The ARRL Board of Directors has approved (11 favourable votes, 3 contrary and 1 abstained) the recommendation from the Membership Services Committee for inclusion of Scarborough Reef in the DXCC Countries List. The recognition of the status of Country is based upon the Section II, Point 2(a) (Separation by the sea) of the DXCC Rules. Cards are valid for the contacts starting from 1 January 1995 (the only creditable operation took place in April 1995, the 1994 operations are not valid). Cards can be sent starting from 1 April 1996 (then Scarborough will not change the Honor Roll).

3DA  - Jon, 3DA0CA will join the CQ WWDX 160 Meter CW Contest (26-28 January) on 1.827 MHz (QEX 1.833-1.835 MHz). QSL via W4DR.

3B8  - From 16 February Peter, DK1RP (ex 8Q7AB, J6/DK1RP, SV5/DK1RP/P) will be active for two weeks from Jacky's (3B8CF) QTH (Mauritius Island). The operations will occur in SSB and CW from 10 to 80 meters, WARC bands included probably on 160 meters also. All the contacts will automatically be confirmed via bureau.

3V   - From 1 to 10 March Frank, DL8HYR should be active from radio club 3V8BB. Operations are planned mainly via satellite and EME, with possible activities on low bands.

3V   - Hrane, YT1AD will join the CQ WPX SSB Contest from radio club 3V8BB. QSL via home call.

5X   - Peter, ON6TT is going to Uganda, staying from six months to two years. During his staying, as always connected to U.N. activities, Peter will visit other African countries (9X, 9U, 9Q, 5H, ST, ST0, T5, 5Z, E3, ET ecc.). The Uganda operations will mainly occur in SSB and RTTY (CW on request), but Peter thinks he will have to wait a month before getting the licence. He plans to join major contests. QSL via ON5NT.

8Q   - From 14 to 20 February Chris, HB9CYV and Rolf, HB9CZR will be active from Maldives probably using the 8Q7YV and 8Q7ZR calls. Operations from 10 to 80 meters (probably on 160 meters too).

9A   - Dick, K4XU will be in Zagabria for four weeks starting from 30 January and will be active as 9A/K4XU or 9A4XU from radio club 9A1A, where antennas for 160 meters have been installed.

9L   - Jim, 9L1JC will be active from Sierra Leone at least until August. QSL via 9L1JC (P.O.Box 1031, Freetown, Sierra Leone).

9M2  - Tex, 9M2TO will join the CQ WWDX 160 Meter CW Contest (26-28 January) using an antenna sent him by JA1XAC. Tex would like to transmit on 1.900 MHz, +/- QRM.
A3 - From 20 February to 20 March Paul, KK6H will be active as A35RK from Tonga. The operations will occur mainly in CW and RTTY (no 160 meters activities are planned). It is a business trip, but Paul hopes to be active all the days for at least a couple of hours probably between 17.00 and 19.00 UTC and between 05.00 and 09.00 UTC. The operations will take place from islands included in the IOTA groups of Tongatapu (OC-049), Ha'apai (OC-169) and Vava'u (OC-064), but exact dates of the activities will be defined on the spot. The new QSL manager of A35RK is W7TSQ (Robert Preston, 809 Cary Road, Edmonds, WA 98020, USA), to whom the requests can also be sent via bureau.

C3 - Peter, VE3GEJ wants to join the CQ WWDX 160 Meter CW Contest using the call C31LJ, if he can free the antenna from ice.

C56 - From 4 to 18 March DL2RUM, DL7BO, DL7DF, DL7UFR and DL7URH will be active from The Gambia in CW (1.822, 3.505, 7.005, 10.115, 14.005, 18.073, 21.005 MHz) and SSB. The operators will use two stations with particular attention to low bands. They plan also to join the BARTG RTTY (16-17 March) and, if possible, a sat activity (AO13) and on 6 meters. QSL via DL7DF (ex DL7UUO).

CE9_ant - Kenn, CE9/G0NKZ [425DXN 232] has returned home earlier than expected due to health problems.

CT3 - From 25 January Dick, G3PFS will be active from 10 to 40 meters from Madeira island using the CT3EU call.

DL_ant - A new amateur is active from station DP0GVN located at the German Antarctic base Georg Neumayer (WABA DL-03, IOTA AN-016), located on Princess Martha Coast.

EA7 - The 28 January EA7BR/p will be active from Tavirona isl. (DIEI H19). QSL via EA7CWA.

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EJ - From 7 to 10 June the WestNet DX Group, together with a few operators from Switzerland (such as Bernie HB9ASZ), will be active from Great Blasket Island (EU-007) with the call EJ7NET. All bands and modes operations from 10 to 160 meters. QSL via EI6FR.

