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DX NEWS

KH1/KH7Z, Baker Island –update

Following a successful Visalia DX Convention, the KH1/KH7Z team met in Cupertino this week to assemble the stations and network in preparation of landing on Baker in 2 months. The DXpedition is now in the final planning stages and this step was the last before packing and shipping our gear to Fiji. <https://dx-world.net/kh1-kh7z-baker-island-dxpedition/>

3Y0I, Bouvet –update

After receiving absolutely no single word of reply to our invitation from the 3Y0Z organizers (we leave that for your own judgement), an important decision has been taken by our team. WE'RE NOW OPEN FOR APPLICATIONS TO JOIN THE 3Y0I BOUVET ISLAND EXPEDITION.
<https://dx-world.net/3y0i-bouvet-island/>

3Y0Z, Bouvet 2018 –update

There have been several important milestones reached and decisions made in the last few weeks.

We have received a partial reimbursement on our payments made to DAP, our transportation contractor. In our view, this is a fair settlement with them.

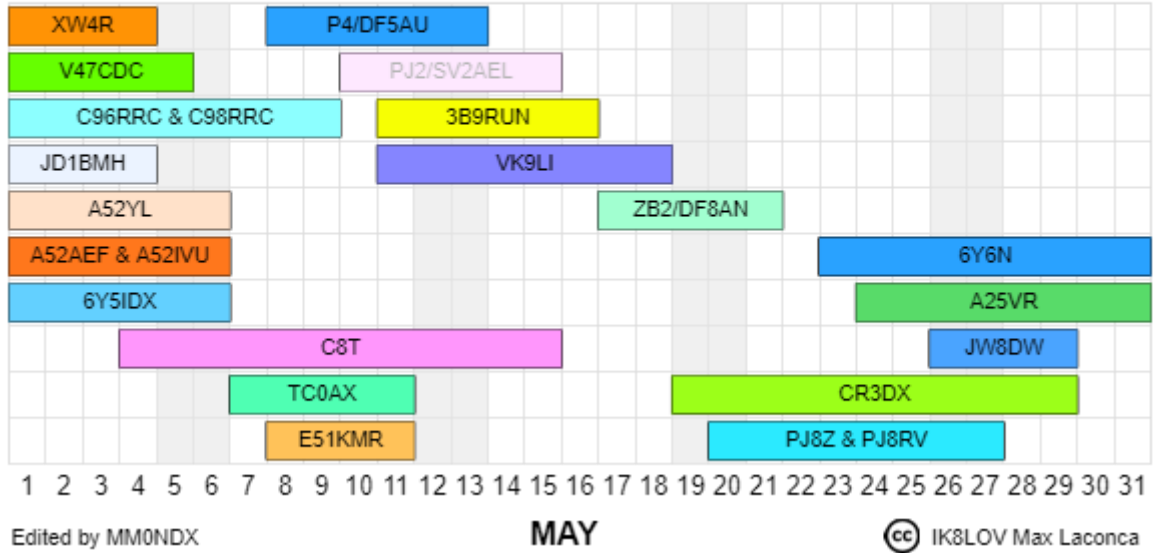
Our vessel, Betanzos is now back in Punta Arenas and we believe the container with our personal gear and equipment are intact. We will be arranging to transport the container back to the US, arriving in a few months.

It has become apparent that the chance of finding a suitable and affordable vessel for the 2018-19 Austral season is becoming less and less likely. It appears that the very earliest that we could mount a second attempt to activate Bouvet would be the 2019-20 season or possibly beyond. <https://dx-world.net/3y0z-bouvet-2018/>

DXCC Timeline

DXWORLD.net
FEATURED DXPEDITIONS TIMELINE

Last update: May 1, 2018



QSL preview





DXCC

This week on HF

6Y, JAMAICA Chris, VO1IDX is QRV as 6Y5IDX from Negril until May 6. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using SSB and FT8. QSL via home call direct, Club Log OQRS, LoTW.

