



## **DX bulletin 349**

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## **DX News**

### **Ham Radio 2020 cancelled**

Following the most recent restrictions instituted in Germany to curtail the Covid-19 pandemic, the Ham Radio 2020 exhibition has now been cancelled. The exhibition cooperation and Germany's amateur radio organisation DARC are planning a virtual exhibition where new products and talks may be presented on a website.

### **VK9NK Norfolk Island -update by Janusz SP9FIH**

I just made first upload to LoTW. QSOs requested as direct via OQRS Club Log were uploaded.

Please be patient – all QSOs will be uploaded when I am back home. Nobody knows when but I hope before next year...

My priority now is making QSOs with all who need Norfolk Island as ATNO. Contact confirmations will wait for some time.

### **Postponed due to Covid 19**

Unfortunately, we had to make the decision that we have to postpone our DXpedition to Timor-Leste to next year. The current situation based on the Corona pandemic makes it impossible to plan anything later in this year. The uncertainty of travel safety, the not predictable impact on the companies we have to rely on and the current restrictions that prevent a solid preparation, forced us to take this step. We hope that we can see clearer by the end of this year what will be in 2021.

**4W, TIMOR LESTE** The Lagunaria DX Group is planning a large scale DXpedition to Timor-Leste (4W) from October 11 until November 8. We even already have a confirmed reservation for two close by lodges to have enough space to host up to 10 stations. Serious participation in both CQWW contests included! <http://timor-leste-dx.de/>

### **JA operators and Top Band**

In JA, the following frequency ranges were permitted by the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications today (21 Apr. 2020) .

**1800kHz – 1810kHz (All mode)**

**1825kHz – 1875kHz (All mode)**

**3575kHz – 3580kHz (All mode)**

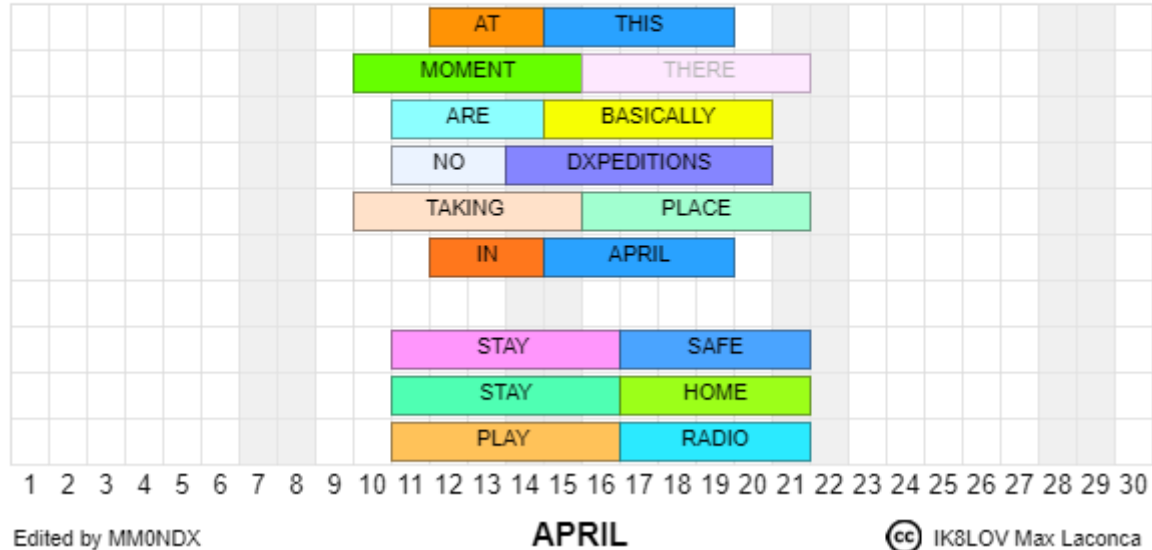
**3662kHz – 3680kHz (All mode)**

By this addition, QSO on Digital & CW with JA will be smoothened.

