5T - Benoit, F8PDR will be active as 5T5DY from Nouakchott, Mauritania on 5-18 February. He will operate mainly CW on 10-80 metres, with 100 watts and vertical antennas. He will try to focus on 80 and 160. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX F5NQL]

6O - Michael, PA5M is currently in Kenya (and has applied for a 5Z licence), but will be back to Somalia for 7-10 days starting on 17 January (his schedule might change because of the situation in that area). He will be active again as 600M, typically during his evening hours, with 100 watts and wire antennas. QSL via PA7FM, direct (1 new IRC or 2 USD) or bureau. Webpage and log search at http://www.pa7fm.nl [TNX PA7FM]

C5 - Jay, LY4Y (M3UNN) reports will be active as C56NN from The Gambia on 22-29 January. He will operate from the QTH of Noz, C5DXC during daytime, and possibly from another location during some evenings and nights. Jay will try to put a dipole for 160 metres.

CT3 - Luis, CT3EE and several other operators from the Madeira Region Radioamateur Association (ARRM) will be active as CT9F from the lighthouse at Ponta do Pargo (ARLHS MAD-005) on 19-21 January. They plan to operate SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK on 10-160 metres. QSL via CS3MAD.

CU - Martti, OH2BH and Juha, OH8NC will be active from the Azores on 23-29 January. They will be QRV using their portable call signs (QSL via home calls) on 160 and 80 metres, and Martti will participate in the CQ WW 160-Meter Contest as CU2A (QSL via OH2BH). [TNX OH2BH]

DU_spr - A group of operators from Japan and the Philippines (including JA1BRK, JF1IST, JA1RJU, JA4DNS, JF2XGF, 4F2KWT, DU1BA and DU1EV) will be active as DX0JP from Pag-Asa, Kalayaan, in the Philippine Spratly Islands on 3-13 February. They plan to be active on 160-6 metres (SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK), plus JT65 EME on 6 and 2m, with an emphasis on the low bands, especially 160 and 80 metres. QSL via JA1HGY (EME QSO only via JA1RJU). Updates will be published at http://www.dxcom.jp/dx0jp [TNX DU1EV and JA1HGY]

FM - Eric, F5LOW will be active as FM/F5LOW/p from Martinique (NA-107) on 17-26 January. He plans to operate holiday style on all the HF bands SSB and PSK. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX F5NQL]

FO - Alain, F2HE will be active again as FO5RH from the Tuamotu Islands (OC-066), French Polynesia starting on 16 January. He says he cannot receive QSL cards via the FO QSL bureau, so he can reply to bureau cards only once a year, when he is in France. [TNX F6AJA and Les Nouvelles DX]

I - ARI Aprilia members will operate special event station II0BH (Beach Head) on 20-28 January to commemorate the 63rd anniversary of the Allied amphibious landing in the area of Anzio during the Italian Campaign of World War II. QSL via bureau. [TNX IK0IZW]
J2 - Stefano, IK2HKT has joined the team of operators who will be active as J20M and J20R from Moucha Island (AF-053), Djibouti in February [425DXN 810]. They plan to be QRV with the first station in the local late afternoon hours on the 1st. There is no Internet access on the island and they will have to return to the mainland in order to upload the logs. They will do their best to update the logs every 3 or 4 days (see http://www.i2ysb.com/j2). QSL via I2YSB, direct or bureau. [TNX I2JSB]

KP2 - Bruce, KI7VR will be active again as KP2ZZ for two weeks starting on 23 January. He will operate from the QTH of Herb, KV4FZ on St. Croix, Virgin Islands (NA-106) and will concentrate on the low bands, especially 160 metres. QSL via G4OOC. [TNX G4RCG]

LU_ant - Operator Dan is active as LU1ZAB from Teniente Matienzo Base (LU-16) on the Larsen Ice Shelf (AN-016), Antarctica. QSL via LU4DXU.

LU_so - Hugo, LU2ERA is active as LU2ERA/Z from the Orcadas Base (LU-14) on Laurie Island, South Orkneys (AN-008). Look for him on 14188 kHz starting around 23 UTC. QSL via LU4DXU.

LZ - The Balkan Contest Club will operate as LZ170VL through the end of the year to celebrate the 170th anniversary of the birth of Bulgarian national hero Vasil Levski (further information at qrz.com). QSL bureau to LZ1KZA. [TNX LZ1ZF]

OZ - Look for Jakob, OZ7AEI/P to operate on 20 and 40 metres SSB from Kronborg Lighthouse (ARLHS DEN-119) on Sjaelland (EU-029, SJ-001 for the Danish Islands Award) on 13 January. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX OZ7AEI]

PY - Ivan, PV8IG has been active as PX8II since 1 January to promote the XV Pan American Games that will be held in Rio de Janeiro on 13-29 July (http://www.rio2007.org.br/). QSL direct to home call. [TNX PV8IG]

PY - Special event station ZY7LUZ is active on 160-6 metres SSB, CW, RTTY and BPSK31 from Guarabira, Brazil for the annual festival (5 January-3 February) concurrent with the festivity of Our Lady of Light (Nossa Senhora da Luz). QSL via PR7AR, direct or bureau.

