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5W - After their operation from Tokelau (see ZK3 below), Silvano/I2YSB, Flaviano/I2MOV, Carlo/IK1AOD and Marcello/IK2DIA will be active on all bands and modes from Samoa (OC-097) from 29 February to 8 March. They will collect their licence upon arrival. QSL direct only to I2YSB. [TNX I2YSB]

6Y - RZS Amateur Radio Club's (W2RZS) members Bob/WB2NVR, Mike/WA2VQW, Adam/N2DHH and Bob/N2DVQ will be operating from Jamaica (NA-097) on 24-30 March, including an entry in the CQ WPX SSB Contest as 6Y2RZ. Before and after the contest they will be active as either W2RZS/6Y5 and/or homecall/6Y5. [TNX K1XN and The Golist]

8Q - Two activities from the Maldives (AS-013) are due to start on 23 February. Giancarlo, I3SGR will operate as 8Q7SG from Kuredu Island until 1 March. Look for him on 10-40 metres SSB around 15-17 UTC and 20.30-23.30 UTC. QSL via home call, direct (Giancarlo Salvadori, P.O. Box 32, 31100 Treviso - TV, Italy) or bureau. Pierino, IV3YYK will be active on all bands SSB and CW as 8Q7YY until 7 March. QSL via IV3YYK. [TNX I3SGR and IV3OWC]

C6 - Brian/K7RE (C6ALK), Bob/N4BP (C6AKQ) and Kevin/K4PG (C6APG) will be active from Freeport, Grand Bahama (NA-080) on 17-23 February. They will participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest on 160m (C6ALK), 80m (C6AKQ) and 10m (C6APG). QSL direct via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]

CX - Rainer, CX8FB reports that the 15-18 February operation from San Gabriel Island (SA-057) [425DXN 666] has been postponed because of "health and tranportation problems".

EA8 - Terry, M0CLH will be active as EA8/M0CLH/P from Tenerife (AF-004) between 23 February and 1 March. This holiday-style operation will be QRP with dipoles for 20, 17, 15 and 12 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX M0CLH]

FM - The Radio club de Martinique organizers this year's Caribbean Hamboree (http://www.caribbeanhamboree.org/), and special event station TO7HAM will be active on all bands and modes on 3-18 April. QSL via FM5AN. [TNX FM5AN]

FO0_cl - The DXpedition to Clipperton Island that was due to start around 8 March [425DXN 665] has been cancelled for the time being because the

team has run into a problem with the transportation. Plans are still in place to go to Clipperton as soon as new transportation can be arranged, but this may take a few months. [TNX K4SV]

GU - Rich, M5RIC (http://www.qsl.net/m5ric) will be active as MU5RIC/P from Guernsey (EU-114) on 25-29 March, including an entry in the CQ WPX SSB Contest as MU2Z. QSL via M5RIC. [TNX NG3K]

HI - Bill, N7OU will be active (on 160-10 metres CW only) as HI9/N7OU from the Dominican Republic on 17-26 February, including a SOAB Low Power entry in the ARRL DX CW Contest (21-22 February). QSL via home call. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]

HR - Tom, W0GLG will operate as HR3/W0GLG from Cayos Cochinos (NA-160) on 1-6 March. Look for him around 14260, 21260 and 28460 kHz. Tom will be in Honduras from 13 February, working as a radio operator for the International Health Service of Minnesota. [TNX N4AA and QRZ-DX]

HR - Rich, N0HJZ will be active as HR9/N0HJZ from Roatan Island (NA-057), Honduras on 3-9 March, including an entry in the ARRL DX SSB Contest. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX N0HJZ]

I - ARI Versilia club station IQ5VR will be activated until 29 February for the 131st Carnival of Viareggio. Details on the relevant award are available at http://www.ariversilia.it or from the Award Manager, IK5ZWV (ik5zwv@iol.it). [TNX IK5ZPZ & IK5ZWV]

I - Look for IR7LH (QSL via IK7JWX) and IZ7FMQ/p (QSL via home call) to be active from the lighthouse at Capo San Vito (WAIL PU-001, ARLHS ITA-040) on 14 February. [TNX IK7JWX]

I - Gaetano/I8IHG, Nello/IK8HVJ, Salvatore/IK8NTN, Achille/IZ8CKS, Luigi/IZ8ENR and Andrea/IK8GDA will operate (on 10-80 metres plus 6 metres SSB) as IC8/homecall from Vivara Island (EU-031, IIA NA-005) on 21 February. QSLs via I8IHG, direct or bureau.

