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TI9A Cocos Island –update January 29

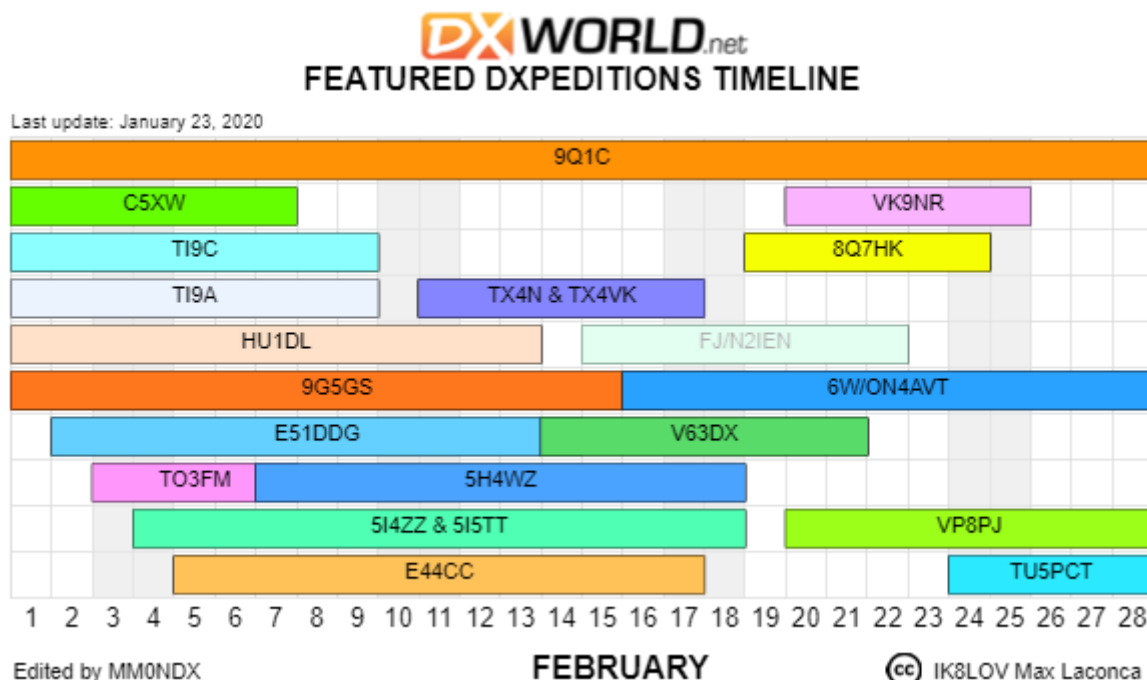
Three tired but happy operators arrived to San Jose, Costa Rica, after almost 30 hours door to door traveling.

All 13 pieces of checked in luggage (Spiderbeam poles, radios, amplifiers, band pass filters etc), through customs with only minor questions.

First team dinner with Jorge TI2JV and his wife Pamela.

Tomorrow will be dedicated for local supplies purchasing, as operating positions lack most necessities apart from shelter from wind and rain.

DXCC Timeline



DXCC

This week on HF

4S, SRI LANKA Peter, DC0KK is active until March 30 as 4S7KKG on HF using CW and digi. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, Club Log, LoTW.

5H, TANZANIA The Italian DXpedition will be operating between February 4 and February 18 from Zanzibar Island. QRV as 5I5TT (CW, SSB and RTTY) and as 5I4ZZ (FT8, FT4) with 5 stations. QSL via I2YSB. <http://www.i2ysb.com/idt/>

6O, SOMALIA Ali, EP3CQ is operating as 6O1OO until February 5. Operation using mainly FT8.

6Y, JAMAICA Neil, G0RNU will be active as 6Y/call from February 4 until February 17. Active on all bands.

9G, GHANA Matt, 9G5GS will once again be QRV from Sanzule between February 1 and February 26. Operation from 160 to 15 meter using mostly FT8 and SSB. QSL via IZ4YGS direct, LoTW.

9J, ZAMBIA Mario, IK1MYT is active from Lusaka as 9J2MYT until May. Activity on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 meter using SSB. QSL via IZ3KVD, Club Log OQRS.

9M2, WEST MALAYSIA Rich, PA0RRS is QRV as 9M2MRS until February 27. Activity on HF using CW and digital modes. QSL via home call, Club Log OQRS and LoTW.

C2, NAURU A Japanese team with JH3AZC, JH3QFL, JR3CWZ, JA1PFP and JH3VAA will be active as C21MB, C21AA, C21GW, C21PF and C21VA during February 5-8. QRV on HF and VHF bands. QSL via ops' QRZ page instructions.

C5, THE GAMBIA Bogdan SP2FUD and Zenon SP2GCJ are once again active from Brufut as C5FUD and C5GCJ. Operation on HF using CW, SSB and digi until January 31. QSL via SP2GCJ, Club Log OQRS and LoTW.

C5, THE GAMBIA Russell, G5XW is operating as C5XW until February 7. QRV in 'holiday-style' from 40 to 17 meter. QSL via home call.

