5H - Arno, DL1CW is currently active as 5H3AP from Tanzania. Between 22 September and 1 October he will go and operate CW and RTTY from Mafia Island (AF-054). QSL via home call, preferably via the DARC bureau.

9H - Naoyuki, JK1FNL will be active from Malta (requested callsign 9H3F or 9H3FF) on 19-24 September. He plans to operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 40, 30 and 20 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX JK1FNL]

EI - Severe weather and sea conditions have prevented the EJ3HB team (EI4BZ, EI5GM, EI9FBB and G4AXX) from reaching Great Blasket Island (EU-007). Their new destination is Bere Island (EU-121), where they will operate as EJ9FBB, EJ5GM, EJ4BZ and EJ/G4AXX until 14 September. QSL via home calls. Check http://blasketisland2008.blogspot.com/ for updates

ER - Celebrating the 600th anniversary of the city of Bendery, special event station ER600B will be active until 8 October. QSL direct only to RW6HS. [TNX RW6HS]

EU - Andrey/EU4AG, Cyril/EW4BY, Igor/EW4DX, Dmitry/EW4IDP and Alexander/EW4KA will be active as EW5WFF from Belarusian nature reserve Belovezhskaya Pushya on 12-14 September. QSL via EW4DX. Information on the "World Flora Fauna" (WWF) award programme can be found at http://wff44.com [TNX RW3GW]

FM - Freddy, F5IRO has got a new work assignment on Martinique (NA-107) from 21 September through the end of February 2009. He plans to be active (presumably as FM/F5IRO) in his spare time, typically after 22 UTC and during the weekends. Expect him to operate CW, digital modes and some SSB on 40, 30 and 20 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX F5NQL]

I - A group of operators from the Mediterraneo DX Club (namely Francesco/IK8LTB, Vitaliano/IW8PWO, Antonio/IZ8CCW, Massimiliano/IZ8EPY, Maurizio/IZ8GBQ, Leopoldo/IZ8HXG, Pasquale/IZ8IYX and Domenico/IZ8JAI) will be active as IQ8MD/p from Dino Island (EU-144) on 20-21 September. They will operate SSB, RTTY and some CW with three stations on 10-80 metres. Some of the operators are new to pile-ups, so please be patient! All of the contacts will be confirmed automatically via the bureau; direct cards should be sent to IZ8BGY. The web pages for the operation can be found at http://www.mdxc.org/eu144 [TNX IZ8CCW]

I - IQ2IR (QSL via IZ2ELV) plus special callsigns II2UCI (QSL via IZ2ELV) and IZ2BIN (QSL via IW2KVT) will be aired on 23-28 September for the Union Cycliste Internationale's Road World Championships that will take place in Varese (http://www.varese2008.org/). Expect activity on 160, 80, 40, 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10 metres SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK31. Complete information on the relevant award can be found at
http://www.insubriaradio.org (proceeds will be donated entirely to charity). [TNX I2ZDVI]

JA - Look for JF4CAD/1 to operate SSB on the HF bands and 6 metres from To Island (AS-008, JIIA AS-008-013) on 14-15 September. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX JI6KVR]

JW - Look for JW7WCA (LA7WCA), JW8BCA (LA8BCA) and JW/LB9UE to be active from Spitsbergen (EU-026), Svalbard on 19-26 September. They will operate on 160-10 metres mainly SSB, with some CW. [TNX NG3K]

KL - Look for Michael, K6UMO/KL7 to be active from several Alaskan islands between 15 and 20 September. He will be on a cruise ship that stops at Kodiak (NA-019), Unanga (not IOTA), Unalaska (NA-059), Kiska (NA-070) and Attu (NA-064). He will try to transmit from each island "for as long as the ship is in harbor (and it isn't dinner time)". QSL via home call. [TNX VA3RJ]

OH - Matti/OH1LWB, Hannu/OH1JJO and Jari/OH1BOI will be active as OH1AV/2 from Vormo Island (EU-097) on 12-14 September. QSL via OH1BOI, direct or bureau. [TNX OH1BOI]

