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3B9 - Luca, IV3JVJ and Ivan, IK3ZAQ will be active as 3B9AT from Rodrigues Island (AF-017) between 27 December and 6 January. They will operate SSB, CW and FT8 on 80-10 metres. QSL via IV3JVJ and LOTW.

A7 - A71QND is the special callsign for the Qatar Amateur Radio Society to celebrate Qatar National Day (18 December). Also taking part in the celebrations are the Bahrain Amateur Radio Society as A91QTR on 12-18 December, the Kuwait Amateur Radio Society as 9K9QATAR on 14-20 December,the Emirates Amateur Radio Society as A60QATAR on 18-22 December (individual operators may append a serial number to the special callsign, and be active as A60QATAR/0, A60QATAR/1, etc.).

F - Michel, F8GGZ will be active as TM100GE on 22-31 December. QSL via the bureau. The special callsign memorializes the 100th anniversary since the death of Gustave Eiffel (27 December 1923), the French civil engineer best known for the world-famous Eiffel Tower, built for the 1889 Universal Exposition in Paris, and his contribution to building the Statue of Liberty in New York.

J8 - Gert, PA2LO will be active as J8TT from St. Vincent (NA-109) from 26 December to 5 January. He will operate SSB, CW and digital modes on 40-6 metres. QSL via Club Log's OQRS (preferred), LoTW, or via PA2LO.

ON - UBA Section Bruxelles-Est (ON5UB) will be active as OR79NUTS on 16-17 December to commemorate the 79th anniversary of the Battle of the Bulge during World War II. The suffix of the special callsign is General Anthony C. McAuliffe's famous single-word reply in response to a surrender ultimatum. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau.

PJ7 - Edmondo, VA3ITA will be active holiday style as PJ7/VA3ITA from Sint Maarten (NA-105) on 24-31 December. He will operate SSB and digital modes on 40-10 metres. QSL via LoTW only.

PY - Daniel, PT7BI and others will be active as PT7AA on 23-30 December from three World Wide Flora & Fauna sites in the Brazilian state of Ceara, namely the Coco State Park and the Environmental Protection Areas of Rio Pacoti and Sabiaguaba. They will operate SSB, CW and FT8 on 80-10 metres. All logs will be uploaded to the WWFF website: https://wwff.co/. [TNX PT7BI]

SV - SZ65RAAG is the special callsign for the Radio Amateur Association of Greece to celebrate its 65th anniversary on 16-31 December. The RAAG has been a IARU member society since 1959. Look for activity on all bands SSB, CW and digital modes. QSL via LoTW. Four certificates will be available, see https://sv2rck.gr/SZ65RAAG/ for information.

UA - Special callsigns R120RAEM, R120A, R120D, R120I, R120K, R120M, R120N, R120R, R120S, R120T, R120W and R120X will be active on 15-25 December, particularly on 24 December for the annual RAEM Contest

(https://raem.srr.ru/rules/). The special callsigns celebrate the 120th anniversary since the birth Ernst T. Krenkel (1903-1971), the legendary Arctic explorer and radioman (callsign RAEM) on various polar stations and on the first drifting ice station North Pole-1. See https://hamlog.online/club/srr/997/ for the certificate.

UA_ant - A member of the 69th Russian Antarctic Expedition, Igor, RQ8K will be stationed at Progress Station, Antarctica until the end of April 2025. In his spare time he is active as RI1ANE.

V5 - Eric, F5LCX will be active as V5/F5LCX from Namibia from 28 December to 11 January. This will be a family trip, and he plans to operate both mobile and fixed for a few hours on a daily basis, probably during his evening hours. QSL via LoTW.

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2024 IOTA HONOUR ROLL & ANNUAL LISTINGS ---> The last date for submitting applications or score updates to checkpoints for inclusion in the 2024 Honour Roll and Annual Listings is 31 January 2024. If submitted after that date, they will be processed in the normal way, but the scores will be held over to the following year's listing. Where packages with cards are involved, these need to be posted/dated before 31 January. Participants who have not updated since the 2019 annual listings and wish to remain listed should make a submission on or before 31 January 2024. Those who have not logged into their record for more than two years, will need to revalidate their registration through info@iota-world.org. Do not leave it to the last moment as you may run out of time. [TNX G3KMA]

3Y0K: BOUVET ISLAND 2025 ---> A common website for the Bouvet 2025 and Peter I 2026 Projects is now up and running on https://3y0k.com/.