C5, THE GAMBIA Andre, ON7YK is active from Bijilo until March as C5YK. Operation from 60 to 10 meter using FT8 with some SSB and CW. QSL via home call, LoTW.

<http://www.on7yk.eu/>

E4, PALESTINE The next F6KOP team DXpedition will be from Palestine as E44CC during February 5-17. QSL via F5GSJ direct or bureau, LoTW and OQRS.

<https://palestine2020.wordpress.com/>

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS Don, VE7DS will be active as E51DDG between February 2 and February 14. Activity from 40 to 17 meter using CW. QSL via home call, LoTW.

EA8, CANARY ISL Erich, HB9FIH is operating as EA8/call from El Hierro until end March. Operation on HF using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via home call bureau and LoTW.

<http://hb9fih.org/>

FG, GUADELOUPE Jean-Pierre, F6ITD is active as TO7D until mid-March as FG/call. Activity on HF using SSB and digi. QSL via home call.

FG, GUADELOUPE Jean, FG8NY is operating as TO10CWO until end January. This to mark 10 years of CW Ops. QSL via home call, bureau or direct.

FM, MARTINIQUE Kan, JJ2RCJ will be operating as TO3FM between February 3-8. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using FT8. QSL via home call, Club Log OQRS or LoTW.

FR, REUNION ISLAND Roland, F8EN is operating as FR/call until March 19. Activity on HF using CW only. QSL via F6AJA, direct or bureau, logsearch on

<http://lesnouvellesdx.fr/voirlogs.php>

H4, SOLOMON ISLANDS Bernard, DL2GAC will once again be active as H44MS between February 5 and April 20. QRV from his countryside QTH on Malaita Island. Operation from 80 to 6 meter using SSB only. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

HC, ECUADOR Rick, NE8Z is operating as HC1MD/2 until February 7 from Farallon Dillon Lighthouse. QRV on HF using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via K8LJG direct or bureau, NE8Z bureau, LoTW.

HK, COLOMBIA Lothar, DK8LRF is operating as HK3JCL until end April from Finca Ligia. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

HR, HONDURAS Gerard, F2JD is once again operating as HR5/call until April 4. QRV from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via F6AJA direct or bureau.

P4, ARUBA Lee, K3DMG is operating as P4/call until end February. QRV from 160 to 121 meter using CW and digi. QSL via LoTW.

PJ2, CURACAO Jeff, K8ND is active as PJ2ND until February 3. QSL via home call, LoTW.

PJ5, ST EUSTATIUS Chuck, KG9N will be active as PJ5/call between February 4 and February 21. An entry in the ARRL DX CW contest and CQ WPX RTTY contest is included. QSL via LoTW or via home call.

TI9, COCOS ISL Mark XE1B and Frank HK5OKY are active as TI9C until February 9. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using SSB only. QSL via XE1B, LoTW and Club Log OQRS. <https://www.qrz.com/db/ti9c>

TI9, COCOS ISL Jorge TI2JV, Dmitry RA9USU, Andrey UA3AB and Mats SM6LRR will be active as TI9A during February 2-8. Operation on all bands/modes with 2 stations. QSL via UA3DX, Club Log OQRS and LoTW. <http://ti9a.info/>

TI, COSTA RICA Rich, W4GKR is operating as TI5/call until February 4. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW and digi. QSL via home call.

TU, IVORY COAST A team with Petr OK1BOA, Petr OK1FCJ and David OK6DJ are operating as TU5PCT until March 1. Activity on HF using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via OK6DJ, LoTW and OQRS.

V3, BELIZE Gerd DJ4KW and Gisela DK9GG are operating as V31YN and V31GW until end February. QRV from 160 to 10 meter. QSL via home calls, LoTW.

V3, BELIZE Robert, W0YBS will be operating from Caye Caulker as V31CO starting on February 1 for 3 weeks. Activity on HF using CW, RTTY and FT8. QSL via home call, LoTW.

V3, BELIZE Victor, WB0TEV will once again be active as V31VP between February 5 and February 11. QRV on HF using SSB, RTTY, FT8 and some CW.

VK9N, NORFOLK ISLAND Janusz, SP9FIH is QRV as VK9NK until April 12. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via home call.

VP2M, MONTERRAT Mel, W8MV is QRV as VP2MCV until February 2 using FM satellites with some HF. QSL via home call, direct.

VQ9, DIEGO GARCIA Randy, WW6RG will be active as VQ9RA on January 30. Activity on 20 meter only. QSL via home call.

YS, EL SALVADOR Andy DH8WR, Tom DJ6TF, Werner DJ9KH, Frank DL1KWK, Dietmar DL2HWA, Norbert DL2RNS, Georg DL4SVA, Olaf DL7JOM, Rolf DL7VEE and Franz DL9GFB are operating as HU1DL until February 13. This DX-pedition was possible with the help of YS1GMV, YS1AG, YS1MAE, YS1RS, YS1MS and team members of HU2DX (2012). QRV with 3 stations non-stop from 160 to 17 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via DL4SVA, Club Log OQRS, LoTW.

