- Fernando, EA1BT plans to be active on all bands as 5T6BT from Mauritania on 7-16 April. QSL via EA4URE. [TNX EC8AUA]

- Riccardo, IZ1GDB reports he will operate mainly on 20, 15 and 17 metres SSB as 5Z4/IZ1GDB from Kenya from 20 April to 1 May. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

- Les, 7Q7LA is again operating from Malawi. He will stay there for a minimum of two months, and he and Harry, 7Q7HB expect to be able to fill many band/mode slots. QSL direct only via G0IAS. [TNX G0IAS]

- Tomas, LY1DF will operate (on 15-40 metres CW only) as 6Y5/LY1DF from Jamaica (NA-097) on 12-18 March. QSL via bureau to LY1DF. [TNX NG3K]

- 9A35Y will be aired on all bands and modes until the end of the year to celebrate the 35th anniversary of radio club "Jan Hus" (9A1CCY). QSL via 9A5CY. [TNX 9A5CY]

- Once again Zik, VE3ZIK (http://www.qslnet.de/ve3zik) will be active as 9A/VE3ZIK from Bilice, Croatia between 17 March and 5 April. He will participate in the Russian DX and CQ WW WPX SSB contests, before and after them he will operate mostly on the WARC bands and wait for any FM opening on 29600 kHz. QSL via DL3PS, direct or through the DARC bureau. [TNX VE3ZIK]

- Pete, SM5GMZ [425DXN 761] will be in Cambodia (XU7ADI) for another week before returning to Thailand (HS0ZFI). Starting 21 March he will be active as 9M6/SM5GMZ from East Malaysia for a couple of weeks. He will operate on all bands and modes, with a special emphasis on 160 and 80 metres. [TNX SM5GMZ]

- Luc, ON7KEC will be working in the Democratic Republic of Congo from early April until the end of July. He plans to operate on the amateur radio bands as 9Q/ON7KEC in his spare time. QSL via home call. [TNX ON8JP]

- Jim, W7EJ will operate as CN2R from Morocco on 16-29 March. He will participate in the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest as Single-Operator/Single-Band (80 metres), before and after the contest expect activity on the WARC bands and 6 metres EME. QSL via W7EJ. [TNX NG3K]

- 9A3AXX, 9A3RE, 9A6XX and 9A8MM will operate as EA6/homecall from Ibiza, Balearic Islands on 17-20 March. The main reason for their trip is the participation in the Russian DX Contest as EA6/9A8MM. QSL via home calls. [TNX 9A6XX]

- Look for EY8/UA4CC and EY8/UR0MC to operate CW, SSB and RTTY from Dushanbe, Tajikistan on 14-21 March. They will concentrate on the low and WARC bands. QSL via home calls. On 18-19 March they will participate in the Russian DX Contest as EY0R (QSL via UA4CC,
Jean-Pierre, F5CVI will be active as FG/F5CVI from Sainte Rose, Guadeloupe (NA-102) on 20-27 March. He plans to operate SSB and RTTY on 10-40 metres (plus 80 and 160 metres depending on local conditions). QSL via home call. His log will be available at http://www.ham-radioamateur.org/ [TNX F5CVI]

Guy, F5MNW will be active as FM/F5MNW from Martinique (NA-107) from 25 March to 8 April. He will operate CW on all bands. QSL via homecall, direct or bureau. [TNX F5MNW]

Jan K4QD (HH4/K4QD) and Bill W4WX (HH4/W4WX) will be at the NW Haiti Christian Mission (http://www.nwhcm.org/) on 20-31 March and plan to be active on 80-10 metres all modes. QSL HH4/W4WX via W4WX (direct), QSL HH4/K4QD via K4QD (direct or bureau). [TNX K4QD]

Heinz/HB9BOS, Ruedi/HB9CQL and Nick/HB9DDZ will operate as HB20DIG from 8 March to 7 June to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the DIG Section of Switzerland. All of the QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]

Owing reasons beyond the operators' control, the 10-12 March operation from Ustica Island [425DXN 773] has been postponed for a few weeks [TNX IW9HLM]

Alessandro, IW7EGK (40 metres SSB) and Giovanni, IW7DOL (20 metres SSB) will be active from the lighthouse at Torre San Giovanni (WAIL PU-003, ARLHS ITA-171) on 12 March. [TNX IW7EGK]

IK2DUW, IK2GPQ, IK2WFE, IK8UHA and IW2OAZ will operate on 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 6 and 2 metres as IB0/IQ2LB from Ventotene Island (EU-045, IIA LT-001) on 22-24 April. QSL via bureau. [TNX IW2OAZ]

Jack, K9JE reports he will be active as J68AR from St Lucia (NA-108) on 16-30 March. QSL via home call. Jack and others will participate in the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest.

Oleh, UR5BCP reports he will operate on 160-6 metres CW and SSB from St. Lucia (NA-108) from 30 March to 5 April. QSL via KD7WPJ.

