



## **DX bulletin 260**

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## **DX news**

### **VP6D Ducie Island –update**

We are honoured to have received a grant from the ARRL's Colvin Award Committee. The Colvin Award is funded by an endowment established by Lloyd D. Colvin, W6KG (SK). More information can be found [here](#) – We appreciate the ARRL's confidence in and support of [VP6D](#).

We're pleased to announce that Rob Fanfant N7QT has joined the VP6D team. Rob is a DX-pedition veteran whose most recent project was VK9MA Mellish Reef in 2017. Previous projects include: VK9WA Willis Island, Manihiki E51MQT, Montserrat VP2MQT, Austral Islands (TX5Z), Christmas Island, Australia(VK9AN), San Andres (5J0X , HK0/N7QT), Sint Maarten (PJ7/N7QT), Saba (PJ6/N7QT), Austral Islands TX5D), Saint Lucia (J6/N7QT), Saint Lucia (J6/N7QT). We think you will agree that Rob is well qualified for the project and we are happy to add him to the team.

<https://dx-world.net/vp6d-ducie-island-2018/>

### **EU-035 Novaya Zemlya cancelled**

Mike returned home from Naryan-Mar. He explains there are serious questions regarding the reliability of the vessel. Therefore, the expedition was postponed. The next attempt will be made later this year on the yacht "Apostol Andrey".

~~EU-035 Novaya Zemlya~~ – Mike, UA1QV informs DX World that after waiting a long time for permission, he is now in a position to visit and operate from [Novaya Zemlya IOTA EU-035](#). Mike goes on to say that departure is scheduled for August 4, 2018 from the port of Narjan Mar on the boat "[Pechora](#)". Activity as UA1QV/MM on the way and back to Novaya Zemlya. In addition, possible activity from EU-086 or EU-102 along the way. Plan is for 5-7 days activity before he joins up with the [RIOB](#) team in late August.

## **DXCC**

### **This week on HF**

**4S, SRI LANKA** Dariusz, SP9DLM is operating as 4S7DMG from Kalkudah until August 14. Operation on 40, 20, 15 and 10 meter. QSL via home call.

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

**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, direct or LoTW.

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

**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.

**GD, ISLE OF MAN** Andrew, G8GNT is QRV as GD8GNI until August 10. Operation in digital modes only. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, LoTW, logsearch on Club Log.

**GJ, JERSEY** Mek, SP7VC will be operating as MJ/call between August 11 and August 14. Operation on HF and 2, 4 and 6 meter using SSB and digital. QSL via home call.

**GU, GUERNSEY** Mek, SP7VC is operating as MU/call until August 11. Operation on HF and 2, 4 and 6 meter using SSB and digital. QSL via home call.

**HC8, GALAPAGOS ISL** Alfredo, HC1HC is QRV as HC1HC/8 until August 10. Activity in 30, 17, 12 and maybe 6 meter using FT8. QSL via NE8Z, direct.

**KH6, HAWAII** Yo, JN1CBZ will be operating as KH6/call from August 13 until August 17. Operation from 40 to 6 meter using SSB and FT8. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

**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.

**OX, GREENLAND** Brandon, W0GPR is operating as OX/call from Jakobshaven until August 27. Operation from 40 to 6 meter. QSL via home call, LoTW.

**P2, PAPUA NEW GUINEA** Puiu, YO5BIM is operating as P29VIM from Port Moresby until August 13. Operation on 40 and 80 meter using mainly CW. QSL via home call.

**TK, CORSICA** Frans, DJ0TP will once again be active as TK/call between August 13 and September 10. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, LoTW.

**UA, RUSSIA** Emil, DL8JJ informs: It's that time again and within a few days the next adventures are waiting for me: As tour guides & mountain guides of a group in Kamchatka from 05.08.2018 – 19.08.2018.

This time I have decided to try as far as the circumstances allow to be QRV. We will climb volcanoes and do great and long trekking tours. 6 nights we will spend in tents. The remaining days in cabins and Russian "hotels". In the evening and at night I will try to be QRV from the tent and camps. Hopefully 1-2 hours per day. Operation as RA/DL8JJ.

<https://www.hauser-exkursionen.de/reise/rusland-vulkane-kamtschatkas-2018>

**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.

**XU, CAMBODIA** Rene, F6CTW is operating as XU7AEX from Phnom Penh until August 20. Operation on 15, 17 and 20 meter using CW. QSL via home call.

**ZA, ALBANIA** Waldi, SP7IDX is QRV as ZA/call until August 12. Operation from 40 to 10 meter using SSB and digital. QSL via home call or LoTW, logsearch on Club Log.

## Coming up soon

**OJO, MARKET REEF** The 2018 youth team members will activate Market Reef 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 OJOC callsign hits the airwaves.