Coming up soon

4K, AZERBAIJAN Furkan, TA7AOF will be active as 4K6/call between February 7 and February 12. Focus on the CQ WPX RTTY. See QRZ.com.

FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA Will AA4NC and Ron AA4VK will be operating as TX4N and TX4VK between February 11 and February 17. An entry in the ARRL DX CW contest is included as TX4N. QSL via EA5GL, Club Log OQRS.

J8, GRENADINES Dave, WJ2O will be QRV as J8/call between February 9 and February 20. Operation on HF using CW and FT8. An entry in the ARRL DX CW contest is included. QSL via N2ZN.

PJ4, BONAIRE Scott, NE9U will once again be QRV as PJ4/call between February 8 and February 22. An entry in the ARRL DX CW contest is included with NE9U, K1TO, K2NG and KK9K.

TI, COSTA RICA TI7/G3WPH (Mike), TI7/G4IRN (John) and TI7/KY7M (Lee) will be QRV on all HF bands between February 10-17 and during the ARRL DX CW contest on

February 15/16 as TI7W. QSL for TI7W is via W4FS. QSL for the TI/home-calls will be via LoTW only.

V3, BELIZE Uwe, DL8UD will be QRV as V31KO from Mayahill between February 11 and February 20. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. An entry in ARRL CW contest as V30 is included. QSL via home call, bureau or direct.

On the scene

TI9A Cocos Island, team members in Moscow on their way.



IOTA

This week on HF

NORTH AMERICA

NA-008 Ellesmere Isl Once again, Alex VE1RUS and Pierre VE3TKB will be active as VY0ERC from February 1 until March 28. Operation on 40 and 20 meter using CW, SSB, FT8 and RTTY. QSL via M0OXO, OQRS and LoTW.

NA-057 Roatan Isl Dirk, WA4DT is QRV as HR9/call until February 2. Activity on 40 and 30 meter using CW and FT8. QSL via home call.

NA-092 North Padre Isl Rich, WA5LFD/P is operating until February 8 on HF using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via home call, LoTW.

NA-134 Asiaat Isl Bo, OX3LX is active until January 31. Best time will be around lunchtime and after dinner. QSL via OZ0J.

OCEANIA

OC-120 Cuyo Isl Sadao, JA1BPV is active as DU1S until early February. Operation from 40 to 6 meter using CW and FT8. QSL via home call.

SOUTH AMERICA

SA-034 Puna Isl Jon, EA1VE is active as HC2JKT until January 30. Operation from 40 to 6 meter using SSB only. QSL via home call.

SA-101 Alejandro Selkirk Isl The first week of February 2020 will see an IOTA DXpedition to Alejandro Selkirk Island, SA-101NEW. The island is situated 180km west

of Robinson Crusoe Island (CE0/Z) in the southeastern Pacific Ocean. Nando IT9YRE and Mike K9AJ will be active on February 3-5 as CB0Z. Operation on 40, 30, 20, 17 and 15 meter using CW, SSB and maybe FT8. <http://www.it9yre.it/cb0z/>

Coming up soon

AFRICA

AF-063 Pemba Isl Members of the Low Bands Contest Club will be operating as 5H4WZ between February 6 and February 18, 2020. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. An entry in the ARRL DX CW and CQ WPX RTTY contests is included. QSL via OM3PA. <http://om7m.org/dxpeditions/pemba/>

NORTH AMERICA

NA-153 Perez Isl A team with XE1SPM, XE1AY, XE1SRD and XE1SY will be operating as 6F3A from February 11 until February 17. This is a very rare IOTA. Operation from 80 to 6 meter with 3 stations. QSL via XE1SY.

NA-199 Tintamarre Isl Mike VE7ACN will be operating as FS/RW0CN from Saint Martin and as FS/VE7ACN between February 9 and February 16, 2020. Operation from 80 to 10 meter, maybe 160 also. An entry in the ARRL DX CW contest is included.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announced DX

THE NEWCOMERS

C6, THE BAHAMAS Gerhard, OE3GEA will be operating as C6AGE during February 20-25. Operation in 'holiday-style' using CW only. QSL via home call.

VP2M, MONTSERAT Team VP2MSS will be QRV during the ARRL DX CW contest (February 15-16). QSL via K1QX and LoTW.

VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS Dave, W9DR will be active as VP2V/call from the north shore of Anegada during June 17-24. Activity on 6 meter. QSL via home call.

THE REMINDERS

3B9, RODRIGUES ISLAND David, F8AAN will be operating as 3B9/call or as 3B9AN between March 9 and March 18. Operation from 160 to 15 meter using CW. QSL via home call, Club Log.

3D2, FIJI Will, AA4NC will be active as 3D2AA during the ARRL DX SSB contest (March 7-8). QSL via EA5GL.