FR/G - Henry, FR5ZQ is again portable /G from Glorioso.

GM - Clive, GM3POI will join the ARRL CW DX Contest on 80 meters from his QTH in Orkneys islands (EU-009).

GU - During the night between 27 and 28 January the club station GU3HFN will join the CQ WWDX 160 Meter CW Contest. The signal will not be very strong (as they will use a dipole and a FT-990 without amplifier). QSL via bureau, or via direct to: Guernsey ARS GU3HFN, P.O. Box 100, Guernsey GY1 3EL, via UK.

HKO - Bob, K1WGM will be active as HK0/K1WGM from San Andres Island during the ARRL International DX CW Contest (17-18 February), mainly on 160 meters. QSL via home call.
I - From 27 to 28 January the Milano ARI Section will activate the special IR2ARI station.

J6 - At the end of February Hrane YT1AD will be active from St.Lucia with the call J68AD. SSB and CW operations from 10 to 160 meters. QSL via home call.

J6 - From 9 to 23 March Walter, DL6SDS will be active from St.Lucia using the call J6/DL6SDS. CW operations from 10 to 20 meters.

JX - JX9ZP is active mainly in SSB (not in 160 meters) from Jan Mayen, where he works in the meteo station.

KH9 - The Dateline DX Association confirms that the Wake Island expedition will take place from 1 to 7 February using the AL7EL/KH9 call [425DXN 245]. All bands and modes activity and the operators will be AL7EL, WB2DND, K4HQI and N6EK that has replaced KC7V [425DXN 240]. K4HQI (Lloyd Westerbrook, Box 638, Commerce, GA 30529, USA) is the new QSL manager for this operation.

OA - The special station OA461QV is active until the end of January to celebrate the 461st anniversary of Lima city. QSL via OA4QV.

OA_ssh - Before the end of January the station OA0MP will be active again for about one month from the Peruvian Antarctic base Machu Picchu (WABA OA-01) located on King George Island (62.045S-58.277W) in the South Shetland islands. Stay tuned in the weekends around 23.00 UTC on 14.160 MHz. QSL via OA4WM.

P4 - John, K9UWA e Jean, N9PXF will be active as P40WA from Aruba during the CQ WWDX 160 Meter CW Contest (26-28 January). Before and after the competition they will use the P40/K9UWA call. QSL via K9UWA (direct or via bureau).

PY - From 26 to 28 January a group of Brazilian operators will be active from Paz island (NO-REF, DIB 63), located in the Santa Catarina State North group. SSB and CW operations. QSL via PP5LL.

PY - From 4 to 13 February the station ZY3CEJ will be active from Furado island (DIB 62), not valid for IOTA. Operations from 10 to 160 meters in SSB and CW. QSL via PY3CEJ.

T7 - The 27 and 28 January Dom (IK6BMU), Alfredo (IK6IJF) and Massimiliano (IK6RUM) will be active from club station T70A. All HF bands operations, in CW and SSB, also via satellite. QSL via IK6RUM (Massimiliano Urbano, Via del Gredo 14, 65125 Pescara, Italy) also via bureau.

UA_ant - Following what published in 425DXN 245, the activity of Russian operators from multinational Antarctic base Patriot has ended earlier than expected. Alex and Vic are now active as R1ANT from Russian Antarctic base Molodezhnaya (WABA UA-06), located on Enderby Land (67.41S-45.51E), while Olga (UA9YO) is returned home. QSL via UA1MU.

UA0 - The station UA0YAY is active from Oblast 159-Tuva, CQ Zone 23. QSL via Box 40, Kyzyl 667011, Tuva, Russia.

V3 - From 14 to 19 February Alan (NS0B), John (WC0W) and Robert (WG9L) will be in Belize, from where they will join the ARRL International DX CW Contest (17-18 February) using the call V31EV. Outside of the contest NS0B and WC0W will respectively use the V31EV and V31TP calls, while the WG9L's call is still unknown. For contest contacts QSL via NS0B; for outside of the contest contacts QSL via respective home calls.

VK - From 8 to 11 March VK8HZ and VK8NSB will be active from Melville Isl (OC-173). All bands from 6 to 80 meters operations with two stations
VP5 - From 11 to 19 February Joe, K8JP will be active as VP5/K8JP from Jody's (VP5JM) QTH (NA-002). The operations will take place mainly in CW, on low and WARC bands. They plan to join the ARRL International DX CW Contest (17-18 February) using the VP5JP call. Joe and Jody want also to operate for one day from Salt Cay (NA-003). QSL via K8JP, whose new address is Joe Pontek, P.O. Box 59573, Schaumburg, IL 60159-0573, U.S.A.

