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News

3Y0J Bouvet island –updates

→ Update January 25 1845z

Great progress is being made. Using the Garmin tracker we can now see the Marama and Bouvet together in the one image. In an audio clip, Otis NP4G/MM mentions the seas are about 5m high with an estimated 900 miles to go before approaching Bouvet in 5-6 days time.

→ Update January 24 1900z

Here is an interview I did with 3Y0J Team Co-Leader Ken LA7GIA today, 24 January 2023 at 17:00 UTC utilizing the Icom Satellite Radios. The team no longer has Starlink internet access and will not attempt to use it again until they are on Bouvet. Meanwhile the team is passing the time taking turns operating CW & SSB using their home call/MM. Ken says they have 17m & 20m capability with their dipole. I hope you enjoy the video.

Look at the dedicated page for all audio and video <https://www.dx-world.net/3y0j-bouvet-2023/>

FT8WW Crozet Island

→ update January 23

Paul F6EXV informs that "OQRS received to date have just been uploaded to LoTW".

'FT8WW was active on HF bands from December 25, 2022 to January 14, 2023. He is now awaiting the extension of his authorization which should be issued by the TAAF (Terres Australes et Antarctiques Françaises) after the IPEV (Institut Paul Emile Victor) approval. He could then operate again on HF bands until March 15, 2023.'

→ update January 24 by Martti, OH2BH

'Isn't it wonderful to hear Thierry's voice from Crozet Island on SSB while waiting for his HF operating extension?

It was another project to learn all about OQ-100 satellite, get operational and hear the friendly voices of your favorite DX as of today. The expectation was not to have an armchair copy and chat with Thierry and learn about his today's weather. However, with a 59 copy and no breaking stations around you can hear for yourself how things went, including news on the HF license extension.' <https://www.dx-world.net/when-ft8ww-met-oh2bh-on-ssb/>

CY0S Sable Island –update

A very busy time for the CY0S DXpedition team. DX Engineering, one of our major sponsors, was able to locate and ship a Cushcraft A3WS 12-17 meter Yagi. We received the A3WS this past week and assembly and testing will begin this week. After a period of testing, the Hygain LJ- 203-BA, Hygain LJ-153-BA and the Hygain LJ-105 CA monoband Yagi's were disassembled and placed in their respective ski bags. The Yagi antennas were only disassembled enough to be able to fit in the long bags. Once the Cushcraft A3WS is assembled and checked out, it too will be placed in its own ski bag. <https://www.dx-world.net/cy0s-sable-island-dxpedition-2023/>

TN8K Republic of Congo –now QRT

TN8K expedition is now QRT. In the log is almost 165,000 QSOs.

ET3AA Ethiopia –update by Nodir EY8MM

Our mission at ET3AA is over. We achieved main goal to help local ET3AA club to keep air activity. We shared our knowledge and passion to the Ham radio. We helped club members with our experience. We learn the beautiful World of Ethiopia culture and people! Time to say good bye to our friends!



OJ0/LH5SH and others, Market Reef –update

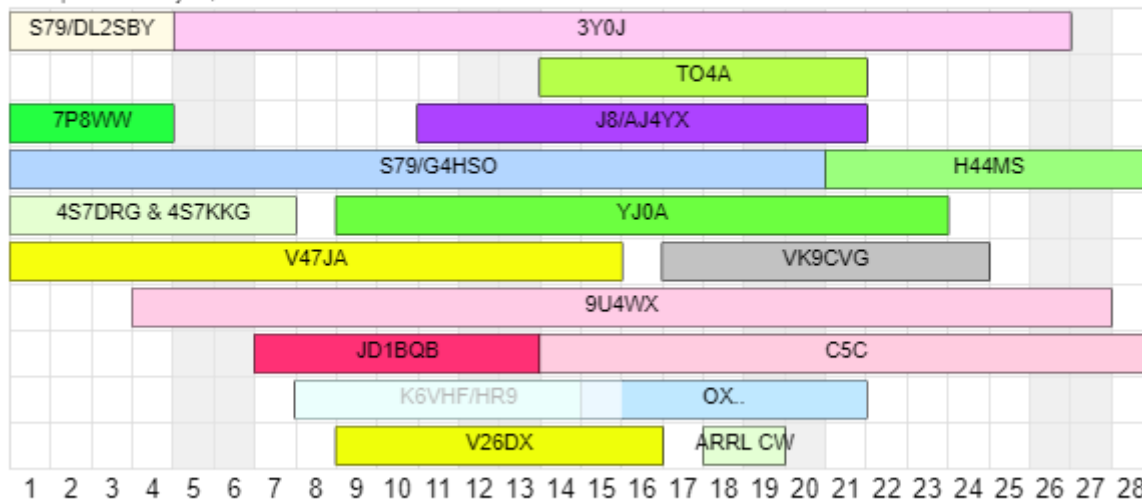
The plans for Market Reef, OJØ, for Q2 2023 are all starting to come together. We have made our reservations at the lighthouse, transport by boat is booked, and the equipment list is being checked frequently. There are a couple of minor uncertainties we want to make sure of before going public with the details concerning dates, schedules, operators, etc.

The sea can be rough in that area, so one must expect changes in dates for departure and return home. No captain wants to take risks, and since we're carrying a lot of heavy and expensive equipment you can safely say that the feeling is mutual.

