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3W - The first DXpedition to Cham Island (AS-???) [425DXN 547] is now scheduled to take place on 13-18 March, with two stations active on 160 through 6 metres SSB and CW. The team include Yuki/JI6KVR (team leader), Shu/JA6IEF, Hau/3W2LI and his son 3W2KA; they will operate as XV3C, 3W3C, 3W2LI/3 and 3W2KA/3 respectively. QSL XV3C via EA5KB (Jose F. Ardid Arlandis, P.O. Box 5013, 46080 Valencia, Spain) QSL 3W3C via EA5RM (Antonio Gonzalez, P.O. Box 930, 03280 Elche, Spain) QSL both 3W2LI/3 and 3W2KA/3 to Trinh Hau, No 4 Dong Xoai, F13, Tanbinh, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam. The web site for the DXpedition is at http://www3.ocn.ne.jp/~iota/newpage25.htm Questions before the activity starts can be sent to Yuki, JI6KVR (ji6kvr@orange.ocn.ne.jp); the pilot stations for the operation will be Toni, EA5RM for Europe (ea5rm@medtelecom.net), Ernesto, LU4DPO for South America (lu4dpo@yahoo.com.ar) and Cezar, VE3LYC for North America (ve3lyc@hotmail.com). Contributions can be sent to JI6KVR, as well as EA5KB and EA5RM. [TNX JI6KVR]

3W - 3W3M is the call issued to Jack, F6BUM for his forthcoming activity from Vietnam [425DXN 557]. He confirms his itinerary as follows: 14-16 March from Tam Island (AS-157), 21-23 March from Cham Island (AS-???) and 3-5 April from Cat Ba Island (AS-132). QSL via home call. [TNX F6BUM]

7Q - Harry, G0JMU/7Q7HB is now up and running with a new antenna and amplifier. He will be leaving Malawi on 28 April. QSL direct only via G0IAS (Allan Hickman, The Conifers, High Street, Elkesley, Retford, DN22 8AJ Notts, UK - do not send bureau cards for any of the 7Q stations managed by him). [TNX G0IAS]

HK0_sa - Gerd, DL7VOG will be active as HK0GU from San Andres Island (NA-033) for a month starting on 14 March. He might also operate from

Providencia (NA-049). QSL via home call (bureau cards can be requested at dl7vog@darc.de). [TNX The Daily DX]

I - The 9-10 March operation from Isola Grande di Porto Cesareo (EU-091, IIA LE-002) [425DXN 565] has been cancelled due to Frank's (IZ7AUH) unexpected business commitments. [TNX IZ7AUH]

JA - Look for Shin, JI3ACL/4 and Shige, JI3CEY/4 to be active (with two stations on 160-6 metres CW and SSB) from the Oki Islands (AS-041) on 16-18 March. QSL via home calls. [TNX JI3ACL]

P5 - There is conflicting information about YT1AD's operation from North Korea. "Wolf Harranth, OE1WHC reports receiving a phone call about 1730Z from Hrane, YT1AD", The Daily DX reports. "Hrane was supposedly at the airport in Rome, presumably heading back to Belgrade." At the same time Mome, Z32ZM says he talked with Hrane in Pyongyang. According to Mome, "they have in hand all needed documentation & permition's EXCEPT the permition for transmit by Amateur Radio", which they hopefully will receive on Monday (11 March). What is sure is that they have not been active so far and that P5/YT1AD was a pirate.

T8 - Bad weather forced Bill, T88BA to change his plans for his his voyage to the South Palau group (OC-248/Pr) [425DXN 565]. He also has had to revise the times on the various islands due to work commitments. The new timetible is as follows:

Depart From	ETD	Destination	ETA
Koror	0900 Mon 11/03	Sonsorol	0600 Tue 12/03
Sonsorol	0001 Wed 13/03	Pulo Anna	0600 Wed 13/03
Pulo Anna	1000 Wed 13/03	Merir	1300 Wed 13/03
Merir	1800 Wed 13/03	Tobi	0600 Thu 14/03
Tobi	1000 Thu 14/03	Helen Reef	1500 Thu 14/03
Helen Reef	1000 Fri 15/03	Tobi	1500 Fri 15/03
Tobi	1800 Fri 15/03	Merir	0600 Sat 16/03
Merir	1100 Sat 16/03	Pulo Anna	1600 Sat 16/03
Pulo Anna	0001 Sun 17/03	Sonsorol	0600 Sun 17/03
Sonsorol	1000 Sun 17/03	Koror	0700 Mon 18/03