# DXCC Timeline

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## DXCC

### **This week on air**

**This can change daily, please visit <https://www.dx-world.net/> for updates.**

**9G, GHANA** Matt, IZ4YGS is once again active as 9G5GS from Sanzule until May 15. Operation from 160 to 15 meter using mostly FT8 F/H. QSL via home call IZ4YGS, 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.

**A2, BOTSWANA** David, VE7VR will be operating as A25VR from April 28 until May 24. Operation in 'holiday-style' on 40-20 meter, low power. QSL via home call.

**H4, SOLOMON ISLANDS** Bernard, DL2GAC is active as H44MS. QRV from his countryside QTH on Malaita Island. He expected to leave the country on 23 April, but all of his flights have been cancelled. H44MS will be QRV "for some more time" on 17 and 40 metres SSB and FT8.

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

**HR, HONDURAS** Gerard, HR5/F2JD was expected to remain in Honduras until April 4 but COVID-19 situation is causing him to stay longer. Unless he can catch a "flight opportunity", he is likely to be there until early June. QSL via F6AJA.

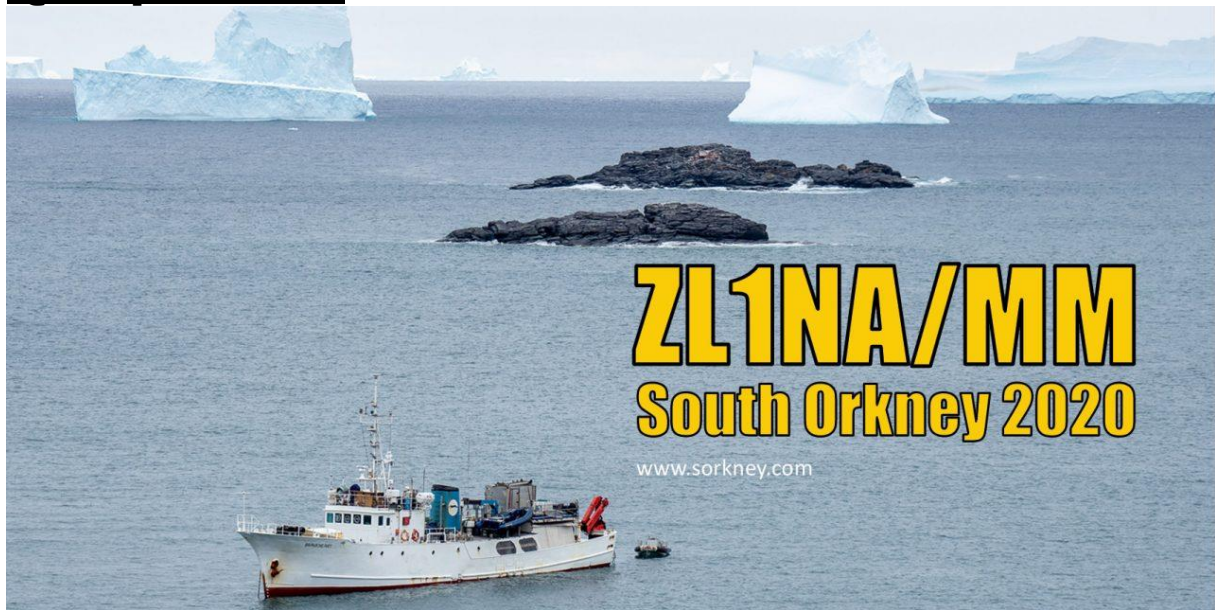
**VK9N, NORFOLK ISLAND** Janusz, SP9FIH is QRV as VK9NK until there will be flights available. He moved QTH on April 10 to the northern part of the island. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via home call.

<http://vk9nk.dxpeditons.org/>

**XU, CAMBODIA** Tom BG9XD is operating as XU7AMG from Phnom Penh until June 11. Operation mostly on 40 and 20 meter using CW. QSL via Club Log or direct via BD4HF.

