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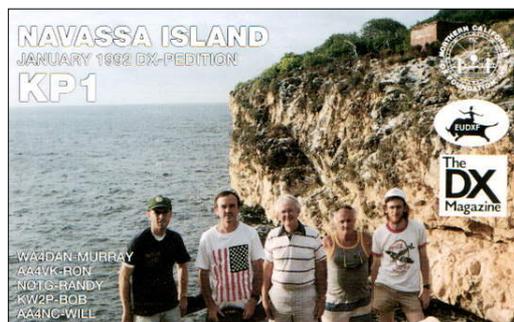
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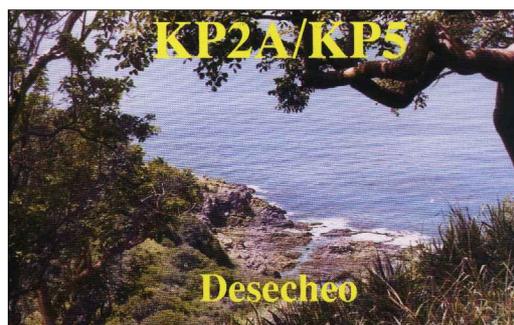
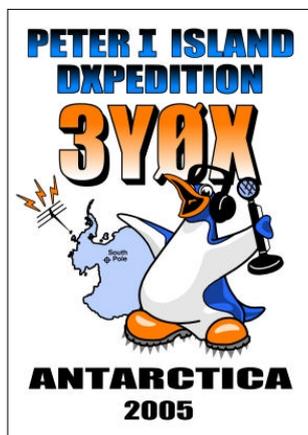
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DX INFORMATION

3Y_ant - Vidar, LA2SNA reports he will be active as 3Y2SNA from the Norwegian Antarctic station "Troll" (new one for the Antarctica Award) on 11-15 February. This scientific station is located at 72.00S-02.32E on Jutulsessen ("The Giant's Seat") in the Gjelsvik



Photo: J. Guidahl

Troll Base (AA LA-NEW)
(Source: <http://npiweb.npolar.no/>)

Mountains, Queen Maud Land, Antarctica (AN-016). Vidar will operate (SSB only) in his spare time with 100 watts into a dipole and/or a vertical for 17 and 20 metres. He says he is not a very experienced operator, so please be patient with him. QSL via LA2SNA. Further information will be available at <http://www.mdx.org/antarctica/activity/2005.htm> [TNX IZ8CGS]

5T - The 5T0CW team [425DXN 711] now includes Phil/G3SWH, Jim/G3RTE, Jean/ON8RA, Harry/ON4HVO and Nicolas/5T5SN. They will operate on 160-6 metres CW and SSB from Nuachachott, Mauritania between 24 February and 4 March 2005. QSL via G3SWH, direct or bureau. [TNX G3SWH]

5Z - Enrico, IV3SBE is currently working in Kenya and has just received his 5Z4ES licence. He plans to operate during the weekends on 80, 40, 20, 15, 12 and 10 metres SSB. QSL via bureau to IV3SBE. [TNX IV3IPS]



8P - Tom, W2SC will be active (CW only) as 8P9JG from Barbados (NA-021) on 15-21 February. He will participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest (19-20 February) as 8P5A. QSL via NN1N. [TNX

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8R - Craig, AH8DX will participate in the ARRL DX SSB Contest (5-6 March) as 8R1/AH8DX from Guyana. QSL via home call. [TNX NG3K]

9K - Members of the Kuwait Amateur Radio Society will operate special call 9K44NLD on 25-28 February to celebrate the National and Liberation Day. QSL via 9K2RR (Faisal Al-Ajmi, P.O. Box 1124, 80000 Al-Farwania, Kuwait). [TNX 9K2HN]

9L - Massimo, 9L1MS reports he has had to postpone his operation from the Turtle Islands (AF-056), originally scheduled to take place on 5-6 February.

9Y - Girts/YL2KL, Arvia/YL2LY and Juris/YL2GM will operate on all bands CW, SSB and RTTY as 9Y4/homecall from Tobago (SA-009) on 10-24 February. Juris and Girts plan to participate in the CQ WW RTTY WPX and ARRL DX CW contests respectively as 9Y4W. Logs will be available at <http://www.lral.lv/9Y4> [TNX YL2KL]

9Y - Ten operators from the Lufthansa Amateur Radio Club (namely DD8ZX, DG3FK, DH6ICE, DJ3FK, DJ9RB, DK7LX, DK7PE, DK7TF, DL1FDS and DL4FP) will be active as 9Y4DLH from Scarborough, Tobago (SA-009) from 23 February to 2 March. They plan to have at least two stations active on 160-10 metres SSB, CW and digital modes. QSL via DJ3FK. Logs will be available at www.dj3fk.com after the operation. [TNX DJ3FK]

C5 - Noel, MONBY will operate (on 20, 15 and possibly 40 metres SSB) as C56/MONBY from The Gambia from 25 February to 3 March. QSL via home call. [TNX The Daily DX]

C6 - Steve, AKOM will be active as C6ASB from Eleuthera (NA-001), Bahamas on 13-22 February. He will operate holiday-style on 160-6 metres, preferred mode being CW with some SSB or digital modes possible, and will include a casual entry in the ARRL CW DX Contest. Steve's wife, Sandy (KC0RD) may also be on SSB or digital as C6ASC. QSL via AKOM. Trip details will be available at <http://pages.cfu.net/~sjs/c6asb.htm> [TNX AKOM]

C6 - Bill, NE1B (C6AWB) and Tom, C6ANM will operate from the islands of Eleuthera (NA-001) and New Providence (NA-001), Bahamas between 24 February and 8 March. On 1-3 March they will make a side trip to the Berry Islands (NA-054). They plan to participate in the 160 CQ WW SSB and the ARRL SSB DX contests. QSL for both via WA2IYO. Logs will be uploaded to LOTW. [TNX The Daily DX]

CE - The CE8A team set sail for the Rennell Islands (SA-???) at 02.30 UTC on 11 February. They expected to reach their destination in approximately 11 hours with landing and station setup to follow. Plans are to have three stations on the air on different bands and modes. QSL via CE6NE. After the CE8A expedition, Zoli, HA1AG will operate as CE8/HA1AG from Riesco Island (SA-091) and as CE6/HA1AG from Mocha Island (SA-061). [TNX K9PPY and RZ3EC]

CE - Marco, CE6TBN and Zoli, HA1AG [425DXN 719] expected to operate as CE6TBN/P and CE6/HA1AG from Mocha Island (SA-061) starting on 18 February, with an emphasis on 20m SSB and 30m during the night and 15m SSB during the day. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX HA1AG]

CE_ssh - Yuri, CA8WCI/9 reports he is currently active from the Chilean Antarctic Base "Presidente Eduardo Frei Montalva" (CE-03 for the Antarctica Award) on King



Frei Montalva Base (AA CE-03)
(Source: <http://www.icarito.cl/>)

George Island, South Shetlands (AN-010). He operates when weather conditions and spare time permit. CA licensees have limited privileges and can operate only on 80, 40 and 10 metres. QSL via CA8WCI (Yuri De La Barra Echeverria, c/o Radio Club Punta Arenas, P.O. Box 2000, Punta Arenas, Chile). More information will be available at <http://www.mdx.org/antarctica/activity/2005.htm> [TNX IZ8CGS]

CN - Jim, W7EJ will participate in the CQ WW 160 Meter SSB (26-27 February), ARRL DX SSB (5-6 March) and

CQ WW WPX SSB (26-27 March) contests as CN2R from Morocco. QSL via W7EJ. [TNX NG3K]
 CO - Jose Gamboa, CO3VK (<http://www.qsl.net/iz8ebi/co3vkiNFO.htm>) will be active as CO3VK/4 from La Juventud (NA-056) on 17-20 March. Jose will be working with the "Charangas de Bejucal" show (<http://www.angerona.cult.cu/>) team and plans to operate in his spare time on 20 and 40 metres SSB. QSL via IZ8EBI. Jose might be joined by other 2-3 operators, who will be signing homecall/4. [TNX IZ8EBI]
 CT - Filipe, CT11LT reports he will participate in the ARRL DX CW, CQ WW WPX CW, ARRL DX SSB and CQ WW WPX SSB Contests as CT7B. QSL direct to CT11LT.
 CT3 - Rosel, DL3KWR and Hardy, DL3KWF will be active again as CT3/DL3KWR and CT3/DL3KWF from Madeira (AF-014) on 10-24 March. They plan to operate mostly on the WARC bands, 80 metres and CW in their evenings. QSL via home calls. E-mail requests for bureau cards can be sent to dl3kwr@dark.de or dl3kwf@dark.de respectively. [TNX DL3KWF]

SABLE ISLAND

Joe/W8GEX, Wayne/K8LEE and Phil/W9IXX plan to be active from Sable Island (NA-063) from 26 July to 1 August, IOTA Contest included. They expect to operate on 6-160 metres CW, SSB, PSK and RTTY (callsign not mentioned). QSL and donations to help offset the cost will be handled by K8LEE. [TNX WZ8D]



Sable island (NA-063)

D2 - Bjorn, LA9IAA (D2AA) expected to be QRV from Angola in early February, but his activity has been delayed owing to local problems. He does not expect to be active until around three months from now. [TNX NG3K]

DL - Matthias, DJ8OG (<http://www.qslnet.de/dj8og>) will operate on 10, 15, 20, 40 and 80 metres SSB as DJ8OG/p from Spiekeroog Island (EU-047, GIA N-08) on 16-20 August and from Baltrum Island (EU-047, GIA N-06) on 20-27 August. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX DE0MST]

DL - Look for DK7LX to be active (mainly CW on 30, 40 and 80 metres, perhaps also on 20 metres) from Pellworm Island (EU-042) from 6 until 10 March at least. [TNX DK7LX].

