9A - Special event station 9A150NT will be active on all bands and modes from Croatia from January through December 2006 to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the birth of the great inventor and scientist Nikola Tesla. QSL via 9A6AA. Further information on this station, as well as on the relevant award and on Tesla, can be found at http://www.inet.hr/9a6aa/9a150nt

9A - The members of the Amateur Radio Club Koprivnica (9A8K) will operate as 9A650C from 1 January through 31 December 2006 to celebrate the 650th anniversary of the town of Koprivnica. QSL via 9A7K. More information on the special call and Koprivnica City Award can be found at http://www.9a7k.com [TNX 9A7K]

CE - Carlos, CE6AMN and others will operate as CE6M from Mocha Island (SA-061) and lighthouse (ARLHS CHI-024, WLOTA LH-0684) on 1-5 February. QSL via CE6AMN. [TNX EA4AAA]

CO - CO3VK, CO3JN, CO3LF, CO3CJ, CO2WL and possibly others plan to be active as homecall/1 from Cayo Jutias (NA-093) during the last week of January. They will operate mainly on 15, 20 and 40 metres SSB and CW. They are looking for donations to help offset the costs of the operation; more information can be found at http://xoomer.virgilio.it/iz8_ebi/. QSL via IZ8EBI. [TNX IZ8CCW]

F - Special call TM5OVA will be aired from 30 December to 12 January in memory of Lucien, F5OVA, who passed away two years ago. QSL via F0DTB. [TNX F8REF]

FO - Ely, HA9RE will be active from Nuku Hiva, Marquesas Islands (OC-027) from 28 January to 18 February and from Ahe (King George Islands, OC-131), French Polynesia for about ten days starting on 20 February. He plans to operate on 160-10 metres CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via HA8IB (Szabo Karoly, Aradi u. 42, H-5525 Fuzesgyarmat, Hungary). [TNX HA0DU]

G - Two special callsigns will be aired from various locations around the UK throughout 2006 to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the International Shortwave League (http://www.iswl.org.uk). GB60SWL will be used one day per month during twelve public events (the first one will be on 22 January from the RAF Montrose Heritage Centre, in Angus, Scotland); GB6SWL will be used during the weekends
and on every UK public holiday. QSL for both calls direct to Alan Loveridge, 29 Courtiers Drive, Bishops Cleeve, Cheltenham, Glos. GL52 8NU, England, UK, or via the RSGB bureau. [TNX BRS-96106]

GM
- To celebrate the centenary of the first trans-atlantic voice transmission and to mark Reginald Fessenden's pioneering work with the Machrihanish station, the special event callsign GB1FVT will be activated during the first week in January from the Machrihanish transmitting site. Operation will be on all HF bands, CW and SSB. QSL via operators' instructions. [TNX GB2RS]

I
- Arcangelo, IZ0EAC reports he will operate (on 20, 40 and 80 metres SSB) as II0IP during the weekends in January to honour the memory of the late pope John Paul II. QSL to IZ0EAC (direct) or IQ0VT (bureau).

JA
- Look for JI2ZLM/2 and JF0BPT/2 to be active from Shino Island (AS-117, JIIA AS-117-008), Aichi prefecture on 2-3 January. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX JJ6KVR]

LZ
- Special event station LZ13ARDF will be active on all bands and modes from 1 January through 31 December to celebrate the 13th ARDF World Championships, which will be held at Primorsko on 12-17 September. QSL via LZ1KZA (P.O. Box 36, Karlovo, 4300 Bulgaria). [TNX LZ1ZF]

SO
- A group of operators associated with Radio-Noticias magazine (www.radionoticias.com) will be active from various locations in Western Sahara on 7-13 January. They plan to operate SSB on 3675, 7085, 14310, 21175 and 28975 kHz.

