3D2 - While on their way to Tarawa (see T3 below) OK1RD (Jarda), OK1RI (Jiri) and OK1TN (Slavek) will stop for for days at Nadi, Fiji. Look for them to be active as 3D2TN starting on 25 February. QSL via the OK DX Foundation (P.O.Box 73, 29306 Mlada Boleslav, Bradlec, Czech Republic). [TNX OK1RD]

4S7 - The DX News Letter reports that Bob, ZL1RS has been in Sri Lanka since 13 January. He will be there for nine months and hopes to be able to import his own rig and get a licence. [TNX DJ5AV]

5H - Maurizio, IK2GZU will be working at a mission in Tanzania between 8 and 28 February. He plans to operate in his spare time with a tribander and dipoles (call not issued so far). QSL via IK2GZU either direct (Maurizio Buffoli, Via degli Angeli 9, 25033 Cologne - BS, Italy) or through the bureau (bureau cards can be requested at ik2gzu@spidernet). [TNX IK2GZU]

5Z - Graham, G0VNW is expected to be active (on all bands SSB) from Kenya, possibly as 5Z4GC, until October. QSL via WB2YQH. [TNX DX News Sheet]

9M6 - Ed, K8EP will operate (SSB and CW) as 9M6AAC from the Hillview Gardens Resort between 29 January and 1 February. He will operate during the CQ WW 160 Meter CW Contest. QSL via N2OO. [TNX The Daily DX]

C2 - Bob, G3ZEM and Roger, G3SXW will be active (CW only) respectively as C21ZM and C21SX from Nauru (OC-031) between 27 February and 7 March. Priority will be given to Europe and to WARC bands. The operation will be with beams and linear amplifiers. Check frequencies ending in '3', listening up 1-3 KHz. QSL via home call. [TNX G3SXW]

C6 - John, K3TEJ and Edward, WA3WSJ will be /C6A from Treasure Cay, Abaco (NA-080), Bahamas between 16 and 23 February. Look for them on all bands, CW and SSB. QSL via home calls either direct or through the bureau. They will participate in the ARRL CW DX Contest as C6AKW (QSL via K3TEJ). [TNX K3TEJ]

DU - Andy, G4ZVJ will be active as DU3/AH8F (all bands CW) from the Philippines sometime between 24 January and 24 February. QSL via
G4ZVJ. [TNX DX News Sheet]

E3 - Joe, I2YDX and Bob, IK2WXZ are planning to activate some Eritrean islands between 30 January and 7 February. They will use 100 watts into a vertical antenna and will operate CW (40 kHz from band edge) and SSB (usual IOTA frequencies). Calls to be issued upon arrival. QSL via home calls. [TNX I2YDX]

EA - A couple of activities expected from Spain: ED4MRF from Molino de Bajo (CC-003) on 23-24 January (QSL via EA4ENK) and EA5AEN/P from the island of Mata d'Entorre (DIEI V-032, not IOTA) on 14 February (QSL via EA5AEN). [TNX IK1GPG]

FO_aus - Wulf, DL1AWI and Mat, DL5XU will be active as FO0AWI and FO0XUU [425DXN 402] from Rurutu (OC-050), Austral Islands between 2 and 10 February. [TNX DL3APO and ON4VT]

FO_mar - Wulf, DL1AWI and Mat, DL5XU are active as FO0AWI and FO0XUU [425DXN 402] from Nuku Hiva, Marquesas Islands (OC-027) until 30 January. They are expected to be active mostly on CW, with an emphasis on the low bands, with some RTTY and possibly SSTV as well. QSL via home calls. [TNX DL3APO and ON4VT]

FR/T - Henri, FR5ZQ plans to be active (on 10, 15, 20 and 40 meters CW and SSB) as FR5ZQ/T from Tromelin (AF-031) sometime between 3 February and 3 March. QSL via FR5ZQ (Henri Namtameco, Rampe de Saint-Francois, 5052 tour de la Chaumiere, 97400 Saint-Denis, France). [TNX The Daily DX]

HP - Joel, F5PAC will be active as HPx/F5PAC (where "x" shall depend on the call areas he will be operating from) from Panama between 5 and 25 February. He plans to operate from several islands: Cebaco (NA-071), Colon (NA-088), Grande (NA-202) and maybe also Iguana (NA-203). QSL to F5PAC via the bureau. [TNX F6AJA and Les Nouvelles DX]

HR - Gene, K7DBV will be involved with a medical mission to Honduras between 10 and 26 February. During his off times he will operate from La Cieba as HR3/K7DBV. [TNX K7DBV]

KH4 - Simone, IV3NVN will be active as KH4/IV3NVN from Midway Island (OC-030) between 21 February and 3 March. Plans are to operate (SSB and CW) on all bands from 10 to 80 metres, maybe on 160 and 6 metres as well. During his trip to Midway he will stop in Honolulu, Hawaii (OC-019) from where he might be active, probably as KH6/IV3NVN, between 16 and 20 February. QSL via IV3TMV. [TNX IV3NVN]

