A group of seven Italian amateurs will operate as JT1Y from Ulan-Bator, Mongolia for one week starting on 7 April. The team includes Nicola Sanna (I0SNY, Team Leader), Odoardo Tiberi (I0TIC), Mauro Pregliasco (I1JQJ), Massimo Mucci (I8NHJ), Piero Palmiotto (IK0AEH), Francesco D’Alo’ (IK0FUX), Elvira Simoncini (IV3FSG) and possibly others. It is planned to keep at least two stations on the air round the clock, to maximise band openings. All HF bands will be activated, on SSB, CW and RTTY. The activity will take place from JT1KAA, the club station of The Mongolian Radio Sports Federation. QSL via I0SNY (Nicola Sanna, Str. Gualtarella 8/M, 06132 S.Sisto - PG, Italy).

3A - Manfred, DJ7RJ will be active (mostly on CW) from Monaco as 3A/DJ7RJ between 28 February and 12 March. He plans to operate on 160 metres (1.833 MHz) around 4 UTC. QSL via DJ7RJ.

3B7 - The USKA DXpedition to Cargados Island in the St. Brandon Archipelago (AF-015, 6-17 May) [425DXN 351] is now reported to take place with the call 3B7AZ. <TNX DX News Sheet>

3C0 - A multi-national team of 4-6 operators plans to be active from Annobon/Pagalu Island (AF-039) the first week of March. They are expected to be on CW, SSB and RTTY on all bands, with emphasis on 40, 80 and 160 metres. <TNX The Daily DX>

3C - Alan, 3C5I is currently active (10, 15 and 20 metres for the time being, soon on the WARC bands) from Bioko Island (AF-010). He is there on a long term work assignment. QSL to Alan, P.O. Box 139082, Dallas, TX 75313, USA. <TNX The Daily DX>

3D2 - 3D2CC from Malolo Island (OC-121), Fiji is reported to be daily on 14.131 MHz around 18.30 UTC. <TNX VE6VK>

3D2 - JM1IJS and JE1OYE will be active as 3D2LJ/P and 3D2TS/P from Yasawa Group (OC-156) on 1-3 May. Then will move to Viti Levu (OC-016), from where they will be active as 3D2LJ and 3D2TS until 7 May. QSL
3X - Steve, G0AEV will be working in Guinea for 12-15 weeks starting on 16 February. He expects to get a licence and plans to concentrate on his favourite bands (6 and 10 metres) at first. <TNX The Daily DX>

4U1ITU - EA3AFW, EA3FQV, EA3ATM and EA3DUW will participate in the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest (28-29 March) from 4U1ITU. <TNX EA3AFW>

4X - K4YT will be active for three years from March 1998 while working at the US Embassy in Tel Aviv. <TNX The Daily DX>

5N - Bogdan, 5N3CPR (ex 5N3/SP5XAR) is active again from Nigeria. QSL via bureau to SP5CPR. <TNX SP5UAF>

8P - Steve, K2WE (ex NI2C) will be active on all bands as 8P9AP from Barbados (NA-021) between 17 and 24 February. He will be active in the ARRL CW DX Contest. QSL via K2WE. <TNX OPDX Bulletin>

8Q - Hans, DL8NBE and Rolf, HB9DIF will be active on all bands from the Maldives (AS-013) as 8Q7BE (SSB) and 8Q7BV (CW) respectively between 19 February and 11 March. QSL via bureau to their home calls.

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9M0_spr - The latest press release from G3XTT reported everything was still on schedule for the Chiltern DX Club 9M0C DXpedition (12-24 February) to Layang Layang, Spratly Islands (AS-051) [425DXN 351]. One of the team members (Aki, VK2BEX) has had to withdraw from the operation, but his place has been taken by three new operators: John Krzymuski, N2QW (ex-AB2EC), Jeff Morris (9H1EL) and Kazuo Ogasawara (JA1RJU). This takes the final team to 13: G3NUG (team leader), G3OZF and G3WGV (deputy leaders), G3NOM/9M2OM, G3SED, G3XTT, G4JVG, G0OPB, JA1RJU, K5VT, N2QW, 9H1EL and 9M6SU. QSL via G3SWH either direct (Phil Whitchurch, 21 Dickenson Grove, Congresbury, Bristol, BS49 5HQ, United Kingdom) or through the bureau (requests for bureau cards may also be sent to phil@g3swh.demon.co.uk). "Given the higher-than-anticipated shipping costs", G3XTT says, "we are continuing to seek funding": contributions may be sent to G3WGV (g3wgv@aol.com), JP1NWZ (jp1nwz@cqpub.co.jp) or K5VT (vince@getnet.com). See "Good To Know" below for further information on 9M0C Log Checking and Pilot Stations. <TNX G3XTT>