9H, MALTA Akira, JR1VAY is operating in 'holiday-style' as 9H3SJ until May 5. QSL via home call.

9H, MALTA Jean-Marc, F5SGI will be active as 9H3JI from Malta between May 5 and May 12. Operation from 80 to 6 meter using CW only. All QSO's will be confirmed automatically via the bureau. QSL direct via F5SGI.

A5, BHUTAN Mio JR3MVF and Kay WA0WOF are QRV as A52YL until May 5. Activity from 80 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digital. QSL via WA0WOF.

A5, BHUTAN Joe JH3AEF and Jusei JA3IVU are QRV from the Dochula Eco Resort as A52AEF and A52IVU. Operation until May 6 from 80 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digital. QSL via homecalls.

C9, MOZAMBIQUE A Belgian team with Kurt ON8KW as team leader is active until May 15 as C8T. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY with 4 stations. A 5th station will operate 2m EME, 60m and extra digimodes on all bands. QSL via ON1DX, Club Log OQRS. <https://dxpedition.c8t.cc/>

D4, CAPE VERDE Harald, DF2WO is once again operating in 'holiday-style' as D44TWO during May. Operation from 40 to 10 meter. QSL via M0OXO.

E5, SOUTH COOK Jim, KM7R will be operating as E51KMR from May 8 until May 11. Activity from the QTH of E51JD using mostly SSB. QSL via Club Log, LoTW.

E5, SOUTH COOK Bruce, WB7TOC will be operating as E51OTC from Rarotonga between May 6 and May 17. QRP operation.

FR, REUNION ISL Alain, F1FJR will be active as FR/call between May 5 and May 15. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using FT8. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

HR, HONDURAS Gerard, F2JD is once again operating until May 10. Activity on all bands using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via F6AJA, direct or bureau. Logsearch on <http://LesNouvellesDX.fr/voirlogs.php>

JD1, OGASAWARA Harry, JG7PSJ is once again QRV as JD1BMH until May 4. Activity from 40 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY. <http://sapphire.es.tohoku.ac.jp/jd1bmh/>

JD1, OGASAWARA Makoto, JI5RPT is once again operating as JD1BLY until May 4. Activity from 30 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digital. QSL via home call.

<http://www.ji5rpt.com/jd1/>

JW, SVALBARD Erik, LA2US is operating as JW2US until somewhere in May. Operation on HF using CW and digital modes. QSL via LoTW, Club Log OQRS.

JW, SVALBARD Morten, LA4SJA is operating as JW4SJA from Bear Island. Activity on HF until June. QSL via home call.

KH6, HAWAII Philip, N2HX is active as KH6/call from Maui until June 1. Operation on HF using mostly SSB and RTTY. QSL via home call.

KH9, WAKE ISL Philip, N7NVK is on Wake Island. Philip says: 'I will be on Wake Island (Atoll) for a rotation of 3 months on and 1 month off, until August. I do use LoTW but can only upload when internet is available...which is limited.

OH0, ALAND ISL Ari, OH3KAV will be operating as OH0KA between May 6 and May 11. Activity in 'holiday-style', mainly on HF using CW and FT8. QSL via home call, LoTW.

OJ0, MARKET REEF Pasi, OH3WS is QRV as OJ0W until May 4. Operation during his spare time using mostly CW. QSL via home call.

P4, ARUBA Johannes, DF5AU will be QRV as P4/call from May 8 until May 13. An entry in the CQ MIR DX contest is included as P40AU. QSL via home call.

PJ2, CURACAO Savas, SV2EAL will be operating as PJ2/call between May 10 and May 15. Operation on HF. QSL via LoTW or direct via home call.

PJ6, SABA Rick, AI5P is active as PJ6/call until May 5. QSL via home call.

