

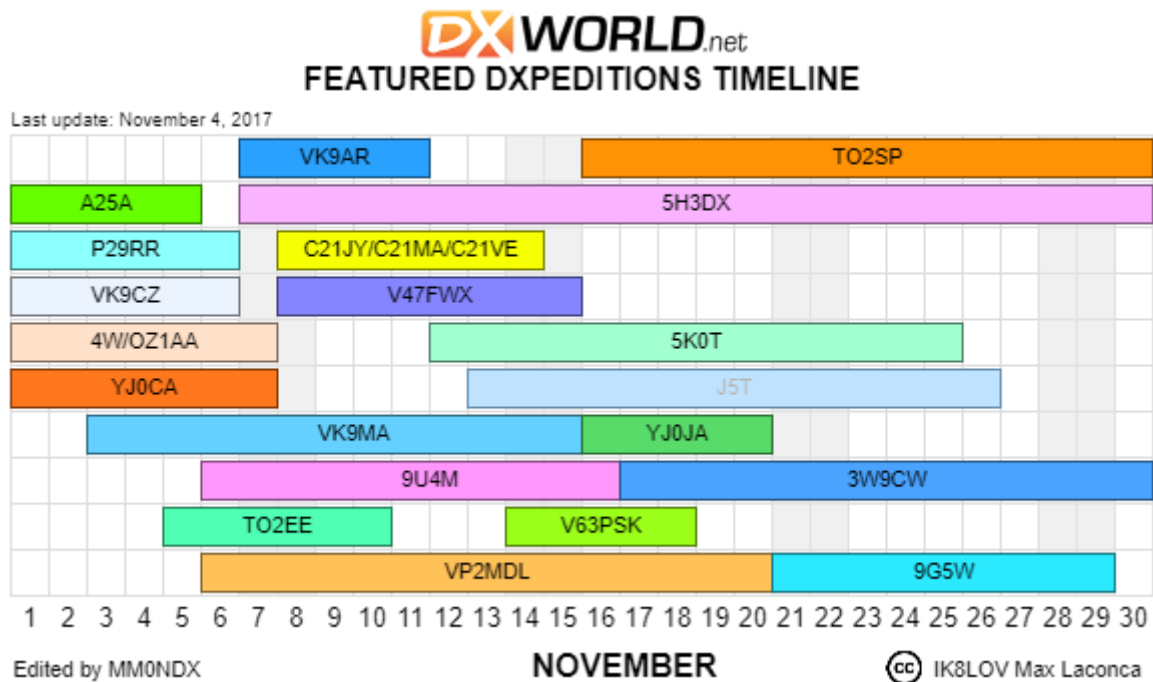
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## DX news

### **5L3BI Baiyah Island –update by Col, MM0NDX**

After trying for 2 days the 5L3BI team couldn't make a landing. Way too dangerous. Jeremy EI5GM and Col MM0NDX almost capsized next to rock. The swell around the rock never eased. There's lots more to say but not at this moment in time.

## DXCC Timeline



# DXCC

## This week on HF

**3B8, MAURITIUS** Jean-Paul, HB9ARY is once again operating as 3B8HC until November 18. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using SSB and slow CW. QSL via NI5DX, direct only, LoTW.

**3C, EQUATORIAL GUINEA** 3C1L will remain active until November 12. QSL via Club Log OQRS, LoTW or via YL2GN. [http://www.lral.lv/3C0L\\_3C1L](http://www.lral.lv/3C0L_3C1L)

**3W, VIETNAM** Tom, KC0W is operating as 3W9CW throughout November. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using CW and FT8. QSL via KC0W, direct only.

**4S, SRI LANKA** Peter, DC0KK is once again operating as 4S7KKG until March 25, 2018. Operation on HF using digital modes. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, LoTW and Club Log OQRS.

**5H, TANZANIA** Chas, NK8O is once again QRV as 5H3DX from Zinga until December 4. Operation during his spare time from 40 to 10 meter using CW and some PSK. QSL via home call, direct only and LoTW.

**5N, NIGERIA** Bodo, DF8DX will be active as 5N7Q from November 12 until November 16. If you hear him with a big signal, then he is operating from the station at Voice Of Nigeria in Abuja. QSL via home call.

**5X, UGANDA** Jonathan, 5X10 is QRV until November 20, operation during his spare time in the mornings and evenings on 40, 20, 17, 15 and 10 meter using CW, SSB and possible FT8 and JT65. QSL via EA5GL.

**8P, BARBADOS** Joesph, N7BF is operating as 8P9BT from 40 to 10 meter using SSB only. Activity until November 11. QSL via home call, direct only.

**8P, BARBADOS** Mac, WT4BT is operating as 8P9MT until November 10. Operation on HF. QSL via LoTW.

**9L, SIERRA LEONE** Mark, KW4XJ is on an overseas assignment and is operating as 9L/call. He waits his application to be approved for a permanent 9L call. Operation on HF using CW and digital modes.

**9U, BURUNDI** The MDXC team led by Antonio IZ8CCW and co-leader Gabriele I2VWG is active as 9U4M, this until November 17. QRV with 5 stations using all band and all modes. QSL via IK2VUC, direct or bureau, LoTW, logsearch and OQRS on this website: <http://www.mdxc.org/9u4m/>

**9X, RWANDA** Harald, DF2WO will again be active as 9X2AW between November 15 and November 30. Operation on HF using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via M0OXO.