C6 - N4BP and WV5Z will be active from the Bahamas during the ARRL CW DX Contest (21-22 February) as either N4BP/C6A, WV5Z/C6A or C6A**. <TNX The Daily DX>

C6 - Ray, AA6EW will be active (10-80 metres, SSB and CW) as AA6EW/C6A from Great Abaco (NA-080), Bahamas between 1 and 14 March. He will participate in the ARRL SSB DX Contest. QSL via home call. <TNX AA6EW>

CN - F5LMK will be active (10-80 metres SSB) as CN/F5LMK from Morocco between 9 and 16 May. <TNX F6AJA>

CO - VE3ESE, VE3NXB, VE3NQK and some CO operators will be active from Santiago de Cuba between 27 February and 8 March. A T48 callsign is expected to be issued. They will participate in the CQ WW 160 Meter
SSB and ARRL SSB DX Contests. QSL via VE3ESE. <TNX OPDX Bulletin>

**FO** - FO0BUS is reported to be active starting on 9 February through at least the 14th. Activity will be mostly CW on 40, 20 and 15 metres, from Tahiti (OC-046), Moorea (OC-046), Huahine (OC-067), Bora-Bora (OC-067), Rangiroa (OC-066) and possibly other Tuamotu islands. QSL via W6MD. <TNX W6MD>.

**FS** - Dennis, K7BV, Editor for the National Contest Journal, will arrive on St. Martin [425DXN 351] the evening of 18 February. He will be very active on all HF bands as FS/K7BV (QSL via K7BV) before the ARRL DX CW Contest, in which he will participate as FS5PL (QSL via NOJ7). <TNX K7BV>

**FS** - Dick, K3DI hopes to participate in the CQ WW 160 Meter SSB Contest (27 February-1 March) from St. Martin (NA-105). QSL via K3DI (bureau cards can be requested at wilder@clark.net). <TNX The Daily DX>

**FT5** - Rene, FR5HR, who will be signing FT5X/FR5HR from Kerguelen until the end of February, says he is not sure to be active from Amsterdam and Crozet [425DXN 349]. <TNX F6AJA>

**GU** - Bob, W7MAE will be active as MU0/W7MAE from Guernsey (EU-114) between 15 February and 1 March. QSL via W7MAE.

**GU** - Bill, G4YWY will be active as GU4YWY/M from Guernsey (EU-114) between 9 and 14 April. QSL via home call. <TNX DX News Sheet>

**GU** - Jean-Marc, F5SGI will be active (mostly on 10-40 metres CW) as GU/F5SGI from Guernsey (EU-114) between 11 and 17 April. QSL via F5SGI either direct or through the bureau. <TNX F6AJA>

**HL** - Lee, DS4CNB is planning an IOTA operation from Kang-Won-Do Province Group (AS-???) which should take place between 1 and 6 April with the call HL0Z/2. QSL via DS4CNB. <TNX JA9IFF/1>

**HR** - Kris, OA4DBO/KA20IG will be active as HR6/KA20IG (QRP) from Morgan's Cay (NO-REF) from 13 through 26 February. Kris will operate with 4 watts and a dipole on the lower part of 30 metres only. QSL via KA20IG. <TNX OA4DBO/KA20IG>

**J3** - Harry, W8KKF and Mike, N9NS will be active from Grenada between 4 and 10 March as either J37K and J3/N9NS or new calls. They will participate in the ARRL SSB DX Contest (7-8 March) with two stations. <TNX DX News Sheet>

**J6** - Ted, K91MM and Carol, NS9L will be on St. Lucia (NA-106) between 15 and 23 February. While Carol is unlikely to get a licence, Jim will be active on all bands and will participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest. QSL via WB9NOV. <TNX The Daily DX>

**J7** - Bob, W2KKZ will be active as J7/W2KKZ from Dominica (NA-101) between 1 and 8 March. He will participate in the ARRL DX SSB Contest and will be active on 10-80 metres CW and SSB. QSL via W2KKZ.