4W, TIMOR LESTE The Lagunaria DX Group is planning a large scale DXpedition to Timor-Leste (4W) in October / November 2020. We currently have one team member in Timor-Leste negotiating with different ministries, companies and accommodation facilities. Right now we have positive feedback from all. We even already have a confirmed reservation for two close by lodges to have enough space to host up to 10 stations. 18 operators will be ready to hand out this entity to the world. Serious participation in both CQWW contests included! <http://timor-leste-dx.de/>

5H, TANZANIA Charles, NK8O will again be active from Zinga as 5H3DX during mid-February to mid-March. QRV from 40 to 10 meter using CW and maybe FT8. QSL via NK8O.

6W, SENEGAL Willy, 6W7/ON4AVT will once again be active from Warang from mid-February until end March.

8Q, MALDIVES Hiro, JG1SXP will be operating as 8Q7HK from North Male Atoll between February 19 and February 24. QRV from 80 to 15 meter using CW, FT8 with some SSB. 160 meter might be possible. QSL via operators instructions.

8Q, MALDIVES Kasimir, DL2SBY will be active as 8Q7KB between May 4 and May 12. Operation from 80 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via home call, LoTW and Club Log OQRS.

9J, ZAMBIA The Z2LA and 7P8LB team are planning a next trip from March 5 until March 15. Look for the team as 9J2LA. They will focus on CW and FT8 for the low bands and CW, SSB and FT8 for the higher bands. QSL via M0OXO. <http://9j2la.com/>

C6, THE BAHAMAS Mike, DF8AN will be operating as C6AAN after his ZF activation. QRV from February 23 until March. Operation on HF using CW and RTTY. QSL via home call.

CE0Y, EASTER ISLAND Mike, VE7ACN will be operating as CE0Y/call from March 19 until March 30. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via home call, Club Log OQRS, LoTW.

CY0, SABLE ISL Permission for a DXpedition has been authorized for fall 2020. The team: WA2DAN, N2IEN, K5DHY, K5YY, K4UEE, WW2DX, AA4NC, N8AA, N2TU. <http://cy0dxpedition.net/index.html>

FJ, ST BARTHELEMY Ismo OH2IS will be active as FJ/call between April 1-7. Operation on HF using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via home call, LoTW, Club Log OQRS.

FJ, ST BARTHELEMY A team with N2IEN, WW2DX, W2RE and WW1X will be QRV as FJ/N2IEN (probably) from February 15 until February 22. Operation in 'holiday-style' on HF.

FJ, ST BARTHELEMY Col, MM0NDX will once again be active as FJ/call or FJ/OJ0Y or both during early May. More to follow.

FM, MARTINIQUE Miguel, EA1BP will be QRV as TO7BP (CW WPX SSB contest) and as FM/call (before and after the contest) around March 28. Operation on HF. QSL for both calls via home call, bureau.

FM, MARTINIQUE Al, F5VHJ will be QRV as TO5A during the ARRL DX SSB contest (March 7-8). QSL via LoTW, OQRS.

FP, ST PIERRE & MIQUELON Eric, KV1J will once again be active as FP/call between June 30 and July 14. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via home call, LoTW.

HH, HAITI DX-World has learned that a 3-4 man team will be QRV from the northern part of Haiti and one of the coastal islands (NA-149) during early May 2020. More to follow.

J2, DJIBOUTI A team with DJ6TF, DK1BT, DL4WK, DL6SAK, DL7BO, DL7DF, DL7UFR and SP3DOI between March 4 and March 16. Callsign is pending. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. <http://www.dl7df.com/j2/>

J8, GRENADINES Brian, GW4DVB will once again be active as J88PI from April 6 until April 14. Activity from 40 to 6 meter using mainly SSB and FT8. QSL via home call.

J8, GRENADINES Oleh, UR5BCP will be operating as J8/call from May 20 until May 27. Operation from 40 to 6 meter using CW, SSB, FT4/8. QSL via KD7WPJ.

KH4, MIDWAY ISL Ron, KH6DV announces a trip to Midway in October 2020 for about 2 weeks. Midway Atoll is #14 on the Clublog most wanted list and has not been active for some time. The aircraft used for the logistics flights has been downsized and visitors are no longer allowed to fly to the island. Operators interested in joining the expedition should be prepared to undertake a 6.75 day ocean voyage. The vessel DXpedition veteran A/S Machias can be seen on my QRZ page KH6DV. The vessel will provide all power (2 x 27KW generators and air conditioned sleeping, operating and galley areas.) More to follow.

KH8, SWAINS ISLAND A large team will be operating as W8S between March 10 and March 25. Activity on all bands using CW, SSB, FT8 and RTTY with 4 stations from 2 different sites. <https://swains2020.ildxt.eu/>

OY, FAROE ISLANDS Torsten DL4APJ and Udo DL2AQI will be operating as OY/calls from September 15 until September 23. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via homecalls, bureau and LoTW.

P4, ARUBA Bill N4IQ and Bob ND7J will be operating as P4/call between July 15-22. An entry in the IARU contest as P40US is included (July 11-12). <http://p4aruba.com/>

PJ4, BONAIRE Rich, M5RIC will be operating as PJ4/call from September 22 until September 29. An entry in the CQWW RTTY is included as PJ4CC. QSL via M0OXO.