Hide, JM1LJS (http://radio-dream.com/jd1blk/e/) will operate as either JD1BLK and JM1LJS/JD1 from Chichijima and Hahajima, Ogasawara (AS-031) from 30 April to 6 May. QSL via JM1LJS, direct or bureau.

Joe, I2YDX (P29YDX) and Roberto, IK2WXZ (P29WXZ) will join Bernhard, DL2GAC (P29VMS) on a three-island operation from 15 to 22 March. They will start from the Femi Island (OC-101), followed by activities from the Tanga Islands (OC-102) and the Lihir Group (OC-069). Plans are to remain 2-3 days on each island and to operate on 40-10 metres SSB and CW. QSL via home calls. [TNX I2YDX]

Johan, PA3EXX reports he will operate (on 10, 15, 20, 30 and 40 metres CW and SSB) as P29VV from the Witu Islands (OC-181) on 16-19 June. He also plans to be active from New Britain (OC-008) for a few days before and after the operation from OC-181. Further information is expected to be published on http://home.quicknet.nl/mw/prive/willemsen/.

Kees/PA3EEQ and Age/PA0XAW will operate on 80, 40, 20 and 2 metres CW, SSB and FM from a couple of Dutch lighthouses (ARLHS NET-005 and NET-077) on 18 March. On the 25th they will operate from NET-024 on Texel Island (EU-038). QSL direct or via the bureau. Information on the Dutch Lighthouses Award can be found at
Ten operators (namely Roberto/EA2RY, Pedro/EA5BJ, Fer/EA5FX, Javi/EA5KM, Francisco/EA5RD, Toni/EA5RM, Julio/EA5XX, Javi/EC4DX, Fabrizio/IN3ZNR and Dimitri/UY7CW) will be active as S01R from Western Sahara on 11-16 April. They will have four stations active on 10-160 metres CW, SSB, PSK31 and RTTY. QSL via EA5RM (Antonio Gonzalez, P.O. Box 930, 03200 Elche, Spain). Further information, on-line logs and pictures at http://www.s01r.com; the pilot will be EA4TD (oscar@ea4td.com). [TNX EA5RM]

Hide, JM1LJS will operate holiday style on all bands (mostly on 15 metres SSB and CW) as T80W from Palau (OC-009) on 17-20 March. QSL direct to home call. Logs will be available at http://radio-dream.com/t80w/

Eric, SM1TDE will operate mainly CW as TA4/SM1TDE from Kemer, Turkey on 9-16 April. He will also try to go and operate as TA0/SA1A from a couple of IOTA groups (AS-099 and AS-115). QSL via bureau to homecall. [TNX SM1TDE]

Amateur radio operators from Iceland are allowed to use the special prefix TF60 through the end of the year to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the Icelandic Radio Amateurs (http://www.ira.is), their IARU national society. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]

Txema, EA5BWR and Luis, EA5KY have been involved in a "radio solidarity" project in Diougunte, Mali since 6 March and will remain in that country through the 19th. They have applied for TZ#R and TZ#URE and plans are to operate CW, SSB and possibly some RTTY in their spare time until 17 March. QSL via EA4URE. [TNX EA2RY]

RA9XV, RA9XY, UA9XBL and UA9XC will be active on 80-10 metres CW and SSB as RI1PXC from Koglev Island (EU-085) on 14-20 March. QSL via UA9XC. During the Russian DX Contest (18-19 March) they will operate as RI1PI. QSL both calls via UA9XC, direct or bureau. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]

RA1QQ, RA1PAW, UA1PBU, UA1QV will be active as either UE1RCV/1 and homecall/1 or /p from Sengeyskiy Island (EU-188) on 14-20 March. During the Russian DX Contest they will operate as UA1QV/1. QSL UE1RCV/1 via UA1RJ, others via home call. [TNX I28CCW]

Bob, W4OWY (V25WY) and Mark, W9OP (V25OP) will be active from Antigua (NA-100) on 13-19 March. They will operate SSB, CW and RTTY on 6-160 metres, with an emphasis on the low bands. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX The Daily DX]

Frank, DL4KQ (VU3FRK) reports that amateur radio operations from the Andaman Islands during and after the Hamfest event (http://www.niar.org/hamfest_vu4/intro.html) will take place for eight days (18-25 April). Callsigns, QSL routes, and other details are expected to be announced in due course. Bookmark http://www.dx-pedition.de/andaman2006/index.html for updates.
10M BEACON ---> SR4TEN is the first Polish beacon on 10 metres. Located at the office of the MK QTC Magazine in Suchacz (JO94RG), it was activated at 10.15 UTC on 6 March and operates with 3 watts on 28.203 MHz. If you copy the beacon, please e-mail your report to qtc@post.pl [TNX SP2FAP]

425 DX NEWS MAGAZINE ---> The latest issue (February 2006) is now available at http://www.425dxn.org/monthly/. Articles and pictures should be sent to Nicola Baldresca, IZ3EBA (iz3eba@ari.it).

