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DX News

News about VK0IR Heard Island 1997

Bob, KK6EK got in touch recently, first of all with some warm words for DX-World and then interesting news / links on the 1997 Heard Island DXpedition.

I was so pleased with your survey of the Best DXpedition of past 30 years. The VKØIR team was, of course, delighted. Thank you so much. And compliments for continuing excellence on DX World!

NCDXF grant announcement – JX0X

The Northern California DX Foundation is pleased to announce it is granting \$5,000 to the JX0X 2021 Jan Mayen Island DXpedition planned for September/October 2021. Jan Mayen Island is in high demand on the LF bands by DXers in North America and East Asia and is a primary focus of this team.

DXpedition team leader Ken Opskar, LA7GIA, says *"the JX0X team (is) very pleased to have received this major grant from NCDXF. With the trust you have shown by supporting us, we will put a lot of effort in making a good low band show in 2021. We are aware of how much JX is needed in NA and look forward working many NA DXers!"*

DXCC

This week on air

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

5X, UGANDA Shabu, M0KRI is once again active as 5X1RI until mid-August. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

8P, BARBADOS Mathieu, VA2MVR is currently living in Pine Gardens, Barbados and is active as 8P9QC from time to time on 40 and 20 meter using a dipole sloping from a coconut tree (see picture). QRV until mid-September.

J6, ST LUCIA Bill K9HZ/J68HZ is operating daily between 01:00 and 10:00 UTC until September on 160 meter FT8. QSL via LoTW.

KG4, GUANTANAMO BAY Miguel, W1SRR is deployed in Guantanamo until mid-July 2021. Operation as KG4MA during his spare time on HF using SSB and digi. QSL information not yet known.

XW, LAOS Mike, UA0XB has received the call XW2DX during a 5 year stay in the country. Operation on 20, 15 and 10 meter. QSL via RM0L.

YI, IRAQ Giorgio IU5HWS is active until end November. QRV on 40-20-10 meter. Giorgio will update his YI/IU5HWS page on QRZ.com with more details later.

ZL7, CHATHAM ISL Stuart, ZL3STU now lives on Chatham and has been active recently as ZL7STU on 30 meter. QRX for updates about QSL.

Coming up soon

9G, GHANA Matteo, IZ4YGS will once again be operating as 9G5GS from Sanzuele between August 8 and September 15. Activity from 160 to 15 meter using FT8 with some SSB. QSL via home call, LoTW.

OJO, MARKET REEF Tommi, OH3BRJ and Valtteri OH3BRK will be operating as OJO/calls on August 6-7. Activity from 80 to 6 meter using SSB and digi.

IOTA

This week on air

EUROPE

EU-041 Maddalena Isl Simone, IU4HRJ will be operating as IM0/call from August 4 until August 10. Operation from 40 to 2 meter using SSB and digi.

EU-062 Tjotta

EU-076 Lofoten

A recent **tweet** from DX-World informing that world traveller and well know DXpeditioner, Ken LA7GIA, is currently travelling to IOTA EU-062 & EU-076.

EU-096 Kaurissalo Isl Jukka, OH3OJ is active until August 4. QRV on 40 to 6m using CW, SSB, FT8/FT4. QSL via homecall, LoTW, eQSL.

Lighthouse on the air

ISRAEL

The following stations will be active between August 16 and August 23:

- * 4Z5SL/LH from Acco LH (ISR-003)
- * 4X6ZM/LH from Ashdod LH (ISR-001)
- * 4X1OM/LH from Mikhmoret LH (ISR-006)
- * 4Z1NB/LH from Mikhmoret LH (ISR-006)
- * 4X5HF/LH from Stela Maris LH (ISR-004)
- * 4X1RE/LH from Stela Maris LH (ISR-004)
- * 4Z1DX/LH from Stela Maris LH (ISR-004)

QSL via LoTW.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announced DX

THE NEWCOMERS

5H, TANZANIA Roman, RA/3W3RR (ex-9Q9RR) has announced plans to be active from Zanzibar island, AF-032. Currently no set dates as to when 5H1RR activity may happen due to COVID-19. More info to follow in due course..

HBO, LIECHTENSTEIN Tina DL5YL and Fred DL5YM will be QRV between September 8 and October 2. Operation on HF with an entry in the CQWW RTTY contest. QSL via homecalls.

