4X - Tom, DL1DVE and Rico, NH7T/DF2CK will be in Israel between 10-18 April. Before and after the Holyland Contest (15-16 April) they will activate many squares for the "Holyland Award" and some major historical sites for the new "4X2K 2000 years of Holyland" award. Look for them to be signing 4X/homecall around 14.265, 21.265 and 28.465 MHz. QSL cards preferably via the bureau (e-mail requests for bureau cards to df2ck@qsl.net) [TNX NH7T/DF2CK]

DU - First-hand information on Bernhard's (DL2GAC) near future activities from the Philippines comes from David, 9V1RH, who met Bernhard on 4 April. Bernhard left for Manila on the 5th and he is aiming to operate from both Batan Island OC-093 (DU2/DL2GAC) and Cuyo OC-120 (DU1/DL2GAC) commencing this weekend. He was not sure in which order he could do these trips as he is most dependant on local transportation arrangements. He hopes to activate Batan Island first in which case he hopes to be operational by Sunday (9 April), maybe one day earlier. Because of severe weight restrictions on the flights he will be using simple wire antennas. He will therefore focus his attention on 14,260 +/- QRM, but will try 18.1, 21 and 24.9 MHz from time-to-time as well. Bernhard will leave the Philippines around 24/25 April to return to Germany via Singapore. QSL via DL2GAC.

EA6 - EA5KW, EA5AKM, EA5FKT, EA5SS, EA5GOR, EB5BQC and EA5GMA will be active on all modes as EA6/homecall from Ibiza (EU-004) between 14 and 17 April. QSL via EA5KW either direct (Jose Maria Martinez Juan, Poeta Zorrilla 52-1-IZQ, 03600 Elda, Spain) or preferably through the bureau. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]

EM - Special event call EM10UCC will be aired on all bands between 15 and 30 April to celebrate the tenth anniversary of the Ukrainian Contest Club. QSL via UY5ZZ (Vladimir Latyshenko, P.O. Box 4850, Zaporozhye 69118, Ukraine). The "UCC Jubilee Conference" will take place in Zaporozhye on 21-23 April. For further information available from Vladimir, UY5ZZ (uy5zz@salus.zp.ua) [TNX UY5ZZ]

F - Look for F5IL/p to be active from MA-116 and other islands counting for the DIFM Award during the weekend. [TNX F5IL]
FK - The 4–5 April [425DXN 465] FK8KAB/p operation from D'Entrecasteaux Reefs (OC-058) was cancelled due to an engine failure three hours after the operators' leaving from Noumea. The trip has been rescheduled to start on 5 April and FK8VHY and FK8HA are now expected to start operating from Ile de la Surprise between 0 and 4 UTC on 8 April for 24 hours. QSL via FK8KAB (A.R.A.N.C., P.O. Box 3956, 98846 Noumea Cedex, Nouvelle Caledonie). [TNX F6AJA]

I - Tony/IK2SNG, Gus/IK4RQJ, Andy/IK4VET and Robi/IK4XCL will be /4 from Scanno di Piallazza (EU-155, IIA FE-001) and Mezzanino (IIA FE-004, not IOTA) from on 7–9 April. They will operate on 10, 15, 20 and 40 metres CW and SSB. QSL via home calls either direct or through the bureau. [TNX IK4RQJ]

I - Look for IK8UHA and IK8VRH to be active (SSB and CW) from Dino Island (EU-144, IIA CS-002) during the weekend. QSL via IK8UHA. [TNX IK8VRH]

J8 - Mike Wise, J87AB is a missionary pastor from England, located on Canouan Island in The Grenadines (NA-025). He should be on the island through the end of this year before returning to England. [TNX N6JM]

KH0 - Look for Toshi, KH0/JE1SYN (QSL via JE1SYN), Hasi, KH0/JL1WPQ (QSL via JL1WPQ), Hiko, AH6PW/KH0 (QSL via JN1HOW) and Toshi, WH7P/KH0 (QSL via JP1IFO) to be active (on 160–6 metres SSB, CW, RTTY, FM) from Saipan (OC-086) between 20 and 23 April. [TNX JE1SYN]

PY - Other special calls currently aired by PY amateurs to celebrate the 500th anniversary of the discovery of Brazil include PP500 (QSL via PY2KQ), PY500A (QSL via PT2ADM), PV500A (QSL via PT2TF) and PY500B (QSL via PP1CZ). See addresses below.