**C2, NAURU** Kuni JA8VE, Mat JA1CQY and Kaoru JA3MCA are operating as C21VE, C21JY and C21MA until November 14. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via homecalls.

**C9, MOZAMBIQUE** Look for Johannes PA5X for the coming months as C93PA. Operation on HF using SSB and digital modes. QSL via PA5X bureau, Club Log OQRS and LoTW.

**CU, AZORES** Babs DL7AFS and Lothar DJ7ZG are active as CT8/calls from Sao Miguel Isl until November 10. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using mainly SSB and digital modes. QSL via DL7AFS, direct or bureau, LoTW.

**FG, GUADELOUPE** Bill, K2HVN is QRV as TO2E until November 10. Operation from 40 to 10 meter using CW with some SSB. QSL via home call.

**H4, SOLOMON ISL** Bernhard, DL2GAC is operating as H44MS from Malaita Island until end November . Operation from 160 to 6 meter using SSB. QSL via home call.

**HK0, SAN ANDRES** An Argentinian team will be active as 5K0T from November 12 until November 25. Operation with 3 stations using CW, SSB and digital modes, one stations will be a satellite station. QSL via LU1FM, Club Log OQRS, real-time log by KK6EK. <http://tarjetasqsl.com.ar/5k0t/index.html>

**J5, GUINEA BISSAU** The Italian DXpedition Team will be active as J5T with 7 operators from November 13 until November 25. Operation with 4 stations on all bands using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via I2YSB and LoTW, real-time logsearch including a band and mode survey and OQRS via <http://www.i2ysb.com/idt/>

**JD1, MINAMI TORISHIMA** Take, JG8NQJ is once again operating until around December 15. Activity as call/JD1 on HF using CW and RTTY. QSL via JA8CJY direct or via JG8NQJ bureau.

**JW, SVALBARD** Rene, DL2JRM will be active as JW/call from November 10 until November 13. Operation on all bands. QSL via home call.

**KP2, US VIRGIN ISL** Scott, NE9U will be operating as call/KP2 from November 11 until December 5. An entry in the CQWW DX CW contest and ARRL 160 meter contest is included as NP2X. QSL via K5WW and LoTW.

**PJ4, BONAIRE** Olli DH8BQA, Paul DL5CW and Tom DL8YM are operating as PJ4/calls until November 29. During the CQWW DX CW contest they will sign as PJ4Y. QSL via homecalls, for PJ4Y via DL5CW, direct or bureau.

**PZ, SURINAME** Rico, PA3BVK is active as PZ5JW for the next 2 months. Activity mainly on 30 meter using CW. QSL via home call.

**V4, ST KITTS** Gary, G01FWX is active as V47FWX until November 15. Operation in 'holiday-style'. QSL via M0URX.

**V6, MICRONESIA** Shuji, JA1FMN will be operating from Chuuk as V63PSK between November 14 and November 18. Operation in 'holiday-style' from 20 to 10 meter using digital modes. QSL via Club Log OQRS or home call.

**VK9M, MELLISH REEF** The VK9MA team is QRV with nine operators (DL3DXX, LB8DC, N7QT, N9ADG, SM1ALH, SM5AQD, SM5GLC, W5XU and WJ2O). They are QRV until November 16 with four stations around the clock. The pilot stations are K4PI (all of the Americas), V51B (Africa) and ON9CFG (Europe). QSL via Club Log OQRS, LoTW and eQSL. Traditional requests via N7QT. <https://vk9ma.com/>

**VP2M, MONTSEERRAT** Look for Dennis N0SMX / VP2MMX and George K2DM / VP2MDG during the CQWW SSB DX contest. QSL via LoTW.

**VP2M, MONTSEERRAT** A team with DJ6TF, DK1BT, DL4WK, DL7DF, DL7UFR, DL7VEE and SP3DOI is QRV as VP2MDL until November 20. Operation with 2 stations from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY. <http://www.dl7df.com/vp2m/>

**VP8, FALKLAND ISLANDS** Eberhard, DL7JLL will be operating as VP8JLL from November 15 until November 25. Operation on HF. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

**VR, HONG KONG** Tom, KC0W is operating as VR2/call from Cheung Chau Island (AS-006) until November 15. QRV on HF using CW and FT8. QSL via home call, direct only. Grand Cayman until October 29. Activity from 40 to 10 meter using CW, SSB

**YJ, VANUATU** Tom, JA1VND will be operating from Port Vila as YJ0JA between November 15 and November 20. Operation in 'holiday-style' from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, LoTW.

## Coming up soon

**5X, UGANDA** Nick, G3RWF will be operating again as 5X1NH from November 20 until November 30. The main activity will be CQWW DX CW Contest. QSL via OQRS Club Log, LoTW or via home call.

**6Y, JAMAICA** A team with LZ1NK, LZ2BE, LZ2HM, LZ3ND, LZ4AE, TA3D and TA2TX will be active as 6Y0W (contest call), 6Y0D, 6Y0AE, 6Y0BE, 6Y0HM and 6Y0ND. Activity from November 23 until November 29. Focus on low bands.

**9G, GHANA** A team with S54W, S57GM, S57SU, S57UN, S59A, S59ZZ and OZ7AM will be active from Kokrobite as 9G5W. Activity from November 21 until November 29. Operation from 160 to 10 meter. QSL via S59ZZ and LoTW. <https://ghana.si/>

**9Y, TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO** Nick, VE3EY will once again be active as 9Y4/call from November 22 until November 27. An entry in the CQWW DX CW contest is included. Before the contest he will focus on the low bands. QSL via home call.

