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DX news

Briefing: Top band at KH1/KH7Z

The location of the 160m TX antenna was close to the north-west corner of the island, but not as far north and clear of the land as we would have liked it. Also, we were not able to place our TX antenna fully in the water, due to the pounding surf. (Which did destroy our 80 m antenna the first night.) Instead, the 160m TX antenna stood just at the high tide water-line, with the metal base buried in wet sand. At low tide the antenna base was 30 feet from the water's edge, but fortunately the sand below the antenna was always saturated with salt-water. Luckily, the tide was mostly up around the times we were working NA on TB. We were only allowed a maximum antenna height of 43 feet. To meet this requirement, we designed a "fat" 160m vertical, which had three vertical wires, two of them on spreaders to make the apparent diameter of the vertical conductor larger. The antenna also had two 12.5m top-loading wires, which sloped down at 45-degrees. The antenna had 8 radials of various lengths, with three of them going directly into the salt-water. Takeoff to the west and north-west was clear over open water, but to the north-east (towards NA) it was over land, with a 20' high sand berm directly in the way. The antenna was fed via a remote-controlled coupler. I want to point out that even this simple, and far less than ideal, arrangement took a tremendous effort to build, as we had to haul the all the gear for the CW tent about ¼ mile from the boat landing, working in 100 degree heat under the Equatorial sun. Transmitter power was around 800 W (but occasionally reduced 400 W to leave more generator power for the other bands). The radio was a K3S. <https://dx-world.net/briefing-top-band-at-kh1-kh7z/>

DXCC

This week on HF

4W, TIMOR LESTE Gordon, K7TRB is active as 4W6VA from Dili, East Timor until mid-September. QSL via home call, LoTW.

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.

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

D4, CAPE VERDE Christian, M0UPL will be QRV as D44EK between July 23 and August 7. QRV on HF using SSB.

EA6, BALEARIC ISL Andreas, DK5ON is QRV from Mallorca until July 28. Operation from 40 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, Club Log OQRS and LoTW.

IS0, SARDINIA Miguel, EA5ZD is active as IS0/call until July 21. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

JD1, MINAMI TORISHIMA Look for JD1YAB/JD1 until early August. QRV when time permits mainly on 15 and 17 meter. QSL via JS1LMG.

KH2, GUAM Howard, WQ6B will be operating from July 20 until July 24 as KH2/call. Operation on HF using SSB and FT8. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, LoTW.

P2, PAPUA NEW GUINEA Roly, ZL1BQD is again operating as P29RR until July 25. Activity on HF with a focus on FT8. QSL via home call direct and LoTW.

P4, ARUBA Rick, N1DC is active as P4/call until July 26. Operation from 40 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via home call, LoTW.

PJ2, CURACAO Mason KM4SII, Violetta KM4ATT, Dhruv KC9ZJX and David VE7DZO will be operating during July 19-24. This is a youth DXpedition and they 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.

TF, ICELAND Yuri, VE3DZ is QRV as TF/call until July 25. QSL via home call.

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

XW, LAOS Bruce, 3W3B is once again operating as XW4XR until July 22. Activity from 40 to 6 meter using CW, RTTY and FT8. QSL via E21EIC, LoTW.

YJ, VANUATU Perrin, VK3XPT is operating as YJ3XPT from Erakor, Efate Island. QRV until July 23 on 40, 20 and 10 meter using mainly SSB. QSL via home call.