T30
- The T30DX operation [425DXN 764] has not been cancelled, at least for the time being, but the team's departure from Finland has been put off. Jouko, OH1RX says that "the team is continuously pursuing alternative travel arrangements to get to the island latest 11 January". Updates will be posted on http://www.ohpacificdx.com/

TR
- Franck, F4BQO will be active as TR8FC from Libreville, Gabon from 1 January until May. He plans to operate starting around 18 UTC on +/- 14190, 21020 and 24900 kHz; requests for skeds can be sent to f4bqo@orange.fr. QSL via home call. [TNX F8REF]

UA
- Look for RA6LMF/P, RW6MF/P and UA6LP/P to operate from Vtoroy Stvorny Rear Lighthouse (ARLHS ERU-137, RLHA RLE-029) on 2-3 January. QSL via RA6LMF. [TNX UA6LP]

UA
- Radio Club Vologda is going to celebrate the Russian Orthodox Christmas, which falls on 7 January. Special calls RI1RDM (Russian Ded Moroz, i.e. Grandfather Frost, more or less the Russian Santa Claus) and RI3RNG (Snegurochka, i.e. Snow Maiden, granddaughter and helper of Ded Moroz) will be aired starting on 6 January. On 6-7 January look for UE1QSK to be aired from the Spaso Kamenny monastery on Kamenny Island, in Lake Kubenskoye. On 5-8 January UE1RDM will be active from the "home" of Ded Moroz at Veliky Ustyug. QSL for all via UA1RJ. [TNX UA1QV]

VP9
- Kyle, WA4PGM will operate again as VP9/WA4PGM from Bermuda (NA-005) on 26-30 January. He will be active on 160-6 metres with an emphasis on the CQ WW 160-Meter CW Contest. QSL direct to Kyle Chavis, P.O. Box 127, Farmville, VA 23901, USA. Logs will be uploaded to LOTW. [TNX WA4PGM]

W
- Jerry, N9GGO and his wife Kathy, KC9HIF will be active from Amelia Island (NA-138) from 31 December until 2 January and from Jekyll Island (NA-058) on 3-7 January. They plan to operate on +/- 14260
kHz between 12.30 and 16 UTC. QSL via N9GGO (Jerry Breuss, 758 Laguna, Crystal Lake, IL 60014, USA). [TNX N9GGO]

W - Fred, WA1ZIC will be active on 10-160 metres as WA1ZIC/1 from Goat Island (NA-031) on 2-3 January. QSL via home call. [TNX VA3RJ]

W - Rick, K6VVA reports that the weather-permitting target dates for the IOTA operation from South East Farallon Island (NA-178) [425DXN 763] are now 14-16 February. Mike, K9AJ will be joining him and the two will operate as K6VVA/6 and K9AJ/6 with one or hopefully two stations on the air around the clock. QSL via N6AWD. Bookmark http://www.k6vva.com/iota/na178 for updates.

XU - Peter, NO2R will be returning to Sihanoukville, Cambodia early next year. He plans to operate mostly CW (with some SSB as well) on 160, 80 and 40 metres as XU7ACY on 7-21 January. QSL via K2NJ, while W2EN will act as a pilot station. [TNX NG3K]

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ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ISLANDS --> On 30 December the Indian National Institute of Amateur Radio (NIAR) released their first "Information Circular" about the Hamfest [425DXN 744] that will be held at Port Blair, Andaman Islands on 18-20 April. The purpose of this conference is to provide a forum for presentation and discussion on the various aspects of amateur radio. Other major attractions during the event include arena for exhibitors to display and demonstrate amateur radio communication technologies, as well as allow foreign hams to operate from the Andaman and Nicobar Islands. NIAR requests amateur radio organizations and individual hams interested to operate from Port Blair, Andaman and Nicobar Islands to e-mail a letter of intent to niarhamfest@gmail.com as soon as possible: all of the relevant details can be found at http://www.niar.org/hf_vu4_06.html

CANADA POSTAL RATES INCREASE --> Effective 16 January 2006, the postal rates for standard letters up to 30 grams will change as follows: within Canada = 0.51 cents, to the US = 0.89 cents, to other destinations = 1.49 Canadian dollars. All prices are subject to a tax of 7%. One US dollar brings only 1.22 Canadian dollars. [TNX VE3HO]

