Celebrating the launch of the Amateur Radio satellite XW-1, special event station BT3WX will be active from Taiyuan, Shanxi Province until 20 December. Look for activity on 160-10 metres and on VHF/UHF amateur satellite bands, including FM, SSB, CW, RTTY and PACSAT modes. QSL via BA1DU. [TNX BA1DU]

Ed, CO7PH plans to operate SSB and CW as CO7PH/p from Cayo Coco (NA-086) on 17-31 December and from Cayo Anclitas (NA-201) on 2-5 January. [TNX CO7PH]

Paulo, CT1ITZ (D2CQ, ex D2PJB) was expected to QRT in late November [425DXN 967], but is now reported to remain in Angola until 27 December. He operates SSB only. QSL via CT1IUA. [TNX F5NQL]

DF9TM, DL2SWW and DL2VFR will operate CW and SSB as DF0WFF from Biosphere Reserve Schaalsee on 4-6 December. QSL via bureau. Information on the DL Flora & Fauna Award can be found at http://www.wff-dl.de/ [TNX DL2VFR]

Fernando, EA1BT will be active on the HF bands as TO1BT from Martinique (NA-107) on 8-15 December. QSL via home call. [TNX F5NQL]

Radio Club Puspokladany (HA0KHW) will be active as HG0WFF/p from three different Hungarian National Parks between 5 and 10 December. QSL via HA0HW, bureau preferred. [TNX HA0HW]

Victor, N8OO and Andrei, NP3D will be active as HR2/N8OO, HR2/NP3D and HQ2S from Honduras on 10-20 December. They will operate CW, RTTY and SSB on all bands. Victor will participate in the ARRL 10 Meter Contest, and Andrei will take part in the OK DX RTTY Contest. QSL HR2/N8OO via home call (or via UA9TF for ex CIS countries) QSL HR2/NP3D and HQ2S via W3HNK (or via RW6HS for ex CIS countries) and LoTW. [TNX NG3K]

I - IQ3GA/3 - not II3SB as previously announced [425DXN 969] - will be active from Burano Island (IOTA EU-131, IIA VE-010) for the 5th International ARMI Contest to be held on 5-6 December (details at http://www.assoradiomarinai.tk). QSL via IW3IE. [TNX IT9MRM]

Karel, ON5TN has been active as OR4TN from the Belgian Antarctic base "Princess Elisabeth", Antarctica since 1 December. He will remain there until the end of January 2010, with activity on the amateur radio bands during his spare time. Look for him between 21 and 23 UTC around 7007 (CW) and 7077 (SSB). Updates will be posted on qrz.com under OR4TN. QSL via ON5TN. [TNX NG3K]

Jack, W4JJ is now active as T6LC from Gardez (Paktia Province), Afghanistan. He expects to operate mainly on 40 and 20 metres CW and SSB, 1430-1800 UTC as time permits. QSL via K4MJN. [TNX NG3K]

David A. Burton, VK9WBM will be working at the weather station on Willis Island (OC-007) for the next six months. He plans to operate on the HF bands and 6 metres in his spare time. QSL via
The 10-14 December XF3RR IOTA expedition to Isla El Cerrito (NA-153) [425DXN 967] has been cancelled. The Radio Club Cancun plans to organize another operation from a different island in the same IOTA group in a few months' time.

Peter, XU7ACY and Wim, XU7TZG will be active as XU7KOH from Koh Russei (AS-133) on 11-14 December. They will operate CW (Peter) and SSB and PSK31 (Wim) on 80-10 metres. QSL via ON7PP, direct only. [TNX NG3K]

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2010 IDXC ---> The 61st Annual International DX Convention, sponsored by the Southern California DX Club, will be held at The Holiday Inn Hotel & Conference Center Visalia on 16-18 April 2010. Preregistration began on 1 December. Complete details can be found at http://www.dxconvention.org/. For questions regarding registration or DX stations who need lodging assistance, please email Cathy Gardenias, K6VC at the address located on the website under registration. [TNX N6RV]

A35A ---> "Paul, A35A's move to Vava'u (OC-064) has been postponed indefinitely, and perhaps cancelled altogether", The Daily DX reports [425DXN 946]. "He remains QRV from Lifuka Island, Ha'apai (OC-169) until further notice".

CQ DX MARATHON ---> Each year, from 1 January to 31 December, CQ Magazine sponsors a challenge to work as many countries and zones as possible in the calendar year. The 2009 edition of the CQ Magazine DX Marathon ends soon, but there is still time to fill in some missing countries and zones. For complete rules and submission information, please visit www.dxmarathon.com [TNX K9EL]

CQ WW CLAIMED SCORES ---> Valery, RW3GU maintains an Unofficial Claimed Scores web page (http://pileup.ru/) for the 2009 CQ WW DX Contest (SSB and CW). Scores are based on 3830 reflector posts and claimed results from CQWW logs received page.

K5D ---> The long anticipated K5D (Desecheo 2009) DVD is now available for sale. It was written, produced and narrated by Bob Allphin, K4UEE and edited by Ed Boutwell, W4ZSB. This is their seventh DXpedition DVD. To purchase a copy, go to www.kp5.us and click on the link on the first page. [TNX K4UEE]

RDA TRIP ---> Denis, RA4FJV says that his Russian District Award 2009 trip is over after some 7000 QSOs made as UE4FDA and RA4FJV/m from 28 different districts. On-line logs can be found at http://www.ra4fjv.org/logs/search.html; QSL dia RA4FJV, direct (Denis Ogurok, Chernyshevskogo 1-1, 442153, Nizhny Lomov, Russia) or bureau.
TOP LISTS ---> The latest Topband, Topmode and Toplist listings are now available at http://www.425dxn.org/awards/toplist/index.html. Please note that QSOs confirmed through LoTW or included in on-line logs are eligible for listing. Send your scores, as well as any request for further information, to Erminio Pandocchi, I2EOW (i2eow@fastwebnet.it)

TX3A ---> The Online QSL Request System for TX3A is now up and running at http://tx3a.com/qsl.html (it can be used for either direct and bureau cards).

+ SILENT KEYS + Andrej V. Golopurov, RU1AO is one of the victims of the Nevsky Express train disaster on 27 November. He was returning from Moscow to Saint Petersburg for the CQ WW CW. Other recently reported Silent Keys include Ben Clarkson (G7WHO), Paul Knight (KE5OVA), CQ Amateur Radio Hall of Famer Jerry Sevick (W2FMI), Antonio Scolamiero (YV4DDK) and New Zealand's Top DXer Roy Jackson (ZL4BO).

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