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DX news

OH2BH named INDEXA European Ambassador

The INDEXA Board of Directors, at the annual board meeting held in Dayton, Ohio on May 18, 2018 appointed world famous DXer and DXpeditioner Martti Laine, OH2BH as INDEXA European Ambassador.

Martti is one of the most accomplished and famous radio amateurs of our time. He has excelled in both the Contesting and DXing worlds and is a member of both the CQ Magazine Contesting Hall of Fame and the DX Hall of Fame. Martti has organized or participated in many DXpeditions, including a number of them to newly created countries or entities. <https://dx-world.net/oh2bh-named-indexa-european-ambassador/>

Half a billion QSO's uploaded to Club Log

Michael G7VJR, author of Club Log reports:

"I'm thrilled to report to you that the half-billion mark has been passed, on 28 May 2018! The 500 millionth QSO was uploaded by W4PG, who uploaded a QSO with ZL1BQD on 17m (FT8). Congratulations in equal parts to Robert, W4PG and Roly, ZL1BQD.

<https://dx-world.net/half-a-billion-qsos-uploaded-to-club-log/>

The New IOTA directory

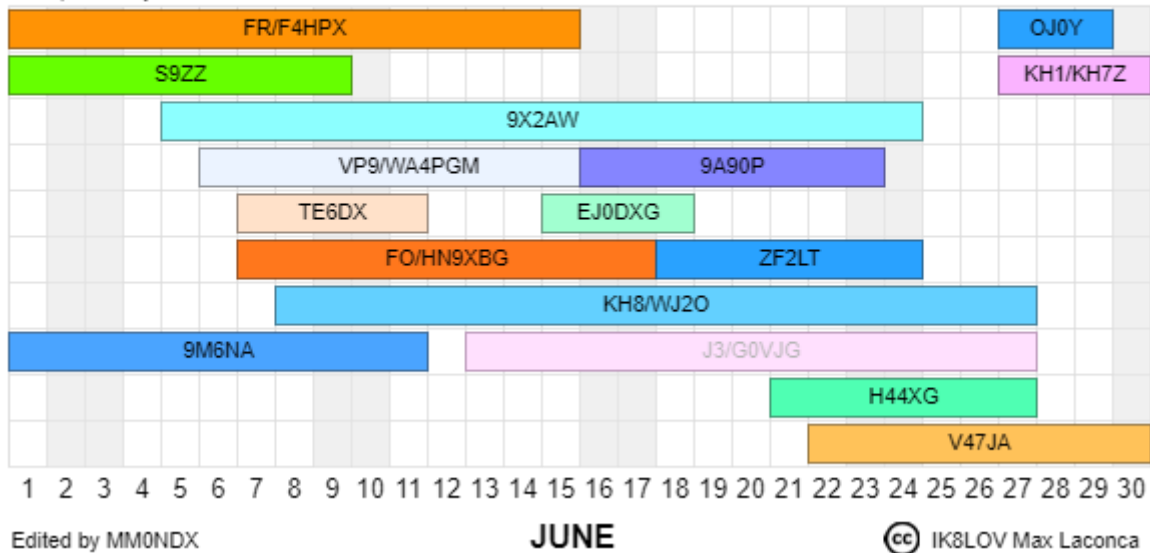
This 18th edition contains the complete listing of IOTA islands as well as everything you need to know to participate in IOTA. Included in the colour section are fascinating reports on several rare IOTA operations from Ashmore Reef, an Australian external territory in a highly sensitive area of the Timor Sea, Bhola Island and St Martin's Island, two Bangladeshi islands in different IOTA groups, Pukapuka Atoll in the North Cooks, Busuanga Island in the Philippines and Mokil Island in the Federated States of Micronesia. The rules have seen a major and once only restructuring to make them easier to follow. The list of Most Wanted IOTAs has been recast to show the listing in three ways: based on contacts credited all-time, credited to those who updated in the last 10 years and to those who did so in the last 5 years. Regular features such as the Honour Roll and other performance listings, award winners and advice on making a first application are also included. This Directory will probably be the last paper edition to be printed.

