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**EP6T**  
**Kish Island (AS-166)**



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# DX INFORMATION

**3A** - Patrice, F5RBB and his wife Mireille, F4FRL will be active as 3A/F5RBB and 3A/F4FRL from Monaco on 18-24 January. They will operate PSK31 and RTTY on 20 and 15 metres. [TNX Les Nouvelles DX]

**5Z** - Bertrand, DF3FS and Oli, DL9OLI will be active as 5Z4/DF3FS (CW) and 5Z4/DL9OLI (SSB) from Kenya from 16 February to 8 March. They will be QRV on 80-10 metres. QSL via home calls (bureau) or direct to DF3FS (for both callsigns). Bureau cards can be requested by e-mail, see [www.df3fs.de/5z-2015/index.html](http://www.df3fs.de/5z-2015/index.html) for instructions. [TNX NG3K]

**6W** - Once again Francis, F6BLP ([www.f6blp.org](http://www.f6blp.org)) will be active as 6W7SK from Senegal from 10 January to 5 February. He will operate mainly CW on 80-10 metres (hopefully also on 160 metres), with a focus on the low bands during his sunrise and sunset hours. QSL via F6BLP, direct or bureau, and LoTW. Logsearch on Club Log. [TNX Les Nouvelles DX]

**6Y** - Yuri, VE3DZ will be active as 6Y2T from Jamaica (NA-097) on 17-24 February. He will operate CW, SSB and RTTY, and will participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest. QSL via VE3DZ. [TNC NG3K]



**7Q** - The 7QAA DXpedition to Malawi is confirmed to take place in March [425DXN 1216]. The large multinational team will be split into two sub-teams: Team One will operate CW and RTTY on 11-21 March, while Team Two will operate SSB and RTTY

from 22 March to 1 April, including an entry in the CQ WPX SSB Contest. Both Team 1 and 2 will be QRV with four stations on 160-10 metres, plus 6m if conditions allow. QSL via N7RO and LoTW, logsearch on Club Log. Bookmark [www.malawidx.org](http://www.malawidx.org) for updates and further information.

**7Q** - Karl, DK2WV will be active again as 7Q7VW from Malawi from 26 January to 6 February. He plans to be QRV on 160-6 metres. QSL via DK2WV.

**9M2** - A large group of operators from the Melaka DX Club and the KL DX Team will be active as 9M4SI from Indah Island (AS-074), West Malaysia from around 6 UTC on 7 February until around 3 UTC on the 9th February. They will operate CW, SSB, PSK/RTTY on 40-10 metres. QSL direct to 9M2YOT (OQRS on Club log).



**9Q** - The Italian DXpedition Team (Silvano I2YSB, Vinicio IK2CIO, Angelo IK2CKR, Marcello IK2DIA, Stefano IK2HKT and Alfeo I1HJT, plus Mac JA3USA for one week) will be active as 9Q0HQ from the Democratic Republic of the Congo [425DXN 1232] on 10-25 March. They will be QRV with 3-4 stations on CW (1826, 3530, 7025, 10115, 14030, 18068, 21030, 24893, 28030, 50102 kHz), SSB (3780, 7103, 14270, 18155, 21310, 24975, 28420, 50123 kHz) and RTTY (14087 kHz). QSL for this activity only via I2YSB (direct). Further information, survey, logsearch and OQRS can be found at [www.i2ysb.com/idx](http://www.i2ysb.com/idx). The pilot stations will be IK7JWY and IK0FTA (for 6m); dedicated forum on [www.hamradioweb.net](http://www.hamradioweb.net).



**9V** - Singaporean special prefixes S61 and 9V50, followed by the usual callsign's prefix (e.g. S61PW for 9V1PW and 9V50YC for 9V1YC), will be in use until 31



December to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Republic of Singapore. As of 22 January approved callsigns are 9V50AN, 9V50DE, 9V50FJ, 9V50JA, 9V50PN, 9V50QQ, 9V50RM, 9V50RN, 9V50WD, 9V50XB, 9V50XX, 9V50YC, S61KK, S61PW and S61TT. QSL via operator's instructions. [TNX 9V1PW]

**BY** - Terry, BA7NQ will join BA7CK on Yongxing Dao (AS-143) [425DXN 1234] on 4-8 January. Terry will operate CW and SSB. [TNX The Daily DX]



**C2** - Ernoe DK2AMM, Guenter DL2AWG, Hans DL6JGN and Ron PA3EWP will be active as C21EU ([www.nauru2015.de](http://www.nauru2015.de)) from Nauru (OC-031) from 25 March to 4 April. They will operate CW, SSB, and digital modes on 40-10 metres with two

stations and a focus on the higher bands. QSL via DL2AWG, direct or bureau (OQRS on Club Log).

**C5** - Everything is on schedule for the C5X DXpedition to the Gambia starting on 15 January through to the 26th [425DXN 1227]. With two high-power stations, the team (G3VMW, G3XAO, G3XTT and M0PCB) will be QRV on 160-10 metres CW, SSB, RTTY and a little PSK31/63. As the public beach area is not suitable for VDAs, antennas include two Spiderbeams on the five HF bands and dipoles at good height for the lower bands. "We have not specified any TX frequencies by band", Steve G3VMW says, "and will always try to avoid other DXpeditions that may be active. However, we will always work split frequency, listening to, normally between 1 to 5 kHz". They will also "make frequent checks on our TX frequency, and if necessary, move a few kHz lower or higher to clear the QRM". QSL via M0OXO (preferably through the OQRS at [www.m0oxo.com](http://www.m0oxo.com)); the logs will be uploaded daily to Club Log and LoTW. [TNX G3VMW]



**C6** - Bob N4BP (C6AKQ), Tim N4UM (C6ARU) and Mike K4RUM (C6AUM) will be active from Grand Bahama (NA-080) on 9-24 February. C6AUM and C6AKQ will be primarily on CW, while C6ARU will be primarily on digital modes. QSL direct to home calls.

**D4** - Henning, OZ1BII will be active as D44EE from Sao Tiago (AF-005), Cape Verde on 19-24 February ([www.oz1bii.dk/dx-d44ee.htm](http://www.oz1bii.dk/dx-d44ee.htm)). He will operate CW only on 160-10 metres, and will participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest. QSL via OZ1BII, direct or bureau (OQRS on Club Log), LoTW and eQSL.

**DL** - Celebrating the 90th anniversary of IARU and the 65th anniversary of DARC (the German Amateur Radio IARU society), special callsigns DJ90IARU, DK65DARC and DL65DARC will be active until 31 December. QSL DJ90IARU via bureau or direct to



DL2VFR; QSL DK65DARC and DL65DARC via bureau or direct to DF1QR. Information on the DARC 65 Award: [www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/darc65/special-award/](http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/darc65/special-award/) [TNX DX Newsletter]

**DL** - Volker, DL1WH will be active as DL1WH/p from the island of Foehr (EU-042) on 3-11 March. He will operate CW and some SSB mainly in his morning and evening hours. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX DL1WH]

**EI** - In celebration of the 150th anniversary of the International Telecommunication Union, the Irish Radio Transmitters Society (IRTS) has been issued special callsign EI150ITU for use by amateur stations in Ireland throughout 2015. QSL via EI6AL.