EI - Special event station EI05CCC (Echo India Zero Five CCC), as well as EI5CRC, EI1C and EI7M, will be aired regularly through the year to celebrate Cork City's status as European Capital of Culture during 2005. All QSOs can be confirmed via the bureau. Cork Radio Club and the East Cork Radio group have introduced the Cork Capital of Culture Award for working these calls. The award is also available to SWLs on a heard basis. Please e-mail Finbarr, EI1CS (buckleyf1@eircom.net) for further information. [TNX EI4BZ]

F - Laurent, F5AEG and another operator will be active (on 10-80 metres SSB, RTTY and PSK31) as TM3OBI

from Breatat Island (EU-074) on 4-8 May. QSL via F5AEG. [TNX La Gazette du DX]

F - Special event station TM7VM [425DXN 712] will be active again on 13-27 February. QSL via F5UJZ. [TNX Bulletin F8REF]

F - A couple of special calls will be aired from France on 14-27 February for the Antarctic Activity Week: Francois, F8DVD will operate on 10-80 metres SSB as TM8ANT (QSL via home call, direct or bureau), while the F6KDF team will be active as TMOANT. [TNX F8DVD and F5NOD]

F - A team of YL operators (namely Erna/DL1PT, Anni/DL3DBY, Thea/DH4TS and Anne Marie/DJ0FR) will be active as TP1CE from the Council of Europe ARC on 4-6 March to celebrate the International Woman Day (8 March). QSL via F5LGF. [TNX F6FOK]

FG - Flo, F5CWU will operate (on 160-6 metres CW, SSB, RTTY/PSK) as FG/F5CWU from Guadeloupe (NA-102) on 2-10 March, ARRL DX SSB Contest included. [TNX La Gazette du DX]

FG - Look for Pierre, F6FXS to operate holiday style as FG/F6FXS from Guadeloupe (NA-102, DIFO FG-001) on 4-22 March. This will be a CW only activity on 40-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX F5NQL]

FM - Nicolas, F5TGR will be active from Martinique (NA-107) from 19 March to 1 April. He will operate on 10-40 metres SSB and CW with 100 watts and dipoles. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX F5TGR]

GLORIOSO ISLANDS

The final authorizations have been received for the mid-May DXpedition to the Glorioso Islands [425DXN 719]. Actual dates will be given in due course. There will be twelve operators (namely team leader F5OGL, F0CRS, F1AKK, F5AEP, F5CW, F5IRO, F5MSR, F5PTM, F8UNF, FM5JC, FR5IZ and TZ6SA), and they plan to operate on 160-6 metres CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via F5OGL. The web site for the expedition is at http://glorieuses2005.free.fr/index_frame.html [TNX F5NQL]



Glorioso

FS - John, K9EL plans to operate on 10-40 metres (80m if possible, 160m very unlikely) as FS/K9EL from St. Martin (NA-105) on 16-26 February. He will be active during the ARRL DX CW Contest to hand out multipliers. QSL via home call. [TNX K9EL]

FS - Look for FS/KT8X to operate holiday style from St. Martin (NA-105) on 4-11 March. He will put an emphasis on the WARC bands and will participate in the ARRL DX SSB Contest (5-6 March). Logs will be uploaded to LoTW. [TNX NG3K]

FT*W - FT1WK and FT5WJ are the callsigns that Nicolas/F4EGX and Jean-Paul/F5BU will use during their activity from the Crozet Islands [425DXN 712]. Jean-Paul made his first QSO as FT5WJ on 20 February on 20 metres. He hopes to be able to spend at least one hour a day on the bands, especially on 20 metres (+/- 14278 kHz). He is using a ground plane with elements for 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres. Do not ask for skeds. QSL FT5WJ

via F5BU. Jean-Paul and Nicolas will be on Possession Island until around 20 March. [TNX F5NQL]

FY - The T07C team on Royale Island, Iles du Salut (SA-020) [425DXN 702] will pay special attention to 6 metres. There will be a beacon on 50096 kHz 24 hours a day; when you hear it, try calling them on 50200 kHz, CW or SSB. The expedition is scheduled to take place on 10-17 March. QSL via F9IE, direct or bureau. The web site for the operation is at <http://to7c.free.fr/> [TNX F5NQL]



Iles du Salut (SA-020)

G - Russell, G5XW plans to operate (on the HF bands and if possible on 6 metres) from the Isle of Wight (EU-120) on 4-8 April. He hopes to activate some of the lighthouses on the island (ENG-120, 143, 172, 180, 181, 293 and 295). [TNX G5XW]

GJ - Pete, K8PT and Craig, K3PLV will operate as



MJ/K8PT and MJ/K3PLV from Jersey (EU-013) on 9-16 March. They will be active on 160-6 metres CW, SSB, RTTY and some PSK-31. This year they will accept skeds: to

set one up on CW or RTTY e-mail K8PT@chartermi.net, for SSB or PSK-31 e-mail crahill@adelphia.net QSL via home calls. [TNX K8PT]

GM - Leo, W3LEO will once again be active as MMOLEO from Portpatrick in southwest Scotland from about 20 February to 29 March. During the ARRL DX SSB Contest (5-6 March) he will use GM3W, the Wigtownshire ARC contest call. He will also participate in the CQ WPX SSB Contest (26-27 March) as MMOLEO. QSL both calls via W3LEO, direct or bureau. [TNX W3LEO]

GM - Jim, MM0BQI will operate (on 80-6 metres SSB, CW and RTTY, with verticals and dipoles) as MM0BQI/P from Lunga Island in the uninhabited Treshnish Islands (EU-108) on 2-5 June. QSL via MM0BQI, direct (Jim Martin, 3 Lismore Avenue, Edinburgh, EH8 7DW, Scotland, UK) or bureau. All surplus money from direct QSLs will be donated to the Hebridean Trust, who own and work to preserve the islands and whose permission to land and operate is gratefully acknowledged. [TNX MM0BQI]

HA - Special station HA80IARU will be aired until 31 December to celebrate the 80th anniversary of IARU. QSL direct only to MTOSZ Gyor Varosi Radioklub, P.O. Box 79, H-9002 Gyor, Hungary. [TNX HA1DAE]

HA - HA200CVM will be aired on all bands and modes through 31 December to commemorate the 200th anniversary of the death of Csokonai Vitez Mihaly, one of the greatest Hungarian poets. QSL via HA0NAR (Radocz Laszlo, 130 Rozsavolgy Str., Debrecen, H-4225, Hungary). [TNX HA0NAR]

HH - Look for Jan/K4QD and Koh/JA7KAC to be active (on 10-160 metres SSB, CW and RTTY) as HH4/K4QD (QSL via home call) and HH4/K2AC (QSL via JA7AGO) from Haiti (NA-096) from 21 February to 4 March. They will be operating from the Northwest Haiti Christian Mission in St. Louis du Nord. [TNX K4QD]

HI - Dennis, K7BV will operate in the ARRL DX CW Contest from HI3CCP's mountaintop QTH. He will sign HI3TEJ (QSL via ON4IQ) and K7BV/HI3 (QSL direct to home call) outside the event. [TNX K7BV]

HL - A group of operators from the Anseong DX Club, the Pyungteak DX Club and the Suwon DX Group will be active as DT0HF from Taebu Island (AS-105) on 25-27 February. QSL via HL2FDW, direct or bureau. [TNX DS4NMJ]

I - Special calls I12V (by ARI Como, together with ARI Erba, ARI Lomazzo and ARI Cantu') and I12PV (by ARI Pavia) will be aired until 20 February for the VII Volta International Memorial Day. QSL I12V via IK2LNJ, QSL I12PV via IK2SGV. [TNX Info Radio by I1SCL]

I - IQOVL will be aired between 1 and 31 March for the annual Camellia Festival to be held in Velletri. The local ARI branch sponsors the Camellia Award for contacts made with local amateur radio operators during that time frame. Full rules can be found at <http://utenti.lycos.it/arivelletri/CAMELIE> [TNX IO1TX]

I - Several COTA (Carabinieri On The Air, <http://www.cota.cc>) members will operate special station I13CC for the XVI national meeting of the Associazione Nazionale Carabinieri to be held in Trento on 15-17 April. QSL via bureau to IZ8DDG. Requests for direct cards with special cancellation for philatelists should be sent to IV3HWY (Giancarlo Bertoni, Via San Pelagio 24/2, 33010 Reana del Rojale - UD, Italy) before 31 May. [TNX IZ6FUQ]

I - IK7AFM, IK7BPV, IZ7AUH, IZ7BFR, IZ7CRW, IZ7DOK, IZ7EDQ, IZ7FLP and IZ7FMQ will operate as I17ANT on 21-27 February for the Antarctic Activity Week. QSL via IZ7AUH, bureau or direct. Logs will be available at www.iz7auh.com/ii7ant [TNX IZ7AUH]

I - I18ANT and IO8ANT will be the call signs used by several members of the Strange Radio Team on 21-27 February for the Antarctic Activity Week. [TNX IZ8EDJ]

I - Special station I12AMI will be active from Varese, Italy on 21-27 February for the Antarctic Activity Week. The special call stands for Aeronautica Militare Italiana and it is for celebrating the role played by the Italian Air Force in the frozen continent. QSL via IK2IWU. [TNX IK2IWU]

I - Tony, IK8VRH plans to operate as IR8DX/p from Scoglio Villa Vazia (not IOTA, IIA NA-029) on 26 February.

I - Achille/IZ8CKS, Salvatore/IK8NTN and Andrea/IK8GDA will be active on 6-40 metres SSB as IC8/homecall from the island of Vivara (EU-031, IIA NA-005) on 12-13 March. QSI via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX IZ8GCH]

J6 - Dave, K3LP will operate as J6/K3LP from St. Lucia (NA-108) on 15-22 February. He will participate in the ARRL CW DX Contest as J6R. [TNX The Daily DX]

J7 - Lars, SM0CCM will operate again as J73CCM from Dominica (NA-101) from 16 February to 14



March. He will be active on all bands CW and RTTY, with some PSK and SSB. He also expects to operate for a few days as J7OSWD from the Carib Indian Territory. QSLs via SMOCCM. [TNX NG3K]

J8 - Dave, G3TBK is active as J88DR from the island of St. Vincent (NA-109) until 14 March. Activity will be on 160-10 metres, mainly CW and RTTY with some SSB. He will participate in the ARRL CW and SSB DX Contests and also in the RSGB Commonwealth Contest. QSL via home call. [TNX VA3RJ]

JA - Look for JG5GWL/5, JG5HFY/5, JG5XUU/5, JG5KKY/5, JI5CKF/5, JI5DIH/5, JI5LNP/5, JI5JXW/5, JI5JXV/5 and JN3QZN/5 to operate from Iwagi Island (AS-076), new one for JIIA) on 5-6 February. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX JI6KVR]

JT - Nicola, I0SNY reports he will be active as JT1Y [425DXN 718] from Ulaanbaatar between 20 April and 8 May. On 25-26 April he will operate as JT2Y from Choybalsan. Khosbayar, JT1CD and Nekiit, JT2AN will assist him during the activity. QSL via I0SNY.

JW - Francois, F8DVD will return to Longyearbyen (EU-026), Svalbard for the tenth time on 4-10 April, and will operate on all bands, mainly SSB, as JW/F8DVD from the local club station. QSL via home call, direct (Francois Bergez, 6 rue de la Liberte, F - 71000 Macon, France) or through the bureau.

KH5 - Bev, AH6NF has had to revise her schedule and will be leaving Palmyra Atoll [425DXN 717] on 13 February, a few days earlier than originally planned. [TNX The Daily DX]

KH6 - Yoshi, JE2EHP will be active (on 80-6 metres SSB and CW) as K1HP/KH6 from Oahu (OC-019), Hawaii on 25-28 March. QSL via bureau to JE2EHP. [TNX JE2EHP]

SWAINS ISLAND

The American Samoa Amateur Radio Association has announced that a team of nine operators (namely JA1BK, K1ER/KH6, JH1JGX/AH7C, JR2KDN, F6EXV, N9TK, W0MY, KB6NAN and W9IXX) will be active as KH8SI from Swains Island (OC-200), American Samoa on 2-6 March. They plan to operate on 160-10 metres CW, SSB and RTTY, with four complete HF stations with amplifiers and yagis. At least one station will be active during the ARRL DX SSB Contest. Planned frequencies are: 1822.5, 3505, 7005, 10107, 14025, 18073, 21025, 24895, 28025 and 50110 kHz (CW); 3795, 7080, 14195, 18140, 21295, 24930, 28495 and 50110 kHz (SSB); 14088 kHz (RTTY). The pilot stations will be AH8LG, WA2MOE, JE2EHP and KH6BZF. QSL via VE3HO (Garth Allistair Hamilton, P.O. Box 1156, Fonthill, ON L0S 1E0, Canada). [TNX K1HP]



Swains Island (OC-200)

LU - The Almirante Brown Radio Club (LU3DY) will be active during the ARRL DX CW Contest (19-20 February) to celebrate the 40th anniversary of their first Multi-

Single operation (hosted in 1965 by LU1DAY, now SK). [TNX LW2DX]