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VP9 - Dave, N3RD will join the CQ WWDX 160 Meter Contest from Paget Parish with the VP9AD call. In a possible activity before the contest he will use the N3RD/VP9 call. QSL via W3HNK.

VU - Pai, VU2PAI [see Good to know] is active on 160 meters with a dipole but he plans to install new antennas.

VU - Mur, VU2MTT will join the CQ WWDX 160 Meter Contest on 1.828 Mhz.

XE - From 7 April Ruben, DL4VCR will be active from Mexico with a XE2 call.

XU - The 26 January Mike, XU6WV/VS6WV will leave Hong Kong for Phnom Penh where he should stay until 2 February. Mike would like to join the CQ WWDX 160 Meter CW Contest, but he still can't promise this. After the contest Mike will be active on 40 and 80 meters (and probably on 20 meters too), mainly in CW. In February Mike will definitely live in Cambodia, where he should stay for at least two years.

XV - From 9 to 15 February JA3UB, JR3MVF and JH3GRE will be in Ho-Chi-Minh City, where, during spare time, they will visit the local radio club. They plan to be active from 6 to 160 meters, WARC bands included, in SSB and CW. Call and QSL manager will be announced later.

XZ - From 26 January to 3 February OH1RY and OH1MA should be active as XZ1R. QSL via SCSDX Team, P.O.Box 111, 24101 Salo, Finland.

XZ - The station XZ1A could be active during the CQ WW 160 meter Contest.

XZ - From 20 to 28 February OH1MA, OH1RY, OH0XX and OH2BH will be active from Myanmar/Burma. All band activity, 160 meters included using the XZ1A or XZ1R call.

ZS - The special station ZSM6A is active (for one month starting from 21 January) from Johannesburg celebrating the Africa Cup football championships. QSL via WA3HUP.

*************** GOOD TO KNOW ********************

3A0FC ---> Mike, G4IUF is still receiving QSL request for CW contacts with 3A0FC, but Mike is not the manager of this station.
4U/KC0PA & KC0PA/S0 ---> Rudi, VE9RHS reports to have answered to about 1800 QSL. It seems that many stations sent the card to Tim, KC0PA via bureau: QSLs currently in the bureau will be sent to Rudi as an exception, but in the future the cards not addressed "via VE9RHS" will probably be wasted. Rudi reports also that he received many QSL for contacts made by 4U/KC0PA between 2 and 25 May 1995: during those days Tim was in the States, then it was a pirate activity.

5R8KH ---> Jerry, WB8LFO reports that he has not received the 5R8KH logs since the end of November 1995.

8P9CW ---> Jerry, WB8LFO reports that he has received no logs from this station for 1995 contacts.

9L1PG & 9L1MG ---> Paul (9L1PG) and Millie (9L1MG) have faxed their logs to States. They refer to 22-26 December 1995 period (about 100 QSO for 9L1MG and about 675 QSO for 9L1PG). The QSL manager (NW8F) should answer in a few days.

ANTARCTICA ---> The Georg-Forster-Station (Y90ANT, Y88POL) and Ardley-Station (DP1KGI) bases have been dismantled. Currently the only German Antarctic bases are Neumayer (permanent inhabited), Gondwana, Drechsler and Filchner (inhabited during the Antarctic summer). A new station is the so-called From-Imann-Station or "Dallmann-Laboratory", located near the Argentinian base Jubany on King George Island (South Shetland Islands). It is a German building inside an Argentinian zone: this means that a future amateur activity (up to now the station has not yet been activated) will have a LU/Z or a DP call.

ANTARCTICA/MM ---> From 25 January to 6 February Bill, KA1WEG will be active from a ship in Antarctica. Bill wants to operate on 14.180 and 14.260 MHz.

BV9 & BS7 ---> From researches by Tim Totten, KJ4VH Pratas Island (AS-110) and Scarborough Reef (AS-116) are located in the following CQ & ITU zones: Pratas, BV9 = CQ 24, ITU 44; Scarborough, BS7 = CQ 27, ITU 50.

D2TT & D3T ---> ON5NT has started to reply to requests for Peter, ON6TT activities from Angola (July-August 1995) with the D2TT and D3T calls.

DXCC ---> During the Bologna DX Convention more than 12 thousands QSL have been checked for DXCC by Chuck, K8CH and Dave, K8TQF. It is therefore comprehensible that a few mistakes were made, to which it is possible to remedy, contacting directly ARRL or writing to Dave (e-mail jizirat@aol.com) or Chuck (k8ch@arrl.org).