S7, SEYCHELLES Mike, VK4EF is QRV as S79LD from the islands Mahe and La Digue until end May. Activity during his spare time on HF using CW, SSB and digital. QSL via home call, direct.

SV9, CRETE Mek SP7VC and Kate SQ7OYL are operating as SV9/SP7VC from Crete until May 6. Operation in 'holiday-style' from 160 to 15 meter using SSB and digital. QSL via home call.

V4, ST KITTS Alex, W1CDC is operating as V47CDC until May 5. Operation on HF. QSL via home call.

XW, LAOS Bruce, AA4XR is once again QRV as XW4XR until May 4. Activity from 60 to 10 meter using CW and digital. QSL via E21EIC, LoTW.

Coming up soon

3B9, RODRIGUES ISL A team with FR4NP, FR4PF, FR4PM, FR5CB and FR5FC will be operating as 3B9RUN from May 11 until May 16. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using FT8 and SSB. <https://www.grz.com/db/3B9RUN>

E5, SOUTH COOK Bob, NC6Q will be QRV from Rarotonga as E51NCQ between May 13 and May 25. QRV on HF using CW. QSL via home call.

E5, SOUTH COOK Bruce, AD7MM will once again be QRV from Rarotonga as E51BAS between May 13 and May 25. Operation in 'holiday-style'. QSL via home call, LoTW.

HB0, LIECHTENSTEIN Look for HB0/PG8M and HB0/PH0NO on May 12-13 from various nature reserves in HB0. Activity from 80 to 2 meter using SSB and CW. Full details on <http://www.ynomy.nl/2018/03/ynomy-goes-hb0-wwff-expedition.html>

T31, CENTRAL KIRIBATI Following their DXpedition in 2016, the Rebel DX Group will be active again as T31T from Kanton Island, Central Kiribati (OC-043).

<http://www.rebeldxgroup.com/> Their journey will start around May 10 from Samoa. Plans are to have three stations for CW and SSB, plus two stations operating FT8 around the clock. There is still room for five operators. Contact dom@rebeldxgroup.com for information.

VK9L, LORD HOWE ISL Look an Australian team with Chris VK3QB, Brenton VK3YB and Luke VK3HJ as VK9LI. Operation is planned between May 11 and May 18. Activity from 160 to 17 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. <https://www.facebook.com/VK9LI-Lord-Howe-Island-188704095218234/>

ZB, GIBRALTAR Mike, DF8AN will be operating as ZB2/call from May 17 until May 21. Activity from 6 meter to 70cm. QSL via home call.

IOTA

This week on HF

AFRICA

AF-066 Inhaca Isl May 5 – May 9 <https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=af066>

AF-088 Mozambique Isl until May 3

<https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=af088>

Vasily, R7AL, Vasily RA1ZZ, Al RZ3K and Vlad RK8A will be operating as C96RCC and C98RCC between April 29 and May 9. Activity from 40 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via R7AL, Club Log OQRS.

<https://d Expedition.wixsite.com/mozambique>

ASIA

AS-023 Amami O Isl Kenji, JA4GXS will be active as call/6 from May 6 (08:00UTC) to May 7 (21:00UTC). Operation from 40 to 17 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via home call. <https://www.iota-world.org/iota-directory/annex-f-short-title-iota-reference-number-list.html>

AS-201 Buyukada Isl The DX-World team with Col MM0NDX, Max IK8LOV and Bjorn ON9CFG will be QRV as TA0/calls from May 7 until May 11. Activity from 80 to 2 meter in holiday-style. QSL via M0SDV, LoTW, logsearch Club Log. <http://www.m0sdv.com/>
<https://www.iota-world.org/iota-directory/annex-f-short-title-iota-reference-number-list.html>

EUROPE

EU-065 Ouessant Isl Jerome, F4HJO is active as call/P until May 4. Activity from 80 to 17 meter using SSB and digital. QSL via Club Log OQRS or via home call, direct or bureau. <https://www.iota-world.org/iota-directory/annex-f-short-title-iota-reference-number-list.html>

