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DX news

E51LYC Pukapuka Atoll OC-098 – expedition report thanks to Cezar VE3LYC

E51LYC operated from Pukapuka Atoll between May 12 and 23. Located about 1200 km north of Rarotonga, in the North Cook Islands, this remote atoll counts toward the IOTA group OC-098, which was confirmed by only 8% of the IOTA members prior to this operation. Last activation of OC-098 was in Jan 1995, more than 22 years ago. The atoll is home to about 400 people, but is not a touristic destination. The radio station was installed in Wale, the inhabited islet, within the proximity of island administration. Many exclusive pictures and full story <https://dx-world.net/expedition-report-e51lyc-pukapuka-atoll-oc-098/>

VK9MA, MELLISH REEF – update

A 9 operator team, led by Rob, N7QT will be active from Mellish Reef as VK9MA, QRV from November 3rd, 2017 through November 16th, 2017. Mellish Reef, IOTA (OC-072) is currently #29 most wanted on Clublog. The team will be QRV from Heralds-Beacon Islet, the only permanent land in the reef on all bands, CW, RTTY, and SSB.

Team: N7QT Team Leader, SM5AQD Co-Team Leader, DL3DXX, LB8DC, N9ADG, SM1ALH, SM5GLC.

Mwokil Isl OC-226 V6J – update

The team will fly to Pohnpei from Japan on June 20th. Then, they will stay there until the ship sails out. The ship will leave port on June 23th and arrives at Mokil Island OC-226 on June 24th. Team will stay in Mokil island for 6 days. Then we return back to Japan via Pohnpei and Guam. V6J will try to upload logs to Club Log in Pohnpei and Guam, but the internet connection in Pohnpei and Guam is not so good. If you need to contact the team, please go via Joe, JJ3PRT who is their pilot. V6J will have schedule with him everyday on the radio.

VK9MAV Marion Reef / Diamond Islets OC-267 – postponed

The trip has been postponed for another week. Andy received a phone call from the skipper yesterday – the boat's gear box is faulty and needs to be repaired. New dates are June 17-24 on air, with whole trip June 16-25.

OC-267 Diamond Islets – Andy, VK5MAV will be operating as VK9MAV from June 11 until June 16. QSL via home call, direct, OQRS Club Log or via RN3RQ bureau. See the latest update here <https://dx-world.net/vk9mav-marion-reefdiamond-islets-oc-267/> <https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=oc-267>

On the scene

Cezar VE3LYC as E51LYC from Pukapuka Atoll OC-098



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This week on HF

5Z, KENYA Thomas, OZ1AA is operating as 5Z4/call until June 15. Operation during his spare time. QSL via OZ1ACB, Club Log OQRS and LoTW.

8Q, MALDIVES John, G4IRN is active as 8Q7RN until end June. Operation on HF. QSL via home call.

9H, MALTA Haru, JA1XGI is active as 9H3XG until June 12. Activity from 40 to 15 meter using CW and RTTY. QSL via home call. <http://www.geocities.jp/maltaholiday/>

C6, BAHAMAS C6ACC / K8CC, C6ALY / K6KLY and C6ATA / K2KW are operating until June 16. Main activity will be on 50, 144, 432 and 1296 Mhz. QSL via homecalls, LoTW.

E5, SOUTH COOK ISL Shirley, VK5YL is operating as E51XYL until June 17. Activity on 20 meter using SSB. QSL via home call.

FO, TAHITI Jean-Pierre, F6CTF is operating as FO/call until September. Operation on 40, 20, 17 and 15 meter. QSL via home call, direct.

FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA Jean-Pierre, F6CTF is active from Tahiti (OC-046) until September 3 as TX5JF and TX5JF/MM. He plans to operate from different IOTA as he travels and will be QRV from 40 to 15 meter. QSL via home call.

FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA Max, IZ2ZTQ is QRV as FO/call until July 31. Operation with green power on 40, 30, 20, 17 and 15 meter using SSB, PSK, RTTY and JT65. He will visit:

- Marquesas Island - Fatu Hiva - IOTA: OC-027
- Tuamotu Archipelago - Rangiroa - IOTA: OC-066
- Leeward Society Islands - Bora Bora - IOTA: OC-067
- Windward Society Islands - Tahiti - IOTA: OC-046

See <https://www.qrz.com/lookup/fo/iz2ztq> for updates. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, LoTW.

FP, ST PIERRE AND MIQUELON Thomas, F4HPX is operating as FR/call until June 16. Activity from 40 to 15 meter using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via home call, LoTW and Club Log OQRS.

FR, REUNION ISL Thomas, F4HPX is QRV as FR/call until June 16. Activity from 40 to 15 meter using SSB, digital modes and some CW. QSL via home call, LoTW.

HBO, LIECHTENSTEIN Polish ops SP2FIH, SP2FUD and SP2GCJ will be operating from Triesenberg as HBO/calls between June 11 and June 24. Activity from 40 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via OQRS Club Log.

HI, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC Didier, F5PLR is active as HI9/call until July 4. Activity on 30, 20 and 15 meter. QSL via operators instructions.

JD1, MINAMI TORISHIMA Take, JG8NAJ is once again QRV as call/JD1 until mid-July. Operation during his spare time. Activity on HF using CW and RTTY. QSL via JA8CJY.

OY, FAROE ISLANDS Bill, K2HVN will be operating as OY/call between June 13 and June 26. Activity from 40 to 10 meter using CW with some SSB. QSL via home call.