DXCC timeline

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This week on air

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

DX tour by Brian M0NSI

During a cruise aboard Celebrity Eclipse, Brian will do some land based operations:

ZL, New Zealand ZL/M0NSI January 26-February 7

VK7, Tasmania Australia VK7/M0NSI February 7-16

VK2, Sydney Australia VK2/M0NSI February 16-20

FK, New Caledonia FK/M0NSI February 20-25

FO, Tahiti – Moorea FO/M0NSI February 25-28

FO, Bora Bora FO/M0NSI February 28-March 7

KH6, Hawaii KH6/M0NSI March 8-13

JA, Japan call pending March 14-17

5Z4, Kenya license pending March 18-April 1

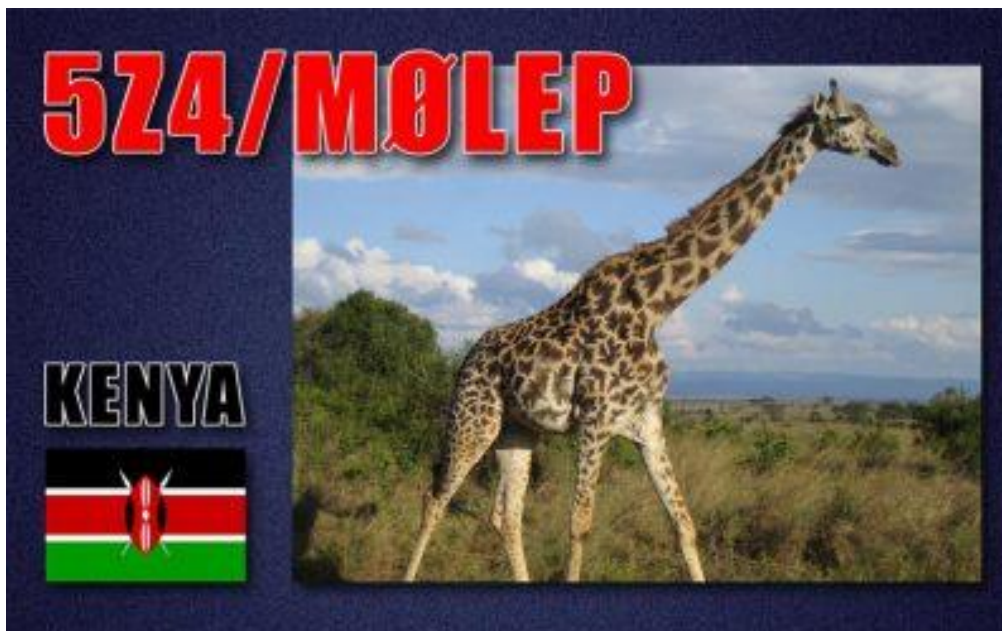
3Y, BOUVET 3Y0J is a team of 13 international amateur radio operators will be operating from Bouvet Island with the goal of making over 200K QSOs. The team is now sailing the treacherous waters of the South Atlantic Ocean before setting up camp, and operating from Bouvet Island for 22 days. At the conclusion of the DXpedition, the team will then sail another 12 days to the end point of the DXpedition: Cape Town, South Africa. See updates <https://www.dx-world.net/3y0j-bouvet-2023/>

4S, SRI LANKA Peter, DC0KK/4S7KKG and Wolfgang DK7DR/4S7DRG will be operating from near Trincomalee between January 29 and February 7. QRV from 80 to 10 meter using FT4, FT8 and SSB. QSL via LoTW or bureau.

4W, TIMOR LESTE Satoshi, JH2EUV is once again operating as 4W/call until March 3 from the Palm Beach Hotel. QSL via LoTW and bureau.

5H, ZANZIBAR Ferdy, HB9DSP is again operating as 5H3FM until January 31. Operation mainly on 20, 15 and 10 meter using SSB and FT8. QSL via home call.

5Z, KENYA Rick, M0LEP is one again active as 5Z4/call until January 30. Operation from 20 to 6 meter. QSL via LoTW.



7P, LESOTHO Yuris, DL2GM is active as 7P8WW until February 4. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. Log upload to Club Log. QSL via YL2GN or OQRS.

A7, QATAR Tony, RN1B is QRV as A75GC from Doha until end January. QSL via RW3RN, direct or bureau.

C5, GAMBIA Andre, ON7YK is once again active as C5YK until February 24. Operation during his spare time on 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via LoTW, home call.

FG, GUADELOUPE Herve, F5HRY is active from Marie Galante Island as FG/call until February 2.

Operation from 80 to 10 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via home call, direct or LoTW.

FM, MARTINIQUE Francis, F6BWJ is QRV as FM/call during January-March. Activity from 80 to 10 meter using CW, PSK and RTTY. QSL via LoTW.

FT/W CROZET ISL Thierry, F6CUK is active as FT8WW. For most recent updates I refer to <https://twitter.com/crozet2022> or the DX-World website. <http://crozet2022.r-e-f.org/>

FW, WALLIS & FUTUNA Darren, VK4MAP will be active in 'holiday-style' as FW/call during the first half of January 2023. Activity on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 meter using SSB only. QSL via home call.

HR, HONDURAS Gerard, F2JD is once again operating as HR5/call until March 13. Operation on HF using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via home call, direct or buro.

HS, THAILAND Manu, F5LIT is operating as HS0ZPU from January 20 until February 6. QSL via home call direct or LoTW.

P4, ARUBA Mathias, DK4MN is once again active as P4/call and P40AA until February 2. An entry in the CQ 160CW contest is included as P40AA. Focus on the low bands and WARC using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via DL4MM.