**YI, IRAQ** Giorgio IU5HWS is in Iraq until mid-July. He's going there with the Italian Army Airborne Brigade. QRV on 40-20-10m. Giorgio will update his YI/IU5HWS page on QRZ.com with more details later.

## QSL preview







## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Announced DX

#### THE REMINDERS

**3B8, MAURITIUS** A team with G0CKV and others will be active as 3B8M during the CQWW CW contest (Nov 28-29). Activity before and after the contest on the low bands. QSL via M00XO.

**3Y, BOUVET** The Rebels will try to activate Bouvet somewhere December 2020. More to follow.

**5X, UGANDA** Shabu, M0KRI (ex VU7RI, 9U4RI) will be QRV as 5X1RI from end-July to mid-August. More to follow.

**7Q, MALAWI** Pista, HA5AO will be operating as 7Q7AO during the second half of September/begin October. Dates TBA. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using CW, RTTY, FT8 and some SSB. <https://www.ha5ao.com/index.php/news>

**8Q, MALDIVES** Yosuke, JJ1DQR will be active from Male as 8Q7QR from September 4 until September 8. Operation on HF using SSB and FT8. An entry in the All Asian DX Contest is included. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

**A3, TONGA** Stan LZ1GC and Ivan LZ1PM will be operating as A35GC from October 19 until November 2. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB, RTTY and FT8. Logs uploaded during the DXpedition to Club Log. QSL via LZ1GC OQRS, direct or bureau.

**CE0Y, EASTER ISLAND** Hans-Martin, DK2HM will be operating as XR0YHM between August 27 and September 7. QRV in 'holiday-style' from 80 to 10 meter using SSB and digi. QSL via OQRS Club Log, LoTW or home call direct or bureau.

**CE0Y, EASTER ISLAND** The Polish DXpedition Team with Jan SP3CYY, Jurek SP3GEM, Wlodek SP6EQZ, Janusz SP6IXF, Roman SP9FOW and Piotr SP9RCL will be active as xr0ysp FROM September 15 until September 30. Plans are to be QRV with 3 stations from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8.

**CY0, SABLE ISL** Permission for a DXpedition has been authorized from October 19 until October 28. The team: WA2DAN, N2IEN, K5DHY, K5YY, K4UEE, WW2DX, AA4NC, N8AA, N2TU.

<http://cy0dxpedition.net/index.html>

**E6, NIUE** Stan LZ1GC and Ivan LZ1PM will be operating as E6AM from September 28 until October 17. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB, RTTY and FT8. Logs uploaded during the DXpedition to Club Log. QSL via LZ1GC OQRS, direct or bureau.

**FM, MARTINIQUE** Uwe, DL8UD will be active as TO5O during the RSGB IOTA contest (July 25-26). Before and after he will operate as FM/call. QSL via home call, Club Log OQRS.

**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. <http://to5t.com/>

**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.

**FS, ST MARTIN** David, F8AAN will once again be active as FS/call from November 18 until December 4. Operation from 40 to 10 meter using CW only. QSL via Club Log OQRS.

**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.

**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.

**T2, TUVALU** The Rebels will be QRV as T22T (pending) somewhere during spring. More to follow.

**T33, BANABA** The Rebels will be operating as T33T the first half of 2020. More to follow.

**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.

**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 100<sup>th</sup> 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/>

**TT, CHAD** The Italian DXpedition Team will be active as TT8RR (CW, SSB and RTTY) and as TT8XX (FT8) between September 29 and October 12 from Ndjamena. Nine operators (I1FQH, I1HJT, I2PJA, I2YSB, IK2CIO, IK2CKR, IK2DIA, IK2HKT and IK2RZP) will be active with four stations on all bands. QSL via I2YSB (direct only).

<http://www.i2ysb.com/idt/>

**V4, ST KITTS** John, W5JON will once again be active as V47JA from Calypso Bay from June 11 until July 2. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using SSB and FT8. QSL via LoTW or home call direct.