LU_ant - Ricardo is the operator currently active from LU1ZAB at "Teniente Matienzo" Antarctic base (LU-16 for the Antarctica Award) on the Larsen Ice Shelf (AN-016), Antarctica. Look for him on 14290 around 21 UTC on Saturdays and Sundays with LU4DXU. Further information will be available at <http://www.mdxc.org/antarctica/activity/2005.htm> [TNX IZ8CGS]



Teniente Matienzo Base (AA LU-016)

LU_ant - George is the operator currently active from LU4ZS at "Vicecomodoro Marambio" Antarctic base (LU-13 for the Antarctica Award) on Seymour Island (AN-013), Antarctica. Look for him on 14290 around 21 UTC on Saturdays and Sundays with LU4DXU. Further information will be available at <http://www.mdxc.org/antarctica/activity/2005.htm> [TNX IZ8CGS]

LU_ssh - LU1ZC (operator Gustavo) at "Decepcion Detachment" (LU-04 for the Antarctica Award) on Deception Island, South Shetland Islands (AN-010) and LU1ZS (operator Mario) at "Juan Camara Deatchment" (LU-17 for the Antarctica Award) on Livingston Island, South Shetland might be found during the weekends around 21-22 UTC on 14290 kHz with LU4DXU. Further information will be available at <http://www.mdxc.org/antarctica/activity/2005.htm> [TNX IZ8CGS]

LU_ssh - Henry, LU4DXU reports he will be with the operator at the "Juan Camara" base of Argentina (LU-17 for the Antarctica Award) on Livingston Island, South Shetland Islands (AN-010) on 5 February, at 21 UTC on on 14290 kHz. Further information will be available at <http://www.mdxc.org/antarctica/activity/2005.htm> [TNX LU4DXU & MDXC]



Juan Camara Base (AA LU-17)

LX - ON4BAG, ON4LO, ON6QX and ON6UM will be active as LX/homecall from Luxembourg on 22-25 April. They plan to operate on 10, 12, 15, 17, 20, 30, 40, 80 and

160 metres SSB, CW and digital modes. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX ON6UM]

LZ - Special event station LZ800AB (LZ Eight Zero Zero AB) will be active on all bands and modes between 1 March and 30 April to commemorate the 800th anniversary of the Battle of Adrianople. QSL via bureau to LZ1PJ or direct to the Bulgarian Federation of Radio Amateurs, P.O. Box 830, 1000 Sofia, Bulgaria. [TNX LZ1BJ]

LZ - The Balkan Contest Club, LZ1KZA (LZ5A) will operate special event call LZ127LO on 1-31 March. Activity will take place on 160-10 metres CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via the bureau or direct to LZ1KZA (P.O. Box 36, 4300 Karlovo, Bulgaria). [TNX LZ1ZF]

LZ_ssh - Danny, LZ2UU [425DXN 712] is currently active as LZ0A from the Bulgarian base "St. Kliment Ohridski" (LZ-02 for the Antarctica Award) on Livingston Island, South Shetlands (AN-010). He expects to remain there through February. QSL via LZ1KDP (P.O.Box 812, 1000 Sofia, Bulgaria). [TNX MDXC]

OA - A group of operators from Peru and Germany will be active (on 80-6 metres SSB and CW) as OC4P from Pachacamac Island (SA-052) on 11-13 February. QSL via DL5WM. [TNX OA4DJW]

OE - Special station OE7XBH/WM05 (WM stands for Weltmeisterschaft, i.e. World Championship) will be operated (on 2-160 metres SSB, CW, FM and some SSTV) by the Austrian Military Radio Society (AMRS) on 3-13 March for the Biathlon World Championship at Hochfilzen, Tirol. QSL via bureau to OE7SPI. [TNX OE3EPW]

OX & TF - Hector, EA3EKS will operate as OX/EA3EKS from Greenland on 2-5 August and as TF/EA3EKS from Iceland on 6-13 August. QSL direct to home call (Hector Guasch, P.O. Box 729, 43080 Tarragona, Spain). [TNX EA3EKS]

OZ - Jakob, OZ7AEI (<http://oz7aei.grz.dk>) plans to operate on 40 and 20 metres from the four lighthouses of Skagen (DEN-040, DEN-041, DEN-038 and DEN-039) between 7 and 11 February. Activities from the lighthouses of Hirthhals (DEN-017) and Rudbjerg Knude (DEN-036) are also possible. All of these lighthouses are located on Nordjylland Island (EU-171, NJ-001 for the Danish Islands Award). [TNX OZ7AEI]

OZ - Klaus, DJ4JI will be active (on 80, 40 and 20 metres SSB) as as OZ/DJ4JI from Bornholm Island (EU-030) on 5-10 March. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX VA3RJ]

P4 - KK9A will participate in the either the ARRL DX SSB (5-6 March) and the CQ WW WPX SSB (26-27 March) contests as P40A from Aruba (SA-036). QSL via WD9DZV. [TNX NG3K]

P4 - Andy, AE6Y will be active as P49Y from Aruba (SA-036) on 16-22 February, ARRL DX CW Contest included. QSL via home call. [TNX AE6Y]

P4 - Miika, OH2BAD will operate CW and SSB as P40MH from Aruba (SA-036) on 9-16 February. [TNX The Daily DX]

P4 - John, W2GD will operate as P40W from Aruba (SA-036) from 23 February to 8 March. He will participate in the CQ WW 160 Meter SSB (26-27 February) and ARRL DX SSB (5-6 March) contests. Before and after the contest he will operate CW on all bands. QSL via N2MM. [TNX NG3K]

PJ - Bil, W8EB and his wife Dorothy, W8DVC will operate (on 160-10 metres SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK31) from St. Maarten (NA-105) from 14 February through 20 March.

Bil will participate in the ARRL DX SSB Contest as either PJ7B or PJ7/W8EB along with guest operator John Scott, VE1JS. QSLs via W8EB. [TNX NG3K]

PJ - KU8E, W9RE, N4GG and N5OT will operate as PJ4/homecall from Bonaire (SA-006) on 15-22 February. They will participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest (19-20 February) as PJ4R (QSL via N4GG). [TNX NG3K]

PJ - Joeke, PA0VDV will operate as PJ6/PA0VDV from Saba (NA-146) on 17-23 February and as PJ2/PA0VDV from Curacao (SA-006) from 26 February to 23 March. [TNX The Daily DX]

PJ4 - Peter, PA3CNX will operate on 80-6 metres SSB and CW as PJ4/PA3CNX from Bonaire (SA-006), Netherlands Antilles until 14 March. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX PA3CNX]

PYO_fdn - Bill, W9VA will be active (mainly on the WARC bands and 6 metres) as PYOZFO from Fernando de Noronha (SA-003) on 16-22 February. He will participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest (19-20 February) as PYOFF. QSL all via W9VA. [TNX NG3K]

R1A_ant - Mike, RW1AI will be stationed at the Russian base Mirny (UA-07 for the Antarctica Award, IOTA AN-016), Antarctica until March 2006. He plans to operate as R1ANT starting around late March. [TNX

F8DVD and F5NQL]

S2 - A few days ago Dave, EI3IO reported from Dhaka that, owing to regulatory problems, the callsign for the IOTA operation from Bhola Island (AS-140) is S21BI (not S3A as provisionally agreed, see 425DXN 716). Activity is expected to start on 4 February and to end at 6 UTC on the 7th. There will be two stations with Manju, S21AM operating SSB and Dave operating CW and SSB. QSL via EI3IO.

SP - The radio club of Ziebiec (SP6KYU) will operate as SP140JL on 1-31 March to commemorate the 140th anniversary of the birth of Joseph Langer (1865-1918). QSL via SP6KYU, direct to SQ6FHP (Zb. Jurek Kopacz, ul.Zamkowa 26, 57-220 Ziebiec, Poland). [TNX SQ6FHP]

JAZIRAT DISUQI (AF-NEW)

Hossam/SU1HM, Said/SU1SK, Tarek/SU2TA and Sayed/SU1SA plan to operate as SU8IOTA from Jazirat Disuqi (aka Nelson Island) in the Nile Delta and Sinai Region Group (AF-NEW) from 23 April until 1 May. This will be the first ever IOTA activity from Egypt. QSL direct only via SU1SK (Said Kamel, P.O. Box 190, New Ramsis Center, Cairo 11794, Egypt). QSLing policy at <http://www.grz.com/su8iota> [TNX SU1SK]



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Jazirat Disuqi (Nelson Island)

SV - Look for SV8/LY1DF (www.qsl.net/ly1df) to operate (CW only) from Salamina Island (EU-075) on 5-6 February. He might also be active from one or more lighthouses. QSL via LY1DF. [TNX LY1DF]

SV5 - Willi, DJ7RJ will be active from Kos Island, Dodecanese (EU-001) from 27 February to 20 March. He plans to operate on the low bands, 160 metres included. QSL via home call. [TNX AA1M]

T7 - Look for T77CD to participate in the CQ/RJ WW WPX RTTY Contest next weekend. QSL via IOMWI. Logs will be available on www.qsl.net/iomwi [TNX IOMWI]

TL - Claudio, IV3OWC plans to operate from Central Africa between 28 February and 5 March. He will run 100 watts from a battery powered transceiver and will be QRV in his limited spare time from a location at 250 km from the capital. QSL via home call. [TNX IV3OWC]

TT - Luc, ON4IA expects to operate as TT8KLJ from Chad until around 20 March. QSL via ON6NL. [TNX The Daily DX]

UA - The RK3DZJ group will be active on 15-80 metres CW and SSB as RK3DZJ/p from the national park "Losinyj ostrov" (RFF-127, RDA MO-57) on 18-20 February. QSL via RV3DPM, direct or bureau. [TNX UA3DNR]

V3 - W9GMP, NZ9Z and W8JWN will be active (on all bands and modes with an emphasis on PSK and RTTY) as V31GR, V31NZ and V31TR respectively from Belize on 2-10 March. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. They will participate in the ARRL DX SSB Contest as V31TR (QSL via W9DXA). [TNX OPDX Bulletin]

V3 - Bob, NF7E (V31WR) will be joining Art, NN7A (V31JZ) on his 10-14 February operation from South Water Caye (NA-180), Belize [425DXN 715]. QSL via home calls. [TNX The Daily DX]

V3 - NS0B, WC0W and NU0Q will participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest as V31EV (Multi-Single) from Belize. QSL via NS0B. Expect activity on SSB and CW, but no WARC bands, for about 24 hours before and after the contest. [TNX NG3K]

V5 - Janusz, SP6IXF and Przemek, SP7VC have received their licences and will operate as V5/SP6IXF and V5/SP7VC during their forthcoming operation from Namibia [425DXN 717]. QSL via home calls. The web page for their activity is at <http://www.sp5zcc.waw.pl/dxpeditions/v5/> [TNX SP5UAF]

V7 - JA1JQY (V73JY), JA1KJW (V73KJ), JA1HEE (V73HE) and J11FPO (V73OP) will operate from Majuro Atoll (OC-029) on 18-28 March. They plan to operate CW (1822, 3507, 7007, 10107, 14007, 18077, 21007, 24897 and 28007 kHz) and SSB (3798, 7080, 14170, 18130, 21270, 24940, and 28470 kHz), plus some RTTY if possible, and to concentrate on 160 and 80 metres, especially for Europe and the US East Coast. [TNX JF1OCQ]



V7 - The OPDX Bulletin reports that Steve, N4TKP is now living in the Marshall Islands. His callsign is V73CS and he is working currently off Majuro Atoll. Steve hopes to activate many atolls there over the next 18 months.