J7 - John/K3TEJ, George/K5KG and John/W4IX will operate as J79Z (QSL via K3TEJ), J75KG (QSL via KU9C) and J79JRC (QSL via W4IX) from Dominica (NA-101) on 14-24 February. They will participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest as J7A (Multi-2), QSL via KU9C. [TNX VA3RJ]

JW - Francois, F8DVD will operate on 10-80 metres as JW/F8DVD from Longyearbyen (EU-026), Svalbard on 4-10 April. QSL via home call, direct (Francois Bergez, 6 rue de la Liberte, 71000 Macon, France) or bureau. [TNX F5NOD]

KP2 - Tony, N2TK will be active as N2TK/NP2 (QSL via home call) from St. Croix, Virgin Islands from 25 February to 10 March. He will participate in both the CQ 160-Meter SSB and ARRL DX SSB Contests as WP2Z (QSL KU9C). [TNX K1XN and The Golist]

KP2 - Harry, W6DXO will operate SSB and PSK as KP2/W6DXO from St. John, Virgin Islands (NA 106) on 14-19 March. Activity will be focused on 17, 12 and 10 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX NG3K]

LU - Look for L20H to participate in this week's CQ WPX RTTY Contest. This will be a new prefix on RTTY. QSL via EA7FTR. [TNX EA7FTR]

LU - Alberto, LU1DZ will be active as LU1DZ/X from Ushuaia, Tierra del Fuego (SA-008) on 17-21 February. [TNX LU6EF]

OX - Stellan, SM0LQB will operate (mainly on the higher bands, probably with low power) in his spare time as OX/SM0LQB from Greenland on 18-25 February. QSL via home call. [TNX SM1TDE]

P4 - John, W2GD will be active as P40W from Aruba (SA-036) starting on 18 February. He plans to participate in the ARRL DX CW and CQ 160-Meter SSB contests. Outside the contests there will be some operation on

all bands SSB and CW, with an emphasis on 160m at night and 10m during the day. QSL via N2MM. [TNX OPDX and NG3K]

P4 - John, KK9A will be active (on 10-160 metres CW and SSB) as P40A from Aruba on 1-30 March, including entries in the ARRL DX SSB and CQ WPX SSB contests. QSL via WD9DZV. [TNX P40A]

PJ5 - Jim, K1NA will be active as PJ5NA from St. Eustatius (NA-145) for about a month starting around 18 February. He will operate 160-10 metres CW only (ARRL DX CW Contest included), however expect some activity during the ARRL DX Phone Contest. QSL via home call. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]

PY - PP5VB, PY3CQ, PY3NZ, PY3MM and possibly others will be active from Santa Marta Lighthouse (DFB SC-012, ARLHS BRA-187) in the Brazilian State of Santa Catarina until 15 February. [TNX PY3CQ]

T7 - William/N2WB and Bill/W4WX will be in San Marino on 16-22 March. They will guest operate from the T70A club station using the club's call. Look for them on the HF bands on CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL to T70A. [TNX W4WX]

TI - WJ7R, W7YAQ, K7AR, KI7Y and TI2WGO will operate as TI5/homecalls from Costa Rica on 17-26 February. They will participate in the ARRL CW DX Contest as TI5N (QSL via W3HNK), outside the contest they will be active on the WARC bands as well as on RTTY/FSK. [TNX The Daily DX]

UA - Look for UE3SFF/4 to operate from the Natural Reserve of Mordovskij and the National Park of Smolnyj on 17-22 February. QSL via RU3SD, direct or bureau. Information on the Russian Flora-Fauna Award (RFFA), sponsored by the Russian Robinson Club, can be found at http://www.hamradio.ru/rrc/AWARDS/rffa_e.htm [TNX UA3FDX]