OZ - Bernd, DL8AAV will be active as OZ/DL8AAV/p from Laeso Island (EU-088) on 16-27 September. QSL via home call. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]

T8 - Naito, JF2IWW will be active as T88IW from Koror (OC-009), Palau on 20-28 September. He plans to operate CW, SSB and Satellite on 80-6 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX NG3K]

TY - Sam, F6AML will be active from Benin on 12-24 September (licence to be issued upon arrival). He plans to operate SSB (+/- 3785, 7057, 14235, 18140, 21275, 24944 and 28444 kHz) and CW (+/- 3525, 7025, 10115, 14025, 18071, 21025, 24892, 28025 kHz) with 800 watts with a multiband vertical and an inverted V for 80m. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX NG3K]

W - The various facilities of Rockwell Collins' amateur radio clubs will host a special event on 20-26 September to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the incorporation of Collins Radio. Expect CW and SSB activity from WC0XX (Iowa), NO0CX (Iowa), W5ROK (Texas), W4CRC (Florida) and W6CXX (California), as well as from F6KNZ (Toulouse, France). QSL via operators' instructions. Further information can be found at http://w0cxx.us/

CANADIAN IOTA TRIP ---> Reg, VE7IG will be visiting and operating from La Madeleine Islands (NA-038, VE7IG/2), Miscou Island (NA-068, VE7IG/9) and Cape Breton Island (NA-010, CK7IG/1) between 19 September and the end of October. He might go also to Prince Edward Island (VE7IG/VY2). [TNX The Daily DX]

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CTC ---> The Croatian Telegraphy Club was founded on 12 December 2001 and currently gathers 1770+ members from all over the world. For further
D9D ---> The 13-18 September IOTA DXpedition to Tok Island (AS-045) [425DXN 903] will have a log search, to be updated on a daily basis, at http://dt0hf.com/search/search.html [TNX DS2GOO]

IOTA QSL CARDS ---> Manuel Fernando, CT1BXX has received a few QSL cards for IOTA contacts made in 2005 and 2006 that cannot be accepted for IOTA credit. Island activators please note that for credit to be given, the QSL cards must meet "normal standards" - this means that the island name should be printed (not handwritten) on the card.

LOGS ---> A log search for the recent R0L/p activity from Opasnyy Island [425DXN 904] can be found at www.ik2duw.net [TNX IK2DUW]

NCDXC ---> The Northern California DX Club (http://www.ncdxc.org) has announced the slate of new officers elected for the 2008-09 term: AE6RR, Craig Bradley (President); W6RK, Risto Kotalampi (Vice President); K6KLY, Russ Bentson (Secretary); WT6X, Jose Picazo (Treasurer); W6EB, Jim Abraham; N6SJ, Steve Jones; K6YP, John Eisenberg (Directors). The NCDXC will be the sponsor of the 2009 Visalia DX Convention. [TNX AE6RR]

PIRATE ---> Tony, IK8VRH says he was not active during his recent visit to Kenya, as he was not able to get the licence. Consequently, all of the QSOs made with the station signing 5Z4/IK8VRH were with a pirate. Tony says he will return at his own expenses the direct cards received so far.

QSL MANAGER SURVEY ---> The survey conducted by The "Golist, QSL Manager List" (http://golist.net/) to determine the Top 5 QSL Managers (or QSL card handlers) has ended. There were over 200 managers entered by DXers around the world, and the Top 5 ranked by voter choice are W3HNK, G3SWH, IT9DAA, IZ8CCW and NI5DX.

QSL VIA IT9ABY ---> Marcello, IT9ABY says he is still able to confirm contacts made during his activity from Isola delle Femmine (EU-166) in 1994 and 1995.

+ SILENT KEY + Kenth Johansson, SM6DYK passed away on 26 August at 62 years of age. A well known DXer, he was the SK6M Contest Team leader. [TNX SM7BUA]
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