VK - Bill, VK4FW reports that his 16-22 February operation from the Solitary Islands (OC-194) [425DXN 718] has been postponed. The new dates will be announced in due course.

VK - Special event station VI3GP will be activated by members of the Eastern and Mountain District Radio Club on 4-7 March to celebrate the 10th annual running of the Australian Formula 1 Grand Prix in Melbourne. QSL via VK3ER, direct (P.O. Box 87, Mitcham, Vic. 3132, Australia) or bureau. [TNX VK3DYL]

ST. PETER ISLAND (OC-220)

The operators who activated OC-251 (September 2002), OC-261 (April 2003) and OC-228 (April 2004) now plan to operate from St. Peter Island, Nuyts Archipelago (OC-220) on 7-11 April. This rare IOTA group was activated for the first and so far only time by VK5ISL back in March 1997, and this second operation will be a special event, commemorating the 350th Anniversary of the death of Pieter Nuyts. St. Peter Island is a closely protected area, and a permit has been obtained for four operators (namely Peter/VK3QI, Keith/VK3FT, Jack/VK3WWW and Max/VK3FT) to land and operate for a limited period. Operating dates/times are dependant on weather conditions, which can be unpredictable at any time of the year. Plans are to operate CW and SSB on the usual IOTA frequencies, with an emphasis on 30 & 40 CW, 20, 17 & 15 SSB and on the long path opening to Europe around 0500-0800 UTC. Special arrangements will be put in place to maximize contacts with African and South American stations. A special commemorative callsign has been applied for. QSL via VK3QI, direct or bureau. [TNX VK3QI]

VP2V - DL7DF, DL7UFR and DL4WK will operate as VP2V/homecall from the British Virgin Islands (NA-023) from 22 February to 9 March. They will have three stations and plan to operate on all bands and modes, with an emphasis on the low bands. QSL via DL7DF. [TNX NG3K]

VP5 - Dave/W2YC and Harry/AA2WN will operate SSB and CW as VP5/homecall from North Caicos (NA-002) on 15-22 February. They will participate in the ARRL CW DX Contest as VP5Y. [TNX The Daily DX]

W - Glenn/K2FF, Randy/W5UE and Bill/K5YG will operate CW and SSB as N2G from the rare Greene County, Mississippi on 26-27 February throughout the Mississippi QSO Party (it starts at 15 UTC on the 26th and ends at 3 UTC on the 27th). QSL via K2FF. [TNX K1XN and The Golist]

W - Mark, KM6HB, sponsored by the Anaheim Police ARC (W6APD), will operate as K6I from 19 February through 5 March to commemorate the 60th anniversary of the Battle of Iwo Jima during World War II. Frequencies will be 28450, 24950, 21350, 18150, 14250 and 7250 kHz. QSL via KM6HB (Mark McMullin, P.O. Box 27271, Santa Ana, CA 92799, USA). Marks also reports that the QSL cards for his K6B operation (December 2004) have been printed and requests are being handled. [TNX KM6HB]

W - Dennis, WA2USA plans to be active as WA2USA/4 from Emerald Isle (NA-112) from 20 February to 5 March. QSL via home call. [TNX The Daily DX]

W - Bodo, DL3OCH plans to be active from Key West (NA-062) between 25 February and 6 March. Look for W4/DL3OCH on 40-10 metres CW. Bodo also hopes to activate some other Florida islands during his stay. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX VA3RJ]

XT - Jan, SM5DJZ will be in Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso from 26 February until 11 March. Thanks to Hugo/XT2HB, he hopes to be able to operate as XT2JZ mainly CW on 40-10 metres (possibly on 80 metres as

well). He hopes to be active during the ARRL SSB Contest. QSL via home call. [TNX SM5DJZ]

KANGEAN ISLANDS (OC-217)

The Kangean Islands (OC-217) were activated for the first and so far only time by YB3SPS/p back in 1996. A new operation is being planned to take place in late March, CQ WW WPX SSB Contest included. Plans are to operate as YE3K (requested call) for 4-5 days with two stations at least; the main mode will be SSB, but some CW, RTTY and PSK activity might take place before and after the contest. Team members include YB3HBK, YB9BU, YCOIEM, YC3BDJ, YC3BX, YC3CC, YC3DE, YC3DIK, YC3IZK, YC3MM, YC9WZJ, YD3OZ and IV3NCC. QSL via IZ8CCW (Antonio Cannataro, P.O.Box 360, 87100 Cosenza -CS, Italy). The web page for the expedition is at <http://www.mdx.org/ye3k/> [TNX IZ8CCW]

MARABATUA ISLAND (OC-NEW)

YB - YB9BU and other operators plan to be active as YB7M from Marabatua (aka Moresse) Island, Laut Kecil Islands (OC-???) on 9 - 14 March. QSL via YB9BU [TNX YB9BU]

ZA - A group of operators from The Mediterraneo DX Clubd and the Salento DX Team will be active on all bands and modes from Albania with prefix ZA2 on 3-10 May. They plan to participate in the ARI International Contest and, if they get the authorization, to operate also from Sazan Island (EU-169). [TNX IZ8CCW]

ZD8 - Andy, G0JLX will be on Ascension Island (AF-003) from 24 February until 21 March. He hopes to get the call ZD8AD and to operate on the HF bands and 6 metres mainly during the weekends. QSL via home call. [TNX K1XN]

ZF - Jim, N6TJ will be active as ZF2TJ from the Cayman Islands (NA-016) during the ARRL DX CW Contest (19-20 February). QSL via VE3HO. [TNX NG3K]

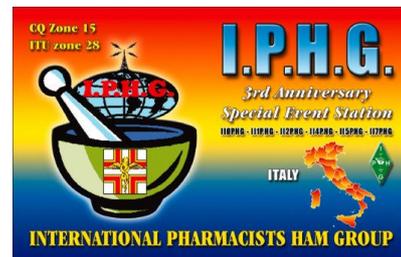
ZK1_nc - The 17-24 February operation from Manihiki Atoll (North Cook Islands) by ZK1SDE and ZK1SDZ [425DXN 710] has been cancelled owing to the cyclonic depression covering the Cook Islands area. The team (ZK1SDE, ZK1SDZ, ZK1WET and ZK1XMY) is on Aitutaki

(South Cook Islands), which has been already hit by Cyclone Meena and Cyclone Nancy, and a third one (Olaf) is approaching from Samoa. "A very disappointing decision", Tim, ZK1SDE (M3SDE) says, "but safety comes first". The antenna systems were taken down, but will be put up again after Cyclone Olaf has passed by. ZK2 - Murray, VE7HA will arrive in Niue (OC-040) on 7 February and will remain there for a couple of months. Murray will operate as ZK2HA and he hopes to be active to some degree in both the ARRL DX Contests (CW and SSB) and also in the CQ WPX SSB Contest. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]

IPHG

Several special calls are expected to be activated in March celebrating the 3rd anniversary of the International Pharmacists Ham Group (<http://www.malpensa.it/iphg/>):

3G4PHG	by CE4ETZ	01-31 March
3Z8PHG	by SP8QED	01-31 March
I10PHG	by IK0AZG	17-27 March
I11PHG	by IZ1ASN	17-27 March
I12PHG	by IK2UVR	17-27 March
I14PHG	by I4TDK	17-27 March
I15PHG	by IK5ZTT	17-27 March
I17PHG	by IZ7ECB	17-27 March
TM1PHG	by F5BKU & F5RPB	14-28 March
TM2PHG	by F5SGI	14-28 March
TM3PHG	by F5MXV	14-28 March
ZV2PHG	by PY2LEC	01-30 March



CQ WW 160M SSB CONTEST

The following stations have announced their participation in this year's event (26-27 February):

- C6 Bill, NE1B (C6AWB) and Tom, C6ANM from the Bahamas. QSL for both via WA2IYO.
- CN Jim, W7EJ as CN2R (SOHP) from Morocco. QSL via W7EJ.
- D4 4L5A as D4B from Cabo Verde. QSL via K1BV.
- GD G4XUM as MD4K from the Isle of Man. QSL via G3NKC.
- P4 John, W2GD as P4OW (SOHP) from Aruba. QSL via N2MM.
- V5 Janusz, V5/SP6IXF and Przemek, V5/SP7VC from Namibia. QSL via home calls.
- XE XE2ED, XE2K and XE2CQ as 6I2CQ from the Rumorosa Mountains (Baja California), Mexico. QSL via XE2CQ
- YI Korey, KA5VCQ as YI9VCQ from Iraq. QSL via N3ST.

CQ/RJ WW WPX RTTY CONTEST

The following stations have announced their participation in this year's event (12-13 February):

- 9Y Juris/YL2GM as 9Y4W from Tobago.
- HI JA6WFM/HI8 from the Dominican Republic, possibly on 15 and 20 or 40 metres. QSL direct to JA6VU.
- I ARI Taranto operators as IQ7TA. QSL via bureau or direct to IK7AFM.
- LX LX1ER, DF4OR, DF7ZS, DL1ZBO and LX1RQ as LX8M (multi-two) from Luxembourg. QSL via the LX QSL bureau or direct to LX1ER.
- OHO A multi-national team of operators will as OH0I (Multi-Multi) from the Aland Islands. QSL via OH3BHL. [TNX NG3K]
- OHO OH3BHL, OH6GAZ, OH6HZH, OH6JHU and OH9MM as OH0Z from the Aland Islands. QSL via OH5DX.
- PJ7 Ron, ND5S as PJ7/ND5S from St. Maarten. QSL via home call.
- SV SV1CIB, SV3FUO and SV3BSF as J43BSF (Multi-Single). QSL via SV1CIB. [TNX The Daily DX]
- XE Trey/N5KO, Glenn/W6OTC, Alberto/XE1NK and Ramon/XE1KK as 6G1KK (Multi-Single) from Mexico. QSL via W5UE.
- ZK1_sc ZK1WET from Aitutaki (OC-083), South Cook Islands. QSL via M3SDE.

Do not forget to give a look to the Announced Operations listings maintained by Bill, NG3K at <http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cq160s2005.html> and <http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cqjwpwx2005.html>

GOOD TO KNOW

VU2RBI HONOURED

QRZ-DX reports that Bharathi, VU2RBI has been named recipient of the 2nd Annual Lynch Memorial Award, given by the Tokyo International Amateur Radio Association: "Bharathi Prasad, VU2RBI, recently became famous in the ham world for her DXpedition to Andaman Island after 14 years of wrangling with Indian bureaucrats. Shortly after that, she became widely known outside the amateur radio community in India and abroad for her heroic work on-air in the aftermath of the Indian Ocean Tsunami."

425 DX NEWS MAGAZINE | Nicola, IZ3EBA has compiled the second and third missing monthly edition (September & October 2004), and the January 2005 issue which are now available in either .pdf and/or.doc formats at <http://www.425dxn.org/monthly/> Articles and pictures should be sent to Nicola Baldresca, IZ3EBA (iz3eba@libero.it).