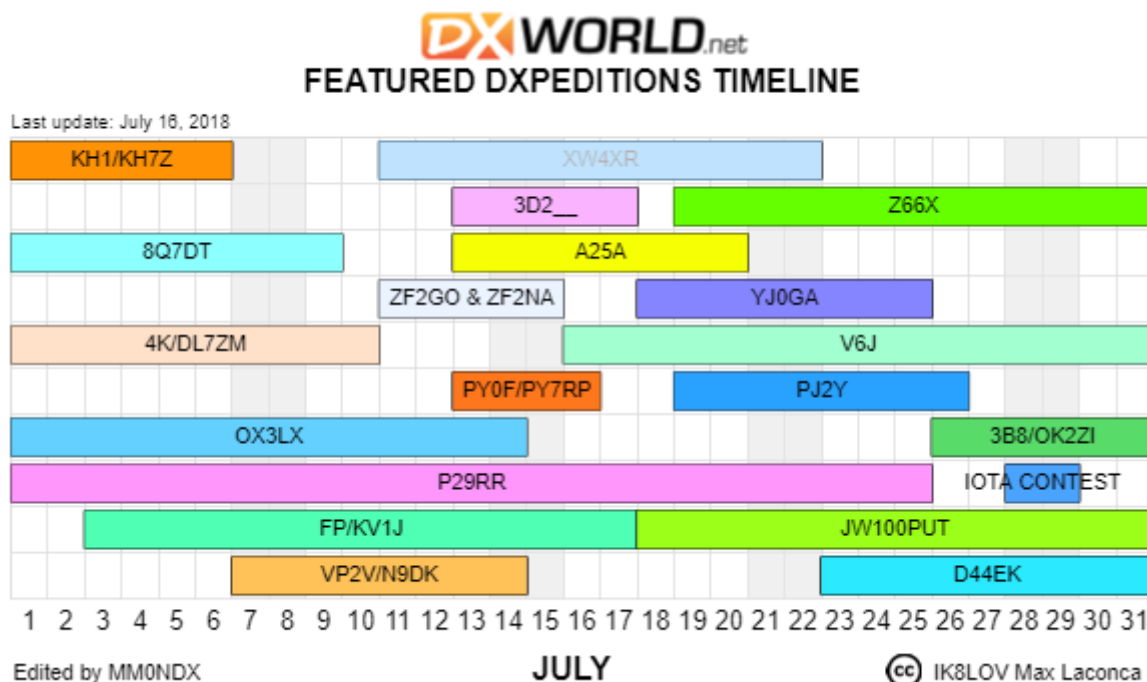
YJ, VANUATU Geoff, ZL3GA is once again active as YJ0GA until July 25. Operation from 80 to 10 meter. QSL via home call, Club Log OQRS and LoTW.

Z6, KOSOVO The Kosovo International Friendship Consortium is active as Z66X until July 30 with emphasis on FT8 from 80 to 6 meter. Operators are Enda EI2II, Declan EI9HQ, Martti OH2BH, Hans PB2T, Driton Z61DX and Fehmi Z62FB. QSL via OH2BH.

Coming up soon

3B8, MAURITIUS Karel, OK2ZI will be operating from Pointe aux Sable as 3B8/call between July 26 and August 4. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digital. QSL via home call, OQRS Club Log and LoTW.

DXCC Timeline



QSL preview



IOTA

This week on HF

AFRICA

AF-094 Habibas Isl A team with 7X2KC, 7X2ET, 7X2QC and 7X2DF is operating as 7V9A until July 21. Activity on HF using SSB, FT8 and some CW. <https://www.iota-world.org/iota-directory/annex-f-short-title-iota-reference-number-list.html>

ASIA

AS-008 Shikine Isl Take, JI3DST will be operating as JI3DST/1 from July 25 until July 30, IOTA contest included. Operation from 40 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via Club Log OQRS or home call. <https://www.iota-world.org/iota-directory/annex-f-short-title-iota-reference-number-list.html>

EUROPE

EU-045 Ponza Isl Giuseppe, IK5WWA is QRV as IB0P until July 26. Operation from 80 to 6 meter using SSB and FT8. QSL via home call. <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 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-165 San Pietro Isl Massimo, IOPNM will be active as IM0/call from July 20 until August 20. Activity on 40, 20, 15 and 10 meter using SSB. QSL via home call, direct and LoTW. <https://www.iota-world.org/iota-directory/annex-f-short-title-iota-reference-number-list.html>

Irish Islands IOTA Tour 2018

Beginning June 1st 2018, the EIDX Group started to activate ALL Irish IOTA Groups. Using the 'Echo Juliet' prefix, EJ0DXG will be QRV from IOTA EU-006, EU-007 and EU-121 this summer.

