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3D2_rot - Antoine, 3D2AG is now active from Rotuma as 3D2AG/p [425DXN 279].

7O - Zorro, JH1AJT and Franz, DJ9ZB will be in Yemen from 14 to 21 December for a radio demonstration. They believe there is a very good chance to be granted permission to operate (SSB only - 3.797, 7.060, 14.195, 21.295 and 28.495 MHz - no WARC, CW, or RTTY). Zorro says operating time might be very limited. They will concentrate on 20, 40 and 80 metres. Callsign is unknown at this time. QSL via JH1AJT.

9U - Erik, SM0AGD is currently in Burundi, where he will be working with UN/DHA in Bujumbura for one month. He does not plan on any major DX activity, but he has brought his keyer, just in case he finds time, equipment and a licence waiting to be used! For the time being he has been spotted active from 9U5CW's QTH.

C6 - Gary, KR8V will participate in the ARRL International DX CW Contest (15-16 February) as KR8V/C6A from Abaco (NA-080). Before and after the contest he will be active (mainly on CW) on all bands from 10 to 160 metres. QSL via home call.

CX - The operators who until 15 December are active from Flores Island (SA-030) [425DXN 292] as CV0Z are CX2AM, CX3AN, CX3BV, CX3CE, CX4AAE, CX4AAJ, CX4CQ, CX4CR, CX4SS, CX6FK, CX7DF, CX4AK and CX8DX. QSL via CX3CE (CBA), CXAM (CBA), CX1CCC (CBA) or to P.O. Box 12052, 11300 Montevideo, Uruguay.

CY9 - Mike, VE9AA is organising a DXpedition to St. Paul Island. Preliminary dates will be 10-15 June (subject to slight change) and it will be an all band effort (2-160 metres).

E3 - Business committments have forced JF1IST/E31FAO [425DXN 292] to go QRT on 12 December.

EA - In December and January EA4ENK will be /p from the following Spanish islands: La Hoya (15 December, DIEI BA-27), Pizarilla (29

December, DIEI BA-28), Las Tapias (12 January, DIEI BA-39), Contreras (26 January, DIEI BA-37), El Egidillo (19 January, DIEI BA-38). QSL for all these activities via EA5OL.

FR - Members of the Heard Island team will begin arriving on Reunion as early as 26 December. Operation from Reunion (TO0R) will begin around 30 December for several days, emphasizing the low bands. Departure from Reunion Island is scheduled for 3 January.

GJ - From 24 to 28 July 1997 ON5SY, ON1CJQ, ON4AVA, ON4FE, ON4ON, ON7PQ and ON9CGB will be active from Les Minquiers Plateau (EU-099). They will participate in the IOTA Contest (26-27 July) as GB0ON. Outside the contest they will be active mainly on the WARC bands with their individual calls GJ/ON...../P. QSL via ON4ON also through the bureau.

HS - HS50A's operations from Koh Chang (AS-125) [425DXN 292] are due to end on 15 December. QSL via JA9IFF/1 (for Japanese stations only: Jim Nakajima, Setogaya 138-19-704, Hodogaya, Yokohama, 240 Japan) and I1JQJ (Mauro Pregliasco, Corso Novara 39, 10154 Torino-TO, Italy; or: Mauro Pregliasco, P.O.Box 250, 10100 Torino-TO, Italy), also through the bureau. It is possible to ask for bureau cards by sending an e-mail message to hs50a@pc.fr.flashnet.it (please detail your call and QSO data: date, UTC, band, mode).

HS - From 17 January to 17 Febraury Ralf, DL2FDK will be again active from Thailand as HS0/DL2FDK (SSB and Pactor from 10 to 40 metres). QSL via DL2FDK.

KC4_ant - UA3YH/KC4, who is active (also as KC4AAA) from Amundsen-Scott Antarctic Base [425DXN 292], is often QRV (14.020 and 14.180 MHz) for Europe between 16 and 19 UTC and for Americas between 00 and 3 UTC. For the contacts made with UA3YH/KC4 the QSL manager is RW3XA (ex UA3XBY), either direct (Box 461, Obninsk, Kaluga region, 249020, Russia) or through the bureau.

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LU - The Pekermans DX Group will participate in the ARRL 10 meter Contest as from Martin Garcia Island (SA-055). QSL via LW5EJQ.

PY_ssh - From December until February ZX0ECF will be active from Brazilian Antarctic base Comandante Ferraz (WABA PY-01), locate don King George Island, South Shetland Is (AN-010). He is usually QRV at 23 UTC ion 14.140-150 MHz.

