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DX News

A tour of Johnston Atoll, KH3

Johnston Atoll is #8 Most Wanted DXCC entity. It seems easy to ride a bike around there but difficult to operate ham radio where it's commonly known DXpedition operators leave no footprints on such trips.

<https://www.dx-world.net/a-tour-of-johnston-atoll-kh3/>

3D2AG/P Rotuma –update by Antoine 3D2AG

The journey back home was long and getting the cargo out of the ship at the wharf in Fiji seemingly even longer in the intense heat, sweat amongst the human bustle and thrown-about copra bags, but in the end all equipment was retrieved and I am also ok, even if not yet fully recovered from the exhaustion and foot infection. Over the next days I will finalise the log transcriptions and upload to Club Log; also slowly getting to answer the flood of emails but first have many urgent tasks on the domestic and QRL side to attend to after a month's absence. Thanks to all that persevered until the end and congratulations for all the QSOs, especially on 160m and 60m.

DX-World quiz #16

Here's another little DX-World Quiz to test your knowledge.

<https://www.dx-world.net/dx-world-quiz-16/>

This week on air

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

SU, NIGER Adrian, F4IHM is once again active as 5UAIHM until February 11. Operation on 40 and 20 meter using CW. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

8Q, MALDIVES Michael, HB9WDF will be active in 'holiday-style' as 8Q7AO between January 25 and February 7. This will be a QO-100 operation. QSL via LoTW, Club Log and home call.

8Q, MALDIVES Massimo, IZ5KID is active as 8Q7MM. QRV mostly on digi. QSL via home call. <https://www.dx-world.net/8q7mm-maldives/>

CP, BOLIVIA Antonio, EA5RM is once again active as CP1XRM from San Ignacio de Moxos until January 26. Operation on HF using SSB and digi. QSL via home call, LoTW.

D2, ANGOLA Paulo, CT1FJZ is back in Menongue as D2FJZ. Operation during his spare time usually on 20 meter using SSB. Length of stay is unknown. QSL via home call.

HK, COLOMBIA Lothar, DK8LRF extends his stay due to Covid until end April. QRV as HK3JCL. QSL via home call.

JW, SVALBARD Erling, LB2PG is QRV as JW/call from Bear Island until June 1. Activity during his spare time from 80 to 20 meter using SSB. QSL via home call.

JX, JAN MAYEN Erik LA2US is active as JX2US during the northern hemisphere winter. He operates CW, FT8 and probably some more modes. Focus on 160m, 80m, 40m and 30m. The season lasts until the end of March.

OX, GREENLAND Nils, SM3UQK is again operating as OX/SE3A until January 28. Operation on 20 and 40 meter. Nils is a Swedish helicopter pilot working for Air Greenland flying AS350B3+ helicopters all over Greenland. He tries to be QRV from Greenland when at work, but usually have big problems to use any good antennas.

P4, ARUBA Mathis, DL4MM will be active as P4/call between January 23 and February 3. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT4/8. A focus on the low bands and an entry in the CQ WW 160 meter CW contest (Jan 29-31) is included as P44AA. QSL via Club Log OQRS, LoTW or via home call.