All times are local, which is 9 hours ahead of UTC. Bill thinks that most operation will be done from Tobi (Hatohobei) island; look for him on +/- 21045 kHz). Please note that there will be another trip next month and in May, so there will be more opportunities for amateur radio activity this year. QSL via G4OHX. [TNX IZ1CRR]

VP9 - Look for David, VP9/M0CNP to operate (on 40-10 metres, SSB and CW) from the Bermuda Islands (NA-005) on 9-16 March. QSl via home call. [TNX M0CNP]

W - Howie, K1VSJ will be active from Martha's Vineyard (NA-046) on 8-10 March. [TNX The Daily DX]

W - Will, WC6DX plans to reactivate Point Blunt Lighthouse (LH-0004) on Angel Island (not IOTA, USI CA-006S) between 20 and 23 UTC on 9 March. Look for him on +/- 28460 kHz (with 7260 Khz for California), he will QSY to 15, 17 or 20 metres upon request. [TNX W9DC]

YA - Robert, S53R/YA5T reports that "YA5T has not been much on the air during the past week due to work commintments. Mark, ON4WW, left Kabul on 7 March and will do some ground work for WFP in the next weeks in northern part of the country. Peter, ON6TT, was here for 2 days, but just too busy to do any radio. I stay for another 3 weeks

and promise to be on bands as much as possible." [TNX KU9C]

ZD8 - Jim, N6TJ will be active as ZD8Z from Ascension Island (AF-003) on 11-21 March. He will operate on all bands CW/SSB, with a special emphasis on 160 metres and the WARC bands. QSL direct only via VE3HO. [TNX The Daily DX]

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ELECTRONIC QSL POLICY ---> The following is an abstract from an ARRL News Release dated 7 March: " Recent discussion regarding the QSL service offered by eQSL.cc (TM) suggests that there is some confusion about ARRL QSL policy. Simply put, there has been no change in League policy regarding eQSLs. ARRL does not accept QSLs that have been transmitted to the recipient via electronic means for its awards. Anyone, acting as an authorized QSL manager, however, may receive logs via email (or any other direct means) and send QSL cards, via post mail, to recipients. This is the traditional QSL manager process. As has always been the case, certain norms are expected when handling cards in this manner. First, we expect that a QSL manager will seek permission from operators for whom QSLs are handled. Second, we expect that a QSL manager will do the checking required to assure that only real contacts are verified. Also, we expect to be able to identify cards as authentic (cards should be personalized or otherwise made unique through the use of a stamp or other personal mark - signature or initials - across a label boundary). Finally, we consider it an ethics violation if cards can only be claimed through payment of a fee, and thus we will not accept cards for DXCC credit for which a fixed charge is made." For further information please contact Wayne Mills, N7NG (n7ng@arrl.org) or visit http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2002/03/07/100/?nc=1

PW0T ---> The team had already started to tear down the stations and antennas preparing for departure on 2 March when they were informed that they would stay on the island until Monday (4 March) at noon. They were able to participate in the ARRL SSB Contest on all bands as a Multi-Single entry, while another station operated CW on 20, 15 and 10 metres during the weekend. [TNX N4AA]

QSL 9J2BO ---> W6ORD is no longer the QSL manager for Brian, 9J2BO. Cards should now be sent to Mike Mills, G3TEV either direct or through the RSGB bureau.

QSL CQ1CV ---> Paulo, CT1ETE says that the QSL cards for CQ1CV are not yet ready, please be patient.

QSL K3J ---> Ron Phillips, AH6HN, QSL manager for the September 2001 K3J operaton from Johnston Atoll, says the cards are still at the printer's in Germany. [TNX WU8Q]

QSL RW1AI/ANT ---> Mike, RW1AI will be active from "Vostok" base (AN-016, WABA UA-010), Antarctica for the next 11 months. Cards should be sent via home call either direct (Mikhail Fokin, P.O. Box 2, St.Petersburg, 195009 Russia) or through the bureau, but he will not be able to process any request until he goes back home in February 2003. Logs for RW1AI/ANT and Mike's previous activities as R1AND (May-December 1999) and R1ANP (January-March 2000) are available at http://www.qsl.net/ua1ake/logs [TNX UA1AKE]

QSL XE2P ---> Ron, AC7DX is no longer the USA manager for XE2P, as he has "tried repeatedly and been unable to secure the logs".