V3 - Don/N5DD, Amy/KC5DJI, James/AG5TX and Renee/KD5YCG will operate as V31AD from Placencia, Belize on 13-20 March. Expect activity on SSB, RTTY and PSK, with special attention paid to 12, 17, 80 and 40 metres, and possibly 160 and 6 metres. Further information at http://www.dxpileup.net/ [TNX N5DD]

VP5 - Bud, K4ISV and Donnie, K4CN will be active as VP5/K4ISV and VP5/K4CN from North Caicos (NA-002) from 24 February to 17 March. They will participate in both the CQ 160-Meter SSB and ARRL DX SSB Contests as VP5B. QSLs via N2AU. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]

ZD8 - Jim, N6TJ will be active again as ZD8Z from Ascension Island (AF-003) for ten days starting on 18 February, ARRL CW DX Contest included. QSL via VE3HO. [TNX The Daily DX]

ZF - Bruce, W8HW will be active as ZF2BC from the Cayman Islands (NA-016) on 14-21 February. He plans to operate on 10-80 metres mostly CW and RTTY with some SSB. QSL via home call. [TNX The Daily DX]

ZK3 - Silvano/I2YSB, Flaviano/I2MOV, Carlo/IK1AOD and Marcello/IK2DIA [425DXN 653] expect to be QRV from Nukunonu, Tokelau Islands (OC-048) starting on 14 February until the 25th. They will have two stations (one for CW and the other for SSB); the call issued to the group is ZK3SB. QSL via I2YSB (direct only) or M5AAV (bureau only). Further information and logs at http://www.qsl.net/i2ysb [TNX I2YSB]

CENTRAL AMERICA TOUR ---> Heikki "Henry" Tamminen, OH3JF will operate as TG7/OH3JF from Guatemala on 18-29 February and as HR5/OH3JF from Honduras on 2-10 March. He will run 800 watts and will concentrate on 30-160 metres. Suggested frequencies are 1827, 3507, 7007, 10103/10108, 14007, 18077, 21007,

24897 and 28007 kHz for CW; 1840, 3789, 7045, 14195, 18145, 21295, 24945 and 28495 kHz for SSB. QSL via OH3OJ. [TNX OH3OJ]

PACIFIC TRIP ---> DL1VKE and DF2SS will be active as 5W0SS & 5W0KE from Samoa and as KH8/homecall from American Samoa between 25 March and 10 April. They plan to operate SSB, CW and RTTY on all the HF bands. QSL via DL2MDZ. Logs will be available at http://www.df2ss.wimo.com [TNX DF2SS]
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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****

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3D2CC ---> "I can safely say my amateur radio days are over", Fred, 3D2CC reports. "For 4 years I pressed for a new 240V AC line but nothing has been done. The power on the island is not adequate to operate the rigs". Fred, IOTA's only representative for OC-121, has taken down all his antennas. Russ Wilson, VE6VK still has QSL cards for him (direct only with 1 USD for North American stations, 2 USD or 1 new IRC for overseas). [TNX VE6VK]

INDEXA ---> The International DX Association (INDEXA) has announced the appointment of Ron Wright, ZL1AMO, to the position of vice president. Ron succeeds Bill "Pick" Pickard, WA5PAE, who became a Silent Key in late November 2003. [TNX AA7UC]

PIRATE ---> The station spotted as YC3MM/P on 20 metres on 29 January was not the genuine YC3MM. Adi did not operate portable in January, and his amateur radio licence privileges do not include 20 metres. [TNX YC3MM]

QSL MANAGER SURVEY ---> Over 2600 DXers world wide participated in the Golist's survey [425DXN 661] and nominated a total of 98 managers. The Top 5 QSL Managers for the year 2003 are AC7DX, G3SWH, KU9C, N3SL and W3HNK. [TNX K1XN]

QSL G4IUF/HC8 ---> Mike reports that all direct QSLs received so far for his recent activity from the Galapagos have now been cleared. Requests received between now and his departure for 3B9C will be turned round daily. [TNX G4IUF]

QSL LW7DX --> Horacio "Race" Schvarzman, LW7DX reports that LU2DW is not his QSL manager. The correct QSL route can be found at www.qrz.com

