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3B8 - Jurgen, DJ5HD will operate (on 10-80 metres CW and SSB) as 3B8/DJ5HD from Mauritius Island (AF-049) on 3-15 February. QSL via home call. [TNX The Daily DX]

9G - Alan, G3XAQ will be active as 9G5XA from Accra, Ghana from 27 January to 6 February. He will operate CW on the HF bands using 100W and a doublet. QSL via G3SWH. [TNX G3XAQ]

9M6 - Steve, 9M6DXX will be active as 9M6DXX/P from Pulau Gaya (OC-133) on 18-19 March (approximately from 5 UTC on the 18th until 6 UTC on the 19th). QSL direct only to Steve Telenius-Lowe, WDT 527, 88905 Kota Kinabalu, Sabah, Malaysia (please note that there is no functioning QSL bureau in East Malaysia, that old-type IRCs are no longer exchangeable and that cards sent via G4JVG will now not be received, as mail is no longer being forwarded from Steve's old address in England). [TNX 9M6DXX]

9V - The Singapore Amateur Radio Transmitting Society (SARTS) has been issued the callsign S65X for use in contests. They will start using this call in the PACC Contest (11-12 February: if time permits, they will make some QSOs with stations outside The Netherlands during that weekend). Expect this call to be aired later in the year during international contests as well. QSL via PA0KHS (Henk van Hensbergen, Smaragdstraat 53, 6534 WN Nijmegen, The Netherlands). [TNX 9V1CW]

CE - Marco, CE6TBN and Mario, CE6NE plan to operate SSB and CW as CE5S from Santa Maria Island (SA-070) on 7-10 February. QSL via CE6NE. [TNX CE6NE]

CT3 - Rosel, DL3KWR and Hardy, DL3KWF will be active again as CT3/DL3KWR and CT3/DL3KWF from Madeira (AF-014) on 9-23 March. They plan to operate mostly CW and on the WARC bands. QSL via home calls. E-mail requests for bureau cards can be sent to dl3kwr@darc.de or dl3kwf@darc.de respectively. Their web site is at http://www.mydarc.de/dl3kwr [TNX DL3KWF]

FG - Jacques, F6HMJ will operate (on 10-80 metres CW, SSB and RTTY) as TO2FG from Guadeloupe (NA-102) from 3 February to 7 March. Between 17 February and 3 March he expects to use TO2ANT for the Antarctica Activity Week. Jacques will also try to be active from La Desirade Island. QSL via F6HMJ. [TNX F6AJA and Les Nouvelles DX]

FH & FR - Nigel, G3TXF will be active as FH/G3TXF from Mayotte (AF-027) on 28-31 January and as FR/G3TXF from Reunion (AF-016) on 1-5 February. He will operate on 10-40 metres CW only. QSL via G3TXF, direct or bureau (e-mail requests for bureau cards can be sent to QSL@g3txf.com).

FO_mar - Suggested frequencies for HA9RE's operation from the Marquesas

Islands, which is due to start on 28 January [425DXN 765], are: 1815,5/1831,5, 3507/3511, 7007, 10117, 14040, 18084, 21040, 24914 and 28040 (CW); 3789, 7047, 14240, 18114, 21255, 24940 and 28440 (SSB); 14075, 21100 and 28075 (RTTY). Ely will operate as either FO/HG9G or with a special call issued by the local authorities. QSL direct only to HA8IB (a return postage of USD 2 is required). Steve, HA0DU will keep a regular sked with Ely while he is in French Polynesia; information and requests can be sent to ha0du@dx.hu. [TNX HA8IB and HA0DU]

HI - Dennis, K7BV, will operate as HI3TEJ in the ARRL DX CW Contest (18-19 February) from the HI3CCP mountaintop QTH (http://www.lomadeltoro.com/). Look for H3I/K7BV to be used outside contest. QSL HI3TEJ via ON4IQ, QSL HI3/K7BV via home call. [TNX K7BV]