**EP** - The EP6T team [425DXN 1236] has been QRV from Kish Island (AS-166) since 16 January in the UTC afternoon. On the 17th they might be off the air for some time while completing station setup. After that, they will be active 24/7 with five stations until 26 January. Updates, pictures and logsearch will be available on [www.rockall.be](http://www.rockall.be) once the team has access to the Internet. QSL via M0URX (OQRS on [www.m0urx.com/oqrs/](http://www.m0urx.com/oqrs/)); bureau cards must be requested through the OQRS, do not send any QSL to the RSGB bureau.

**F** - Francois, F8DVD will be active as TM60TAAF on 1, 6-8, 13-17, 19-22 and 27-28 February. The special call sign is in celebration of the 60th anniversary of the Terres Australes et Antarctiques Francaises (the French Southern and Antarctic Territories). He will be QRV on 40-10 metres from his home QTH in Macon, France. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, and LoTW; logsearch on Club Log.



**F** - A Belgian team (ON4PQ, ON5HC, ON7PQ, ON7USB and ON8AZ) will be active as TM5U from Breatat Island (EU-074) on 10-15 May. QSL via ON8AZ, direct or bureau. They will operate SSB, CW and digital modes on 80-10 metres, plus 160 and 6 if conditions allow. QSL via ON8AZ, direct or bureau. Logsearch and further information at [www.eu074.be](http://www.eu074.be).

**FG** - Once again Philippe, F1DUZ will be active as FG4KH from Guadeloupe (NA-102) from 6 February to 16 March. He will be on 2m EME and TEP but also on 160 metres and the HF bands. QSL via F1DUZ, direct or bureau. [TNX VA3RJ]

**FJ** - Gene, N9SW will be active holiday style as FJ/N9SW from St Barthelemy (NA-146) on 17-25 January. He will operate mainly CW on 40-6 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX DX World]

**FKO** - "Along with the skipper of 'Evohe' we developed our tentative sailing schedule", the Perseverance DX Group [425DXN 1221] announ-ced on 3 January. The equipment will be shipped to Auckland (New Zealand), where the boat will be loaded and sail for Noumea, (New Caledonia) on 17 September. The team expects to reach the Chesterfield Islands on 1 October, and to be QRV as TX3X (requested call sign) on 2-12 October. At the moment the roster includes seven operators (HA5AO, K5GS, K6GFJ, K6TD, W1SRD, W2LK and WA6O), and others will be added. Please e-mail [chesterfield\[@\]pdxg.net](mailto:chesterfield[@]pdxg.net) if interested in joining the team. The preliminary budget for this DXpedition is around USD 150,000. The complete press release and other information (QSLing policy and management, operating plan, instructions on how to donate) can be found at <http://chesterfield2015.pdxg.net/>. The team is also on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/chesterfield2015>. [TNX K5GS]



**FP** - Once again Eric, KV1J will be active as FP/KV1J from Miquelon Island (NA-032) from 26 February to 10 March. Plans are to operate mainly SSB and RTTY on 160-10 metres, "generally on the highest frequency band open favouring 12 and 10m". He will also "be checking 6m for indications of openings". QSL via home call, direct or bureau, LoTW and eQSL. Further information at <http://www.kv1j.com/fp/Feb15.html>.

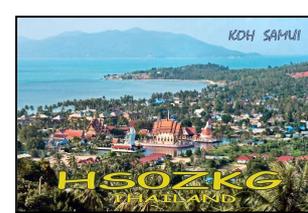
**GJ** - Rich, M5RIC will be active as MJ5RIC from Jersey (EU-013) on 11-16 February, with a focus on 30, 17 and 12 metres. He will participate in the CQ WW WPX RTTY Contest (14-15 February) as MJ7C. QSL for both callsigns via MOOXO. [TNX NG3K]

**GM** - Col, MM0NDX will be active as MM0NDX/p from the Orkney Islands (EU-009) on 16-18 January. QSL via IW7EGQ. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

**H4** - Once again Bernhard, DL2GAC will be active as H44MS from Honiara (OC-047), Solomon Islands between 1 February and 30 April. He will operate SSB only on 80-6 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

**HR** - Gerard, F2JD will be active again as HR5/F2JD from Copan, Honduras from 20 February to 14 May. He will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on all bands. QSL via F6AJA; logsearch on <http://LesNouvellesDX.fr/voirlogs.php>. [TNX Les Nouvelles DX]

**HS** - Alain, HS0ZKG (home call F6HBR) will go QRT permanently from Koh Samui (AS-101) in May. He operates mainly CW, with some PSK and RTTY, on 40-10 metres. QSL via F6AXX, direct or bureau, and eQSL. Logsearch on Club Log.



**J3** - Gregory, W2BEE will be QRV as J38GA from Grenada (NA-024) between 31 January and 28 February, with activity focusing on the digital modes. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, and LoTW; logsearch on Club Log. [TNX The Daily DX]

**JA** - Kenji, JA4GXS will be active as JA4GXS/5 from Shodo (AS-200) on 23-25 January. He will operate CW and SSB on 40-15 metres. QSL via JA4GXS, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

**JW** - Francois, F8DVD will be active as JW/F8DVD from Spitsbergen (EU-026), Svalbard on 9-15 April. He will be QRV on the HF bands from the JW5E club station. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, and LoTW; logsearch on Club Log. [TNX F8DVD]

**KG4** - Tip N4SIA (KG4AS), Jim WB2REM (KG4HI), Bob N4PSK (KG4RQ) and Nancy K9DIG (KG4YL) will be active from Guantanamo Bay on 6-13 February. They will operate SSB, CW, RTTY, PSK63 and PSK31 on 160-6 metres. QSL KG4AS direct to N4SIA, QSL KG4HI and KG4RQ direct to WB2REM and LoTW, QSL KG4YL direct to K9DIG and LoTW.

**KHO** - Sean, EI2CR will be active again as KH0/EI2CR from Saipan (OC-086) on 4-7 February. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.



**KH2** - Look for Fusa, KH2/JR3CNQ and Take, KH2/JS6RRR to be active from Guam (OC-026) on 19-23 March. They plan to be QRV on 160-6 metres CW, SSB, FM and maybe RTTY. QSL via home calls (bureau preferred).

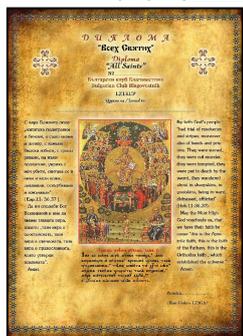
**KH8** - Zorro, JH1AJT will be active holiday style as KH8Z from Tutuila (OC-045), American Samoa on 12-19 January. He will operate mainly SSB on 40-10 metres. QSL via JH1AJT, direct or bureau. [TNX JA1TRC]

**KP1** - "Within two weeks the K1N Navassa DXpedition should be QRV with up to 7-8 stations", the K1N team reorted on 17 January. "Our exact departure date will be decided at the last moment by USFWS and weather windows. We hope to have a basic camp established by the end of the first day and if things go extremely well, we hope to have several stations on the air by nightfall on the second day."