DXCC NEWS ---> YI/OM2DX from Iraq (operation commencing on 9 June 2003) has been approved for DXCC credit.

HOLYLAND DX CONTEST ---> The Israel Amateur Radio Club (IARC) invites all amateur radio operators and SWLs to participate in the annual Holyland DX Contest, which will take place on 15 April (from 00.00 UTC until 23.59 UTC). Details can be found on the IARC web site (www.iarc.org). This year's event is dedicated to the memory of the late Michail Kommisarchik 4X4CD, who was the manager and a team leader at the club station 4Z4SZ. [TNX 4Z4KX]

NOT THE MANAGER ---> Anna Mischi, IS0LLJ is receiving QSL cards confirming contacts made with IM0A in July 2004. Please note that the correct QSL route for that operation is via IS0BMU, while Anna is the QSL manager only for the activity that took place on 10-13 October 1997.

NOT THE MANAGER ---> Tim Dickerson, N9NU reports that, owing to his business commitments, he will no longer be able to manage YB0GJS/YB1GJS, 9K9A, 9K2AI, A92GQ, UA9CKN and RU3GF with immediate effect. However, he is still the QSL manager for KH6XT: "I chose to keep Dennis", he says, "as I have known him for a long time and was the first station I managed". Tim will forward the cards he has on hand to the new managers as they are found.

QSL 600N ---> Silvano, I2YSB reports that all of the direct requests received so far have been processed and mailed. Those who have requested a direct card, will not receive a second (dupe) card via the bureau; those who have requested bureau cards through the Internet (http://www.i2ysb.com/6o0n/log_qsl/qsllog.php) need neither to e-mail Silvano nor to send their own bureau cards. [TNX I2YSB]

QSL VIA IV3OWC ---> Claudio reports that all of the requests for his past operations (9E1C, ST2CF, TL8DPA, etc) have been processed and mailed.

SIMEULUE ISLAND ---> The Toba DX Group team started their operation from this IOTA new one on 8 March as planned [425DXN 773]. The Mediterraneo DX Club sponsors the expedition and has arranged for QSL cards for Europe to be managed by IZ8CCW (direct or bureau). All others should go via YB1BOD/6 (Donny Sirait, P.O. Box 1206, Medan 20233, Indonesia).
LOGS: On-line logs for the recent operations by Wulf/DL1AWI, Mat/DL5XU and Erik/DL9AWI from the Marquesas and Austral Islands are available at http://www.radioklub.de/cgcg [TNX DL3APO]

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3B8CF, 3B9FR, 3V8SM (AF-083), 4A7L, 4J6ZZ, 4J9RI, 4K6DI, 4L1QX, 4L2M, 4L4KK, 4U60UN, 5R8GZ, 5T0JL, 5X1RI, 600N, 6W1RW, 6Y3R, 6Y7A, 7X0RY, 7Z1SJ, 8Q7EA, 8RIK, 9G5OO, 9J2CA, 9K2KS, 9K2USA, 9M6BG, 9V1YC, A52CDX, A6lAR, A6lAS, A6lR, AB2RF/6Y5, BA7QT, C6AKQ, CE6M (SA-061), CN2WW, CN8YR, D2DX, DL5XX/HI9, DU1/IV3IYH, DX0ST, DX0TIC, ED1ND (EU-080), EY8CQ, EZ8AQ, F6BEE/6W, FG5BG, FH/G3TXF, FM5BH, FO/N6JA, FS/K9EL, FS5UQ, FT5XO, G4WFQ/6W, HC2SL, HC8N, HK0DF, HK0OEP, HP3XUG, HZ1NH, JW8OKA, K3LP/KP5, K7C, KL7DX, KP4SQ, LU12R (AN-013), LY2ZZ, MD4K, N3KS/KP5, OL8M, OX3DB, P40E, PJ7/ND5S, P25C/P (SA-092), P25WP, R1ANB (AN-016; AA UA-07), R1ANF (AN-016; AA UA-04), R1ANN (AN-016; AA UA-08), R1ANZ (AN-016; AA UA-07), S21AR, S9SS, STORM, SV8/G4ELZ/P (EU-113), SV9FBG, T6X, T88BH, T88GG, TF0GX, TI0SP, TI5N, T18/KG6UH, T18CBT, TR8CA, V26G, V26K, V31YN/P (NA-180), V44/EW1AR, V85SS, V8PMB, VK91A, VK9NS, VP2E, VP5/N0VD, VP5/WJ2O, VP5XED, VR2BG, WP3C, XF4IH, XQ5SM, XT2JZ, YI1BGD, YI1EM, YN4SU, ZB2/G3TXF, ZB2FK, ZD8R, ZF1A, ZF2AH, ZF2CJ, ZF2NE, ZP0R.

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