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

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/>

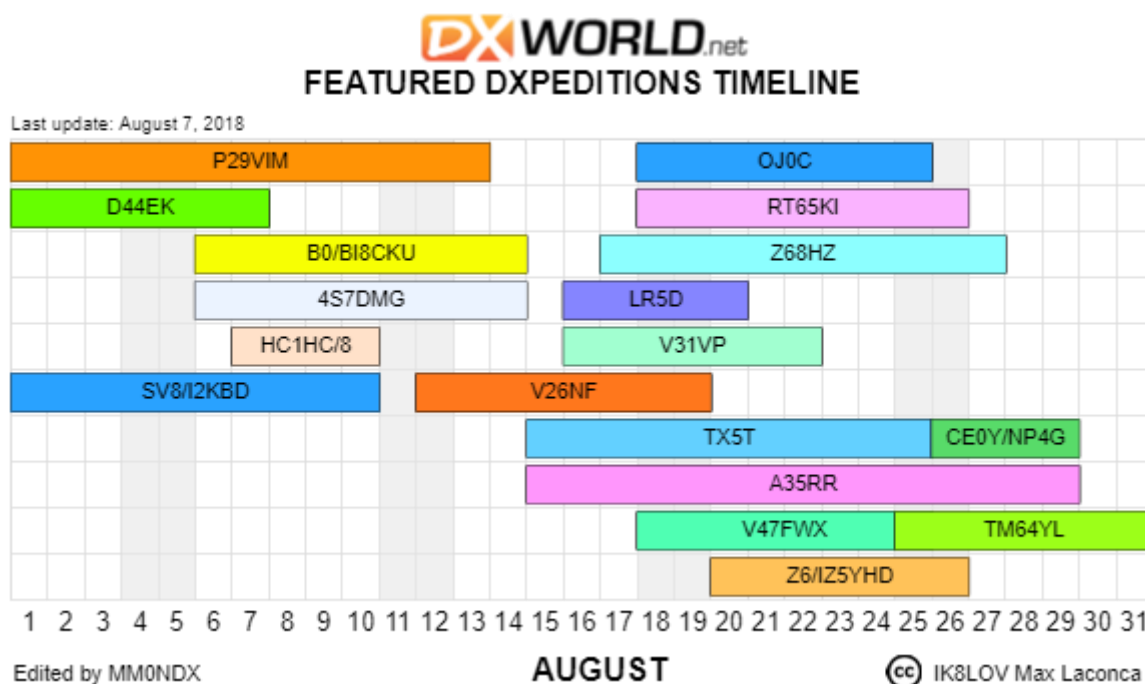
The 2018 youth team members are Nuuti, OH1UBO, Elias, OH2EP, Otava, OH3OT, Mikael, OH3UAF, Pieter, ON3DI, Florian, OE3FTA and Ilie, YO3IMD, all 16 to 25 years of age.

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

**V3, BELIZE** Victor, WB0TEV will be operating again as V31VP from Blackman Eddy between August 16 and August 22. Operation from 80 to 10 meter with daily RTTY operations with a focus on Asia beginning at 2200Z in addition to other SSB and RTTY operations. QSL via home call.

**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'.

## DXCC Timeline



## IOTA

### This week on HF

#### ASIA

**AS-084 Hachiuja Isl** The Gwangju DX Club will be active as D73G on August 15-18. Operation from 80 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via 6LONJ, bureau. <https://www.iota-world.org/iota-directory/annex-f-short-title-iota-reference-number-list.html>

**AS-139 Weizhou Isl** Zhao, BD7IHN is operating as B7/call on August 9. Operation on HF using mainly CW. QSL via home call. <https://www.iota-world.org/iota-directory/annex-f-short-title-iota-reference-number-list.html>

#### EUROPE

**EU-052 Kefallonia Isl** Alberto I2KBD and Paolo IZ2AMW are operating as SV8/calls until August 10. Activity on HF using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via home call, LoTW.

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

**EU-067 Naxos Isl** Petr, OK1FFU is operating as SV8/call until August 10. Operation in 'holiday-style' from 40 to 10 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via OM2FY.

