3D2_fij - Dan, N6PEQ plans to operate as 3D2CQ from the Fiji Islands between 16 and 20 December. QSL via N6PEQ. Dan's home page is at http://www.dxer.com/n6peq [TNX The Daily DX]

8Q - Look for our webmaster Maurizio, IZ1CRR (aka I1-21171) to be active (on SSB and possibly PSK and RTTY) as 8Q7RR from Ellaidhoo Island, Maldives (AS-013) from 12 to 27 January. He will run just 100 watts to a vertical antenna, but this will be a vacation and scuba diving comes first! QSL via IZ1CRR either direct or through the bureau. Further details, and in due course logs and pictures, are available at http://www.425dxn.org/dxped/8q7rr/

9M8 - Peter, PB4CC will be active (10, 15 and 20 metres plus 6 metres "but not on a regular basis") as 9M8CC from Sarawak between 22 December and 6 January 2001. QSL via PB4CC either direct (Peter F. Borsboom, De Kroon 10, 3181MD Rozenburg-ZH, The Netherlands) or through the bureau. His web site is at http://www.qsl.net/pb4cc [TNX PB4CC]

CX - Jorge, CX6VM is active on 12 (+/- 24.897 MHz) and 17 (+/- 18.073 MHz) between 10.30-12.00 UTC and 21.30-22.30 UTC from Monday to Friday, but during the weekends he can spend more time on these bands. QSL direct only to W3HNK (Joseph Arcure Jr., P. O. Box 73, Edgemont, PA 19028, USA). [TNX CX6VM]

DL - Look for DH3ZK to be active from Poel Island (EU-098) until 17 December. [TNX DJ7ZG]

EA - Pepe, EA5KB reports he will be active from Isla L'Assut de Sueca (DIEI V-24, not IOTA) on 16 December and from Isla Raco de l'Olla (DIEI V-008, not IOTA) on the 17th.

GM - Pete, MM5PSL will be operating from the Sumburgh Head Lighthouse on the Shetland Islands (EU-012) during the Christmas Lights operation (sponsored by the Amateur Radio Lighthouse Society) at various times from 18 December until 2 January. Look for him on or around the usual lighthouse frequency (14.270 kHz). QSL via WA7OBH (Lee Graves, 4341 SE Satinleaf Place, Stuart, FL 34997, USA). [TNX WA7OBH]

HC - Otto, HC2/UA4WAE [425DXN 491] is currently signing HC2BEV, but will
operate as HC2DX in 2001. In early January he will have the antennas for 160 metres and the WARC bands. QSL to Alex Otto Ogorodov Rafalsky, Correo Central, Provincia Guayas, Ecuador). [TNX HC2BEV]

I - Tony/IK8VRH, Antonio/IK8UHA, Luigi/IK8OZZ and Alfredo/IK8YTF will be active from Ventotene Island (IB0, EU-045, IIA LT-011) on 6-7 January. [TNX IK8VRH]

S7 - David, OK1DTP will be active as S79OK (with 100 watts and a 40m delta loop) from Mahe and Praslin (both AF-024) in the Seychelles on 16-26 December. QSL via OK1TD. [TNX OK1DTP]

VK9_coc - Look for Ed, AA4EH to be active as VK9CEH from Cocos Keeling (OC-003) on 23-30 December. He plans to operate mostly CW on 10, 15, 20, 40, 80 and 160 metres. QSL via AA4EH (Ed Hula, 1776 Peachtree St., Suite 410N, Atlanta, GA 30309, USA). [TNX The Daily DX]

XW - Mauro, IN3QBR will travel to Vientiane, Laos on 18 December and will be joined by Fabrizio, IN3ZNR on the 24th. They plan to be active as XW3QBR and XW3ZNR respectively from the 27 December until 5 (XW3ZNR) and 8 January (XW3QBR). Operations are expected to take place on all HF bands CW, SSB and possibly RTTY with 100 watts, a tribander and dipoles. QSL via IN3ZNR either direct (Fabrizio Vedovelli, Via Gramsci 27, 38100 Trento, Italy) or through the bureau.