PJ7, SINT MAARTEN A team with W9DR, W9AEB, K9UK, KK9N, W9KXQ will be active as PJ7/calls from June 14 until June 28. Operation with 3 stations from 80 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digital modes. <http://www.pj7.w9kxq.com/>

SV9, CRETE Carlo, IK2ECC is active as SV9/call until June 15. Operation on 40, 30, 20, 15, 12, 10 and 6 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via home call, bureau only.

T8, PALAU Ryosei, JH0IXE will once again be operating as T8CW from June 9 until June 18. Activity from 80 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via JA0FOX bureau or via JH0IXE direct, LoTW. Logsearch on <http://t8cw.idou.net/>

TZ, MALI Fredo, TZ4PR is active from northern Mali until October. QSL via F1UIJ, direct.

VQ9, DIEGO GARCIA Jim, ND9M is active again as VQ96JC, license is valid until July, but he will try and get VQ917JC, as he has used "year-specific special calls every year starting in 2007". Plans are to be QRV for about three hours during his evenings, as he has to commute between his ship and his operating location on the island, then set up and break down each time. He operates mainly CW, with some SSB and digital modes. QSL via home call.

Z2, ZIMBABWE Tom, KC0W is QRV as Z25DX until June 18. Activity from 80 to 6 meter using CW. QSL via home call.

ZA, ALBANIA Operators IK7JWX, I0SNY, I8LWL and IK8GQY will be active as ZA/IK7JWX from June 10 until June 20. Operation on HF using SSB and digital modes. QSL via IK7JWX.

Coming up soon

KL, ALASKA Nobu, JA0JHQ will be operating as AH0C/KL7 on June 17-June 19. Main operation on 160, 80, 40 and 20 meter during the All Asian DX CW Contest. QSL via home call, bureau or direct, LoTW, logsearch on Club Log.

T8, PALAU Japanese operators JM1LIG/T88FM, JL1HYH/T88HY, JO3LVG/T88MK, JI6NCY/T88NC, JA6UBY/T88RR and JH6DUL/T88VV will be active between June 16 and June 23. QRV from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via homecalls.

IOTA

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This week on HF

EU-046 Vannoya Isl Waldi, SP7IDX is QRV as LA/call until June 10. Operation from 40 to 10 meter using SSB and RTTY. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

<https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=EU046>

EU-052 Erikoussa Isl Oliver, DK7TX is operating as SV8/call until June 13. QSL via home call. <https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/groupinfo.php?refno=EU-052>

EU-095 Ratonneau Isl Members of the Castres DX Gang are once again operating as TM5FI until June 12. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digital modes.

QSL via F5XX, direct or bureau, logsearch on Club Log.

<https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=eu095>

EU-123 Arran Isl Graham, MM0GHM is active as call/P and call/M until June 17. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. <https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=EU123>

EU-137 Ven Isl Look for SA6G/7 until June 11. Activity from 40 to 6 meter using mostly CW. QSL via SM6CUK, direct or bureau, LoTW.

<https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=EU137>

EU-169 Sazan Isl Alfredo, IK7JWX and team will be operating as ZA/call from June 10 until June 20. Operation on HF. QSL via home call.

<https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=EU169>

EU-174 Thassos Isl Laci, HA0HW is operating as SW8WW until June 11. Operation from 40 to 6 meter using mainly CW with some SSB and digital modes. QSL via Club Log OQRS or via homecall, direct or bureau.

NA-085 Dog Isl Bruce, K5TEN is operating as K4D until June 11. Operation on HF using CW and SSB from 40 to 6 meter. QSL via home call.

<https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=NA085>

NA-116 Chira Isl Look for TE8DX until June 12. Operators TI2CC, TI2JF, TI2CDA, KM4HI and N3KS will be operating from 80 to 6 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via TI2CDA. <https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=NA116>

NA-137 Monhegan Isl Harry, W1HMM will be QRV from June 9 until June 11. Activity in QRP mode on 40 and 20 meter using SSB and digital modes. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. <https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=NA137>

FRENCH POLYNESIA IOTA Tour

A team with F6BCW, F6DTZ, F6IPT, F5UOW, F1MNO, F1TCV and K3EL will be on IOTA tour as TX5EG from following islands:

OC-131 King George Isl June 11 – June 19

<https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=oc131>

OC-067 Leeward Isl June 29 – July 17

<https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=oc067>

OC-027 Marquesas Isl July 29 – August 6

<https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=oc027>

OC-046 Windward Isl August 15 – September 5

<https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=oc046>

Operation from 80 to 12 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via F6BCW, bureau or direct.

Coming up soon

EU-128 Fehmarn Isl Stefan, DF8HS will be QRV between June 16 and July 1. QSL via bureau. <https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=eu128>

EU-128 Fehmarn Isl Look for ON6ZV, ON6OM, ON7EG and ON4MW as DL/ON4IPA and DL/OO6P from June 17 until June 23. QSL via ON6ZV, direct or bureau. More on <http://www.qsl.net/o/on6om//EU-128/>

<https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=eu128>

OC-160 Whitsundays Isl Andy, VK5MAV will be operating as VK9MAV from June 17 until June 18. QSL via home call, direct, OQRS Club Log or via RN3RQ bureau.

<https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=OC160>

QSL preview



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announced DX

THE NEWCOMERS

R1/F FRANZ JOSEF LAND Eugeny RI1FJ will be back again from August 2017 until August 2018. QSL via UA2FM.

T32, EAST KIRIBATI Ken, KH6QJ will be active again as T32AZ (from Crystal Lodge, Kiritimati) from June 28 until July 4. Operation on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via home call

V4, ST KITTS John, W5JON will once again be active as V47JA between July 12 and August 5. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using SSB. QSL via home call, direct and LoTW.