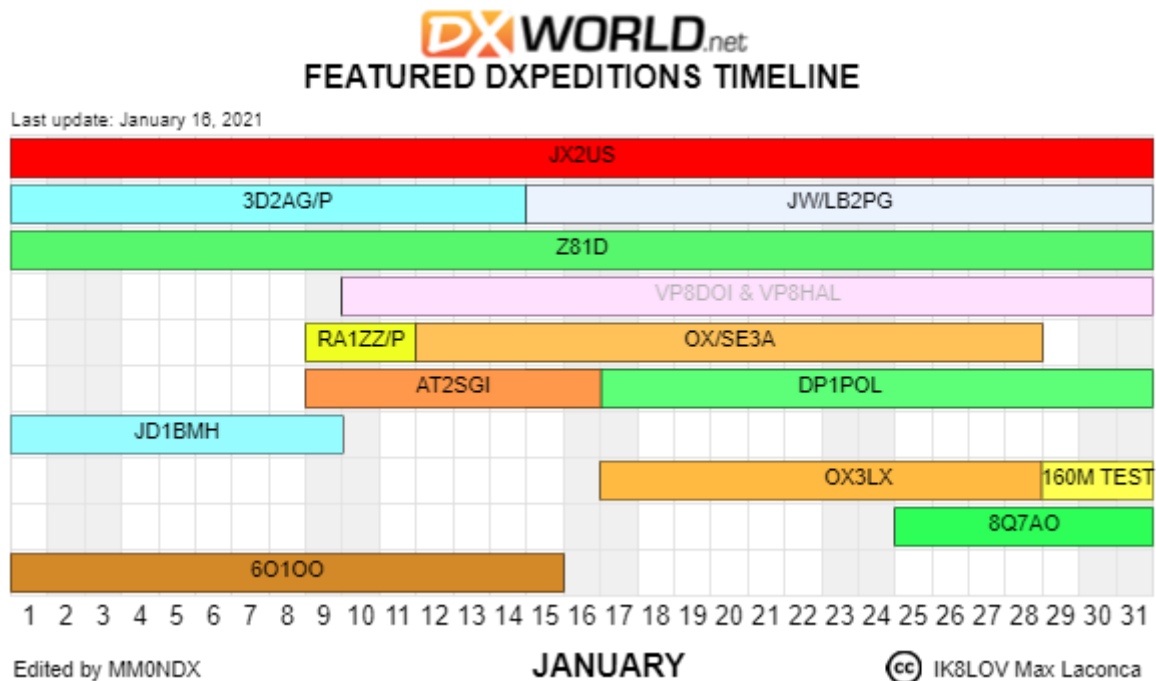
TZ, MALI Ulmar, DK1CE is once again active from Bamako as TZ1CE. Activity on HF using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via home call.

ZC4, UK SOVEREIGN BASE Garry, 2M1DHG is active for at least 2 years as ZC4GR. Activity on HF using SSB and digital modes such as FT8, SSTV, PSK31, WSPR mostly between 17 and 19 UTC "a few nights a week". QSL via EB7DX.

ZD8, ASCENSION ISL Tev, TA1HZ will be active as ZD8HZ throughout 2021. He will use 100w to a window wire antenna. Operation during his spare time.

<https://www.qrz.com/db/ZD8HZ>

DXCC timeline



Coming up

5V, TOGO Daniel, HB9EHD will be QRV as 5VDE during February. He will support the doctors at the university hospital in Kara. He will be operating during his spare time on 40 meter and 20 meter using FT8 and OQ-100 for SSB. All QSO will be confirmed by LoTW. See QRZ.com.

IOTA

This week on air

NORTH AMERICA

NA-151 Tasiilaq Isl Bo, OZ1DJJ is once again active as OX3LX until end January. Bo mentions that he will be QRV during his spare time. QSL via LoTW, Club Log or direct to OZ0J.

OCEANIA

OC-139 Kangaroo Isl Grant, VK5GR informs that he is active until January 22. This is a 'holiday-style' operation from 80 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. Possible some RTTY and PSK for fun. QSL via M00XO, OQRS.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announced DX

THE NEWCOMERS

KH9, WAKE ISL Tom, NL7RR will be back on Wake island starting mid-February for about 90 days. Operation during his spare time on 40 and 20 meter using SSB.

THE REMINDERS

3A, MONACO Mireille F4FRL and Patrice F5RBB will be operating as 3A/calls from February 24 until March 2. QRV from 40 to 20 meter using SSB and digi. QSL via LoTW.

5H, TANZANIA Sergey, UT9UU will be operating as 5H3UU from Dar Es Salaam during early August. QSL via home call, LoTW.

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..

5T, MAURITANIA Tom, DL7BO has plans to be active as 5T7OO soon and staying there for a long period. More info to follow. QSL via DJ6TF.

8Q, MALDIVES Nobby, G0VJG will be active as 8Q7CQ (pending) from the Reethi Faru resort between March 6 and March 22. Activity from 80 to 10 meter using SSB and digi. QSL via M00XO.