J8, GRENADINES Brian, GW4DVB will be operating as J88PI between July 23 and August 8, 2021. Operation from 40 to 6 meter using SSB and FT8. QSL via home call. <https://www.g4dvh.co.uk/dxpedition-2017>

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 M0OXO.

3X, GUINEA The F6KOP team (E44CC) is preparing an DXpedition to Guinea and Kassa Island AF 051 during January 2021. Operation with 5 stations from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digital. More to follow.

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

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 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 with the team: WA2DAN, N2IEN, K5DHY, K5YY, K4UEE, WW2DX, AA4NC, N8AA, N2TU. The CY0C Sable Island DXpedition team learned this week that our DXpedition will have to be postponed until October 2021 due to the ongoing worldwide Coronavirus.

<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.

FJ, SAINT BARTHELEMY Look for FJ/FS4WBS and FJ/FS5GL in September 2020. QRV on 40, 20 and 17 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via LoTW.

FP, ST PIERRE & MIQUELON Chris, VO1CH updates DX-World that due to Covid-19, the TO5T DXpedition to St Pierre & Miquelon has been postponed until 2021. He will confirm new dates once known.

FP, ST PIERRE & MIQUELON Eric, KV1J will once again be active as FP/call between September 22 and October 6. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via home call, LoTW. <http://www.kv1j.com/fp/July20.html>

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.

FW, WALLIS & FUTUNA Tom, KH0/KC0W informs: I have been given the OK by my employer for a two week DXpedition to FW land (Wallis & Futuna). This will be a CW only operation with a strong emphasis on Europe. Bands will be 40 – 6 meters. I'm seriously contemplating FT8 on 160/80 meters ONLY but it all depends how much room the 160/80 meter verticals will take up. Unfortunately, Saipan airport has been closed for the past month so I can't leave KH0 land even if I wanted to. As soon as everything opens up I'm ready to be FW/KC0W.

HC8, GALAPAGOS ISL A DXfriends DXpedition will take place to San Cristobal. QSL via EA5RM. More to follow.

JW, SVALBARD Erwann, LB1QI will be active as JW/call during September 24-27. Activity from the JW5E Radio Club from 160 to 6 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via home call, bureau or direct, LoTW. <https://www.qrz.com/db/jw/lb1qi>

JX, JAN MAYEN Ken LA7GIA announces a low band DXpedition as JX0X in September/October 2021. JX is high ranked on the low bands and also on CW and digital. The team members are Ken LA7GIA, Mats RM2D, Dima RA9USU and Dominik DL5EBE. Operation on all bands but with focus on the low bands. Also bands as 60, 20 and 17 meter depending on the conditions. Website to follow.

KH4, MIDWAY ISL Ron, KH6DV announces a trip to Midway during the second half of February 2021 for about 2 weeks (if the COVID 19 is under control). 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 ISL Due to the Covid-19 pandemic it is still impossible to travel to Swains Island. This means that we have to postpone our DXpedition until Spring 2021 at the earliest. Alex Jennings (owner of island) and the team will start planning again as soon as we are allowed to travel to American Samoa without restrictions (such as 14 days in quarantine).

OX, GREENLAND Henning, OZ2I will be QRV as XP2I during the CQWW CW DX contest (November 28-29). QSL via LoTW preferred.

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 John, W2GD will again be QRV as P40W during October 20-27 and November 24 to December 1. Activity on HF bands with an emphasis on CW. Single Operator All Band entry in the CQ World Wide DX SSB & CW contests. QSL via LoTW.

PJ7, SINT MAARTEN Tom, AA9A will once again be active as PJ7AA from February 27 until March 27, 2021. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via LoTW and Club Log.

SV5, DODECANESE Claudio, HB9OAU will be operating as SV5/call from Karpathos Isl between September 12 and September 25. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using SSB and RTTY. QSL via LoTW.

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 Members of AB3G will be operating from different Costa Rican provinces during a week of Summits on the Air. They will be QRV between January 3-9, 2021. <https://ab3g.weebly.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 Ndjamen. 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 QRV as V47JA from Calypso Bay between August 22 and September 5. 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 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 during November / December 2020. QSL via EA5GL. More to follow.

YN, NICARAGUA Robert, DL7VOA will be QRV from Guacalito de la Isla as YN5AO. Activity from November 21 until December 5. Operation in 'holiday-style' with a focus on the low bands. QSL via Club Log OQRS. <https://www.qrz.com/db/YN5AO>

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.