THE REMINDERS

3B7, AGALEGA and ST BRANDON Seb, F5UFX announces 'after our successful dxpeditions to tromelin (ft4ta) and juan de nova (ft4ja), we are very happy to announce our new project. Our team will be active from Saint Brandon island 3B7 in March-April 2018 for a two weeks operation. more details to follow soon!'

3Y, BOUVET ISL A large team led by Bob K4UEE, Erling LA6VM and Ralph K0IR will be operating from the most remote place on earth. The DXpedition is taking place early 2018. <http://www.dx-world.net/3y0z-bouvet-2018/>
<http://www.bouvetdx.org/>

4L, GEORGIA Armen 4L6DL, Sergo 4L6QC, Alexander UR5EAW, Antione F5RAB and Luc F5RAV will be operating as 4L0GF. Operation between August 3 and August 13.

5T, MAURITANIA A team with Petr OK1BOA, Palo OK1CRM, David OK6DJ, Petr OK1FCJ, Pavel OK1GK, Ruda OK2ZA and Karel OK2ZI will be active as 5T5OK from September 15 until September 29. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via OK6DJ, OQRS and LoTW. <http://www.cdxp.cz/>

5W, SAMOA Al, K7AR will be operating as 5W0RA from September 19 until September 28. Operation on all bands using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via home call, logsearch on Club Log.

8Q, MALDIVES Philip, G4PWO will be QRV as 8Q7PW starting from July 18 for 2 weeks. Bands and modes will be depending the condition but most likely on 40, 20 and 15 meter using SSB. QSL via home call.

9M0, SPRATLY ISLAND Originally announced for December, the 9M0W DXpedition to the Spratly Islands has been postponed to March 10 – March 20 2018, owing to the unavailability of the resort on Layang Layang. Plans are for Hrane, YT1AD and a large group to be QRV from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digital modes. The team has two vacant positions.

9M2, WEST MALAYSIA Rich, PA0RRS will once again be QRV as 9M2MRS between December 1 and January 30, 2018. Operation on HF using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, LoTW, OQRS and logsearch on Club Log.

9U, BURUNDI The MDXC team led by Antonio IZ8CCW and co-leader Gabriele I2VGV will conduct their next DXpedition as 9U4M, this between November 6 and November 17. QRV with 5 stations using all band and all modes. QSL via IK2VUC, direct or bureau, LoTW, logsearch and OQRS on this website: <http://www.mdxc.org/9u4m/>

9X, RWANDA Harald, DF2WO will again be active as 9X2AW between November 15 and November 30. QSL via M0OXO.

A2, BOTSWANA Alex, IW5ELA will be active as A25AL from September 7 until September 15. Activity on HF using CW with a vertical. QSL via home call.

A2, BOTSWANA Pavel R2AD, Yuri RM0F and Elena RC5A will be operating as A25BE, A25BI and A25SP around mid-September. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via homecalls, OQRS Club Log and LoTW.

E5, COOK ISLANDS Alex, F4GHS will be QRV as E51GHS from August 7 until August 25. Operation from August 7-16 from Aitutaki, from August 16-25 from Rarotonga. Activity in 'holiday-style' using a vertical for 20 meter. QSL via home call.

FJ, ST BARTHELEMY A team will AI5P, N0KV, W0ZA and WD0E will be active as FJ/AI5P and FJ/N0KV from October 17 until October 26. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via AI5P and N0KV.

FP, ST PIERRE AND MIQUELON Members of the Cambridge University Wireless Society will be operating as FP/M0WUT, FP/M0BLF, FP/DK2AB, FP/G3ZAY, FP/DH5FS and FP/G7VJR. QRV from September 13 until September 23 on HF using all modes. QSL via homecalls.

FP, ST PIERRE AND MIQUELON Look once again for FP/KV1J between July 4 and July 18. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using mostly SSB and RTTY with some CW. QSL via LoTW. <http://www.kv1j.com/fp/July17.html>

H40, TEMOTU PROVINCE Stan, LZ1GC will once again be QRV as H40GC between September 30 and October 20. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB, PSK and RTTY. QSL via Club Log OQRS, LoTW. <http://www.c21gc.com/>

HC8, GALAPAGOS ISL Look for G8OFQ, KG0YL, VK2BXE and WB2REM will be operating as HD8M between September 14 and September 21. Activity from 160 to 6 meter. QSL via WB2REM, Club Log OQRS.

J5, GUINEA BISSAU The Italian DXpedition Team will be active as J5T during mid-November. Operation with 4 stations on all bands using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via I2YSB and LoTW, real-time logsearch and OQRS via <http://www.i2ysb.com/idx/>

JW, SVALBARD Rene, DL2JRM will be active as JW/call from November 10 until November 13. Operation on all bands. QSL via home call.

LX, LUXEMBOURG Marc, ON7SS will be operating as LX/OO9O between August 24 and August 28. QSL via OQRS on <http://www.on7ss.be/logsearch.html>

OJ0, MARKET REEF A Belgian team from ON4RSX ARC with ON5TQ, ON6QO, ON2KMJ and ON8VP will be operating as OJ0V from July 1 until July 7. Operation from 80 to 6 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via ON5TC.

P4, ARUBA A German team with DF4XX, DL4HG, DL7AT and DL8UD will be operating as P40X from July 22 until August 6. Operation on all bands with an entry in the RSGB IOTA contest (July 29-30). QSL via DL8UD.

PJ7, SINT MAARTEN LU1FM, LU2CJW, LU3FMD, LU4FBU and LU9FHF will be active as PJ7T between October 24 and November 4. QRV on HF. QSL via LU1FM, LoTW.

PY0T, TRINDADE & MARTIM VAZ ISLAND A DXpedition is planned during 2018. More to follow.