EU-094 Les Glenan Look for a Belgian team with ON8AZ, ON4KZ, ON5HC and ON7PQ as TM8U. Activity between May 6 and May 12 on all bands and all modes. QSL via ON8AZ. <https://www.iota-world.org/iota-directory/annex-f-short-title-iota-reference-number-list.html>

<http://www.tm8u.be/>

EU-095 Ratonneau Isl The Castres DX Gang and IDRE members will be QRV as TM5FI from May 9 until May 16. Activity from 80 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digital. QSL

via F5XX. <https://www.iota-world.org/iota-directory/annex-f-short-title-iota-reference-number-list.html>

EU-120 Isle of Wight A Belgian team with ON3DMR, ON4AFW, ON4AWT, ON4JW, ON6EF, ON6VJ and ON8WR will be operating as GB9OSA from May 8 until May 13. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using mainly SSB and digital. QSL via ON6EF, direct or bureau. <https://hamradioexpedition.com/> <https://www.iota-world.org/iota-directory/annex-f-short-title-iota-reference-number-list.html>

OCEANIA

OC-179 Taumako Isl H40D until May 3

<https://www.iota-world.org/iota-directory/annex-f-short-title-iota-reference-number-list.html>

Cezar VE3LYC and Bernhard DL2GAC are operating as H40D. They operate CW and SSB on 40, 30, 20 and 17 metres with two stations. QSL via VE3LYC direct, OQRS Club Log. <http://oc-179.weebly.com> for more information.

NORTH AMERICA

NA-071 Cebaco Isl A team with Panamanian operators HP1AVS, HP1CDW, HP1ECA, HP1JGG, HP1MRA and HP8MAK will be active as 3F6IC during May 4-5. Activity from 80 to 6 meter. QSL via HP1AVS. <https://www.iota-world.org/iota-directory/annex-f-short-title-iota-reference-number-list.html>

Coming up soon

ASIA

AS-117 Tanga Isl Look for 8J3XXIII/3 on May 12-13. Operation from 80 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digital modes. The call celebrates the 23rd edition of the Kansai Amateur Radio Festival. QSO's will be confirmed automatically via bureau.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announced DX

THE NEWCOMERS

3DA0, KINGDOM of Eswatini (SWAZILAND) Pista will be active during the second half of September as 3DA0AO (pending). Activity from 80 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digital. OQRS and logsearch on <https://www.ha5ao.com/>

As he did in Lesotho, Pista continues his humanitarian project work by supporting an orphanage. More to follow.

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.

TF, ICELAND Michael, G0POT will be operating from Vik as TF/call during July 2-9. Activity on HF using low power. QSL via home call and LoTW.

PJ7, SINT MAARTEN Zorro JH1AJT and Nao JN1RVS will be QRV s PJ8Z and PJ8RV between May 20 and May 27. Operation from 40 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digital. QSL via LoTW.

THE REMINDERS

South Pacific Tour by Dave, WJ2O

KH8, AMERICAN SAMOA June 8-10

5W, SAMOA June 11-13

KH8, AMERICAN SAMOA June 13-17

KH1, BAKER ISLAND June 27 (for 10 days)

3D2, FIDJI July 13-17

Dates are approximate. Dave also mentions he was surprised to learn that KH8 no longer has active hams on the island and it has risen to #83 on the Club Log Most Wanted.

6Y, JAMAICA Armin, DK9PY will be QRV as 6Y6N from May 23 until June 6. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW only. QSL via home call.

7Q, MALAWI Arnold, WB6OJB will be QRV as 7Q7JK between July 20 and July 25. Activity from 40 to 10 meter using SSB. QSL via home call, direct.

9X, RWANDA The Italian DXpedition Team is planning to be active from Rwanda late September and early October. More to follow.