P4, ARUBA Jeff, VA3QSL is active in 'holiday-style' as P4/call until February 8. Activity from 40 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via QRZ.com.

S7, SEYCHELLES Kasimir, DL2SBY is operating as S79/call until February 4. QSL via LoTW and home call direct.

S7, SEYCHELLES Peter, G4SHO will be active as S79/call between February 1 and February 21. Operation on HF using CW. QSL via LoTW.

T8, PALAU A Japanese team with JH3LSS (T88DK), JA3HJI (T88DN), JA3IVU (T88ED), JA3ARJ (T88EF) & JA3AVO (T88MB) is active until January 31. QRV from 160 to 10 meter using all modes. QSL via homecalls.

TR, GABON Roland, F8EN is active as TR8CR until mid-March. Active from 30 to 10 meter using CW. QSL via F6AJA.

V4, ST KITTS V47JA will again be active from his Calypso Bay vacation home, located 300 feet from the Caribbean Sea, from January 31 to February 15. Operation on HF using SSB and FT8. QSL via W5JON or via LoTW.

VE, CANADA Chris VE3FU / VO2AC and Dave VE3KG / VO2AAA is active from The lighthouse at Point Amour, Labrador (Zone 2, WWL GO11nl) until January 30. Main operation will be during the CQ WW 160-Meter CW Contest as VO2AC. Outside the contest they sign on 160, 80, 40 and via satellite. QSL VO2AC via LoTW or VE3FU (direct or bureau); QSL VO2AAA via LoTW or direct to VE3KG.

VK9W, WILLIS ISL Sands, VU2WXW is operating as VK9WX until end April. <https://www.qrz.com/db/VK9WX>

VP2M, MONTSERRAT Thaire, W2APF is once again QRV as VP2MDX until March 31. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via LoTW or via home call.

YS, EL SALVADOR Roberto, I2JIN is operating as YS3CW from Corinto until end January. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using CW and FT8. QSL via home call, direct.

Easter Island, CE0Y



Coming up soon

6W, SENEGAL Willy, ON4AVT will once again be QRV from Warang as 6W7/call. Activity from February 6 until March 31. Operating from 80 to 10 meter using SSB, digi and QO-100 sat. QSL via home call, Club Log OQRS.

9U, BURUNDI Elvira, IV3FSG will together with Vlad OK2WX be operating as 9U5R between February 4 and February 27. Operation from 80 to 6 meter (no 30m) using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via IK2DUW.

9U, BURUNDI Vlad, OK2WX will be active as 9U4WX between February 4 and February 27. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using CW and SSB (no 30m). QSL via IZ8CCW, Club Log OQRS and LoTW. <https://www.mdxc.support/9u4wx/>

JD1, OGASAWARA Members of the G-G Ham Club (JD1YCC) plan EME activity from Ogasawara island during February 7-13. Team includes: JP3EXR/JD1BPY Taka, JA1PFP/JD1BQB Taka, JJ3JHP/JD1BQD Hiro, JH3BUM/JD1BPX Masa, JH3QFL/JD1BQA Taki, JH3VAA/JD1BPI Mamo, JH3AZC/JD1BPW Kay. They will depart Tokyo by ship on February 5th arriving 24 hours later. On arrival they will undergo an onsite verification test by the Telecommunications bureau on February 7th to get the license for 160m to 23cm. <https://www.qrz.com/db/JD1YCC>

Lesotho, 7P



IOTA

This week on air

AFRICA

AF-019 Lampedusa Isl A large team with S51V, S52OT, S54W, S56N, S57DX, S59A, S500 and S50X are active as IG9/S59A until January 31. An entry in the CQWW 160 CW is included. Outside the contest operators sign as IG9/calls on all bands and all modes.

ASIA

AS-015 Penang Isl Rich, PA0RRS is active as 9M2MRS from Penang Island (AS- 015), West Malaysia until March 29. He operates CW (most of the time "no split") and digital modes (RTTY, FT8 and FT4) on 40-10m. On FT8, he says, if there are too many callers he will switch to F/H on 7056, 10131, 14084, 18095, 21084, 24911, 28091 kHz. QSL via Club Log's OQRS (preferred), LoTW, or via PA0RRS.

AS-079 Miyako Isl Take, JS6RRR (also JI3DST/6, JJ5RBH/6 & JR8YLY/6) is active until March 7. QRV from 80 to 6 meter using SSB/CW/FM/RTTY/JT65 using various calls above on different modes. Participation in CQWW CW contest as JS6RRR. QSL via QRZ.com

Coming up soon

NORTH AMERICA

NA-057 Roatan Isl Alex K6VHF will once again be QRV as call/HR9 between February 8 and February 15. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via LoTW, home call.

OCEANIA

OC-139 Troubridge Isl Operators Adam VK2YK, Chris VK5FR, Ivan VK5HS, Andy VK5LA, Marija VK5MAZ and Paul VK5PAS will be active as VK5TIL on February 7-9. Activity on HF using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via M0OXO OQRS, LoTW. <https://www.troubridgeisland.com/>

Back in time...9L1A Sierra Leone 2014



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announced DX

THE NEWCOMERS

H40, TEMOTU The Intrepid DX Group has released their next DXpedition to Temotu Province as H40WA between October 31 and November 14. A team of 8 operators with Rob N7QT, Paul N6PSE, Sandro VE7NY, Jun OE1JUN/JH4RHF, Heye DJ9RR, Laci HA0NAR and Arliss W7XU and Walt N6XG will do efforts on the low bands using CW, SSB and FT8. [Temotu 2023 DXpedition – Intrepid DX Group \(intrepid-dx.com\)](#)

FM, MARTINIQUE Yuri, VE3DZ will once again be operating as TO4A between January 14 and January 21. An entry in the ARRL DX CW contest is included. Operation before the contest as FM/VE3DZ. QSL via home call, Club Log.

