3D2_rot - Bob, W7YAQ (3D2NB) and Bill, N7OU (3D2OU) were expected to operate as 3D2RX and 3D3RO from Rotuma starting on 1 March [425DXN 769]. However, their flight has been cancelled and they are currently stuck at Nadi (Fiji Islands). They have been told the next flight to Rotuma is due to leave on 6 March. [TNX The Daily DX]

DU - A group of operators from the Philippines and Japan will be active as DZ1JP on 10-12 March to celebrate the Philippine-Japan Friendship Year, commemorating 50 years of diplomatic relations between the two countries. This operation will concentrate on 160 metres and EME (on 6 and 2 metres). QSL via JA1HGY. [TNX DU1EV]

FR/G - In February 2005, an outbreak of chikungunya (a form of viral fever spread by mosquitoes) was recorded on Reunion and around the 20% of the residents have been hit by the virus, and with 77 deaths have been associated to chikungunya. A conditional clearance to organize the DXpedition to Glorioso (http://glorieuses2005.free.fr/) has been given by the military HQ on Reunion. However, the current health situation in the area (neither specific treatment nor vaccine are currently available for chikungunya) advises the organizers not to make the trip now, but to put off it until October or November. [TNX F5CQ]

JA - Look for Takeshi, JI3DST to operate as JI3DST/JS6 from Miyako Island (AS-079) until around 7 UTC on 6 March. QSL via home call, preferably through the JARL bureau. [TNX JI3DST]

OH - Martti Laine, OH2BH will celebrate his 60th birthday later this year, and the Finnish Telecom Authority has released OH60BH to be used from March. Several interesting activities are planned for this Jubilee year, including one more rare DX counter that will hopefully serve as the actual venue for the party (ten years ago it was the Republic of Nauru, C21BH) For the time being, look for Martti to operate as V31BH from Belize, ARRL SSB Contest included. QSL via OH2BN. [TNX OH2BN]

P4 - Look for P40D (requested call) to be aired on all bands CW, SSB and digital modes from Aruba (SA-036) on 6-16 March. QSL via WD9DZV. [TNX NG3K]

P4 - Tom, W7YW will be operating as P40TW from Aruba (SA-036) on 7-24 March. Tom will be accompanied by his wife Bonnie, W7BWW and he plans to be active on all bands SSB, RTTY and CW from the P40L contest station. QSL direct to home call. [TNX W7YW]

TY - TY4TW, TY5LEO, TY5MR and TY5WP are the callsigns issued to GM4FDM, K2LEO, IK1PMR and PA3EWP for their 15-30 March activity from Benin [425DXN 769]. Their equipment now includes two amplifiers and a
Spiderbeam for 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10 metres, in addition to monobanders for 160, 80, 40 and 30 metres. Propagation predictions and other information can be found at www.ik1pmr.com/dx-peditions/ty/ [TNX IK1PMR]

UR_ant - Dmitry, UR8UC will operate CW, SSB and digital modes as either EM1UC and EM1U from Akademik Vernadsky Station (UR-01 for the Antarctica Award) on Galindez Island (AN-006), Antarctica until February 2007. [TNX UT7UA]

VK9_ni - The Oceania Amateur Radio DX Group Inc (http://odxg.org/) are planning to operate on 160-6 metres CW, SSB and RTTY as VI9NI from Norfolk Island (OC-005) from 25 May until 20 June as part of the commemoration of the 150th anniversary of the landing of the HMS Bounty mutineers. It is possible to accommodate extra operators for various times during this month long operation, those who are interested in participating in this activity are invited to contact vi9ni@westnet.com.au; donations to help offset the cost of freighting all the equipment are also being sought. [TNX VK4FW]

W - Look for Wade, AA8LL/4 and Liz, K8LIZ/4 to operate holiday style (on 10-40 metres SSB and possibly CW and RTTY) from Cedar Key (NA-076) from around 21 UTC on 3-5 March. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX The Daily DX]

XE - XE7T is the special callsign that has been issued for the ARRL DX SSB Contest to the Hermosillo Contest Group, a group of amateurs from Hermosillo, Mexico who will have their first experience at a major contest. Special effort will be made on top band. QSL via N7BXX. [TNX N7DD]

PACIFIC TRIP ---> Bernhard, DL2GAC is once again going to the Pacific. He will operate as H44MS from the Solomon Islands on 4-12 March and then as P29VMS from Papua New Guinea until late March or early April. He plans to be active from a few IOTA groups while in PNG, including Bougainville Island (OC-135), the Shortland Islands (OC-162) and possibly others. QSL via DL2GAC. [TNX The Daily DX]

ARRL DX SSB CONTEST ---> Do not forget to give a look to the Announced Operations for this year's event (4-5 March) maintained by Bill, NG3K at http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/adxs2006.html /EX

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3A: CHANGES TO FREQUENCY ALLOCATIONS ---> Claude Passet, 3A2LF (Association des Radioamateurs de Monaco, Secretary) reports that the following changes to the spectrum available to radio amateurs in the Principality of Monaco have
been announced, effective 26 January 2006:

160 metres: 1.850-2.000 MHz
   1.810-1.850 MHz (primary, exclusive)
   1.850-2.000 MHz (secondary, shared)

6 metres: 50.000-52.000 MHz
   50.000-51.200 MHz
   51.200-52.000 MHz (secondary, shared)

4 metres: 70.000-70.500 MHz (secondary, shared)

The 135.7-137.8 KHz segment was allocated to the Amateur Radio Service several years ago as a secondary shared band.