**JT** - Hungarian Pannon DX Club members HA0HW, HA4GDO, HA6NL, HA7SK and HA7VK will operate from Ulan-Bator, Mongolia in May (dates and call to be announced). They plan to be active 24 hours a day with two or three stations on all HF bands CW, SSB, and RTTY. Further information is available at http://www.dunanet.hu/pannondxc/ and contributions may be sent to Laci, HA0HW (ha0hw8@3.hu). <TNX HA0HW>

**KC4_ant** - The current operators at KC4AAC (USN MARS Palmer Station on Anvers Island, AN-012) will be departing in about a week. The new operator will be Dave, N5WNB who operated from KC4AAF at DownStream Bravo for several weeks this this season. <TNX K4MZU>

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KH4 - NH6YK (who now has an Advanced class licence) might be sporadically active as NH4/NH6YK from Midway (OC-030) between 18 and 29 March. <TNX The Daily DX>

KH6 - Al, NH7A will participate (single operator, high power, all bands) in both the ARRL CW (21-22 February) and SSB (7-8 March) Contests. QSL via N2AU. <TNX NH7A>

KH9 - The Dateline DX Association is organizing another DXpedition to Wake Island (OC-053). This operation follows a successful 1996 Wake DXpedition and its emphasis will again be on Europe and the low bands. K8XP, N2OO, N6MZ and N2WB will be active (SSB, CW and RTTY) with four stations between 26 February and 11 March (calls to be announced at a later date). Financial assistance is needed and may be sent to The Dateline DX Association, c/o Robert Pond (WA4YBV), 9 River Cove, Portsmouth, VA 23703, USA. QSL via WA4YBV. <TNX K8XP>

KP2 - W0BV, K0TG and KG0JH are KP2/ from the Virgin Islands (NA-106) until 17 February. They operate SSB, CW, and RTTY on all HF bands, with emphasis on 160 metres and the WARC bands. QSL via home calls. <TNX W0BV>

LU_ssh - LU1ZC (operated by LU6UO and LU4AXV from Destacamento Naval Deception on Deception Island, South Shetlands, AN-010) [425DXN 341] has logged around 24,900 QSOs (update 2 February 1998). Hector and Ernie will leave the island around 15 March (later than expected). QSL via LU6EF (Raul M. Diaz, GACW, Box 9, 1875 Wilde, Buenos Aires, Argentina). <TNX LU1DZ>

PJ9 - Jack, W1WEF and John, W1BIH will participate in the ARRL CW DX Contest (21-22 February) from Curacao (SA-006) as PJ9C (QSL via K1CPJ). Before and after the contest they will operate mostly on CW as PJ9/W1WEF (QSL via K1CPJ) and PJ9JT (QSL via W1AX). <TNX The Daily DX>

PY - PY1NEZ and PY1LVF will be active respectively as ZZ0Z and ZX0Z from Frances Island (SA-067, DIB 068, DFB ES-07) between 15 and 25 February. QSL via home calls. <TNX PY2DBU>.

S2 - Ray, G3WZ is active (CW) as S21YM from Bangladesh until 20 February. QSL via G3WZ (Ray Baldwin, 11 Meadow Court, Whiteparish, Salisbury, Wilts. SP5 2SE, United Kingdom). <TNX The Daily DX>

SP - DL7IO, DK2OE, DL7IQ, DL7VRO, DL7VYL, DL7UBA and DL1YFF plan to be active as SO5OE/1 from Wolin Island (EU-132) between 10 March and 10 May. <TNX OPDX Bulletin>

T32 - T32O from Kiritimati (Christmas) Island (OC-024), East Kiribati is reported to be daily on 14.131 MHz around 18.30 UTC. <TNX VE6VK>

T30 - Jack, VK2GJH will be active (mostly on 6 metres) as T30JH from Tarawa, Western Kiribati (OC-017) until 24 February. QSL via home call. <TNX ARRL DX Bulletin>

V2 - Team Antigua will participate (Multi-Multi) in both the CW (21-22 February) and SSB (7-8 March) ARRL DX Contests from Antigua (NA-100) as V26B (QSL via WT3Q). Before and after the contest the operators
will use their own V2 calls (see "Good To Know" below for the official QSL routings). <TXN KA2AEV>