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DXCC Timeline

DX WORLD.net FEATURED DXPEDITIONS TIMELINE

Last update: May 26, 2018



DXCC

This week on HF

60, SOMALIA Baldur, DJ6SI is active as 60X until June 6. Operation on 20 and 30 meter using CW. QSL via home call.

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

9H, MALTA Thomas, SV2CLJ is operating as 9H3SV until May 31. Operation from 80 to 2 meter using SSB and digital. QSL via LoTW or via home call, direct only.

A2, BOTSWANA David, VE7VR is active as A25VR until June 3. Activity on 40, 30 and 20 meter. QSL via home call.

FR, REUNION ISL Thomas, F4HPX is active as FR/call until June 15. Activity from 40 to 15 meter using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via home call, LoTW and Club Log OQRS.

KH6, HAWAII Eric, K0EAP is operating from the Big Island as KH6/K0EAP until June 2. Activity from 40 to 15 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via LoTW.

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.

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.

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/> Plans are to have three stations for CW and SSB, plus two stations operating FT8 around the clock.

VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISL Kevin, K6TOP is once again operating as VP2V/call until June 1. Activity from 40 to 10 meter using CW. QSL via LoTW or via NR6M.

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.

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.

Coming up soon

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.

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.

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

PJ4, BONAIRE Lauren WOLD and Jon NOJK will be QRV during the ARRL June VHF contest (June 9-10) using FT8, CW and SSB. During times of no propagation 20 meter and other HF bands will be used. Call is pending. QSL via WOLD.

SV5, DODECANESE Marcel OK2QQ will be operating from the islands Kalymnos and Telendos as SV5/call. Operation between June 12 and June 22 from 40 to 2 meter using CW, SSB and FM. QSL via LoTW or direct.

IOTA

This week on HF

EUROPE

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-085 Dog Isl Bruce, K5TEN will be operating as K4D from June 2 until June 9. Operation from 40 to 6 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via home call, see QRZ.com. <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-071 Cockatoo Isl Chris, VK6BP will be briefly active as call/P for 3 days a week for several months. Starting end May. <https://www.iota-world.org/iota-directory/annex-f-short-title-iota-reference-number-list.html>

OC-133 Labuan Isl Saty, JE1JKL is operating as 9M6NA until June 11. Activity on HF with an entry in the CQWW WPXCW Contest (May 26-27). QSL via LoTW. <https://www.iota-world.org/iota-directory/annex-f-short-title-iota-reference-number-list.html>

OC-137 Russell Isl Mike, VK4DX will be operating as call/P on June 1-3. Activity with a multi band vertical and 100 watts from 80 to 20 meter using CW and SSB.

<http://vk4dx.com/>

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

OC-140 Direction Island June 8-11

OC-170 Woody Island June 20-23

OC-164 Rottnest Island June 2

OC-193 Cheyne Island June 15-18

OC-199 East Lewis Island June 4-7

OC-220 St Peter Isl June 26-28

Craig, VK5CE will be QRV as VK6CE/6 from these IOTA's in Western Australia during June. Operation on 20 and 40 meter between 8 and 18UTC. Details on

<https://vk5iota.wordpress.com/vk5ce-6/>

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

SOUTH AMERICA

SA-047 Mel Isl A large Brazilian team will be active as PR5M from May 31 until June 3.

Operation with 2 stations on HF. QSL via PP5BZ. <https://www.iota-world.org/iota-directory/annex-f-short-title-iota-reference-number-list.html>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announced DX

THE NEWCOMERS

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.

C2, NAURU Lance, W7GJ will go on a 6 meter DXpedition as C21GC between September 28 and October 14. Full details on his website:

<http://www.bigskyspaces.com/w7gj/Nauru%202018.htm>

KH8, AMERICAN SAMOA Look for K5PI, W5MJ, W5RF, W5SJ and VE7KW as KH8/W5MJ from Ofu between August 15 and August 25. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via M0URX OQRS.

T8, PALAU Tatsuko, JJ1BDT will be operating as T88YL from Koror between June 22 and June 27. Activity in 'holiday-style' on 40, 17 and 15 meter using SSB. QSL via JR1FKR.

