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**** DX INFORMATION ****
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6W - Willy, ON4AVT will be active again as 6W7/ON4AVT from Warang, Senegal from 3 February to 16 April. Usually he operates mainly FT8 on 80-10 metres; he will be QRV also on the QO-100 satellite. QSL via Club Log's OQRS.

CE0Z - As of 12 January, the CB0ZA DXpedition's two air freight shipments sent out of Miami last month had cleared Chilean customs, and were at the port in Valparaiso and scheduled for shipment by cargo vessel out to Robinson Crusoe Island, Juan Fernandez.
The DXpedition is set for 10-24 February. The operation by the 7-member on-island team will be complimented by an off-island team of over 30 remote operators from around the world. They will be using a NexGenRiB (Radio in a Box, developed by Gregg, W6IZT, with assistance from Warren, KD4Z and John N4IHV) on FT8 and CW with the callsign CB0ZEW.
As for FT8 operations, please note that the CB0ZEW remote station will be using WSJT-X running Fox/Hound mode, while the CB0ZA on-island stations will be running MSHV software.
"The DXpedition made the decision to use the different callsign for two reasons. First, it is a way to commemorate the DXpedition's organizer Marco Quijada, CE1EW who became a Silent Key in November. The second reason is to distinguish the DXpedition's remote CB0ZEW QSOs from the on-island CB0ZA QSOs. Because the remote CB0ZEW contacts will NOT count for IOTA under current rules in the IOTA program, the team felt the easiest way to manage this issue and honor IOTA's requirements would be by simply operating the remote RiB with a different call sign".
For both callsigns QSL via Club Log's OQRS, or direct to N2OO.
In addition to the original DXpedition budget, the team has incurred some significant unforeseen expenses: "so at this time we are appealing to DXers who have not lent support to the DXpedition to please consider making a donation". Bookmark https://cb0za.com/ for more information and updates.

DU - "BJ", WA7WJR will be active holiday style as DU3/WA7WJR from the Region of Pampanga in the Philippines on 4-9 February. He will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10 metres. He also plans to be active from the Governor Macario Amedo Park and the Mount Arayat National Park during this trip. QSL direct to WA7WJR; all QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW, Club Log and QRZ.

H4 - Bernhard, DL2GAC will be active again as H44MS from Malaita (OC-047), Solomon Islands from around 10 February until 25 April. He will be QRV on a daily basis, with activity on 160-6 metres SSB and some FT8. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. He will upload his log to Club Log and LoTW.

J3 - ON4HIL, ON4MA, ON5RA, ON5TN, ON6CC and ON7RU will be active as J38R from Grenada (NA-024) on 4-16 March. They will operate CW, SSB and FT8 on 160-10 metres, as well as RTTY on 20m, with up to four stations. Logsearch and Live Stream on Club Log; QSL via M0URX's OQRS; full log LoTW upload after six months. See https://rockall.be/ for more information and updates.

LU - AMSAT Argentina, LU7AA will celebrate the 34th anniversary of the LUSAT (LO-19) satellite on 20-28 January. Activity on the HF bands will be on SSB, CW and digital modes. More information can be found at https://www.qrz.com/db/LU7AA. [TNX LU4AAO]

OE - Celebrating the 60th anniversary of the Rhein Ruhr DX Association (https://rrdxa.org/), Jorg, OE6VIE is active as OE60RRDXA until 30 June. QSL via Club Log's OQR and LoTW.

V3 - Uwe, DL8UD will be active again as V31KO from Belize from 15 February to 6 March. He will operate SSB, CW and FT8 on 160-6 metres, and will participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest (17-18 February), the CQ WW 160-Meter SSB Contest (23-25 February) and the ARRL DX SSB Contest (2-3 March) as V3O. QSL for both callsigns via DL8UD, bureau or direct.

VK - A team of six Australians (Chris VK5FR, Adam VK5GA/VK2YK, Grant VK5GR, Ivan VK5HS, Andy VK5LA and Paul VK5PAS) will be active as VK5FIL from Flinders Island (OC-261) on 14-21 April. This IOTA group has not been activated since 2013. They will operate all modes from 160m to 70cm, including both terrestrial and satellite modes. QSL via M0OXO's OQRS. Bookmark https://www.vk5fil.com/ for more information and updates.

VP6 - Roger, G3YBO hopes to be active as VP6/G3YBO from the shack of Meralda, VP6MW for one day, when his cruise ship stops at Pitcairn Island (OC-044). The date will be 28 January from 18 UTC onwards. He will operate SSB on 17-10 metres.

VU - Team AT3SM will be active from St Mary's Island (AS-096) on 26-28 January. They will operate CW, SSB and FT8 (F/H) on 40, 20, 15, 10 and maybe 17m with up to three low power stations. QSL via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS, or via VU2XE. See https://www.qrz.com/db/AT3SM for more information.

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 10-18 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.

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3Y0K: BOUVET ISLAND 2025 ---> "What is the current 3Y0K plan for landing the equipment? Learning from the 3Y0J mistakes is essential to achieve success. Last time we planned based on little to no information about the landing conditions. This time we base our plan on our own real experience - three of us already did many dinghy landings, and we know the waters". Read Press Release #3 on https://3y0k.com/3y0k-press-release-3/.

CQ WW 160-METER CONTEST ---> Object of the contest is for amateurs around the world to contact other amateurs in as many USA States (CONUS plus District of Columbia), Canadian provinces, and countries as possible utilizing the 160m band (see https://www.cq160.com/ for complete rules). This year's event will run on 26-28 January (CW) and 23-25 February (SSB), both legs from 22:00 UTC to 22:00 UTC.

EU DX CONTEST ---> The fourth edition of the European Union DX Contest (EUDX Contest) will be held on 3-4 February (from 12 UTC to 12 UTC). Complete information can be found on https://www.eudx-contest.com/. The objective is for amateurs around the world to contact as many other amateurs in as many European Union regions and countries on 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres CW and SSB.

TX5S ---> The "Shogun" arrived at Clipperton Island a few hours later than expected due to rough seas. By late afternoon local time on 18 January, nine team members had landed on the island, but they did not yet have any radios yet. The remaining equipment will be brought onshore starting around 7 am on 19 January. "There's a lot of work yet to be done", Gene K5GS says. No additional updates will be provided until the whole team is on the island and the campsite is set up. Clipperton is UTC -8 hours.

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3D2AG, 3W9C (AS-130), 4U1A, 5W0LM, 6W/IV3FSG, 7X2AR, 7X2ET , A22EW, B2/BY1AA (AS-158), CO7MTL, E51D, E6AM, FK8HM, FO/AA7JV, HR5/F2JD, K8R (OC-045), KH0/DL2AH, KL7AC, P4/WE9V, PS0F, PZ5MA, R100GA, T33T, T77LA, TO9W (NA-105), V4/N2HX, V51MA, V63AH (OC-059), V6SX (OC-011), V73AH (OC-029), V85A, VB2M (NA-176), VK9CY, VK9XY, VP2V/KD9TAW, VP2V/W1DED, VP2VMM, VP6MW, W8S (OC-200), XT2AW, YJ0TT, ZD9W, ZL7/SP5EAQ, ZL7DX, ZL7IO.

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