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DX news

VP6D Ducie Island -update

We are excited to announce the availability of DXA during VP6D. Bob Schmieder KK6EK of Cordell Expeditions offered the use of DXA and we gladly accepted. By pointing your browser to <http://www.dxa3.org/vp6d/> DXA allows anyone with an ordinary browser to see VP6D activity, in near real time. Within 60 seconds of your contact with VP6D, the browser page is automatically updated to show your call sign, this confirms that your contact is in the log (DXA reads the VP6D log). This process eliminates the need for duplicate contacts on the same band / mode and minimizes the confusion caused by pirates or other DX-peditions operating at the same time. <https://dx-world.net/vp6d-ducie-island-2018/>
<https://www.vp6d.com/>

VK9XG Christmas Island -update

The VK9XG team plan to use FT8 as the primary data mode. While demand is high we will use FT8's DXpedition mode, operating as the 'Fox' on the frequencies listed below. You must be using WSJT-X V1.9.1 in 'Hound' mode' to achieve a QSO. An excellent guide to operating FT8 DXpedition mode can be downloaded from https://physics.princeton.edu/pulsar/k1jt/FT8_DXpedition_Mode.pdf

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This week on HF

3W, VIETNAM Jacek, SP5APW is active as 3W9JK from Hoi An until September 27. Activity from 20 to 6 meter using SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau and Club Log OQRS.

5W, SAMOA YJ, VANUATU

Stan LZ1GC will be operating from September 28 until October 14 as 5W0GC. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY with a focus on low bands. After this, Stan and Lubo OM5ZW will be QRV as YJ0GC between October 15 and November 4. Activity nonstop from 160 to 10 meter with focus on low bands.

8Q, MALDIVES Gabor, HA3JB is operating as 8Q7IP from Hulhumale Island until September 30. QRV from 80 to 10 meter using CW, SSB, RTTY and FT8. QSL via home call.

9X, RWANDA The Italian DXpedition Team is active from Rwanda until October 10 as 9X0T. For FT8 DXpedition mode the call 9X0Y will be used. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW and SSB with 3 stations. RTTY will be used only on 20 meter. QSL via I2YSB. Real-time logsearch and OQRS see <http://www.i2ysb.com/idt/>

C2, NAURU Lance, W7GJ will go on a 6 meter DXpedition as C21GJ between September 28 and October 14. He will arrive on 28 September in the evening; plans are to be QRV by moonrise on 30 September, to tear down around 11 or 12 October and depart for home on the 14th. This will be a 6m EME DXpedition: "I urge you to gain experience with JT65A", he says, "and especially review the QSO procedure that I use most effectively on these DXpeditions". When "not aimed up at the moon", he adds, "I very well may be on CW or SSB, or FT8 mode. For FT8, I will be using 50.313 MHz". QSL direct only to home call. <http://www.bigskyspaces.com/w7gj/>

FH, MAYOTTE The Czech DX Team is operating as TO6OK until October 6. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi with a focus on the low bands. QSL via OK6DJ, OQRS and LoTW.

HBO, LIECHTENSTEIN Tina DL5YL and Fred DL5YM are active as HBO/calls until October 6. QRV on HF using CW with some SSB and RTTY during the CQ WW DX RTTY Contest. QSL via homecalls, direct or bureau.

HK, COLOMBIA Lothar, DK8LRF is once again active as HK3JCL until March 2019 from Finca Ligia. Operation mostly in his evenings on 20 meter SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

HP, PANAMA Hans HB9BXE, Nicola I0SNY, Elvira IV3FSG, Florian OE3FTA and Alexandra YO8SS are operating as H88X from Playa Farallon. Operation until October 9 using CW, SSB and digital modes on various bands. QSL via I0SNY direct or via 9A5URI bureau.

JT, MONGOLIA Josef OK1SC and David OK1DBS are operating as JT1XC/3 and JT1DBS/3 from Batshireet until September 30. QRV from 40 to 15 meter using mainly CW. QSL via homecalls.

KG4, GUANTANAMO BAY Stu, K4MIL is once again QRV as KG4SS until October 9. Operation on HF with an entry in the CQWW DX RTTY contest. QSL via home call, direct and LoTW.

KH8, AMERICAN SAMOA Uli, DL2AH will be active from Ofu Island (OC-077) as WH8/call. Operation from October 2 until October 29 in 'holiday-style' from 80 to 10 meter using SSB and digital. QSL via home call.

OJ0, MARKET REEF Pasi, OH3WS is once again operating as OJ0W until September 29. Operation during his spare time using mostly CW. QSL via home call.

OX, GREENLAND BO, OX3LX is again operating from mainland until October 2. Operation during his spare time.

T32, EAST KIRIBATI Uli, DL2AH is operating as T32AH until October 1. QRV from 80 to 10 meter using SSB, RTTY and FT8. QSL via home call.