A3, TONGA Stan LZ1GC and Ivan LZ1PM will be operating as A35GC somewhere in 2021. 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 somewhere during 2021 as XR0YSP. 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 will be active somewhere October 2021.

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

E6, NIUE Stan LZ1GC and Ivan LZ1PM will be operating as E6AM during October-November. 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.

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 August 8-16. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. <http://www.to5t.com/>

FP, ST PIERRE & MIQUELON Eric, KV1J will once again be active as FP/call between June 29 and July 13. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via home call, LoTW. <http://www.kv1j.com/fp/July20.html>

FW, WALLIS & FUTUNA Tom, KH0/KC0W informs: due to Covid this trip will be postponed. As soon the situation changes Tom will let us know when he departs Saipan.
HC8, GALAPAGOS ISL A DXfriends DXpedition will take place to San Cristobal. QSL via EA5RM. More to follow.

J8, GRENADINES Brian, GW4DVB will be operating as J88PI between July 23 and August 1. Operation from 40 to 6 meter using SSB and FT8. QSL via home call.
<https://www.g4dvb.co.uk/dxpedition-2017>

JD1, OGASAWARA Koji, JE3GRQ has not yet concrete plans but will be operating as JD1BQI somewhere in 2021. This will be a 6 meter EME operation. More to follow.

KH4, MIDWAY ISL Ron, KH6DV announces a trip to Midway during September 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).

OJ0, MARKET REEF Joseph, AD7D will be operating as OJ0D during the summer 2021. Dates not yet confirmed. More to follow.

P4, ARUBA John, W2GD will be active as P44W during the ARRL DX CW Contest (Febr 20-21). Operation before and after the contest as P40W. QSL via N2MM and LoTW.

PJ5, SINT EUSTATIUS John, W5JON will be active as PJ5/call between June 22-28. Operation from 40 to 6 meter using SSB and FT8. QSL direct or LoTW.

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

PZ, SURINAME Markus, DJ4EL informs: Due to the rising Covid-19 cases in Europe tourists who would like to visit Suriname must bring a negative Covid-19 test and are required to be quarantined for 10 days after arrival. The second problem is that on the way back to Germany I would have to travel via Amsterdam airport which could make another Covid-19 test and another quarantine at home necessary. New dates: PZ5GE, Easter 2021. Operation from 40 to 10 meter using SSB. QSL via home call, LoTW.

TT, CHAD The Italian DXpedition Team will be active as TT8RR (CW, SSB and RTTY) and as TT8XX (FT8) somewhere during 2021 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 between June 12 and July 10. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using SSB and FT8. QSL via LoTW or via 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.

VQ9, DIEGO GARCIA Dates are not confirmed, nor length of activity, but Bob DU7ET could again be active from Diego Garcia as VQ9ET later this year. Update to follow...

XT, BURKINA FASO Max, DK1MAX will once again be active as XT2MAX somewhere during 2021. QSL via EA5GL. More to follow.

XV, VIETNAM Brian, AA5H will be operating as 3W9OK from Da Nang during March – April. Activity will be on HF using FT8 and RTTY. QSL via Club Log OQRS, LoTW or home call.

YN, NICARAGUA Robert, DL7VOA will be QRV from Guacalito de la Isla as YN5AO. Dates are still in planning phase due to COVID. 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 Belgian team will be active somewhere in 2021 from Kosovo. QRV from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via Club Log, OQRS.

Announced IOTA

THE REMINDERS

AFRICA

AF-045 Gore Isl A team with 6W1KI, 6W1PZ, 6W1QL, 6W7JX and others will be operating as 6V1A when the situation is possible. Activity on various bands with 2 stations using CW and SSB. QSL via LoTW.

AF-115 Mukawwar Isl As news of Covid vaccines emerge – with hopefully an improving picture across the world by the middle of next year – plans for this particular island activity will restart after March 2021. Future updates will be posted here.

ASIA

AS-152 Bol'shoy Begichev The Arctic Legends team (RT9K) recently received their RI0Q license with a view to being active from Bol'shoy Begichev AS-152 starting March 4.