PJ4, BONAIRE Phil, N2HX will be QRV as PJ4/call between March 1 and March 15. An entry in the ARRL SSB DX contest is included (March 7-8). Outside the contest QRV using SSB, RTTY and FT8. QSL via home call.

T30, WEST KIRIBATI Look for Alex 5B4ALX as T30ET from March 18 until April 2 from Tarawa. Activity on all bands using CW, SSB, RTTY and FT8. Alex will operate FT8 using a multi answer protocol (not to be confused with the Fox & Hound mode), with a focus on 20m during his day and 40m during his night (7-17 UTC). QSL via Club Log OQRS (preferred), LoTW, or via IZ4AMS. <http://www.5b4alx.cloud/>

T8, PALAU Look for JM1LIG/T88FM, JA6UBY/T88RR and JO3LVG/T88MK between September 12 and September 21. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi.

TI, COSTA RICA Mike W1USN and Robert AA1M will be active as TI5/calls from February 20 until March 4. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via homecalls, LoTW.

TT, CHAD The Italian DXpedition Team will be active as TT8RR (CW, SSB and RTTY) and as TT8XX (FT8) during mid-2020 from Ndjamena. More to follow.

TU, IVORY COAST TU2R will be active from March 23 until April 3 with an entry in the CQ WPX SSB contest. Operation with 3 stations from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via ON1DX direct or bureau, LoTW, OQRS Club Log.

<https://tu2r.wordpress.com/>

V2, ANTIGUA Flavio, IW2NEF will be operating as V26FP between March 6-13. Operation on HF using SSB and FT8. QSL via IK2DUW.

V3, BELIZE Iain, G4SGX will once again be QRV as V31GX during the 2020 BERU contest (March 14-15). Operation mostly on top band after the contest. QSL via LoTW.

V4, ST KITTS John, W5JON will once again be active as V47JA from February 21 until March 5. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using SSB and FT8. QSL via home call direct and LoTW.

V6, MICRONESIA Sho, JA7HMZ will once again be active as V63DX from February 14 until February 21. Operation from 160 to 6 meter. An entry in the ARRL CW contest as V6A is included. QSL via home call, direct.

VK9N, NORFOLK ISLAND Will, AA4NC and Ron AA4VK will be active as VK9NR in 'holiday-style' during February 20-25. Operation on HF. QSL via EA5GL.

VP5, TURKS AND CAICOS John AF3K and Ross W2TT will be operating from Providenciales Island between March 26 and April 2 as VP5/calls. An entry in the CQWW WPX SSB contest is included as VP5P. QSL via N2OO.

VP8, SOUTH ORKNEY After their successful VP6D Ducie Island 2018 DXpedition, the Perseverance DX Group is pleased to announce their intention to activate South Orkney Islands as VP8PJ, currently Club Log #16 most wanted. Activity between February 20 and March 5. A team of experienced DX and Contest operators will operate from Signy Island for up to 15 days. The process of obtaining landing permission is underway. The call sign will be announced at a later date. The team will sail from Punta Arenas, Chile aboard RV Braveheart. Seven operating positions are planned for 160-10 meters, SSB/CW/Digital.

The team includes: Dave K3EL, Les W2LK, Steve W1SRD, Ricardo PY2PT, Gene K5GS, Arliss W7XU, Heye DJ9RR, Laci HA0NAR, Mike WA6O, Vadym UT6UD, Walt N6XG and Rob N7QT. <https://sorkney.com/>

YJ, VANUATU Dates to be confirmed but Will, AA4NC will be operating from Port Villa as YJ0NC somewhere during March. Operation in 'holiday-style' on HF.

YJ, VANUATU Continuing their Pacific journey, look for Will AA4NC and Ron AA4VK to be active from Vanuatu as YJ0NC during March 3-6. QRV on HF bands. QSL via EA5GL.

Z6, KOSOVO A German team will be operating as Z66DX between October 9 and October 28. Dates may slightly change. Operation with 2 stations from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. More to follow.

ZF, CAYMAN ISLANDS Frank, KK5XX will be operating as ZF2FD from Grand Cayman from June 10 until June 17. Activity on 80, 40 and 20 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via home call.

ZF, CAYMAN ISLANDS Look for K6AM, N6MJ, N6WIN and W9KKN as ZF1A from Grand Cayman during the ARRL DX CW contest (February 15-16). QSL via K6AM.

ZF, CAYMAN ISLANDS Mike, DF8AN will be operating as ZF2AN from Grand Cayman between February 14 and February 23. Operation on HF using CW and RTTY. QSL via home call.

Announced IOTA

THE NEWCOMERS

ASIA

AS-206 Sado Isl Take, JA8COE will be operating as JA8COE/0 during March 19-22. Operation on HF using CW, FT8 and SSB. Focus on EU and low power NA. QSL via home call, Club Log OQRS.