**VK9W, WILLIS ISLAND** The 2016/2019 CY9C team, and the upcoming Sable Island DXpedition CY0C team, is pleased to announce our next DXpedition. After the Sable Island CY0C DXpedition, they will go to Willis Island VK9W in 2021. 8 Operators from those two

teams will comprise the 2021 Willis Island DXpedition team. Boat arrangements have already been made. We are currently working with the Australian government for the necessary permits. (WA4DAN). More to follow.

**XT, BURKINA FASO** Max, DK1MAX will once again be active as XT2MAX later this year. QSL via EA5GL. More to follow.

**Z6, KOSOVO** A German team will be operating as Z66DX between October 15 and October 28. Operation with 3 stations from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi.

<http://www.z66dx.de/>

**ZA, ALBANIA** Franz, OE6TQG will be operating as ZA/call from September 6 until September 17. Operation on all bands using all modes. QSL via home call.

**ZD7, ST HELENA** Oliver, W6NV will once again be active as ZD7W during the CQWW CW contest (November 28-29). QSL via LoTW.

**ZF, CAYMAN ISLANDS** Look for KO7SS from Cayman Brac as ZF2SS during the CQ WPX CW contest (May 30-31).

**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-023 Amami O Isl** Kenji, JA4GXS will be operating as call/6 from May 9 (8 UTC) until May 11 (21 UTC). QRV on 40, 30, 20 and 17 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

#### **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**

**NA-070 Kiska Isl**

Yuri N3QQ, Vyacheslav OK8AU, Yuri UA9OBA and others will be active as KL7RRC/p from Kiska Island on June 10-15 and as KL7RRC from Adak Island on June 17-19. Activity with 3 stations using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via N7RO.

#### **SOUTH AMERICA**

**SA-029 Cedro Isl** The Cabreuva DX Team will once again be QRV as ZV1C during May 1-3. Activity from 80 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via PU2VCP.

## **Antarctica base stations**

**Mirny Station** Alexander RX3ABI is operating as RI1ANM until early 2021. Activity on HF when time permits. QSL via home call.



# Special calls

## THE NEWCOMERS

This is a current list of all STAYHOME calls:

OH0STAYHOME Finnish Amateur Radio League Helsinki  
Z39STAYHOME Radio-Amateur Assosiation of North Macedonia and STOP spreading of COVID-19 Virus  
OH4STAYHOME Finnish Amateur Radio League MIKKELI & SOUTHERN SAVO  
DX0STAYHOME Philippine Amateur Radio Association PARA Quezon City  
A60STAYHOME STAY HOME Sharjah  
5B4STAYHOME Norman Banks Pafos  
OH8STAYHOME Finnish Amateur Radio League Helsinki  
W4IPC/STAYHOME Connor J Black Chesapeake VA  
9K9STAYHOME KUWAIT AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY 13053, SAFAT  
OP2STAYHOME RADIOCLUB GRIMBERGEN NBT  
4J0STAYHOME The Federation of Radiosport of Azerbaijan Republic QSL via DC9RI  
CR2STAYHOME Azores is Taking a BREAK! #STAYSAFE  
8C2STAYHOME SPECIAL CALL for CAMPAIGN SOCIAL DISTANCING COVID-19 JL. TANJUNG No. 11 SEMARANG  
YO19STAYHOME Federatia Romana de Radioamatorism The Romanian Amateur Radio Federation P.O. BOX 22-50 BU  
HZ1STAYHOME Saudi Amateur Radio Society P.O. Box: 12251 Riyadh 11473  
Z60STAYHOME SHRAK KOSOVO KOSOVO  
CT1STAYHOME Ham Operator Of Portugal Portugal  
OT20STAYHOME UBA Award Friends Mechelen & Berchem  
OT2STAYHOME Radio Club RC ON7LU Athus LU  
OH2STAYHOME Finnish Amateur Radio League Helsinki  
OH9STAYHOME Finnish Amateur Radio League Helsinki  
ON7AR Antwerp Contest Club - Antwerpen *(alias match)*  
CV7STAYHOME EUGENIO DE MARINO LAVALLEJA  
OH3STAYHOME Finnish Amateur Radio League TAMPERE & HÄME REGIONS  
Z30STAYHOME RADIOAMATEUR SOCIETY OF MACEDONIA Macedonia  
OR20STAYHOME ON4RSX UBA RSX Ronse / Renaix  
OH5STAYHOME Finnish Amateur Radio League Helsinki  
TC1STAYHOME COVID-19 Awareness Special Event Callsign Istanbul  
OR4STAYHOME Radio Club Leuven Est 1927 LEUVEN  
OR8STAYHOME Section ATH De L'UBA Chateau CLOQUETTE 7801 Irchonwelz (Ath)  
OS0STAYHOME UBA Mechelen Division (MCL) Mechelen  
OH6STAYHOME Finnish Amateur Radio League Helsinki  
ON8ON YVES DUQUESNE 9600 RONSE - BELGIUM *(alias match)*  
OR2STAYHOME ON4NOK radio club Turnhout  
IX1HPN/STAYHOME Mathieu Bignotti Saint Marcel  
E7STAYHOME HAM Operators of Bosnia and Herzegovina 07-Apr-2020 2200UTC to 01-Jun-2020 2200UTC  
OH1STAYHOME Finnish Amateur Radio League SOUTHWEST FINLAND  
VI2020STAYHOME Radio Amateur Society of Aust RASA Drouin West  
R3STAYHOME Roman V. Rakitin Voronezh  
OH7STAYHOME Finnish Amateur Radio League Helsinki