EUROPE

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.

EU-123 Bass Rock Team MS0INT (EI6FR, MM0NDX, MM0OKG and cameraman) has today been granted permission to land on the Bass Rock (EU-123) and to undertake an IOTA DXpedition there. Tentative date: April 17-18. The Bass Rock has only ever been activated three times (1997, 2001, 2008) according to research. The team is indebted to Deputy Lord Lieutenant, Sir Hew Dalrymple for allowing them to land on his island.

NORTH AMERICA

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

NA-041 Shelter Isl Phil, KC3CIB will be operating as call/KL7 during his spare time starting June. When time permits, he will be active on HF using mainly digital modes. QSL via home call, direct.

OCEANIA

OC-037 New Zealand Sub Antarctic Islands (Campbell Island) 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), Campbell Island. 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 April 2-5. Activity on 80-10m using CW and SSB.

-PZ5G grid GJ15kv (10-80 meter CW and SSB)

-PZ5GE grid GJ25kr (10-40 meter using SSB only)

More on QRZ.com

Antarctica base stations

Belgrano II Base Ramon, LU3HRS reports he is now active from Belgrano II Base, Coats Land, Antarctica during the 2020-2021 scientific research season. His exact locator is HB22qd. QRV mainly on 20m FT8-FT4-JT65 when time permits. QSL via LoTW or bureau via LU4AA.

Halley VI Base Seba SQ1SGB will sail to Halley VI Base in December and hopes to be active for 5 weeks starting beginning of January 2021. Callsign might be SQ1SGB/VP8 (if VP8HAL is not be allowed due to the new strange rules of the Falklands authorities). It's also possible he may use alternative call such as SQ1SGB/A or maybe /ANT or /P. QSL via EB7DX.

King Se-Jong Base As part of the next scientific team, look for Lee, DS4NMJ to again be active from the King Se-Jong Korean Antarctic Base on King George Island, South Shetlands as DT8A in 2021. QRV on FT8, CW & SSB, 100w. QSL via DS5TOS. Dates to be confirmed.

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.

Neumayer Station III Organizing an Antarctic expedition in the times of COVID19 is quite a challenge, so the German polar institute (AWI) had to find a different approach to the logistics for the upcoming Antarctic summer season. All transports will be carried out by ship directly from Germany. There is only a small team of about 20 technicians and scientists travelling to Neumayer Station, Antarctica, this year. YL Theresa (DC1TH) and Felix (DL5XL) will be part of that group.

During the voyage, from December 20 for about one month, Felix will operate as DP0POL/MM from the research ice breaker "Polarstern", mainly in CW and digital modes. From mid-January to mid-March 2021, DL5XL expects to be active from the research station "Neumayer III" signing DP1POL.

The ham station in Antarctica is equipped for HF and QO-100 satellite. Club call DP0GVN may also be used at times by other operators.

QSL manager for DP0POL/mm and DP0GVN is DL5EBE, QSL cards for DP1POL will be handled by DL1ZBO (direct, bureau or LotW for all call signs).

Vostok Station Alexey, RX6A is active until May 30 as RI0IANT Operation from 40 to 15 meter using CW and FT8. Operation until end May 2021. QSL via home call.

Syowa Station Takumi, JG3PLH is the operator who will be stationed at Showa Research Base, Queen Maud Land, AN-015 starting February 2021 and lasting through to January 2022. QRV as 8J1RL on HF, CW, Digital Modes. QSL via the bureau to 8J1RL, or direct to JG2MLI.

Special calls

THE NEWCOMERS

Scuba Ham Award: underwater and on air around the world

DX Holiday introduces the SCUBA HAM AWARD, the diploma of amateur radio scuba divers, with the sponsorship of Mediterraneo DX Club. Operation on 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. Activity during February.