T8, PALAU Ichy, JH7IPR will once again be active as T88UW from October 4 until October 10. Operation on HF using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. LoTW and Club Log.

VK9X, CHRISTMAS ISL A team with Martin A65DC, Paul A65DR, Thomas SM0CXU and Delia VE7HDW will be QRV as VK9XT from September 29 until October 6. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via N4GNR, direct or bureau, LoTW and OQRS. <http://vk9xt.qsodirector.com/>

VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISL Steve, AA7V is operating from Tortola as VP2V/call until October 1. Activity on HF using CW and FT8. An entry in the CQ WW RTTY Contest is included. QSL via LoTW and home call.

Z6, KOSOVO Max, ON5UR is operating as Z68UR from Gjakove until September 30. Activity on HF using SSB and FT8. QSL via M0URX. <http://www.united-radio.be/>

ZA, ALBANIA An Austrian team will be QRV from Lake Shkodra Camping Resort as ZA5V during October 1 and October 7. Operation on HF and 6 meter using CW, SSB, EME and digital. Callsign is pending.

ZD9, TRISTAN DA CUNHA Steve, G4EDG is active as ZD9CW until October 22. Operation from 40 to 15 meter using mainly CW and RTTY with some SSB. QSL via LZ1JZ.

Coming up soon

E6, NIUE The Quake DXpeditioners are pleased to announce their next trip to Niue between October 6 and October 16. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB, RTTY and maybe FT8. QSL via ZL3PAH, direct or bureau, LoTW and Club Log OQRS.

JW, SVALBARD A team with LA7XL/JW7XK, LA9DL/JW9DL and LA6VM/JW6VM will be operating from October 10 until October 15. Activity on HF using CW, SSB and digital. QSL for all calls via LA7XK, LoTW.

KG4, GUANTANAMO BAY Bill W4WV/KG4WV and Al W6HGF/KG4HF will once again be active from October 10 until October 24. Operation on HF using CW, SSB and digital and with focus on 80 and 160. QSL via homecalls.

TT, CHAD Ken, LA7GIA will be active as TT8KO from October 9 until October 21. Ken says: Chad is ranked pretty high up worldwide on lower bands, even higher for NA west coast. It's been a few years since the last single-op activation, and some more years since a group activated this entity. A couple of single op operations are not valid for DXCC.

The QTH will be a hotel in N'Djamena. There are unfortunately not many suitable and quiet locations (noise wise).

But the plan is to have the beam and dipoles high up about 25-30 meter. There are space for low band verticals and receiving antennas. I also plan to avoid the static season.

QTH: N'Djamena

I will use the following equipment.

1 x Radio Elecraft K3 (upgraded)

1 x Radio KX3 as backup

1 kW amplifier

My favourite 2 el Mosley beam: 20-17-15-12-10m up abt 25 meter

80m antenna, toploaded vertical – SPIDERBEAM POLE

Various backup TX antennas for different bands.

Various RX antennas: K9AY, BOG and beverage, some homebrew and some sponsored by Remoteqth.com

TBD – still planning

40/30m dipole or possible 2 el wire beam? up 25-30 meter.

160m antenna, toploaded vertical. Abt 28-30m vertical section.

backup, backup, backup ..

Modes: CW (+ maybe SSB). No digi mode planned.

QRX until next month for more info.

T8, PALAU Hiro JA6KYU and Kouko JQ6FQI will be operating as T88HS and T88WM from October 4 until October 9. Operation from 160 to 6 meter. QSL via homecalls.

VK9N, NORFOLK ISL Joe N7BF, Everett W6ABM, Russell N7QR and Pete ZL2HM will be operating as VK9BF, VK9EV, VK9QR and VK9PM. Activity from October 10 until October 19. QSL via homecalls.