The groups will be QRV on HF and 6m bands using CW, SSB and Digital modes.

Follow their Facebook [page](#) for information/dates for all other activations.

Supported by dxwanted.net a beautiful plaque will be available for whoever works them on 4 different IOTA Groups. So, as a 'Bonus' or 'Joker' station, EI0DXG will also be QRV from Mainland Ireland (EU-115) throughout and until September 30th 2018.

Here is the provisional line-up (weather permitting)

EU-007 Great Blasket Island.....July 20/21/22...

EU-121.....August 24/25/26...

EU-006.....September 13/14/15/16...

QSL via M0OXO.

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NORTH AMERICA

NA-008 Ellesmere Isl Pierre, VE3KTB is once again active as VY0ERC from the Eureka Amateur Radio Club. QRV until July 21. <https://www.iota-world.org/iota-directory/annex-f-short-title-iota-reference-number-list.html>

NA-067 Ocracoke Isl Jon, WB8YJF will be active in 'holiday-style' as call/4 BETWEEN July 22 and July 29. Operation on HF using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. <https://www.iota-world.org/iota-directory/annex-f-short-title-iota-reference-number-list.html>

NA-207 Fafard Isl Bruce KD6WW and Mike K9AJ plans to be active as calls/VY0 from July 19 until July 23. Activity with 2 stations from 40 to 17 meter using primary CW with some SSB and FT8. It's been 18 years ago since last activation from this rare IOTA.

QSL via homecalls, OQRS, bureau and direct. <https://www.iota-world.org/iota-directory/annex-f-short-title-iota-reference-number-list.html>

OCEANIA

OC-254 Mortlok Isl The V6J team (from Mokil Atoll OC-226) is QRV until July 31. 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>

Coming up soon

EUROPE

EU-032 Oleron Isl Noel, ON4APU will be operating during the IOTA contest as F/0040, before and after the contest operation in 'holiday-style'. QSL via home call, Club Log OQRS and LoTW. <https://www.iota-world.org/iota-directory/annex-f-short-title-iota-reference-number-list.html>

EU-076 Lofoten Isl Marq, CT1BWW will once again operate as LA/call from the Arctic Circle. Operation from July 30 until August 10. QRV from 80 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digital. QSL via home call. <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-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>

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>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announced DX

THE NEWCOMERS

4S, SRI LANKA Dariusz, SP9DLM will be operating as 4S7DMG from Kalkudah between August 6 and August 14. Operation on 40, 20, 15 and 10 meter. QSL via home call.

8Q, MALDIVES Christian, OE3DEC will be active as 8Q7EC between September 14 and September 23. QSL via home call.

8Q, MALDIVES Gabor, HA3JB will be operating as 8Q7IP from Hulhumale Island between September 19 and September 30. QRV from 80 to 10 meter using CW, SSB, RTTY and FT8. QSL via home call.

A3, TONGA Roly, ZL1BQD will be QRV as A35RR starting around August 15 for 2 weeks. Roly mostly operates FT8 and JT65. QSL via home call.

V4, ST KITTS Gary, G0FWX will once again be active as V47FWX from August 18 until August 25 with a return visit between November 7 and November 14. Operation in 'holiday-style'. QSL via M0URX.

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

THE REMINDERS

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.

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 HA5AO will arrive eSwatini (Swaziland) on 14 September, late afternoon. He plans to operate during his free time between 16 – 28 September from the Mountain Inn Resort at Mbabane. He received the 3DA0AO license and a LotW certificate.

Pista will operate 80–10 meters using a Hustler 6 BTV vertical antenna with 17 and 12 meter add-on elements, CW, RTTY and FT8. He is bringing an Elecraft K3 with the KPA 500 amplifier. Logsearch will be available on HA5AO.com. His plans include testing a new feature of the PDXG QSL Management Platform, the uploading of QSOs in real time.

While in-country he will travel to rural areas visiting villages, schools and orphanages to deliver school supplies to orphaned children. He is interested in making a long term donation agreement to pay school fees for several orphaned children.