SCUBA HAM's stations will call CQ Scuba Ham Award on phone, CQ Scuba on CW and DIGITAL. <https://www.dx-holiday.com/scuba-ham-award/>

EA, SPAIN Operators Antonio/EA7ANC and Jose/EA7IUK, members of the Radioclub Motril & Seccion Local de URE, pay tribute to Spanish health care workers with the callsign **EG7HSE** on January 23 and 24. QSL via EA7RCM. (TNX DXNL)

LZ, BULGARIA The special event station **LZ190FT** draws attention to the 190th Birthday of the Bulgarian revolutionary Filip Totyu until the end of 2021. QSL via LZ2VP. (TNX DXNL)

SM, SWEDEN During 2021, **SD400SU** celebrates the 400th anniversary of the city Sundsvall. Operators are the members of the Sundsvall Amateur Radio Club (SK3BG). QSL via SM3NXS (d/B), Club Log OQRS. (TNX DXNL)

UR, UKRAINE Special calls **EM150PLU**, **EN150PLU** and **EO150PLU** are active during 2021 to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the birth of Lesya Ukrainka (1871-1913), one of Ukrainian literature's foremost writers. QSL via operator's instructions. (TNX 425DX)

VK, AUSTRALIA Australian radio amateurs celebrate Australia Day 2021 on January 26 by substituting their usual **VK** prefix with **AX**. (TNX DXNL)

VR, HONG KONG As one of the most popular icons in modern history, the legendary martial arts master Bruce Lee still inspires people worldwide more than 47 years after his passing. His great achievements transcend territories, time and disciplines. His charisma radiated from the silver screen, his prowess amazed the martial arts community, his profound legacy lives on forever in the hearts of people. To salute the all-time superstar, Hong Kong 1555th Kowloon Group (VR2CS) presents a Special Event Call **VR2BLEE** operated by Igor VR2ZQZ.

W, USA Members of the El Dorado County Amateur Radio Club commemorate discovery of gold in California as **AG6AU** from the 23rd to 25th. QSL via W1RH. (TNX DXNL)

THE REMINDERS

4X, ISRAEL - The "Land of Craters" programme will see four special stations operate from the Makhteshim ("craters") in the Negev desert of Israel. The first activity was conducted by 4X0ARF (November 2020). Look for **4XORMN** to be QRV from Makhtesh Ramon (Ramon Crater), Israel's largest national park, on 30 January-1 February. QSL via 4X6ZM, LoTW and eQSL. A certificate will be available for working 3 out of 4 special stations. (TNX 425DX)

CT, PORTUGAL Valdemar, CT7AQD will be active as **CQ750RSI** throughout 2021 to commemorate the 750th anniversary of the birth of Elizabeth of Aragon (1271-1336), queen consort of Portugal and patron saint of the city of Coimbra. QSL via home call. (TNX 425DX)

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 Look for **DR165TESLA** by members of DARC OV Mainz during 2021. This to celebrate the 165th birthday of Nikola Tesla. QRV on all bands using all modes. QSL via DK8ZZ, Club Log OQRS, LoTW. Your card is not needed.

DL, GERMANY Uwe, DO2PZ will be active as **DB100AVUS** throughout 2021 to celebrate The 100th anniversary of the AVUS (Automobil-Verkehrs- und Uebungsstrasse, "Automobile traffic and training road"). Located in the south-west of Berlin and opened in 1921, it is the oldest controlled-access motorway in Europe. Until 1998, it was also used as a motor racing circuit. QSL via DO2PZ, direct or bureau. (TNX 425DX)

DL, GERMANY Special callsign **DR50AGCW** will be active throughout 2021 to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Arbeitsgemeinschaft CW DL (Activity Group CW DL. QSL via bureau. (TNX 425DX)

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

F, FRANCE **TM18AAW** is the special call until February 28 to celebrate the 18th Antarctic Activity Week. Operation by François F8DVD from his QTH in Maçon. The new reference for WAP program is 310. QRV from 40 to 10 meter. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. <http://www.qrz.com/db/TM18AAW>

<http://www.waponline.it>

G, ENGLAND Members of the Denby Dale Amateur Radio Society are currently active until January 24 with the following callsigns on SSB, CW and digital modes: **GB0HNY**, **GB1HNY**, **GB2HNY**, **GB4HNY**, **GB5HNY**, **GB6HNY**, **GB8HNY** and **GB9HNY**. QSL via eQSL. (TNX DXNL)

G, ENGLAND The special event stations **GB2KW** and **GB8KW** are active during January to commemorate the founding of KW Electronics in the 1950s. QSL for GB2KW via LoTW, GB8KW via G0UKN (direct or bureau). (TNX DXNL)

I, ITALY Look for IB2ANT during February 2021 to mark the Antarctic Activity Week with a new WAP award reference WAP-308 on the air. Operation on HF using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via IK2QPR.