T8 - Hide, JM1LJS is sorry to report the 27 April–3 May IOTA DXpedition to Helen Reef, South Palau Group (OC-???) [425DXN 461] has been cancelled due to the lack of operators (at least eight people were needed to share the costs, only four have been found).

UA - Operators from Primorye Radio Club will be active as RM0M from Popova Island, Russkiy Is (AS-066) on 14–17 April. Look for them on CW (28060, 24896, 21060 kHz) and SSB (28460, 24960, 21260 kHz). They will be using 100 watts and a triband GP. QSL direct only via UA0MF (Mike Filippov, P.O.Box 20, Vladivostok, 690021, Russia). [TNX UA0MF]

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VK9_lh - Ed, VK2INI/AA4EH will be active as VK9LEH from Lord Howe Island (OC-004) between 25 April and 1 May. Look for him on 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres CW, with some SSB if signals are strong enough. He will run 100 watts to inverted vee and random wire. QSL via either VK2INI (Ed Hula, Editor Around the Rings, 1/98 Cremorne Road, Cremorne, NSW 2090, Australia) or AA4EH (Ed Hula, 1776 Peachtree Street, Suite 410-N, Atlanta, Georgia 30309, USA). [TNX VK2INI/AA4EH]
W - Joe, K2OLG has now decided to operate from NA-142 on 9 (21.00-23.00 UTC) and 10 April (10.00-13.00 UTC) and from NA-085 on 10 (20.00-23.00 UTC) and 11 April (10.00-13.00 UTC). [TNX ON4BB]

W - The IOTA operation from NA-187 [425DXN 465] is now scheduled to take place, weather permitting, from White Rock during daylight hours (16.00-02.00 UTC) on 12-13 April. There may also be some activity on Friday morning (local time) before the group departs for the Visalia DX Convention. Transport will be by zodiacs and space on the rock (and in the zodiacs) will probably only permit one station to be set up. The operators will be N6JV, N6VR, and NU2L (G3ZAY) and they will look specially for JA and EU stations. QSL routes TBA. [TNX G3ZAY]

ZS - The ZS31ER IOTA expedition to Elephant Island (AF-085) started later than expected [425DXN 465] due to very rough seas which prevented the operators from landing on 31 March and 1 April. The logs will be available on [http://www.qsl.net/zr1dq/zs31er.htm](http://www.qsl.net/zr1dq/zs31er.htm) upon conclusion of the DXpedition. QSL via ZS1FJ either direct (Barry Fletcher, P.O. Box 53319, Kenilworth 7745, South Africa) or through the bureau.

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Rod Elliott, VE3IRF has collected the DX spots from the OH2AQ Web Cluster since January 1997. The collection (from January 1997 up to March 2000) is available at [http://www.425dxn.org/dxspots/](http://www.425dxn.org/dxspots/), as well the software (DXINFO v 1.7) which will enable you to handle the files (instructions at the URL above). For further information, please e-mail Maurizio Bertolino, I1-21171 (i121171@425dxn.org).

4W/W3UR ---> "The operation in East Timor was a success (9200 QSOs) despite many problems and challenges", Bernie McClenny, W3UR reports. The original plan was for Bernie and Jose (4W6EB) to operate from Dili, but Thor, 4W6MM and Bernie with him were transferred to Baucau, about 3 hours east of the capital, where they had no phones, no Internet access and no electricity but from 6 to 11 PM (hence the need to get 10 litres of diesel fuel every day).

ARI CONTEST ---> The latest release of the software for managing contacts made during the ARI International DX Contest is available at [http://www.kkn.net/~i2uiy/free_sw.html](http://www.kkn.net/~i2uiy/free_sw.html)

DX CONVENTION ---> The XVI Italian HF-DX Convention will take place at Sasso Marconi and Pontecchio Marconi (Bologna) on 30 September-1 October. For further information please contact Onda, IK4SDY (ik4sdy@amsat.org) or Anton, IK4UPU (ik4upu@amsat.org).