**K1N** - Navassa Island DXpedition logo

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Helicopter deployment will continue for a total of three days before the camp is fully established". Look for K1N on "the usual" DX frequencies, listening up, but in some cases, down, for certain parts of the world's band plan. Listen carefully to the instructions of the DXpedition operator. At least one station will be on 20 metres 24 hours/day. 160m and 12m will be CW only, and 10m will be SSB only. Other bands will alternate CW and SSB. At least one station will always be on RTTY. The pilots will be N200 (Chief Pilot), V51B (Africa), JA1ELY (Asia, Zone 25), EY8MM (Central Asia, Zones 17-19, 21-24 and 26), MM0NDX (Europe), K2SG (North America), ZL2AL (Oceania), HK1R (South America) and KF5NYQ (Youth Pilot). They will collect reports and suggestions from the various target areas (each pilot's contact information is listed on the DXpedition's website: click on 'Our Team'). The worldwide feedback will be prioritized, summarized and forwarded to the team on Navassa. Pilots will not have access to the logs, so do not ask about busted calls, log entries, etc. Logs will be uploaded several times daily to Club Log. QSL via N200, direct or bureau (OQRS on Club Log), and LoTW ("sooner rather than later"). Read the complete Press Release on [www.navassadx.com](http://www.navassadx.com); the next one will be when the landing operations commence. After that, daily progress and pictures will be posted on the website. Follow K1N on Twitter (@navassa2015) and check out their Facebook page ([www.facebook.com/2015Navassa](http://www.facebook.com/2015Navassa)).



**LZ** - Once again Radio Club Blagovestnik (LZ1KCP) will use twelve special call signs throughout 2015 to honour as many different Bulgarian saints: LZ290MB (January), LZ550SI (February), LZ386SKI (March), LZ883PI (April), LZ102SIB (May), LZ293MA (June), LZ429PS (July), LZ250MM (August), LZ129WNLS (September), LZ130SAK (October), LZ259PA (November) and LZ362MT (December). QSL via

bureau or direct to P. O. Box 36, 4300 Karlovo, Bulgaria. Information on the "All Bulgarian Saints 2015" award can be found at [www.lz1kcp.com](http://www.lz1kcp.com).

**ON\_ant** - ON5TN and ON1EN are active as OP0LE from the Princess Elisabeth Station, Antarctica until the end of February. QSL via ON7TK. [TNX DX World]

**OZ** - Jakob, OZ7AEI will use OU25AEI for all his portable operations (IOTA, lighthouses, etc) in 2015. The special call sign celebrates his Silver Jubilee in amateur radio. QSL via bureau or direct.



**OZ** - Celebrating the 90th anniversary of the International Amateur Radio Union, special call sign OZ90IARU will be used until 31 December by several different operators around Denmark. QSL via OZ0J (please use the OQRS provided by Club Log for direct and especially for bureau cards), LoTW and eQSL. See [www.oz90iaru.dk](http://www.oz90iaru.dk) for the relevant award and general further information.

**OZ** - Special call sign OU0POLIO will be in use until 31 December to celebrate the 110th anniversary of the foundation of Rotary International and the organization's most notable global project aimed at the eradication of poliomyelitis around the world. QSL via OZ1ACB, direct or bureau.

**P2** - Norbert, DH1NK will be working at Finschhafen, Papua New Guinea (OC-034) between 15 January and 15 June. In his spare time he will be QRV as P29NK on 80, 40, 20, 17, 12 and 10 metres SSB and Pactor. QSL via DH1NK, bureau preferred. [TNX The Daily DX]

**P4** - Jack, WX3P will be active as P40JP from Aruba (SA-

036) on 14-19 February. He will operate QRP on 40-10 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX WX3P]

**PA** - Commemorating the 70th anniversary of Operation Veritable during World War II, special event station PA700V will be active on 6-8 February. QSL via the bureau (preferred), or direct to PA3ETC. Further information can be found at [www.pa2p.nl/pa700v/](http://www.pa2p.nl/pa700v/).

**PA** - Frank (PC2D), Arnold (PD2C), Rudi (PA4UNX), Gerard (PA7CW), Monique (DO3MKT) and William (DO3WKS) will be active Ameland Island (EU-038) on 13-16 February. They will operate SSB and CW on 160-10 metres, and will participate in the Dutch PACC Contest as PC2D. Outside the contest they will use their individual call signs. See [qrz.com](http://qrz.com) for QSL information. [TNX PA7CW]



**PJ2** - Sascha, DH6TJ will be active as PJ2/DH6TJ from Curacao (SA-099) from 5 February to 30 March. He will operate SSB on 20, 15, and 10 metres. QSL via LoTW or direct only to home call.

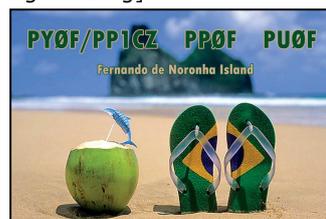
**PJ4** - Peter, PA8A will be active holiday style as PJ4B from Bonaire (SA-006) on 14-29 January. QSL via PA8A, direct only.

**PY** - The Aroeira DX Group will be active as PS06J on 11-16 January during the VI Scout National Jamboree. Look for activity on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK. QSL via PR7JP. [TNX PS7DX]

**PY** - LABRE-SP (PY2AA) will activate special call sign ZZ461SP on 24-25 January to celebrate the 461st anniversary of the city of Sao Paulo. QSL via bureau to PY2AA, eQSL and LoTW. Information on the relevant award can be found on [qrz.com](http://qrz.com).

**PY** - PS7AB will be active as PQ70FEB on 1-28 February. This special call sign's suffix stands for Forca Expedicionaria Brasileira, the Brazilian Expeditionary Force that fought alongside the Allied powers in Italy during World War II. He will operate SSB on 40, 20, 17, 15 and 10 metres. QSL via PS7AB, direct or bureau, LoTW and e QSL.

**PY** - Look for PR5P (QSL via PT2OP), PR5X (QSL via PT7WA) and ZW5WIM (QSL via PU5IKE) to be active from Ilha da Paz (SA-027) on 19-23 February. [TNX rsgbiota.org]



**PY0F** - Leo, PP1CZ will be active again as PY0F/PP1CZ from Fernando de Noronha (SA-003) on 8-15 January. QSL via home call and LoTW; logsearch and OQRS on Club Log. [TNX DX

World]

**T32** - Dick, AD7AF will be active as T32RL from Kiritimati/Christmas Island (OC-024), East Kiribati from 22 January to 9 February. He will operate CW, SSB and a little RTTY on 160-10 metres. QSL direct to home call and LoTW; logsearch on Club Log. [TNX The Daily DX]



**TA** - The TC Special Wireless Activity Team is active as TC150ITU on until 31 January and again on 1-30 May. As usual with TCSWAT operations, all of the QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau and

LoTW.

**TA** - Commemorating the 100th anniversary of the Battle of Gallipoli during World War I, TA1CM is active as TC100GLB from 1 January until 30 April. He operates

SSB and digital modes on 160-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

**TG** - Dwight, VE7BV will be active holiday style as TG9/VE7BV from Guatemala from 22 January to 17 February. He will operate CW and SSB on "20, 17 and 15 metres at least". QSL via home call, direct or bureau, and LoTW. [TNX NG3K]



**TI9** - The operators for the 16-23 February DXpedition to Cocos Island (NA-012) [425DXN 1230] are Dom/3Z9DX, Dmitri/RA9USU, Przemek/SP8SIW and Jorge/TI2HMJ. They will be active as TI9/3Z9DX with two stations on 160-10 metres CW, SSB and RTTY. There might be also some activity on 6 metres. QSL via 3Z9DX (OQRS for direct and bureau cards on Club Log). Further information can be found on [www.nielsen.net/ti9a](http://www.nielsen.net/ti9a).