EUROPE

EU-105 Ile de Batz Christophe F4ELI, Andre F4ELK, Stephane F5UOW, Derek F5VCR, Didier F6DXE and Jean-Pierre ON7ZM will be operating as TM5IB between May 16 and May 23. QRV on HF using SSB, CW and FT8. QSL via ON7ZM.

SOUTH AMERICA

SA-018 Chiloe Isl Operators from the Radio Club Melipulli will be QRV as XR7FPC from the lighthouse on February 15-16. Operation on HF using SSB and digi. QSL via CE7RCM direct.

THE REMINDERS

ASIA

AS-068 Rastorguyeva Isl A team with Igor UA9KDF as team leader will be active as RI0B sometime mid-March. Dates depend on the weather.

AS-207 Kosa Dvukh Pilotov Isl A Russian Robinson team led by UA3AKO will be active as R207NEW sometime spring 2020. More to follow.

EUROPE

EU-111 Monach Isles G0VJG, G2NF, G4TSH, GM0WED, G4FAL and G0FDZ will be active as MM8C during the RSGB IOTA contest (July 25-26). QRV outwith contest as GM3RCV.

NORTH AMERICA

NA-039 Adak Isl Yuri, N3QQ will be active as KL7RRC from Adak and perhaps another rare IOTA between June 6 and June 20, 2020. QSL via N7RO. <https://www.na-234.com/>

NA-249 Culebra Isl The KP3RE team is returning during February 21-23, 2020. QSL via EA5GL.

OCEANIA

OC-092 Calayan Isl Jacek, SP5APW will be active as DU2/call during the 2nd half of April 2020. Operation on HF using SSB, FT8/4.

OC-139 Kangaroo Isl Kangaroo Island, the largest island in the OC-139 group, will be activated by a small group of amateurs from Adelaide between July 22-28 from Emu Bay on the north coast of the island. This coincides with the IOTA Contest in 2020. The plans at this stage include operating on all bands from 160-10m, including as a Multi-2 station

during the contest. Outside of the contest expect to see VK5KI on all HF bands and modes. <https://vk5gr-iota.net/2020-vk5ki-oc-139/2400/>

Antarctic Bases

Concordia Base Marco/IK5SQX/DK5SQX and Nicola/IZ7ZNZ are on Concordia. Marco is due to leave the station during February, while Nicola will stay on for a bit longer. They are expecting the callsign **IA0DC** and want to concentrate on 20m (SSB)

Halley VI Base Until February 8 Seba SQ1SGB is active from Halley VI Base as VP8HAL on 40 and 20 meter using SSB and digital modes during his spare time.

<https://www.qrz.com/db/SQ1SGB>

Neumayer III Station Felix, DL5XL is once again active from Antarctica using callsign DP1POL. Activity is January-February on HF bands, mainly in CW when time permits. QSL via DL1ZBO, LoTW.

Neumayer III Station Look for Roman, HB9HCF from Neumayer III Station during the upcoming 2020 scientific research season. QRV on satellites and possibly HF bands QSL via DL5EBE.

Vostok Base Alexei, RN1ON informs that RI1ANC will be active from Vostok station starting February 10. QRV mainly in FT8 with some CW & SSB. QSL via RN1ON.

Wolf's Fang Camp Oleg, UA1PBA is operating when time permits as ZS7ANF. QSL via RK1PWA. <http://www.waponline.it/zs7ant-a-new-antarctic-season-by-oleg-sakharov/>

Special calls

THE NEWCOMERS

9K, KUWAIT Look for **9K59NLD** during February to mark Kuwait's 59th National Day and Liberation Day (Feb 25-26). QSL via 9K2RA.

F, FRANCE The radio club at the Percee du Bocage Museum (F4KKE) will operate CW, SSB and FT8 as **TM80CDG** on 6-20 June to commemorate the 80th anniversary of the "Appeal of 18 June" made by Charles de Gaulle from the BBC in London. QSL via F4KKE (bureau) and LoTW. Often regarded as the origin of the French Resistance against the occupation during World War II, the appeal is one of the most remarkable pieces in the history of radio broadcasting, and as such it has been inscribed to the UNESCO's Memory of the World Register. (TNX 425DX)

V6, MICRONESIA Hari, JA1XGI will be active as **V6TOPG2020** to commemorate the Tokyo Olympic and Paralympic Games 2020 held during July-September.

QRV from the following States:-

- Ponphei — June
- Chuuk — July
- Yap — August
- Kosrae — September

W, USA The Nacogdoches Amateur Radio Club (W5NAC) will be active as **K5C** on 1-2 February remembering the loss of the Space Shuttle Columbia (1 February 2003), the astronauts who lost their lives that day and the hundreds of amateur radio operators who went to Nacogdoches to assist in the search for and recovery of the debris.

Operation will be primarily on 20 meters (14260 and 14174 kHz) and 40 metres (7220 and 7174 kHz). QSL via LoTW, or direct to W5NAC. (TNX 425DX)

THE REMINDERS

5B, CYPRUS Amateur radio operators in Cyprus celebrate the 60th anniversary of their Cyprus Amateur Radio Society (CARS) during 2020 as **prefix 5B60** (e.g. 5B4AIX turns into 5B60AIX). For QSL information see qrz.com.