I - Special station II1TPG (the official amateur radio station for the IX Paralympic Winter Games) is active now through 31 March. QSL via IZ1CCE, direct or bureau. Information on the "Torino 2006 Paralympic Games Award" can be found at http://www.ii1tpg.it/eng/diploma/index.html [TNX IZ1CCE]

I - The Mediterraneo DX Club's worldwide membership is growing. To celebrate the 300th member mark the club organizes the second MDXC Members Trophy, which will take place on 3-5 February. The MDXC HQ station IR8M plus several special event stations are expected to participate in the event: 3V8MDC, 4M5MDC, 4X0MDC, 9A0MDC, ED3MDC, ED8MDC, HG06MDC, IF9MDC, II0MDC, II7MDC, II8MDC, IO0MDC, IO1MDC, IO6MDC, IO8MDC, IR0MDC, IR2MDC, IR3MDC, IR5MDC, IR6MDC, IR8MDC, IR9MDC, IU9MDC, IX1MDC, SU8MDC, YB3ZMD, YE0MDC, YE3ZMD. All of the QSOs made with these stations will be confirmed automatically via the bureau. Direct requests should be sent to the Members Trophy Manager, Corrado Ruscica (IT9DAA). Information on the event and the relevant award can be found at http://www.mdxc.org/trophy.asp

I - Carlo/IZ1GCZ (SSB), Sergio/IW1FSQ (SSB), Vincenzo/IK1DYS (CW) and Marco/IZ1BVO (CW) will operate on 80, 40, 20, 17 and 15 metres as IX1CNR from the National Research Council's weather station at Plateau Rosa (Mount Cervino, 3580m a.s.l.) on 3-5, 10-12, 17-19 or 24-26 February depending on weather. QSL via IZ1GCZ. Pictures can be found at http://www.iz1gcz.com/ix1cnr.htm [TNX IW1FGZ]

I - Alessandro, IW7EGK (40 metres SSB) and Giovanni, IW7DOL (20 metres SSB) will operate from the lighthouse at Punta Palascia (WAIL PU-005, ARLHS ITA-137) on 5 February. [TNX IW7EGK]

J3 - Bill, VE3EBN will operate (on 10-40 metres RTTY, PSK, SSB and CW) as J37LR from Grenada from 1 February to 5 April. QSL via home call. [TNX NG3K]

JW - Francois, F8DVD will be active for the tenth time from the Arctic in March. Look for him to operate as JW/F8DVD from the Longyearbyen ARC on Spitsbergen Island (EU-026), Svalbard on 24-31 March. He plans to be active on all HF bands CW and SSB, and to participate in the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest on 20 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX F5NQL]

KP2 - Joe/W8GEX, John/WZ8D and Janet/KD8CGN will be on St. Croix, Virgin Islands until 31 January. Look for W8GEX/KP2 and WZ8D/KP2 on 160-6 metres CW, SSB and PSK, plus 60 metres. John also plans to participate in the CQ WW 160M CW Contest. QSL durect to home calls.

[TNX WZ8D and NG3K]

LU - Chris, G0HFX and Jan, G0BBL plan operate mostly CW as LU/homecall from Tierra del Fuego (SA-008), Argentina on 3-13 February. Between 13 February and 6 March they will visit various islands in the South Shetlands (AN-010), and plans are to operate as either LU/homecall or with a VP8 callsign. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX The Daily DX]

P4 - Paolo, I2UIY will participate in either the CQ WW WPX RTTY (11-12 February) and ARRL DX CW (18-19 February) contests as P40G from Aruba (http://www.i2uiy.it/p40g.html). He will be on the island from 8 to 20 February. QSL via I2EOW.