S7, SEYCHELLES Nobuaki, JA0JHQ will be operating as S79NH between July 26 and July 31. Activity on HF using mainly CW and RTTY with some SSB. QSL via LoTW. <https://pandasan.jimdo.com/s79nh/>

S9, SAO TOME & PRINCIPE Jose, EA5IDQ will be operating as S9CW from October 12 until October 21. Activity from 80 to 6 meter using SSB and RTTY. QSL via home call.

T30, WESTERN KIRIBATI Chris, VK3FY will be active as T30T from Tarawa, Kiribati. Activity in December, dates to be announced. QSL via M00XO, OQRS.

T8, PALAU Kay, JH3AZC informs that JH3AZC, JP3EXR, JH3QFL, JH3VAA will be active from Koror Island, OC-009 as T88CX, T88DG, T88CU, T88CV and T8EM between October 11 and October 17. QRV on HF, EME and satellites.

T8, PALAU Chusuke, JR1FKR will be operating as T88TJ from June 28 until July 2. Activity from 40 to 10 meter using SSB and RTTY. QSL via home call.

T8, PALAU Ichy, JH7IPR will once again be active as T88UW from October 11 until October 17. Activity on HF using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, LoTW, Club Log.

V4, ST KITTS & NEVIS Rich KE1B and Anna W6NN will be operating as V4/calls between July 1 and July 9. Operation from 40 to 10 meter. QSL via homecalls, LoTW, logsearch and OQRS on Club Log.

V5, NAMIBIA Tevfik, TA1HZ will once again be active as V51/call during the CQ WW DX SSB contest (Oct 28-29). Operation before and after the contest. QSL via LZ3HI.

V6, MICRONESIA Susumu, JA6REX will be QRV as V63KS from Chuuk between August 28 and September 4. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via home call. <http://v63.webcrow.jp/index.html>

VK0, MACQUARIE ISL John, VK3YP has announced planning has commenced for a DXpedition to Macquarie Island (#9 on Club Log most wanted DXCC) in early 2018 with a total of 5 VK operators. More details to follow as we get closer to the date.

VK9C, COCOS KEELING ISLAND

VK9X, CHRISTMAS ISLAND

Chris VK3FY, Lee VK3GK, Tony VK3TZ and others will be active as VK9XI from Christmas and as VK9CI from Cocos Keeling Isl.

-Christmas Isl from October 2 until October 10

-Cocos Keeling Isl from October 10 until October 17

Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY with a focus on the low bands. QSL via M00XO, OQRS.

VK9C, COCOS KEELING ISLAND Keith GM4YXI and Chris GM3WOJ are once again QRV from October 23 until November 6. Operation as VK9CZ (pending). This operation follows immediately after the VK9CI DXpedition. More to follow.

VK9M, MELLISH REEF Rob N7QT is planning a DXpedition together with DL3DXX, LB8DC, N9ADG, SM1ALH, SM5AQD and SM5GLC, maybe with 2 others from November 3 until November 16. Operation with 5 stations from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via OQRS Club Log, LoTW or via N7QT direct or bureau.

<https://www.qrz.com/DB/VK9MA>

VK9X, CHRISTMAS ISLAND Chae, HL1AHS will be operating as VK9AA between June 24 and July 1. Operation from 80 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via home call, direct and LoTW.

VP2E, ANGUILLA Henri OH3JR and Seppo OH1VR will be once again operating as VP2EHC and VP2ESM from November 21 until December 2. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL direct only.

YJ, VANUATU Look once again for YJ0GA from July 6 until July 13. Operation in 'holiday-style' with efforts to look for 20 and 30 meter for Western Europe. All QSL donations will be used to support the children at the Little Lights Preschool. QSL via Club Log OQRS, LoTW.

Announced IOTA

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EU-042 Hooge Isl A team with DD2HZ, DJ7AO, DJ7RK, DK3KH, DL3HBZ, DL6HBQ and DL9HDA will be operating as DL0DFF. Activity from June 22 until June 24. Operation from 80 to 2 meter using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via DL3HBZ, direct or bureau, OQRS on Club Log. <https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=EU042>

EU-091 Pedanga Grande A team will be operating as IL7P and IO7TA during the IOTA contest (July28-30). Operation with 2 stations. QSL via OQRS Club Log or via IZ8EGM, direct or bureau. <https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=EU091>

NA-042 Hinchinbrook Isl <https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=na042>

NA-157 Kayak Isl <https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=na157>

Mikhail, VE7ACN will be active as AL3/call from NA-042 between August 9 and August 15, later he will be active from NA-157 from August 18 until August 28. Operation from 40 to 10 meter, maybe 160 and 80 meter also. QSL via OQRS Club Log, LoTW or via home call, direct or bureau.

THE REMINDERS

AF-056 Sherbro Isl Silvano, I2YSB and the Italian DXpedition Team have announced their next trip as 9L1T. Operation during mid-March 2018. Plans are to operate on HF with 3 stations using CW, SSB and RTTY. More to follow. <http://www.i2ysb.com/idt/>
<https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=AF056>

AF-094 Rachgoun Isl The Algerian Amateur Radio Union is planning a trip to AF-094 with the call 7Y94I. More to follow. <https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=AF094>

AF-108 Tigres Isl A 8-man team will be operating early 2018 as D2TI. The full planning is in stage. Website and full details to follow. This IOTA group has never been activated before. <https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=AF108>

AF-111 Baiyah Isl In collaboration with the Liberian Radio Amateur Association, a team consisting of Richmond EL2BG, Dickson EL2DT, Jeremy EI5GM, Dave EI9FBB and Col MM0NDX are delighted to announce a much anticipated IOTA DXpedition to Baiyah Island AF-111 This IOTA has never before been activated. Tentatively, dates of activity will be around November 1-4, 2017. This may change slightly but we will update in due course regarding that. <http://af111new.com/>
<https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=AF111>

