A5 - Stig, LA7JO (9N7JO) will be active as A52JO from Bhutan on 4-12 April. He will operate SSB and CW in his limited spare time. QSL to Stig Lindblom, Jum Changphimai 147/1 - Moo 3, Tambon Boot, Ban Ta Bong, Phimai, TH-30110 Nakhon Ratchashima, Thailand [TNX 9N7JO/LA7JO]

4U1UN - On their way to Dayton, Mustapha/DL1BDF, Karl-Heinz/DL1BAH, Manfred/DK1BT and Stefan/DG2BDB will stop in New York City. They plan to operate from the 4U1UN ARC at the United Nations sometime between 12 to 15 May. QSL via HB9BOU, as usual (not via DL1BDF). [TNX F5NQL]

EX - Jaak, ES1FB and Oleg, ES1RA will be travelling to Kyrgyzstan on 19 April; they plan to operate as EX/ES1FB and EX/ES1RA until 28 April and 16 May respectively. Oleg might operate also as UK/ES1RA from Uzbekistan during that time frame. QSL via home calls.

F - Look for F/LX9EG/P to operate CW from the islands and lighthouses of Groix (EU-048, DIFM AT-012, WLOTA L-0050) on 2 April and Belle-Ile (EU-048, DIFM AT-015, WLOTA L-0872) on 3 April. [TNX LX1NO]

F - Christian, F6FTB will be active from Belle-Ile (EU-048) on 10-14 April. [TNX La Gazette du DX]

FM - Berthold, DF5WA and Gunter, DF7GB will be active from Martinique (NA-107) starting on 8 April. They plan to operate on all bands (160m if the location is suitable) CW with some SSB, RTTY and PSK31; QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX GM3VLB]

HR - Rene, HR1RMG is active as HR6/homecall from Roatan Island (NA-057) for a few days. QSL via home call. [TNX HR1RMG]

PJ4 - Look for Andy, PJ4/W9NJY to operate (on 10-40 metres CW, with some SSB) from Bonaire (SA-006) on 2-12 April. QSL via WD9DZV. [TNX tha Daily DX]

SP - Andy, SP5XSD will be active on 10-40 metres as SP5XSD/1 from Karsibor Island (EU-132, SZ-003 for the Polish Islands Award) on 2-3 April. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX VA3RJ]

SV - Ben, OZ5AAH will operate CW and SSB as SV/OZ5IPA from Greece on 5-13 April. QSL direct only to Preben Jakobsen, Gjethusparken 25, 3300 Frederiksvaer, Denmark. [TNX OZ5AAH]

YU - Massimo, IZ0BGS reports he will be working in Pristina (Kossovo) through the end of July. He plans to operate on 10, 15, 20, 40 and 80 metres SSB as YU8/IZ0BGS in his spare time using 10 watts. QSL via bureau to IZ0BGS.

ZK1_sc - Rick, AI5P will be active as ZK1APX from the South Cook Islands on 4-12 April. He plans to operate on 40-10 metres mainly CW. [TNX VA3RJ]
60 METRES ---> Club stations in Norway are allowed to operate on 60 metres from 31 March at 22 UTC (1 April at 00.00 local time) until 31 December 2007.

ARI DX CONTEST ---> The A.R.I. International DX Contest, sponsored by the Italian amateur radio IARU Society, is open to either licenced amateurs and SWLs. This year's event will take place from 20 UTC on 7 May to 19.59 UTC on the 8th. Full rules and information, including a brand new software downloadable for free, are available at http://www.qsl.net/contest_ari/

BEACON ---> A new 6m beacon has been on the air since January. The callsign is IT9X (WWL JM78SG) and transmits 24 hours a day on 50,057 kHz CW with 10 watts. Further information can be found at http://www.iw9cer.com/it9x; reports should be sent to it9x@iw9cer.com [TNX IW9CER]

COOK ISLANDS ---> Many thanks to The Daily DX for providing the following excerpt from the ITU Operational Bulletin No. 818: "Following a request from New Zealand, the International Call Sign Series E5A-E5Z, in accordance with the provisions of No. 19.33 of the Radio Regulations, has been provisionally allocated to New Zealand for exclusive use by the Cook Islands (formerly ZK1). That provisional allocation is subject to confirmation by the next radiocommunication conference".