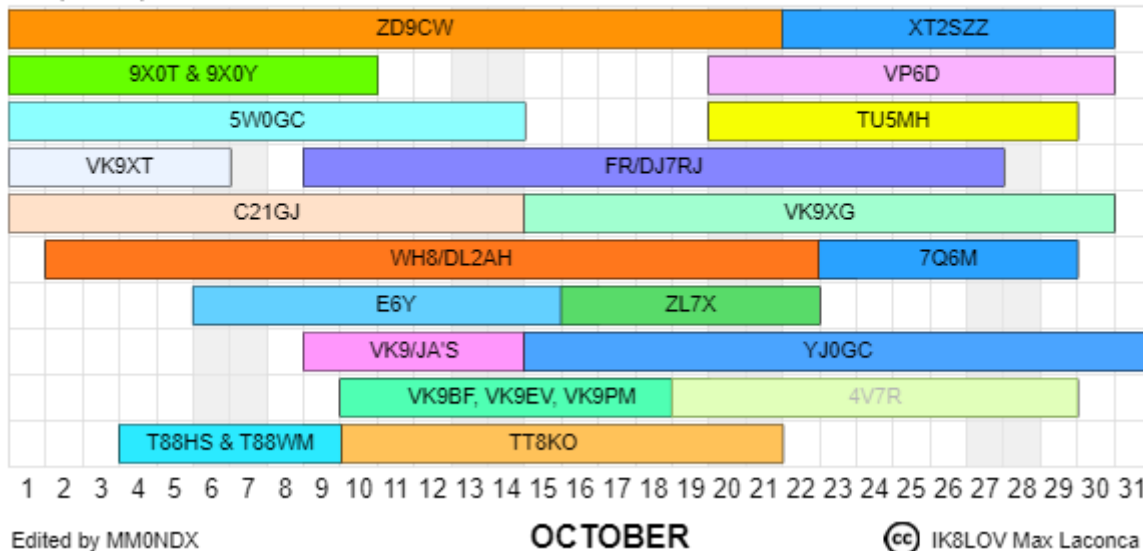
VK9N, NORFOLK ISL Takao JO7GVC and Hirokazu JK7LXU will be operating as VK9/calls from October 9 until October 14. Operation in 'holiday-style' from 40 to 10 meter using mainly CW, PSK and FT8. Hiro will upload his log to Club Log and LoTW.

XV, VIETNAM Jun, JH4RHF will be operating as XV9RH from Hanoi between October 10 and October 16. Operation during his spare time on HF using mainly CW. QSL via OE1ZKC.

DXCC Timeline

DX WORLD.net FEATURED DXPEDITIONS TIMELINE

Last update: September 27, 2018



IOTA

This week on HF

ASIA

Artic Legends 2018 IOTA DXpedition

AS-005 Sibiryakova Isl

AS-068 Skott-Gansena Isl

AS-087 Arkticheskogo Institita Isl

AS-104 Nansena Isl

Look for RI0B from these islands in September. Team members are Igor UA9KDF, Victor RW0BG, Andy UA0BA, Andy UA9LDD and Mike UA1QV. Operation from 40 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digital modes. <http://legendsarctic.com/novosti>

EUROPE

EU-052 Zakynthos Sigi, DL7DF will be active as SV8/call from October 1 until October 15. Activity from 80 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, LoTW.

EU-068 Sein Isl Fabien, F4GYM will be active as call/P on October 2-5. Activity from 80 to 10 meter using SSB and digital modes. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

NORTH AMERICA

NA-047 Baffin Isl Mike, VE2XB is operating as VY0BRR until end 2018. Operation during his spare time, mostly on 40 meter. QSL via home call.

OCEANIA

OC-129 Visayan Isl Bill, G0CXF is operating as DU7/call for a stay of 6 months on the Camotes Islands. Operation on 80, 40, 20 and 6 meter using SSB and PSK with a focus on Europe, USA, Australia and Canada.

Coming up soon

EUROPE

EU-052 Meganisi Isl A team will be active as SW8DX between October 6 and October 13. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via Club Log OQRS, LoTW or IK8JAI.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announced DX

THE NEWCOMERS

7Q, MALAWI Dan, K6ZO will once again be QRV as 7Q6M from Embangweni. QRV between October 23 and October 29 from 160 to 10 meter with an entry in the CQWW DX SSB contest. QSL via home call.

HC8, GALAPAGOS ISL Team HD8M will once again be QRV between February 27 and March 6, 2019. <http://www.hd8m.com/>

J8, GRENADINES Brian, GW4DVB will once again be operating during his spare time as J88PI. QRV between May 7 and May 14, 2019 from 40 to 6 meter using mainly SSB. QSL via home call.

P4, ARUBA Frank, PH2M will be active in 'holiday-style' as P4/call between November 17 and November 29. Activity from 80 to 10 meter using SSB and FT8. QSL via home call, bureau or direct, LoTW.

P4, ARUBA Yuri, VE3DZ will again be operating as P40T from October 21 until October 31. Included is an entry in the CQWW DX SSB contest.

T2, TUVALU Next T2AR mini-DXpedition is planned for November 2018. Focus will be on low bands (including 160m), with QRO. QSL via 3D2AG (PayPal). Only paper logs used, no systematic LoTW. Digimode QSOs will be uploaded to QRZ.com after the expedition.

TU, IVORY COAST Bertrand, DFFS will be QRV as TU5MH between October 20 and October 29. Operation on HF using CW and SSB. QSL via OQRS Club Log, LoTW.

V6, MICRONESIA Shuji, JA1FMN will be QRV as V63PSK from Weno Island (OC-011) between November 19 and November 25. Activity from 40 to 15 meter using FT8 and JT65. QSL via home call, logs on Club Log.

VP9, BERMUDA Dave K4AJA, Steve AA4V, Rick W4GE and Gay N4SF will be on the air from October 24 until October 29 from Felicity Cottage, Somerset, Bermuda, including a Multi-Two entry for the 2018 CQ Worldwide SSB Contest. Before and after the contest we will be using our own /VP9 calls, but using K4AJA/VP9 for the contest.