Announced IOTA

THE NEWCOMERS

ASIA

AS-117 Kasado Isl Kenji, JA4GXS will be operating as call/4 on August 22 (0700-2200 UTC). Operation on 40, 30, 20, 17 and 15 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via home call.

EUROPE

EU-052 Corfu Francesco, IK6QON will be QRV in 'holiday-style' from August 9 until August 20. QRV from 40 to 6 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via home call.

EU-177 Stora Alo-Boko Waldi, SP7IDX will be operating as SM/call from October 10 until October 17. Operation from 40 to 10 meter using SSB and FT8. QSL via LoTW.

THE REMINDERS

ASIA

AS-152 Bol'shoy Begichev Dates are not yet confirmed, however the Arctic Legends team (RT9K) recently received their RIOQ license with a view to being active from Bol'shoy Begichev AS-152 in early 2021.

EUROPE

EU-042 Pellworm Isl A team consisting DJ1JB, DJ4EL, DJ5TM and others plan activity from Pellworm Island (and other surrounding islands within the group) during August 27 to September 3. Activity as DJ4EL/P from 40 to 10 meter using SSB and verticals & quads. QSL via LoTW, homecall.

Markus, DJ4EL says: *The goal is to activate a couple of islands around Pellworm which will be our headquarter. At least one island has never been activated before. Could be possible that we reactivate my DD4T DXpedition call and present a logo for that rare one.*

EU-081 Saint Marcouf Isl A Belgian team with ON5DZ, ON5HC, ON7PQ and ON8AZ will be operating as TM2U between August 23 and August 28. Operation from 80 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via ON8AZ. <https://www.eu081.be/>

EU-111 Monach Isles A team with G0VJG, G2NF, G4TSH, GM0WED, G4FAL and G0FDZ will be active as MM8C during the IOTA 2021 contest period from Ceann Ear. Outside the contest they will be active as GM3RCV.

NORTH AMERICA

NA-039 Adak Isl Rob N7QT, Yuri N3QQ and Yuri UA9OBA will be active as KL7RRC from Adak Island during June 2021. Activity on HF using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via N7RO.

NA-070 Kiska Isl Rob N7QT, Yuri N3QQ and Yuri UA9OBA will be active as KL7RRC from Kiska Island during June 2021. Activity on HF using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via N7RO.

NA-079 Dry Tortugas Isl A team with Connor W4IPC, Matt AE4MQ, James WX4TV, Zach KN4KVC, Mike N3KPU, Grace KE3G and Mason KM4SII will be active as N4T around December 2020. Operation from 80 to 6 meter using CW, SSB, FT8 and satellites. QSL via LoTW. <https://www.qrz.com/db/n4t>

OCEANIA

OC-037 New Zealand Sub Antarctic Islands The Perseverance DX Group (PDXG) has some unfinished business. Several members participated on the 2012 ZL9 activation that was cut short by weather. After their successful VP8PJ South Orkney Islands 2020 DXpedition, PDXG is pleased to announce their intention to activate the New Zealand Sub-Antarctic Islands (ZL9), Club Log #24 most wanted, in the 2021-2022 time-frame. The plan includes 160-10m operation, CW/SSB/RTTY/FT8, with emphasis on 160, 80, 60, 40 and, propagation dependent, 12 and 10 meters.

The landing permit process is pending and discussions with transportation partners have begun. However, the Covid-19 lockdown has caused significant delays and uncertainty.

SOUTH AMERICA

SA-092 Papegaaien Isl Markus, DJ4EL informs DX-World that he has new dates for his IOTA DXpedition to Papegaaien Island as PZ5G. He hopes to be QRV from this rare IOTA during October 16-19. Activity on 80-10m using CW and SSB.

-PZ5G October 16-19 Grid GJ15kv (10-80 meter CW and SSB)

-PZ5GE October 11-25, Grid GJ25kr (10-40 meter using SSB only)

More on QRZ.com

Antarctica base stations

Mirny Station Alexander, RX3ABI is QRV as RI1ANM from Mirny Base, IOTA AN-016, until early 2021 while on work assignment. Activity during his spare time on 40 and 20 meters using FT8. QSL via home call.