**UA** - A team from the Pushkino Amateur Radio Club (namely R2DG, R2DX, RV3DFI, RW3FB, RX3DVZ and RZ3DJ) will be active as R73RDA from the town of Soligalich (RDA KS-28), Kostroma oblast on 3-6 January. They will also operate mobile while travelling through several other districts. QSL via RW3FB. Information on the Russian Districts Award programme: [www.rdaward.org](http://www.rdaward.org). [TNX RZ3DJ]



**UA** - A team of seven (RA9LR, RW0BG, UA0BA, UA0ZC, UA0ZFW, UA9KAM and UA9KDF) will be active as RT9K/0 from Dobrzhanskogo Island (**AS-203, new one for IOTA**) in early September. They will travel to Petropavlovsk-Kamchatsky on 19 August, but once there it will still be a 1,500-kilometre voyage before they reach the island. RT9K/0 will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 40-10 metres with three stations. QSL via RX9KM (logsearch on Club Log). Further information and updates on <http://www.qrz.com/db/RT9K/0>.

**UA2F** - Special callsigns UE2AT (QSL via R1BAL), UE2BF (QSL via RA2FDX), UE2GC (QSL via RA2FU), UE2IT (QSL via UA2FR), UE2MW (QSL via UC2K) and UE2SK (QSL via UF2F) will be active from Kaliningrad until 25 April to commemorate the 70th anniversary of the East Prussian Offensive and the Battle of Konigsberg during World War II. [TNX The Daily DX]

**V3** - Gerd, DJ4KW (V31YN) and Gisela, DK9GG (V31GW) are active from Consejo Shores, Belize until 5 March. Activity will be on 160-10 meters CW, RTTY and some SSB. This year they "will stay on the mainland the whole time and will not be visiting any IOTA locations". QSL via home calls, direct or bureau, and LoTW. [TNX ODX Bulletin]

**V4** - Once again John, W5JON will be active as V47JA from St. Kitts (NA-104) from 20 January to 1 March. He will be QRV on SSB on 160-6 metres SSB; his wife Cathy (W5HAM) will also operate occasionally as V47HAM. All QSLs via W5JON (direct only) and LoTW. [TNX NG3K]

**V6** - Madison, W5MJ will be active as V63MJ from Kosrae Island (OC-059), Micronesia on 16-24 February. He will operate CW only on 160-10 metres. QSL direct to MOURX (bureau cards must be requested through the OQRS). [TNX MOURX]



**V6** - Taka, JA8COE will be active as V63CO from Falalop, Ulithi Atoll (OC-078), Micronesia on 2-5 March. QSL via

JA8COE, direct only (logsearch and OQRS on Club Log). He has a blog at <http://blog.goo.ne.jp/takaja8coe>.

**VE** - Commemorating the 200th anniversary of the birth of Sir John A. Macdonald, the first Prime Minister of Canada, members of the Delta Amateur Radio Society (British Columbia) will be active as VC7SJAM until 31 January. All of the QSOs will be confirmed via the bureau. Also, Kingston Amateur Radio Club members will be active as VG3SJAM during the same time frame from Sir John's home city of Kingston (Ontario). QSL via operator's instructions. [TNX DX Newsletter]

**VE** - VE3RHE will be active as CG350F from 1 February to 1 March to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the National Flag of Canada. Also known as the Maple Leaf, it was adopted to replace the Union Flag and made its first official appearance on 15 February 1965. QSL via VE3RHE.



**VK** - Christian EA3NT, Chris VK3FY and Tim VK4HFO will be active as VK7FG from Flinders Island (OC-195) on 6-9 March. QSL via M0OXO (OQRS on [www.m0oxo.com/oqrs/](http://www.m0oxo.com/oqrs/); please note that

bureau cards must be requested through the OQRS, and not sent to the RSGB bureau). [TNX M0OXO]

**VK9L** - OH1TV and OH2YY will be active (callsign TBA) from Lord Howe Island (OC-004) on 22-28 February. They will operate mainly SSB with some CW with two stations on 40-6 metres. QSL via OH2YY, direct or bureau. [TNX NG3K]

**VP8\_sg** - Denis, ZL4DB will be working at King Edward Point, South Georgia Island (AN-007) between late January and late March/early April. He might operate SSB only as VP8DOZ with 100 watts and a ground plane



on 17m, 20m and maybe other bands, possibly starting around late February. He is "very inexperienced in using a computer logging program or pile-up handling so may not be calling CQ initially, he may only S&P for a while until his confidence increases". ZL4PW will be his QSL manager; see [qrz.com](http://www.qrz.com) for further information and updates.

**VP8\_ant** - Mike, GM0HCQ/VP8CMH was able to log 505 QSOs during his recent stop at Rothera Base. He operated for three evenings mainly CW on 17, 20, 30 and 40 metres. The "James Clark Ross" is due to be back at the base on Adelaide Island (AN-001), Antarctica in a few days' time, and it is Mike's intention to be active again as VP8ROT on 8-10 January. Usually he is QRV from around 00.00 UTC for 2-3 hours. QSL via GM0HCQ (direct only), LoTW and eQSL. Follow the ship itinerary and Mikes' daily updates at [www.gm0hcq.com](http://www.gm0hcq.com).



**VP9** - Ron, W3PV will be active as W3PV/VP9 from Bermuda (NA-005) on 23-29 January. He will operate CW, JT65 and JT9 on 40-6 metres. He will also "spend some time listening for QRP operators". QSL via home call (bureau), LoTW and eQSL. [TNX W3PV]

**W** - Members of the Livermore Amateur Radio Group Endeavors (K6LRG) expect to be active as K6F from the Farallon Islands (NA-178) on 5-6 January. On Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/K6Fislands>) they say that

"this trip to the island will likely not 'count' for IOTA credit. Paperwork and politics being what they are, we will likely not have certification from IOTA for these QSO's next week. Please consider this a dry run for a future trip". The Farallons are a National Wildlife Refuge and the public is not allowed on any of the islands. The only two amateur radio activities so far were conducted by KK6EK on 1-2 September 1992 (419 QSOs, see [www.cordell.org/FARALLONS/index.html](http://www.cordell.org/FARALLONS/index.html)), and K6VVA/6 operated by K6VVA and K9AJ on 14-16 February 2006 (2576 QSOs, see <http://k6vva.com/iota/na178/>).

**W** - Gene, WI7N will be active holiday style as WI7N/4 from Dauphin Island (NA-213) on 26-28 January. It will be "a casual operation" with main activity during his evening hours. QSL via WI7N, direct or bureau, and LoTW. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

**W** - Howie, K1VSJ will be active from Key Colony Beach (NA-062) from 29 January to 9 February. QSL via home call. [TNX The Daily DX]

**W** - Once again Joe, K5KUA will be active as K5KUA/5 from Galveston Island (NA-143) from 30 January to 1 February. Usually he operates CW only on 40-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. Logsearch on Club Log. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

**W** - W9SMR, KC9UR, W2DEN and N2RDX will be active as W9SMR/4 from Gasparilla Island (NA-069) at Boca Grande Lighthouse for a few hours (13-23 UTC) on 9 February. They will operate SSB and digital modes on 40-10 metres. QSL direct to W9SMR, LoTW and eQSL. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

**W** - Members of the Palos Verdes ARC will operate as K6PV/6 from Santa Catalina Island (NA-066) on from 25 February to 1 March. They plan to operate SSB, CW, RTTY and maybe PSK31 on 160-10 metres. QSL via K6PV. [TNX rsgbiota.org]



**XW** - Ken, K4ZW will be active again as XW4ZW from Laos on 23-30 January. Plnas are to focus on the low bands. QSL via K1SE, direct or bureau, and LoTW; logsearch on Club Log. [TNX The Daily DX]

**XW** - Toshi, JA8BMK is active again as XW8BM from Laos until 10 February. He is QRV with a focus on the low bands from a new, low noise QTH. QSL via JA8BMK.