V8 - Hal, JO1BMV and Tad, JH7PKU will be active as either V8JA or V85HG from Brunei Darussalam (OC-088) between 25 and 31 March. They will participate in the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest (Multi-Single). Outside the contest they plan to be active on the WARC and low bands. QSL via JH7FKQ either direct (Ichio Ujiie, 162 Shionosawa, Towa, Fukushima 964-0203, Japan) or through the bureau. <TXN JH7PKU>

VE - VE7ARS and VE7FYO will celebrate the 125th anniversary of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and will operate from Trutch Island in the Estevan Group (NA-181) during the weekend of 23 May. Check http://mypage.direct.ca/f/fcarey/ for more details. <TXN VE7ARS>

VK0_ant - VK0AC and VK0ERZ have been active this week on 14.273 MHz (23.00-06.00 UTC) and 14.160 MHz (18.00-19.00 UTC) from ANARE Davis Base (AN-016, WABA VK-03). <TXN K4MZU>

VP5 - Steve, N9CK will be active from VP5JM's QTH (Providenciales, NA-002) between 7 and 16 February as VP5/N9CK (CW and RTTY on all bands) and as VP5CK in the CQ WPX RTTY Contest. QSL to N9CK via the bureau. <TXN DX News Sheet>

VP5 - Will, AA4NC will be active (on all bands CW, SSB and RTTY) as VP5NC from Middle Caicos (NA-002) between 3 and 10 March. He will participate in the ARRL DX SSB Contest. QSL via AA4NC. <TXN The Daily DX>

W - Gary, KI6T, will be active from Santa Catalina Island (NA-066) between 16 March and 13 April. He hopes to be able to use K6T from 16 to 28 March. QSL via KI6T. <TXN The Daily DX>

YS - The OH operators currently signing YS1X [425DXN 352] are expected to go QRT on 8 February. They work RTTY between 14.30 and 19.30 UTC on 14.088 MHz and are active on 160 metres at 03.00-06.00 UTC (for Europe) and 11.00-12.30 UTC (for Japan). QSL via OH2BU (Jari Jussila, Pilvijarvi, FIN-02400 Kirkkonummi, Finalnd). <TXN OH2BU>

XE - N5TU, N5RP, KZ5MM, W5MJ and XE2KB will participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest (21-22 February) as XA5T from Mexico. <TXN The Daily DX>

ZF - Joe, W6VNR (ex WA6VNR) will participate in the ARRL DX SSB Contest (7-8 March) as ZF2AH from the Caymans Islands (NA-016). Before the Contest he will be active on CW on the low and WARC bands. QSL via home call. >TNX The DX News Sheet>

ZL7 - The six German operators who will operate from Chatham (OC-038) between 23 February and 8 March [425DXN 343] will be active as ZL7DK. They plan to operate on all bands CW, SSB and RTTY with emphasis on CW and the low bands. <TXN The Daily DX>

ZS_ant - Franz and Lindsay are now active from ZS7ANT [425DXN 346] at SANAE new base located at Vesle Skarvet (71.40S-02.49W). They made about 20 QSOs on 14.273 MHz on 7 February and indicated they will be more active as the summer season closes. They will be there for one year. QSL manager to be announced. <TXN K4MZU>
8Q7AA ---> N7TX has begun an analysis of the logs of the recent Central Arizona DX Association DXpedition to the Maldives. A "first pass" through the .bin files from the four operating positions has given the following band breakdowns (CW/SSB/RTTY/Total): 664/40/0/704 on 160 metres, 537/1704/0/2241 on 80 metres; 2149/1661/0/3810 on 40 metres; 1178/0/0/1178 on 30 metres; 1519/2625/200/4344 on 20 metres; 1734/909/0/2643 on 17 metres; 434/1654/0/2088 on 15 metres; 348/423/0/771 on 12 metres; 65/59/0/124 on 10 metres. Totals are 8628 QSOs on CW, 9075 on SSB and 200 on RTTY. QSL via N7TX (Steve Thompson, 119 E. Jasmine St., Mesa, AZ 85201-1811, USA). Further details, and some pictures, will soon be available on the CADXA web site (http://cadxa.org/8q7aa). <TNX K7WX>

9M0C LOG CHECKING ---> The team plans to upload logs to the Web on a daily basis. To check the logs, you need to go to the DXpedition home page at http://members.aol.com/spratly98 and select one of the two "am I in the log" servers. Once at the server screen, simply type in your callsign and a list of QSOs will appear.