AS-022 Leont'yeva Isl Yury R2DG, Vasily R7AA and Yevgeny UA6EX will be operating as RIOLI between July 24 and July 31. Activity is planned with 2 stations on 40, 30, 20

and 17 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via Club Log OQRS or R7AA direct or bureau.
<http://www.ri0li.com/>

<https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=AS022>

AS-039 Commander Isl A group will be active during July-August 2017 as RI0Z. Commander Islands — an archipelago of four Islands in the South-Western part of the Bering sea of the Pacific ocean. The administrative part of the Aleut district of the Kamchatka Krai of Russia. The island is named after who discovered them in 1741, Explorer commander Vitus Bering.

In the team's plans included visiting the most remote Islands – Mednyj (Copper). Island remote from the American Aleutian Islands at a distance of 190 miles.

<https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=AS039>

AS-066 Popov Isl Vladimir, UA0LCZ will once again be operating as R66IOTA from July 25 until July 30. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using CW and SSB. An entry in the IOTA contest is also included. QSL via home call.

<https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=AS066>

AS-069 Iony Isl A Russian Robinson Team with R7AL, RA1ZZ, RW5D and RK8A will be QRV as RI0C during the second half of July 2017. Operation on 40, 30, 20, 17, 15 and 10 meter using CW, SSB and digital mode. <http://www.iony2017.com/eng>

<https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=AS069>

EU-042 Hooge Isl Mike, DG5LAC will be active during the IOTA contest as call/P. QSL via Club Log OQRS, LoTW or home call, direct or bureau.

<https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=EU042>

EU-049 Lesvos Isl Toni, PY2DY will be operating as SY8APQ from July 4 until August 2. Operation on HF. QSL via LoTW. <https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=EU049>

EU-120 Isle of Wight Look for ON3UN, ON4ACA, ON6LY and ON6UQ as GB9IOW. Activity from July 28 until August 3. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digital modes. An entry in the IOTA contest is also included. QSL via ON3UN, direct or bureau. <https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=EU120>

EU-125 Fano Isl Dieter, DF2SD will be QRV as OZ/call from July 23 until August 4. Activity from 80 to 6 meter using SSB and digital modes. QSL via Club Log OQRS, LoTW or home call, direct or bureau. <https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=EU125>

EU-177 Harstena Isl Olof, G0CKV will be QRV as call/P from July 25 until August 5. QSL via M00XO, OQRS. <https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=EU177>

EU-190 Viktoriya Isl The RI1F team (up to 12 ops) depart for the NEW IOTA on September 27, 2017. Depending on sea conditions, it should take approx 3-4 days to reach the island. QRV thereafter. [Bookmark](#) for updates.

<https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=EU190>

NA-019 Kodiak Isl Chris, VK3FY will be operating as KL7/call during July, dates to be announced. QSL via M00XO, OQRS.

<https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=NA019>

NA-128 Ile-aux-Coudres The NA128 Contest Group will once again be QRV as CG2I from July 27 until July 30 for the IOTA contest. QSL via VE2EBK, direct, Club Log and LoTW will be uploaded after the contest. <http://www.qsl.net/na128cg>

<https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=na128>

NA-143 Galveston Isl Joe, K5KUA will once again be operating as call/5 from July 28 until August 1. An entry in the IOTA contest is included. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, logsearch on Club Log. <https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=na143>

NA-173 Charlton Isl A team with VA2AMH, VE2MBT, VE2SSS, VE2WHZ and VE2YAG will be active as VY0/VA2NDX from July 28 until July 30. Operation on HF before and after the IOTA contest. QSL via F4BHW.

<https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=NA173>

OC-128 Palawan Isl Dale, KE0BRZ will be operating in 'holiday-style' as DU1/call from August 18 until August 22. Operation mainly on 20 meter using SSB.

<https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=OC128>

OC-151 Flores Isl Leo, YC9MLL will be QRV from Flores in July. Operation on 15 and 20 meter, maybe 40 meter. QSL via M0OXO, OQRS.

<https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=OC151>

OC-198 North Isl Craig, VK5CE will be operating as call/8 from October 12 until October 16. This is a super rare IOTA. More on <https://oc198.wordpress.com/>
<https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=oc198>

Craig mentions *'THIS WILL BE ONE OF MY MOST ADVENTUROUS AND EXCITING ONE MAN DXPEDITIONS EVER. I'VE BEEN TRYING TO BRING THIS ON THE AIR SINCE 2011 AND SO I CAN'T WAIT TO GET ON THE AIR'*.

OC-216 Ashmore Reef Craig, VK5CE will activate this island early November as VK5CE/9. The IOTA is claimed by just 3.2% (and will go lower after the annual listings are updated) and it is equal 5th in the world in the IOTA Most Wanted List. This is a one man operation using a tent and generator and the cost is over \$14,000. Full details are at <https://ashmorereef.wordpress.com/>

<https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=OC216>

OC-226 Mwokil Isl Hid JA3KGF/V63GF, Tosal JA3FGJ/V63GJ, Sanny JJ3CIG/V63SS and Mami JP3AYQ/V63YL are planning a trip to Mwokil Island (OC-226) as V6J. The ship is due to depart Pohnpei on June 23 and arrives on June 24. The team stays on the island for 6 days. They will operate CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK and from 40 to 15 meter using CW, SSB and digital modes. While on Pohnpei (OC-010) they will be using their personal V6 callsigns. QSL V6J via JP3AYQ, direct or Club Log OQRS, for the other calls via home call.