PJ4 - John, K4BAI and Jeff, KU8E will be active as PJ4/homecall from Bonaire (SA-006) on 14-21 February. They will participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest as PJ4R (QSL via K4BAI). [TNX KU8E]

T7 - From 1 June 1921 through 2 February 1936 a detachment of twenty "Carabinieri" were on duty in San Marino until the constitution of the local police force. COTA (Carabinieri On The Air, http://www.cota.cc) and ARRSM (the local IARU society) will operate CW and SSB as T7COTA and T70A from San Marino on 3-5 February to celebrate the event of 60 years ago. QSL T7COTA via IZ8DDG, QSL T70A direct. [TNX IZ6FUQ]

TY - The web pages for the 15-30 March DXpedition to Benin by PA3EWP, IK1PMR, K2LEO and GM4FDM can be found at http://www.ik1pmr.com/dx-peditions/ty/ . There are plans to be active either as a team or as individuals in the BARTG RTTY Contest during the first weekend. [TNX GM4FDM]

UR - Paul, UT1KY will operate as EM10KY from Ukraine on 3-12 February to celebrate the 10th anniversary of Akademik Vernadsky Station (previously British Station F - Faraday, transferred to Ukraine on 6 February 1996). QSL via IK1QFM, direct or bureau. [TNX I1HYW]

VU4 - DL7DF, DK1BT, SP3DOI, SP3GEM, SP3CCY and maybe DL7UFR will attend the Hamfest in the Andaman Islands on 18-20 April [425DXN 765] and have applied for all necessary permissions and visa in order to operate from there. "We got an official statement that licenses will be available for the period of April 18 and May 17, 2006", Sigi, DL7DF says. "However we don't know yet which callsign(s) will be used". They plan to have three transceivers, two linears and various antennas, and to be heading to VU4 on 15 April. Sigi's web site is at http://www.dl7df.com/

YB - YC6JKV, YB6LYS, YB6PLG, YB1BOD and YC6LAY will be active from Nias Island (OC-161) between 20 and 27 April. They plan to operate for five days on 10, 15, 20, 40 and 6 metres SSB and CW, running barefoot and using homebrew directional antennas for each band. Details on Nias Island and the operation can be found at http://www.toba-dx-group.org/nias/; contributions will be gratefully accepted (please contact Agus, YC6JKV at yc6jkv@toba-dx-group.org). QSL via JN6RZM (Shuji Yamamoto, 2-23-24-402 Nishijin Sawara, Fukuoka 814-0002, Japan). [TNX JN6RZM]

ZS - During 2005, Durban was selected as the venue for the first A1 Grand Prix event to be hosted in South Africa. The Highway Amateur Radio Club (http://www.harc.org.za) will be operating a special event station, using the callsign ZS5A1GP, for the weekend of the A1GP (27-29 January). QSL to Highway Amateur Radio Club, P.O. Box

779, New Germany, 3620, South Africa. [TNX NJ1Q and ZS5BBO]

PACIFIC TRIP ---> Bob, W7YAQ and Bill, N7OU will operate from the South Pacific as follows:

16-24 February	Rarotonga (OC-013), South Cook Islands, as ZK1YAQ and ZK1NOU
26-28 February	Nadi, Fiji (OC-016) as 3D2NB and 3D2OU
1-10 March	Rotuma (OC-060) as 3D2RX and 3D2RO
11-13 March	Nadi, Fiji (OC-016) as 3D2NB and 3D2OU

Activity will be on 80-10 metres mainly CW, with some RTTY and SSB. They will participate in either the ARRL DX CW (18-19 February) and ARRL DX SSB (4-5 March) contests as Multi-Single entries (ZK1NOU and 3D2RX respectively). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. E-mail requests for bureau cards can be sent to W7YAQ@arrl.net or N7OU@arrl.net as appropriate. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]