CO, CUBA Members of the DX Group of Cuba celebrate the 15th anniversary of the Mexican DXXE Group with the special event callsign **T40DXXE** until the end of January. QRV on HF (CW, SSB, FT8). QSL via CO8ZZ direct (TNX DXNL)

DL, GERMANY The special event callsign **DL35SDR** (special DOK 35SDR) draws attention during 2020 to the rapid development of SDR technology during the past 35 years. It also recognises the achievements of Prof. Ulrich L. Rohde (DJ2LR) in that field. QSL via bureau. (TNX DXNL)

DL, GERMANY DA0DOM (special DOK 500DOM) draws attention to the completion of the cathedral in Magdeburg in 1520. QRV during 2020 from 160 to 13 cm using CW, SSB, digital modes and FM. QSL via bureau, DL8CWA (d), LoTW. (TNX DXNL)

DL, GERMANY The special event station **DQ100SL** (special DOK 100SL) draws attention to the Treaty of Versailles, which instituted the Saargebiet or Saarland as a geographical and political entity. QRV until end March. QSL via bureau. (TNX DXNL)

DL, GERMANY Celebrating the 70th anniversary of the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club (the German IARU society), special calls **DF70DARC** and **DP70DARC** are on air during 2020. QSL via bureau, LoTW or direct to DK5DC; logsearch on Club Log. <http://www.70darc.club/> (TNX 425DX)

DL, GERMANY Yannick, DK1YH and others are active as **DL30GER** during 2020 to celebrate the 30th anniversary of the German reunification process. QSL via the bureau or direct via DK1YH. (TNX 425DX)

DL, GERMANY Special call **DL100BKW** is active throughout 2020 to mark the 100th anniversary of the first broadcast transmission from the Radio Station Koenigs Wusterhausen (22 December 1920), which is regarded as the birth of statutorily regulated broadcasting in Germany. QSL via Club Log OQRS. A certificate will be available, see qrz.com for information. (TNX DXNL)

F, FRANCE Look for special event station **TM17AAW** to be on air from 3 to 17 February 2020. Activity is to celebrate the 17th Antarctic Activity Week. All info on this event on <https://www.qrz.com/db/TM17AAW>

Operation will be made by François F8DVD from his Qth of Mâcon in the east part of France, 60 km North of Lyon (JN26JH).

The new reference for WAP program is WAP-302.

QSL via F8DVD, direct (SAE + 2 USD) or via buro. All Qso will be uploaded to LOTW.

G, ENGLAND Celebrating the British Amateur Radio Teledata Group's 60th anniversary, special call **GB60ATG** is used from the various DXCC Entities in the United Kingdom until end June 2020. QSL via M0OXO. Complete information on the event and the BARTG Diamond Jubilee Award can be found on <http://bartg.org.uk/wp/> (TNX 425DX)

HB9, SWITZERLAND The Association des Radioamateurs de la Cote (HB9HI) is operating special event station **HE2JOJ** during January to mark the 3rd edition of the Winter Youth Olympic Games (Jeux Olympiques de la Jeunesse) to be hosted by Lausanne. QSL via HB9HI (direct or bureau). A certificate will be available - complete information can be found on <http://www.hb9hi.ch/he2joj>. The Youth Olympic Games, an international multi-sport event organized by the International Olympic Committee, aim at bringing together talented young athletes aged 15-18 from around the world. (TNX 425DX)

HB9, SWITZERLAND HB40HTC and **HB40HC** are QRV for the Helvetia Telegraphy Club that is celebrating its 40th anniversary in 2020. QSL via bureau and LoTW. A special activity programme - the HB Open CW Activity (HB-OCWA) Award - will be in place throughout the year to mark the anniversary, help activate the special callsigns and also "inspire amateur radio operators in Switzerland and elsewhere to increase CW activity on the HF bands. The intent of the award is to encourage and reward them for conducting sustained CW conversations rather than short-duration CW signal reports". <https://hb-ocwa.ch/>

I, ITALY Members of the 4U1GSC Amateur Radio Club is active as **4U25B** until end August. It draws attention to the 25th anniversary of the United Nations Logistics Base in Brindisi. QSL via 9A2AA direct or bureau. (TNX DXNL)

I, ITALY ARI Fidenza will use a series of special calls during 2020 to commemorate 12 major events and achievements in Guglielmo Marconi's life:

January: **II4BRN** Marconi's birth (1874)

February: **II4MLB** First radio broadcast of a musical performance: Dame Nellie Melba's song recital (1920)

March: **II4MCY** Foundation of the first "Marconi Company" (1897)
April: **II4FTX** First transatlantic radio signals transmission (1901)
May: **II4TEA** First radio message between the United States and the United Kingdom (1903)
June: **II4REP** Rescue of the ocean liner "Republic" (1909)
July: **II4NBL** Marconi is awarded the Nobel Prize in Physics (1909)
August: **II4CLT** Inauguration of the radio station at Coltano (1911)
September: **II4PTN** Marconi applies for his first patent (1896)
October: **II4LGH** Marconi switches on the lights at Sydney Town Hall from Genoa via wireless transmission (1930)
November: **II4RVT** Inauguration of Vatican Radio (1931)
December: **II4MDY** Marconi Day at Chicago World's Fair (1933)
QSL via IQ4FE, bureau or direct. See <http://arifidenza.hamlogs.net/> for the award and more info.