QSL MANAGER OFFERED ---> Peter Occhipinti, KT4XP has recently become disabled and offers his services as QSL manager for a DX station. Please contact him at murray360@aol.com.

QSL VIA VE7DP ---> Frank, VE7DP reports that almost all QSL cards for his February 2001 IOTA operations (VE7DP/DU1, 4I1P and 4H2B) have been sent out. The backlog of direct requests was completed 6 months ago, while cards for all others are going out via bureau, as a QSL is being sent to every station in the log.

QSL VIA ZK1CG ---> Victor, ZK1CG reports that two boxes of QSL cards for ZK1CG (North Cooks) and ZK1USA (North and South Cooks) were mailed on 4 March. If you do not receive your card(s) feel free to e-mail Victor (sales@computers.co.ck). Please note that the cards (handled by VE7XF) for the group that went to Manihiki Atoll for the CQWW SSB Contest have not been received from the printers so far.

TAIWAN PREFIXES ---> It seems that the CTARL QSL bureau is getting cards for Chinese stations. Tony Kuo, BX2AC (ex BV2TA) reminds DXers that BM, BN, BO, BP, BQ, BU, BV, BW and BX belong to Taiwan, while BA-BL, BR-BT, BY and BZ belong to China.

TI9M ---> The Cocos Island TI9M DXpedition went QRT on 2 March at 12.00 UTC and left the island four hours later. The finally tally was approximately 80,000 QSOs (including 2000+ contacts made in 12 hours during the ARRL SSB DX Contest) after ten days of non stop operation. One site was at sea level, and a second station was installed 500 feet higher (a great location, which however required over 100 trips to haul equipment up and back).

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DXPEDITIONS:	Ducie Island (VP6xx)	http://www.qsl.net/wd4ngb/ducie.htm
	San Felix Island (XR0X)	http://www.cordell.org/SFX
LOGS:	5H3/IK2GZU	http://www.hamlan.org/bsdx/logseqsl.htm
	J3/F4TVY	http://www.mdxc.org/f4tvy

PW0T http://www.trindade2002.com/
TF/SM1TDE http://dx.qsl.net/logs/index.html
TI9M http://www.qsl.net/ti9m/logs/search.html
YA5T http://www.ve9dx.com/ya5t/ya5t.html (17,328 QSOs updated through 5 March 2002 at 02:14 UTC)

