3B8 - Jacques, F1BCS will be active as 3B8/F1BCS from Mauritius (AF-049) on 12-24 December. He plans to operate SSB and digital modes (PSK31, JT65, RTTY) on 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres. [TNX FBREF]

4U1 - Seppo, OH1VR will be active from 4U1ITU, the International Amateur Radio Club's station at ITU Geneva, on 10-12 December. He expects to be QRV daily between 16 and 17 UTC. [TNX The Daily DX]

A4 - Omani amateur radio operators will be using their callsigns followed by /35 on 12-14 December to celebrate the 35th anniversary of their national society, the Royal Omani Amateur Radio Society (ROARS). [TNX The Daily DX]

CX - Andrea, IK1PMR and Claudia, IZ1GLO/K2LEO are back in Montevideo, Uruguay and will be active as IK1PMR/CX and K2LEO/CX until 10 December. They will concentrate on 17 and 12 metres, usually between 10 and 23 UTC. Andrea will operate CW as CW2C during the ARRL 10 Meter Contest. ALL QSLs via IK1PMR. [TNX IK1PMR]

F - Christian, F8HJV will be active from Levant Island (EU-070, DIFM ME-012) on 7-22 December. QSL via home call. [TNX F5NQL]

HR - The HQ8R expedition to Swan Island (NA-035) [425DXN 857] has been rescheduled to take place between 15 and 23 March 2008. Participating operators so far include WQ7R/HR9, KC4CD/HR2, HR2DX, HR2DMR, HR7REA, HR2J and HR2PAC; plans are to be active on 160-10 metres SSB, CW and RTTY/PSK31 with four stations. QSL via HR2RCH (Radio Club de Honduras, P.O. Box 273, San Pedro Sula, Cortes, Honduras). Further information and details on how contribute to the expedition can be found at [http://www.hondurasdx.com] [TNX HR2PAC]

JA - Look for JL1OVB/1, JO1LVZ/1, JJ2GAZ/1 and 7L3ATQ/1 to be active from Izu Oshima (AS-008) on 8-10 December. They plan to operate CW, SSB and FM on the HF and VHF bands. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX JI6KVR]

JD1_mt - Masa, JA6GXK will be active again in his spare time (between 9-13 UTC and 20-22 UTC) as JD1BMM from Minami Torishima (OC-073) on 12-27 December. This time he plans to concentrate on the low bands. QSL to JD1BMM, via the JARL bureau (preferably) or direct to Masafumi Ishihara, 2-305 Loran, 2-5-35 Miyazaki, Chuo-ku, Chiba 260-0806, Japan. [TNX JD1BMM]

OH_ant - OJ1ABOA is the callsig issued to the Finnish Scientific Station "Aboa" (73.03S-13.25W) in Queen Maud Land, Antarctica (AN-016). An 11-member expedition will be there for about three months, and the team leader, Mika Kalakoski (OH2FFP) expects to go QRV on 6 December, running 1 KW to a twin dipole for 40 and 20 metres. QSL via OH2FFP. [TNX The Daily DX]

PJ4 - Larry, W0OZ (Whiskey Oscar Zero Zulu) will be active holiday style as PJ4/W0OZ from Bonaire (SA-006) on 8-15 December. He plans to operate CW, SSB and possibly RTTY on whatever bands are open. QSL
**TN** - Baldur, DJ6SI and Franz, DJ9ZB will be active as TN6X (CW) and TN9Z (SSB) from the Republic of the Congo until 13 December. QSL via home calls. [TNX The Daily DX]

**V4** - Eric, W0XG will be active as V4/W0XG from St. Kitts until 10 December (ARRL 10 Meter Contest included) and then from Nevis until the 13th. QSL via home call. [TNX ARRL DX Bulletin]

**VQ9** - Jim, ND9M will be returning to Diego Garcia (AF-006) on 12 December for another four-month tour and will resume operating as VQ9JC. However, he does not know yet how much of his four months will be spent there, as his ship will be leaving the island in a few weeks. If the ship is reassigned to another port, this would likely be his final chance to put out VQ9. Usually Jim cannot be QRV before 12 UTC, and his operating time tends to run about 85% CW, 10% SSB, and 5% digital, mainly on 10-80 metres. He must QRT by 16.30 UTC on Sundays through Thursdays, and by 17.30 UTC on Fridays and Saturdays. "I will occasionally stay overnight to work early morning DX", he says, but "even if I do stay overnight, I have to QRT by about 00.50 UTC". QSL via ND9M, direct or bureau. [TNX ND9M]

4M5DX GROUP ---> Corrado, IT9DAA reports that the website has moved to http://www.4m5dx.info/, and the web pages for the group's past and announced operations are - or will be - available at:
- http://pz5yy.4m5dx.info/ (PZ5YV, January 2008)
- http://yw6yl.4m5dx.info/ (YW6YL, SA-090, 14-18 December 2007)
- http://yw1dx.4m5dx.info/ (YW1DX, SA-089, 27-29 July 2007)
- http://yw0dx.4m5dx.info/ (YW0DX, NA-020, 8-13 February 2007)
- http://yx5iota.4m5dx.info/ (YX5IOTA, SA-044, 26 September-1 October 2006)

ARRL 10 METER CONTEST ---> Object of the contest is for amateurs worldwide to work as many stations as possible on 10 metres (full rules can be found at http://www.arrl.org/contests/rules/2007/10-meters.html). This year's event will run from 00.00 UTC on 8 December through 23.59 UTC on the 9th.

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)

QSL VP2E ---> Peter Mann, KF5RD (one of the sorters for the ARRL W5 Incoming QSL Bureau) would like to remind everyone that N5AU (the QSL manager for VP2E) does not accept bureau cards. See www.qrz.com under VP2E for further information. [TNX IK1XPK]

SWARL AWARDS ---> The Short Wave Amateur Radio Listeners group (SWARL) sponsors a number of awards for licenced amateur radio operators based on the
cards they receive from SWLs. The Award Manager is Ullmar Qvick, SM5-1252 (veriori2000@yahoo.se), complete rules can be found at found at http://www.mdxc.org/swl/awards.html [TNX I1-12387]

VP8 CRUISE ---> Mehdi Escoffier, F5PFP says the 2008-09 Antarctic cruise [425DXN 859] is confirmed. He is looking for a skilful CW operator to join the team. Plans are to visit and operate from several Antarctic bases located in the South Shetlands (AN-010) and Palmer Archipelago (AN-012), as well as on the mainland. E-mail Mehdi (f5pfp@aliceadsl.fr) for details.

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