THE REMINDERS

5H, TANZANIA Maurizio, IK2GZU will once again be operating as 5H3MB between October 24 and November 28 (mission for work in the Ilembula orphanage and hospital). Operation during his spare time on HF using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via bureau, direct or Club Log OQRS.

5R, MADAGASCAR Alex K2BB and Pavel UU0JR are looking for other ops to join them to form a team for a DXpedition to Nosy Be Island, AF-057. Period November 19-29, 2018. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digital. 5R8T requested but not yet confirmed. Contact Alex if interested... alex.k2bb@gmail.com

5W, SAMOA

KH8, AMERICAN SAMOA

Hiro JF1OCQ and Mark JJ1TBB will be operating as 5W7X and 5W0TB from October 27 until November 6. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. A side trip to American Samoa is planned as W1VX/KH8 and KH8C. QSL for all calls via JF1OCQ, direct or bureau, LoTW.

7P, LESOTHO Rune, LA7THA and team will be operating the first part of March 2019. Approx 10 days of operation with the focus on the low bands. More to follow.

8P, BARBADOS A team with DK1BTn DL4WK, DL6SAK, DL7DF, DL7KL, DL7UFR and SP3CVY will be QRV as 8P9AE during November 6 and November 20. Operation with 3 stations from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digital. <http://www.dl7df.com/8p9/>

CY9, SABLE ISL THE CY0 DXpedition team with 7 operators will be active somewhere in 2019. It is rare on CW and a big effort will be made for this. More to follow.

E5, SOUTH COOK ISL Hans-Martin, DK2HM will be operating from Rarotonga as E51HMK during March 2019. Full info to follow later...

E6, NIUE Alex, 5B4ALX will be operating as E6ET between March 19 and April 2, 2019. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digital. QSL via home call, Club Log OQRS and LoTW. <http://www.5b4alx.cloud/e6et-niue-2019/>

EA9, CEUTA AND MELILLA Haru, JA1XGI will be operating as EA9/W1XGI from October 16 until October 22. Operation on HF using CW and FT8. QSL via Club Log OQRS, LoTW or via JA1XGI.

EL, LIBERIA Col MM0NDX and Jonathan MM0OKG plans to be active again as EL2EL during early November. Operation on various bands using SSB and FT8. More to follow.

FG, GUADELOUPE Look for FG/SM7RYR between October 27 and November 11. Operation in 'holiday-style' from Deshaies. QRV on 20 meter using CW only. QSL via LoTW.

FH, MAYOTTE

FR, REUNION ISL

Willi, DJ7RJ informs that he will be active from Reunion for 3 weeks (October 9-27) and 1 week from Mayotte (October 29 – November 6). Operation on the low bands preferred. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

FM, MARTINIQUE Hideto, JF2QNM will be operating as TO1J between October 24 and October 30. An entry in the CQWW SSB contest is included. Outside the contest the focus will be on WARC bands, CW and SSB. QSL via home call.

FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA Rich KE1B and Anna W6NN will be QRV as FO/KE1B between April 21 and May 3, 2019. Activity on 20 meter using FT8. QSL via KE1B, LoTW.

FW, WALLIS & FUTUNA Nobby, G0VJG informs DX-World that he has plans to be active from Wallis Island early next year. Flights are already booked and callsign requested. In addition, he hopes side-trips to Futuna and Fiji will also be possible. Focus on Europe, SSB & FT8. Full info to follow in the coming months.

HH, HAITI A team with EA1ACP, EA1DVY, EA7FTR, EB7DX, HH2JR and HH2MK will be QRV as 4V7R from October 19 until October 29. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digital. QSL via EB7DX. <http://lazydxers.com/4v7r/index.html>

J8, ST VINCENT & GRENADINES A team with VE7NY, N7QT, KO8SCA, K7AR, VE7CT and VE7XF will be QRV as J8NY between November 21 and November 28. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using all modes. QSL via VE7NY. An entry in the CQWW CW contest is included.

JD1, OGASAWARA Kazu, JD1BNA will be active from Hahajima Island from October 24 until October 28. Operation mainly on 160, 80 and 40 meter. QSL via JL1UTS, direct.

PJ4, BONAIRE Scott, NE9U will be operating as PJ4/NE9U between October 20 and November 3. An entry during the CQWW SSB contest is included as PJ4G. QSL via home call, LoTW. PJ4G via WA2NHA.

PJ7, ST MAARTEN Ed, N2HX will be active again as PJ7PL from October 20 until November 4. An entry in the CQWW SSB contest is included. Before and after the contest using RTTY, SSB and maybe FT8. QSL via home call.

PJ7, ST MAARTEN Tom, AA9A will once again be operating as PJ7AA from November 17 until December 8. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digital. QSL via home call.

