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Latest news

VP8PJ South Orkney –update February 2

The project is on schedule Team members will begin arriving in Punta Arenas on February 9 th , Braveheart is scheduled to arrive on February 13 th , we load the ship on Feb 14 th and depart on Feb 15 th for Signy Island. Nigel Jolly will have already arrived by air to arrange for refueling and resupplying Braveheart.

Logging – Log Search We will use N1MM+ for logging and WSJT-X Version 2.1.2 for FT8 Assuming a stable satellite connection, QSOs will be uploaded to the log server in near real- time, you can monitor logging activity at:

<https://www.m0urx.com/oqrs/logsearch.php?dxcallsign=VP8PJ> We do not upload by band, by mode or by operating position.

<https://dx-world.net/vp8pj-south-orkney-islands-dxpedition/>

HU1DL El Salvador –update February 2

Bad news – we lost two amplifiers, a KPA500 and an Expert 1,5k-FA – both suddenly and during normal operation.

The weather is great with sunshine and low wind every day. On weekend we were visited by YS1GMV, YS1MAE and YS1RS and their families.

The internet access is now more stable. That allows us often to update the logs twice the day.

V63DX –cancelled due to coronavirus

~~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.

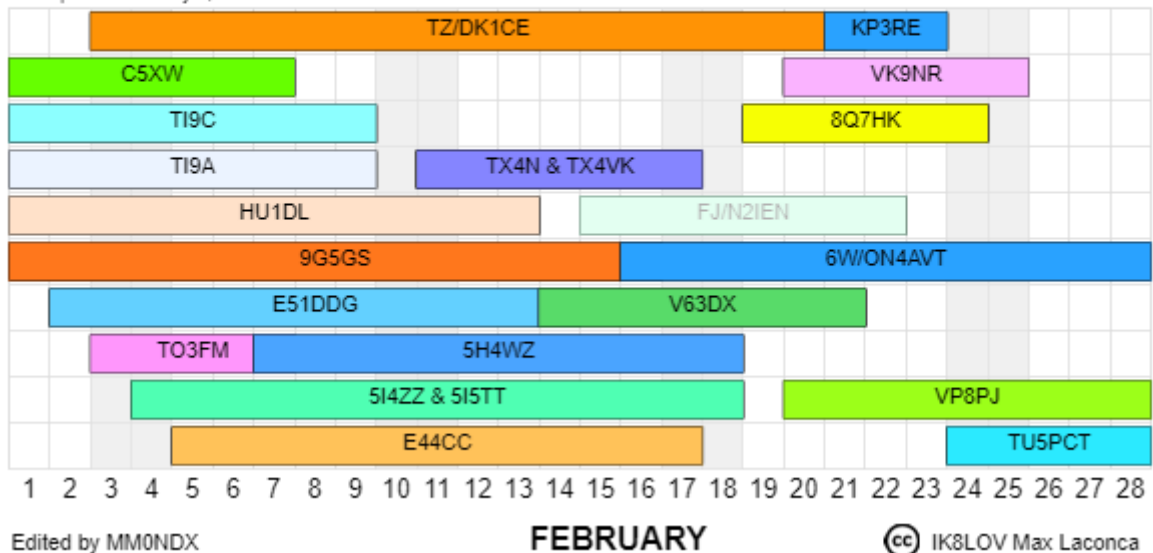
CB0Z Alejandro Selkirk Island –update February 5

The team has made about 1200 QSOs and contacted stations in 5 continents. Tonight they will continue on 40m SSB and 30m CW (maybe in FT8). 15m, 17m and 20m are dead.

DXCC Timeline

DXWORLD.net FEATURED DXPEDITIONS TIMELINE

Last update: February 4, 2020



DXCC

This week on HF

4K, AZERBAIJAN Furkan, TA7AOF will be active as 4K6/call between February 7 and February 12. Focus on the CQ WPX RTTY. QSL via home call direct, LoTW and Club Log.

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 is operating until 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/>

5Z, KENYA Scott, WA5A is once again active from Ruaka as 5Z4/call until late March. Operation on 40, 20, 17 and 10 meter. QSL via home call.

6Y, JAMAICA Neil, G0RNU is active as 6Y/call until February 17. Active on all bands.

9G, GHANA Matt, 9G5GS is once again QRV from Sanzule until 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.

9N, NEPAL Yuris YL2GM and Eugene EA5EL are QRV as 9N7AM. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via YL2GM. <http://www.lral.lv/9n7am/>

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

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 F6KOP team is QRV from Palestine as E44CC until February 17. QSL via F5GSJ direct or bureau, LoTW and OQRS. <https://palestine2020.wordpress.com/>

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS Don, VE7DS is active as E51DDG until 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.

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

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.

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 is once again active as H44MS until 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.

HS, THAILAND Lory, HB9DUS is operating as HS0ZKE from Bangkok until end February. Operation on HF using FT8 and CW. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

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.

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 Thilo, DL9NBJ is once again QRV as PJ2/call until February 19. Activity on CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via Club Log OQRS.

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.

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

PY0F, FERNANDO DE NORONHA Andre, PP6ZZ is QRV as PY0FF until February 18. SL via W9VA, LoTW.

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 is active as TI9A until February 8. Operation on all bands/modes with 2 stations. QSL via UA3DX, Club Log OQRS and LoTW. <http://ti9a.info/>

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.