I, ITALY **II1DCC** ("Drake & Collins Collectors") is the special callsign for a "vintage activity" to be conducted until 31 December 2021. Marco, IK1RAE and other operators will use exclusively Drake and Collins pieces of equipment, and will be QRV on the HF bands (30, 17 and 12 metres excluded) SSB, CW and maybe AM. QSL via the bureau to IK1RAE. (TNX 425DX)

JA, JAPAN Look for special calls **/60** to mark the Okinawa Amateur Radio 60th Anniversary Festival Activities during 2021. All stations QRV in Okinawa Prefecture may use the suffix. <https://www.jarl.com/okinawa/>

LU, ARGENTINA Members of AMSAT Argentina celebrate the 31st anniversary of the LUSAT (LO-19) satellite with the callsign **LU7AA** between the 16th and 24th. QRV on HF on SSB, FT8, and CW. An award is also available. QSL via LU7AA (d), eQSL. (TNX DXNL)

LY, LITHUANIA **LY13LY** celebrates Lithuania's freedom and independence during January. QSL via LY8O, eQSL, Club Log. (TNX DXNL)

LZ, BULGARIA Once again Radio Club Blagovestnik (LZ1KCP) will use twelve special callsigns throughout 2021 to honour as many different Orthodox saints. Look for **LZ21RH** to be active during January. QSL via the bureau or direct to P.O. Box 36, 4300 Karlovo, Bulgaria. Details on the "All Saints 2021" award are expected to be published on <http://www.lz1kcp.com/> (TNX 425DX)

OE, AUSTRIA **OE100BL** is the special callsign issued to the Burgenlaendischer Amateur Radio Club for celebrating throughout 2021 the 100th anniversary since Burgenland became an Austrian state. QSL via OE4JHW. Individual operators may also apply for OE100 to replace their prefix (e.g. OE4EIE will be signing OE100EIE). An award will be available, (TNX 425DX)

OH, FINLAND Look for **OH100SRAL** during 2021, this to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Finnish Amateur Radio League (SRAL). QSL via LoTW or bureau (early 2022).

ON, BELGIUM Belgian amateurs activate the following special event callsigns to remind everyone of Covid-19 restrictions and express gratefulness to medical personnel:

OS2HOPE, **OT5ALIVE**, **OT4CARE**, **OR20STAYHOME**, **OT6SAFE**, **OP19MSF**, **OQ5BECLEVER**, **OR6LIFE**, **OO4UZLEUVEN**, and **OT2CARE**. For QSL information see qrz.com. Operation until January 31.

PA, THE NETHERLANDS Hans, PA7HPH will be using Covid-19 special callsign **PC19HOPE** from January 15 to March 10. See qrz.com for more information about this activity. QSL via PA7HPH (bureau preferred) and eQSL. (TNX 425DX)

PA, THE NETHERLANDS Roel, PD00YF is active as **PD112MKNN** until February 14, and especially on 11 February. The special callsign's suffix stands for Meld Kamer Noord Nederland, the Control Center Northern Netherlands located in Drachten. 11 February is European 112 Day, when emergency services remind citizens of the importance of "112", the European emergency number available free of charge, 24/7, anywhere in the EU

member states as well as other European countries (<https://eena.org/>). QSL via the bureau.