OX, GREENLAND Bo, OZ1DJJ will once again be QRV as OX3LX near Kangerlussuaq airport between February 14 and February 21. An entry in the ARRL DX CW contest is included as OX7A (with ops OX7AKT, OX5DM and OX7AM). QSL via OZ0J.

T8, PALAU Yoshi JR3QFB (T88JH), Miyo JO3LVG (T88MK) and Hiro JM1LIG (T88FM) will be active from the Palau Radio Club / Shack during September 12 and September 18. QRV on HF bands using various modes. QSL via homecalls.

VP5, TURKS & CAICOS John, W0UV will be operating as VP5/call between April 4 and April 11. Activity on HF using FT8. QSL via LoTW.

THE REMINDERS

Pacific Tour by Uli DL2AH

KH0, MARIANA ISL Rota Island August 31-September 14 as KH0/call

KH2, GUAM September 16-30 as KH2/call

V7, MARSHALL ISL October 3-15 (call pending)

V6, MICRONESIA October 18-30 as V63AH

Operation from 80 to 6 meter using SSB and FT8.

3B7, ST BRANDON Members of the OM7M contest club and CDXP (OM5ZW, OK6DJ, OM3PC, OM4MW, OM5RW, OK2ZA, OM3KAP & OM4MM) will be operating as 3B7M between February 24 and March 5, 2023. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via OK6DJ, Club Log OQRS.

9M0, SPRATLY ISL DX0NE is valid for a Dxpediton to Kalayaan, Spratly Islands sometime within the first 6 months of 2023. Team will be with Mike DU1XX, Jong DU3JA, Ed 4F1OZ and Gil 4F2KWT. No specific date(s) yet set for the expedition. License was issued to Gil, 4F2KWT.

9Q, BURUNDI Antonello, IK2DUW confirms there is a DXpedition in preparation, sponsorship is sought. More to follow.



C5, THE GAMBIA Team C5C will once again be active between February 14 and March 14, 2023. Operators are F5RAV, F5NVF and M0NPT. Operation on HF and possible QO-100.

CY0, SABLE ISL Permission for a Dxpediton has been authorized with the team: WA2DAN, N2IEN, K5DHY, K5YY, K4UEE, WW2DX, AA4NC, N8AA, N2TU. The CY0C Sable Island Dxpediton team will be active as CY0S during March 20-29.

<http://cy0dexpedition.net/index.html>

E6, NIUE Stan LZ1GC and Ivan LZ1PM will be operating as E6AM between October 10 and October 27. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB, RTTY and FT8. Logsuploaded during the Dxpediton to Club Log. QSL via LZ1GC OQRS, direct or bureau.

FG, GUADELOUPE Philippe, F1DUZ will once again be active as FG4KH between February 15 and March 7. An entry in the REF SSB contest and ARRL SSB contest is included. QSL via home call, LoTW.

FM, MARTINIQUE Miguel, EA1BP will once again be QRV as FM/call and as TO7O between March 21 and March 28. An entry in the CQWPX SSB contest is included. Outside the contest he will be on WARC bands using SSB. QSL via home call, LoTW.

FO0, AUSTRAL ISL Haru, JA1XGI will be QRV as TX5XG during April 12-19. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW and digi. QSL via LoTW, Club Log OQRS or via home call.

<https://australvacation.amebaownd.com/>

FO/M MARQUESAS ISL Didier, F6BCW plans to be active again as TX7G sometime November 2023 but with a large team. More to follow.

FP, ST PIERRE AND MIQUELON The next trip to FP by KV1J is planned for June 27 until July

11. QRV in various contests throughout the period. Activity on 80-6m; CW, SSB, Digi.
FP, ST PIERRE & MIQUELON Chris, VO1CH updates DX-World that due to Covid-19, the TO5T DXpedition to St Pierre & Miquelon has been postponed sometime in 2023. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. <http://www.to5t.com/>
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.
H4, SOLOMON ISLANDS Bernard, DL2GAC will once again be active as H44MS from Manakwai Village (northern Malaita Isl). Activity from February 10 until May 8. Operation on HF using SSB and FT8. QSL via home call.
HC8, GALAPAGOS ISL Jim WB2REM, Chris VO1IDX, Mitch KH6M and Bob KE2D will be active from Santa Cruz as HD8M. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8 during March 1-11. An entry in the ARRL DX contest is included (March 5-6). QSL via WB2REM direct, OQRS, LoTW. <http://www.hd8m.com/index.html>
HK0, SAN ANDRES ISL For a 2 week period in May 2023 (dates to be announced), Renato will again be active from San Andres island as HK0/PY8WW.
J7, DOMINICA Laurent FM5BH and Yuri VE3DZ will be active as J79BH between February 20 and February 26. Activity from 160 to 40 meter using CW. QSL via FM5BH, LoTW or Club Log OQRS.
J8, ST VINCENT & GRENADINES Thomas, F4HPX will be active from several islands within St. Vincent and the Grenadines around March 2023 as J8/AG7JQ. No dates yet, but he will QRV mostly as a mobile station. Activity mainly in SSB with some FT8/FT4. QSL via home call direct or bureau.



