6W  - Jean-Louis, 6W6JX reports that operators from the Dakar Radio Club will be active from Goree Island (IOTA AF045) between 30 March and 1 April. QSL via operator's instructions. [TNX F5NQL]

9L  - Jerry, K4ZIN is going to operate (on 10-40 metres CW and SSB) as 9L1JT from Sierra Leone, with some limited activity on 9-16 April and full time operations on 20-22 April. QSL via K4ZIN. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]

9M6 - Taka, JL1CHV [425DXN 568] will now operate (probably as 9M6/homecall) on the HF bands from Kota Kinabalu, East Malaysia on 29-31 March, including an entry (one day and a half) in the CQ WPX SSB Contest. QSL via JL1CHV. [TNX JH1KLN]

A2  - John, G3HCT will be in Botswana on 7-20 April and plans to operate as A25/G3HCT on the WARC bands CW. [TNX The Daily DX]

BV  - A group of operators from Taiwan (namely BO2AB/2, BM2AAL, BM2ACE, BV1ED, BV2AH, BV2KI, BV2KS, BV2NT, BV2QB, BV4AS, BV5DL and BX4AF) will be active as BV9K and BV2B/9 from Kueishan ("Turtle Hill") Island (AS-155) between 29 March and 1 April. Operations will take place on the HF bands (CW and SSB), plus 2 and 6 metres. QSL via BV2KI (Bruce Yih, P.O. Box 84-609, Taipei, Taiwan). [TNX JI6KVR]

F   - Special station TM5PDG will be activated (on 15-40 metres CW, SSB, SSTV and PSK31) from Le Pont du Gard (Gard Bridge) on 7 April ([http://www.ref-union.org/ed30/](http://www.ref-union.org/ed30/)). QSL to F6KQK via the French bureau. [TNX F5PHW]

F   - Fifteen operator from F6KOP will be active on all bands (6 metres included) as TM5Y from Yeu Island (EU-064) on 7-12 May. [TNX F4BUX]

F   - Dom, F5SJB will be active again as TM5CW between 18 May and 1 June, including and entry in the CQ WW WPX CW Contest. QSL via F5SJB either direct or through the bureau. [TNX F5SJB]

F   - The "Minkie Boys" (namely Harvey/ON5SY, Hans/ON4ASG, Wil/ON4AVA, Dan/ON4ON, Dries/ON6CX, Pat/ON7PQ and Bill/ON9CGB) will be active as F/homecall/p from Sein Island (EU-066, DIFM AT-007, ARLHS FRA-066 & FRA-067) on 25-29 July. They will participate in the IOTA Contest, probably as TM2ON. QSL for all via ON4ON either direct (Danny Commeye, Rozenlaan 38, B-8890 Dadizele, Belgium) or through the UBA bureau. [TNX ON9CGB]
FK - Look for Franck, FK8HC to be active as FK8HC/P from Puen Island (OC-032, DIFO FK-067) on 29-31 March. The DIFO web page is at http://www.qsl.net/f5nod/difo.html [TNX F5NQL]

HH - Jan, K4QD will be active as HH4/K4QD from Haiti (NA-096) on 8-19 April. Jan, a member of the Florida DXpedition Group (FDXPG), is going as a volunteer to the Northwest Haiti Christian Mission, and he will operate in any spare time available. He will operate CW and SSB with 100 watts, a a beam on 20-10 metres and a dipole on 40-80 metres. QSL via K4QD either direct or through the bureau. [TNX K4QD]

HL - The operation from the Huksan Islands (AS-093) [425DXN 567] is confirmed to take place on 4-7 April. Han/HL1VAU, Han/DS2GOO and Chae/DS5BSX will operate as homecall/4 from Taehuksan Island with two stations using wire antennas on 10-40 metres CW and SSB. QSL for HL1VAU/4 via homecall, others via DS2GOO. The web page for the operation is at http://www.qsl.net/hl1vau/as093/ [TNX HL1VAU]

I - Walter, IN3XUG is active on 10-40 metres as IC8/IN3XUG from Ischia Island (EU-031, IIA NA-001) until 2 April. QSL via IN3XUG either direct or through the bureau. [TNX IN3XUG]

I - IT9EJW, IT9GAC, IT9GIE, IT9LCY, IT9VKY, IT9YRE, IW9BCW, IW9BDV and IW9FY will be active as IU9ACI from Lachea Island (EU-166, IIA CT-002) on 12-14 April (or, in case of bad weather, on 19-21 April). They plan to operate on HF (CW and SSB), 6 and 2 metres. QSL via IT9EJW either direct (A1fio Bonanno, P. O. Box 18, 95028 Valverde - CT, Italy) or through the bureau. Further information at http://www.rgetna.org [TNX IT9EJW]