Pista is paying all expenses from personal funds. However he would appreciate donations through his website. Any donations received will be used only for humanitarian purposes.

7Q, MALAWI Alex, IW5ELA will be QRV as 7Q7ELA from September 17 until September 26. Operation on HF using mainly CW. QSL via home call. Activity from these locations: September 17-20 Game Haven Lodge, September 20-23 Mvuu Camp and September 23-26 Makokola Retreat.

9X, RWANDA The Italian DXpedition Team is planning to be active from Rwanda between September 26 and October 10 as 9X0T. For FT8 DXpedition mode the call 9X0Y will be used. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW and SSB with 3 stations. RTTY will be used only on 20 meter. QSL via I2YSB. Real-time logsearch and OQRS see <http://www.i2ysb.com/idt/>

BY, CHINA Lide BI8CKU and Rui-Li will be QRV from Lhasa, Tibet as B0/BI8CKU from August 6 until August 14. Activity on 40 and 20 meter FT8 only. QSL via BI8CKU.

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

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

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

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

E6, NIUE Alex, 5B4ALX will be operating as E6ET between March 19 and April 2, 2019. Activity from 80 to 15 meter using CW, SSB and digital. QSL via home call.

<http://www.5b4alx.cloud/e6et-niue-2019/>

EL, LIBERIA Col, MM0NDX plans to be active again as EL2EL later this year or early 2019. More to follow.

EX, KYRGYZSTAN The SP9KAT DXteam will be operating as EX0PL from September 1 until September 10. Operation from 80 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via SP9KAT, direct or bureau, LoTW and Club Log. <http://ex.3sun.pl/>

FH, MAYOTTE The Czech DX Team will be operating between September 20 and October 6. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi with a focus on the low bands. QSL via OK6DJ, OQRS and LoTW.

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

FO, AUSTRAL ISL Operators W5MJ, W5RF, K4UEE, K5PI and W5SJ will be operating as TX5T between August 15 and August 25. Activity from 40 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digital. QSL via M0URX OQRS.

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.

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.

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 The 2018 youth team members will activate Market Reef between July 21 and July 28 and again from August 18 until August 25.

The Market Reef light house is located low-to-the-sea where waves are often rolling over the entire DXCC entity. With no jetty, landing can be hazardous with small zodiacs often being pushed hard by the sea. Life at the lighthouse is plain and simple with all participants sharing the daily duties. But pileups are never ending when the OJ0C callsign hits the airwaves.

<https://www.qrz.com/db/OJ0AM/>

The Finnish Lighthouse Society (FLS) and Amateur Radio League of Finland (SRAL) in conjunction with OH-DX-Foundation (OHDXF) and the DX University (DXU) are organizing a first-ever — INTERNATIONAL YOUTH AT SEA (IYAS) – cultural exchange based radio activity. This first-ever IYAS is observed by several international ham organizations and is a candidate for a permanent annual event.

<https://sral.info/2018/06/19/market-calling/>

The 2018 youth team members are Nuuti, OH1UBO, Elias, OH2EP, Otava, OH3OT, Mikael, OH3UAF, Pieter, ON3DI, Florian, OE3FTA and Ilie, YO3IMD, all 16 to 25 years of age.

These young operators will be participating in daily workshops of safety and survival at sea in the remote lighthouse. In addition, they will become familiar with the latest digital modes and most important, learning how operating the radio efficiently: Providing OJ0C contacts – and handling the thundering pileups – with a smile by following long-established guidelines as set forth in DXpeditioning Basics from the DXU. Their instructors are those Market veterans: Martti, OH2BH, Henri, OH3JR and Pasi, OH3WS. OJ0C QSL via OH3JR

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 Richard, VE2DX will be operating as TF/call from September 3 until September 15. Operation on HF. More to follow.

V2, ANTIGUA Philippe, EA4NF will be active as V26NF between August 12 and August 19. Activity from 40 to 10 meter. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

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.

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

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/>

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.

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

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

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

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

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

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'.