J8, ST VINCENT & GRENADINES Sandro VE7NY and Rob N7QT will be active as J8NY from February 28 until March 7. An entry in the ARRL SSB contest is included. Outside the contest they will be operating from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via VE7NY.
J8, ST VINCENT & GRENADINES Gert, PA2LO will be active as J8/AJ4YX between February 11 and February 21. Operation during his spare time. An entry in the ARRL DX CW contest is included, besides the contest Gert will be mainly active using SSB and FT8.
JD1, Ogasawara Look for JD1BQP (JP1IHD) from Chichijima between April 29 and May 6, 2023. Operation mainly on HF using SSB. QSL via home call, direct.
KH2, GUAM Look once again for BJ as AH2/WA7WJR during the first week of March, 2023. <https://www.questsofdiscovery.com/dxpedition>
KH8, SWAINS ISL Due to the Covid-19 pandemic it is still impossible to travel to Swains Island. Alex Jennings (owner of island) and the team will start planning again sometime 2023.
OJ0, MARKET REEF Update by LB5SH: I'm planning a new Dxpediton to OJ0 Market Reef in Q2 2023, together with three other operators. We're planning to keep two stations active around the clock, for about seven days. We will also give VHF a shot this time – 6m, 4m, and maybe even 2m.
OX, GREENLAND Davis, OZ5DM will be operating as OX5DM from Kangerlussuaq between February 14 and February 21. Operation on HF using mainly SSB. QSL via OZ1ACB.

OX, GREENLAND Mikkel, OZ7AKT will be active as OX7AKT from February 14 until February 21. Operation on HF. QSL via OZ1ACB.

PJ2, CURACAO Andy, DK5ON will be operating as PJ2/call from March 4 until March 22 as PJ2/call. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via home call direct or bureau, LoTW, Club Log OQRS.

PJ2, CURACAO Bob AA1M, Steve W1SR and Mike W1USN will be active as PJ2/calls from February 20 until March 3. Operation on HF. QSL via homecalls, direct or buro, LoTW.

PJ4, BONAIRE Scott, NE9U will once again be operating as PJ4/call from February 11 until February 26. An entry in the ARRL DX contest is included as PJ4A (with K2NG, N9TTK and W9RE). QSL for PJ4A via K4BAI, PJ4/homecalls via LoTW.

PJ5, ST EUSTATIUS John, W5JON will be QRV as PJ5/call during March 28 and April 4. Operation from 80 to 6 meter using SSB and FT8. QSL via direct or LoTW.

PJ7, ST MAARTEN Tom, AA9A will once again be operating as PJ7AA between March 4 and April 1. Activity from 80 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSO will be uploaded to LoTW and Club Log.



PJ7, SINT MAARTEN Gary, KC9EE will be operating as PJ7/call from Oyster Pond area. QRV during March 1 and March 7 from 20 to 10 meter using QRP CW. QSL via home call.

TI, COSTA RICA Joe, VE3BW will be active as TI7/call from February 26 until around March 12. Activity from 160 to 6 meter. *'The house is located 1000 feet up a hillside on the west coast near Samara I will be travelling back and forth from Canada for the next year, eventually more permanent in 2024. Arriving Feb 26th-Depart around March 12th. QRV all modes 160-6 meters. The QTH will be available to be rented by Hams (and non hams). Permanent station will be available and a link to licence etc. 10 minutes from the beach.'*

V2, ANTIGUA Greg, N9GB will be operating as V26DX between February 9 and February 16. Activity from 40 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8 in 'holiday-style'.

V4, ST KITTS Bob, N4RF will be operating as V4/call between March 19 and April 1. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using mainly CW with some SSB and FT8. QSL via home call direct, LoTW or Club Log.

VK9C, COCOS KEELING ISL Nobby, G0VJG will be operating during February 17-24 as VK9CVG. Operation with a FT-857 and a Butternut HF6V antenna. More to follow.

VP2M, MONTSERRAT Look for the EIDX group as VP2MEI around March 23 and April 2. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. More to follow.

VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISL Look for VP2V/AA7V during the ARRL DX CW contest (Febr 18-19). Steve will then be operating from Tortola, outside the contest he will be QRV during some spare time using FT8. QSL via home call, LoTW.

VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISL Dave, W9DR will be active as VP2V/call from Anegada Isl during June 23-29. Operation on 6 meter only using FT8, CW and SSB. QSL via QRZ.com information.

VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISL Dario, KP4DO will be operating from Tortola as VP2V/call. Dates

not yet mentioned. More to follow.

VP5, TURKS & CAICOS Bill AC0W and Pat K0PC will once again be active as VP5/calls from February 14 until February 20. An entry in the ARRL DX contest is included as VP5K. QSL via homecalls, LoTW, VP5K goes via K0PC.

On the scene...Ferdy 5H3FM Zanzibar, Tanzania



VP5, TURKS & CAICOS John, N9EAJ will be operating as VP5/call between March 8 and March 22. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via home call, Club Log and LoTW.