Syowa Station The 61st Japanese Antarctic Research Expedition's overwintering team at the Syowa Station on East Ongul Island (AN-015), Antarctica includes Taka, JA1AGS and Hiro, JH7JCX. In their spare time they are QRV from the 8J1RL club station, with activity on 40, 30, 20, 17 and 15 metres mainly FT8. They will be there until January 2021. QSL via the bureau to 8J1RL, or direct to JG2MLI.

Special calls

THE NEWCOMERS

CT, PORTUGAL During the International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend, look for the Oeste DX Gang as **CQ00DX/P** on August 22-23.

DL, GERMANY The German section of the International Police Association (IPA) celebrate the 70th anniversary of their organisation with the special event callsign **DL70IPA**. Operators plan to work each Sunday (08z-10z on 7080kHz) and Thursday (18z-19z on 3680) during August and September; 20m depending on condx. QSL via bureau. (TNX DXNL)

F, FRANCE During the International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend, the Bad Honnef ARC will be operating as **TMOBSM** on August 20-23. Operation on 20, 40 and 80 meter using SSB, CW and FT8. QSL via DK5OPA. (TNX DXNL)

G, ENGLAND **GB75PEACE**, **GB1945PE**, and **GB1945PJ** will be back on the air during August to mark the end of World War II in the Pacific. QSL via LoTW, eQSL. (TNX DXNL)

G, ENGLAND A number of Denby Dale Amateur Radio Society's members will each be running a special event station on 1 August to celebrate Yorkshire Day: **GB2YD**, **GB4YD**, **GB5YD**, **GB6YD**, **GB8YD**, **GB8YDS** and **GB9YDS**. Also taking part in the celebrations will be the Pontefract & District Amateur Radio Society as GB0YD, and the Wakefield & District Radio Society as GB0YDS. QSL via operator's instructions. (TNX 425DX)

G, ENGLAND Two special event stations will be active in August to mark the critical role that radar played in the Battle of Britain 80 years ago. **GB80BRS** will be operated to commemorate Bawdsey Radar Station in Suffolk, which was the location of the world's first operational radar station. GB80CH will be operated from Chelmsford in Essex, which has the most complete surviving radar tower from the Battle of Britain; the callsign's suffix stands for Chain Home, the code- name for the ring of coastal early warning radar stations built by the Royal Air Force. (TNX 425DX)

G, ENGLAND The special event stations **GB80CH** (Chelmsford, Essex) and GB80BRS (Bawdsey Radar Station, Suffolk) draw attention to the decisive role of radar developments during the Battle of Britain. QRV during August; QSL via LoTW. (TNX DXNL)

XE, MEXICO Once again special callsign **4A2MAX** will be activated on 1-31 August in remembrance of St. Maximilian Maria Kolbe. Activity will be on 80-6 metres SSB, CW and

digital modes. Born in 1894, Father Kolbe (SP3RN) was killed on 14 August 1941 at Auschwitz. QSL via LoTW, eQSL and Club Log's OQRS.

THE REMINDERS

FT8DMC 3rd Anniversary

Special event stations will be on air during the FT8DMC Activity Days during July. All stations will bear the **FTDMC or FTDM suffix**, referring to the third anniversary of the FT8 Digital Mode Club. <https://www.dx-world.net/wp-content/uploads/2019/07/FT8DMC-3rd-anniversary-press-release-english.pdf>

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.

9K, KUWAIT Special event station **9K8FTDMC** is QRV until July 31 to celebrate the 3rd anniversary of the FT8 Digital Mode Club. QSL via operators' instructions.

9M, MALAYSIA Due to the Coronavirus (Covid-19) outbreak, everyone is encouraged to follow the new norms of life with social distancing, washing your hands frequently and wearing face masks whilst being outside in public, even working from home (WFH). MARTS wishes to thank SKMM for approving the following special event callsigns to be used for a period of three months starting 15 May 2020.

- **9M4STAYHOME**
- **9M4DUDUKRUMAH**
- **9M4COVID19**

These callsigns will be activated on HF and VHF frequencies covering SSB, CW and Digital modes from various locations all over Malaysia.

Coordinators are 9M2PRO, 9M2MDX, 9W2VWT and 9W2PD.

A6, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES Special event station **A60FTDMC** is QRV until July 31 to celebrate the 3rd anniversary of the FT8 Digital Mode Club. QSL via operators' instructions.