* The fundraising for 3Y0K has started. The budget is USD 440,000, with 67% already secured; an additional USD 150,000 in support is needed, "which is significantly less than all previous DXpeditions to Bouvet".
* Plans are for three operators (LA7GIA, WD5COV and DL8JJ) to stay on Bouvet for up to 21 days, assisted by a support crew of four people: "our landing plans have been optimized, and given our previous experience in landing we have a mature and realistic plan to go onshore that again will be a staged landing".
* In addition to the main camp at Cape Fie, a "dedicated North America camp" will be set up on the top of a small hill 600 metres away. This area "offers low angle take off to NA and will make our signals much louder all over NA compared to previous time". The purpose is for "one operator to run multiple radios - one CW/SSB and one FT8 - and work NA on dedicated frequencies".
* In addition to the on-site operators, there will be a remote team. AA7JV will design, test, and provide four remote radios that will be accessible

via Starlink to any operator worldwide. The search for remote FT8/CW operators is underway. Candidates should have experience with DXpeditions, and preferably with remote operations. They should be willing to dedicate some of their time to remote operations, and be committed to operating like any other on-site operator as part of the Bouvet team. Remote operators are being sought from around the world in different time zones. They will be subject to a smaller operator fee. For more information, please send your experience and motivation to Ken, LA7GIA (kenneth@opskar.no).

QSL E51JAN: "Probably I will be out of Poland from January until May", Janusz, SP9FIH says. "I will confirm direct OQRS requests received before Christmas, but those received later will wait until the end of May 2024". Operating from Manihiki (OC-014), North Cook Islands, E51JAN made nearly 27,000 QSOs between 12 October and 7 November.

VU7A ---> Club Log's OQRS has been enabled. According to the latest statistics (https://clublog.org/charts/?c=VU7A#r), Krish, W4VKU made 52,610 QSOs with 12,013 unique callsigns during his operation from the Lakshadweep Islands. He was active from 19.11 UTC on 4 December until 02.59 UTC on 13 December, and operated mainly FT8 (51,875 QSOs) with some FT4 (472) and SSB (263) on 160-6 metres.

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******* QSL ROUTES *******
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CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER
3B8HK	N4GNR	EI30T	EI3ENB	PJ4EVA	M0URX
3B9FR	M0OXO	EP4HR	IK2RZQ	PT1K	EA7FTR
3Z8GSC	SP8GSC	EP5TJS	EA5GL	PW2E	OH2MM
4K50DHC	4K4K	ET3AA	N2OO	SN180RK	SP3PWL
4U1UN	HB9BOU	FK8HA	K3IRV	SN25PCH	SP2KFQ
4U1WB	KK4HD	FK8HM	F5MFV	SU1SK	N2OO
4X6TT	N4GNR	FM8QR	F5EAN	TG9AWS	N2OO
4X8LGT	4X6FB	HA50HK	HA3HK	TI1K	EA5GL
5H3PV	EA5GL	HB9KLAUS	HB9ID	TI5/N3KS	M0URX
5Z4PA	M0URX	HC4ER	F4BHW	TM23TLT	F8GGZ
6Y6N	DK9PY	HC5CW	EB7DX	TM2D	F5KHP
7Q7CT	EA7FTR	HF40NLK	SP9NLK	V3A	M0OXO
9K9QATAR	EC6DX	HG0IDPD	HA5MA	V51WH	DK2WH
9K9UAE	EC6DX	HH2JR	N2OO	V55Y	DK2WH
9V1YC	W5UE	HK1MW	N2OO	V6EU	DL2AWG
A65HS	9K2HS	HK3C	M0URX	VK4KW	N3SL
A91CD	EC6DX	HZ1BHR	HZ1SAR	VK5KI	M0OXO
A91ND	EC6DX	HZ30EXPO	HZ1SAR	VK6N	VK6ANC
A91QTR	EC6DX	J73ESL	EA5GL	VL4A	VK4BLE
AL1G	W2GR	KC4USV	K7MT	VL4R	VK4ZD
AN45CE	EA7URM	KL2R	EA5GL	VP2V/K2KW	KU9C

AZ1D	EC6DX	KL7RRC	N7RO	VP2VMM	KU9C
C21TS	M0OXO	KL7SB	N4GNR	VP8FLY	VP8LP
CB1B	HA1AG	LQ5A	EA7FTR	VU7A	W4VKU
CN2GS	EA5GL	LZ600PA	LZ1KCP	WP2Z	KU9C
CO2XN	E73Y	NP2AR	EB7DX	XE3N	EA5GL
CP4MG	EA5KB	NP2X	KU9C	XT2AW	M0OXO
CQ3J	CT3MD	OE1200W	OE3WMW	XU7AKJ	JA3ULS
D4M	IZ4DPV	OF9X	OH2BH	XW4KV	F4BKV
DY1P	DU1AV	OG1XMAS	OH1NOA	Z68BG	HB9TSW
EA8/LU9ESD	LZ1YE	OL750HOL	OK1MR	ZB2TT	M0URX
EE7P	EA7ATX	PC100II	PA1AW	ZF2BJ	K0BJ
EG7DCE	EA7RCM	PI30KAR	PI4KAR	ZF2NQ	M0OXO
EH5XMAS	EA5RCL	PJ4DX	M0URX	ZS85VDAM	ZS4SRK

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