T8, PALAU Mike, JA6EGL will once again be QRV as T88SM from October 17 until October 24. Operation on HF from Palau Rental Shack.

V4, ST KITTS Gary, G0FWX will be active as V47FWX between November 7 and November 14. Operation in 'holiday-style'. QSL via M0URX.

V4, ST KITTS Clive, GM3POI will be operating as V4/call between October 23 and October 30. Operation during the CQ WW SSB contest as V47X. QSL via M0URX.

VK9C, COCOS KEELING VK9CH November 6-10

VK9X, CHRISTMAS ISL VK9XQ November 3-6, November 10-17

Michael, DF8AN will be QRV from 160 to 6 meter using mainly CW, RTTY and other digital modes. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

VK9X, CHRISTMAS ISL The UK's 6-Gs DXpedition Team will be operating as VK9XG from Christmas between October 16 and October 30. Operation from 160 to 10 meter with 4 stations using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via G3TXF, LoTW, Club Log OQRS.

<http://www.6gs.org.uk/christmas-island-2018/>

VP2E, ANGUILLA Art WA7NB and John N2LK will be active as VP2EAB and VP2EJS from November 18 until November 26. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digital. QSL via homecalls.

VP2E, ANGUILLA Rich KE1B and Anna W6NN will be operating in 'holiday-style' as VP2EAQ and VP2EAR from November 19 until November 28. Operation from 40 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digital. QSL via homecalls, LoTW.

VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISL Dave, WJ2O will be operating as VP2V/call between November 21 and November 27. An entry in the CQWW CW contest is included. Outside the contest is the focus on WARC bands. QSL via N2ZN.

VP6, DUCIE ISL The Perseverance DX Group announced their next DXpedition to Ducie Island (OC-182), Club Log's n°27 most wanted DXCC. A team of operators with UT6UD, DJ9RR, HA0NAR, HA5AO, K3EL, K5GS, N6HC, N6HD, N6WM, N6XG, PY2PT, W1SRD, W2LK, W6AO and ZL3CW will be active as VP6D with seven stations from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digital modes including FT8. Activity is scheduled between October 20 and November 3. <http://vp6d.com/>

VP9, BERMUDA Look for VP9/N1SV and VP9/W1ZZ between October 24-28. During the CQWW DX SSB contest they will sign as VP9I. QSL via homecalls, BP9I goes via WW3S.

VP9, BERMUDA Dave K4AJA, Rick W4GE, James N4SF and Steve AA4V will be active as VP9/K4AJA from Bermuda during the CQWW SSB Contest. Before and after the contest (October 22-31) they will operate as VP9/homecalls. QSL via homecalls.

XT, BURKINA FASO A Slovenian Team with S54W, S57L, S58Y, S59ZZ and S50A will be operating as XT2SZZ from Bobo Dioulasso between October 22 and October 30. QSL via S59ZZ.

XV, VIETNAM Mats, SM6LRR/RM2D will be active from Phan Tiet as XV2D between November 19 and December 1. Operation in 'holiday-style' with efforts for CQWW CW contest. QSL via LoTW.

XX, MACAO A large 15-man team will be operating as XX9D between February 11-26, 2019. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via DL4SVA, OQRS Club Log, LoTW. <http://xx9d.mydx.de/>

XW, LAOS Champ, E21EIC will once again be operating as XW1IC from October 12 until October 16. Operation from 40 to 6 meter. QSL via home call, bureau or direct, OQRS.

YJ, VANUATU Daniel, VK4AFU will once again be operating as YJ0AFU from Port Vila from December 25 until January 1, 2019. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digital.

Z2, ZIMBABWE A team from 20 operators with Antonio IZ8CCW as leader and Gabriele I2VGW as co-leader will be active as Z23MD from October 26 until November 6. Focus will be on the low bands, WARC bands and digital modes. They will be active with 5 stations nonstop. <http://www.mdxc.org/z23md/>

ZF, CAYMAN ISL Frank, K3TRM will be QRV as ZF2RM, dates not known yet. He specifically mentions Cayman Brac, therefore his call may change to ZF9/ZF2RM when operating from there.

ZF, CAYMAN ISL Pete, K8PGJ will once again be QRV from Grand Cayman as ZF2PG between January 12 and January 20, 2019. Operation on HF. QSL via home call, LoTW.

ZL7, CHATHAM ISL Shige JH1GNU, Kaz JH1HRJ and Tack JE1SCJ will be operating as ZL7X between October 16 and October 22. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. Focus on low bands CW and all bands FT8. QSL via JA0VSH, direct or bureau, LoTW.