A2, BOTSWANA David, VE7VR will be active as A25VR between May 24 and June 3. Activity on 40, 30 and 20 meter. QSL via home call.

CT3, MADEIRA Tibor, OM3RM will be operating from Porto Moniz as CR3DX during the CQWW WPX CW contest. Before and after the contest he will sign from 80 to 10 meter as CT9ABN from May 19 until May 29. QSL via OM2VL.

E6, NIUE The Quake DXpeditioners are pleased to announce their next trip to Niue between October 6 and October 16. More to follow.

FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA Walter, HB9XBG will be QRV from Bora Bora as FO/call. Activity from June 7 until June 17 on 20 meter using SSB. QSL via home call.

FP, ST PIERRE & MIQUELON Eric, KV1J will once again be active as FP/call between July 3 and July 17. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digital. QSL via home call, LoTW.

H4, SOLOMON ISL Haru, JA1XGI will be operating sometime in June or July from Honiara. Operation as H44XG on 40, 30, 20, 15 and 10 meter using mainly CW with some FT8. QSL via home call.

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>

J3, GRENADA Nobby, G0VJG will be active as J3/call from June 13 until June 27. Focus on 6 meter SSB and HF bands. QSL via G4DFI.

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.

JW, SVALBARD Torsten DL4APJ and Peter DJ2AX will be operating as JW/calls between September 20 and September 25. Operation on HF. QSL via home call.

JW, SVALBARD Karl, LA8DW will once again be QRV as JW8DW during May 26-29. Operation on HF using CW and SSB. QSL via LoTW.

KH1, BAKER HOWLAND ISLANDS The Dateline DX association (most recently K4M team) is announcing a DXpedition to Baker with Don N1DG, Tom N4XP, Kevin K6TD and others. Plans are to be active as KH1/KH7Z during June 2018 for about 10 days from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digital. This will be the first DXpedition to this Most Wanted DXCC Entity since and the FWS ruling that allowed this trip prevents another DXpedition for ten years. The team will contribute 50% of the expected budget of USD 400,000. QSL via OQRS Club Log is preferred, direct goes to K4TSJ and LoTW.

<http://www.baker2018.net/index.html>

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 Col MM0NDX, Emil DL8JJ and Paul G4PVM will be QRV as OJ0Y (pending) during June 27-29. Operation from 80 to 6 meter. Possible a short activity before and after from Aland Islands as OH0/calls. QSL via M0SDV.

PJ2, CURACAO David VE7DZO, Mason KM4SII and Dhruv KC9ZJX will be operating from Curacao for the 2018 Youth DXpedition. Activity as PJ2/calls. More to follow.

PJ2, CURACAO Mason, KM4SII will be operating DURING July 19-24. He is part of a 3 youth operator team: Youth DX Adventure and will operate as PJ2/call. Activity on all bands and all modes with a focus on digi on AS/VK and ZL. QSL via LoTW.

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.

S9, SAO TOME David, EB7DX will be operating in 'holiday-style' between June 1 and June 9 as S9ZZ. Activity from 40 to 6 meter using mostly SSB, RTTY, FT8 and some CW. QSL via home call.

T32, EAST KIRIBATI Uli, DL2AH will be operating as T32AH from September 12 until October 1. QRV from 80 to 10 meter using SSB, RTTY and FT8. QSL via home call.

V3, BELIZE Jose, EC5AC will be active from Maya Hill as V31FT. Activity between October 29 and November 8 with a focus on FT8. QSL via home call.

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. QSL via G3TXF, LoTW.

VP2E, ANGUILLA Art WA7NB and Gary K2UU will be active as VP2EAB and VP2EGW from November 18 until November 26. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digital. QSL via homecalls.

VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISL David, N9DK will be QRV as VP2V/call from July 7 until July 14. Activity from 80 to 2 meter using all modes. QSL via home call.