JA - Look for JR8KJR/8 to operate from Rebun Island (AS-147) on 30-31 March and from Rishiri Island (AS-147) on 1-3 April. Activity is expected on 6, 10, 12, 15, 17 and 40 metres SSB. QSL via JR8KJR. [TNX JR6KVR]

JD1_oga - Look for JM3FVL/JD1, JE5DTS/JD1, JG4LSR/JD1, JL4CVB/JD1 and JO1ZZM/JD1 to be active (on 80-6 metres SSB, CW, PSK and RTTY) from Chichijima (AS-031), Ogasawara between 28 April and 4 May. Further information is available at http://www.qsl.net/jl4cvb/ogasawara.htm [TNX JL4CVB]

KH8 - Dave, AH6HY will be active as AH6HY/AH8 from the Manua Islands (OC-077), American Samoa on 18-24 May. Operation will be on 10, 15 and 20 metres SSB only, on the usual IOTA & DX frequencies. QSL via home call either direct or through the bureau. The web page for the operation is at http://www.qsl.net/ah6hy/samoa.html [TNX AH6HY]

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KL - Rick/KL7AK, Blaine/KL7TG, Linda/NL7RE, Larry/KF6XC and Jim/K9PPY will be active as KL7AK from Deer Island in the Southern Alaska Peninsula West group (NA-???) from late in the UTC evening on 31 July until mid-afternoon on 5 August. They will operate on 80-10
metres SSB and CW and their main station will have a linear amplifier and a triband yagi. QSL via N6AWD. [TXN KL7AK]

OD - Max, IW0GXY has been authorized to operate on 6 metres from Lebabon as OD5/IW0GXY through June (and probably until September). Further details can be found at http://www.qsl.net/iw0gxy/index.html [TXN OZ6OM]

OX - Look for Michael, OX3LG to operate (on HF bands and 6 metres, SSB and CW) from Kook Island (NA-220), Greenland between 1 August and 1 October. QSL via OZ1ACB (Allis Andersen, Kagsavej 34, DK-2730 Herlev, Denmark). [TXN DL2VFR]

OZ - Rico, NH7T and Tom, DL1DVE will operate as OZ/homecall from EU-172 and EU-171 between 30 March and 6 April. They will also activate a few lighthouses from the ARLHS list during that time. QSL via DL1DVE, preferably through the DARC bureau. [TXN DL1DVE]

OZ - Look for Jakob, OZ7AEI/P to operate from Veno Island (not IOTA, NJ-005 for the Danish Islands Award) on 1 April starting around 11 UTC on 20 metres SSB. QSL via home call. [TXN OZ7AEI]

OZ - Special event station OZ5HCA will be activated from Odense, Fyn Island (EU-172) from 1 through 7 April to celebrate the birth of Hans Christian Andersen (2 April 1805). QSL via OZ3FYN. A special Hans Christian Andersen award is available for working OZ5HCA on three different bands. Applications (GCR list + 3 USD or 3 IRC) should be sent to OZ3FYN (P.O. Box 134, DK-5100 Odense C, Denmark). [TXN OZ1LGH]

OZ - Knud, OZ2ZB reports he will open his 2002 season of island & lighthouse activities on 4 and 6 April as follows:
- 4 April: from 10 UTC Kyoe/Vaarholm Island (not IOTA, DIA NJ-012)
- from 11 UTC Klosterholm Island (not IOTA, DIA NJ-013)
- from 12 UTC Hornsgaardsholm Island (not IOTA, DIA NJ-016)
- 6 April: from 9 UTC Fur Island (EU-171, DIA NJ-003) & Lighthouse (LH DLS-021, ARLHS DEN-073)
- from 12 UTC Glyngore Lighthouse (LH DLS-32, ARLHS DEN-077).