PY - Simone, IV3NVN/DL8GCS might operate as PY1/DL8GCS from Ilha Grande (SA-029) on 30-31 January and from Nova Friburgo on the mainland on 1-5 February. QSL via IV3TMV. [TNX IV3NVN]

PY - PY7ZY will be active (SSB and CW with an emphasis on 10, 15 and 17 metres) as PY7ZY/7 from Itamaraca Island (SA-046) between 6 and 17 February. QSL via PY7ZY (Cicero Xavier da Silva, P.O. Box 501,
TR
- Derek, F5VCR and Ken, G3OCA will be in Gabon between 11 and 19 March. They hope to operate from Banie Island (AF-043) during that weekend, hopefully on 12-14 March.

VE
- Amateurs from Australia are allowed to replace their prefix with AX on Australia Day (26 January).

VP2
- Bill, W5SJ will be active (on all bands CW and SSB) as VP2EJ from Anguilla (NA-022) between 20 January and 1 February. He plans to participate in the CQ WW CW 160 Meter Contest (30-31 January).

VQ9
- Ron, AA5DX will be back to Diego Garcia (AF-006) on 24 January for four months. He expects to be active as VQ9DX by the end of the month. QSL via AA5DX.

SV
- Members of Radio DX Group of Thrace plan to activate again the special event station J47XCF between 8 and 21 February to celebrate the Xanthi Carnival Festival. The website of the Radio DX Group of Thrace is at http://members.xoom.com/georgexanthi/dxgroup.htm

T3
- OK1RD (Jarda), OK1RI (Jiri) and OK1TN (Slavek) will leave Fiji on 28 February. Starting on 1 March and for about a week look for T30RD to be active from Tarawa, West Kiribati (OC-017). Around 10 March (exact date depends on the availability of the boat) they plan to start operations from either Kanton, Central Kiribati (OC-043) as T31RD or Banaba (OC-018) as T33RD. They will be active until 28 March; in early April they will be back to Tarawa and, on 8 April, to Fiji and finally to Europe. They will operate on all bands 10-160 metres, with two HF stations and amplifiers. QSL via the OK DX Foundation (P.O.Box 73, 29306 Mlada Boleslav, Bradlec, Czech Republic).

ZL9
- Bands have been very slow in ZL9 mornings (15.30-23.00 UTC), but extremely big in the evenings (05.00-10.00 UTC). The limited time at their sunset caused them to make choices: basically, their policy was to work down the main needs first, and then tackle the fringe stuff (RTTY, 160, 80, etc) with more focus after that. From now until they go QRT Europeans should look for them on 160 metres at 16.30 UTC. On 40 and 80 SSB they plan to operate 08.00-09.00 UTC for Europe, 09.00-10.00 UTC for North America and 10.00-11.00 UTC for Japan. SLIM REPORT: please note that they were not on 40 metres CW between 11 and 17.15 UTC on 17 January. QSL via ZL2HU (Ken Holdom, P.O. Box 56099, Tawa, New Zealand).

DXCC ---> The ARRL has announced that Wayne Mills, N7NG will be the DXAC Chairman and that John Kanode, N4MM will be the ARRL Board DXCC Liaison for
The new officers of the Lone Star DX Association are Jerry Smith, W5TFV (Chief Director), Tom Anderson, WW5L (Information Director), Joel Rubenstein, N5JR (Activities Director) and Martin "Sandy" Sandberg, N5NBW (Membership Director). For additional information on the LSDXA, please visit www.dxer.org/lsdxa/ [TNX WW5L]

PIRATE! ----> Eric, VK4XN has NOT been on the radio for years. He does maintain his license, but he states he only listens. If you have worked VK4XN on any band, it was a pirate. [TNX K1XN and The Golist]

QSL 5N4B ---> It was I0YO who operated with this special callsign from Bonny Island (AF-076) on 11 and 24 April 1998. QSL via I0YO (Bruno Avancini, Via Anfiteatro 2, 06031 Bevagna – PG, Italy). [TNX I0YO]

QSL 7S2TP ----> Michael, SM2KAL reports that all QSL cards for Laponia Radio DXpedition 1998 have been sent via the bureau. For further information visit http://www.gellivare.se/radio

QSL CO6XN ----> From now on direct cards for Abel, CO6XN should be sent to HK6DOS (Oscar A. Gaviria. P.O. Box 3055, Pereira, Colombia. [TNX HK6DOS]

