6Y - From 29 December to 12 January I5JHW will be active as 6Y5HW and possibly also as 6Y0HW. Gianni will be active on all bands SSB, CW and RTTY with a vertical antenna.

8P - From 12 to 17 December Steve, KU9C and Ralph, K2PF will be active from Barbados (NA-021) respectively as 8P9GD and 8P9GE. They will participate in the ARRL 10 Meters Contest (14-15 December). QSL via their respective home calls.

8Q - From 19 December to 1 January Chris (HB9CYV) and Martin (HB9CYN) will be active from Maldives (AS-013) respectively as 8Q7YV and 8Q7YN. Operations will take place mainly on CW (all bands from 10 to 80 metres, WARC included, and possibly on 160 metres). QSL via bureau to their respective home calls. Direct requests can be sent to HB9CYN (Martin Ghermi, Wyden 5, CH-5242 Birr, Switzerland) and HB9CYV at the following address: Christian Zeller, Jaegerstr. 19, CH-8200 Schaffhausen, Switzerland.

9K - From 18 to 27 December a group of operators of the Kuwait Amateur Radio Society will be active from Faylaka Island (AS-118) with the call 9K2F. QSL via 9K2HN (Hamad J. Al-Nusif, P.O.Box 29174, 13152 Safat, Kuwait).

A6 - Until 14 December Mohamed, A61AM will be active as A625ND to celebrate the 25th United Arab Emirates' National Day. QSL to KA5TOF.

CX - From 13 to 15 December CX8DX and other CX operators will be active from Flores Island (SA-030) on SSB, CW and RTTY (160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 and 6 metres). QSL via CX3CE.

HK - Until 8 December Pedro, HK3JJH will be /5 from Gorgona Island (SA-017). QSL via home call.

HS - From 12 to 15 December HS1AAM, HS1CDX, HS2NS, HS2FDX, HS7ECI, HS0/SM3DYU and other operators will be active from Koh Chang.
The DXpedition is being organised by Chamlong, HS1AAM on behalf of the Radio Amateur Society of Thailand (RAST) to celebrate the 50th year of reign of King Bhumipol of Thailand. The special call sign HS50A will be used. Operations will take place on all bands (WARC excluded) CW, SSB, RTTY and possibly Satellite. QSL via the Thailand Bureau (P.O. Box 2008, Bangkok, 10501, Thailand) or to the QSL manager who will be announced soon.

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KC4_ant- Nikolai, UA3YH is active (until 5 February) from the US Antarctic base Amundsen-Scott (WABA K-08), located on the magnetic South Pole. Nikolai operates either as UA3YH/KC4 (QSL via RW3XA) and KC4AAA (QSL via NC6J).

LA - From 6 to 8 December the station LA1V will be active from Oslo to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Norwegian Home Guard. QSL via LA4LN (P.O. Box 15 Kjelsas, N-0411 Oslo, Norway).

T3 - DF6FK will be again active as T32BB as from 24 December and as T31BB as from 27 December. QSL via DF6FK.

TI9 - TI4CF will be active from Coco's Island (NA-012) as from 21 December for two weeks with the call TI9CF. Operations will concentrate on the low bands.

V5 - Gary (ex C53HG) is active as V5/WA1JBB. Gary will be staying in Namibia for four years and he is waiting for his own V51 call. QSL via W3HCW.

V6 - Until 16 December HL1IWD will be active on SSB and CW (80, 40, 20 and 15 metres) as V63CT from Pohnpei (OC-010). QSL via home call (the new address is: Sung Ki Lee, 572-278, SungSan-dong, Mapo-ku, Seoul 121-250, Korea).

W - From 11 to 24 December Reinhard, DF4TD/AC5FL will be active from several IOTA and USI islands in Florida.

+ SILENT KEY + It was with the greatest sadness that we have learnt of the sudden passing of Edouard "Ted" Robinson, F8RU on 24 November.

NEW IOTA REFERENCE NUMBERS ---> The following notice has been received from the RSGB IOTA Committee: "The IOTA Committee has issued the following Reference Numbers provisionally, to be confirmed when satisfactory validation material has been provided:

OC-217 YB3 Indonesia - Kangean Is (operation by YB3SPS/P)
OC-218 FK New Caledonia - Matthew Island (operation by FK5M)

Checkpoints are not authorised to accept QSLs for these operations for IOTA
credit until the Reference Numbers have been confirmed.”

XROY/Z, THE BOOK ---+ Bob, KK6EK reports that the book about the Easter Island/Salas y Gomez DXpedition (September 1995) is at the printer. The book is rather big (400 pages). It contains the entire XROY/Z story, complete technical details about all the innovations and experiments and new scientific information about HF radio propagation that emerged from the logs. A description of the book and some pictures can be found at the following site: http://www.ccnet.com/~cordell/CE_books.html

Orders ($25 plus $3 postage) should be sent to the following address: Robert W. Schmieder, 4295 Walnut Blvd, Walnut Creek, CA 94596, USA (cheques should be made to Cordell Expeditions).

XZ1N ---+ If you want to check and see if you are in the XZ1N log for a specific QSO, you can send e-mail to: xz1n@qrz.com The Subject line should read XZ1N LOG CHECK and the body of the message should have the following information for each QSO: Your call sign, Band, Mode, Date, Time in GMT. Warren, K7WX says: “If you had a solid contact, please do not make an 'am I in the log' request. This log check should only for ops who may have had the XZ1N side of their one and only QSO with us lost in QRM/QRN and just want to be sure.” The regular QSL route is via W1XT (Bob Myers, P.O. Box 17108, Fountain Hills, AZ 85269-7108, USA).

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3C5A  N6ZZ  CY0/AA4NC  AA4NC  IU3VE  I3BHE  T9DX  SM7VX
3C5Z  N62Z  CY0XX  WA4DAN  IU4U  IK4ALM  TA0/I3BQC  I3BQC
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