**XW** - John, KB4FB is active as XW4FB from Vientiane, Laos until 12 February. QSL via home call; all contacts will be uploaded to LoTW in March.

**YB** - YB8IBD and other seven operators will be active as YB8K from Wawonii Island (formerly known as Wowoni, OC-236) on 10-11 January. QSL via YB8IBD; logsearch on Club Log. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

**CARIBBEAN TOUR** • SP3CFM, SP3IPB, SP7TF, SP7VC, SQ7OYL and K2RPF will be sailing around the Caribbean between 24 January and 14 February. They plan to stop and be QRV from several islands:

24-26 January	Martinique	(NA-107)	FM/home calls	7-8 February	Carriacou	(NA-147)	J3/home calls
27 Jan-3 Feb	St. Lucia	(NA-108)	J6/home calls	8-9 February	Union	(NA-025)	J8/home calls
4-5 February	St. Vincent	(NA-109)	J8/home calls	13-14 February	Martinique	(NA-107)	FM/home calls
6-7 February	Grenada	(NA-024)	J3/home calls				

Plans are to operate SSB, CW and digital modes on 160-10 metres. QSL via home calls. They have a website at <http://expedition.sp7vc.pl/>.

**PACIFIC TOUR** • Hrane, YT1AD will be on a reconnaissance trip in preparation for a future DXpedition, and will be active next month as follows:

3-8 February	3D2AD	Fiji
8-11 February	5W7A	Samoa
11-12 February	KH8/N9YU	American Samoa
13-14 February	KH6/N9YU	Hawaii

He will operate CW and SSB on 160-6 metres. QSLs via YT1AD. [TNX The Daily DX]

**YB** - Look for Din, YB8RW/p (QSL via home call, see qrz.com for the link to Club Log's OQRS) and Sisca, YB8RXA/p (QSL via W2FB) to be active from Mantehage Island (OC-236) on 20-24 January. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

**YB** - Look for YC8ROP/p to be active from Bukide Island (OC-210) on 22-24 January. QSL via W2FB. [TNX rsgbiota.org]



**YB** - Adhi, YB3MM has been active as YB3MM/8 from the Tengah Islands (OC-247) since 28 January. He will be there until the UTC evening of the 31st, with main activity on 20 and 15 metres SSB and CW. See [www.yb3mm.com](http://www.yb3mm.com) for QSLing options.

**YB** - Emmanuel, F5LIT will be active on 20-10 metres as YB9/F5LIT from the island of Bali (OC-022) on 4-17 February. QSL via home call, direct only. [TNX Les Nouvelles DX]

**YO** - In celebration of the 90th anniversary of the International Amateur Radio Union, special Romanian stations YO90IARU, YP90IARU, YQ90IARU and YR90IARU will be active on all bands and mode from 1 February to 31 December. [TNX IARU Region 1]



**ZF** - Pete, K8PGJ will be active as ZF2PG from Grand Cayman (NA-016) on 10-18 January, with a serious effort in the North American QSO Party (NAQP). He will be QRV on 20-10 metres SSB in his morning and afternoon hours, and on 160-40 metres in the nights. QSL via K8PGJ (direct) and LoTW. [TNX The Daily DX]

**ZF** - Col, MM0NDX will be active holiday style as ZF2CI from the Cayman Islands (NA-016) from 25 April to 2 May. He will operate SSB only on 160-10 metres. His main QTH will be on Grand Cayman, but he will also be active as ZF8/ZF2CI from Little Cayman and ZF9/ZF2CI from Cayman Brac (on 29 April and 1 May). QSL via IW7EGQ.



[TNX DX World]

**ZL7** - Nobuaki, JA0JHQ (<http://pandasan.jimdo.com/>) will be active as ZL7/JA0JHQ from the Chatham Islands (OC-038) from 30 January to 1 February. He will be QRV mainly on 17 and 15 metres SSB and CW, with some activity on 30, 12 and 10 metres depending on local conditions. QSL via JA0JHQ, direct or bureau.

**ZL7** - Alain, F8FUA will be active as ZL7/F8FUA from the Chatham Islands (OC-038) on 7-13 February. He will operate CW, SSB and RTTY when time permits. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, and LoTW. Logsearch on Club Log. [TNX DX World]

# GOOD TO KNOW

**BOUVET 2016** • "It is getting close to 'decision time' whether or not the Bouvet project ([www.on4ww.be/bouvet2016.html](http://www.on4ww.be/bouvet2016.html))



will go forward", Mark ON4WW reported on 30 December. "I am amazed by the amount of funding intentions received from individual DXers and DX Foundations/Clubs alike". Funding intentions received so far cover EUR 112,000 out of the needed 250,000. "I am expecting the input of some of the DX Foundations, DX Clubs and other Amateur Radio related institutions to reach me in the next few weeks", Mark says, and therefore he has postponed the deadline for a possible go ahead until the end of this month of January.

"Some of you have raised a point of concern about two teams possibly activating Bouvet around the same time period", he goes on saying. "I have done my homework on this, and with all data at hand I see no reason to adjust my initial concept. In regard to possible funding for the two efforts, luckily for you, the deserving DXer and the DX Foundations/Clubs, there are mechanisms in place to

determine the viability and success factors of both efforts.

The unique one-man effort over a 3 month time period, will undoubtedly show how this different approach will make more people happy (compared to a multi-operator team, short time period). Have a closer look why.

It is in the scope of this project:

1. to work as many unique stations as possible: thanks to the 3 month time period, I will be able to work 1 or 2 specific bands exactly for this purpose. The very last interested QRP station willing to work Bouvet and willing to put the necessary time and effort from his/her side into it, will be able to get in the log;
2. to work those stations that need Bouvet on certain bandslots/modes to achieve 9 band clean sweeps;
3. to provide SSB, CW and RTTY contacts for those needing certain modes.

For all audiences, I will have plenty of time. It will be the primary reason for me being on Bouvet, making radio contacts, as many as possible. Whether or not there will be two DXpeditions activating Bouvet, all the target audiences (unique/9 bands/modes) will ultimately have a better shot with the 3 month concept. For this approach to be successful, it needs one or two things.

1. Club Log is a great asset to Amateur Radio. However, the Leaderboard function will not be used;
2. I will ask to those who already have Bouvet confirmed on certain bands/modes: only work Bouvet where you need it. I am confident I can count on the fair play from the deserving DXers to just work Bouvet where they need it. Resulting in being able to work the pileups down to the very last QRP or mobile station and at the same time making the 9 band hams reach their objective.

For those of you who would like to, and are able to contribute to the project upfront, please send an e-mail to [bouvet2016\[@\]telenet.be](mailto:bouvet2016[@]telenet.be) with the amount you intend to donate.