AA SOFTWARE | Gabriele Antonelli (I5-1990) is the author of the Antarctica Award software, which is downloadable for free from <http://www.mdx.org/antarctica/download.asp>. The professionally made AA software is a log program for contacts made with Antarctic stations: it interacts with the AA Directory (it gives also the DXCC Entry and the IOTA Reference Number for each base) and makes the participation in the Antarctica Award easier. [TNX I5-1990]

BEACON (VK6) | The VK6RWA 28 MHz beacon on 28264 kHz has been upgraded and it is now running 5 Watts output. Antenna is 5/8 wave vertical. The beacon is currently running at the Perth QTH of VK6APK, until the new premises of VK6ANC are completed. Any reception reports are welcome and should be sent to VK6ANC. [TNX VK6APK]

BEACON (LU) | The LU4XS beacon on 28190 kHz has been upgraded. Signal reports can be sent to moatbeacon@yahoo.com.ar [TNX LU7AWY]

DXCC LISTINGS | The ARRL Web site now features up-to-date listings of DXCC awards earned. The new system shows every issued DXCC award known to ARRL's computerized DXCC system, with the exception of individual standings for 5BDXCC. The new system makes available a separate listing for each DXCC award type (band or mode), and DXCC listings will be updated daily. Each listing by band or mode is complete in a separate Adobe PDF file. Printing format options include US letter-sized or ISO A4 paper. The DXCC listings can be found at <http://www.arrl.org/awards/dxcc/#listings>

DXCC NEWS

The following operations have been approved for DXCC credit:

- TX9 operation from the Chesterfield Islands (October 2004)
- VU4RBI and VU4NRO (from 30 November through 31 December 2004)

EUROPEAN CASTLES DAY | The fourth edition of the European Castles Day [425DXN 720] will take place on

22 May between 6 and 16 UTC. Several stations are expected to operate from fortresses and castles in France, Belgium, Italy, Spain and Portugal. Information on castles award programmes can be found on <http://f6fna.club.fr/dfcfa2.html> [TNX F6FNA]

IOTA BASH | On 11-12 March there will be a get together for IOTA enthusiasts at Mike's (AD5A) QTH near Boerne, Texas. There will be presentations from recent IOTA expeditions (NA-164, NA-165, OC-155, NA-044) with talks on technical topics as well as a presentation on the current state of the IOTA program and a look at future developments. Please contact Mike (ad5a@arrl.net) for detailed information or visit www.islandradio.org

KH8SI | The web site for the 2-6 March expedition is at <http://www.swains-island.org/>. The ARRL's position on the matter is explained in details at <http://www.arrl.org/announce/American-Samoa/>

MOST WANTED SURVEY | The DX Magazine's (<http://www.dxpub.com>) annual Most Wanted Survey was conducted between mid-September and late October 2004 [425DXN 698], when the VU4RBI & VU4NRO DXpedition to the Andamans was still to take place. The top 20 Most Wanted DXCC Entities are North Korea, Andaman & Nicobar Is., Scarborough Reef, Lakshadweep Is., Yemen, Peter I Island, Navassa I., Desecheo I., Bouvet I., Kure I., Crozet I., Kerguelen Is., Prince Edward & Marion Is., Glorioso Is., Amsterdam & St. Paul Is., Heard I., Mount Athos, Aves I., Palmyra & Jarvis Is., South Orkney Islands.

NOT THE MANAGER

- Jeremy, F8DBN is receiving cards for FG5FR, but he is not the QSL manager for this station. [TNX La Gazette du DX]
- Please note that Arne, LA8LA (5B4AHB) is not and has never been the QSL manager for 5B4AHA. Cards should be sent direct only to Steve Hodgson, 4 Nikolaou Michael Street, 5523 Dasaki Achna, Cyprus. [TNX LA8LA]
- Maurice, F5NQL is receiving cards for stations he is not and has never been the QSL manager for. He provides the following list of correct QSL routes:

5V7C	via F5TVG	TM5AUX	via F5SM
9Q/F5LTB	via F5LTB	TM5SIA	via F2WS
F5KCC	via F5LBR	TM5SIR	via F5SM
F8UFT	via F6ICG	TM5SM (1995)	via F5SM
HW1SIA	via F5SM	TM5SRA	via F5SM
HW5SIA	via F5SM	TM60SA	via F6GXL
HW6SIA	via F5SM	TM6BFY	via F5NII
HY3SIA	via F5SM	TM7OXR	via F2WS
HY5SIA	via F5SM	TM9AF	via F5SM

 For Maurice's current (F5NQL) and previous callsigns (FB1NQL, F89/FB1NQL, FD1NQL, F1NQL, FBC1NQL), as well as for all of his portable operations, the QSL manager is F3GJ. The QSL cards for F5MCC, his previous callsigns (FA1MCC, F1MCC, F89/FD1MCC, FD1MCC, FBC5MCC) and his portable operations from Corsica, should also go via F3GJ.

QSL 3E1DX | Ken, SM4EMO has had some e-mail correspondence with Guenter, HP1XX (formerly known as HP1XVH) about the QSL route for 3E1DX (contest call) for the 1998 CQ WW Contest and later QSOs. The previous manager, WC4H has been dropped in favour of DJOLZ, who is also the QSL manager for HP1XX himself. [TNX SM4EMO]

QSL 3V8SQ I Hein, DL2OBF can confirm QSOs made with 3V8SQ during CQ WW CW 2004 and on the two days before the contest. Cards can be sent direct or through the bureau. [TNX I7OEB]

QSL 9N7JO I Stig, LA7JO is currently active as 9N7JO from Nepal; he says that QSL cards should be sent direct to the following address: Stig Lindblom, Jum Changphimai, 147/1 Moo 3, Tambon Boot, Ban Ta Bong, Phimai, TH-30110 Nakhon Ratchashima, Thailand

QSL 9QOAR I The QSL route "via SM5BFJ" [425DXN 720] is for contacts made with Gus, SM5DIC. Gus is in the Democratic Republic of Congo until the end of the year and expects to be licenced to operate as 9Q1D (QSL via SM5BFJ). [TNX The Daily DX]

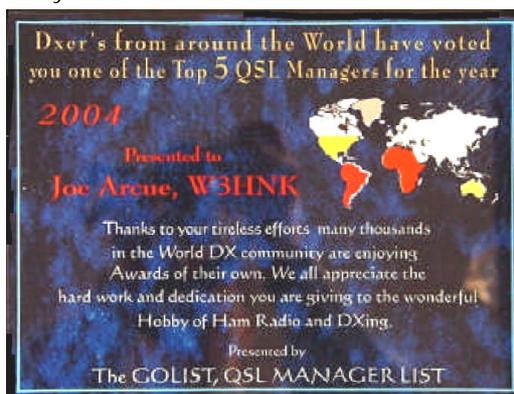
QSL EY7AF I Ed, EY7AF reports that RW6HS is no longer his QSL manager. [TNX EY8MM]

QSL FP/VE7SV I "Due to circumstances beyond our control", Paul/VE7AVV says, "the processing of QSL cards for FP/VE7SV has been delayed. We are working towards resolution of operational issues and apologize for this unexpected inconvenience. All QSL card requests on hand will be processed in due course. Further updates will be posted at http://www.bcdxc.org/fpve7sv_qsl_informatin.htm".

QSL MANAGERS OFFERED

- Graham Ridgeway, M5AAV currently handles QSLs G6PZ, GB6MD, Z21KF, TX4PG (bureau), ZK3SB (bureau) and 6O0CW (bureau). Those who would like to avail themselves of his services as a QSL manager, are invited to contact Graham at m5aav@zetnet.co.uk; his web site is at www.users.zetnet.co.uk/m5aav/index.htm
- Peppe Gerace, IZ8EBI is willing to offer his services to other stations. Information can be found at www.qrz.com

QSL MANAGER SURVEY I Conducted by the "Golist, QSL Manager List", the "Top 5 QSL Managers" survey for 2004 closed for nominations on 1 February. Over 2100 DXers from around the world sent in nominations for their Top 5 managers, resulting in 100 different managers being nominated (see <http://golist.net/> for the full list of nominees). From this list of 100, the following Top 5 (listed in alphabetical order) were selected based upon the greatest number of nominations received: Phil Whitechurch (G3SWH), Roger Western (G3SXW), Nigel Cawthorne (G3TXF), Antonio Cannataro (I28CCW), Joe Arcure (W3HNK). This year, the Top 5 QSL Managers will receive an engraved plaque acknowledging this accomplishment: "these plaques have been donated to the Top 5 project by a Golist subscriber who believes that this award is also needed to help show the gratitude to those people who give so much time and effort to make our dreams of awards come true", John, K1XN says.



QSL OC-267 I Johan, PA3EXX has had full colour cards for VK4WWI/p (Marion Reef, OC-267) printed. Those who have already received the plain "ordinary" card can e-mail their mail address to Johan (willemsen@multiweb.nl) and he "will make sure they receive the QSL". [TNX PA3EXX]

QSL V51HH I The QSL manager is DL6TTB, but cards can be sent also direct to V51HH (Holger Roemershaeuser, P.O. Box 231, 9000 Windhoek, Namibia) or via the NARL QSL Bureau (P.O. Box 1100, 9000 Windhoek, Namibia). [TNX SP5XSD]

QSL VU4RBI & VU4NRO I VU3RSB reports that the QSL requests are arriving regularly at the NIAR headquarters. To date, there is only one QSL address for the VU4RBI & VU4NRO operations from the Andaman Islands: National Institute of Amateur Radio, Rajbhavan Road, Somajiguda, Hyderabad 500 082, India. [TNX K4VUD]

QSL YB/IV3NCC I Marco, IV3NCC is currently guest operating from Indonesia. Cards for these activities should be sent direct to Marco Tuniz, Via Savoia 18, 34079 Staranzano, Italy.

QSL VIA IK2QPR I Paolo provides the up-to-date list of the stations for which he is the current QSL manager:

4L0DX	EX8NP	UI80AA	UN0N (e)
EK1700GM	EX8QB	UK7PBH	UN10
EK3GM (a)	EX8QF	UK8GH	UN20
EK8WB (b)	FO/IK2QPR	UK8ICO	UN7FW
E02CWO	II2R (d)	UK8IZ	UN7JX
EU6MM	LU1QS	UK8OM	UN7OD
EW6GB	RC4/UC1WWO	UL00B	UN7OP
EW6WW	RF6FU	UL7JGJ	UN7PJQ
EX2FU	RI10A	UL7NAN	UN9PQ
EX2U	RL20	UL7OAO	UO100OIL
EX5T	UA0YAY	UL70B	UP500
EX7MA	UC1WWO	UL7PJQ	V25PR
EX7MK	UC2WO	UM8DX	VP5/IK2QPR
EX8DX	UF6FFL	UM8MU	
EX8MLE (c)	UI8IZ	UM8OM	
EX8NK	UI8NH	UM8QB	

- (a) till 20 May 2002
- (b) till 1 May 1999
- (c) till 1 April 2002
- (d) 1994-97
- (e) till 2 February 2001

QSL VIA IK3GES (1) I Gabriele, IK3GES reports that all of the direct requests for FK/IV3FSE (OC-032 and OC-079) and YJOASG received so far have been processed and cards have been mailed. Logs and pictures can be found at <http://www.ik3ges.it/iv3fsg.htm>.

Gabriele also says that - for reasons beyond his control and until further notice - the QSL bureau cannot be used for any of the following calls: FK/IV3FSG, Z38A, Z38B, Z38/IV3FSG, ZA3/IV3FSG and YJOASG. Cards should be sent direct only to IK3GES.

QSL VIA IK3GES (2) I Gabriele, IK3GES reports that all of the QSLs for his past operations (from 1991 to 2004) have been sent out, direct or bureau. Logs can be found at <http://www.ik3ges.it>

QSL VIA IT9DAA I Corrado, IT9DAA is the QSL manager for the following stations, which participated in the MDXC Members Trophy (4-6 February): 9A0MDC, ED3MDC, ED4MDC, ED8MDC, HG05MDC, I18MDC, I19MDC, IO8MDC, IR2MDC, IR5MDC, IR8M, IR9MDC, IU1MDC, UE3MDC.