VP5, TURKS AND CAICOS Look for VE3IKV and VE3MMQ as VQ5Z from July 1 until July 7. Activity on HF and 6 meter using CW, SSB and digital. QSL via VE3IKV direct.

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 Kyle, WA4PGM will be active as VP9/call from June 6 until June 16. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using mostly CW. QSL via home call, LoTW.

YJ, VANUATU Geoff, ZL3GA will once again be active as YJ0GA from July 18 until July 25. Operation from 80 to 10 meter. QSL via home call, Club Log OQRS and LoTW.

Z6, KOSOVO Emir 9A6AA and Robert 9A5RBJ will be operating from Peja as Z68AA and Z68RBJ. Operation between May 14 and May 21 on HF. QSL via homecalls.

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.

ZL, NEW ZEALAND Dervin, PD9DX will be operating from the Kiwi DX Lodge as ZL/call between June 3 and June 10. Activity on HF using SSB. QSL via home call.

Announced IOTA

THE NEWCOMERS

EUROPE

EU-145 Culatra Isl CR5CW will be active during the RSGB IOTA contest (July 28-29). More on <https://colin739.wixsite.com/cr5cw>

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THE REMINDERS

EUROPE

EU-034 Hiiumaa Isl

EU-178 Kihnu Isl

Hendrik DG0LFF, Steffen DH1DM, Fred DH5FS and Uwe DL3BQA will be operating as ES0UG/8 and as ES8/calls from Kihnu Isl from June 11-15.

Later they will be active as ES0UG and ES0/calls from Hiiumaa between June 15-19.

<https://baltic2018.blogspot.com/> <https://www.iota-world.org/iota-directory/annex-f-short-title-iota-reference-number-list.html>

EU-090 Palagruza Isl Members of the Radio Club Croatian Flora Fauna will be active as 9A90P between June 16 and June 23. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via 9A2MF. <https://www.iota-world.org/iota-directory/annex-f-short-title-iota-reference-number-list.html>

EU-137 Ven Isl Lars, SM6CUK will be operating in 'holiday-style' as SA6G/7 from June 5 until June 12. Operation from 40 to 6 meter using mostly CW. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, logs will be uploaded on Club Log and LoTW. <https://www.iota-world.org/iota-directory/annex-f-short-title-iota-reference-number-list.html>

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. <https://www.iota-world.org/iota-directory/annex-f-short-title-iota-reference-number-list.html>

NA-085 St George Isl Wey, K8EAB will once again be QRV as K4G between August 20 and August 25. <https://www.iota-world.org/iota-directory/annex-f-short-title-iota-reference-number-list.html>

NA-155 Uvita Isl A team with TI2CDA, TI2CC, N3KS and others will be operating as TE6DX between June 7 and June 11. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digital. QSL via TI2CDA, Club Log OQRS and LoTW. <https://www.iota-world.org/iota-directory/annex-f-short-title-iota-reference-number-list.html>

OCEANIA

OC-022 Bali Yosuke, JJ1DQR will be operating as YB9/call from May 18 until May 22. QRV on HF using SSB. QSL via home call. <https://www.iota-world.org/iota-directory/annex-f-short-title-iota-reference-number-list.html>

OC-105 Cagayan De Sulu

OC-174 Tawi Tawi

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Dindu, DU1UD will be QRV as call/8 during the second quarter of 2018. OC-105 is the most wanted IOTA in the Philippines. He will also try to activate OC-174 during the same period. Length of stay depends on local conditions and safety. Operation as DX8MAP from OC-105 and as DX8TT from OC-174. QSL via M0OXO.