DXCC NEWS ---> The following operations are approved for DXCC credit:
6O0X (Somalia) 18-26 November 2004
TT8AMO (Chad) current operation effective 9 March 2005
TT8M (Chad) current operation effective 9 March 2005

EU SPRINT CONTESTS ---> The two Spring events will be held on 20, 40 and 80 metres only from 15.00 UTC until 18.59 UTC on 9 April (Spring SSB, managed by G4BUO) and 16 April (Spring CW, managed by 9A6XX). Full details (free software included) can be found at http://www.eusprint.com/

FT5XO ---> The Microlite Penguins DXpedition to Kerguelen closed down around 2 UTC on 31 March.

PIRATE ---> Laurent, F8BBL reports that his callsign has been repeatedly pirated on the PacketCluster (typically for FT5XO spots) and on the air (CW, SSB, RTTY and SSTV) for intentional QRM on DX stations.

QSL 600CW ---> More than 1200 direct cards have been processed and mailed, and Silvano, I2YSB has run out of blank cards. Please be patient while a new
batch is being printed, and note that I2YSB handles direct requests only (bureau cards should be sent to MSAAV). Silvano also reports the sad news of the untimely passing of Adam Nuur Maxamed Islam, 6O0N. Adam was the director of Daljir Radio, from whose premises 600CW operated, and he was instrumental in the success of the DXpedition. The home page for the 3-17 February operation from Somalia is at http://i2ysb.com/6o/index.htm

QSL VIA IK7JTF ---> Rino, IK7JTF reports he still has cards and logs (up to 2002) for the following stations: 4L0CR, 4L1UN, 5N9RGP, 9K2AI, A61AP, A71/9K2AI, AP2KSD, AP2MAM, CN8SN, CN8VK, OD5PI, TT8AM. He has run out of cards for 5N9EAM and BV5BG. QSL to P.O. Box 20, 70010 Cellamare – BA, Italy.

WORLD ROBINSON CUP 2005 ---> The Russian Robinson Club sponsors the "World Robinson Cup" (wrc_rrc@mail.ru) for contacting stations operating from islands between 1 April and 30 September 2005. The national island programmes considered by WRC are BIA (Belarus), CISA (Canada), DIA (Denmark), DIB (Brazil), DICE (Chile), DIE and DIEI (Spain), DIFM, DIFI and DIFO (France), DIP (Portugal), GIA (Germany), IIA and ILIA (Italy), IOCA (Croatia), IOSA and SCOTIA (Scotland), JIIA (Japan), RRA (Russia), SPIA (Poland), UIA (Ukraine), USIA (United States). Full information is available on the Russian Robinson Club's web site (http://www.hamradio.ru/rrc/wrc_e.htm). [TNX RZ3EM]

WRTC 2006 ---> The rules for the next World Radiosport Team Championship (Florianopolis, 7-10 July 2006) are now downloadable from http://www.wrtc2006.com; Referees Selection Criteria and Team Selection Criteria will follow in 30-60 days. [TNX PY5EG]

YU DX CONTEST ---> The Amateur Radio Union of Serbia and Montenegro invites amateur radio operators all over the world to participate in the YU DX Contest, which will take place on 16-17 April (from 21 UTC on Saturday till 5 UTC on Sunday, and on 9-17 UTC on Sunday). The contest will be held on 160-10 metres CW only (WARC bands excluded). The new rules, as well as free software, results and other information can be found at http://yudx.net  [TNX YT1NT]

QSL GALLERIES: The large collection of QSL cards (2200+) on Les Nouvelle DX's web site has been updated. Six different galleries include cards for each of the 58 deleted DXCC entities (400+ QSLs), obsolete prefixes (850+ QSLs), Antarctic bases (400+ QSLs) & TAAF (Terres Australes and Antarctiques Francaises, 190+ QSLs), pre-1945 countries (200+ QSLs) and French Departments. Several cards are still needed and your participation is welcome – please visit http://LesNouvellesDX.free.fr and send your comments to LesNouvellesDX@free.fr  [TNX F6AJA]
TOP LISTS: The latest Topband, Topmode and Toplist listings are now available at [http://www.425dxn.org/awards/toplist/index.html](http://www.425dxn.org/awards/toplist/index.html). Please send your scores, as well as any request for further information, to Erminio Pandocchi, I2EOW (i2eow@fastwebnet.it)

YE3K: Pictures of the recent operations from Kangean (OC-217) can be found at [http://www.mdxc.org/ye3k/photo.htm](http://www.mdxc.org/ye3k/photo.htm) [TNX IZ8CCW]

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