Announced IOTA

THE NEWCOMERS

AFRICA

AF-037 Banana Isl The famous team F6KOP will be active from Sierra Leon in either January or February 2019. More to follow. <http://www.f6kop.com/2018/09/23/la-prochaine-expedition-de-f6kop-sera-en/>

ASIA

AS-128 Phu Quoc Isl

AS-130 Con Son Isl

Bill, WA7WJR will be operating as XV9WJR from October 3 until October 27. QRV on 20, 15 and 40 meter using mostly CW with some PSK31 and SSB.

AS-173 Pamban Isl An Indian team led by VU3NPI will be QRV on November 3-4. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. More to follow.

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AFRICA

AF-045 Goree Isl A team with 6W1KI, 6W1PZ, 6W1QL, 6W7JX and others will be operating as 6V1A on December 7-9. Operation on HF using CW and SSB with 2 stations.

AF-078 Carabane Isl Alfredo, IK7JWX and team are planning a humanitarian DXpedition for 10 days in November 2018. Callsign is pending. More to follow.

AF-111 Telengbe Isl Eric EL2EF, Col MM0NDX and Jonathan MM0OKG will be operating as EL2EL/4 during early November 2018. AF-111 is a new IOTA, the activity is depending the weather and sea conditions.

ASIA

AS-032 Tanega Isl Kenji, JA4XGS will be active as call/6 on October 13-15. Operation on 40, 20 and 17 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via home call.

EUROPE

EU-112 Shiant Isles Col will be active as MS0INT from EU's 5th most wanted IOTA, dates to be confirmed...more to follow...

NORTH AMERICA

NA-013 Big Corn Isl Members of the Russian Robinson Club Yuri RM0F, Sergey R4WAA, Sergey RZ3FW, Yuri N3QQ and Elena RC5A will be active as YN4RRC, H7/RM0F, H7/R4WAA and H7/RC5A from November 26 until December 6. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW and SSB.

NA-057 Roatan Isl W1UE, K1XM and KQ1F will be operating as HQ9X during the CQWW DX contest (November 24-25). Before and after they will sign as HR9/calls.

NA-122 Beata Isl A large team will be operating as HI1LT between January 20 and January 28, 2019. Operation on HF using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via W2CCW.

OCEANIA

OC-025 Manus Isl

OC-153 Daru Isl

Derek G3KHZ, Hans SM6CVX and Eddy K5WQG will be operating from these 2 islands. Manus Isl from around 1200Z January 31 until February 5, 2019. QSL via SM6CVX. Daru Isl from around 1200Z February 6 until February 11, 2019. QSL via G3KHZ. Operation from 40 to 15 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL direct or OQRS.

Special calls

THE NEWCOMERS

GM, SCOTLAND GR150NIB is the special call to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the Royal National Institute of Blind People. Operation from October 1 until October 28 on HF using CW with some SSB. QSL via G3SWH OQRS and LoTW, logsearch on Club Log and G3SWH's website.

THE REMINDERS

4K, AZERBAIJAN Look for **4K100W** by Vlad 4K9W until end 2018. This to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the founding of the Azerbaijan Democratic Republic. QSL via Club Log OQRS or via DL6KVA.

5W, SAMOA Atsu, 5W1SA will be operating as **5W20SAMOA**, this to celebrate 20 years activity of 5W1SA, who already logged more than 100k QSO. QRV during 2018. <http://df0che.darc.de/dm200lfs.php>

CE, CHILE XR208A, XR208B, XR208C and XR208D are the special call for the Discolo DX Group to celebrate the 208th anniversary of the First Government Junta. Established on September 18 1810, it proclaimed Chile an autonomous republic within the Spanish monarchy, and as the earliest step in the Chilean struggle for independence. Activity on HF using CW, SSB and digital during September. All QSO will be confirmed automatically via the bureau.

DL, GERMANY Look for **DJ70WAE** (special DOK 70WAE) throughout 2018, this to mark the 70th anniversary of the Worked All Europe Award. QSL via bureau.

DL, GERMANY DK200MARX (special DOK 200KM) celebrates Karl Marx's 200th anniversary during 2018. QRV on all bands and all modes. QSL via DK5PZ direct, Club Log OQRS.

DL, GERMANY DA200FWR (special DOK FWR200) draws attention to the 200th birthday of Friedrich Wilhelm Raiffeisen, a German pioneer of forms of cooperative economy in the 19th century. His ideas and works were recognised by UNESCO as an Intangible Cultural Heritage in 2016. Operation until end 2018. QSL via bureau or via DK2PU direct.

DL, GERMANY The DARC club of Paderborn celebrates its 70th anniversary during 2018 as **DL70PADER**. QSL via bureau.

DL, GERMANY Railway radio operators from Paderborn are celebrating their club's 50th anniversary as **DB50EFAPB** during 2018. QSL via bureau.

DL, GERMANY Members of the ARC Hassberge are celebrating the 1000th anniversary of the town Zeil am Main. Operation as **DF1000ZEIL** during 2018. QSL via bureau.