XU, CAMBODIA This Dxpediton had been due to take place during March, however since many of the team were from Ukraine it's clear it had to be postponed. Juris YL2GM, team leader

explains: My team planned expedition XU7AKT in March. The expedition had to be cancelled due to the war in Ukraine. However, Latvian Radiosport Federation supports Ukraine during these tough times and invites radio amateurs around the world to join this support by donating. More info can be found on the LRSF homepage: <https://www.lral.lv/lrsf/index.html>

YJ, VANUATU Bob W7YAQ and Al K7AR will be operating as YJ0A between February 9 and February 23. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. A Multi Single effort for the ARRL CW DX Contest is planned. Logs will be uploaded daily to Club log. QSL via OQRS, LoTW or K7AR.

YJ, VANUATU A team with NC7M (YJ0TT), K6VHF (YJ0NA), W6UC (YJ0UC) and NG7E (YJ0ET) will be QRV from Port Vila in October 2023 (exact dates to be confirmed). Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi + 23cm EME.

YJ, VANUATU A team with N4VGE as team leader will be active for 2 weeks in December 2024. Activity on HF using CW, SSB and digi with an entry in the ARRL 10m contest on December 14-15. More to follow.

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>

IOTA

THE NEWCOMERS

OCEANIA

OC-092 Calayan Isl DU1/SP5APW March 18-26

OC-244 Marinduque Isl DU1/SP5APW/P March 9-14

Jacek, SP5APW informs his next trip in March 2023. Operation from 40 to 10 meter using SSB and FT8. On 6 meter will he work digital only. 'Last activity from OC-092 took place back in 2017 an from OC-244 back in 2018.

SOUTH AMERICA

SA-023 Ilha da Mare Robson, PY6TV will be operating as PT6D on February 2-5. QSL via home call, direct. Log via Club Log.

THE REMINDERS

ASIA

AS-107 Samet Isl E20AX/p has had to postpone the activation of Samet Island that was originally scheduled for 8-10 January 2022 because of the Omicron outbreak. A new date is yet to be set.

EUROPE

EU-189 Isle of Rockall The Rockall expedition is now scheduled to leave from Inverkip Marina, Greenock, Scotland May 26. This is a charity event (details below) and the plan is to spend a week on the rock. Amateur Radio operation is planned for part of the stay.

NORTH AMERICA

NA-049 Providencia Isl HK3EA/5J01EA and HK3MKQ/5K0VT will be active during February 27 to March 5. Operation on 80 to 10 meter using SSB and some FT8. QSL via LoTW, QRZ.com.

NA-122 Isla Cabras Team members of Loma del Toro DX Club will be operating as HI0LT during March 12-19. Operation from 160 to 2 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via EB7DX.

NA-249 Culebra Isl Team KP3RE will once again be active during February 17-19. This will be a combined IOTA, POTA, SOTA, BOTA & USI activity. QSL via EA5GL.

OCEANIA

OC-139 Troubridge Isl Look for VK5PAS, VK5MAZ, VK5FR, VK2YK, VK5LA and VK5HS as VK5TIL on February 7-9. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8.

OC-237 Gili Ketapang Isl Huzen, YE3BYE/P will be QRV between May 15 and May 21. Operation on 40, 20, 15 and 10 meter using SSB. QSL via home call, LoTW.

SOUTH AMERICA

SA-071 Moela Isl Look for ZZ2MI (operators PY2MAM and PY2TTN) during February 19-21. Activity on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 meter using SSB and FT8. <https://www.qrz.com/db/ZZ2MI>

Antarctic Base

Base Dumont d'Urville FT4YL

Base Concordia FT4YM/P

Base Little Dome C FT4YM/P

Base Cape Prud'homme FT4YM/P

Mehdi, F5PFP informs that David **FT4YM** is again QRV from Antarctica during the next summer campaign (March 2023).

Amundsen-Scott Station George KJ4CHT is the overwintering doctor at Amundsen–Scott South Pole Station, Antarctica. He's a newcomer to the ham radio hobby (previously only having local FM QSO experience), however is becoming familiar with remote set up, using **Ham Radio Deluxe** logbook, and is looking forward to trying HF bands soon. QSL manager, Bill K7MT, suggests George will be most likely on 20 SSB. Callsign to look out for: **KC4AAA**

Esperanza Base Juan, LU8DBS is currently stationed at Esperanza Base, Antarctica (AN-016) for the Antarctic Summer. In his spare time he is QRV as LU1ZV on 40, 20 and 10 metres SSB; in February CW and digital modes will be added. QSL direct to LU4DXU.

Halley VI base Seba, SQ1SGB is active from 75° 35' 00" S, 26° 34' 00" W – Loc: HB64RK. Halley Research Station is a research facility on the Brunt Ice Shelf operated by the British Antarctic Survey (*tnx F8DVD*).

Maitri Base Station Sunny, VU2CUW is active from the Indian Maitri Base (70°46'S – 11° 43'E). When time permits he will QRV on HF bands using AT42I callsign – 42nd scientific expedition. More info to follow..

Novolazarevskaya Station Look for Oleg, ZS1OIN as RI1ANU from Novolazarevskaya Station, Antarctica. QRV on HF bands when time permits using IC-7300, amplifier and beam antennas. QSL via H/c.

Palmer Station For the 2022/23 US-Antarctic scientific season, there's a new ham operator based at Palmer Station, Anvers Island, AN-012. Look out for Cody running KC4AAC on the HF bands when time permits. There is a triband antenna at the station. QSL via K7MT.

Vostok Station Look out for Alex UG1A (ex.RD1AV), Ivan UB1AQB and Zahar (ex.UH4NAE) to be active during their spare time (January 1 to March 31, 2023) from Vostok Station, Antarctica as RI1ANC and/or RI30ANT (30th anniversary of the Russian Robinson Club). RI1ANC QSL via RN1ON. RI30ANT QSL via RZ3EC.