A60EMM Emirates Mars Mission

The United Arab Emirates has officially entered the global space exploration race. This came after His Highness Sheikh Khalifa bin Zayed al Nahyan, President of the UAE, issued a decree to establish the UAE Space Agency, and began working on sending the first Arab and Islamic probe to Mars, a project named "Hope Probe". This makes the UAE one of only nine countries working to explore Mars.

The probe will start its journey in 2020, and is scheduled to arrive to Mars by 2021, in celebration of the 50th anniversary of the union of the UAE. The planning, management and implementation of the probe project are implemented by an Emirati team, whose members depend on their skills and diligence to acquire all space exploration-related knowledge and applying it. The program is fully funded and supervised by the UAE Space Agency, while the probe is being developed by the Mohammed bin Rashid Space Centre (MBRSC), in collaboration with international partners.

Ops for 2020:

- * A60EMM/1, Op. A61M, QSL: A61BK
- * A60EMM/2, Op. A61Q, QSL: EA7FTR
- * A60EMM/3, Op. A61FK, QSL: A61BK
- * A60EMM/4, Op. A61BK, QSL: A61BK
- * A60EMM/5, Op. A61DD, QSL: A92AA
- * A60EMM/6, Op. A61QQ, QSL: A61BK
- * A60EMM/7, Op. A61FJ, QSL: LZ1YE
- * A60EMM/8, Op. A61DL, QSL: A61BK
- * A60EMM/9, Op. A61NN, QSL: Direct

<https://www.mbrsc.ae/emirates-mars-mission>

A9, BAHRAIN Special event station **A91FTDMC** is QRV until July 31 to celebrate the 3rd anniversary of the FT8 Digital Mode Club. QSL via operators' instructions.

BV, TAIWAN Look for **BV120SU** to celebrate the 120th 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 August 21, 22 and 23. QSL via LoTW.

DL, GERMANY DARC's local branch D13 (Maerkisches Viertel) will operate special call **DL73TXL** until end June 2021 to say goodbye to Berlin-Tegel Airport (IATA code TXL), the main international airport of Berlin, which is expected to close permanently in early November. Along with Gatow and Tempelhof, it played a pivotal role during the Berlin Airlift (1948-1949), organized by the Western Allies to carry supplies to the people of West Berlin. (TNX 425DX)

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 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 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 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 The British Breakout from Normandy Museum is organising its annual Liberation Festival on August 1-2. At this occasion, the museum's radio-club (F4KKE) will be on the air as **TM11AD** in memory of those soldiers of the British 11th Armoured Division who liberated the area on 31st July 1944. Activity will take place on all HF bands in CW, SSB and digimodes. The team hopes to use genuine WWII equipment during the weekend to demonstrate to the public. QSL via F4KKE. Logs will be uploaded daily to LoTW and ClubLog (OQRS).

F, FRANCE Mado F1EOY and others will be active as **TM5ISY** at various times until October 14. The special callsign is in memory of Carine Dubois, F5ISY, who passed away on 3 November 2019. QSL via F1EOY.

G, ENGLAND Marking the 100th anniversary of the formation of the Royal Corps of Signals, special callsign **GB100RS** will be operated by members of the Royal Signals ARS from England until August 8, Northern Ireland on 9 August-5 September, Wales on 6 September-3 October, and Scotland on 4-17 October. Additionally, **GB100RCS** will be active from the HQ station at Blandford Camp, Dorset as soon as permission to reopen it is received. See <https://rsars.org.uk/> for more information. (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/>

HZ, SAUDI ARABIA Members of the Saudi Wireless Amateur Association are QRV with special event station **HZ8FTDMC** until July 31 to celebrate the 3rd anniversary of the FT8 Digital Mode Club. QSL via operators' instructions.

I, ITALY Members of the Italian Naval Old Rhythmers Club (www.inorc.it) are active as **II0ICEH** until August 1. They will operate only CW. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau. A certificate will be available. ICEH was the call sign of the Italian ocean liner "Andrea Doria", most famous for her sinking on 26 July 1956, after the Swedish MS "Stockholm" collided with her off the coast of Nantucket, Massachusetts. (TNX 425DX)

I, ITALY The ARI section Mondovi hosts the 19th DCI meeting, the 17th WAP meeting, and the 11th IFFA meeting from September 18 to 21. The special event station **IP1DCI** operates in this context until September 30. QSL via IK1QFM.

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

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:

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.