<https://www.qrz.com/lookup/V6J> <https://www.rsgbiota.org/info/search.php?q=oc226>

Antarctic base stations

Bellinghausen station Alex, UA1OJL is QRV as RI1ANO until March 2018. Operation during his spare time on all bands using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via RN1ON, direct or bureau, OQRS Club Log.

Dumont d'Urville Station update Francois, F4HLT is active for one year at the Dumont d'Urville Station on Petrels Island (AN-017). In his spare time he will be QRV as FT3YL. His licence is valid until February 1, 2018. QSL via F6KPQ.

<https://f4hlt.wordpress.com/>

Neumayer Station III Daniel, DL1SU, works as an electronics engineer at the base. He uses the club call sign DP0GVN until February 2018. QSL cards for DP0GVN will be handled by DL5EBE, direct or via the bureau.

Syowa research station Yath, JG2MLI is operating as 8J1RL until January 2018. In addition, to mark the 60th anniversary of Japanese Antarctic Research Expeditions, Yath will also use the call 8J60JARE. Operation from 40 to 10 meter using all modes. QSL via bureau and LoTW, for direct via JG2MLI.

Special call

THE NEWCOMERS

4J, AZERBAIJAN A special callsign dedicated to Formula 1 Grand Prix of Europe which takes place in Baku, the capital of the Azerbaijan Republic, for the second time from June 23 to 25 June. **4JF1EU** is active until June 25. Operator: Alexander, 4J3DJ. QSL via 4J3DJ. <https://www.qrz.com/db/4JF1EU>

E7, BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA The ARC from Zenica is celebrating its 70th anniversary with the call **E770BAB**. Activity until end 2017. QSL via E71EZC, direct or bureau.

F, FRANCE For the 66th year in a row, **TM24H** is operating to mark the 24 Hours of Le Mans. Activity until June 18 on all bands and all modes. QSL confirmed automatically via bureau.

I, ITALY II1AND marks the 50th international H.C Andersen Festival until June 11. QSL via IQ1TG (direct) or via 9A8ARS (bureau).

ON, BELGIUM Members of the Royal Belgian Amateur Radio Union (UBA), especially in cooperation with the local radio clubs IPR, RAM, MWV and ARA are active as **OPOPPY** until June 11 from "the smallest city in Belgium" : "MESSINES" (Mesen). See QRZ.com for more info.

UA, RUSSIA R100K celebrates the 100th anniversary of the city Kotlas during June. QSL via RA1OD, direct or bureau.

UA, RUSSIA 2017 has been declared a year of ecology in Russia. **R110A** calls attention to Prof. V.V. Alekhin who visited a region around Kursk 110 years ago, which later became the first state reserve. QRV until August 31. QSL via RU3WR.

UR, UKRAINE EN90QDG marks the beginning of the hydropower station Dniepr 90 years ago. Operation until October 30 on HF using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via UR6QR.

THE REMINDERS

5B, CYPRUS H2017PFO is the special call until end 2017 to celebrate that Paphos (Cyprus) has the honour of being the European Capital of Culture for 2017 together with Aarhus (Denmark). QSL via Club Log OQRS or via 5B4AIE, direct preferred.

DL, GERMANY DM200LFS (special DOK 200LFS) commemorates the 200th birthday of Louis Ferdinand Schoenherr, a German inventor of power looms. Activity until end February 2018. All QSOs count as a "joker" and 10 points for the KIDS award that is supporting SOS Children's Villages in Saxony. QSL via eQSL, LoTW and bureau.
<http://df0che.darc.de/dm200lfs.php>

DL, GERMANY DM150HSM is the special call to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the University of Applied Sciences at Mittweida. Activity until end June. Operation on HF using mostly SSB with some CW and PSK. QSL via DK0MIT.
<http://www.global.hs-mittweida.de/~dk0mit/Joomla/>

DL, GERMANY DR60VKL is the special call to mark the 60th anniversary of the DARC ARC Voelklingen. Activity during 2017. QSL via bureau.

DL, GERMANY Special calls **DR500MLE**, **DR1517LU**, **DR5LUTHER**, **DC500LS**, **DM5LUTHER** and **DL500ML** are QRV during 2017 to commemorate the 500th anniversary of the Protestant Reformation initiated by Martin Luther.

DL, GERMANY The ARC of Pfronten Fuesen (DOK T11), is celebrating its 60th anniversary with the call **DL60TELF**. Activity until April 30, 2018. QSL via bureau, LoTW.

DL, GERMANY Look for **DL2017TDF** until July 31. Special DOK, this for the grand start of the Tour De France 2017 in Dusseldorf. QSL via DK7TX.

DL, GERMANY Operators of the club station DL0VBG from the railway museum Vienenburg are active as **DR0HARZ** during 2017 to mark the 25th anniversary of the return of the narrow gauge Brocken Railway. QSL via DF7AA, direct or bureau.

DL, GERMANY Look for **DB20ENERGY** to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the German Company DB Energie. Operation until end 2017. QSL via bureau or via DM2DX direct.

DL, GERMANY DR60SAL is the special call to celebrate the reunification of Saarland with the Fed. Rep of Germany 60 years ago. Operation during 2017. QSL via bureau.

DL, GERMANY Operators of the ARC Wittenberg (DOK W29) will be operating as **DR1517LU** during 2017. This to celebrate the 500th anniversary of the Protestant Reformation. QSL via bureau.

EI, IRELAND The following nine special event calls are drawing attention to Ireland's "Wild Atlantic Way" along the island's western coast during 2017.