ANTARCTIC ACTIVITY WEEK ---> The Worldwide Antarctic Program has announced that the third Antarctic Activity Week will be held from 20 through 26 February. The aim of this annual event is to promote worlwide interest in the Antarctic continent; stations operating from the various Antarctic bases, as well as special event stations from the rest of the world, are expected to take part in the AAW. Announced special calls include 4O3ANT, AT3ANT, II0ANT, II1ANT, II2ANT, II4ANT, II5ANT, II7ANT, II8ANT, IO2MET, IO6ANT, IO8ANT, IO0ANT, IR0ANT, IR1ANT, IR8ANT, IU0ANT, TM0TAF, TM1ANT, TM2ANT, TM3ANT, TM4ANT, TM5ANT, TM6ANT, TM7ANT, TM8ANT, TM8TAF, TM9ANT, TM0ANT, TO2ANT and UE6ANT. QSL via operator's instructions.
Full information on the AAW is available at http://www.ddxc.net/wap. ARI Cassino (http://digilander.libero.it/aricassino) is launching the new WAP A.S.E.A. (Antarctic Special Event Award) for working these and other special event stations. [TNX I1HYW]

CQ WW 160M CW ---> The following stations have announced their participation in this year's contest (28-29 January):

4X	- Alex, 4Z5KJ as 4Z5J from Israel. QSL via W0MM.
CU	- Martti, OH2BH as CU2A from the Azores. QSL via home call.
HB0	- T93M, T93Y, T94DX (DJ2MX) and T94JJ (OE1EMS) as HB0/T94DX from Liechtenstein.
6O	- I1HJT, I2YSB and IK2CIO as 6O0N from Somalia. QSL via I2YSB.
9N	- Stig/LA7JO and Pop/YU7EF as 9N7JO from Nepal. QSL via qrz.com.
GD	- G3NKC, G4MJS, G4XUM and M0BEW as MD4K from the Isle of Man. QSL via G3NKC.
GJ	- Richard, K2WR as GJ2A from Jersey. QSL via K2WR (USA) or GJ3DVC (others).
HB0	- T93M, T93Y, T94DX, T94JJ and T96Q as HB0/T94DX from Liechtenstein.
HS	- Ian, HS0ZGL (G3TMA) as Single Operator Low Power. The Thai band goes only from 1.8 to 1.825 MHz. QSL via HS0ZGL.
KP4	- Alfredo, WP3C as Single Operator High Power from NP4A's station. QSL via W3HNK.
LX	- DL4SDW, DL8SCG and LX2AJ as LX7I from Luxembourg. QSL via LX2AJ.
OH0	- OH9MM as OH0Z (QSL via W0MM) and OH2BYS as OH0L (QSL via OH2BYS) from the Aland Islands.
PJ2	- K8ND as PJ2T (SOHP) from Curacao, Netherlands Antilles. QSL via N9AG.
SP	- Kaz, SP2FAX as SN2B. QSL via SP2PI.
SV9	- Tomas, LY1DF as J49W from Crete. QSL via bureau to LY1DF.
VQ9	- Larry, VQ9LA from Diego Garcia, Chagos. QSL direct to the address at

qrz.com
ZL - ZL2BSJ, ZL1AZE and others as ZL6QH. QSL via bureau or ZL2AOH. Brian, ZL1AZE says that "the presence of a local GPS differential correction system on 1818 kHz means that we are unable to copy weak signals between 1816 and 1820 kHz".

Do not forget to give a look to the list maintained by Bill, NG3K at http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cq160c2006.html
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QSL JT1CS ---> Effective 20 January, the new QSL route is direct to Bat-Erdene Zevgee, P.O. Box 125, Ulaanbaatar-37, Mongolia. [TNX JT1CS]

QSL LA1IOTA ---> Rag, LA6FJA reports that the QSL cards for the July 2005 operation from EU-079 have been sent to the NRRL outgoing QSL bureau. He also would like to remind readers that the QSL route for DU1/KI4KJP is via WY4N, while KM3X handles LA6FJA's cards for North America.

QSL WL7M ---> Cards for contacts made with WL7M from May 1995 through May 2003 should be sent to Joe, WD0M (formerly WL7M). Please note that the callsign has been reissued to John Pfeifer, and cards for contacts made after May 2003 should be sent to the new licence holder. [TNX WD0M].