QSL VIA N9NU I Tim Dickerson, N9NU (<http://www.n9nu.net>) is the QSL manager for KH6XT,

9K2AI, 9K9A, UA9CKN, YB0GJS and A92GQ. "I have not been able to contact any of these stations in the past 3 months to obtain logs", he says, "The few e-mail addresses I have are no longer valid and I have cards stacked up here awaiting to be sent out". If anyone has any valid e-mail addresses or knows anything about the status of these operators, please contact Tim (n9nu@n9nu.net).

QSL VIA UA4WHX I Vladimir, UA4WHX reports on the current QSLing situation of his activities.

- a) EP4HR (12-14 January 2005): cards are available via either 12MQP (who will receive the logs in a few weeks' time) or UA4WHX.
- b) 4L/UA4WHX: cards should be printed soon.
- c) Caribbean tour (2002): all direct and bureau requests received so far have been processed and mailed.
- d) Pacific tour (2003) - the current status is as follows: Europe - all direct answered, all bureau pending; Japan - 70% direct answered, the rest is being worked on now; bureau on hold; USA - 30% direct answered, the rest is being worked on now; bureau (including WF5E) on hold; Others - all direct answered, all bureau pending.

ROCKALL ISLAND I Is there any brave operator who wants to activate Rockall, the only still unnumbered IOTA group in Europe? Give a look to <http://www.therockalltimes.co.uk/rockall-ho/assault-plan.html>

SOUTH JERSEY DX ASSOCIATION I The 2005 officers of the South Jersey DX Association (<http://www.qsl.net/n2oo/SJDXA.htm>) are: Bob Schenck/N200 (President), Tony De Biasi/K2SG (Vice

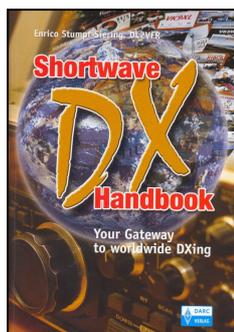
President), Steve Mc Garry/W2USF (Secretary), Larry Eckenrode/K2GN (Treasurer). [TNX N200]

VP8CMH I Mike, GM0HCQ/VP8CMH expected to fly back home on 3 February, at the end of his work period. He will be on leave until sometime in June. He operated as GM0HCQ/MM (913 QSOs) and VP8CMH/MM (1382) from the RRS "James Clark Ross", as well as VP8SIG (19 QSOs) from Signy Base (AA G-05) in the South Orkneys (IOTA AN-008), VP8SGK (188 QSOs) from South Georgia (IOTA AN-007) and VP8ROT (148 QSOs) from Rothera Base (AA G-07) on Adelaide Island (IOTA AN-001), Antarctica. QSLs via home call.

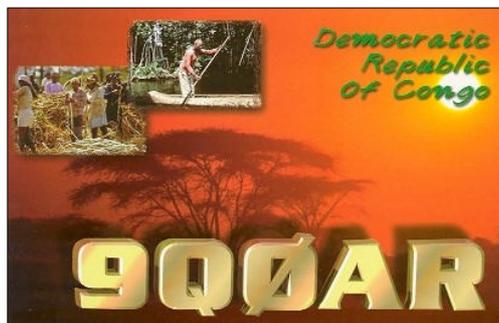
VU4NRO & VU4RBI REPORT I An interesting report, written by VU2MYH, on the December 2004 DXpedition/relief efforts in the Andaman and Nicobar Islands can be downloaded at The Daily DX's web site (<http://www.dailydx.com/VU4.htm>). [TNX W3UR]

+ SILENT KEYS +

Bill Gallier, W4WX reports that Vance LePierre, N5VL (formerly known as WV2RHP and W5IJU) became a silent key on 25 January. Vance was very active in the IOTA programme while a resident on NA-138, and operated under several other call signs: HL9UB, VP2EEU, VP2MBU, DL4BW, DL4IJ, DL4LV, E30FA, W5IJU/KP1, W5IJU/6YT, W5IJU/CY9, CY9A and KG4VL. Operating from E30GA, he made the only satellite contact ever made from Eritrea.



SHORTWAVE DX HANDBOOK I The highly successful Kurzwellen DX-Handbuch by Enrico Stumpf-Siering, DL2VFR, originally published in German in June 2003, is now available in English (translation by Martyn Phillips, G3RFX, 418 pages, ISBN 3-88692-045-3). Many new photographs and illustrations have been specially included in this English language edition. «In recent years there have been many changes to the world of DX», the Author says. «So it's time for a new book, written with these new developments very much in mind. A book which brings the many different aspects of DX closer to both the experienced radioamateur and the newcomer». The book is published by DARC-Verlag GmbH, Lindenallee 6, 34225 Baunatal, Germany. Check their web site at <http://www.darcverlag.de>, or contact Harry Radke, DB2HR (verlag@darcverlag.de) for further information.



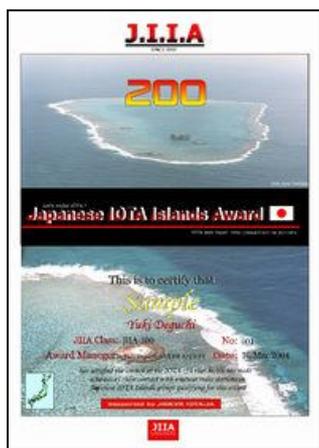
NEWS FROM THE WEB



6 METRES SURVEY: Gruppo Sixitalia has conducted a Most Wanted survey for 6 metres; it that can be found at <http://www.sixitalia.org/polls/start.htm> [TNX IZ5EKV]

3D2RR: Pictures from the current 3D2RR operation from Rotuma can be found on Martin's (SM0DTK) web site at <http://hem.passagen.se/sm0dtk/> (click "Losgodis"). [TNX SM0DTK]

DX SPOTS: Rod Elliott, VE3UW (ex VE3IRF) has collected the DX spots from the OH2AQ Web Cluster since January 1997. The collection - from January 1997 up to January 2005 - is available at www.425dxn.org/dxspots/ as well the software (DXINFO v2.0) which will enable you to handle the files (instructions at the URL above).



EU-130: A video of the IOTA Contest 2004 IQ3GO/p operation from Isola del Campo (EU-130, IIA GO-029) by the Eastern Contest Team can be found at <http://www.arigorizia.org/> (follow the ECT link on the left). [TNX IV31FN]

JIIA: The up-to-date scores for the JIIA - Japanese IOTA Islands Award can be found at <http://www3.ocn.ne.jp/~iota/newpage75.htm> [TNX JI6KVR]

OLOANT: Jorda Jirus, OK1FOW has sent an updated report on his OLOANT operation from Eco Base (OK-01 for the Antarctica Award) on Nelson Island. It can be found in the "News" area on www.mdxc.org/antarctica/news.asp. Other information on his activity can be found at www.mdxc.org/antarctica/activity/2005.htm and on the Eco Base at www.antarctica.cz. A photo gallery is available at www.mdxc.org/antarctica/oloant [TNX IZ8CGS]



The antenna at OLOANT



Jorda, OK1FOW operating as OLOANT

LOGS

- Stan, YBOAJR (OK1JR) reports he made 200+ QSOs as YE0X during the CQ WW 160 Meter CW Contest. His log can be found at www.ok1jr.com/cq160
- On-line logs for Tibi's recent activity as 3B8/HA7TM can be found at <http://ha7tm.uw.hu/7tmlog/searc.html> [TNX HA0HW]
- On-line logs for the current 600CW operation from Somalia can be found at <http://www.i2ysb.com/60/>
- The log search page for EY8MM, YA5MM, D44AC and D44TT can be found at <http://www.qsl.net/ey8mm/>
- On-line logs for Max, KH6ZM can be found at www.qsl.net/i0mwi (a list of direct cards received and waiting to be processed is also available). [TNX I0MWI]

R1ANF: The club station at Bellingshausen (AA UA-04) on King George Island, South Shetlands, now has a web page with a nice photo gallery at <http://www.alfaradio.ca/r1anf.php> [TNX DL5EBE]



Bellingshausen Station (AA UA-04) on King George Island (AN-010)

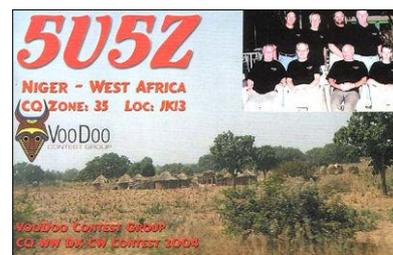
XF1K: The story of XF1K's recent IOTA trip to the islands of Asuncion (NA-164, 9-11 January) and Santa Ines (NA-165, 14-16 January) is available on the IREF's web site at <http://www.islandradio.org/xf1kna164.htm>. On-line logs for both the operations can be found at <http://www.425dxn.org>. QSL via N6AWD (Fred Stenger, 6000 Heskett Dr., Bakersfield, CA 93309, USA).

YO DX HF CONTEST: The results of the 2004 event are now available on the Romanian Amateur Radio Federation's web site at <http://www.hamradio.ro/contests/yodxhf2004/> [TNX N2YO]

ZD8I: The web site for Ian, G8WVW/ZD8I is at <http://www.zd8i.net/>. Ian moved to Ascension Island at the end of March 2004 and will be there until March 2006. QSL via G4LTI, either direct (Mike Coverdale, 1a Halton Chase, Westhead, Ormskirk, Lancashire, L40 6JR, United Kingdom) or bureau.

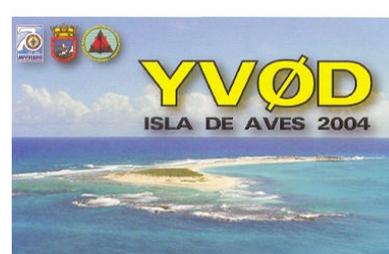
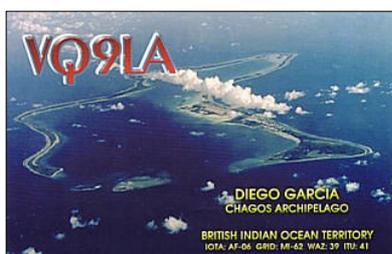
QSLs RECEIVED DIRECT OR THROUGH MANAGERS

3B8CF, 3B8MM, 3D2AG/P, 3D2DD, 3D2VB/R, 3D2XA, 3DA0TM, 3W22S, 4L1MA, 4U1UN, 4X4WN, 5R8FU, 5T0EU, 5T5SN, 5U5Z, 5Z4DZ, 6O0X, 6Y5/KN5G, 7Q7MM, 7W0AD, 8Q7DV, 9G5DX, 9G5OO, 9J2KC, 9K2RR, 9L1MS/P (AF-037), 9N1FP, 9N1SXW, A52CDX, A61AJ, A61AV/P (AS-124), A61Q/P (AS-021), AY1ZA, BI4Q (AS-135), C21DL, C6ANI, C91CG, C91Z, D4B, DU9/N0NM, EJ6JK (EU-007), EL2PM, FH/G3SXW, FM5GU, FO/N6JA, FW/AC4LN (OC-054), FW/G3SXW, GD0TEP, HC8L, HC8N, HF0POL, HI8RV,



HK1XX, HR1RMG, HS0/IK4MRH, HS72B, IH9YMC, IMO A (EU-165), JT1CO, JW5E, K5R(NA-082), KD6WW/VY0 (NA-130 and NA-196), KG4SB, KH0AA, LA5SJA (EU-141), LY3UM, LZ9W, P40A, P40HQ, PJ2/W9VA, R1FJL, RD3A, RL3A, RW9JT/9 (AS-109), RZ9OO/O (AS-005), S79RJ, S79SO, S9SS, SK0HS/5 (EU-084), SK6M (EU-043), SV2ASP/A, T30T, T32CK, T88VV (OC-009), TA3FB/P (AS-098), TJ3FR, TK4Z, TN6X, TO0O, TR8CA, TR8CR, TU2CI, TX9, TY5M, TZ6JA, TZ6RD, V31JP, V47KP, V51AS, V51XG, V63WB (OC-012 & OC-059), V73GE, VE2IM, VK9LA, VP2E, VP2ENK, VP8CWI (SA-002), VP8DID, VP8LP,

VP9/W6PH, VQ9GB, VQ9LA, W4OV/VP9, WP4U, XE2/N7RK, XF4IH, XQ6ET, XT2DX, XV1X, XV9DT, YB0AJR/9, YC4VD (OC-143), YE1P, YK1AO, YI9OM, YS3/I2JIN, YV0D (NA-020), YV5ANF/1 (SA-089), Z36W, Z37M, ZC4LI, ZD7F, ZD7MY, ZD7T, ZD7ZA, ZD8JA, ZS8MI, ZX8M (SA-045), ZY0K.