9M0C PILOT STATIONS ---> Three pilot stations have been appointed. Their role will be to channel communications to and from the team on the island. Typically, they will receive comments (about band openings, the suitability of the announced frequencies, etc) from the amateur community at large, and will summarise the key messages to forward to the island. The team on the island will also be able to pass information out to the pilots and the Chief Pilot (G3ZAY) will keep the DXpedition Web site (http://members.aol.com/spratly98) updated. The pilot stations are Martin, G3ZAY (spratly@dial.pipex.com), Don, N1DG (n1dg@aurumtel.com) and Yoichi, JP1NWZ (jplnwz@cqpub.co.jp).

ARKANSAS DX ASSOCIATION ---> The 1998 officers of the Arkansas DX Association are David Norris, K5UZ (President); Dennis Schaefer, W5RZ (Vice President); Glenn Wolf, AB5RQ (Secretary/Treasurer).

BY1QH ---> The following band breakdowns from BY1QH have been reported by Merv, K9FD and Price, W0RI [425DXN 347]: 198 QSOs on 160 metres, 102 on 80, 414 on 40, 45 on 30, 572 on 20. QSL via K9FD. <TNX The Daily DX>

KC4US* ---> Bob, K4MZU reports that military calls like KC4USV, KC4USX and KC4USL, which were active during the last several years, will be coming to an end. A Flag Ceremony to commemorate the end of Commander US Naval Support Force Antarctica as Commander of Operation Deep Freeze will be held at McMurdo Station on 11 February. Probably a KC4AA* series call will be issued or amateurs will use /KC4 calls for the time being.

QSL IH9/OL5Y ---> The *new* QSL manager is OK1VK. QSL either direct (Bohuslav Petr, Novodvorska 416, 142 00 Praha 4, Czech Republic) or through the bureau. <TNX OK1FUA>

QSL OL1A, OL2M, OL5Y & OK5TOP ---> The *new* QSL manager for these stations
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VIDEO ---> The operations by Josep, EA3BT and Nuria, EA3AOK from the Maldives (8Q7BT & 8Q7OK) and Mexico (Mujeres NA-045 and Cozumel NA-090, XF3/EA3BT & XF3/EA3AOK) are now available on a VHS Pal video (30-40 minutes). For further information please contact Josep at ea3bt@redestb.es

QSL received via direct: 3D2RW/R, 3DA0CA, 3P6V (NA-071), 3W5KVR (AS-130), 3Y0PI, 4L1UN, 4S7UB, 5A28, 5B4ADA, 5V7A, 7Z500, 9J2DR, 9K2Z2, 9M2JJ, 9M2OM/p (AS-097), 9M6NA, 9M600, 9M6/DF8AN (OC-066), 9V1YC, A452N, BD7JA/7 (AS-131), C21NJ, N5XG/C6A (NA-054), CE02IS, CV5A (SA-030), EY8XX, FH/DL2SBY, FJ/P6BUM, FOO5PE, FR5DX, FR5ZX/T, FS5PL, FW5XX, HF0POL, HK3JH/0A (NA-133), HK3JH/0B (NA-132), HV4NAC, IF9/IK8WTM (EU-054; IIA TP-005 010, 015); IM0A (EU-165; IIA SS-061), JD1/JL1KFR, KH2D, N4BQW/KH5, KL7J, KP2/N200, LX60RL, MU0ASP, ODN5NJ, OX/028AE, R1FJZ, SV2ASP/A, SV8/IK7WPH/p (EU-052), T92A, TF/O251PA, TM7I (EU-065; DIFM AT-001, 002, 008, 010, 036, 042, 057, 059, 121), T18/K9VV, TM1MA (EU-095), T07I, TT8JFC, T265I, V26KW, V44KAI, V51BO, V63KU, V85HY, Y5BB (NA-173), VK21OM (OC-223), VK9LX, VK9WM, VK0TS, VP2EST, VR6MW, VR97LC, VS97SA, XF3/EA3AOK (NA-090), XF3/3A3BT (NA-045), XV8FP (AS-132), YB1AQ, Z21KD, ZA/IK7JWX, ZB2/DL7VEE, ZX1A (SA-029).

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