JA, JAPAN Members of the JARL Okinawa Branch are supporting the reconstruction of Shuri Castle, a UNESCO World Heritage building which burned down on Oct. 31 2019, with the special event station **8N6SHURI** during 2020. QSL via bureau. (TNX DXNL)
LX, LUXEMBOURG **LX20I** is the special call for the LX7I contest station in Eschdorf, Luxembourg to celebrate its 20th anniversary. It will be used for most contests in 2020, starting a single-operator entry in the CQ WW 160-Meter CW Contest (24-26 January). QSL via LX2A. A special LX20I Award will be available. <http://lx7i.com/lx20i/>

LZ, BULGARIA The Bulgarian Radio Club Blagovestnik (LZ1KCP) will honour the memory of Bulgarian saints during January as **LZ1908IK**. QSOs count towards the new All Saints 2020 award. QSL via bureau or direct.

OE, AUSTRIA Wolfgang, OE1WWL is celebrating his golden jubilee in amateur radio during 2020 as **OE1970WWL**. An entry in the CQ WW WPX SSB contest is included (March 28-29) as OE0WWL. QSL via home call, bureau and LoTW. (TNX 425DX)

OK, CZECH REPUBLIC OK4RQ, OK1VP, OK1AY, OK1DOL, OK6DJ and OK1IWS will be active throughout 2020 with the special event callsign **OL725PLZ** to mark the founding of Plzen 725 years ago. An award is available as well. QSL via Club Log OQRS or OK1DRQ direct. (TNX DXNL)

OX, GREENLAND All people in the Danish Kingdom are going to celebrate the 80th birthday of H.M. The Queen on April 16, 2020 and so will the Danish amateur radio association EDR. In collaboration with the Greenlandic radio amateurs, we are organizing an event where many stations in the two entities will be active on all bands using the special callsigns **OX8ØHM** and **OZ8ØHM**. You will be able to obtain a special royal award on this day by contacting the different stations. Award rules will appear soon. The event will be throughout the day on April 16.

PA, THE NETHERLANDS **PA75LIMBURG** commemorates the liberation of the province Limburg 75 years ago. QRV until March 2020. QSL via Club Log OQRS, PC8DB direct or bureau. (TNX 425DX).

PA, THE NETHERLANDS Special station **PA75VERON** is active during 2020 to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the Vereniging voor Experimenteel Radio Onderzoek in Nederland. Activity from 40 to 10 meter using FT8. QSL via LoTW only.

PY, BRAZIL Celebrating the 86th anniversary of the Liga de Amadores Brasileiros de Radio Emissao (LABRE, Brazil's national IARU society), special call **ZW86LABRE** will be active between February 1 and end March. QSL via PY2KP. (TNX 425DX)

SP, POLAND Special calls **3Z90PZK**, **HF90PZK**, **SN90PZK** and **SP90PZK** are QRV during 2020 to celebrate the 90th anniversary of the Polish Amateur Radio Union (PZK, Poland's IARU Society). Active during the same period are also **HF90TPAR**, **HF90TPBB**, **HF90TPBF**, **HF90TPBG**, **HF90TPCF** and **HF90TPCG**, whose suffixes memorialize the callsigns of the founding members of the Lwowski Klub Krotkofalowcow, the first amateur radio club in Poland and forefather of PZK. QSL via operator's instructions. (TNX 425DX)

UA, RUSSIA The Russian Robinson Club is active as **R200ANT** until end March to commemorate the 200th anniversary of the discovery of Antarctica. QSL via RZ3EC. The first confirmed sighting of mainland Antarctica (27 January 1820) is attributed to the Russian expedition led by Fabian Gottlieb von Bellingshausen and Mikhail Lazarev, who

discovered an ice shelf at Princess Martha Coast that later became known as the Fimbul Ice Shelf.

XE, MEXICO The DXXE group celebrates their 15th anniversary during 2020 with the special event callsign **4A15DXXE** on HF. Members are also planning operations with special callsigns from other countries. QSL via LoTW. (TNX DXNL)

YU, SERBIA Look for **YT50SCWC** by the Serbian CW Club to celebrate their 50th anniversary. Operation during 2020. QSL via YU1MM, direct or bureau, LoTW, Club Log OQRS.

ZS, SOUTH AFRICA Look for **ZS95SARL** during 2020. This to celebrate the 95th anniversary of the South African Radio League, founded in May 1925 as South African Radio Relay League. QRV on HF, VHF, UHF and via satellites. QSL via bureau.

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