DL, GERMANY Special call **DM900ZWI** celebrates the 900th anniversary of the city of Zwickau. QRV during 2018. QSL via DM5JBN.

E7, BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA The Zajednica Radioamatera Herceg Bosne Association celebrates its 25th anniversary as **E725ZRHB** until end 2018. An award is available. QSL via E73Y. <http://www.zrhb.org/>

EA, SPAIN The 'Universitat Autònoma Barcelona' is celebrating its 50th anniversary as **EH3UAB** until end 2018. Operation on HF using all modes. QSL via EB3GCP, direct or bureau.

EI, IRELAND To commemorate the sinking of Royal Mail Ship Leinster during World War I (10 October 1918), special call **EI100MCV** is activated until end 2018, with particular activity in the weeks around the date of 10 October. This was, and still is, the single largest loss of life in the Irish sea with a total of 567 people lost. The intention is to use all modes and bands, operating on or close to frequencies ending with 18. QSL via the bureau.

EI, IRELAND Look for **EI50AOM** during the next months to commemorate the Tuskar Rock Air Tragedy of 1968. QSL via EI2KA.

F, FRANCE Philippe, F5PTA is active as **TM70ONU** from Lyon (France) until December 27. The special call is in celebration of the 70th anniversary of the United Nations General Assembly's adoption and proclamation of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (10 December 1948). QSL via eQSL only.

F, FRANCE Franck F4DTO and Patrick F4GFE are commemorating Napoleon's Battle of the Pyramids as **TM220BP** until December 15. For more information and days of activity see qrz.com. QSL via F4GFE, direct or bureau.

F, FRANCE **TM62GG** is the call to mark the 100th anniversary of World War I. Operation from Meurchin, Pas-de-Calais. Operation between October 12 and December 2. QSL via F4AHN, direct or bureau.

G, ENGLAND Celebrating the centenary of the Royal Air Force, **GB100RAF** will be in use from various regions in England. QRV until end March 2019. QSL via G8FC, direct. <http://www.rafars.org/raf100>

G, ENGLAND **GB250CC** is a special call for the Pontefract and District Amateur Radio Society to celebrate the 250th anniversary of Captain James Cook's first scientific voyage of discovery to the Pacific Ocean (1768-1771). The first activity will take place until end September, to mark the sailing of Cook's ship, the "Endeavour", from Plymouth (25 August 1768). Other activities will follow to coincide with key moments in the voyage. QSL via LoTW, bureau or direct to G0BPK.

G, ENGLAND The Welland Valley ARS will host a number of special calls in 2018 to mark the end of World War I and in remembrance of the millions who were killed or wounded. 12 calls will be activated during entire 2018:

GB6GW September

GB6FWW October

GB8GW November

GBOAD November 10-11 (Armistice Day)

See <http://www.arz.com/db/GB1GW> for QSL instructions and awards.

I, ITALY Look for **II2RR** until end 2018 to mark the 70th anniversary of the first issue of RadioRivista, Associazione Radioamatori Italiani's monthly journal. QSL via IK2VUC.

I, ITALY Ninety years ago the airship "Italia" crashed on the ice on its way back from the North Pole, and a small tent dyed red for maximum visibility was the only shelter for the survivors. Commemorating the role of radio (and amateur radio) in rescuing the Red Tent survivors, ARI Vigevano is active as **IB2RT** until October 20. QSL via I2MYF.

I, ITALY Look for **II0GM** by Giovanni I0KQB, this to commemorate G. Marconi. Activity during 2018. QSL via I0KQB, direct only.

I, ITALY ARI Fidenza will use a number of special calls during 2018 to honour 12 of 'the most eminent scientists who have given a fundamental contribution to the theoretical, experimental and technological development of the Radio Communications technology'

II4LNZ (Heinrich Lenz) during September

II4OER (Hans Christian Orsted) during October

II4HNR (Joseph Henry) during November

II4FRD (Michael Faraday) during December

QSL for all calls via IQ4FE, bureau or direct. For more information see

<http://www.arifidenza.it/>

ISO, SARDINIA Simone, ISOAFM is using the special call **IROFOC** to celebrate the 80th anniversary of the First Class CW Operators' Club. Operation until end 2018. QSL via ISOAFM, direct or LoTW.

JA, JAPAN **8J20GAKI** celebrates the 100th anniversary of Ogaki City until February 28, 2019. QSL will be sent automatically via bureau, direct goes to JJ2ONH.

JA, JAPAN **8N0400N** is celebrating the founding of the city Nagaoka 400 years ago. Operation during 2018. QSL via bureau.

JA, JAPAN **8J1KZ** is celebrating the 70th anniversary of Kanazawa Ward on the air. Activity until end February 2019. QSL via bureau.

JA, JAPAN **8J4B** is celebrating the construction of the Seto Ohashi Bridge 30 years ago. Operation until November 30. QSL via bureau.