OC-140 Direction Island June 8-12

OC-170 Woody Island June 20-22

OC-193 Cheyne Island June 16-19

OC-199 East Lewis Island June 5-7

Craig, VK5CE will be QRV as VK6CE/6 from 3 IOTA groups in Western Australia during June. Operation from Woody for 2-3 days, from Lewis for 3-4 days and from Direction for 3-4 days. Details on <https://vkiota.wordpress.com/vk5ce-6/>

<https://www.iota-world.org/iota-directory/annex-f-short-title-iota-reference-number-list.html>

SOUTH AMERICA

SA-077 Ilha de Santana Look for PU4ALZ, PY2VTC and PY2ZA as PS1S during the IOTA contest. QRV from July 26 until July 30. QSL via bureau. <https://www.iota-world.org/iota-directory/annex-f-short-title-iota-reference-number-list.html>

Special calls

THE NEWCOMERS

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

PA, THE NETHERLANDS Look for **PA111SCOUTS** from May 8 until June 10. This to celebrate the 111th anniversary of the Scouting movement. QSL via PA3EFR. <http://www.pa3efr.nl/>

UA, RUSSIA A large number of Russian stations will use the special prefix RP73 (P stands for 'pobeda' meaning victory) from May 5 until May 9. This to celebrate the 73rd anniversary of the end of World War II. <https://pobeda.srr.ru/>

THE REMINDERS

RST special event

Until end of May members of the North Country DX Association (NCDXA) will be active for the third time from locations in Alaska, Yukon, Northwest Territories, Nunavut and Greenland with the calls **KL7RST**, **VY1RST**, **VE8RST**, **VY0RST**, and **OX7RST**. QSL via K7ICE (d).

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.

4X, ISRAEL Radio amateurs from Israel are celebrating the founding of the state until half June with the calls **4X70I**, **4X70S**, **4X70R**, **4X70A**, **4X70E** and **4X70L**. A special award "Israel 70" is available, with the callsign **4Z70IARC** counting as a Joker per the award rules. QSL via LoTW.

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>

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. 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 Radio amateurs in Wismar are celebrating 90 years of ham radio in Mecklenburg-West Pomerania with the call **DM90AIW** (special DOK EK4ABK). QRV until

June 30. Their historical source is a QSL card of EK4ABK dating from Jan. 9 in 1928. QSL via bureau, Club Log.

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

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 **TM40KOP** is operating on all bands and all modes until May 12. This to celebrate the 40th anniversary of Radio Club de Provins. QSL via F6KOP, LoTW.

F, FRANCE **TM390SR** is celebrating the 390th anniversary of the siege de La Rochelle. Activity until June 16. Activated by Franck F4DTO and Patrick F4GFE. QSL via F4DTO, 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 Look for **GB4RME** on June 1 and June 2 operating from Her Majesties Royal Mint. Barry Amateur Radio Society of South Wales UK have been given again permission to operate within Her Majesties Royal Mint & OfCom have issued the license to operate. The Theme is "Covert Radio as used in WW2 " At the same time the Royal Mint will be releasing a new British 10p coin showing that legendary "Special Agent 007". Operation modes CW, SSB and digital. QSL via GW0ANA, bureau or direct, LoTW.

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:

GB4GW May

GB4FWW June

GB5GW July

GB5FWW August

GB6GW September

GB6FWW October

GB8GW November

GB0AD November 10-11 (Armistice Day)

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

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

HH, HAITI Several Haitian radio hams will use the call **HH70A** for 6 months until July 2018. This to celebrate the 70th anniversary of the Radio Club D'Haiti. QSL via W3HMK.

I, ITALY The United Nations Global Service Center (4U1GSC) is QRV as **4U29MAY** until June 30. This to promote the International Day of UN Peacekeepers. QSL via 9A2AA.

I, ITALY Look for **II3AC** until end June to commemorate the Italian sculptor Antonio Canova, born in 1757 near Treviso. QSL via IK3GES, direct or bureau, OQRS Club Log.