S9 - Andrew, K4HQ reports that Charles, S92SS will be back to Sao Tome on 16 December. His favourite band is 17 metres (expecially CW) in the evenings but he will also make it a point to be more active on 80 and 160 metres as he has a new antenna for those bands. It is however possible to find him on every Monday at 20.30 UTC on 14.278 MHz. His wife (S92YL) prefers 20 metre DX nets and is usually on in their early afternoon. Charles will not be in Sao Tome much longer, because as of June 1997 he will be looking for another job. QSL via Charles Lewis, P.O. Box 522, Sao Tome (via Portugal).

TI9 - TI2JJP is active as TI9JJP from Coco's.

V4 - Fom 3 to 17 February Joe, VE3BW will be active as V47CA from St. Kitts (NA-104). Operations will take place on all bands (6-160 metres) mainly on CW. QSL via homecall.

V5 - Charlie, KY0A (V5/ZS6YG) is again organizing an activity from Namibia with W8UVZ. Operationa are scheduled for February and will include participation in the ARRL CW Contest as V59T [425DXN 259] (QSL via KY0A). Outside the contest V5/ZS6YG (QSL via KY0A) and V5/W8UVZ (QSL via W8UVZ) will be active mainly on the low bands and on 10-12 metres.

V6 - From 28 December to 1 January Tack (JE1SCJ/V63YT), Miyuki (JG0PBJ/V63MP) and Kazu (JA0VSH/V63KZ) will be active from Pohnpei (OC-010). Operations will take place from 10 to 160 metres, WARC bands included. QSL to their respective calls, direct or through the bureau.

VK0IR - The Heard Island team consists of EA8AFJ, HB9AFI, HB9AHL, K0IR, K4UEE, K9AJ, KK6EK, N6EK, N6MZ, NP4IW, OE9AMJ, ON5NT, ON6TT, PA3DUU, RA3AUU, VK2JDM, W8FMG, W0GJ, WA3YVN and 9V1YC. The itinerary is the following:

3	January	Depart Reunion Island	(TO0R)
8/9	January	Visit Crozet Island	(TX0C)
12/13	January	Arrive Heard Island	
15	January	On the air - Heard Island	(VK0IR)
29/30	January	Depart Heard Island	
1	February	Visit Kerguelen Island	(TX0K)
7	February	Arrive Reunion Island	

There is a possibility of radio operations from Crozet and Kerguelen. However the length of stay on these islands is quite short and dependent on boat schedules and weather. While enroute aboard the Marion Dufresne, the team will be quite active as TO0R/MM.

Upon arrival on Heard Island, the NCDXF beacon will be installed. VK0IR/B will be transmitting on 14.100, 18.110, 21.150, 24.930 and 28.200 MHz. The beacon will transmit for ten seconds on each band, every three minutes. Because the beacon will be operational 2 or 3 days prior to radio operations beginning, your reports (through the pilot stations: ON4UN, N1DG (WB2DND), K0EU, W0EK (WD0AEK), W2FJ/6 (WA2FIJ/6), W4WW (N4PYD) and JH1ROJ) will be helpful in setting the operating plan for the first days of operation. Also, a special beacon will be operational on 1826.5 MHz.

Donations are still welcome and can be sent to K4UEE (Bob Allphin, 4235 Blackland Dr. Marietta, GA 30067, USA) or KK6EK (Bob Schmieder, 4295 Walnut Blvd., Walnut Creek, CA 94596, USA).

W - On 14-15 December K3IXD, KD4QVT, N3NT, W3GHR and WB3ECU, thanks to the hospitality of the Voice of America Amateur Radio Club, will activate K3VOA in the ARRL 10 Meters Contest. Operations will take place on both CW and SSB. QSL via K3IXD (for this contest only).

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5R8EN ---> Before leaving for Panama Gerard, F2JD (ex 5R8EN) sent the last part of his log to Jean-Michel, F6AJA, who has replied to all the direct cards. During his staying in Madagascar Gerard logged 11410 QSOs (56% SSB, 40% CW, the rest on in RTTY/PACTOR) and 1340 QSOs from Nosy Be (75% SSB, 25% CW).

9G5SX ---> During 15, 26 and 27 November Roger (G3SXW) made 817 CW contacts, mostly on 15 and 17 metres, as 9G5SX transitting through Accra for the 5V7A project. QSL via G3SXW.

FT5WE ---> FT5WE was not active during the following periods: 31/1 to 17/2, 5/5 to 29/5, 31/5 to 15/6, 30/6 to 26/7, 3/8 to 17/8.

QSL CAPE VERDE ---> It is advisable to mail your letters "via Portugal", otherwise they are routed through Senegal where they are more likely to get lost. D44BC's address therefore should be as follows: Julio Vera-Cruz, P.O.Box 36, Mindelo, Republic of Cape Verde, Via Portugal.