**FJ, ST BARTHELEMY** A Polish team with SP3CYY, SP3GEM, SP6IXF, SP6JIU, K1CC and SP6EQZ as team leader will be operating as TO2SP from November 16 until November 30. Activity with minimum 3 stations using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via SP6IXF, OQRS and LoTW. <http://to2sp.dxing.pl/>

**FM, MARTINIQUE** Adrian, KO8SCA will be active as TO5W in 'holiday-style' from November 21 until November 28. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW and SSB. Logs will be uploaded during the DXpedition. QSL via Club Log OQRS, LoTW.

**P4, ARUBA** John, W2GD will once again be QRV as P40W from November 20 until November 28. Main activity during the CQWW DX CW contest, outside the contest focus will be on 160, 30, 17 and 12 meter. QSL via N2MM direct only, LoTW.

**PJ4, BONAIRE** John K4BAI, Eric K9ES and Chuck AD4ES will be active as PJ4/calls between November 22 and November 28. An entry in the CQWW DX CW contest is included as PJ4A (40m), PJ4E (80m) and PJ4I (possibly 20m). QSL PJ4A and PJ4/K4BAI via K4BAI, QSL PJ4E and PJ4/K9ES via K9ES, QSL PJ4I and PJ4/AD4ES via AD4ES.

**S7, SEYCHELLES** Martin, G4XUM will be QRV as S79K from Mahe. Operation on HF using CW and some SSB between November 22 and November 29. QSL via G3NKC, OQRS Club Log and LoTW.

**TK, CORSICA** A large team with TK5EP, S50P, S53BB, S53CC, S53F, S53MM, S53RM, S53WW, S53ZO, S55OO, S57C, S57L, S57VW will be QRV as TK0C during the CQWW CW contest (November 25-26). Operation with TK/calls before and after the contest.

**V3, BELIZE** Robert, DL7VOA will be operating as V34AO from Hopkins. Activity from November 18 until November 30 from 160 to 10 meter using mainly CW during the local evening and night hours. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

**VP2E, ANGUILLA** Henri OH3JR and Seppo OH1VR will be once again operating as VP2EHC and VP2ESM from November 21 until December 2. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL direct only.

**YN, NICARAGUA** Mike, AJ9C will once again be operating as YN2CC from Granada. Activity between November 21 and November 29 from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via home call and LoTW.

## **On the scene**

**Thomas OZ1AA as 4W/OZ1AA from Timor Leste**



**9U4M Burundi DXpedition on air**



**T02SP team, ST. Barts**



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## **This week on HF**

### **AFRICA**

**AF-051 Los Isl** <https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=AF051>

**AF-096 Tristao Isl** <https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=af096>

Alain F5OZC and Sebastien F8DQZ are once again active as 3XY3D/P from Kassa, Los Island until end November. On November 28 and 29 they will be operating from Tristao as 3XY3D/P. Operation from 40 to 10 meter using mainly CW. QSL via home call.

### **EUROPE**

**EU-170 Pag Isl** Sergio IZ3NXC and Stefano IZ3QAN are operating as 9A/IZ3NXC until November 9. Activity on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 meter using SSB and digital modes. QSL via IK3GES, Club OQRS. <https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=EU170>

### **OCEANIA**

**OC-042 Luzon Isl** Mike, W6QT is active as DU3/call until December 31. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using all modes. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, LoTW.

<https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=OC042>

**OC-129 Negros Isl** Mike, DF8AN is operating as DU7/call until November 16. Activity on HF using mainly CW and digital modes. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

<https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=OC129>

**OC-175 Sarangani Isl** Sergei R4WAA and Yan RZ3FW will be QRV as DU9/calls from November 21 until November 29. Operation on HF. QSL via RZ3FW.

<https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=oc175>

**OC-216 Ashmore Reef** Craig VK5CE, Mike AB5EB and Mike AD5A are activate until November 10 as VK9AR. The IOTA is claimed by just 3% (and will go lower after the annual listings are updated) and it is equal 5th in the world in the IOTA Most Wanted List. This is an operation using a tent and generator and the cost is over \$14,000. Full details are at <https://ashmoreereef.wordpress.com/>

<https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=OC216>

**OC-234 Browse Isl** After Mike AB5EB, Mike AD5A and Craig VK5CE activate Ashmore Reef OC-216, they will conduct a quick 4 hour operation on Browse Island OC-234 on the journey back to mainland Australia. OC-234 is claimed by 10.2% of chasers and this high speed activation as VK9AR/6 will occur around 2000 UTC on Saturday November 11.

More one <https://ashmoreereef.wordpress.com/>

<https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=oc234>

### **NORTH AMERICA**

**NA-008 Ellesmere Isl** Pierre VE3KTB and Alex VE1RUS are once again operating as VY0ERC until November 10. This is the Eureka ARC station located in the environs of the weather station on the island. Operation during their spare time. QSL via M0OXO.

<https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=NA008>

**NA-057 Roatan Isl** Dennis W1UE, Paul K1XM and Charlotte KQ1F will be active between November 11 and November 27 as HQ9X in the CQWW DX CW Contest and as HR9/calls before and after the contest. QSL via KQ1F.