Special calls

THE NEWCOMERS

5H, TANZANIA 5H100TC is the special callsign that TA1HZ, currently stationed in Tanzania and active as 5H8HZ, has been granted to use during 2023 in celebration of the 100th anniversary since the proclamation of the Republic of Turkey. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, or via M00XO's OQRS. (TNX 425DX)

F, FRANCE Look for special event station TM20AAW to be on air from 10 to 24 February 2023. Activity is to celebrate the 20th Antarctic Activity Week. All info on this event on <http://www.qrz.com/db/TM20AAW> Operation will be made by François F8DVD from his Qth of Mâcon in east part of France, 60 km North of Lyon (JN26JH). The new reference for WAP program is 350. Operations will be on HF band from 10 to 40 meters. QSL via F8DVD, Direct (SAE + 2 USD) or via Buro. For more information about that Antarctic event, have a look to www.waponline.it

HP, PANAMA Members of the Panama Canal Amateur Radio Association (HP1PCR) will be active as 3E30PCARA on 1-28 February to celebrate the 30th anniversary since their club's formation (4 February 1993). QSL direct to PCARA, Apartado Postal 0843-03204, Ciudad de Panama, Republic of Panama. (TNX 425DX)

LU, ARGENTINA AMSAT Argentina, LU7AA will celebrate the 33rd anniversary of the LUSAT (LO-19) satellite on 21-29 January. Activity on the HF bands will be on SSB, CW and digital modes. (TNX 425DX)



THE REMINDERS

7X, ALGERIA 7U7C is the special callsign for members of the 7X2VFK Radio Club to mark the 7th African Nations Championship, the biennial football (soccer) tournament organized by the Confederation of African Football to be held in Algeria between 13 January and 4 February. (TNX 425DX)

7X, ALGERIA Members of the radio club **7X2VFK** will be active with the special event callsign 7U7C around the Africa Cup of Nations football tournament (Jan. 13 - Feb. 2). QSL direct via qrz.com. (TNX DXNL)

9A, CROATIA 9A66AA is the special callsign that Tom, 9A2AA is using throughout 2023 to mark his 66th year in amateur radio. QSL via home call. (TNX 425DX)

DL, GERMANY DR45HAAN is the special callsign for DARC's Ortsverband Haan (R24) to celebrate their 45th anniversary until September 30, 2023. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau; direct cards via DL7ET. (TNX 425DX)

DL, GERMANY DR100XRAY commemorates the 100th anniversary of the death of Wilhelm Roentgen, inventor of the X-rays and winner of the Nobel Prize for physics in 1901. QRV until the end of June 2023. QSL via bureau or direct. (TNX DXNL)

DL, GERMANY Celebrating "100 years of broadcasting in Germany", special callsign **DB100RDF** is in use during 2023. QSL via the bureau, or direct to DO2PZ. The first official radio

entertainment programme in Germany was broadcast on 29 October 1923. (TNX 425DX)

F, FRANCE Special callsign **TM25PVJ** will be activated from 22 January to 5 February for the 25th "Percee du Vin Jaune", the festival celebrating the "Opening of the Yellow Wine" which this year will take place at Voiteur (Jura). QSL via F8GGZ. (TNX 425DX)

F, FRANCE **TM100DOR** (op. Thierry, F4GVO) and W9DOR celebrate the centennial of Door County Amateur Radio Club (Wisconsin) until the end of the month January. (TNX DXNL)

GM, SCOTLAND Special event station **GB2KW** is active again until January 28 from near Inverness, Scotland using vintage equipment manufactured by KW Electronics Ltd during the 1960s and 1970s. QSL via LoTW. Also active from England, especially over the "KW Weekend" (7-8 January), are expected to be **GB0KWD**, **GB4KW**, **GB5KW** and **GB8KW**. (TNX 425DX)

HA, HUNGARY The following special event stations mark the 200th birthday of the Hungarian poet Sandor Petofi until March 15: **HG200AN**, **HG200DO**, **HG200EF**, **HG200IR**, **HG200OT** and **HG200PS**. QRV on HF on CW, SSB, and FT8. An award is available as well. QSL via Club Log, LoTW. (TNX DXNL)

HH, HAITI Special event station **HH75RCH** will be QRV from Port-au-Prince, Haïti until May 1 to celebrate the 75th anniversary of RaBdio Club D'Haïti. QRV on HF bands, QSL via N2OO. (TNX 425DX)

Back in time...5 years ago on the way to Bouvet



I, ITALY The ARI section Fidenza (www.arifidenza.it) runs a "Marconi was here!" award programme throughout 2023 to mark important steps and locations in Marconi's career and in the development of wireless technology:

January: **II4TRN**; TURIN: air - ground radio communication experiments (1915)

February: **II4STL**; SESTRI LEVANTE (GE): Demostation of blind navigation by means of radio beacons (1934)

March: **II4ANC**; ANCONA: radio communication experiments with Poldhu station (Cornwall) (1904)

April: **II4BRI**; BARI: inauguration of the first Italian radiotelegraphic station with commercial purposes (1904)

May: **II4GNV**; GENOVA: switch on of the lighting system in Sidney by means of a radio beacon (1930)

June: **II4SSM**; SASSO MARCONI (BO): at Villa Griffone, first wireless contact in history (1895)