Again, I do not want/need any money now, there is no PayPal account, it is just your funding intention I need to know at this point in time. The final total on my spreadsheet will tell me whether to go ahead or not. A final thought: 112k out of 250k is not enough to go ahead.

Thank you to those who already stepped forward, much appreciated!"

**CHESTERFIELD 2015** • The team for the 1-12 October TX3X DXpedition to the Chesterfield Islands (OC-176) [425DXN 1236] now includes eleven operators: AA4NN, HA5AO, K5GS, K6GFJ, K6MM, K6TD, K6TU, ND2T, W1SRD, W2LK and WA6O. The pilot stations now include W4HK (Chief Pilot and North America), JA1WSX (Japan), 4L5A (Rest of Asia), PT7WA (South America), V51B (Africa), HA5XA (Europe) and VK3HJ (Oceania). See <http://chesterfield2015.pdxg.net/> for further information. [TNX K5GS]



**CQ DX MARATHON** • The CQ DX Marathon is a year-long DX hunt, with participants competing to see who can work the greatest number of countries ("entities") and CQ zones during the calendar year. The 2015 edition started at 00.00 UTC on 1 January and will end at 23.59 UTC on 31 December. The deadline for log submission for the 2014 DX Marathon is 10 January at 2359Z. Complete details can be found at [www.dxmarathon.com](http://www.dxmarathon.com).

**CQ HALLS OF FAME** • The CQ DX Hall of Fame (started in 1967) and the CQ Contest Hall of Fame (started in 1986) recognize those amateurs who have made major contributions to DXing and contesting, respectively. The CQ Amateur Radio Hall of Fame (started in 2001) recognizes those who have made major contributions to amateur radio as a whole, and radio amateurs who have made major contributions to society at large. Nominations for the Halls of Fame must be submitted by 1 March; instructions can be found on [http://www.cq-amateur-radio.com/cq\\_awards/index\\_cq\\_awards.html](http://www.cq-amateur-radio.com/cq_awards/index_cq_awards.html).

**DAYTON 2015: CONTEST AND TOPBAND DINNERS** • The 26th Top Band Dinner will be held on 15 May, followed by the 23rd Contest Dinner on the 16th. Both the events will take place at the Crowne Plaza Hotel. Tickets are available on <http://topbanddinner.com> and on <http://contestdinner.com> respectively.

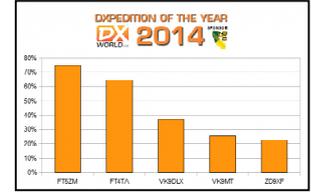


**DAYTON 2015: DX DINNER** • The SouthWest Ohio DX Association (SWODXA) has announced that "C82DX Plan, Plan, and Plan again, Murphy still makes a visit!" will be the keynote topic for their 30th annual DX dinner. The dinner, held in conjunction with the 2015 Dayton Hamvention, will be on Friday, 15 May at the Marriott Hotel in Dayton. Co-leaders and CQ DX Hall of Famers Don Greenbaum, N1DG and Tom Harrell, N4XP will be the presenters. For more information and to order dinner tickets, please visit [www.swodxaevents.org](http://www.swodxaevents.org). [TNX W8GEX]

**DAYTON 2015: CONTEST UNIVERSITY** • Registration is now open for 2015 Dayton Contest University (CTU), to be held on 14 May at the Crowne Plaza Hotel. It will be the ninth year in a row for CTU Dayton. Details can be found on <http://contestuniversity.com/>



**DX SOUND CLIPS** • Tom's (K8CX) DX sound clips for 2014 can be found at <http://hamgallery.com/dx2014/>; the collection of 152 clips (now in MP3 format) covers the major DXpeditions, plus rare and semi-rare DX. This makes 17 full years of sound clips available. Tom is looking for pre-1998 recordings to add to the site; please contact him (k8cx@[ ]hamgallery.com) if you have any. [TNX K8CX]



**DXPEDITION OF THE YEAR** • The DX World.net 2014 DXpedition of the Year poll [425DXN 1233] closed on 1 January. Nearly 10,000 votes were cast. The Top Five DXpeditions are FT5ZM (Amsterdam Island), FT4TA (Tromelin Island), VK9DLX (Lord Howe Island), VK9MT (Mellish Reef) and ZD9XF (Tristan da Cunha). Congratulations!



**DXCC RULES CHANGES** • At its 16-17 January Meeting, the ARRL Board of Directors decided to tweak "the DX Century Club (DXCC) rules to clarify and expand their recognition of remotely controlled station technology. It also has added a rule that puts greater ethical responsibility on operators with respect to remotely controlled operation". The following was published on the ARRL's website on 21 January:

The DXCC Rules changes, which affect Section I, subsections 8 and 9, explain and extend how contacts with remotely controlled stations now may be applied toward the DXCC award. As ARRL CEO David Sumner, K1ZZ, explained, the changes are subtle but significant. The modified rules make clear that contacts with legally licensed, land-based, remotely controlled stations count for DXCC, but the control point - the operator's location - of a remotely controlled station no longer has to be land based; the operator can be literally anywhere.

It has always been permitted for a QSO to count for both stations, if either station was operated remotely from a control point within the same DXCC entity," Sumner explained. "Now the location of the operator doesn't matter; the operator could be on the far side of the Moon if he or she could figure out how to remotely control a station on land back on Earth from there." Transmitter location continues to define a station's location, and, for DXCC purposes, all transmitters and receivers must be located within a 500 meter diameter circle, excluding antennas.

Under the old rules, if either station was operated from a control point in another DXCC entity, the contact did not count for DXCC for either station. "This was unenforceable unless someone was transparent about what they were doing," Sumner said.

The Board further adopted a new rule, now Subsection 11 (subsequent rules will be renumbered accordingly), that acknowledges the reality of the technology enabling remote operation, and it puts greater responsibility on individuals when it comes to applying that technology ethically and responsibly.

"Issues concerning remotely controlled operating and DXCC are best dealt with by each individual carefully considering the ethical limits that he/she will accept for his/her DXCC and other operating awards," the new rule states. It adds, in part, "the owner of these achievements needs to be comfortable standing behind his/her award and numbers. Peer attention has always been a part of awards chasing, of course, but in these times with so many awards and so many players, it is more important than even to 'play the game ethically.'"

Subsection 11 acknowledges that technological advances "add to the difficulty in defining rules for DXCC," but stresses that the intent of the rules is what's important. "It will continue to be up to the operator to decide what types of legal remote control operating he/she will use (if any) to contribute to an operating award," the new rule concludes.

**EP6T** • Club Log's statistics for EP6T show 68,046 QSOs (34199 CW, 28355 SSB and 5492 RTTY) made with 16,780 unique callsigns from 15.05 UTC on 16 January until 03.08 UTC on the 27th. The entire log has been already uploaded to LoTW, and QSL requests are being pre-processed while waiting for the Cards to be printed. Please use MOURX's Online QSL Request Service ([www.mourx.com/oqrs/](http://www.mourx.com/oqrs/)) for either direct and bureau cards (do not send cards to the RSGB bureau).

**FARALLON ISLANDS** • K6F was active for a very short time on 20 metres SSB from the Farallon Islands (NA-178) on 6 January [425DXN 1235]. "Sorry it was such a short operation", K6EWN says on Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/K6Fislands>). "The work we came out to do took more time than expected, thus shortening our play time". QSL via W6TCP.



