LoTW. [TNX The Daily DX]

VK0_ant- Allan, VK0AW will be based at Davis Station, Antarctica for one year starting around 11 February. He is new to the amateur bands, and still inexperienced in pile-up technique. QSL via EB7DX and LoTW.

W - W7P is the callsign for the Northern Arizona DX Association to conduct a 10-year special event countdown to the 100th anniversary of the discovery of Pluto by Clyde Tombaugh at Lowell Observatory in Flagstaff, Arizona (18 February 1930). The inaugural event was held in 2021; this year's Pluto Anniversary Countdown will run on 11-20 February. Also, Doug Tombaugh (N3PDT), Clyde Tombaugh's

nephew, will be operating during the event as W7P/0. QSL direct, see https://www.nadxa.com/w7p_pluto_2030.html for information.

ZD7 - Andy, DK7MG will operate CW as ZD7MG from St. Helena Island (AF-022) on 11-25 February. He also plans to be QRV as ZD7MG/p from at least one summit for the SOTA programme. "The most promising bands for DX should be 15m and 17m during daytime, and I will mainly use verticals", he says.

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CY0S ---> Lee, WW2DX will be in charge of the 2m EME operation from Sable Island, which has been approved by Parks Canada. The team is now at 65% of their fundraising goal of USD 37,500. Donations can be made from the DXpedition's website (www.cy0s.com). Any donations will automatically be matched by a generous well known DXer, who wishes to remain anonymous.

FT8WW ---> On 2 February Thierry reported that the French Polar Institute Paul-Emile Victor (IPEV) "does not object to the TAAF making an amendment so that I can resume traffic under the following conditions:

* Over four rolling weeks only the first three are authorized for traffic, the fourth is forbidden to me for 'analysis of logs'.
* I must provide the logs each week in a format 'understandable' by their services
* Traffic below 14 MHz is prohibited; it seems that 10 MHz disturbs the measurements, so exit 10 and 7.

The conditions that were in force remain valid, namely:

* Five hours per day prohibited to carry out the absolute measurement.
* Stopping of all broadcasts ten days before the departure of the boat for Reunion Island.

So there is very little left. Currently, I am awaiting the endorsement that the TAAF must make. There is no HF emission for the moment".
As for the QSL cards, Paul, F6EXV does not want to receive requests by post, and urges everybody to use exclusively Club Log's OQRS.

YOTA SUMMER CAMP 2023 ---> The Hungarian Radio Amateur Society (MRASZ) will host the 11th edition of the Youngsters on the Air Summer Camp in the city of Gyor on 5-12 August. This event brings together young radio amateurs from IARU Region 1 member societies, as well as guest teams from Regions 2 and 3, creating an opportunity to learn all about different nationalities and cultures, foster international friendships and goodwill, and learn new amateur radio skills. Each IARU R1 member society is invited to take part with a team of maximum four persons. Applications must be submitted before 28 February: https://www.ham-yota.com/yota-hungary-2023/.

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3A/F6EXV, 3A/PB8DX, 3B9KW, 3D2FS, 4S7AB, 5R8BM, 5R8LH, 5R8PA, A35GC, CO2CW, D2UY, EP2C, ET3AA, HC2EP, HV5PUL, J28MD, JD1BMH, JG8NQJ/JD1, K8H (OC-045), P29RO (OC-240), ST2NH, TL8AA, TL8ZZ, TX7G (OC-027), TY5AF, VP8LP, YD5NBY, YJ0CA, YJ8RN, YS1MS, Z61DX, ZS2DL.

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