LA, NORWAY Look for **LM90C**, **LM90HQ** and **LM90NRRL** throughout 2018 to celebrate the 90th anniversary of the Norsk Radio Relae Liga, the Norwegian IARU Society. QSL via bureau.

LZ, BULGARIA Once again, Radio Club Blagovestnik (LZ1KCP) is using 12 calls during 2018 to honour as many different Bulgarian saints:

LZ920MLC September

LZ1545POA October

LZ33MM November

LZ532PSO December

All details for award and QSL via <http://www.lz1kcp.com/>

OE, AUSTRIA A number of special calls with the prefix OE18 is active until October 1 for the UCI Road Cycling World Championships that will take place in Innsbruck-Tirol (Austria). For instance, Club stations OE7XKJ and OE7XWI will be active as **OE18XKJ** and **OE18XWI** respectively, OE4VIE as OE18VIE, OE1SGU as **OE18SGU** and OE5EGN as **OE18EGN**. See qrz.com for QSL routes.

OE, AUSTRIA Austrian amateurs may use the prefix **OE100** until November 13. This to mark the 100th anniversary of the Austrian Republic.

OH, FINLAND **OG60F** is the special call to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the radio club from Pori. Activity during 2018. For more info see <http://teljanradioamatoorit.dy.fi/?OG60F>

OK, CZECH REPUBLIC

OM, SLOVAK REPUBLIC

The special event station **OL100CSR** and **OM100CSR** are celebrating the founding of Czechoslovakia 100 years ago. QRV until October 31. An award is available as well. QSL for OL100CSR via OK1MP (d), bureau, Club Log OQRS. OM100CSR via OM2FY (d/B), Club Log OQRS.

OK, CZECH REPUBLIC To achieve the Centenary Award contact in October (1. - 31. 10. 2018) all Czech Special Stations **OL100A, OL100C, OL100E, OL100N, OL100R, OL100S, OL100T, OL100Y**. Any HF band, any mode (CW, SSB, DIGI) counts. The suffix letters form the words RCS CENTENARY. Any missing suffix letter from A-C-E-N-R-S-T-Y can be replaced by a QSO with one or both joker stations OL100RCS or OM100CSR. Both jokers can be used but each does count only once.

The Award is in electronic form (PDF file), free of charge. <https://ol100.okdxf.eu/>

OM, SLOVAK REP **OM80PAR** is the special call to celebrate the 80th anniversary of the city Partizanske. Operated by members of the Radioklub KAPA until end 2018. QSL via OM3PA.

OM, SLOVAK REP Members of the radio club Horec will be operating as **OM75TESLA** to commemorate Nikola Tesla's death 75 years ago until end 2018. QSL via OM3KHT, direct or bureau.

PA, THE NETHERLANDS The 11 Cities Marathon will be held during entire 2018 to celebrate the city of Leeuwarden, European Capital of Culture for 2018. Look for

PF2018DOK (Dokkum) September

PF2018WOR (Workum) October

PF2018STA (Stavoren) November

All cities during December

QSL via LoTW, Club Log OQRS or via PA0MBD. A number of awards will be available.

<http://hamecc2018.eu/>

S5, SLOVENIA **S590RTVS** is operating until end 2018 to celebrate 90 years of radio and 60 years of television shows broadcasting by Radiotelevizija Slovenija, the country's national public broadcasting company. All QSO will be confirmed automatically, LoTW.

SP, POLAND The 100th anniversary of Poland's independence is celebrated with the following callsigns until November 11: **SN100L, SN100JH, SN100S, SN100RD, SN100RB, SN100JP, SN100IP, SN100PW, SN100PS** and **SN100ID**.

https://pzk.org.pl/print.php?type=N&item_id=4248

SP, POLAND Another activity to celebrate 100 years of Poland's independence is **SP100PAZ**, active until the end of the year. QSL via bureau, LoTW.

SP, POLAND The town Wolcieszow (WW Loc. JO70xw, SPPA D-ZT, PGA ZT01) was founded 750 years ago. This is celebrated with the call **SO750W** until the end of the year. QSL via LoTW and eQSL.

VK, AUSTRALIA September 22, 2018 marks the 100th anniversary of the first wireless transmission between Australia and the United Kingdom. Messages were transmitted from the Marconi station at Waunfawr (Wales) and were received by Ernest Fisk at Wahroonga (Sydney). As part of the Centenary celebrations, the Wireless Institute of

Australia will hold an on-air event during September. State and Territory special callsigns **VI#MARCONI** will be active on a roster basis. In addition, the Hornsby and Districts Amateur Radio Club will be active as **VK100MARCONI**. Complete information can be found on <http://www.wia.org.au/newsevents/marconi100/about/>
YB, INDONESIA YB46SEA is the special call during the 46th SEANET Convention held in Yogyakarta. Operation from October 18 until October 21. More on <https://seanet2018.orari.or.id/>

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