**INTREPID SPIRIT AWARD** • The Intrepid-DX Group ([www.intrepid-dx.com](http://www.intrepid-dx.com)) is pleased to announce the recipient of the 3rd annual Intrepid Spirit Award, made in memory of James McLaughlin, WA2EWE/T6AF (killed in Kabul Afghanistan, on 27 April 2011). This year's award goes to Dmitri Zhikharev, RA9USU to recognize his "outstanding efforts to activate Yemen from 2012 through 2014 as 7O6T and 7O2A. Dmitri is largely responsible for fulfilling the need for 7O contacts since 2012. Yemen is a place of much uncertainty and danger. We recognize Dmitri's unselfish acts to activate this challenging and much needed entity". The award will be presented at the International DX Convention, Visalia (CA) on 18 April. [TNX N6PSE]

**IOTA ANNUAL UPDATE** • Updates for the 2015 Honour Roll and other performance tables must be sent on or before 31 January. If postmarked after that date, they will be processed in the normal way but the scores will be held over to the following year's listing. IOTA rules limit inclusion in the listings to those participants who have updated their scores at least once in the preceding five years and have opted to have their scores published. Listing in the 2015 tables will be restricted to those participants who have updated their scores since February 2010. Record-holders who have made IOTA contacts in an IOTA Contest after 2003, can claim credit for them without submitting QSLs, provided that the contact details match, either by manually entering the QSO information on the input form or by uploading a Cabrillo format log. The 2014 IOTA Contest data has now been uploaded to the IOTA database and is available for QSO matching. [TNX G3KMA]

**K1N & DQRM** • Deliberate QRM has been a major hindrance on both ends of the pileups in recent years and is worsening. There is a tab on our website ([www.navassadx.com](http://www.navassadx.com)) where you can help us identify QRMing stations. This tab will not be active until the DXpedition comes on the air. By entering the data requested, and if enough data is entered, even with crude

or rough beam headings, a 'heat map' can be produced with mathematical analysis of the data. This was covertly tested during the recent FT4TA Tromelin DXpedition and even with limited data input, several deliberate QRMing stations could be identified within a very small area! Again, the more data that is provided the more accurate the 'heat' can be put on offending stations. If we do experience QRM, we have planned tactics to minimize the malicious interference. Hint: listen, listen and listen more for us... we might try to 'wiggle' out of it! We will also try hard to keep our splits narrow as possible to avoid annoying non-DXers who have been known to 'bother' a pileup".

**K5LBU** • Charles "Frosty" Frost, K5LBU - well known for his annual expeditions to Africa (3DA0CF, 7P8CF, A25CF, C91CF) - is in critical health conditions. A fund has been set up for his medical expenses: [www.gofundme.com/charlesfrost](http://www.gofundme.com/charlesfrost).



**MOST WANTED SURVEY** • The DX Magazine's annual Most Wanted Survey was conducted in September-October 2014 [425DXN 1218]. The top 10 DXCC Entities are:

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|---------|----------------|---------|---------------------|
| 1. P5   | North Korea    | 6. BS7H | Scarborough Reef    |
| 2. KP1  | Navassa Island | 7. VP8  | South Sandwich Isls |
| 3. 3Y   | Bouvet Island  | 8. FT5T | Tromelin Island     |
| 4. FT5W | Crozet Isls    | 9. KH5K | Kingman Reef        |
| 5. VK0  | Heard Island   | 10. KH5 | Palmyra             |

Eight out of ten places are occupied by the same DXCC Entities listed for 2013 and 2012, in four cases with just a slight variation in ranking. Tromelin Island is still listed, because the survey closed on 15 October and FT4TA became active on the 30th. Marion Island was in 8th place and now has moved down to the 19th (thanks to the activities by ZS8C, ZS8Z and ZS8A); Amsterdam and St. Paul was in 4th place and now - not surprisingly, after FT5ZM - is no longer listed among the 100 Most Wanted Entities. ZS8 and FT5Z have been replaced by Kingman Reef and Palmyra & Jarvis, which last year were in 12th and 11th place respectively. The 100 Most Wanted listing can be found on <http://www.dxpub.net/MOST-WANTED-SURVEY.html>. Breakdowns are published in the January/February 2015 issue of The DX Magazine ("I was not able to provide some of the breakdowns as in past years due to a computer malfunction", N4AA says. "Some of the data was corrupted and was not retrievable").



**NC1L** • ARRL DXCC and Awards Manager Bill Moore, NC1L was seriously injured in a single-car accident on 3 July last year [425DXN 1212]. Sadly, Bill has now resolved to resign: "After much consultation with my family and as a result of the life changing accident I suffered in July, 2014, I have decided to relinquish my position as Awards Manager at ARRL HQ and focus my full effort on physical therapy. I have enjoyed my years at ARRL and the countless friends I have made within the ham radio community. I hope to maintain contact as best I can via email and hope someday I will be able to get back on the bands. Emails can be sent to me at [BillMooreNC1L\[@\]gmail.com](mailto:BillMooreNC1L[@]gmail.com) and while I plan to read each and every one, I cannot promise to reply in a timely manner". [TNX The Daily DX]

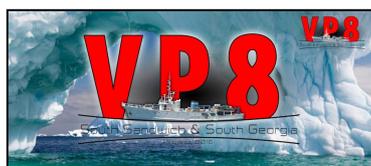
**NEW DXER'S HANDBOOK** • Four years ago Bryce Anderson, K7UA wrote a series of short articles for his local DX club that came together as the "New DXer's Handbook". The second edition, revised and updated, is now available for free download at [www.k7ua.com](http://www.k7ua.com). It is a concise guide (41 pages and nine chapters) that covers the various aspects of DXing; the translations into Greek, Polish, Portuguese and Russian will be available on Bryce's website when they are completed. [TNX K7UA]



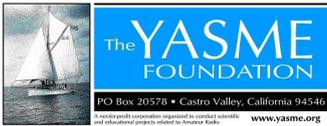
**QSL GALLERY** • The large collection of QSL cards on Les Nouvelles DX's web site has been updated. Fifteen different galleries include 12,441 cards for the ten Most Wanted DXCC Entities (2004-14), the 61 deleted DXCC Entities, obsolete prefixes, stations from Maghreb from 1945 to 1962, Allied Forces stations in Germany (1945-70), special stations commemorating ITU and IARU, Antarctic bases & TAAF (Terres Australes and Antarctiques Francaises), the various French DXCC island Entities in the Pacific Ocean, the Indian Ocean and the Americas (from 1945 to 1970), pre-1945 countries, French Departments and CONUS, plus a gallery for cards not accepted by DXCC. Your participation is encouraged: [www.LesNouvellesdx.fr](http://www.LesNouvellesdx.fr). [TNX F6AJA]

**QSL VIA NI5DX** • As of 1 January 2015 Buzz, NI5DX will be the QSL manager only for the following stations: 3B8CW, 3B8HC, 9H5G, A41KJ, A45WH, C6ATS, FG4NN, FK8CE, FK8DD, KL7SB, OD5ZZ and T6RH. He will still be able to confirm contacts made before 1 January 2015 for the stations he formerly managed.

**VK0EK** • Dave Lloyd, K3EL has been appointed as the Radio Team Leader for the November-December expedition to Heard Island [425DXN 1236]: "Dave is leading the radio team to define the requirements and make preparations for the operation, and he will be the manager of the radio operations on Heard Island". The Diablo DXers, a coalition of local San Francisco Bay Area DX club members led by co-organizer Rich, KY6R, will carry out the QSL service for VK0EK. The team will implement a variety of innovations, which will be documented on the QSL and LOG pages of [www.vk0ek.org](http://www.vk0ek.org) in the near future.