<https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=NA057>

## Coming up soon

### OCEANIA

**OC-090 Busuanga Isl** Jacek, SP5APW will be QRV as DU1/call from November 16 until November 23. Operation on HF using SSB with some PSK31 and RTTY on 40, 17 and 20 meter. QSL OQRS Club Log, LoTW or via home call, direct or bureau, <https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=OC090>

**OC-175 Sarangani Isl** Yan RZ3FW and Sergei RW4AA will be active as DU9/calls between November 21 and November 29. An entry in the CQWW DX CW Contest is included. QSL via homecalls. <https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=OC175>

### SOUTH AMERICA

**SA-040 Rosario Isl** <https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=SA040>

**SA-093 Tutumate Isl** <https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=SA093>

Martin LU9EFO and Camilo HK3TU will be operating as HK1/LU9EFO and HK3TU/1 from Rosario Islands and as HK4/LU9EFO and HK3TU/4 from Tutumate Island. Activity sometime in November from 160 to 6 meter. QSL via F4BHW.

**SA-078 Mucura Isl** Look for Josep EA3BT and Nuria EA3WL between November 21 and November 28 as 5K1B. Last operation from this island goes back in 2008. Operation from 40 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via EA3BT, Club Log OQRS. <https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=SA078>

## QSL preview





## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Announced DX**

#### **THE NEWCOMERS**

**P2, PAPUA NEW GUINEA** Haru, JA1XGI will once again be active as P29VXG between February 1 and February 8, 2018. Focus for EU and on TB. QSL via home call.

<http://island.geocities.jp/P29vacation/>

**PY0F, FERNANDO DE NORONHA** PP2BT and PY7RP will be active as PS0F during the CQWW CW DX contest (November 25-26). QSL via OQRS Club Log or direct via homecalls.

**T8, PALAU** Noboru, JH1OLB will once again be operating from November 23 until November 29 as T88DT. Operation from 160 to 6 meter depending the conditions and using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, LoTW.

**ZC4, CYPRUS SBA** Adrian, G0KOM will be operating as ZC4MK between December 5 and December 12. QSL via home call.

**ZF, CAYMAN ISL** Dan, N6MJ will once again be active as ZF2MJ during the CQWW DX CW contest (November 25-26). Also active before and after the contest. QSL via home call.

#### **THE REMINDERS**

**3B7, AGALEGA and ST BRANDON** Seb, F5UFX announces 'after our successful dxpeditions to tromelin (ft4ta) and juan de nova (ft4ja), we are very happy to announce our new project. Our team will be active from Saint Brandon island 3B7 in March-April 2018 for a two weeks operation. more details to follow soon!'

**3B9, RODRIGUES ISL** Olof, G0CKV will once again be active as 3B9HA from November 23 until December 12. Operation on HF using CW. An entry in the CQWW CW is included. Locus on the low bands outside the contest. QSL via M00XO OQRS and LoTW.

**3D2, ROTUMA** A team of 5 operators with Tony 3D2AG, Heye DJ9RR, Erno DK2AMM, Hans DL6JGN and Ronald PA3EWP will be active as 3D2EU (pending) between February 23 until March 16, 2018. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using all modes. QSL via DK2AMM. More to follow.



**3Y, BOUVET ISL** A large team led by Bob K4UEE, Erling LA6VM and Ralph K0IR will be operating from the most remote place on earth as 3Y0Z. The DXpedition is taking place early 2018. QSL via N200. <http://www.dx-world.net/3y0z-bouvet-2018/>  
<http://www.bouvetdx.org/>

**6W, SENEGAL** Dave, VE9CB will be operating during the CQWW CW Contest (November 25-26). Operation as 6W1SU from 80 to 10 meter. QSL via M0URX OQRS, LoTW.

**6Y, JAMAICA** A Japanese team with JA3UJR, JH3LSS, JI3DNN and JA3AVO will be active as 6Y6J between January 10 and January 23, 2018. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL for all calls via JA3AVO, LoTW and Club Log OQRS.

**7Q, MALAWI** The EIDX Group will be active as 7Q7EI from March 21 until April 3, 2018. A team from 14 operators will be operating from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY. <http://www.7q7ei.com/>

**8Q, MALDIVES** Roland, HB9VQQ will be QRV from Kandima Island Resort. Operation as 8Q7HB from December 22 until December 30 on HF. QSL via home call.

**9M0, SPRATLY ISLAND** Originally announced for December, the 9M0W DXpedition to the Spratly Islands has been postponed to March 10 – March 20 2018, owing to the unavailability of the resort on Layang Layang. Plans are for Hrane, YT1AD and a large group to be QRV from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digital modes.  
<http://www.yt1ad.info/9m0w/>

**9M2, WEST MALAYSIA** Rich, PA0RRS will once again be QRV as 9M2MRS between December 1 and January 30, 2018. Operation on HF using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, LoTW, OQRS and logsearch on Club Log.

**9Y, TRINIDAD & TOBAGO** Nick, VE3EY will be operating as 9Y4/call during the CQ WW CW contest (November 25-26). Focus on the low bands, WARC bands outside the contest between November 22 and November 27.