3Y0X ---> The final helicopter load from the island was completed at 18.59 UTC on 24 February. On the 28th the DAP Mares stopped for a few hours at Deception Island and then resumed the voyage to King George Island. Bad weather conditions are preventing the team from catching their flight back to Punta Arenas, and as of 3 March they were still on KGI. Meanwhile a few team members operated as CE9/homecall from Bellingshausen station.

DXCC NEWS ---> The following operations have been approved for DXCC credit:

T6X    Afghanistan Current operation effective 8 March 2005
D2DX   Angola        Current operation effective 15 December 2004
TS3A   Tunisia       24–28 March 2005
TT8PK  Chad          27 December 2005 – 11 February 2006
XW1A   Laos          Current operation effective 29 October 2005
XW1LLR Laos         Current operation effective 29 October 2005
XW1X   Laos         Current operation effective 29 October 2005
XW1M   Laos         Current operation effective 29 October 2005

QSL VIA IK2QPR ---> Paolo provides the up-to-date list of the stations for which he is the current QSL manager (direct and bureau):

4L0DX EX8MF UC2WO UL7OB
5B4/UN2O EX8MLE (d) UF6FPL UL7PJQ
8Q7PR EX8NK UI8IZ UM8DX
EK1700GM (a) EX8NP UI8NH UM8MFO
EK3GM (b) EX8QF UI8QAA UM8OM
EK8WB (c) EX8QF UK7PHB UM8QB
EO2CWO EZ/UN2O UK8GH UN0F
EU6MM FO/IK2QPR UK8ICO UN0N (f)
EW6BN/P II2R (e) UK8IZ, UN2O
EW6CM/P LU1QS UK8OAH UN7FW
EW6GB RC4/UC1WWO UK8OB UN7JX
EW6WW RF6FU UK8OM UN7PJQ
EX2FU R110A UK80WA UN8FE
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EX7MA UA0YAY UL7JGJ UP500
EX7MK UA3UW UL7NAN V25PR
EX8DX UC1WWO UL7OA0 VP5/IK2QPR
(a) until 20 May 2002 (d) until 1 April 2002
(b) until 20 May 2002 (e) until 1995
(c) until 1 May 1999 (f) until 2 February 2001

QSL VIA PA7FM ---> The backlog for direct QSL requests for PZ5PA, PZ5WP, PZ5C
and PZ5C/P (SA-092) (November-December 2005) has been cleared. New requests are being processed and mailed in a few days' time. Please note that 1 USD no longer covers postage for extra-European destinations; direct cards without enough return postage will be sent through the bureau. The final logs for these activities can be found at http://www.pa7fm.nl/pz2005/ [TNX PA7FM]

QSL VIA W3HNK ---> Effective 1 March, the new address for Joe, W3HNK is: Joseph Arcure Jr, 115 Buck Run Road, Lincoln University, PA 19352, USA. [TNX K1XN and The Golist]

+ SILENT KEY + Tim Chen, BV2A, founder of the Chinese Taipei Amateur Radio League (CTARL) and first amateur radio operator from Taiwan, passed away on 22 February, at 92 years of age. Condolences can be sent to bv2a@ctarl.org.tw, and CTARL HQ will forward them to Tim's family. [TNX BV5AF]

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DX CALENDAR: An interactive DX Calendar based on "425 DX News" is available at http://www.dxwatch.com/ (a webcluster with an extensive range of filters plus a customized dxcluster spot delivering service).

DX SPOTS: Rod Elliott, VE3UW has collected the DX spots from the OH2AQ Web Cluster since January 1997. The collection - from January 1997 up to February 2006 - is available at www.425dxn.org/dxspots/, as well the software (DXINFO v2.0) which will enable you to handle the files (instructions at the URL above).

IOTA CONTEST: The final results for last year's event, as well as a 161-image photo gallery, are available at http://iotacontest.com/2005/iotaScores.php

LOGS: The following logs are now available on-line:
HB0/T9xxx http://www.t93v.com/hb0
HG1S http://w3.enterent.hu/mttosz/ANGOL/HG1S.htm
HQ9F http://personal.inet.fi/private/oh3jr/hond.html
YJ0ADX http://www.df3cb.com/yj0adx/news.php

TOP LISTS: The latest Topband, Topmode and Toplist listings are now available at 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@ari.it)

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