VK9X, CHRISTMAS ISL A team with A65DC, A65DR, SM0CXU and 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/>

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.

ZF, CAYMAN ISL Lawrence, K8HTC will be QRV as ZF2LT from Grand Cayman between June 18 and June 24. Operation on HF. QSL via home call.

THE REMINDERS

3B8, MAURITIUS Hans, PA3HGT will once again be operating as 3B8/call from September 4 until September 24. Operation in 'holiday-style' on 40, 20 and 10 meter using mostly SSB with some CW and digital. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

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.

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 as 9X0T. More to follow.

http://www.i2ysb.com/idt/index.php?option=com_content&view=featured&Itemid=101

A2, BOTSWANA Andre, NJ0F will be active as A25A from the Lotsane Lodge, Tuli Block. Operation from July 13 until July 20 from 80 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via home call.

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

EX, KYRGYZSTAN The SP9KAT DXteam will be operating as EX0PL from September 1 until September 10. Operation on HF. QSL via SP9KAT.

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>

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.

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 K4TJS 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.

OJO, MARKET REEF Col MM0NDX, Emil DL8JJ and Paul G4PVM will be QRV as OJOY (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.

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.

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.

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.

V4, ST KITTS John, W5JON will once again be operating as V47JA from Calypso Bay between June 22 until July 20. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using SSB. QSL via home call, direct only and LoTW.

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 11. 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/>

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.

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.

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/>

Z6, KOSOVO Franco, IZ5YHD will be QRV as Z6/call/P between August 20 and August 26. Activity on HF using SSB in 'holiday-style'.

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.

Announced IOTA

THE NEWCOMERS

Artic Legends 2018 IOTA DXpedition

AS-005 Sibiryakova Isl

AS-054 Firnley Isl

AS-068 Skott-Gansena Isl

AS-087 Arkticheskogo Institita Isl

AS-104 Nansen Isl**AS-121 Tyrtova 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>
<https://www.iota-world.org/iota-directory/annex-f-short-title-iota-reference-number-list.html>

THE REMINDERS

AFRICA

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.

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

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-042 Hallig Hooge A large team will be active as DL0DFF from June 20 until June 24. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via DL3HBZ, direct or bureau, OQRS Club Log. <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-099 Les Minquiers A team will participate in the IOTA contest (July 28-29) as MJ8C. Before and after the contest they will use GJ3RCV. QSL via G4DFI.

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

EU-140 Kirkonmaa Isl Look for Radioclub Riihimaen Kolmoset OH3AD as call/5 from July 17 until mid-August. Operation in 'holiday-style' from 80 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digital. QSL via bureau, Club Log and LoTW. <https://www.iota-world.org/iota-directory/annex-f-short-title-iota-reference-number-list.html>

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

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

OCEANIA

OC-105 Cagayan De Sulu

OC-174 Tawi Tawi

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

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-254 Mortlok Isl

OC-253 Hall Isl

The V6J team (from Mokil Atoll OC-226) have plans to operate from either Mortlok or Hall in June or July 2018. Pilot station is Joe, JJ3PRT.

<https://dx-world.net/v6j-mortlock-islands-oc-254/>

<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 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 TM24H is the special call by the Association des Radioamateurs de la Sarthe for the 67th year of the 24 Hours of Le Mans. Operation from June 3 until June 17 on various bands and modes. QSL via F6KFI, bureau.

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

GBOAD 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 W3HNK.

I, ITALY II3ANA is the special call for the 91st National Reunion of the Italian Army's Alpine troops. All QSO's will be confirmed automatically via the bureau. Activity until May 25.

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** is active until 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/>

ISO, SARDINIA Simone, IS0AFM is using the special call **IROFOC** 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 8J1KZ is celebrating the 70th anniversary of Kanazawa Ward on the air. Activity until end February 2019. 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>

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.

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.

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

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.

XE, MEXICO Members of Radioclub Cancun are active as **6E5RM** until June 1 during the 5th edition of the Rally Maya Mexico. They will operate SSB, RTTY and FT8 on 80-6 metres. QSL via XE3N (tnx 425DX)

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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