**C9, MOZAMBIQUE** A Belgian team with Kurt ON8KW as team leader will be active between May 2 and May 15, 2018. Callsign is pending. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY. <https://mozambique2018.wordpress.com/>

**CE0Y, EASTER ISL** An experienced team with Andy, DH8WR, Werner, DJ9KH, Guenter, DL2AWG, Norbert, DL2RNS, Georg, DL4SVA, Paul, DL5CW, Olaf, DL7JOM, Wolf, DM2AUJ, Kalle, DM3BJ and Rolf, DL7VEE will be operating as XR0YD from March 2 until March 15, 2018. They will run 3 well equipped stations 24/7 from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB, RTTY and FT8. Website soon.

**CY9, ST PAUL ISL** Once again, CY9C will be active during August 2018. The team with WA4DAN, N0TG, K4ZLE, AA4NC, N8AA, VA3QR, WW2DX, W2RE, N2IEN and N5TG will be operating between August 1 and August 9, 2018. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB, RTTY, EME, SAT and maybe FT8. QSL via WA4DAN, LoTW, bureau and Club Log. <http://cy9c.com/index.html>

**D4, CAPE VERDE** Zoli, HA5PP will be QRV as D4P during the CQWW CW contest (November 25-26). QSL via LoTW.

**FK, NEW CALEDONIA** Alex, 5B4ALX will be active as FK/call from a small village near Noumea. Activity between March 20 and April 4, 2018. More to follow.

**FY, FRENCH GUIANA** Hartwig, DL7BC will be operating as FY/call (maybe FY4VOS but pending) between November 26 and December 7. Activity in 'holiday-style' between 10 and 40 meter.

**HC8, GALAPAGOS ISL** An Argentinian team featuring LU3YK, LU5FF, LU7VB, LU7YS, LU8YD and LU9VEA will be active from San Cristobal as HC8LU between November 29 and December 8. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using SSB, JT65, FT8, PSK31 + SAT. QSL via IK2DUW. <https://hc8lu.blogspot.be/>

**J8, GRENADINES** Brian, GW4DVB will once again be active in 'holiday-style' as J88PI from Palm Island between January 21 and January 28, 2018. Operation from 40 to 6 meter using mainly SSB. QSL via home call.

**KH1, BAKER HOWLAND ISLANDS** The Dateline DX association (not recently K4M team) is announcing a DXpedition to Baker with Don N1DG, Tom N4XP, Kevin K6TD and others. Dates and other information will be provided once the vessel is arranged.

**P4, ARUBA** Mathias, DL4MM will be active as P4/call from January 24 until January 31, 2018. An entry in the CQWW 160 CW contest is included as P40AA. Outside the contest he will focus on the low bands. QSL via home call.

**S7, SEYCHELLES** Martin, G4XUM will once again be QRV as S79K during the CQ WW DX CW contest (November 25-26). QSL via G3NKC.

**T30, WESTERN KIRIBATI** Chris, VK3FY will be active as T30T from Tarawa, Kiribati. Activity in December, dates to be announced. QSL via M0OXO, OQRS.

**TN, CONGO** A team from DXfriends will be active from Brazzaville as TN5R. More to follow.

**V3, BELIZE** Uwe, DG8NCO will be on an EME DXpedition from November 26 until December 10. Activity as V31EME on 2 meter and 70cm. QSL via DG8NCO.

**V6, MICRONESIA** Sho, JA7HMZ will once again be QRV from Pohnpei as V63DX. Operation from November 24 until December 1. QSL via home call, direct only.

**V8, BRUNEI** Tom, KC0W will be operating as V8/call between December 3 and December 18. Operation from 80 to 6 meter using CW and FT8. QSL via home call, direct only.

**VK0, MACQUARIE ISL** John, VK3YP has announced planning has commenced for a Dxpediton to Macquarie Island (#9 on Club Log most wanted DXCC) in early 2018 with a total of 5 VK operators. More details to follow as we get closer to the date.

**VP9, BERMUDA** Tony, VE3RZ will be operating as VE3RZ/VP9 during the CQWW CW contest (November 25-26). Outside the contest he will operate in RTTY and FT8. QSL via home call, LoTW and Club Log.

**VU, INDIA** Bernhard, DL2GAC will be QRV as VU2BMS between November 28 and January 24, 2018. Activity on HF using SSB only. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

**XW, LAOS** Ken, K4ZW will be operating as XW4ZW from Vientiane. Activity from December 3 until December 8 on all bands. QSL via K1SE and LoTW.

**YJ, VANUATU** Michael, G7VJR (Club Log) will be operating as YJ0G from Epule. Activity between March 2 and March 19, 2018. Operation on HF. QSL via M0OXO, OQRS.

## **Announced IOTA**

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### **THE REMINDERS**

#### **AFRICA**

**AF-108 Tigres Isl** An experienced team will be active as D2TI. Operation around begin March, 2018. More to follow. <https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=af108>

#### **ASIA**

**AS-058 Langkawi Isl** Once again the Kuala Lumpur DX Team 9M4IOTA will be active from December 2 until December 4. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via 9M2000, direct only.

<https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=AS058>

#### **NORTH AMERICA**

**NA-078 Isla Magdalena** Manuel XE2IC, Jose-Felix XE2I and Antonio XE2HVF will be operating as XF1IM from November 25 until December 3. Operation from 160 to 10 meter. QSL via XE2IC. <https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=NA078>

#### **OCEANIA**

**OC-145 Morotai Isl and Zum Zum McArthur Isl** Din, YB8RW and Bahtiar YE8XBN will be operating as call/P soon. Moro to follow.