PA - Operators from UBA section "NOK" will be active from the lighthouse (ARLHS NET-024) on Texel Island (EU-038) on 26-28 July. They will participate in the IOTA Contest (27-28 July) as PA6TEX, while before the contest they will use PA/ON4NOK (also on the WARC bands). QSL via ON7YX (ex ON4ALW) either direct or through the UBA bureau. [TXN ON7YX]

PY_ssh - Oleg, R1ANF/p is currently active from the Brazilian Antarctic refuge "Astronomo Cruls" (WABA PY-03) on Nelson Island, South Shetlands (AN-010). He is expected to be on the Antarctica Net (21275 kHz at 17 UTC) on 1 April. QSL via RK1PWA. [TXN DL5EBE]

T9 - Bernard, F5LPY is active as T9/F5LPY from Bosnia until the end of May. He can be found every evening around 20.30 UTC on 20 metres CW and on 20 metres SSB on Sundays between 7 and 10.30 UTC. QSL to F5LPY via the REF bureau. [TXN F5NQL]

UA - Vladimir Chukov, R3CA is the leader of an expedition to Northern Asiatic Russia which should have started on 23 March. There are plans to visit and operate (on 80, 40 and 20 metres) from Bol'shoy Begichev Island (AS-152), the Lyakhovskiy Islands (AS-029) and the Medvezh' (Bear) Islands (AS-022). An operation from the Laptev Sea Coast East group (AS-???) is taken into consideration. The calls to
be used should be R3CA/9 and R3CA/0, with QSL via RA3DEJ (who is participating in the expedition). [TNX WRC/RRA Bulletin]

UA - The WRC/RRA Bulletin reports that Vasily, UA0QMN/p and Alexej UA0QHZ/p are expected to operate from Bol'shoy Begichev Island (AS-152, RR-0804) between 28 March and 2 April. QSL via RZ3EC either direct or through the bureau.

UA - Leonid Kashigin, UA6CW reports he will be going to the North Pole in early April for three weeks. He will operate on 10-80 metres as either R0POL or R3RRC/0. QSL via UA6CW.

V7 - Jim Todd, KC7OKZ/V73KZ and his wife Carol, KC7TSX/V73SX [425DXN 554] are now on Majuro (OC-029), Marshall Islands. Within the next couple of months they should be able to put Ujelang Atoll (OC-???) on the air. [TNX V73KZ & Islands On The Web]

VK9_mr - Frank Hunt, ZL2BR has replaced VK4DH in the VK9ML team who will operate on all bands and modes from Mellish Reef (OC-072) on 12-24 April [425DXN 563]. The web sites for the operation are at:
http://www.qsl.net/vk9ml/2002
http://www.pedi.jp/
The pilot stations (e-mail addresses on the websites above) will be Bill Rothwell, G0VDE (Europe & Africa), Don Greenbaum, N1DG (North & South America), Hisato Kobayashi, 7K1WLE (Asia) and Adam Maurer, VK4CP (Oceania). [TNX VK4CP]

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VP6 - The Ducie team - namely VP6BK (JA1BK), VP6XX (JF1IST), VP6AJ (K9AJ), VP6VT (K5VT), VP6TC, VP6DB, and VP6MW - arrived at Henderson Island (OC-056) on 27 March around 16 UTC. They are expected to leave the island between 2-3 UTC on 30 March. QSL VP6AJ via N9TK, others via home call.

VQ9 - Jesse Falquez, AB5RY is operating as VQ9J from Chagos for the next few months. He works CW and SSB on 160-10 metres, running a full power station with good antennas. QSL direct only via K5QM. [TNX K5QM]

XY - DF2IC, DF7KP, DL4KQ, DL5OAB, DL8KBJ, IN3QBR, IN3ZNR, XW0X and YB0US plan to be active on 160-6 metres from Myanmar in August. They will have three stations (with amplifiers, yagis for 30-6 metres and horizontal and vertical antennas for the low bands) operating as XY3C (CW), XY5T (SSB) and XY7V (digital modes). The activity will start in Yangon on 4-8 August (limited operation on 40-6 metres), the the group will move to Ngapal, near Thandwe (formerly known as Sandoway) on the Arakan coast and be active between 9 and 22 August. There might be an opportunity for a short operation from the Arakan Region IOTA group (AS-???). QSL XY3C via DL4KQ, XY5T via IN3ZNR, XY7V via DL8KBJ, either direct or through the bureau. The
ZF - Andy, AE6Y reports he will operate as ZF2AF (QSL via home call) from the Cayman Islands (NA-016) until 2 April. He will participate in the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest from ZF2NT's station.