QSL E31AA ----> Jackie, ZL3CW (Jacky Calvo, P.O. Box 593, Pukekohe 1800, New Zealand) is back in New Zealand and awaiting the cards for his E31AA operation (September–October 1998) to be printed. He hopes to have them in hand by the end of this month. He has received some 10,000 envelopes so far - please be patient, no second requests needed. [TNX W7TSQ]

QSL WH6ASW/KH2 ----> Ray, WH6ASW/KH2 has dropped VK4FW as his QSL manager. Cards should be sent either direct (Ray Fabre', 37 Turner Rd, Nimitz Hill, Asan, Guam 96922, USA) or through the bureau. [TNX WH6ASW/KH2]

QSL UA9 ----> Cards for UA9-UE9, RA9-RZ9 and R9 stations be can be obtained by Eugene Bugrimov, RN9XA (the Incoming QSL Bureau manager for Russian region 9). Send your requests to P.O.Box 1229, Syktyvkar 167001, Russia. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]

QSL VIA DL3NEO ----> He is the QSL manager for the following operations: 4U1ITU (21–26 Aug 94), 4U1VIC (20–21 Nov 98), DL3NEO/BY7KH (31 Oct 98), DL3NEO/BY7KF (31 Oct – 1 Nov 98), S21XX (2–18 Feb 97), S21YG (1 Nov 1997 – 17 Oct 98), S79NEO (22 Aug – 10 Sep 95). QSL either direct (Hannes Schmidt, Komotauer Str. 28 B, D-91207 Lauf, Germany) or through the DARC bureau. [TNX YO2LDE]

QSL VIA RV1AC ----> Alex, RV1AC reports that he has replied to all direct and bureau requests received so far for RV1AC/1 and RU1AS/1 (EU-066, June 1996), and RK1B/1 (EU-147 and EU-162, July 1997). If you still need a card, please send your request to Alex Pastchenko, P.O.Box 104, St.Petersburg, 192241 Russia. [TNX RV1CC]

VP8CRB/VP8TTY --- The final logs for Jan's (K4QD) recent operation from the Falklands are now on line (http://no4j.com/nfdxa/logs/vp8crb.htm and for RTTY
http://no4j.com/nfdxa/logs/vp8tty.htm). Jan has 140 Topband contacts in his log. If you have a question about your QSO on 160, you can contact Jan at k4qd@juno.com, as he has kept a hard copy of his log and notes for that band.

[TNX W3UR]

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DAYTON 1999 : This year's Hamvention will be held on 14-16 May. Visit http://www.hamvention.org/ for further information.

FRESNO 1999 : This year the International DX Convention, organized by the NCDXC, will be held at the Holiday Inn in Fresno on 9-11 April. Further information is available at http://www.amateur-radio.org/ncdxc.htm

QSL received via direct: 3D2DX, 3DA0CA, 3W6DXI, 5A1A, 5B4/RV0AR, 5V7A, 5V7FA, 6W1QV, 6W6JX, BQ7BB, BQ7CC, BQ7LI, 9H1NB, 9H3TI, 9J2FR, 9N1UD, A3SZL, A7ICX (AS-088), AP2JZB, AP2NK, BD4ED, BI4Q (AS-135) BI5P (AS-138), BI5Z (AS-137), BOOK, BV4HB, BV/JH3GCN, C2IJN, C3ILJ, C56/DL5MM, C56CWM, C56HP, C91CO, C91RF, CT1AHU/p, CT3FN, CT3/DL2HYH, D44BC, D68BW, DU1/K7DTS, DU3NXE, E30HA, EP2MKO, FM5BH, FR5CC, FR/G3SWH, FR5ZQ/T, FW5XX, GD4PTV, GJ4XGG, HP3XUG, HS1RU, HU1X, IC8/IK2PZG (IIA NA-022, 026, 035, 037, 041, 045, 046, 047, 050), IC8/IK8UHA (IIA NA-028, 046, 047), IC8/I2CGS (IIA NA-048, 049), ID8/IK8UHA (IIA CS-007), IL3/IK2PZG (IIA PD-002), IL7/I27ATN (IIA BA-004), IL8/I8KCI (IIA SA-002, 003, 004), IL8/IK2PZG (IIA SA-003, 004, ???), IL8/IK8UHA (IIA SA-???), IM0/ISOGYV (IIA OR-009), J79MV, J8/DF2SS, JL1KFR/ID1, JW5NM, JX7DFA, JY8YB, NH0E, OD5NJ, OX/O28AE, OY1CT, P4OE, PV5V, S07WW, S21K (AS-140), S92AT, T88UP, TE45CF, TF3IRA, TJ1HP, TJ2RSF, TL5A, TR8BAR, TZ6VV, V31JU, V8A, VK7RX, V99CTL, VK9LX, VP2EC, VP2MDE, VP2V/W7YAQ, VP5GN, VP9LR, XE2KGR, Y00AI, Y02BP, ZAOB (EU-169), ZD7BG, ZK2FT.

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