July: **II4SPZ**; LA SPEZIA: experiments with the Italian military Navy (1897)

August: **II4GAR**; GOLFO ARANCI (SS): Short Wave contact with Rocca di Papa (Rome) 1932)

September: **II4CGD**; CASTEL GANDOLFO (ROME): inauguration of the microwave full - duplex system with the Vatican (1933)

October: **II4SML**; S. MARGHERITA LIGURE (GE): microwave RTX experiments (1931)

November: **II4CLT**; COLTANO (PI): inauguration of the first Italian intercontinental radiotelegraphic station (1911)

December: **II4CDV**; CITTA' DEL VATICANO: inauguration of the Vatican radio station (1931)

For QSL information see qrz.com. An award, based on contacts with these stations, is also available. (TNX DXNL)

LA, NORWAY LA100K is the special callsign for the Akademisk Radioklubb, LA1K to celebrate the 100th anniversary since its foundation. Based in Trondheim, it is the oldest amateur radio club in Norway. The special callsign is in use during 2023. QSL via the bureau, or direct. (TNX 425DX)

LY, LITHUANIA The special event station **LY700VLN** (ops LY1CG, LY1LB, LY2BVB, LY2IJ, LY2QT, LY2XW, LY2PX, LY4NZ, LY4Q, LY8O) celebrates the 700th anniversary of Lithuania's capital Vilnius until the end of January. QSL via LY4Q. (TNX DXNL)

LY, LITHUANIA LY1923KK commemorates the uprising of the Klaipeda region 100 years ago from Jan. 10 until Feb. 10. QSL via bureau or direct. (TNX DXNL)

LZ, BULGARIA Radio Club Blagovestnik (LZ1KCP) will use six special callsigns during 2023 to honour as many different Orthodox saints: **LZ319TS** (January and February), **LZ522ME** (March and April), **LZ78KA** (May and June), **LZ1015RW** (July and August), **LZ288MS** (September and October), and **LZ600PA** (November and December). QSL via the bureau or direct to P.O. Box 36, 4300 Karlovo, Bulgaria. Details on the "All Saints 2023 Award" can be found at <https://www.lz1kcp.com/>. (TNX 425DX)

OE, AUSTRIA OE40XTU is the special callsign for OE1XTU, the Amateur Radio Club at TU Wien (the Vienna University of Technology), to celebrate its 40th anniversary during 2023. QSL via LoTW and eQSL (preferred), paper cards to be requested via Club Log's OQRS will be sent in early 2024. (TNX 425DX)

Napuka Atoll (Disappointment Island) OC-094, FO



ON, BELGIUM OQ95RCL is the special callsign for Radio Club Leuven (ON4CP) to celebrate its 95th anniversary throughout 2023. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, bureau, or direct to ON3AR. (TNX 425DX)

PA, THE NETHERLANDS The Scouting troop Thomas More in Prinsenbeek celebrates its 85th anniversary with the callsign PA85TP during 2023 and the Scouting Prinsenbeek Amateur Radio Club marks its 30th anniversary with the call **PA30SPARC**. An award for QSOs with these callsigns and PI9TP is also available from the Manager Edwin, PE5ENJ (pd5enj@msn.com). (TNX DXNL)

PA, THE NETHERLANDS Celebrating New Year, special calls **PH23HNY** will be QRV until end January. QSL cards will not be available. (TNX 425DX)
Huizen and Rotterdam). QSL via PB2X.

SM, SWEDEN 8S80AA is the special callsign for the Vasteras Radio Klubb, SK5AA to celebrate its 80th anniversary throughout 2023. More information can be found on <https://www.sk5aa.se/>. QSL via Club Log's OQRS (preferred), via the bureau to SK5AA, or direct to SM5FUG. (TNX 425DX)

SP, POLAND The special event station **HF7SIEMA** operates in the context of a nationwide Polish charity event until February 5. <https://logsp.pzk.org.pl/index.php?page=station&id=HF7SIEMA>

TA, TURKEY Celebrating the 100th anniversary since the proclamation of the Republic of Turkey (29 October 1923), the Turkish Radio Amateurs Association (TRAC) will operate special callsigns **TC100**, **TC100TA**, **TC100TR** and **TC100YEAR** throughout 2023. (TNX 425DX)

VK, AUSTRALIA VI75G is the callsign for the Geelong Amateur Radio Club to celebrate its 75th anniversary throughout 2023. QSL via LoTW and eQSL, or via VK3ATL (direct and bureau). (TNX 425DX)

VR, HONG KONG In celebration of the 25th anniversary of the Establishment of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, radio amateurs in Hong Kong are permitted to use the special call prefix "**VR25**" until end June.

YO, ROMANIA YR1400VT is the special callsigns that members of Radio Club YO6KGS will be using until 30 June 2023 to popularize the newly inaugurated Via Transilvanica, a long-distance trail (1400 km) used for hiking, cycling and horse riding that crosses Romania. (TNX 425DX)

W, USA The Straight Key Century Club's annual on-air event, commemorating the club's founding in 2006 and celebrating the original instruments of early radiotelegraphy (straight key, bug and cootie keys), will run on 2-31 January. Look for **K3Y** to be aired from the ten US call areas (**K3Y/0 through K3Y/9**), plus **/KH6**, **/KL7** and **/KP4**. Information about the event and QSLing instructions can be found on <https://skccgroup.com/k3y/k3y.php>. (TNX 425DX)

Back in time...Spratly Island 1991