QSL VIA DJ1CW ---> Effective 1 January 2006, Dmitri, DJ1CW is the new QSL manager for EK3SA and 4L8A. He also handles the QSL cards for 4L1FX, 4L1DX and 4J8DX.

QSL VIA G3SWH ---> Phil Whitchurch, G3SWH has taken over the QSLing duties for 9G5XA and 3C5XA with immediate effect. He has copies of all the past logs and is awaiting delivery of cards from the operator (G3XAQ). Direct requests with SAE and adequate return postage is preferred, but bureau cards will also be processed.

+ SILENT KEY - Charles Mellen, W1FH passed away on 21 January at 92 years of age. First licenced in 1930, in 1947 he was the first to obtain DXCC on both Mixed and Phone after the beginning of post war DXCC. [TNX The Daily DX]

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*** NEWS FROM THE WEB ***
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5H1C: Updates and pictures of the current 5H1C operation from Zanzibar Island can be found at http://5h1c.free.fr/flash_uk.html

DX COINS: DXCoins will mint a coin for all 335 DXCC Entities, starting with Peter I. A substantial percentage of each sale will be donated to the 3Y0X team to offset the most expensive DXpedition in history. Details can be found at www.dxcoins.com [TNX K7CO]

HB0: The website for the current activity by the T9 team from Liechtenstein [425DXN 767] is up and running at http://www.t93y.com/hb0. On-line logs and pictures will be available after the operation.

NA-178: The full-blown "official" website for the 14-16 February K6VVA/6 expedition to the Farallon Islands is now up and running at http://www.k6vva.com/iota/na178. It includes lots of very interesting information on this most wanted IOTA group (see "About NA-178") and this long awaited activation (see "Operational Info"). This operation is extremely expensive, and full details on the raffle organized in order to assist fundraising can be found at http://www.k6vva.com/iota/na178/qsl.html#raffle

ST0RM: The web site for ST0RM (http://www.t93y.com/st0rm) has been updated with several new sections. [TNX T93Y]

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3A/K4ZLE, 3W2ER, 4K9W, 4L3Y, 4S7PAG (AS-171), 4U60UN, 4Z5LA/P (AS-100), 5T0ID/M, 6Y0A, 7X0RY, 8P1A, 8P9NX, 9J2BO, 9N7JO, 9V1RH, CO8DM, CU8/IZ5CML (EU-089), CX1AV, CX7AF, DU1/IV3IYH (OC-090 and OC-128), DU9/IV3IYH (OC-235), DX0ST (OC-175), DX0TIC (OC-207), ET3TK, EU2MM, FR1AN, FY5KE, H79W/YN4 (NA-228), HB0/DL2OBO/p, HK0FD, IS0N, IS0SDX, J6/G3TBK, J88DR, K7C, K9AJ/VY0 (NA-225), KG4NW, KP4BME, LO2F, LU1FAM, LU1ZB (AN-012; AA LU-05), LU1ZR (AN-013; AA LU-12), LU1ZS (AN-010; AA LU-17), LU8XW NP2/W9UI, PJ2T, R1ANN (AN-016; AA UA-08), R1MVC, RA3NN/1 (EU-119 and EU-162) RA3XR/0 (AS-005), RK6AM/P (EU-185), RU3HD/ANT (AN-016; AA UA-08), S79RRC/A, S79RRC/F, S9SS, ST0RM, SU8BHI, SV2ASP/A, T32CK, TF8GX, TO7C (SA-020), TZ6CW, TZ6JA, TZ6MF, TZ6NS, V26G, V47NS, V51KC, V73VE (OC-029), VP2EAZ, VP8LP, VP9/K0ARY, VP9/K1XM, VR2MY, XW3DT, YI/KE6TNN, YS3/I2JIN, Z22JE, Z24S, ZC4LI, ZD8A, ZL5CP (AN-011).

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