QSL VIA US0ZZ ---> Oleg has started processing direct requests for the June and July 2003 operations from Battery Island (US0ZZ/p, UT4ZG/p, UT5ZA/p, UR5ZGR/p and UR4ZWL/p) and the Kalanchakskiye Islands, EU-179 (US0ZZ/p, UT4ZG/p, UR5ZJL/p, UR5GHK/p, UR6GWJ/p). The rest of the contacts will be confirmed automatically via bureau. [TNX ER5OK]

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5V7C: Propagation forecast, band plan schedule and world Azimuthal map for the 6-13 March 5V7C operation from Togo [425DXN 661] can be found at http://5v7c.free.fr/Infopropag.htm. Queries can be st to 5v7c@free.fr [TNX F5NQL]

JA6WFM/HI8: Information on the JA6WFM/HI8 operation can be found at http://www.h7.dion.ne.jp/~ja6wfm/ [TNX JI6KVR]

LOGS: On line logs for Kas, YI9ZF are available at http://www.qsl.net (they include QSOs made through 5 February). QSL via SM1TDE. [TNX SM1TDE]

TO4E: The final report with pictures on the TO4E/TO4WW DXpedition to Europa (November-December 2003) is now available on the Clipperton DX Club's web site at http://cdxc.free.fr/index-f.htm [TNX La Gazette du DX]

QSLs received direct or through managers: 1A0KM, 3A2MD, 3A2MW, 3B8/PA0VHA, 3B9FR, 3C0V, 3D2BT, 3DA0LJ, 4K9W, 4S7KJG, 4U1ITU, 5B4OG, 5J0X, 5N0W, 5N34NDP, 5U5Z, 5U7MF, 5V7BR, 5W1SA, 5X1Z, 6W/ON5TN, 6W1RD, 7W4HI (AF-094), 8P6EZ, 8Q7KT, 8R1Z, 9H1AL, 9H1ZA, 9H3MR, 9J2BO, 9M2/G4ZFE, 9M2AX, 9M6OO, 9V1GO, 9V1WW, A61AJ, A61AR, A61X, A92GE, AH2R, BD4JV, BQ9P, C5Z, CE0Y/SP9PT, CY9A, D2BB, D88S, E4/DF6EC, EG9IC, EL2WW, ES5TV, EW6AF, EY9/RA3OO, FG5FR, FO/DF6IC, FO/DL3GA, FO/G35WH, FO5FS, FW/G3TXF, GD0IFU, HC2RG, HC4/NP3D, HF0POL, HK0/K4QD, HK0/N2WB, HP1LR, HU1M/3, IH9P, J20RM, J69MV, J75A, J79JRC, J79WW, JR8XXQ/JD1, JT1CO, JT1CS, JX2IJ, K4E (NA-034), K9AJ/VY0 (NA-007), KH7X, KM9D/KH8 (OC-200), KP2/AB2RF, LX5A, LY2ZZ, LY5A, MU0FAL, N3KQU/ZD8, OA4O, OA5/F6BUM, OD5/OK1MU, OJ0LA, OX3DB, OY9JD, PZ5A, R1ANC, S05X, S79MX, S9SS, SU9NC, T21MY, T2YL, T31MY (OC-043), T88RN, TG0AA, TG9/N0AT, TG9NX, TI5U, TO2FG, TO6M, TR8IG, TT8ZZ, TX0AT, TY5ZR, TZ6RD, UK9AA, V25A, V51BG, V63PF, V63SXW (OC-012), V63WC, V73MJ, V73NS, V73T, V8AAP, VK9CD, VK9CJ, VK9XY, VP2E, VP2EJF, VP2ETG, VP2MX, VP2V/WQ7X, VP5/K9DX, VP6DB, VQ9LA, VR2BG, VR2UW, WH0EWX, XQ3/IZ6BRN, XQ8ABF (SA-008), XT2MF, YI9ZF, YJ0AJU, YJ0AMY, YJ0ATU, YL2GN, YN4SU, YS2ZKK, Z32ZM, ZA1B, ZK2SA, ZM8CW, ZP6CW, ZW0S, ZW8M.
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