QSL 5V7A ---> The 5V7A entry to the CQWW CW Contest yielded 12,200 QSOs (QSL via GM4AGL). On November 21 and 22 personal call-signs were used while testing antennas [425DXN 287] (QSL via home call). Direct QSL requests for 5V7A were being answered within one week of the contest. E-mail requests for bureau replies are being accepted at 100260.342@compuserve.com (please do not send by more than one route as this causes unnecessary duplication of effort and cost). Full details of the expedition and QSLing are on our home page at: http://www.getnet.com/~kf7ay/5v5a.html

QSL 5X1T ---> Peter, ON6TT/5X1T reports that QSL cards are being sent out since a few weeks. The QSL manager (ON5NT) is still processing the rest before he leaves to Heard Island.

QSL ID9/I2VGW ---> Gabriele, I2VGW has started replying to the requests concerning his recent activity from Vulcano (EU-017, IIA ME-018). QSL cards will be sent also through the bureau, but if you want a direct reply the address is P.O.Box 966, 20101 Milano - MI, Italy.

QSL TY1RY ---> Eddie, G0AZT reports that QSL cards for TY1RY (September 1996) are expected from the printers in about two weeks time. Processing will start as soon as he gets them. Requests should be sent to P.O. Box 5194, Richmond, CA 94805, USA (it is not necessary to re-send SSB cards already sent direct to KE6FV).

QSL V59T ---> The QSL managers for V59T's activities in 1994, 1995 and 1996 are W2IJ (ex-WA2FIJ, 1994), V51GB (1995) and N2AU (1196).

QSL VIA G3SWH ---> Phil is the QSL manager for the following operations:

GW6YB/p, G4VXE/TF (August 1993), L4D (SA-065, November 1993) G4VXE/C6A (1994, 1995 and 1996), GJ4VXE/p (June 1994), G4VXE/VE3 (1996), GJ3RTE/p (June 1996), GJ3SWH/p (June 1996).
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SDI ---> Paul, EI5DI has updated his SDI (Super-Duper for IOTA) for the 1997 Contest. It includes the latest island references from the 1997 IOTA Directory. You can download SDI, and SDL for listeners, from http://www.iol.ie/~okanep

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UGANDA ---> During the CQWW CW Contest Dave (KE4EW), Dale (N3BNA) and Paul (5X4F) logged some 2500 QSOs as 5X4F [425DXN 288]. Outside the contest Dave operated as 5X4DLI (about 1000 QSOs) and Dale operated as 5X4DEL (about 2500 QSOs). They were using only battery power, so they had to operate on low power for most of the time to conserve the batteries and tried not to transmit any more than necessary. QSl via K3SW (for contacts made with 5X4F), via KE4EW (for contacts made with 5X4DLI) or via WB3DNA (for contacts made with 5X4DEL).

+ SILENT KEY + It was with the greatest sadness that we have learnt of the sudden passing of Antonio Garcia Gutierrez, EA9TQ. EA9PY, EA9PB and EA9PD will handle the QSL cards concerning the operations Antonio was manager for.

+ SILENT KEY + It was with the greatest sadness that we have learnt of the passing of George Wise, W7MB, who became a Silent Key on December 10.

QSL received via direct: 5V7HR, 5V7ML, 9A8P (EU-090), C21NJ, CI3O (CISA ON-069, 197, 198, 199), DS0DX/2 (AS-105), EI5CRC (EU-007), FR5ZU/T, FT5WE, HC2/F6AUS (SA-034), HC4/F6AUS (SA-033), IB0(IK6JOT (E-045; IIA LT-001, 002, 008), IC8/IK2PZG (EU-031; IIA NA-002, 009, 023, 024), ID9/I2VGW (EU-017; IIA ME-018), II1ARI, IH9/IK8BIZ (AF-018; IIA TP-001, 003), IL3/IK2GPQ (EU-131; IIA VE-024, 045), IL3/IK2PZG (EU-131; IIA VE-001, 007, 019, 020, 022, 024, 027, 028, 040, 041, 045), IL3/IV3EXV (EU-130; IIA GO-005, 008, 012, 014, 023, 026, 029), IL3/IV3JWR (EU-131; IIA GO-010, 017, 022), IM0JMA (EU-EU-024; IIA SS-138), IM0/IS0UPR (EU-024; IIA OR-008), IQ1TSM, J59ON, J59KX, K9PPY/p (NA-192), NL7TB/p (NA-206), LU/IK1EDC (SA-022), LU/IK1EDC, VE8A (NA-207), NU2L/VE8 (NA-208), VK6ISL (OC-140), VK6ISL (OC-214), XM3P

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