<https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=oc145>

## **SOUTH AMERICA**

**SA-100 Pajaros Rocks** A new attempt by IT9YRE and I1SNW activating SA-100 will take place in March 2018. Exact dates not yet known. Maybe a special call will be used instead of CE1/calls. More to follow.

<https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=SA100>

## **Antarctic base stations**

**Bellinghausen station** Alex is QRV as RI1ANO until March 2018. Operation during his spare time on all bands using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via RN1ON, direct or bureau, OQRS Club Log. Also he will be active as **RI50ANO** from January 1 until March 31, 2018. This to commemorate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Bellinghausen Station. A special diploma is planned.

**Dumont d'Urville Station** Francois, F4HLT is active for one year at the Dumont d'Urville Station on Petrels Island (AN-017). In his spare time he will be QRV as FT3YL. His licence is valid until February 1, 2018. QSL via F6KPQ.

<https://f4hlt.wordpress.com/>

**Neumayer Station III** Daniel, DL1SU, works as an electronics engineer at the base. He uses the club call sign DP0GVN until February 2018. QSL cards for DP0GVN will be handled by DL5EBE, direct or via the bureau.

**Novolazarevskaya Station** Nikolai, RW6ACM will be active as RI1ANL from March 2018 until March 2019. Operation on HF using CW, SSB and digital modes.

**Syowa research station** Yath, JG2MLI is operating as 8J1RL until January 2018. In addition, to mark the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Japanese Antarctic Research Expeditions, Yath will also use the call 8J60JARE. Operation from 40 to 10 meter using all modes. QSL via bureau and LoTW, for direct via JG2MLI.

## **Special call**

### **THE NEWCOMERS**

**I, ITALY** Look for **IR3MD** by the ARI Rovereto to mark Maria Dolens, the mighty bell casted after WWI to commemorate the fallen in all wars. Operation during November. QSL via IZ2GOT.

**W, USA** Look for **WOW** to mark the first meeting of Vietnam veterans 50 years ago. Operation on 80, 40 and 20 meter using SSB. Operation between November 10-12. QSL via K0MHP. <http://k0mhp0.wixsite.com/veteransday2017>

### **THE REMINDERS**

**5B, CYPRUS H2017PFO** is the special call until end 2017 to celebrate that Paphos (Cyprus) has the honour of being the European Capital of Culture for 2017 together with Aarhus (Denmark). QSL via Club Log OQRS or via 5B4AIE, direct preferred.

**CE, CHILE** Special calls **3G1PAX** and **3G18PAX** are on air until end January 2018. This to mark Pope Francis' visit to Chile. QSL via bureau.

**DL, GERMANY DM200LFS** (special DOK 200LFS) commemorates the 200th birthday of Louis Ferdinand Schoenherr, a German inventor of power looms. Activity until end February 2018. All QSOs count as a "joker" and 10 points for the KIDS award that is supporting SOS Children's Villages in Saxony. QSL via eQSL, LoTW and bureau.

<http://df0che.darc.de/dm200lfs.php>

**DL, GERMANY DR60VKL** is the special call to mark the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the DARC ARC Voelklingen. Activity during 2017. QSL via bureau.

**DL, GERMANY** Special calls **DR500MLE**, **DR1517LU**, **DR5LUTHER**, **DC500LS**, **DM5LUTHER** and **DL500ML** are QRV during 2017 to commemorate the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Protestant Reformation initiated by Martin Luther.

**DL, GERMANY** The ARC of Pfronten Fuesen (DOK T11), is celebrating its 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary with the call **DL60TELF**. Activity until April 30, 2018. QSL via bureau, LoTW.

**DL, GERMANY** Operators of the club station DL0VBG from the railway museum Vienenburg are active as **DR0HARZ** during 2017 to mark the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the return of the narrow gauge Brocken Railway. QSL via DF7AA, direct or bureau.

**DL, GERMANY** Look for **DB20ENERGY** to celebrate the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the German Company DB Energie. Operation until end 2017. QSL via bureau or via DM2DX direct.

**DL, GERMANY DR60SAL** is the special call to celebrate the reunification of Saarland with the Fed. Rep of Germany 60 years ago. Operation during 2017. QSL via bureau.

**DL, GERMANY** Operators of the ARC Wittenberg (DOK W29) will be operating as **DR1517LU** during 2017. This to celebrate the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Protestant Reformation. QSL via bureau.

**E7, BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA** The ARC from Zenica is celebrating its 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary with the call **E770BAB**. Activity until end 2017. QSL via E71EZC, direct or bureau.

**EI, IRELAND** The following nine special event calls are drawing attention to Ireland's "Wild Atlantic Way" along the island's western coast during 2017.

**EI11WAW** - County Donegal

**EI22WAW** - County Leitrim

**EI33WAW** - County Sligo

**EI44WAW** - County Mayo

**EI55WAW** - County Galway

**EI66WAW** - County Clare

**EI77WAW** - County Limerick

**EI88WAW** - County Kerry

**EI99WAW** - County Cork

QSL via Club Log OQRS or via EI6AL direct.