EI11WAW - County Donegal

EI22WAW - County Leitrim

EI33WAW - County Sligo

EI44WAW - County Mayo

EI55WAW - County Galway

EI66WAW - County Clare

EI77WAW - County Limerick

EI88WAW - County Kerry

EI99WAW - County Cork

QSL via Club Log OQRS or via EI6AL direct.

EW, BELARUS EV145I is the special call from the city of Rechytsa, this to celebrate the 145th anniversary of the creation of the Water Rescue Society. Activity until June 22. QSL via bureau.

QSL via bureau.

F, FRANCE Look for **TM500LH** from July 5 until July 10. This to celebrate the 500th anniversary of the foundation of Le Havre. QSL via F6KOH.

HA, HUNGARY Special call **HG14HST** is active to promote the 14th IARU High Speed Telegraphy World Championship that will be held in Esztergom, Hungary on September 8-12. QSL via HA2NA and LoTW. <http://www.hst2017.org/en/>

HA, HUNGARY The MTOSZ Gyor Varosi Radioklub is using the call **HG17EYOF** until August 31 to celebrate the European Youth Olympic Festival (a biennial multi-sport event for youth athletes from the 48 member countries of the association of European Olympic Committees) which will be held in Gyor on 23-29 July. QSL direct only to MTOSZ Gyor Varosi Radioklub, Gyor, Nagysandor Jozsef u. 27, 9027, Hungary.

HB, SWITZERLAND Look for **HB600NVF** until December 31. This to commemorate the 600th anniversary of the birth of Niklaus von Flue, the patron saint of Switzerland. QSL via LoTW, for paper QSL via HB9JOE. <http://www.qrz.com/db/hb600nvf>

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I, ITALY II1TON is the special call to celebrate the 90th anniversary of ARI Torino. Activity until June 30. QSL via Club Log OQRS.

I, ITALY Celebrating the 10th anniversary of Insubria Radio (IQ2IR), special call **IR2XIR** will be used during 2017. QSL via Club Log's OQRS or via 9A8MDC.

JA, JAPAN Look for **8J7FESTA** to celebrate Tohoku Festival until August 31. QSL via bureau.

JA, JAPAN Look for **8J2YAF** to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the Nagoya College ARC until end 2017. QSL via bureau.

JA, JAPAN The Katayanagi Institute of the University of Tokyo celebrates its 70th anniversary on the air with the call **8J1YAC** until end March 2018. Activity from 160 meter to 70cm using CW and SSB. QSL via bureau or via JE1XUZ direct.

JA, JAPAN 8J1IP is the special call to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Inokashira Park. Activity until June 30. QSL via bureau.

JA, JAPAN 8J4VLP, 8J6VLP, 8J8VLP and **8J9VLP** are the special calls in the context of World QRP Day (June 17). Activity until June 30. QSL via bureau.

JA, JAPAN Look for **8N3H7OY** to celebrate the 70th anniversary of Hirakata City. Operation until March 31, 2018. QSL via bureau.

JA, JAPAN 8J1ITU is the call that celebrates the founding of ITU. Members of the Japan ITU ARC are active during May from Honsu Island (AS-007). QSL via bureau.

JA, JAPAN Special call **8J2016Y** is active until October 31. This to celebrate the Inuyama Festival, one of the 33 Japanese float festivals that in 2016 UNESCO inscribed to the Representative List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity. QSL via the JARL bureau.

LA, NORWAY LA1742K is the special call to celebrate the 275th anniversary of the city Kristiansund. Operation until end 2017. QSL via LA6K, direct or bureau.

LA, NORWAY LM8OREX and **LM80Q** are the special calls during 2017 to celebrate the 80th anniversary of King Harald V and Queen Sonja. QSL via OQRS Club Log, LoTW or via LA9VDA.

LY, LITHUANIA Look for **LY17PM** from different hillforts in Lithuania during June. QSO's count towards the Lithuanian Hillforts Award. QSL via LY2KM.

LZ, BULGARY Once again Radio Club Blagovestnik (LZ1KCP) will use these special calls throughout 2017 to honor as many different Bulgarian saints: **LZ121SBS** (June), **LZ284SKD** (July), **LZ55UPB** (August), **LZ100SK** (September), **LZ251MKP** (October), **LZ307MU** (November) and **LZ710SG** (December). QSL via bureau or direct to P.O. Box 36, 4300 Karlovo, Bulgaria. Details on the "All Saints 2017" award can be found at <http://www.lz1kcp.com>.

OH, FINLAND Taking part in the celebrations of Finland's 100th anniversary as an independent state, amateur radio clubs around the country will activate the special

call **OF100FI/#** (where # is the number of the call area, from 0 to 9). Activity during 2017. QSL via bureau.

OM, SLOVAK REP OM42KYSUCE is active to mark the 42nd ARDF Kysuca Cup. Activity until end June. QSL via OM3CND, bureau or direct.

OM, SLOVAK REP Look for **OM500R** to mark the Reformation celebrations until end 2017. QSL see QRZ.com.

OM, SLOVAK REP Pavel, OM3CND will use **OM685RADOLA** to celebrate the 685th anniversary of the town Radol'a. Activity during 2017. QSL via OM3CND.

ON, BELGIUM The oldest radio club in Belgium, Radio Club Belge de l'Est (founded in 1922) is celebrating this with the special call **OR95RCBE** during June. QSL via ON4GDV.

ON, BELGIUM To celebrate the 500th birthday of the Flemish physicist and botanist Robert Dodoens, the special call **OS500RD** is activated during June. QSL via bureau.

ON, BELGIUM Members of the Belgian Radio Club ONZ will be operating during 2017 as **OP17HC**. This to commemorate the First World War. QSL via ON7PP.