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.

TZ, MALI Ulmar, DK1CE is operating as TZ/call from Bamako until February 20. Operation on HF using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via home call.

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 V3O is included. QSL via home call, bureau or direct.

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 is operating from Caye Caulker as V31CO until February 21. Activity on HF using CW, RTTY and FT8. QSL via home call, LoTW.

V3, BELIZE Victor, WB0TEV is once again active as V31VP until 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, MONTSERAT Ed, K1EP will be QRV as VP2MEP between February 11 and February 17. Operation on HF using CW, SSB and some FT8. QSL via home call direct and LoTW.

VP5, TURKS & CAICOS Bill AC0W and Pat K0PC will be operating as VP5/calls between February 11 and February 18. An entry in the ARRL DX contest is included as VP5K.

YN, NICARAGUA John KB8RJ and Christina WD8KUR are active as YN5J and YN5CS from San Juan del Sur until March 18. Operation in 'holiday-style' from 40 to 10 meter.

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 is 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.

ZC4, UK Sovereign Base Areas CYPRUS Robert, G4WXJ is operating as ZC4RH during February 4 and February 13. Operation on HF using CW, SSB and some FT8. 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.

Coming up soon

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.

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.

FM, MARTINIQUE Yuri, VE3DZ will be active as TO4A during the ARRL DX CW contest (February 15-16). QSL via home call, Club Log.

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

On the scene

The E44CC team on their way to Palestine.



IOTA

This week on HF

AFRICA

AF-063 Pemba Isl Members of the Low Bands Contest Club are operating as 5H4WZ until 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-008 Ellesmere Isl Once again, Alex VE1RUS and Pierre VE3TKB are active as VY0ERC until March 28. Operation on 40 and 20 meter using CW, SSB, FT8 and RTTY, 80 meter might be possible. QSL via M0OXO, OQRS and LoTW.

NA-057 Roatan Isl Dave, VE3VSM will once again be active as call/HR9 between February 11 and February 23. Operation from 20 to 15 meter using mainly CW. QSL via home call and LoTW.

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-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.

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.

Coming up soon

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announced DX

THE NEWCOMERS

A2, BOTSWANA David, VE7VR will be QRV as A25VR in 'holiday-style' between May 1 and May 22. Activity from 40 to 20 meter using low power. QSL via home call.

FG, GUADELOUPE Gildas F6HMQ and Michel F6GWV will once again be operating as FG/calls between February 23 and March 8. Activity on HF with an entry in the ARRL DX SSB contest as TO3Z.

FP, ST PIERRE & MIQUELON A Canadian and American group of operators will be operating as TO5T between August 10 and August 17. QRV from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via WB2REM, OQRS Club Log and LoTW.

JD1, OGASAWARA Masa, JH1HHC will be operating as JD1BPH from Chichijima. QRV from February 25 until March 5. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via LoTW.

JD1, OGASAWARA Take, JA1UII will be operating as JD1BON from Chichijima. QRV from February 25 until March 5. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via LoTW.

TF, ICELAND Mek SP7VC and Kasia SQ7OYL will be travelling by camper around Iceland from July 24 until August 13. They are happy to announce that Iceland is their 100th travelled to DXCC! Their trip passes through many locators and are planning activity on 50, 70, 144 MHz via MS, ES, EME. They will use modes: SSB, FT8, MSK144, JT65A. They are also planning to activate about 7 Lighthouses and 7 rare TF-Flora and Fauna nature reserves on the HF bands. <https://iceland2k20.blogspot.com/>

Z6, KOSOVO The Amateur Radio Society of Kosovo, SHRAK, is proud to announce a youth activity in the CQ WPX contest (March 28-29). The youth of Kosovo and Turkey will join to work together and ultimately activate two station as Z66Y. The operators are Ahmet Bucko, Z63CAB, Donjeta Berisha, Z63DBB, Dardan Bojniku, Z63DBM, Furkan Ozen, TA7AOF and Golkem Cagri Zivali, TA7AZC; all about 20-years of age. The team is supported in Pristina by Fehmi, Z62FB and Tefvik, TA1HZ. QSL via Z62FB, LoTW.

ZF, CAYMAN ISLANDS Look for K6AM, K6JO and N6WIN as ZF1A during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 7-8). QSL via K6AM.

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.

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

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 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.

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.

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.

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 N200.

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.

Announced IOTA

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-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.

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-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.

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 during 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.

CO, CUBA Operators of the Ham Radio Club Manuel Alvarez are celebrating the centenary of the first radio station founded in 1920 by Manuel Alvarez. Operation as **T46W** on February 28, 29 and March 1; April 24, 25 and 26; June 26, 27 and 28; August 21, 22 and 23. QSL via LoTW.

DL, GERMANY DL250BEETH (special DOK 250LVB) joins the celebration of Ludwig van Beethoven's 250th birthday until the end of the year. QSL via DJ6SI direct or bureau. (TNX DXNL)

DL, GERMANY The special event station **DA2025C** (special DOK 2025CH) supports the bid of Chemnitz to become the European Capital of Culture in 2025. QRV until the end of January 2021. QSL via bureau. (TNX DXNL)

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

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.

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** on air until February 17. 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 **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 call signs 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:

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/>

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** is active until 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.