**HA, HUNGARY** Members of the FMV ARC are operating with the special call **HA60FMV**, this to celebrate the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the foundation of the club. QRV until June 30, 2018. QSL via bureau. For an award see <http://ha60fmv.com/>

**HB, SWITZERLAND** Look for **HB600NVF** until December 31. This to commemorate the 600<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the birth of Niklaus von Flue, the patron saint of Switzerland. QSL via LoTW, for paper QSL via HB9JOE. <http://www.qrz.com/db/hb600nvf>

**I, ITALY** Look for **II2FIST** to celebrate the 30<sup>th</sup> FISTS Club anniversary. Operation from July until end 2017 using CW only. QSL via IZ2FME, direct or bureau. <http://fists.co.uk/>

**I, ITALY** The ARI section Vinci celebrates their 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary as **IP5LV** until end November. QSL via IQ5LV bureau or via IK5ZUB direct.

**I, ITALY** The ARI Parma is operating as **II4GV** until January 27, 2018. This to commemorate Giuseppe Verdi, born on October 10, 1813. QSL via Club Log OQRS or via bureau. <http://www.ariparma.it/temporanei/II4GV-en.html/>

**I, ITALY** Look for **II2XC** until end December to celebrate the 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Associazione Radioamatori Italiani. QSL via bureau.

**I, ITALY** Celebrating the 10th anniversary of Insubria Radio (IQ2IR), special call **IR2XIR** will be used during 2017. QSL via Club Log's OQRS or via 9A8MDC.

**JA, JAPAN 8NOIIDA** is the special call to celebrate the 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Iida City. Operation until end February 2018. QSL via bureau.

**JA, JAPAN** The Tokyo Bay Ham Club is celebrating their 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary with the special call **8J1ZIU**. Activity until end May 2018. QSL goes automatically via bureau.

**JA, JAPAN** Look for **8J2YAF** to celebrate the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Nagoya College ARC until end 2017. QSL via bureau.

**JA, JAPAN** The Katayanagi Institute of the University of Tokyo celebrates its 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary on the air with the call **8J1YAC** until end March 2018. Activity from 160 meter to 70cm using CW and SSB. QSL via bureau or via JE1XUZ direct.

**JA, JAPAN** Look for **8N3H70Y** to celebrate the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Hirakata City. Operation until March 31, 2018. QSL via bureau.

**LA, NORWAY LA1742K** is the special call to celebrate the 275<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the city Kristiansund. Operation until end 2017. QSL via LA6K, direct or bureau.

**LA, NORWAY LM80REX** and **LM80Q** are the special calls during 2017 to celebrate the 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of King Harald V and Queen Sonja. QSL via OQRS Club Log, LoTW or via LA9VDA.

**LZ, BULGARY** Once again Radio Club Blagovestnik (LZ1KCP) will use these special calls throughout 2017 to honor as many different Bulgarian saints: **LZ307MU** (November) and **LZ710SG** (December). QSL via bureau or direct to P.O. Box 36, 4300 Karlovo, Bulgaria. Details on the "All Saints 2017" award can be found at <http://www.lz1kcp.com>.

**OH, FINLAND** Taking part in the celebrations of Finland's 100th anniversary as an independent state, amateur radio clubs around the country will activate the special call **OF100FI/#** (where # is the number of the call area, from 0 to 9). Activity during 2017. QSL via bureau.

**OM, SLOVAK REP** Look for **OM500R** to mark the Reformation celebrations until end 2017. QSL see QRZ.com.

**OM, SLOVAK REP** Pavel, OM3CND will use **OM685RADOLA** to celebrate the 685<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the town Radol'a. Activity during 2017. QSL via OM3CND.

**OM, SLOVAK REP** The Secondary School of Electrical Engineering in Kosice is celebrating its 50th anniversary with the special call **OM50SPSEKE**. Operation until end 2017. QSL via OM8AND, bureau.

**ON, BELGIUM** Special station **OP36CLM** is active until November 15. The suffix stands for Canadian Liberation March, the annual event that celebrates the liberation of the town of Knokke on November 1, 1944. QSL via ON3AIM, direct or bureau. More information on the activity and the relevant award can be found on <http://www.qrz.com/db/op36clm>

**ON, BELGIUM** The Belgian section HRT (ON4HRT) is active during November as **ON1418POP**, this to commemorate the WWI. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via LoTW, Club Log, real-time log on <http://www.on4hrt.org/>

**ON, BELGIUM** Members of the Belgian Radio Club ONZ will be operating during 2017 as **OP17HC**. This to commemorate the First World War. QSL via ON7PP. <http://uba.be/en/latest/flash/uba-14-18-award>

**OZ, DENMARK OZ44C** marks Thor Heyerdahl's Kon-Tiki Expedition (LI2B/mm) 70 years ago. QRV until the end of 2017. QSL via 5P2BA, direct or bureau.

**OZ, DENMARK** Look for **OZ1AARHUS** to mark the City Aarhus being one of the two European Capitals of Culture in 2017.

**OZ, DENMARK** The Danish radio club Eksperimenterende Danske Radio-amatoere (EDR) will celebrate its 70th anniversary with the special event calls **5P90EDR**, **OV90EDR**, **OX90EDR**, **OZ90EDR**, **OZ7D** (only in JT-modes) during 2017. An award will also be available. QSL via OZ1ACB, LoTW, Club Log OQRS.

**OZ, DENMARK** To celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Treaty of the Danish West Indies, special call **OZ100DVI** will be active during 2017. In 1917 the Dansk Vest-Indien were sold to the United States and renamed the US Virgin Islands. QSL via OZ1IVA, direct or bureau.