SM - The Uppsala Radio Club (SK5DB) will operate as SC5L from 28 January through 26 June to celebrate the third centenary of Carl Linnaeus (1707-1778), the Swedish botanist, physician and zoologist known as the "father of modern taxonomy." QSL via bureau; direct cards should be sent to SM5XSH (SE5S). Information on the relevant award can be found at www.qrz.com under SC5L [TNX VA3RJ]

VE - The Daily DX reports that Mike, VE2XB is back on Southampton Island (NA-007) and will be operating as VE2XB/VY0 for the next two months.

VU7 - Indian amateurs participating in the forthcoming DXpedition to the Lakshadweep Islands have been granted permission to operate until 31 January. Also please note that a special callsign has been issued for the activity from Minicoy Island, which will be conducted by an all-Indian team of operators. So expect VU7RG to be aired from the three AS-011 sites (Agatti, Kadmat and Bangaram), while VU7MY will be used from AS-106. The pilot stations for Lakshadweeps 2007 are:

* IARU Region 1 (Europe, Africa, Middle East and Northern Asia):
  Klaus Wagner, DL1XX  dl1xx@gmx.de
* IARU Region 2 (The Americas, East Coast):
  Donald Greenbaum, N1DG  don@araumtel.com
* IARU Region 2 (The Americas, West Coast):
Bill Avery, K6GNX  
k6gnx@soaringaudio.com  
* IARU Region 3 (Asia-Pacific):  
  Toshikazu Kusano, JA1ELY  
  ja1ely@bb.mbn.or.jp
Expect VU7RG to be QRV on 15 January at local midnight, i.e. on 14 January at 18.30 UTC. Bookmark http://www.vu7.in/ for latest information and updates.

W — The Motorola Amateur Radio Club will be active as W4MOT/4 from Key Biscayne (NA-141) and Cape Florida lighthouse (ARLHS USA-118) on 3 February, from 14 to 22.30 UTC. Expect activity on 10-40 metres CW, BPSK31 and SSB. QSL via W4MOT, direct or bureau. [TNX N4II]

XW — Alex Sinchukov, RK3DT has returned to Laos and will be active as XW3DT until 20 January. He says that cards should be sent to P.O. Box 11, GPO, Hong Kong "before May 2007".

AFRICAN TRIP —— Karl-Heinz, DK2WV is currently active as 3B8/DK2WV from Mauritius until 20 January. He will then go and operate holiday style as 5R8HG from Madagascar from 21 January to 23 February. QSL home call, direct or bureau. [TNX NG3K]

PACIFIC TRIP —— Sara, HA9SDA and Eli, HA9RE will be active as ZK3RE from Tokelau (OC-048) from 3 to 21-22 February and as 5W0RE from Samoa (OC-097) from 26-27 February to 11-12 March. They plan to operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 160-10 metres with two stations. Suggested frequencies are 1815.5/1831.5, 3507/3511, 7007, 10117, 14040, 18084, 21040, 24914 and 28040 kHz (CW); 3789, 7047/7080, 14240, 18114, 21255, 24940 and 28440 kHz (SSB); 14075, 21100 and 28075 kHz (RTTY). QSL via HA8IB. [TNX HA8IB]

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

5A7A —— Two different cards have been printed (give a look to them at http://5a7a.gmxhome.de/qsl.htm) and the first 4,400 direct requests received so far are being processed right now. QSL cards sent with old IRCs will be answered via the bureau. A few video samples can be found at http://www.youtube.com (search for 5A7A). [TNX DJ7IK]

DXCC NEWS —— 5X1RI (operation from 5 May 2005 to 3 February 2006) has been approved for DXCC credit.

LAKSHADWEEPS 2007 —— According to the information published at www.vu7.in under the four operating sites, the VU7RG (AS-011) & VU7MY (AS-106) roster includes the following operators:

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NOT THE MANAGER ---> Ron, AC7DX reports he is no longer the QSL manager for T93X and VK6JB.

NOT THE MANAGER ---> Olavi, OH3QL has recently received several QSL cards for AP2IA. Please note that he is not and has never been the QSL manager for Ijaz, whose cards can be requested direct (see. qrz.com), by the bureau or through LOTW.