F5CCO/P ---> At the end of February Eric, F5CCO will sent through the bureau all the cards for his operations from EU-070. He has received no direct requests.

F5SHQ/P ---> Mathieu, F5SHQ reports that he has sent all the requests for his activities from Arguin island (EU-159). QSL can be sent directly to F5SHQ (Mathieu Roche, 4 cours de la liberation, F-33000 Bordeaux, France) or via bureau.
HEARD ISLAND ---> The Heard Island expedition is being reorganized for the 1996-97 season (they plan a three week operation in January). First ten members of the team are: EA8AFJ (Michel Sabatino), HB9AHL (Willy Rusch), KA6W (Ted Algren), K0IR (Ralph Fedor), KK6EK (Robert Schmieder), N6EK (Bob Fabry), NP4IW (Carlos Nascimento), ON6TT (Peter Casier), PA3DUU (Arie Nugteren), RA3AUU (Igor Harry Booklan). The complete list of operators should be ready for 31 January. The budget for this expedition reaches the 320 thousand dollars. 20 persons will share, contributing with 10 thousands dollars each. Many club and foundations pledged to contribute to reach the remaining 120 thousand dollars. Any other donation from anyone will be much appreciated. /EXI

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GERMAN ISLANDS ---> The German islands resident amateurs meet on Sunday at 15 UTC on 3.645 MHz.

PY3ZYM/PY0F & PS7ZMA/PY0F - Last August, during a trip to Brasil, Hirotaka (JH2MRA) collected some QSL of his previous operations sending them to local bureau. Hirotaka is now answering to these requests but probably others were lost. Those who sent QSL to the Brazilian bureau are kindly request to send them again to JH2MRA, via direct or the Japanese bureau. Hirotaka can confirm following operations: PY3ZYM/PY0F, PS7ZNA/PY0F, PY0ZFB, PY0ZFF, PQ1J, CE0Y/JH2MRA, CE0Y/JR2AIU.

PY0FZ ---> Fred, PY7ZZ should start to answer the requests for PY0FZ in a couple of weeks. Fred reports that most of the cards he received had a single green stamp (not enough to cover return postage) but he hopes to balance the costs using the the larger contributions found in other envelopes.

SVALBARD/MM --> From 3 March to mid- May Claude, F6EOZ will join Jean-Louis Etienne during a scientific trip to Svalbard islands. Claude will be active mainly on 20 meters and via satellite as JW/F6EOZ/MM or JW/TM6E/MM.

TAJIKISTAN & UZBEKISTAN ---> Karl, KY4T/DL4YT works at the U.S. consulate in Frankfurt and during next years he will often visit USA embassies in Tajikistan and Uzbekistan (in November he has already been active as EY8/K4YT). Karl can also directly deliver to Fedor, UK9AA the cards for him. Karl's address is Ernst Schwendler Str. 5/6, D-60320 Frankfurt, or PSC-115 ESC Frankfurt, APO AE 09213, USA.

VK8NSB/P ---> During the recent activity from Groote Eylandt (OC-141) Stuart, VK8NSB/P logged about 2500 QSO. Up to now he received 700 direct cards, to which he has already started to answer (first 150 will have a special card). QSL for bureau cards will be delivered before the 10 February. Those who sent a direct request without covering postage return costs (currently an air mail costs 1.20 dollars) will receive the card via the bureau.
PSE NO GREEN STAMPS! ---> Green stamps sent directly to VU2PAI have caused him some problems with local authorities, who do not allow the exchange of foreigner currency. For direct requests send him some stamps from your own country to increase the VU2PAI's post stamps collection

YA9XL ---> Yannick, F5TCN [425DXN 245] reports that he has the log for 1-24 December 1995 period. The activity of YA9XL ended the 15 January and Yan should be soon receive the other logs. Yan can only confirm the YA9XL contacts, not those by YA/UT9XL. The address is: Yannick Cailliau, 14 route d'Harnes, F-62880 Annay sous Lens, France.

QSL received via direct: 3D2SK, 3W5FM, 8P9EM, A71BH, C21TT, CE0Z, EW9/UX2MM, LR3D, LW5EXY, RN4W, TY5A, UX200M, V73CO, VA9DH, VG9DH, YA9XL, YI9KU, ZL7PYD

QSL received via WF5E DX QSL service: 3V8BB, 4U/KC0PA, 5X4A, BS7H(!), CP8XA, CY9/KW2P, J20UFT (AF-053), J28JA, KQ4GC (NA-138), R1FJZ, S0RASD, XT2CH

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