**EA, SPAIN** The special event callsigns **AM95WARD, AM1WARD, AM4WARD AM5WARD, AM6ARD, AM7WARD, AM8WARD, and AM9WARD** remain active on 160-10m until the end of April. An award is available as well. QSL via EA4URE, direct or bureau. (TNX DXNL).

**G, ENGLAND** Members of the Bury Radio Society urge everyone to "Wash Your Hands" with **GB9WYH** until May 11 on SSB, FM, FT4, FT8 and CW. (TNX DXNL)

**G, ENGLAND** Chris M0VWT and Adrian M0PAI are paying tribute to key workers during the Covid-19 pandemic with the callsigns **GB4KW** and **GB9KW**. QRV until May 16 on HF (SSB, digital modes). QSL only via eQSL. (TNX DXNL)

**HA, HUNGARY** The following special event calls from Hungary will be active until May 15: **HG20ST, HG20AY, HG20AT, HG20HO, and HG20ME**. An award is also available for QSOs with these stations. QSL via bureau, LoTW. (TNX DXNL)

**TA, TURKEY** **TC100TBMM** is the special call until April 26 to celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> years of the Grand National Assembly of Turkey.

**V8, BRUNEI** Look for **V84SAR** until May 2, this to celebrate World Amateur Radio Day and 95 years of IARU. Operation on HF using CW, SSB and digi. See QRZ.com for more.

**VE, CANADA** **XN1BOA**, operated by members of the Grassroots HAM Radio Club, commemorates the end of the Battle of the Atlantic 75 years ago. QRV between April 25 and May 15 from Saint Johns / Newfoundland (NA-027). (TNX DXNL)

## **THE REMINDERS**

**4X, ISRAEL**

**LY, LITHUANIA**

Special call signs **4ZOGAON** from Israel (QSL via LY2QT) and **LY300GAON** from Lithuania (QSL via LY2QT) is active until end April to commemorate the 300th anniversary of the birth of Eliyahu ben Shlomo Zalman, known as the Vilna Gaon (1720-1797), one of the most influential figures in rabbinic study since the Middle Ages. A certificate will be available, see qrz.com for information. (TNX 425DX)

**5B, CYPRUS** Amateur radio operators in Cyprus celebrate the 60<sup>th</sup> 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.