CQ WW WPX SSB CONTEST ---> The following stations have announced their participation in this year's event:
- Hrane, YT1AD from 3V8BB as SOAB HP. [TNX YT1AD]
- Ahmad, 9K2AI and possibly others from KARS club station (9K2RA) as 9K9K. QSL via 9K2RA either direct (Kuwait Amateur Radio Society, P.O. Box 5240, Safat 13053, Kuwait) or through the bureau. [TNX 9K2AI]
- Ivan Bahamonde, CE4EBJ (Chairman, Southern Cross DX Group) reports that the following Chilean operators are expected to participate in the contest:
  - Nick, XQ1IDM as 3G1X SOSB HP 20m QSL via home call
  - Ferdi, XQ5SM as 3G5A SOAB HP home call
  - CE4USW & CE4PBB as CB4A M/S Box 128, Talca, Chile
  - Carlos, CE3NR SOSB HP 40m home call
  - Ferdy, CE4FXY as CE4Y SOSB HP 10m home call
  - Luis, CE8EIO SOAB HP home call
  - Dan, XQ1ZW SOSB LP 10m home call
  - Pat, XQ4EM SOSB HP 10m home call
There is an informative webpage for CB4A at http://www.qsl.net/cb4a
- Goncalo, CT1GPQ as CS7GPQ. QSL via home call. [TNX CT1GPQ]
- Gabriel, EA6DD as ED6DD (SOAB HP). QSL via the bureau or direct to P.O. Box 10180, 07080 Palma de Mallorca, Spain. [TNX EA6DD]
- Sei, JF1SQC as F08DX from Bora Bora (OC-067), French Polynesia. QSL via JF1SQC through the JARL bureau. [TNX JF1SQC]
- Keith, GM4YXI (Single Band 10m High Power) as GM7V, which is the North of Scotland Contest group's call (http://www.gm7v.com). QSL via ZS5BB0. [TNX GM4YXI]
- Oscar, LU5EVK as L20E. QSL via home call. [TNX LU5EVK]
- ON4AAM and ON4IT as OT2H. They will concentrate on 15 metres, with some possible activity on 40 and 80 metres. QSL via ON5YR. Logs will be available at http://www.on7sa.be [TNX ON4IT]
- Mario, PP5MQ as PS5S. QSL via home call. [TNX PP5MQ]
- Ton, PY2YU as PX2W on 10 metres LP. QSL via home call either direct or through the bureau. [TNX PY2YU]
- Oms, PY5EG as ZW5B on 10 metres. QSL via W3HC. [TNX PY5EG]
Give also a look to the listing of announced operations maintained by Bill, NG3K at http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/wpxs2002.html

GOWIN ---> The QSL Manager database GOWIN is a new product release from The Golist. For further information please visit the Golist web site at http://www.golist.net/ [TNX K1XN]
MBUA --- The Multi Band Ukraine Award (MBUA), sponsored by the Ukrainian Amateur Radio League, is available to either licenced amateurs and SWLs for working different Ukrainian Oblasts on at least 5 bands. Please visit http://www.uarl.com.ua or e-mail Vlad Ageyev, UR5WCW (UARL Award Committee Chairman, ur5wcw@ut1wpr.ampr.org) for further details. [TNX UR5WCW]

NOT THE MANAGER --- Steve, VE3XO has received "several dozen cards" for 3XY6A and 3XY8A, but the correct QSL route is direct only via VE2XO (Francois Normant, 3054 avenue Lacombe, Montreal QC H3T 1L4, Canada). [TNX N4AA]

QSL 4N1DX ---> Zrinko "Zik" Zibert, 4N1DX says he will move from Serbia to Canada in April. K1WY is no longer his QSL manager, but cards will continue to be available via YUIAVA either direct (RC Zemun, PPS Ugrinovci, Beogradska 1, 11277 Ugrinovci, Yugoslavia) or through the bureau.

QSL 5W0IR ---> Tommy, VK2IR at the last minute decided to go with a QSL for the 5W0IR operation [425DXN 567]. The new QSL route is now via DJ2MX, direct only: Mario Lovric, Am Oelberg 11, D-61231 Bad Nauheim, Germany.

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QSL DU8ARK (OC-174) --- Joe, I2YDX apologizes for sending cards with incomplete QTH information. A rubber stamp has been ordered and new cards will be issued. There is no need to send him second requests, as Joe will send the new QSL card automatically to the IOTA enthusiasts concerned. [TNX I2YDX]

QSL EX8MLE ---> As of 1 April Paolo, IK2QPR is no longer the QSL manager for EX8MLE. Cards should be sent direct to Sergey Tkachenko, P.O. Box 742, Bishkek 720017, Kyrgyzstan. QSLs for EX2U, EX5T, EX7MA, EX7MK, EX8DX, EX8NK, EX8NP, EX8QB and EX8QF are still handled by IK2QPR. [TNX IK2QPR]

QSL IF9ZRQ ---> Aroldo Bizzarri, IF9ZRQ from Levanzo Island (EU-054) recently became a Silent Key and Rino, IT9FXY is trying to get the logs from the family. For the time being Rino can confirm contacts made with IF9ZRQ on 15 and 16 July 2000, when Rino himself guest operated from Aroldo's station.