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

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 REMINDERS

AFRICA

AF-064 Robben Isl Look for ZS9V from Robben Island from the evening of August 17 until Monday August 20. This is the weekend of ILLW. Same as last year, SSB on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 meter. This year they will have a CW station also. More on <http://zs9v.org.za/>

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>

AF-118 Los Farallones Isl Plans are underway for an international team of IOTA activators. Dates and full info to follow. <https://www.iota-world.org/iota-directory/annex-f-short-title-iota-reference-number-list.html>

ASIA

Artic Legends 2018 IOTA DXpedition

AS-005 Sibiryakova Isl

AS-054 Firnley Isl September 10-11

AS-068 Skott-Gansena Isl

AS-087 Arkticheskogo Institita Isl

AS-104 Nansena 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>

AS-032 Tanega Isl Kenji, JA4XGS will be active as call/6 on October 13-15. Operation on 40, 20 and 17 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via home call. <https://www.iota-world.org/iota-directory/annex-f-short-title-iota-reference-number-list.html>

AS-073 Redang Isl Members of the Kuala Lumpur DX Team will be QRV as 9M4IOTA between September 15-17. QSL via 9M4IOTA. <https://www.iota-world.org/iota-directory/annex-f-short-title-iota-reference-number-list.html>

EUROPE

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

Special calls

THE NEWCOMERS

CT, PORTUGAL Look for **CR5F** until July 22 to mark the 37th International Motorcycle Rally in Faro. Operation from 80 to 6 meter using CW, SSB, RTTY and FT8. QSL via CT1EHX.

F, FRANCE Special call **TM40CDXC** will be operating from September 8 until September 22 for the 40th Convention of the Clipperton DX Club, held at Troyes on September 21-23. All QSO will be confirmed automatically via bureau.

THE REMINDERS

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

DL, GERMANY Look for **DL60SOP** to celebrate the 60th Sea of Peace award in 2018. Activity on HF during July. QSL via DL4SVA, direct or bureau.

<http://www.dl0sop.darc.de/index.htm>

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

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

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

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

G, ENGLAND During July **GB0GKA**, **GB0GKB** and **GB0GKC** are active to mark the 90th anniversary of Portishead Radio on HF. Operation using CW and SSB. QSL for GB0GKA via G3ZRJ, GB0GKB via G4HLN and for GB0GKC via G3TJE.

<http://www.portisheadradio.co.uk/>

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 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:

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.

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 Look for **II4COU** to honour the memory of Augustin de Coulomb during July. QSL via IQ4FE.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

JW, SVALBARD Members of ARC SP3PET are operating as **JW100PUT** until end July. This to commemorate the 100th anniversary of Academic Ham Radio Club of Technology. Operation on 80, 40 and 20 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via SP3PET.

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

LZ, BULGARIA LZ25RRC is operating during July to mark the celebrations around the 25th anniversary of the Russian Robinson Club. QSL via RZ3EC.

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

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://teljanradioamatootit.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.

OZ, DENMARK Carsten, OZ4CG supports the annual SOP award during July with as **OZ4SOP** from Bornholm (EU-030). A QSO with OZ4SOP may be used as a joker for the award this year. QSL via Club Log OQRS, 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

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/>

PY, BRAZIL The scout station **PW2J** will be QRV around the 7th Brazilian National Jamboree and the 1st Portuguese speaking Countries Jamboree from Barretos, Sao Paulo. Activity until July 22 on HF using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via PY2OP, direct or bureau.

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.

SM, SWEDEN Eric, SM1TDE supports the annual SOP award during July as **SJ1SOP**. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, LoTW and Club Log.

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

UA, RUSSIA Look for **R400N** to mark the 400th anniversary of Novokuznetsk. Activity until July 15. QSL via RV9V, direct or bureau.

VK, AUSTRALIA Look for **VI70MI** to commemorate the 70th anniversary of the establishment of the first ANARE base at Macquarie Island in 1948. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB, RTTY and some other digital modes. Activity until end August. QSL via M00XO OQRS and LoTW.

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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