**A6, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES** The Emirates Amateur Radio Society (EARS) has several "StayHome" stations active to raise awareness for social distancing and sheltering in place during the COVID-19 pandemic:

**A60SH/1** operated by A61M QSL via A61BK

**A60SH/2** operated by A61Q QSL via EA7FTR

**A60SH/3** operated by A61NN QSL via A61NN

**A60SH/4** operated by A61BK QSL via A61BK

**A60SH/5** operated by A61DD QSL via A92AA

**A60SH/6** operated by A61QQ QSL via A61BK

**A60SH/7** operated by A61FJ QSL via LZ1YE

**A60SH/8** operated by A61K QSL via A61BK

**A60SH/9** operated by A61AY QSL via A61AY

**A60SH/10** operated by A61FK QSL via A61BK

**BV, TAIWAN** Look for **BV120SU** to celebrate the 120<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Soochow University. Operation on HF until August 4. QSL via BU2EQ. (TNX DXNL)

**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 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 250<sup>th</sup> birthday until the end of the year. QSL via DJ6SI direct or bureau. (TNX DXNL)

**DL, GERMANY DM30RSV** is the special call to commemorate the formation of the Radiosportverband, the first independent national ARC in Germany. QRV until October 2. QSL via bureau, LoTW or direct via DK5ON, logsearch Club Log. <https://www.darc.de/der-club/referate/dx/7oe-jahre-darc-3oe-jahre-rsv/>

**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)

**DL, GERMANY** The special event call sign **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** Celebrating the 70<sup>th</sup> 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 30<sup>th</sup> 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 100<sup>th</sup> 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)

**E7, BOSNIA HERZEGOVINA** HAM Radio operators in Bosnia and Herzegovina are joining STAY HOME campaign until May 31 as **E7STAYHOME**. Activity will include operators from all parts of the Bosnia and Herzegovina and will be on all bands and modes. Robert, E77E and myself Boris E73Y will take care that QSL cards are sent via bureau to everybody in the LOG. Also you can expect LoTW upload after operation is completed and all LOG's collected.

**EA, SPAIN EE1MGY** is a special callsign for EB1LO to commemorate throughout April the sinking of the RMS Titanic during her maiden voyage (15 April 1912). He is QRV using CW, FT8 and WSPR on 160 metres - see why on qrz.com. QSL via EB1LO, direct or bureau. (TNX 425DX)

**F, FRANCE** Look for **TM18JUIN** to commemorate 80 years de l'appel Juin 18, 1940. Operators from ARC F4KLR will be active on May 8-9, 23-24, 30-31 and on June 6-7, 13-14, 18-19-20-21 and 27 on HF, VHF and DMR. QSL via F4AHN bureau. See QRZ.com.

**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 80<sup>th</sup> 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)

**G, ENGLAND** The National Health Service (NHS) is the publicly funded healthcare system of the United Kingdom. More so than ever, it's at the forefront of saving lives in the war against COVID-19. The UK licensing regulator (OFCOM) has given written approval for operators around the UK to use **GBONHS** from within the comfort of their own shacks. Get in touch with [Col MM0NDX](#) if you'd like to run this special callsign with immediate effect.

**G, ENGLAND** Celebrating the British Amateur Radio Teledata Group's 60<sup>th</sup> 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)

**G, ENGLAND** Peter, G4XEX is active as **GB4SAH** (Stay At Home) until end April to help amateurs "pass the time during the lockdown". (TNX 425DX)

**GM, SCOTLAND** Euan, MM0VIK is active as **GB1COR** from his home QTH on Mainland, Shetland Islands (EU-012) for the month of April in recognition and support for "the health professionals and essential key workers" during the coronavirus emergency. Apparently QSL cards will not be available for this special callsign. (TNX 425DX)

**HB9, SWITZERLAND** **HB40HTC** and **HB40HC** are QRV for the Helvetia Telegraphy Club that is celebrating its 40<sup>th</sup> 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** The Mediterraneo DX Club in the Province of Pisa (IQ5JA) celebrates its 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary during April as **II5MPI**. An award is available as well. QSL via LoTW.