**PA, THE NETHERLANDS** The VRZA Zuid West Nederland ARC celebrates its 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary as **PA25ZWN**. Operation until November 28. QSL via PI4ZWN. <http://www.pi4zwn.nl/>

**PA, THE NETHERLANDS PA50LELY** marks the land that was reclaimed from the IJsselmeer in 1952, which later became Lelystad. Operation until November 28. QSL via PA3HEB, direct or bureau.

**S5, SLOVENIA** Look for **S557E** during 2017 to celebrate the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Radio Club Cerkno (S50E). QSL confirmed automatically via bureau and LoTW, direct via S500.

**S5, SLOVENIA S5100LIONS** celebrates the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Lions Club International until end 2017. QSL via S53DOX.

**SM, SWEDEN** The Gotlands Radioklubb (SK1BL) on Gotland Island (EU-020) will use special calls **7S1GRK** and **SK70BL** until December 31 to celebrate its 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary. See <http://sk1bl.hamlogs.net/> for the award programme. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau.

**SM, SWEDEN** Special event station **SC90SM** is QRV until December 31, this to mark the 90th anniversary of the longwave broadcasting station in Motala. Inaugurated in 1927 and closed in 1962, it was one of the most powerful BC stations in Europe. QSL via SM5ELV, direct or bureau.

**SM, SWEDEN** The Helsingens RAC Goeteborg (SK6AW) is celebrating its anniversary with the special call **7S50AW**. Operation during November. QSL via SM6PPS, direct or bureau. <http://www.sk6aw.net/>

**SP, POLAND** **SN145BRAIL** is the special call to mark the founding of the Louis Braille Special Education Centre for Blind and Visually Impaired Children and Youth 145 years ago. Operation during November. QSL via SP2PBY.

**SP, POLAND** Look for **SN250A** until end 2017. This to celebrate the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the city Andrychow. QSL via SP9KUP, direct or bureau.

**SP, POLAND** Look for **HF700LUB** to celebrate the 700<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the city Lublin. QRV until August 2018. QSL via SP8AB.

**SP, POLAND** **SN100F** commemorates the revelation of the Three Secrets of Fatima in Portugal 100 years ago. QRV until end 2017. QSL via SP5CGN, direct or bureau.

**TA, TURKEY** Nuri, TA3X is active as **TC630MECCA** until January 14, 2018. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

**TA, TURKEY** Special calls **TC10A, TC10E, TC10F, TC10K, TC10L, TC10M, TC10R, TC10S, TC10T, TC10U** will be active until November 20. This to commemorate the 79<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the death of Mustafa Kemal Ataturk, the founder of the Turkish Republic. QSL via LoTW. More on <http://tadx.org/10nov/index.php>

**UR, UKRAINE** The Druzhkivka Club is celebrating its 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary as **EN90IWA**. QRV until end 2017. QSL via bureau.

**UR, UKRAINE** Special call **EO25P** is active until end 2017. This to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the Volyn Amateur Radio League. <http://www.qrz.com/db/EO25P> for information on the certificate available for contacts made with EO25P and other EO25 stations (EO25PA, EO25PD, EO25PG, EO25PL, EO25PQ, EO25PWC, EO25PWJ, EO25PWL, EO25PY and EO25PZ).

**VE, CANADA** **XO1X** is the call for the Yukon CanAm Contest Club. This to celebrate the 150th anniversary of Canada's Confederation until December 31. QSL direct to KC1CWF or via LoTW.

**VE, CANADA** Members of the Kings County ARC are active as **XM1150CAN**, this to mark the founding of Canada 150 years ago. Active until end 2017. QSL via bureau and LoTW.

**VR, HONG KONG** Commemorating the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Hong Kong's reunification with China, Hong Kong licensed radio amateurs are allowed to use the special prefix **VR20** on a voluntary basis until June 2018.

**W, USA** The "KB7QPS Air, Space and Technology Operating Event" is commemorating man's historical milestones in air, space and technology over the last 400 years" by operating twelve callsigns (see below) during 2017. QSL direct to KB7QPS. <http://airspacetechnology.webs.com/>

Callsign	SES Title	Event Dates
N6R	3 Generations of Mars Rovers	1/19/17 - 1/23/17
W7J	Discovery of Jupiter's Moons	2/2/17 - 2/6/17
W7C	First Flight of the Concorde	3/2/17 - 3/6/17
N7S	First Space Shuttle Launch	4/13/17 - 4/17/17
N7T	Hubble Space Telescope	5/18/17 - 5/22/17
W7S	Discovery of Sunspots	6/8/17 - 6/12/17
N7M	Man Walking on the Moon	7/20/17 - 7/24/17
K7I	Birth of the IBM-PC	8/10/17 - 8/14/17
W7F	First Flight of the F-22	9/7/17 - 9/11/17
K7S	Sputnik Launch	9/28/17 - 10/2/17
K7E	Invention of the Electron Tube	11/9/17 - 11/13/17
W7D	Dreamliner First Flight	12/14/17 - 12/18/17

**YB, INDONESIA** Look for **YE16BATU** until November 12. This to celebrate the 16<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the city of Batu (Java). QSL via YB3MM direct or via Club Log OQRS.

**Z3, MACEDONIA** Look for **Z370M** by the ARC 'Nikola Tesla' (Z37M) to celebrate the club's 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Operation until end 2017. QSL LoTW or via Z33Z direct or via LZ1JZ bureau.

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