RA, RUSSIA R170SG celebrates the founding of the province Samara 170 years ago until the end of January. An award is also available. QSL via hamlog.ru. (TNX DXNL)

RA, RUSSIA The Amateur Radio Club Kristall (ARCK) celebrates its 30th anniversary with the following special event call signs between January 15 and 25: **R1991A, R2021A, R30ARCK, R30RCK, RA30KR, RC30KR, RD30KR, RG30KR, RJ30KR, RK30KR, RL30KR, RM30KR, RN30KR, RO30KR, RQ30KR, RT30KR, RU30KR, RV30KR, RW30KR** and **RZ30KR**. The club also offers a celebratory award. (TNX DXNL)

S5, SLOVENIA S520SAFE is a special call sign for members of Radioklub Elektron Brezice (S59ACP) to promote the "Be Safe Stay Safe" campaign in order to stop the spread of Covid-19. Look for activity until end January 2021. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, or direct only to S56IPS. (TNX 425DX)

SP, POLAND SP1DPA, SP1EG, SP1MGM, SQ1PSA and SQ3PMX are active as **SQ0MORSE** until end April to commemorate the 230th anniversary of the birth of Samuel F.B. Morse (1791-1872). QSL via SP1EG. (TNX 425DX)

SV, GREECE 200 Years of Greek Independence Award On air during 2021.

The Greek War of Independence, also known as the Greek Revolution (Greek: Ελληνική Επανάσταση, Elliniki Epanastasi; referred to by Greeks in the 19th century as simply the Αγώνας, Agonas, "Struggle", was a successful war of independence waged by Greek revolutionaries against the Ottoman Empire between 1821 and 1830. Any Greek station, foreigners Greeks or friends of Greece all over the world may join "200 Years of Greek Independence Award". All mode and types of QSO are valid. Award manager is SV2RCK. <https://sv2rck.gr/200YEARS/>

SV, GREECE Nine multi-operator special event stations - namely SX1A, SX2A, SX3A, SX4A, SX5A (Dodecanese), SX6A, SX7A, SX8A and SX9A (Crete) - will be active during the countdown to the 200th anniversary of the "Agonas" (the Struggle), the Greek Revolution of 1821 which led to the formation of modern Greece. The countdown will start at -99 days to the actual celebration day (25 March 2021), and a serial number will be appended to each special call sign as follows:

15-24 January from SX6A/69 to SX6A/60
25 January-03 February from SX5A/59 to SX5A/50
04-13 February from SX4A/49 to SX4A/40
14-23 February from SX3A/39 to SX3A/30
24 February-05 March from SX2A/29 to SX2A/20
06-15 March from SX1A/19 to SX1A/10
16 March SX9A/9
17 March SX8A/8
18 March SX7A/7
19 March SX6A/6
20 March SX5A/5
21 March SX4A/4
22 March SX3A/3
23 March SX2A/2
24 March SX1A/1

The serial numbers will be dropped only on 25 March. QSL via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS, eQSL, or direct to SV2GWY. An award will be available, see qrz.com's entry for any of the special call signs. (TNX 425DX)

TI, COSTA RICA On September 15, 2021, the Bicentennial of the Independence of Costa Rica will be celebrated with great fanfare. In commemoration of such an important and historical event, a team of radio amateurs will be activating the special call sign **TI200I** to celebrate 200 years of independent life of Costa Rica.

The goal is to make Costa Rican independence known to the world with pride on its Bicentennial. Activation until October 29.

Bands – 6 to 80m (+ 2m).

Modes – SSB, CW and FT8 (+ FM).

Contacts will be confirmed via LotW, QRZ & QSL manager.

The team of operators will be announced soon.

UR, UKRAINE Nikolay UX0FF celebrates his 50th year on the air with the callsign **EO50FF** during 2021. QSL via UX0FF direct or bureau, LoTW, eQSL.

UR, UKRAINE A Special event station **EN50WZA** will be active during period of January 1-31, 2021 to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the founding of the UT7WZA club station (ex UK5WBG (1971-1984), UB4WZA (1984-1994)). Activity will on CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via UT7WZA either bureau, direct and LOTW.

UR, UKRAINE Look for **EN100LT** to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Kharkiv Theater for Children and Youth. Operation until end March. QSL via UT5LU.

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