**I, ITALY** Look for **II3FYT** to celebrate 5 years of Gruppo Radio Dispersi. QRV during 2020. (TNX IW3HV)

**I, ITALY** **IO3RT** and **IO3AF** are 2 special calls for ARI Thiene to commemorate 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Arturo Ferrarin's epic flight from Rome to Tokyo. Look for activity from 80 to 6 meter using SSB, CW and digital modes until end May. QSL via IQ3BM. (TNX 425DX)

**I, ITALY** **II5MPI** is the special callsign for the Mediterraneo DX Club's Pisa District to celebrate its 10th anniversary on 1-30 April. QSL via LoTW. See qrz.com for more information.

**I, ITALY** Members of the 4U1GSC Amateur Radio Club is active as **4U25B** until end August. It draws attention to the 25<sup>th</sup> 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:

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 20<sup>th</sup> 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) continues to honour the memory of Orthodox saints during April as **LZ603IL**. QSO count towards the All Saints 2020 award. QSL via bureau or via LZ1KCP direct.

**OE, AUSTRIA** Austrian special event station **OE20M** will be active on April 24-26 to commemorate the anniversary of Guglielmo Marconi's birth (25 April 1874). QSL via OE1WHC (bureau) or direct to DokuFunk, OE20M, An den Steinfeldern 4A, 1230 Wien, Austria. (TNX 425DX)

**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)

**OE, AUSTRIA** **OE25EU** is celebrating the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary since Austria acceded to the European Union. It will be used on 2-3 May, 6-7 and 21-22 June and during the first full weekends of July-November. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau. (TNX 425DX)

**OH, FINLAND** "Pysy kotona" means "stay at home" in Finnish. Ten **OH#PYSYKOTONA** special call signs with OH0 to OH9 prefixes are active until July 3 to raise awareness for social distancing and remaining at home during the COVID-19 pandemic. The activity is coordinated by the Lahti Amateur Radio Club. (TNX 425DX)

**OK, CZECH REPUBLIC** Celebrating the 30th anniversary of the Czechoslovak DX Club, special call sign **OL30DXC** will be active on all bands and modes from now until 31 December. A special QSL card will be sent automatic- ly via the bureau; direct cards go via OK2PXJ. (TNX 425DX)

**OK, CZECH REPUBLIC** OK4RQ, OK1VP, OK1AY, OK1DOL, OK6DJ and OK1IWS will be active throughout 2020 with the special event call sign **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)

**ON, BELGIUM** The Belgian regulator is issuing special call signs to convey the message "stay home, stay safe" until April 19 at least. Issued so far are **OR2STAYHOME** (QSL via eQSL), **OT20STAYHOME** (QSL via eQSL), **OT2STAYHOME** (QSL via ON7LU) and **OT6STAYS SAFE** (QSL via ON5YL). (TNX 425DX)

**OZ, DENMARK** To mark the liberation of Denmark, **OZ75MAY** will be QRV from May 1 until May 10. An award will be available on <https://oz75may.oz0j.dk/> QSL via OZ1ACB, Club Log OQRS, LoTW.

**PA, THE NETHERLANDS** Special event station **PA75ASN** is active until 10 May to commemorate the 75th anniversary of the liberation of the city of Assen during World War II. QSL via the bureau (preferred), or direct to PA0VCC. (TNX 425DX)

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

**PA, THE NETHERLANDS** Celebrating 75 years of freedom since the end of World War II, special Dutch callsigns **PA75FREE, PB75FREE, PC75FREE, PD75FREE, PE75FREE, PF75FREE, PG75FREE, PH75FREE, PA75FREEDOM and PD75FREEDOM** will be active on 1-31 May. All QSOs will be confirmed via the bureau; please use Club Log's OQRS for direct requests. A certificate will be available; see the YNOMY DX Group's website <http://www.ynomy.nl/> (TNX 425DX)

**PY, BRAZIL** PT2ADM is QRV **ZW75FEB** until end May. This to celebrate the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the end of World War II, and as a tribute to the Forca Expedicionaria Brasileira, the Brazilian Expeditionary Force that fought alongside the Allied powers in Italy during the conflict. QSL via PT2ADM, direct or bureau.