**VP8 2016** • The Intrepid-DX Group is pleased to announce that they have received their Landing/Camp Permit for South Sandwich and South Georgia Islands for their January 2016 DXpeditions [425DXN 1233]. "We will be on each island for ten days and we plan for eight full days of radio", they say. The primary objective is to provide as many DXers as possible with a New One, and to focus low-band contacts as a secondary objective: "we will use proven techniques to help ensure that everyone has a fair chance to work us". They also hope to upload to LoTW during or just after the DXpedition. "At this time, we are seeking Foundation, Club and individual support to help us offset our significant costs to activate these two rare islands" (South Sandwich and South Georgia are currently in the 4th and 9th place respectively according to Club Log's DXCC Most Wanted List). The vessel charter is in excess of 310,000 USD and the total budget is 425,000 USD. See [www.intrepid-dx.com/vp8/](http://www.intrepid-dx.com/vp8/) for further information. [TNX N6PSE]



**YASME EXCELLENCE AWARDS AND GRANTS** • In 2008 The Yasme Foundation ([www.yasme.org](http://www.yasme.org)) established the Yasme Excellence Awards, to be awarded to individuals who, through their own service, creativity, effort and dedication, have made a significant contribution to amateur radio. The contribution may be in recognition of technical, operating or organizational achievement, as all three are necessary for amateur radio to grow and prosper. The Yasme Excellence Award is in the form of a cash grant and an individually-

engraved crystal globe. The latest recipients, announced on 5 January, are:

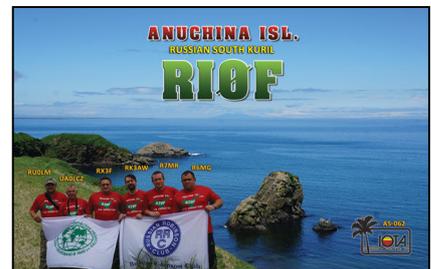
- **Kimo Chun, KH7U**, for his 20 years of behind-the-scenes support to DXpeditions to Pacific entities, including logistics, organization, equipment, local contacts and planning.
- **Dick Flagg, AH6NM**, for his years of working with the amateur radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) and Shuttle Amateur Radio Experiment (SAREX) groups and in supporting NASA's Radio Jove project, all designed to introduce amateur radio to the public, particularly students of all ages.
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- the **Foundation for Amateur Radio**, to be used in its scholarship programme.
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+ **SILENT KEYS** + Paolo Pero, **I1HJP** passed away on 26 December at 54 years of age. An accomplished CW operator, recently he attained FOC membership. He was also one of the fathers of Echolink in Italy.  
Renato Paramithiotti, **I1XQ** passed away on 6 January at 93 years of age. A doyen of amateur radio in Italy, he had been licensed for more than seven decades.



## QSL ROUTES

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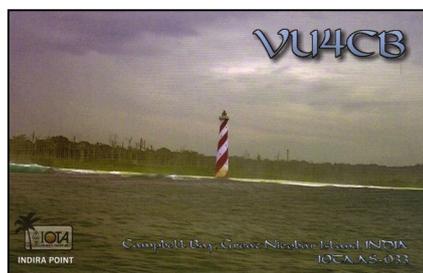
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3Z0WOSP	SP5ZRW	DL65DARC	DF1QR	PY0F/PP1CZ	PP1CZ
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4L8A	K1BV	EA6UN	EC6TK	SN85PZK	SP3POW
4O7CC	UA4CC	EG5RMC	EA5FIV	SN90IARU	SP1PMY
4X6TT	N4GNR	EI1100WD	EI2HZB	SO85PZK	SP9HQJ

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7S400K	SM7BHM	FG4NN	NI5DX	SQ85PZK	SP3KWA
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7X3WPL	7X3DL	FO/KK6BT	KE8G	SV9RNG	LZ1YE
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C6ATS	NI5DX	LZ290MB	LZ1KCP	YP1989TM	YO2KQT
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CX2AQ	EA5KB	NP4G	NP30	YT90NS	YU7BPQ
CX7OV	EA5KB	OD5PY	KU9C	ZD9A	ZS1LS
CX9AU	EA5GL	OD5ZZ	NI5DX	ZF2DX	K0DEQ
D3AM	UA1QV	OG300J	OH30J	ZF2LC	W2SM
DG150ZRS	DL1MIL	P49X	W0YK	ZF2NT	G3SWH
DJ90IARU	DL2VFR	PH44ZU	PC4DX	ZV5WSC	PU2KKE

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4K6FO	DC9RI	FW5JJ	F5RXL	S79AC	OE4AAC
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7X2JV	SM4VPZ	HH5/KC0W	KC0W	TG9GJG	EA5GL
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A22LL	ZS1LL	J28NC	F5RQQ	V31DX	DO4DXA
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C5X	M0OXO	KP4AW	NP3IR	VK2DX	W3HNK
C91RF	DL6DQW	LY19EURO	LY3BY	VP2ETE	W3HNK
CE2AWW	N7RO	MM0NDX/p	IW7EGQ	XR0YJ	JA3AVO

CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER
CN2JF	F6CTF	MX0WFF	G0WOU	XV3FB	KB4FB
CN2JJ	F5LYF	OP0LE	ON7TK	XV9NPS	JA2NPS [b]
CO6LC	IZ1GDB	OU0POLIO	OZ1ACB	XV9NPS	JA2ODB [d]
CO8LY	EA7ADH	OX3XR	PA3249	XW1HFC	OE1HFC
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CY0/VA1AXC	JE1LET	OX5T	OZ0J	XW4XR	E21EIC
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EL2DT	EL2FM	R35ASK	R4AAS	Z81D	OM3JW
EP6T	M0URX	R47TBS	UA4ATL	ZF2PG	K8PGJ
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FG/F6ARC	FE11DX	RI1ANR	RK1PWA	ZP5YW	W5UE



### QSLs received direct or through

**managers:** 3A2MW, 3D2FJ, 3D2RA, 3W7CW, 4A5XX, 4L1MA, 4O7VB, 4U1ITU, 4W/K7CO, 4W/N1YC, 4W0VB/p (OC-232), 4W/N1YC, 4W/NB3MM, 5H1KR (AF-032), 5R8M, 5V7TH, 5W0AF, 5W0AG, 5Z4/EA4ATI, 5Z4/JH0CJH, 7N2JZT/6 (AS-047), 7O2A (AF-028), 7O2A, 7QNL, 7X2JV, 8R1A, 9I5OBO, 9K2SS, 9M6NA, 9M8YY, 9N7BM, 9N7KT, 9Z4AM, A41KJ, A45XR, A71BX, AH0K, AL7GA, B9/BY9GA, BD1RX,

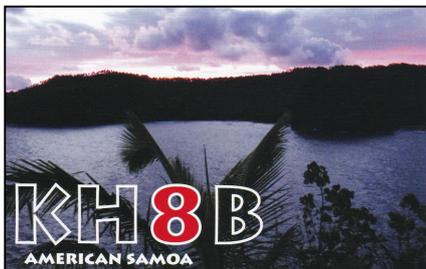


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