QSL JX7DFA ---> Vasiliij, RW6HS (rw6hs@narod.ru) reports he is the new QSL manager for Per, JX7DFA for contacts made with Russian and CIS stations. He currently has the logs from 1992 down to 13 March 2002 (52571 QSOs) and Per will send him the 1989-1991 logs as well.

QSL L80AA/D ---> Roberto U. Beviglia, LU4BR, President of the Radio Club Argentino (LU4AA, http://www.lu4aa.org) reports that all the direct and bureau QSL cards for L80AA/D (SA-055, ARLHS ARG-045) have been released.
VP6DI ---> The DXpedition to Ducie Island went QRT around 16 UTC on 26 March after some 52,000 QSOs. The pilots report that logs will not appear on the website until a later date and that the QSL cards will *not* be available at Dayton. QSL via VE3HO (Garth Hamilton, P.O. Box 1156, Fonthill, Ontario L0S 1E0, Canada). Cards for 6m QSOs should be sent to JA1BK (Kan Mizoguchi, 5-3 Sakuragaoka 4 Chome, Tama-City, Tokyo 206-0013, Japan).

XROX ---> The team closed down operations at 14.15 UTC on 26 March. The total number of QSOs is just over 70,000. QSL via N7CQQ (John Kennon, P.O. Box 31553, Laughlin, Nevada 89028, USA). The corrected logs will be posted on line in a few days on the DXpedition website (http://cordell.vwh.net/SFX/). [TNX K6GNX]

YAST ---> Robert, S53R left Afghanistan on 26 March. The YAST team has logged 22,751 QSOs from Kabul and 404 QSOs from Fayzabad, in addition to the 2000+ contacts made by Peter, ON6TT in late 2001. [TNX KU9C]

+ SILENT KEY + Gene Willbanks, N5BLK became a Silent Key on 21 March 21. As an INDEXA (International DX Association) staff member, Gene participated in the INDEXA daily Information Session on 14.236 at 23:30 UTC, providing DX information to the amateur radio community. Gene was also active in county hunting and he especially enjoyed HF mobile operation, helping many amateurs to contact new counties for their USACA award. [TNX AA7UC]

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LOGS: The following logs are now available on line:
7X0DX http://www.7x0.sp5zcc.waw.pl/
H7DX http://www.qsl.net/dl7cm/nicaragua.htm
XV3C (AS-162) http://www3.ocn.ne.jp/~iota/newpage25.htm

TP2CE: The web site for TP2CE, the Council of Europe Radio Club, is at http://www.ewwa.net; a web page can also be found on the Council of Europe web site at http://www.coe.int (go to "Audiovisual", "multimedia-audiovisual", "Audio"). [TNX F6FQK]

QSLs received direct: 3D2CI, 3D2CY, 3DA0DF, 4K8M, 4L3Y, 4M1X (SA-089), 4W6EB (OC-148), 428GZ, 5A1A, 5R8HD, 6Y5/G0NJ2, 6Y7A, 7Z1AC, 8P6SH, 8Q7IJ, 8R1USA, 9J2BO, 9K2K, 9K2MU, 9K2ZZ, 9L1BTB, 9M2RS, 9M6A, 9M6AAC, 9N7RB, 9Q0AR, A35OY, A45WD, A52A, A52GJ, A92EV, A92FZ, BD4XA, BV5DR, C53HG, C56RF, C6AKQ, CE0ZIS, CE4U, CX5BW, D2YY, D44TC, D68C, DS4NPL, DU9/N0NM, E29AL (AS-126), EK6TA, EP3SP, ET3PMW, EY8MM, EZ1GA, F5XX/p (EU-148), FK8GJ, FM5WD, FOOCLA (OC-050), F00DEH (OC-057, OC-062 and OC-094), FR/F6KDF/T, FT5WH, FT5ZB, FW5ZL (OC-118), HC1HC, HK5MQZ/0M, HLO/Y/2 (AS-105), HP2/F5PAC (NA-202), HP7/F5PAC (NA-170), HR6SI (NA-035), HZ1AB, IM0R (EU-165), J28VS, J37BO, J41YM, J7CCM,
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