<http://uba.be/en/latest/flash/uba-14-18-award>

OZ, DENMARK OZ44C marks Thor Heyerdahl's Kon-Tiki Expedition (LI2B/mm) 70 years ago. QRV until the end of 2017. QSL via 5P2BA, direct or bureau.

OZ, DENMARK Look for **OZ1AARHUS** to mark the City Aarhus being one of the two European Capitals of Culture in 2017.

OZ, DENMARK The Danish radio club Eksperimenterende Danske Radio-amatoere (EDR) will celebrate its 70th anniversary with the special event calls **5P90EDR**, **OV90EDR**, **OX90EDR**, **OZ90EDR**, **OZ7D** (only in JT-modes) during 2017. An award will also be available. QSL via OZ1ACB, LoTW, Club Log OQRS.

OZ, DENMARK To celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Treaty of the Danish West Indies, special call **OZ100DVI** will be active during 2017. In 1917 the Dansk Vest-Indien were sold to the United States and renamed the US Virgin Islands. QSL via OZ1IVA, direct or bureau.

PA, THE NETHERLANDS PA150LIM is the special call to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the province Limburg. Activity until June 10 on HF, VHF and UHF. QSL via PD0MHZ.

PA, THE NETHERLANDS PH00GEVEEN is the special call in the context of the annual 'Wings and Wheels' event. Activity until June 6. QSL via PA4HM, direct or bureau.

S5, SLOVENIA Look for **S557E** during 2017 to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the Radio Club Cerkno (S50E). QSL confirmed automatically via bureau and LoTW, direct via S500.

S5, SLOVENIA S5100LIONS celebrates the 100th anniversary of the Lions Club International until end 2017. QSL via S53DOX.

SM, SWEDEN The Gotlands Radioklubb (SK1BL) on Gotland Island (EU-020) will use special calls **7S1GRK** and **SK70BL** until December 31 to celebrate its 70th anniversary. See <http://sk1bl.hamlogs.net/> for the award programme. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau.

SM, SWEDEN Special event station **SC90SM** is QRV until December 31, this to mark the 90th anniversary of the longwave broadcasting station in Motala. Inaugurated in 1927 and closed in 1962, it was one of the most powerful BC stations in Europe. QSL via SM5ELV, direct or bureau.

SP, POLAND HF800RC is celebrating the 800th anniversary of the city Raciborza. QRV during June, QSO's count for a special award. QSL via SP9KJU.

SP, POLAND SN100F commemorates the revelation of the Three Secrets of Fatima in Portugal 100 years ago. QRV until end 2017. QSL via SP5CGN, direct or bureau.

SV, GREECE Members of the Radio Amateur Union of North Aegean are operating from the geo park on Lesbos (EU-049) until June 23 with the call **J48GEO**. Operators are Alex/SV8QG, Pantelis/SV8DCY, Kostas/SV8DCW, Periklis/SV8DTD, and Fotis/SV8RMA. QRV from 160 to 10 meter using SSB, CW and digital modes. On the Geopark weekend (June 2/3) the group will be located at the Natural History Museum of the Lesbos Petrified Forest. An award will also be available. QSL via SZ8LSV, direct or LoTW.

UA, RUSSIA The Radio Marathon "Moscow-870" is QRV end 2017. Special call for June are: **R1380M** (until June 10), **R1945M** (June 11-June 20) and **R1608M** (June 21-June

30). QSL via RK3AW. Detailed information on the event and the award programme can be found at <http://www.moscow870.com>

UA, RUSSIA R100FNR and **R2017F** are the special calls to celebrate the 100th anniversary of Russia's first nature reserve. Operation until July 31. See qrz.com for instructions.

UR, UKRAINE The Druzhkivka Club is celebrating its 90th anniversary as **EN90IWA**. QRV until end 2017. QSL via bureau.

UR, UKRAINE Special call **EO25P** is active until end 2017. This to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the Volyn Amateur Radio League.

VE, CANADA The Frontenac ARC is active as **XM3CARF** until July 3, This to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the founding of the Canadian Amateur Radio Federation. QSL via operator's instructions.

VE, CANADA X01X is the call for the Yukon CanAm Contest Club. This to celebrate the 150th anniversary of Canada's Confederation until December 31. QSL direct to KC1CWF or via LoTW.

VE, CANADA Members of the Kings County ARC are active as **XM1150CAN**, this to mark the founding of Canada 150 years ago. Active until end 2017. QSL via bureau and LoTW.

W, USA The "KB7QPS Air, Space and Technology Operating Event "is commemorating man's historical milestones in air, space and technology over the last 400 years" by operating twelve callsigns (see below) during 2017. QSL direct to KB7QPS.

<http://airspacetechnology.webs.com/>

Callsign	SES Title	Event Dates
N6R	3 Generations of Mars Rovers	1/19/17 - 1/23/17
W7J	Discovery of Jupiter's Moons	2/2/17 - 2/6/17
W7C	First Flight of the Concorde	3/2/17 - 3/6/17
N7S	First Space Shuttle Launch	4/13/17 - 4/17/17
N7T	Hubble Space Telescope	5/18/17 - 5/22/17
W7S	Discovery of Sunspots	6/8/17 - 6/12/17
N7M	Man Walking on the Moon	7/20/17 - 7/24/17
K7I	Birth of the IBM-PC	8/10/17 - 8/14/17
W7F	First Flight of the F-22	9/7/17 - 9/11/17
K7S	Sputnik Launch	9/28/17 - 10/2/17
K7E	Invention of the Electron Tube	11/9/17 - 11/13/17
W7D	Dreamliner First Flight	12/14/17 - 12/18/17

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