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CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER
2E0APH	G3WRO	FS/JH8CLU/P	JH7OHF	S07X	DJ6SI
3V8BB	JH8PHT	FS/KT8X	KT8X	T88BA	G4OHX
3W9KCS	DL1DA	FS/PA3GIO/m	PA3GIO	T88RM	N6NBB
3XY6A	VE2XO	GM4YXI	N3SL	TI5/KE0UI	KE0UI
3XY8A	VE2XO	H7DX	DL7CM	TI9M	AK0A
4J6ZZ	UT3UY	HC1HC	NE8Z	TJ1CR	F6AXD
4K7Z	TA2ZV	HF0POL	SQ5TA	TK5EL	F6FNU
4L5O	K1WY	HS0ZDR	W4FOA	TL8DV	W3MC
4S7DA	W3HNK	HS72NBD	E21EIC	TO4T	F6HMQ
4U1ITU	W5IUA	HV0A	pirate	TP3CE	F6FQK
4Z8GZ	DH2GZ	HZ1AB	K8PYD	TR8CX	F5PBQ
5R8/F5DKO	IZ8CCW	IR3B	bureau	TT8DX	F5OGL
5U7JK	I2YSB	J28VS	F4DBF	TY2SF	IK2ILK
5W0DA	F6EPY	J3/DJ7RJ	DJ7RJ	UA9QFF	W3HNK
5W0PM	F6COW	J37K	AC8G	UL7FEC	DF6PB
6Y5/G0NJZ	G0NJZ	J37LR	VE3EBN	UN1F	DF6PB
6Y5BB	N1QAE	J6/G3TBK	G3TBK	UN2E	DF6PB
7X5JF	DJ8QP	JT1R	JT1BL	UN5F	DF6PB (c)
7Z1AC	WA4JTK	JW/DJ3KR	DJ3KR	UN6T	DF6PB
8P5A	W2SC	JY9NY	JA6FUF	UN7CC	KI6Y
8P9AP	K2WE	KG4DX	W4WX	UN7JJ	EA5KB
8P9JG	W2SC	KG4VL	N5VL	UN8GF	IZ8CCW
9J2BO	G3TEV	KH0WW	JP1IOF	UN9FD	DF6PB
9K2NLD	9K2RA	KP2/N9COQ	W0AW	UT2VU/DU7	UR7VA
9L1BTB	SP7BTB	KP2/W0AW	W0AW	V26DX	KU9C
9M2/GM4YXI	N3SL	L20E	LU5EVK	V26TB	KD3TB
9N7RB	W4FOA	L50EV	LU9EV	V31DJ	W1LLU
9Z4DI	KZ5RO	LR7E	LU2EE	V31JR	W1LLU
A35RK	W7TSQ	LU1ZA	LU4DXU	V47KP	K2SB
A35TL	DL2RUM	LX/ON6CK	ON4ADN	V51/SP6IXF	SP6IXF
A61AJ	N4QB	MM0LEO	W3LEO	V51LK	DJ4LK
AL1G	AC7DX	N0TG/VP5	N0TG	VI3GP	VK3ER
BI5P	W3HC	N2TK/NP2	N2TK	VK6LB	DL7AFS
BI5P	BD5RI	OH0B	OH2BH	VK6ZG	DL7AFS
C21AT	VK3ALX	OM0M	OM0WR	VP2E	N5AU

CE0Y/DM5TI	DM5TI	ON50KTK	ON4ADN	VP8SIG	GM0HCQ
CE6TBN/7	N1IBM	OP0GS	ON5GK	VQ9MR	W3MR
CM5JD	EA5FKX	OQ6CK	ON4ADN	W4D	W5UE
CP6XE	IK6ANR	P29VMS	DL2GAC	WP2Z	KU9C
CT3/DL3KWR	DL3KWR	P40A	WD9DZV	XR2D	CE4USW
CU5AM	EA5KB	P49V	AI6V	XU7ACF	DF8AN
CV1F	EA5KB	PJ2/K6RO	KU9C	YA5T	KU9C
CX3HF	EA5XX	PJ2/W6UL	KU9C	YC0BIZ	W3HNK
D2U	CT1BFL	PJ2K	KU9C	YI9OM	OM6TX
D44TA	OE5XVL	PJ4/K2NG	WA2NHA	YJ0AOW	F6COW
D44TD	CT1EKF	PJ4/NO2R	WA2NHA	YJ0APY	F6EPY
DU1KT	KU9C	PJ6/PA3GIO	PA3GIO	YL/RZ3BY	UA3DX
DU8ARK	I2YDX	PJ7/K8RLM	K8RLM	YO3APJ	W9OL
DU9/N0NM	W4DR	PJ7/PA3GIO	PA3GIO	ZA1E	I2MQP
EA6/SP4AOQ	EC6TK	PJ7/W8DVC	W8DVC	ZD9IR	ZS6EZ
EA8/DK2OC	DK2OC	PJ7/W8EB	W8EB	ZF2AH	W6VNR
EA8BH	OH2BH	PJ7/W9MSU	W9MSU	ZF2BI	K4BI
ED7SCT	EA7HZ	PJ7B	W8EB	ZF2DR	K5RQ
EG5PTA	EA5ELT	PW0T	KU9C	ZF2MM	K9PG
EI/DH5ST/P	DH5ST	R1ANC	DL5EBE	ZK1SBQ	DL8SBQ
ET3PMW	W7KEU	RW0BM	RW6HS	ZK2CW	DL2RUM
FM5WD	W3HNK	RW1AI/ANT	RW1AI	ZW7B	PU7EEL
FO5RH	F6CTL	S07V	DK2WV	ZY0SAT	PS7JN

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