I, ITALY The ARI section of Bruneck activates the call sign **II3STAY** until end 2020. QSL via IN3ZWF (d/B). (TNX DXNL)

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)

JA, JAPAN Special event station **8N1ABIKO** is QRV until the end of 2020 in celebration of the founding of Abiko-City, IOTA AS-007. QSL via bureau.

JT, MONGOLIA **JU85UIA** celebrates the founding of the University of Internal Affairs 85 years ago. Operators throughout 2020 are JT1CH, JT1BZ, JT1BU, JT1DR, JV1A, and JT1BV. QSL via JT1CH (d). (TNX DXNL)

LX, LUXEMBOURG **LX20I** is the special call for the LX7I contest station in Eschdorf, Luxembourg to celebrate its 20th anniversary. It will be used for most contests in 2020, starting a single-operator entry in the CQ WW 160-Meter CW Contest (24-26 January). QSL via LX2A. A special LX20I Award will be available. <http://lx7i.com/lx20i/>

LZ, BULGARIA Special call **LZ50BFRA** is active until end 2020 to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Bulgarian Federation of Radio Amateurs. Founded on 26 April 1970, BFRA is the national IARU member society. QSL via LZ1BJ (bureau). (TNX 425DX)

OD, LEBANON Special event station **OD5FTDMC** is QRV until July 31 to celebrate the 3rd anniversary of the FT8 Digital Mode Club. QSL via operators' instructions.

OE, AUSTRIA Although the Gosau meeting 2020 had to be cancelled due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the special event station **OE2XXM** (ADL 553) will be active during July. The organisers still hope to hold their autumn field day in September. QSL via bureau. (TNX DXNL)

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 25th anniversary since Austria acceded to the European Union. It will be used during the first full weekends of July-November. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau. (TNX 425DX)

OK, CZECH REPUBLIC Celebrating the 30th anniversary of the Czechoslovak DX Club, special callsign **OL30DXC** will be active on all bands and modes from now until 31 December. A special QSL card will be sent automatically 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 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)

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.

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 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)

SU, EGYPT Special event station **SU8FTDMC** is QRV until July 31 to celebrate the 3rd anniversary of the FT8 Digital Mode Club. QSL via operators' instructions.

SV, GREECE The Hellenic department of the 'Fifth Ocean Ham Aviator's Club' will be operating during September as **SX1AFM**. This to commemorate the 70 years since the establishment of the Hellenic Air Force History Museum. QSL see QRZ.com.

V8, BRUNEI The special event station **V84SPU** celebrates the Sultan of Brunei's 74th birthday until July 31. QSL via V84SPU (d). (TNX DXNL)

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

VK, AUSTRALIA Special callsign **VI110WIA** celebrates the 110th anniversary of the Wireless Institute of Australia. Operation until end 2020, it is available for use by WIA affiliated clubs and all WIA members. QSL via LoTW and eQSL. (TNX 425DX)

VK, AUSTRALIA The Wireless Institute of Australia has joined the "Stay Home" campaign and be active as **VK20HOME** until end 2020. The special call is available for use by WIA affiliated clubs and all WIA members. QSL via LoTW. (TNX 425DX)

VU, INDIA AT2THC is a special callsign used until August by the Tripura Ham Radio Club in Agartala to provide assistance during the COVID-19 emergency. QSL via VU2LJB. (TNX 425DX)

W, USA The special event station **K8V** operates around the virtual convention of the National Speleological Society until July 31. For QSL information see qrz.com. (TNX DXNL)

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)

YJ, VANUATU During the month of July, a team consisting YJ8CW, YJ8ED & YJ8RN will be active as **YJ040IND** in celebration of the 40th Anniversary of the Independence of Vanuatu. QRV mostly at weekends on 40-20-15m, CW/SSB/FT8.

YO, ROMANIA **YO1STAYHOME** and **YO19STAYHOME** are both currently active and will remain on air until September 15. An award is available as well. (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.

ZL, NEW ZEALAND Special event station **ZL65FTDMC** is QRV until July 31 to celebrate the 3rd anniversary of the FT8 Digital Mode Club. QSL via operators' instructions.

ZS, SOUTH AFRICA **ZS1820S** celebrates the 200th anniversary of the arrival of the 1820 British Settlers in the Eastern Cape area of South Africa. The call sign will be active during 2020 on various bands and modes. QSL is via the bureau to ZS2EC, also via LoTW, Club Log and QRZ.

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

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