**PY, BRAZIL** Special callsign **ZW60DF** will be active during April to commemorate the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Brasilia. The city was founded on 21 April 1960, to serve as the new federal capital of Brazil and seat of government of the Distrito Federal. QSL via LoTW, or via PT2GTI. (TNX 425DX)

**S5, SLOVENIA** Members of the Radio Club Cerkno are active as special event callsign **S500E** throughout 2020. Activity is to mark half a million QSO made from the S50E - JN76AD station. A special QSL will confirm each contact via the bureau in early 2021. LOG will be uploaded on ARRL LoTW and CLUBLOG on a regular basis. For those who want to send card direct please request QSL over Clublog OQRS (preferred) or send SASE with 3 US\$ or equivalent in EUR to cover return postage to QSL manager Miran Vončina S500, Cvetkova 35, 5282 Cerkno, Slovenija. Cards with insufficient postage or no return envelope will be returned via the QSL bureau. Special S500E T-shirt will be awarded to station with highest number of QSO (band/mode) from each continent and Slovenija. For more information, updates and useful links please visit Radio Club Cerkno S50E website at <http://www.s50e.si/> (TNX S50U)

**SP, POLAND** Look for **SN100KW** to celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Pope John Paul II on May 18, 1920. Operation during April and May. QSL via SP3PGS bureau.

**SP, POLAND** Special calls **3Z90PZK, HF90PZK, SN90PZK and SP90PZK** are QRV during 2020 to celebrate the 90<sup>th</sup> 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)

**SP, POLAND** **SN0KURP** is a special callsign for Radio Club Baza (SP5KVV) to promote the Polish ethnic region of Kurpie until end May. QSL via bureau. (TNX 425DX)

**TA, TURKEY** The Turkey Radio Amateur Club's branch of Subesi (YM3KB) is active as **TC100KIDS** during April. This to mark the National Sovereignty and Children's Day (April 23).

**TA, TURKEY** **TC1STAYHOME** is a special callsign for the awareness of COVID-19 pandemic. For a couple of weeks; stay home, stay safe please. Operation until May 25. <https://www.qrz.com/db/TC1STAYHOME>

**UA, RUSSIA** Special call **UE45SA** will be active on July 11-19 to commemorate the 45<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Apollo-Soyuz Test Project. Conducted in July 1975, it was the first joint US-Soviet space flight. QSL via Club Log OQRS or via RV3YR. (TNX 425DX)

**VK, AUSTRALIA** The Western and Northern Suburbs Amateur Radio Club (WANSARC) celebrates its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary as **VI50AWS** until end August. All contacts will be confirmed with a special QSL. <https://www.wansarc.org.au/>



**VK, AUSTRALIA AX2020STAYHOME** is a special event callsign issued to the Radio Amateur Society of Australia. It will be used to promote the message "STAY AT HOME" and encourage hams all around the world to isolate at home and get on-air.

**XE, MEXICO** The special event stations **4A60A, 4A60M, 4A60E, 4A60X, 4A60I, 4A60C, 4A60O, 4A60N, 4A60F** and **4A60S** celebrate the founding of the Asociacion de Radio Aficionados de la Republica Mexicana (ARARM) 60 years ago. QRV until July 25. The club also offers an award for contacts with these stations.

**XE, MEXICO** The DXXE group celebrates their 15<sup>th</sup> 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 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Operation during 2020. QSL via YU1MM, direct or bureau, LoTW, Club Log OQRS.

**ZL, NEW ZEALAND** At the suggestion of Paul, ZL4TT, we applied to Radio Spectrum Management for, and have been granted, approval to treat the COVID-19 lockdown period as a "special event." This means that, for the duration of the lock down, New Zealand Amateurs may use the **ZM** prefix instead of the ZL prefix on their callsign. Please feel free to use these callsigns from today. We hope that the use of the ZM prefix will:

- Help to relieve the boredom for amateurs stuck at home over the lockdown period; and
- Increase the profile of New Zealand amateurs (and New Zealand in general) overseas.

**ZS, SOUTH AFRICA** Look for **ZS95SARL** during 2020. This to celebrate the 95<sup>th</sup> 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.