PATHFINDER ---> A JavaScript implementation of Pathfinder (the Pathfinder Web Client) is now available at [http://www.qsl.net/pathfinder/WebClient/](http://www.qsl.net/pathfinder/WebClient/) Pathfinder is a free program that makes it easy to find QSL information from
web-accessible sources. See [http://www.qsl.net/pathfinder/](http://www.qsl.net/pathfinder/) for additional information. [TNX AA6YQ]

RADIO-PORTAL ---> [http://www.radio-portal.org](http://www.radio-portal.org) is a portal site with a search engine specifically designed for amateur radio, DXing etc. topics. It is maintained by Willi Passmann, DJ6JZ (dx@passmann.e.ruhr.de)

QSL 3B8CF ---> Jack, F6HMJ is not the QSL manager for Jacky, 3B8CF. Cards should be sent direct to Jacky Mandary, 6 Shastri Road, Candos, Quatre Bornes, Mauritius Island.

QSL 4W6MM ---> Thor, 4W6MM (home call TF1MM) will open a P.O. Box for direct cards in Darwin, but it will take a couple of weeks before he can go there - please stand by. Thor visits Iceland every 2-4 years and cards for 4W6MM can be sent through the TF Bureau, but do not use his old TF address (Box 90, Hveragerdi) as the post office does not forward mail to him. [TNX K0CA]

QSL USIPARC ---> QRZ-DX and F5HWB provide the list of callsigns/QSL routes used by members from USIPARC (U.S. International Police Association Radio Club):

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QSL VIA OM2SA ---> Juraj is the QSL manager for the following stations: 3A/N9NC, 3A/W0YR, AP2MY (only 1995 CQWW/CW), CE02/KM9D, HA/N9NC, KM9D/C6A, N9NC, VP5/KM9D, ZF2MO (operations by N9NC and KM9D from 1995). QSL either through the bureau or direct to Juraj Sipos, 93013 Trhova-Hradska 550, Slovakia. [TNX OM2SA]

QSL VIA RW6HS ---> Vasil, RW6HS (rw6hs@aport.ru) reports he is the QSL manager for the following stations:

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*Vasili M. Kasyanenko, P.O. Box 0, Novopavlovsk, 357300 Stavropolskij kr, Russia.

P.I.P. ---> Jorge Santos, CT1FMX (ct1fmx@net.sapo.pt) reports full information on the Portuguese Islands Plaque can be found at [http://www.qsl.net/ct1fmx](http://www.qsl.net/ct1fmx)

SCOTTISH ACTIVITY WEEKEND ---> This year the Scottish Activity Weekend will take place from 00.01 UTC on 15 April until 24.00 UTC on the 16th. Activity is encouraged on all amateur bands by individual licencees, Novices and Club Stations using their GM, GS, MM, MS, or 2M callsigns as appropriate. A certificate (the Scottish Activity Century Award) is available to stations/SWL for contacts made/logged during the event. Full details available from GM3YOR (Drew.Givens@tesco.net)

TX0DX ---> "The operation went QRT on 29 March shortly after 00.00 UTC. In six days of operating, they completed 72,654 QSOs. The majority of QSOs were on 21 MHz SSB and CW, as per the original strategy to provide the maximum number of DXers their first-ever Chesterfield contact. However, other complimentary bands and modes were activated sporadically, including 50 MHz with more than 2500 QSOs and RTTY with some 800 stations in the log.

On the way to the Chesterfields, the TX0DX group made a slight detour to the area where intervening reefs are indicated on some older maps. The team was able to confirm the French Navy's documentation that the claimed islands simply do not exist. Thus, the 350-kilometer open water separation between New Caledonia and the Chesterfields is assured, and the concerns expressed by some in the DX community can be put to rest." [TNX N4GN]

WIAQ QSL BUREAU ---> After six years, Laurie Pritchard, VK4BLE has retired as the WIAQ QSL Bureau Manager. Cards are to be sent directly to WIAQ QSL Bureau, G.P.O. Box 638, Brisbane 4001, Australia.

WLH ---> Phil, F5OGG reports the operations by VO1BAR/p from Cabot Island Lighthouse (LH 0117) in June-December 1999 are now acceptable for WLH (World Lighthouses Award) credit. The web site for WHL is at [http://www.wlh.com/](http://www.wlh.com/)
CALLBOOK:  The Swedish callbook is available at [http://www.svessa.se/callbook/seek.html] (TNX The Daily DX)

IOTA:       The IOTA-JA Team maintains a "web information service" at [http://www01.u-page.so-net.ne.jp/ba2/jim/iota_e.html] (TNX JQ1HBT, jqlhbt.kouji@nifty.ne.jp)

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