QSL ROUTES

From 425 DX News # 718

From 425 DX News # 720

CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER
3D2HC	DL9HCU	ED6SSC	EA6ZX	T6KBLRM	DL2JRM
3D2RR	HA8IB	ED7CK	EA7HBC	TA3J/60	TA3YJ
3Z1IARU	SP3MGM	ED7CPR	EA7ESH	TI8CBT	EA7FTR
3Z2IARU	SP2B	ED7MCM	EA7CFU	TM6OLS	F5OCL
3Z8IARU	SP8AQA	ED7PBA	EA7EMB	TM6OLW	F5TFI
3Z9IARU	SP9PRO	EG4CAZ	EA4GU	TM7VM	F5UJZ
4L6VV	UA6AZ	EM1HO	I2PJA	TOOO	KCOW
4N35GM	4N1GM	EM60J	UU5JYA	TR8CR	F8EN
5T5SN	IZ1BZV	EW6GF	DL8KAC	TR8FC	F8BUZ
600CW	I2YSB (a)	EX8A	W3HNC	UE1QSK	UA1RJ
600CW	M5AAV (b)	EY8MM	K1BV	UE3QKS	RN3QO
600G	IK2GNW (c)	FR1AN	N5FTR	UN180E	RX3RC
600G	M5AAV (d)	HF1IARU	SP1DPA	UN7EX	RX3RC
9G500	DL4WK	HF2IARU	SP2PI	UO1E	RX3RC
9H3RW	G4IPE	HF3IARU	SP3SLD	UO60SB	RX3RC
9K2MU	WA4WTG	HF4IARU	SP4GFG	UP100RAEM	RX3RC
9M2TO	JA0DMV	HF6IARU	SP6BOW	UP2003ZO	RX3RC
9N7JO	LA7JO	HF7IARU	SP7LFT	UP57EX	RX3RC
9Q1KS	IZ7AUH	HF8IARU	SP8MI	UP58EX	RX3RC
9V1YC	N5ID	HK1AR	K7ZD	UP59EX	RX3RC
A61AJ	DJ2MX (e)	HS0ZDJ	W2YR	UQ1EDX	RX3RC
A61AJ	K2UO (f)	HS0ZFI	SM5GMZ	V25BO	HB9FBO
A61AS	YO3FRI	HZ1EX	SM0BYD	V31YN/P	DJ4KW
A71EM	EA7FTR	HZ1IK	DK7YY	V51KC	IZ8EDJ
AX0MT	JE1LET	J20FH	F5PRU	VK0MT	JE1LET
C56C	G3SWH	K6P	WC6DX	VK2IAW	DJ7JC
CO2WL/1	EA3ESZ	K7WD/KH0	JH7IMX	VK3MO	WA9BXB
CO3CJ/1	IZ8EBI	KH0A	JF1MIA	VP2E	N5AU
CO3JN/1	IZ8EBI	KP2/G4RCG	G4OOC	VP2V/W3HQ	VK4AAR
CO3LF/1	IZ8EBI	KP2/KI7VR	G4OOC	VP8KF	G3VPW
CO3VK/1	IZ8EBI	KP4SQ	KD8IW	XT2DM	OZ4LP
CO6WD	W0SA	MD4K	G3NKC	XU7TZG	ON4AJV
CO8CY	EA5KB	MJ0AWR	K2WR	XV2G/C	JA7GAX
CO8LY	EA7ADH	NP4A	W3HNC	XX9TMY	VR2MY
CO8ZZ	DK1WI	OH0Z	OH5DX	XX9TVR	VR2KW
CP4BT	EA5KB	P40LE	K2LE	YA5Y	DL5SE
CQ3A	OH2PM	P49MR	VE3MR	YI9AQ	OM3XX
CT9C	OK5DX	PJ4/NE8Z	NE8Z	YT35T	YT6T
CT9M	CT3EE	R1ANC	DL5EBE	YU35BM	YU1BM
CU1CB	EA5KB	R1ANF	RK1PWA	YU35ZZ	YU1ZZ
D4B	K1BV	RU3HD/ANT	RZ3DJ	YZ35AA	YZ1AA
DX0K	4F2KWT	SF50A	W3HNC	Z21FO	K3PD
EA8/AE6PP	OH1VR	SN1IARU	SP3NEN	Z24S	W3HNC
ED2RKO	EA2OK	SN2IARU	SP2Y	ZB2FX	G3RFX
ED3RNE	EA3ALV	SP2IARU	SP2HYO	ZF2LC	W2SM
ED3TCT	EA3EVR	ST2PN	PA7FM	ZK1SDE	M3SDE
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ED5MUC	EA5URM	SU9BN	EA7FTR	ZK1WET	M3SDE
ED6IDP	EA6AEI	SU9NC	OM2SA	ZK1XMY	M3SDE

(a) CW and RTTY direct (b) CW and RTTY bureau (c) SSB direct
 (d) SSB bureau (e) rest of the world
 (f) North/Central/South America, Caribbean, U.S. possessions

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4T750	DL5WM	HZ1EX	SM0BYD	SV0XAI/9	LA4XFA
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600CW	I2YSB (a)	II9MDC	IT9DAA	TG9NX	N4FKZ
600CW	M5AAV (b)	IO8MDC	IT9DAA	TM0ANT	F6KDF
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8P9NX	W0SA	J43BSF	SV1CIB	UN7MMM	EA7FTR
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A45WD	YO9HP	KH0AC	K7ZA	V47Z	K3TEJ
C6AKQ	N4BP	L40E	LU7EE	V51XG	DL8AL
C6ALK	K7RE	L73E	LU7EE	VK0MT	JE1LET
C6AMM	K1CN	LU/F2JD	F6AJA	VP8BF	M0GCR
C6ASB	AK0M	LU/K4SV	K4YL	VP8DIN	N6TQS
C6ASC	AK0M	LU/N2WB	N20O	VP8RAF	MM0BUL
CA8WCI/9	CA8WCI	LU7EH	EA7FTR	VQ9JK	G4FJK
CE8/HA1AG	HA1AG	OC4P	DL5WM	WP2Z	KU9C
CE8A	CE6NE	OH0I	OH3BHL	WP3C	W3HNC
CN8IG	EA7FTR	OH0W	OH3LQK	XQ3BRN	IZ6BRN
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CU1CB	EA5KB	P29KPH	N5FTR	YB9AY	YB9BU
CU2M	DL5AXX	P40MH	OH2BAD	YI9VCQ	N3ST
CU3N	CU3CY	P49Y	AE6Y	YN4SU	TI4SU
D44AC	RW3TN (d)	PJ2MI	W2CQ	Z24S	W3HNC
ED8MDC	IT9DAA	PJ2T	N9AG	ZC4LI	G0LII
EF8BDX	EC8ADU	PJ4/NE8Z	NE8Z	ZD8I	G4LTI
EM1HO	I2PJA	PJ4R	N4GG	ZF2TJ	VE3HO
ET3TK	OK1CU	PY0FF	W9VA	ZK1SDE	M3SDE
FK8AH	W3HNC	PY0ZFO	W9VA	ZK1SDZ	M3SDE
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HI8/JA6WFM	JA6VU	RA6AX	W3HNC	ZK3HC	DL9HCU
HS0/OZ1HET	OZ1ACB	S21BI	EI3IO	ZL1V	N3SL
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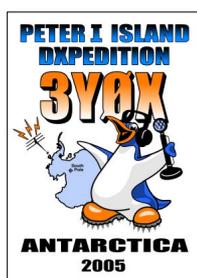
Gilbert, 4F2KWT operating DXOK from Pag-Asa, Kalayaan (Spratly) Islands

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3Y0X POSTPONED UNTIL 2006

The team had to change the point of embarkation from Punta Arenas (Chile) to Ushuaia (Argentina) and planned to set sail on 18 February, with a shortened operating period (from 24 February to 3 March) on Peter I. Then, on Thursday, 17 February, K4UEE and KOIR issued the following Press Release:



Object: Peter I to be postponed until next year

I am afraid we have bad news. At 1 AM local time today we learned that our charter vessel, the Cavendish Sea, had not yet sailed from the port of Comodoro Rivadavia. The Cavendish Sea was to sail to Ushuaia to pick up the DXpedition team and their equipment on Friday, Feb 18th. We were to sail before noon.

Because they have delayed their arrival until Sunday, and with a projected Monday departure, we have simply run out time. This latest delay on top of numerous previous delays, simply makes it impossible for us to spend a sufficient amount of time on Peter I to justify the

DXpedition this year.

So, we have no choice but to postpone the DXpedition until 2006. We believe it is essential to allow enough time on Peter I to justify the monetary investment made by the team members, our sponsors, individual contributors, DX Clubs, DX Foundations.

After having the first vessel, the Antarctic Dream, default on their contract with us, then the helicopter company default on their contract and then after putting everything back together with a new boat and helicopter on this past Tuesday, the team has been on quite an emotional rollercoaster. Our sincerest thanks to everyone for the encouragement and support you offered us during this time.

Thanks,

Bob Allphin, K4UEE
Ralph Fedor, KOIR

THE KP1/5 PROJECT Appeal To U.S. Amateurs

The KP1/5 Project Team in conjunction with the Lone Star DX Association announces that the effort to gain access to Navassa and Desecheo Islands has begun again. The following is a summary of a release circulated by Michael Thomas, NA5U (Lone Star DX Association) on 15 February.

Introduced in the 108th Congress on 16 November 2004, the bill # HR 5361 [425DXN 707] has now been introduced in the 109th Congress and its number is H.R. 298. The bill - sponsored by US Congressman Nick Rahall (Democrat of West Virginia) and co-sponsored by Congressman Richard Pombo (Republican of California) - in effect would force the US Fish and Wildlife Service to allow occasional DXpeditions to either Navassa and Desecheo.



Desecheo, KP5

Source: <http://refuges.fws.gov/>



Navassa island, KP1

Source: <http://www.oceanrowing.com/>

On 8 April the KP1/K55 Team will be travelling to Washington, D.C. to make a presentation on Capitol Hill. The purpose of the presentation is to educate the legislators about the Amateur Radio Service, highlight the importance of Amateur Radio and the vital role it plays in national and worldwide communications, and of course focus on the facts surrounding the FWS's unjustified closure of Desecheo and Navassa to Amateur Radio DXers and testers.