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**EU-076 Lofoten Isl** Marq, CT1BWW is once again active as LA/call from the Arctic Circle. Operation 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-082 Kyskiye Isl** Mikhail, RA1ALA is celebrating the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Russian Robinson Club as R25RRA until August 12. QSL via RZ3EC. <https://www.iota-world.org/iota-directory/annex-f-short-title-iota-reference-number-list.html>

**EU-136 Krk Isl** Gianluca, IK4LZH is active as 9A/call until August 10. Operation on 40, 20, 15 and 10 meter using SSB. 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, I0PNM is active as IM0/call 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>

## NORTH AMERICA

**NA-047 Baffin Isl** Mike, VE2XB is operating as VY0BRR until end 2018. Operation during his spare time, mostly on 40 meter. QSL via home call. <https://www.iota-world.org/iota-directory/annex-f-short-title-iota-reference-number-list.html>

**NA-134 Uumannaq Isl** Once again, Bo OX3LX will be operating between August 15 and August 29. QSL via OZ0J. <https://www.iota-world.org/iota-directory/annex-f-short-title-iota-reference-number-list.html>

## OCEANIA

**OC-049 Tongatapu** August 8-15, September 14-19

**OC-064 Vava'u group** August 15-30

**OC-169 Ha'pai group** September 1-14

Hardy, DL7JLLL will be operating as A35JLL (pending) while island hopping in Tonga. Operation on 40, 20, 15 and 10 meter running with 5-10 watts or with 50 watts when there is sufficient energy. QSL via home call, bureau or direct. <https://www.iota-world.org/iota-directory/annex-f-short-title-iota-reference-number-list.html>

## Coming up soon

### 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/>

### ASIA

**AS-065 Idlidlya Isl** Yuri UA0KBG, Victor UA3AKO and Alexandr RA3AV will be operating as RT65KI between August 18 and August 26. Dates depend on the weather and local conditions. Operation on 40, 30, 20 and 17 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via Club Log OQRS or via UA3AKO. <http://rt65ki.ru/>

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

## **NORTH AMERICA**

**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>

## **SOUTH AMERICA**

**SA-055 Martin Garcia Isl** The Radio Club Argentino will be operating between August 16 and August 20, including the International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend. QRV as LR5D from 80 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digital. QSL via QRZ.com. <https://www.iota-world.org/iota-directory/annex-f-short-title-iota-reference-number-list.html>

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **Announced DX**

### **THE NEWCOMERS**

**CE0Y, EASTER ISLAND** Otis, NP4G will be active as CE0Y/call between August 26-29. Activity in 'holiday-style' with a focus on CW and FT8. QSL via LoTW.

**PJ2, CURACAO** Charles, NK8O will be active as PJ2/call between August 27 and September 2. Operation in 'holiday-style' on 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10 meter. QSL via LoTW.

**Z6, KOSOVO** Look for Z68HZ from Prishtina from August 17 until August 27. Activity on HF using mainly SSB and FT8. QSL via TA1HZ, direct or LoTW.

### **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.

**3W, VIETNAM** Jacek, SP5APW will be active as 3W9JK from Hoi An between September 22 and September 27. Activity from 20 to 6 meter using SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau and Club Log OQRS.

**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.

**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.

**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/>

**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 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digital. QSL via home call, Club Log OQRS and LoTW. <http://www.5b4alx.cloud/e6et-niue-2019/>

**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.

**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** 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.

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

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

**SV5, DODECANESE** Claudio, HB9OAU will be operating as SV5/call from Amooipi, Karpathos Island. Activity from September 8 until September 20 from 80 to 10 meter using SSB and FT8. 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** Nobuaki, JA0JHQ will once again be active as T88PB from Koror. Active between August 31 and September 3 on HF. 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.

**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** 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.

**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.

**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.

**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/>

**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 NEWCOMERS**

#### **ASIA**

**AS-120 Ayios Yeoryios Isl** Emil DL8JJ, Paul G4VPM and Col MM0NDX will team up with 5B4AIE between August 25-27. Call C4II is pending, operation from 80 to 10 meter with possible 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via LoTW. <https://www.iota-world.org/iota-directory/annex-f-short-title-iota-reference-number-list.html>

#### **EUROPE**

**EU-052 Meganisi Isl** A team with Armando IK8BPY, Sergio IK8TNG and Stefano IZ8CKY will be operating as SV8/call from October 7 until October 13. It has been 10 years since the last activation. Operation on HF with a focus on 40 and 20.

<https://meganisidx2018.wordpress.com/>

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

**EU-064 Noirmoutier Isl** A 16-strong YL team will be operating as TM64YL between August 25 and August 31. Operation on HF. Full details here

<https://www.qrz.com/db/tm64yl>

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### **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.

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#### **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>

**AS-162 Cham Isl** Jacek, SP5APW will be active as 3W9JK/P between September 15 and September 22. Activity from 20 to 6 meter using SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau and Club Log OQRS. <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 5<sup>th</sup> 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>

### 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](http://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-121.....August 24/25/26...

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

QSL via M0OXO.

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## 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-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>

## Special calls

### THE NEWCOMERS

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

**F, FRANCE** The special event station **TM13FAJ** remains active around the 13<sup>th</sup> Astrophysics Festival and the 28th Festival de Fleurance until August 15. Operators are F4CWN, F4HVH, F5GFE, F5JMH, F5LNT, F6BYZ, F6FUD, F6GGX and F8BMG. QSL via bureau or via F8BMG direct, Club Log.