QSL EA9/OL8R ---> The correct QSL route is via OK1DRQ (this applies to EA9/OK1FCJ as well). Cards can be sent direct or via the bureau (e-mail requests for bureau cards can be sent to ok1drq@seznam.cz or okdrq@o2active.cz). [TNX OK1DRQ]

QSL XU7ABC ---> Phil, G3SWH reports he has acquired a copy of the log for XU7ABC operated by G3XAQ (3-6 May 2001). Anyone still needing a card can apply for one via the usual channels, i.e. direct with adequate return postage and SAE, e-mail for a bureau reply (phil@g3swh.demon.co.uk) or via the RSGB bureau.

QSL YI1RAZ ---> Antonello, IK2DUW reports he has received the logs from Razi, YI1RAZ. Cards can be sent to Antonello Passarella, Via M. Gioia 6, 20051 Limbiate - MI, Italy.

QSL YX0A & YX0LIX ---> As of 10 January, Steve, KU9C had processed and mailed about 25% of the direct requests. He has recently received a final log update, and he is checking the 'not in logs' thoroughly against these new logs, eventhough this slackens his work rate a bit. "A number of you requested QSLs for other stations I manage", he says, "I've been able to finish many of these before the YX0 cards arrived, so that hasn't slowed me down. But for those of those I missed, this will slow the request down substantially. Please do not re-submit, as this just adds confusion". Logs will be uploaded to LOTW after Steve gets the direct cards mailed.

+ SILENT KEYS + Gilbert Faisant, F5PLP, former President of the Association de Radio Amateurs de la Drome (ARAD 26), passed away on 26 December 2006. He was 69.

Oscar Verbanck, ON5ME passed away at 65 years of age. The founder of the Super High Speed Telegraphy Club (SHSC) and the Extremely High Speed Telegraphy Club (EHSC), he had been the President of the EUCW, the federation of European CW clubs, for fifteen years. [TNX F-10386 and F5NQL]
NCDXF VIDEO: A new video about the Northern California DX Foundation, produced by James Brooks (9V1YC), is now available for viewing on-line under the "Videos" section of the NCDXF web site (http://www.ncdxf.org). The video explains the history of NCDXF and highlights the Foundation's many accomplishments, and it can also be viewed or downloaded from the Google Video site (go to http://video.google.com/ and search for NCDXF). [TNX N4GN]

SOUND CLIPS: Tom's (K8CX) DX sound clips for 2006 can be found at http://hamgallery.com/dx2006/; the collection of 166 streaming Real Audio DX clips covers all the major DXpeditions, plus rare and semi-rare DX.

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3B8/DL6UAA, 4L1BR, 4O3T, 5A7A, 5H3EE, 5X1T, 6Y1V, 6Y3R, 7P8AA, 7P8DJ, 7P8JF, 8P9AM, 8R1RPN, 9A/OM5AA (EU-090), 9A1A, 9H3MR, 9J2BO, 9M6DXX, 9S1X, A22/JA4ATV, A45WD, C31BO, C6AQC, C94KF (AF-103), C66KF (AF-061), CN2R, CN2WV, CN81G, CN8KD, CP4BT, DT8A, E21EIC/P (AS-126), EA9/OK1FCJ, EW8AO, EX9A, FK8CP, FO/KM9D (OC-114), FO/N6JA, FS/A4A4V, FS/K3LP, FS5HL/P (NA-199), FS5UQ, FT5XP, FY1FL, GD6IA, H44V, HB0/PA5MW, H18RV, HK0GU, HK3BVD, HS0AC, HZ1IK, ISO/WHOQ, J37CCM, J3A, J68LP, JW4GHA, KH0/JR4GPA, KP2/N4EXA, NH6P, OX3HX, OX3KQ, OZ/DL2SWW (EU-088), P40W, PJ2T, R1ANF, R1ANF/p, R1ANT, R20AF, ST2A, SUB10TA, T31T, T32WW, T32Z, T6X, T77C, T77E/B, TF/DL2JRM, TG9ANF, TK0Z, TK5EF, TK9Z, TR8CA, TX5T, TX6A, TY5LED, TY5MR, TZ6DX, UA0MF, UA9SC, V26K, V31RG, V5/DJ8VC, V63JY, V73RY, VK4CSP/4 (OC-187), VK9AA, VK9CGG, VP2MDY, VP2MHX, VP2MQD, W00, XF4DL (NA-030), XF4IH, XT2WP, UX/7AC2, WX3D1, YA1BV, YD1RL, Y19E, YK1AO, YN2SI, YN4SU/9, YR100A, YT6A, YX0A, YXOLIX, Z24S, ZD9ATN, ZD9BV, ZF2BI, ZF2CM.

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