DXers all over the US are now invited to contact their respective Congressperson as soon as possible, and ask them to support H.R. 298, co-sponsor the Bill, and finally encourage them or their staff to attend the briefing on Capitol Hill on 8 April. You can find your Representative's name at <http://www.house.gov/writerep/> and your 9-digit zip code at <http://zip4.usps.com/zip4/welcome.jsp> (if you need assistance, please e-mail KP1-5@DXer.org).

A sample letter to legislators, news updates and information about the KP1/5 Project can be found at www.KP1-5.com Those who would like to receive future news releases and news flashes directly, are invited to contact Mike, NA5U (see www.KP1-5.com).

Editor's note: Mike also notes that "opposition to H.R. 298 has begun": see <http://sfgate.com/cgi-bin/article.cgi?file=/c/a/2005/02/17/MNG11BCSV41.DTL> (article published by the San Francisco Chronicle on 17 February). In fact, IOTA enthusiasts please note that H.R. 298 concerns not only Navassa and Desecheo, but also the Farallon Islands (NA-178). This is one of the most Most Wanted IOTA groups, and it was activated only once several years ago by Dr. Robert W. Schmieder, KK6EK.



Farallon Islands (NA-178)

Source: <http://www.sfbaywhalewatching.com>

WRTC 2006 RAFFLE AND CONTRIBUTION PROGRAMMES

<http://www.wrtc2006.com/>



Organized by the the Liga de Amadores de Radio Emissao (LABRE) and the Araucaria DX Group (GADX), the next World Radiosport Team Championship, the amateur radio olympics, will be held in Florianopolis, capital of the Santa Catarina State in Southern Brazil, on 7-10 July. The 2006 World Radiosport Team Championship in Florianopolis, Brazil follows in the footsteps of previous WRTC competitions held in Seattle, San Francisco, Slovenia and Finland. The WRTC showcases amateur radio competition at the highest level. More than 36 two-man teams will be selected from around the world to participate in this Olympic-type event. The games are open to everyone - competitor and spectator alike. The web site for the event is at <http://www.wrtc2006.com>.

The World Radiosport Team Championship Organizing Committee is pleased to announce, effective immediately, the opportunity to win a free trip to Florianopolis, Brazil for "WRTC Week" which will be held July 7th - 10th, 2006. Two (2) grand prizes will be awarded (each for one (1) person) at the Contest Dinner at the Dayton Hamvention. One prize will be drawn in May 2005 and the second prize will be drawn in May 2006. Each grand prize includes the following:

- R/T Airfare in coach class on VARIG, the International airline of Brazil, to Florianopolis from any of its International gateways. Ex: US gateways include Boston, Chicago, Los Angeles, Miami, New York and Washington. Other International gateway cities can be found on the VARIG website: <http://www.varigbrasil.com/english>
- Hotel stay in the WRTC guest hotel in Florianopolis during the WRTC games (Room "extras" such as films, mini-bar, etc. are NOT included).
- A guest entry pass for (1) person to all public WRTC activities
- Free "public" meals as provided by the WRTC Organizers

The estimated value of each prize is approximately \$1875 USD.

Raffle chances are now available for sale at \$10 USD each from the following sources:

Mail

Checks may be made out to "NCDXF" in multiples of \$10 with the notation "WRTC RAFFLE" to be placed in the lower left-hand corner of the check. Please be sure to include this notation to assist with our processing and accounting procedures.

Checks for raffle chances should be mailed to:

Mr. Rusty Epps, W6OAT
651 Handley Trail
Redwood City, CA 94062
(Email: W6OAT@sbcglobal.net)

Raffle chances will be entered on purchasers' behalfs by the WRTC 2006 Fundraising Committee and held in safekeeping until the drawing at the Dayton Hamvention. Your cancelled check is your receipt.

Public Sales

The WRTC 2006 Fundraising Committee and/or its various representatives will be attending a number of the major hamventions between now and July 2006 at which raffle chances will be sold, eg: Visalia, Dayton, Friedrichshaven etc.

Solicitations will also be made at various other venues including DX forums, US & DX contest club meetings, etc. Be on the lookout for our "Win a Free Trip to Brazil for WRTC 2006" banner when it comes to your area...

PayPal

WRTC 2006 Contributions and WRTC 2006 Raffle Chance Sales at \$10 USD apiece can be effected via the PAYPAL system. Please use the system to send transfers to K1ZM@aol.com who is the fundraising chair for WRTC 2006.

Most amateurs are already familiar with PAYPAL which is a companion payment system linked to EBAY.com. New users who may be unfamiliar with PAYPAL (which is licensed to operate in 45 countries overseas) can sign up to become members of PAYPAL by going to the Paypal website and registering to use the system at <http://www.paypal.com>

International amateurs who may wish to donate to WRTC 2006 or who may wish to purchase WRTC 2006 Raffle chances may make a foreign currency or credit card payment via the PAYPAL system to us effective immediately - with remitted funds being converted to USD within the PAYPAL system back-end at the time they are delivered.

Please indicate in the PAYPAL transfer text your CALLSIGN and the words "WRTC CONTRIBUTION" or "WRTC RAFFLE" - in order that we may account for your payment correctly when it is received.

Please note that WRTC raffle chance sales are NOT tax-deductible under US IRS tax law.

Thanks and good luck to all our overseas amateur friends who can now participate easily within our WRTC 2006 Raffle and Contribution programs.

73, Atilano de Oms, PY5EG
Chair, WRTC Organizing Committee
<http://www.wrtc2006.com/>

Antarctica Award Scores

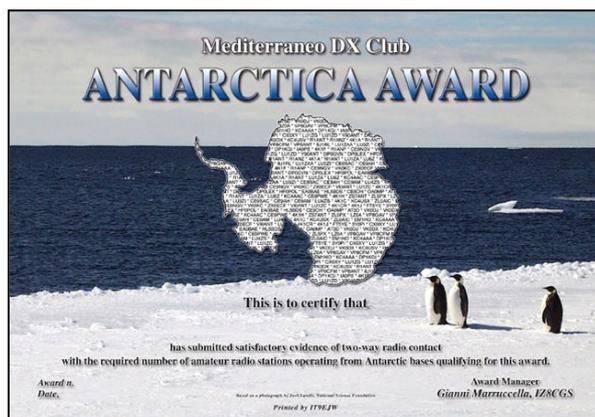
www.mdxc.org/antarctica

Rk	Call	Name & Surname	Score	Award Issued
1	W9DC	Donald S. Chamberlain	089	Certificate of Excellence
2	I1SNW	Claudio Scaglia	054	Certificate of Excellence
3	UA3-147-412	Eugene Shelkanovtcev	050	Certificate of Excellence
4	UA0ZC	Valery A. Makarov	040	Honour Roll
5	ON4IZ	Henry Van Kets	035	Honour Roll
6	IK2QPR	Paolo Fava	031	Honour Roll
7	9A4A	Zlatko Stepic	029	Honour Roll
8	JN3SAC	Yano Takashi	027	Honour Roll
9	HB9BVV	Franz Stutz	026	Honour Roll
	I1JQJ	Mauro Pregliasco	026	Honour Roll
	JA8IYI	Jiro Anzai	026	Honour Roll
	OK2SK	Frantisek Pohl	026	Honour Roll
13	DJ3XG	Rug Helm	025	Honour Roll
	ON4CAS	Egbert Hertsen	025	Honour Roll
15	DL3APO	Peter Kohde	023	Basic
16	RZ3EC	Eugene Shelkanovtcev	022	Basic
17	IK5CVV	Claudio Lencioni	020	Basic
18	I7RIZ	Gianni Rizzi	017	Basic
19	9A2WJ	Milan Drlic	016	Basic
20	9A3SM	Mato Samardzic	015	Basic
	DL7VKD	Dieter Klinkert	015	Basic
	HB9AGO	Hansruedi Stettler	015	Basic
	IK8YTA	Maurizio Zampa	015	Basic
24	IK1AVW	Loreno Talenti	014	Basic
	IK8JVG	Enrico Mele	014	Basic
	ON5FP	Marc De Brabandere	014	Basic
	PA5O	Albert Hugenholtz	014	Basic
28	9A5T	Mladen Katic	013	Basic
	OH5MBF	Pentti Ahola	013	Basic
30	9A2JK	Martin Svaco	012	Basic
	DP1POL	Felix Riess	012	Basic
	F5RBB	Patrice Verveche	012	Basic
33	HA1RW	Tamas Kocsondi	011	Basic
	K5FXB	Daniel W. Puckett	011	Basic
35	DK8UH	Lutz Schmadel	010	Basic
	DL2VFR	Enrico Stumpf-Siering	010	Basic
	EA5ERY	Angel Rafael Garcia	010	Basic
	I2MQP	Mario Ambrosi	010	Basic
	IK8BQE	Raimondo Barone	010	Basic
	XQ1VLY	Pat Valero	010	Basic
41	HA9PP	Istvan Szecsi	009	Basic
	I5KHX	Daniele Landi	009	Basic
	JN3QVC	Hiroshi Furuie	009	Basic
44	HA1RB	Janos Biczó	008	Basic
	IK1NLZ	Paolo Garavaglia	008	Basic
	IK8VRN	Gianfranco Lai	008	Basic
	IZ8CCW	Antonio Cannataro	008	Basic
	PY2DBU	Helio Carlota	008	Basic
49	G3KMA	Roger Balister	007	Basic
	I1FHA	Mario Terrile	007	Basic
	IK2SGB	Abele Castelli	007	Basic
	KT4BW	Peter A. Tiffany	007	Basic
	SP5AUB	Tadeusz Piotrowski	007	Basic
54	9A4W	Tomislav Kelava	006	Basic

Rk	Call	Name & Surname	Score	Award Issued
	I1ZL	Livio Zenti	006	Basic
	IK3ASM	Remigio Pressi	006	Basic
	IK6DLK	Fabrizio Zeppilli	006	Basic
	IZ8BGY	Giuseppe Molinari	006	Basic
	IZ8KHC	Agostino Cannataro	006	Basic
	K6JRY	Gerald T. Plemmons	006	Basic
	UA6LDD	Harry Kotlyarov	006	Basic
	WA2RZJ	Michael R. Weber	006	Basic
63	ES5RW	Rein Kolk	005	Basic
	G3ZAY	Martin Atherton	005	Basic
	I5-4063	Alex Graziani	005	Basic
	I8JOQ	Flavio Malensek	005	Basic
	IK1ADH	Valeria Pregliasco	005	Basic
	IK1JJB	Giovanni Cantarella	005	Basic
	IK1WGX	Luca Zanelli	005	Basic
	IK1XPK	Claudio Bianco	005	Basic
	IK2MDX	Angelo Rossi	005	Basic
	IK8BIZ	Roberto Fiorentino	005	Basic
	IK8PGM	Roberto Duca	005	Basic
	IZ3EBA	Nicola Baldresca	005	Basic
	IZ8CGS	Gianni Marruccella	005	Basic
	IZ8CKS	Achille Penna	005	Basic
	LY2PCN	Dalius Prapiestis	005	Basic
	N9BX	Bruce M. Osterberg	005	Basic

The Antarctica Award has also been issued to the following operators for their past activities from the Antarctic continent

GM0GAV	Gavin Taylor
I KOAI H	Filippo Corbelli
SP5QF	Voytek Fidryk
DL5XL	Felix Riess
OK1FOW	Jarda Jirus
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