**G, ENGLAND** Look for **GBOPKF**, operated by members of the Fareham and District Amateur Radio Club will be active on August 11-12 to mark the Portsmouth International Kite Festival. QSL via eQSL.

**PY, BRAZIL ZY13OULD** is the special call to celebrate the 130<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Uberlandia City between August 12 and September 10. Operation on HF using SSB and digital modes. QSL via PY4RR, direct or bureau.

## **THE REMINDERS**

**4K, AZERBAIJAN** Look for **4K100W** by Vlad 4K9W until end 2018. This to celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> 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>

**9M, MALAYSIA** A large group of special calls in various Malaysian states and federal territories are celebrating the 61<sup>st</sup> anniversary of Malaysia's independence (August 31 1957) until September. Active from West Malaysia are **9M61MA, 9M61MB, 9M61MC, 9M61MD, 9M61MJ, 9M61MK, 9M61MM, 9M61MN, 9M61MP, 9M61MR, 9M61MT, 9M61MW** and **9M61MY**. Active from East Malaysia are **9M61MQ** (Sarawak) and **9M61MS** (Sabah). QSL via operator's instructions. A certificate will be available from the Malaysian DX and Contest Group's website. <http://www.9mdxc.com/cq9m/>

**CN, MOROCCO** Look for **5E5A** (EA5EL, EA7FTR, EA1ACP and EB7DX) for National Celebrations in Morocco. QRV from August 31 until September 3. Activity on SSB, CW and FT8. QSL via EA7FTR.

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

**DL, GERMANY DK200MARX** (special DOK 200KM) celebrates Karl Marx's 200<sup>th</sup> 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 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary during 2018 as **DL70PADER**. QSL via bureau.

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

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

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

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

**EI, IRELAND** The EIDX Group will hold their second "DX Feile" (DX Festival) on September 14-15 at the Aran Islands Hotel on Inis Mor (EU-006). Complete information can be found at <https://www.dxfeile.ie/> Look for **EJ0DXG** on September 13-16 and during the event. QSL via M00XO OQRS.

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

**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 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of World War I. Operation from Meurchin, Pas-de-Calais. Operation between October 12 and December 2. QSL via F4AHN, direct or bureau.

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

**G, ENGLAND** 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:

**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.

**I, ITALY** Look for **II2RR** until end 2018 to mark the 70<sup>th</sup> 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'

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

**JA, JAPAN** **8J20GAKI** celebrates the 100<sup>th</sup> 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 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Kanazawa Ward on the air. Activity until end February 2019. QSL via bureau.

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

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

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

**LZ1146SPS** August

**LZ920MLC** September

**LZ1545POA** October

**LZ33MM** November

**LZ532PSO** December

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

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

**OH, FINLAND** **OG60F** is the special call to celebrate the 60<sup>th</sup> 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.

**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

**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.

**VE, CANADA** Look for **CY1R** during August, this to celebrate the 200<sup>th</sup> Royal St Johns Regatta. Activity from 80 to 6 meter using CW, SSB, RTTY and FT8. QSL via VO1IDX, direct or Club Log OQRS.

**VK, AUSTRALIA** Look for **VI70MI** to commemorate the 70<sup>th</sup> 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 M0OXO OQRS and LoTW.

**YB, INDONESIA** These calls will be on air to celebrate the 73<sup>rd</sup> anniversary of Indonesia until August 17, QRV on all bands using CW, SSB and digital.

**YB73RI/0** : Jakarta Special DIstrict.

**YB73RI/1** : West Java and Banten.

**YB73RI/2** : Central Java and Special District of Yogyakarta.

**YB73RI/3** : East Java – Madura.

**YB73RI/4** : South Sumatera, Lampung, Jambi, Bengkulu and Bangka Belitung.

**YB73RI/5** : Riau, Riau Islands and West Sumatera.

**YB73RI/6** : North Sumatera and Special District of Aceh.

**YB73RI/7** : West Kalimantan, South Kalimantan, East Kalimantan, Central Kalimantan.

**YB73RI/8** : South Sulawesi, South East Sulawesi, West Sulawesi, Central Sulawesi, North Sulawesi, Gorontalo, Maluku and North Maluku.

**YB73RI/9** : Bali, Nusa Tenggara Barat, Nusa Tenggara Timur and Papua.

**YB, INDONESIA** **YB46SEA** is the special call during the 46<sup>th</sup> SEANET Convention held in Yogyakarta. Operation from October 18 until October 21. More on

<https://seanet2018.orari.or.id/>

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