HNY 2006 PARTY --> The "Happy New Year 2006 Party", sponsored by Polish MK QTC Magazine, will take place from 18 UTC on 31 December to 18 UTC on 1 January. For details and a picture of the relevant award, please visit http://qtc.radio.org.pl/galeria/index.php?galleries=./Happy%20New%20Year%20Party&image=FO03-SNR2006.jpg [TNX SP2FAP]

QSL EA6IB --> Juan, EA5BM reports that "confusion" at the post office in
Ibiza has caused major delays in QSLing. A few days ago, a large batch of "lost" SASEs was found: those envelopes "will be mailed immediately" and a new more reliable QSL route is expected to be publicized through www.qrz.com in a few weeks' time. [TNX UA4ARL]

QSL OC-084 ---> Nando, IT9YRE reports that the QSL cards for the October operation from Fanning Island (T32S and T32SNW) are coming out.

QSL R1ANC ---> Please note that the QSL route has changed. The new operator at Vostok Base is Aleksej Turkeev, UA1ZCK, and the QSL route for R1ANC is via RU1ZC. [TNX DL5EBE]

QSL UU9JWM/P ---> The QSL manager for UU9JWM/p operations from lighthouses is UT5JDS. E-mail requests for bureau cards can be sent to uu9jwm@ua.fm [TNX UU9JWM]

QSL VIA AI4U ---> Effective 1 January 2006 Jeff, AI4U will take over QSL duties from VE3HO for PP5JR, ZX5J, PT5A and PX5E. ZX5J logs for CQ WW SSB 2005 and 10M Contest 2005, as well as PT5A logs for CQ WW SSB 2005 are still awaited. [TNX VE3HO]

SJDXA ---> At the December meeting of the South Jersey DX Association, the following officers were elected for 2006: Bob Schenck, N2OO - President; Tony de Biasi, KZSG - Vice President; Steve McGarry, W2USF - Secretary; Bob Pantazes, W2ARP - Treasurer. The web page for the SJDXA is at http://www.qsl.net/n2oo/sjdx.htm [TNX N2OO]

YASME & WRTC 2006 ---> Because radio contesting needs to attract and support youth, the YASME Foundation (http://www.yasme.org) announces a donation of $10,000 to WRTC 2006 (http://www.wrtc2006.com) in support of youth participation. These funds will be used to help Young Contesters from around the world attend and participate in WRTC 2006, to be held in Florianopolis, Brazil in July 2006. WRTC 2006 has dedicated three two-person team allocations to Young Contester teams. Additional Young Contesters may participate as part of multi-operator teams. We encourage young amateurs with a strong interest in contesting to make their applications for those positions by 20 January 2006. The qualifications and criteria for Young Contesters to apply to multi-operator teams will be announced shortly. While the multi-operator teams will operate at existing stations in Brazil, Young Contesters qualifying for the WRTC 2006 competitor teams are expected to bring their own equipment. [TNX N0AX]

ZR LICENCEES ---> Several ZR restricted licence holders have been heard on frequencies not allocated to them. ZR licensees are permitted to operate on 1810-1850 kHz, 3500-3800 kHz, 7000-7100 kHz, 14.070-14.099 kHz, 14225-14250 kHz, 21070-21120 kHz, 21300-21450 kHz, 28050-28150 kHz and 28300-28500 kHz. The final release of the amended Amateur Radio regulations, permitting ZR licence holders to access the HF spectrum, was published on 4 February 2005. These new regulations also affect the way ZS licences are issued and bring South Africa in line with many other countries around the world who no longer only use Morse code for granting access to HF. [TNX ZS4BS]

ZY6GK ---> Cris, PY7GK has cancelled his 27-30 December activity from
Itaparica Island [425DXN 759] owing to the failure of his radio equipment. He hopes to be able to go to the island for the IOTA Contest. [TNX PY7RP]
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