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, special call **II1ITR** will be active from May 25 to June 25. QSL via IZ1ETD, direct or bureau

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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'

II4TES (Nikola Tesla) during May

II4AMP (Andre-Marie Ampere) during June

II4COU (Charles-Augustin de Coulomb) during July

II4VOL (Alessandro Volta) during August

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/>

IS0, SARDINIA Simone, IS0AFM is using the special call **IR0FOC** to celebrate the 80th anniversary of the First Class CW Operators' Club. Operation until end 2018. QSL via IS0AFM, 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 The Tokyo Bay Ham Club is celebrating their 40th anniversary with the special call **8J1ZIU**. Activity until end May. QSL goes automatically via bureau.

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

JA, JAPAN 8J1ITU celebrates the World Telecommunication and Information Society Day (May 17) and the creation of the International Telecommunication Union. Operation from the city of Kasumigauru until end May. QSL via JARL bureau.

JA, JAPAN 8J7HCB marks the 100th Hirosaki Cherry Blossom Festival. Operation until May 31. QSL via bureau or via JK7LXU direct.

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

JA, JAPAN Look for **8J3B** to mark the 100th anniversary of the 'Lake Biwa Rowing Song' until June 26. QSL will be sent automatically via the bureau. Direct QSL goes via JK3IJQ.

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.

LU, ARGENTINA L50A is the special call to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Radio Club QRM Belgrano (LU4AAO). Operation until end May on various bands and modes, FT8 included. QSL via bureau or direct. <http://lu4aao.org/L50A.htm/>

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

LZ11110SAE May

LZ430PPW June

LZ380PM July

LZ1146SPS August

LZ920MLC September

LZ1545POA October

LZ33MM November

LZ532PSO December

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

LZ, BULGARIA Members of the Thracian Rose Club are drawing attention to the 115th Rose Festival as **LZ115RF**. Operation until end July. QSL via LZ1YE.

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>

ON, BELGIUM The Belgian IARU society UBA celebrates its 70th birthday. To celebrate the event, 59 special event stations will be active during the month of May 2018.

These callsigns will be: **OT70ACC, OT70ALT, OT70ARA, OT70AST, OT70ATH, OT70ATO, OT70BDX, OT70BFA, OT70BSE, OT70BTS, OT70BXE, OT70CRD, OT70CLR, OT70CPN, OT70DIG, OT70DST, OT70EKO, OT70ERA, OT70GBN, OT70GDV, OT70GNT, OT70GTM, OT70HCC, OT70HRT, OT70KTK, OT70LGE, OT70LIR, OT70LLV, OT70LUS, OT70LVN, OT70MCL, OT70MLB, OT70NBT, OT70NLB, OT70NNV, OT70NOL, OT70ODE, OT70ONZ, OT70ORA, OT70OSA, OT70OSB, OT70OST, OT70PHI, OT70RAM, OT70RAT, OT70RCA, OT70RSX, OT70SNW, OT70THN, OT70TLS, OT70TRA, OT70TWS, OT70UBA, OT70WLD, OT70WRA, OT70WRC, OT70WTO, OT70YLC** and **OT70ZTM**. The suffix of these callsigns represent the local UBA club divisions, i.e. OT70BXE stands for Brussels East. QSL will be available via OQRS on Clublog. A commemorative award is available in three classes.

OZ, DENMARK Special event stations **OZ18ICE** and **5P8ICE** are active on all bands and modes for the Ice Hockey World Championship held in Denmark until May 23. See qrz.com for information about the awards issued for working these stations. QSL via Club Log OQRS and LoTW.

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

PF2018BOL (Bolsward) May

PF2018HIN (Hindeloopen) June

PF2018FRA (Franeker) July

PF2018HAR (Harlingen) August

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 Look for **HF700LUB** to celebrate the 700th anniversary of the city Lublin. QRV until August. QSL via SP8AB.

VK, AUSTRALIA The Gold Coast ARS is active as **VI4GAMES** until end May. This to celebrate the XXI Commonwealth Games, held in Gold Coast City on April 4-15.

VR, HONG KONG Commemorating the 20th 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.

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