YB - Look for special call YB3ZMI to be aired from Madura Island (OC-237) on 16-17 December. QSL via IZ8CCW (P.O. Box 360, 87100 Cosenza - CS, Italy). Activity is expected to take place on 10, 15, 20, 80 and possibly 40 metres SSB and CW (maybe also RTTY, PSK31, SSTV). The special licence will expire on 30 January and other IOTA operations are expected to take place during this time frame. [TNX YC3IZK and IZ8CCW]

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YB - YB8HZ/p is currently active from Bonerate Island (OC-???), length of stay not known. QSL via home call.

ZK1_sc - After his activity form the Fiji Islands (see 3D2 above) Dan, N6PEQ will move to the South Cook Islands and be active as ZK1PEQ from either Rarotonga (OC-013) and Aitutaki (OC-083) between 20 December and 6 January. QSL via N6PEQ. [TNX The Daily DX]

PACIFIC TRIP ---> Angelo, I6BQI will be touring the Pacific for six weeks starting the first week in February 2001. He plans to operate (on 160-6 metres CW) from Tonga as A35BQ, from Niue as ZK2BQI and, if he can get the licences, from YJ, 5W, C2 and T3 as well. More information will follow.

AGALEGA 2001 ---> The 3B6RF DXpedition to Agalega [425DXN 497] is confirmed to take place from 5 to 18 May. The team now consists of HB9BQI, HB9BQW,
HB9BXE, HB9CRV, HB9HFN, HB9JAI, HB9JBI, 3B8CF, 9A4TU, CT1AGF, DL3KUD, DL6UAA, F6HMJ, G3KHZ and NK6F. As Joe, HB9AJW has been forced to cancel the trip, the team is now looking for a good CW operator with contest and field day experience; if interested please contact Hans-Peter, HB9BXE (hb9bxe@pilatusnet.ch). [TNX HB9BXE]

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10M BEACON ---> John, SV3AQR reports that SV3AQR/B is located at Amalias, Greece and transmits on 28182.5 using 4 watts to a vertical antenna. Signal reports are appreciated and can be sent to SV3AQR/B, P.O. Box 30, Amalias 27200, Greece (Packet sv3aqr@sv8rv.zak.grc.eu, E-mail sv3aqr@packet-g.ceid.upatras.gr).

ASIAN DX WINDOW ---> Eugene, RA0FF (ra0ff@bgtelecom.ru) reports that the "Asia (((DX))) Window" (ADXW) Internet Web Cluster (http://dx.bgtelecom.ru) now has an open special notice board for skeds on 160 and 80 metres.

D4 ---> Jean-Marc, F8IXZ was unable to get a licence during his stay in Cape Verde [425DXN 500], but operated as D44AC/F8IXZ from the QTH of Carlos. QSL via home call. [TNX F8IXZ]

DXVIEW ---> Given a callsign or prefix, DXView determines the associated DXCC entity, reporting its location and beam heading from your QTH. DXView presents a world map, upon which beam headings, stations you spot, the sun's position, and the solar terminator are continuously displayed. DXView is free, contains no advertising and its commercial use is expressly forbidden. Version 1.1.0 of DXView is available at http://www.qsl.net/dxview/download.htm [TNX AA6YQ]

OE1SNW/MM ---> This is Norbert who is cruising round the Antarctic continent. He is active on 14313 KHz and his daily position can be checked at http://www.icelimit.at [TNX OE7SEL]

PREFIX LIST ---> Rod, AC6V has finished updating and expanding a Prefix List at http://www.ac6v.com/prefixes.html. It includes ITU Block Assignments, ITU Zones, CQ Zones, details (where known) of call districts and many other information gathered over 20 years. Do not forget to bookmark http://www.ac6v.com/!

QSL 7P8AA ---> Hans, DL1YFF reports that the cards for the July operation from Lesotho have arrived and Fritz, DL7VRO has started processing the requests received so far.

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*** NEWS FROM THE WEB ***
W3HC: Information on the "W3HC QSL Fund" and an up-to-date list of all of the 125 stations handled by Mac can be found at http://www.homestead.com/w3hc/index.html

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