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This coming weekend (October 26-27) sees one of the biggest DX contests of the year – CQWW SSB. Even if you're not a contester, there's usually something "juicy" to work on the bands, especially now sunspots and solar flux are much higher than last few years.

Keep an eye on ADXO for the most up to date listings of DX stations taking part, particularly a day or two before.

Meanwhile, here's the **rules**. Also remember this year – **after a policy change** – Russia / Belarus stations are permitted to operate as normal.

# **DX NEWS**

#### C21MM Nauru DXpedition -update

Nauru Media News – NTV recently interviewed C21MM team members DG2RON and DJ9KH who



#### **E6AQ Niue -update**

Antenna for 40-10m bands installed. Log with first contacts available here. Poor propagation on the upper bands, reports Jacek. He also mentions that life on Niue flows slowly; Constitution Day is extended to a whole week, there is no possibility of taking care of even the simplest matters like buying food and finalizing a radio license. The same applies to the driving license, without a local permit Jacek would be driving illegally.

#### PX0FF Fernando de Noronha -now QRT

With almost 160K QSOs in the log, the PX0FF team are now QRT. This was an exceptional DXpedition and kudos to the team for a job very well done! Where next..?!



#### VP8G Falkland Islands -update by Gerben PG5M

Most of the equipment and materials have been packed. Important issue is to stay within the weight limitations of the airline. Still judging what to leave behind without compromizing the setup and operation. Have also added some wires to create a 60m antenna. It was not possible to add one more fiberpole for a separate vertical, so will use the DX Commander as support for an L-shape 60m antenna. I have also built a Hexbeam, based on the K4KIO design dimensions. The start was the SP6CYN Hexbeam which is a very nice quality product. However, I wanted to have a version that is less in weight and can be assembled faster. With the support of Ham Radio Land (distributer for SP6CYN in the Netherlands), I started to discuss to create a DXpedition version. More on this later.



#### S9Z Sao Tome & Principe -update

New team members: We welcome two new members to the S9Z team, Carlos CT1END and Araujo CT1DVS have joined us as team expeditioners.

Sending equipment: Numerous obstacles have caused serious concerns in getting our equipment to the island. Our initial plans called for all the equipment to be transported by sea to the island, but we soon realized that this was not possible due to the lack of port capabilities there. We then attempted to send it by air freight using commercial and traditional passenger aircraft. However, we realized again that this would not be possible because international rules did not allow us to ship our equipment using these methods as well. This left one safe method and we will now be carrying all the equipment as checked luggage. <a href="https://www.dx-world.net/s9z-sao-tome-principe/">https://www.dx-world.net/s9z-sao-tome-principe/</a>

#### **ZL7IO Chatham Islands -update October 22**

It was an extremely windy day. At times it was hard to stay or walk outside. This was the first stress test for the DX Commander on the roof and it did not pass. The fiberglass pole broke and I have no antenna for 40/30m at the moment.

Since I had to work (for money) today we had little station building progress. In the afternoon the tower lugs not fitting got re-welded and painted. I also started to prepare the operating position for CQWW SSB (SOAB) and CW (M/2).

The 160 m vertical is still on the ground and we may have to use it for 40 m instead. In the contest I need 40 m much more. We'll see tomorrow if we can find something else to be used for 40 m. Whenever possible I run a station in FT8 on the side while working. I will disappear from time to time due to meetings.

#### **VU4X Andaman Islands -update**

Obtaining the necessary permits proved to be a very tough job indeed. It required no less than 18 months of patience, perseverance and extensive communication with the Indian authorities. Hereby, we would certainly like to thank ON8AZ Francis immensely for his perseverance. There were times when we wanted to throw in the towel for less, but we persevered and our hard work was rewarded, and we finally received the long-awaited positive news. Our thanks go to the Ministry of Communications and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, who helped us get this permit finalised. <a href="https://www.dx-adventure.com/en/vu4x-press-release-1/">https://www.dx-adventure.com/en/vu4x-press-release-1/</a>

# **DXCC**

## This week on air

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

#### **EA8DBM / LY3UW Caribbean Tour**

Having already completed his activity from KP2 & VP2V, Alex EA8DBM / LY3UW continues his Caribbean tour. Although primarly operating EME, Alek is also quite active on HF bands, FT8 from each entity. Currently he's active from Montserrat as VP2MBM until Ocotber 26th. His schedule is as follows:

Oct 22-26: **VP2MBM**Oct 28-31: **V2/EA8DBM**Nov 1-3: **PJ7/EA8DBM**Nov 4-9: **PJ5/EA8DBM**Nov 10-13: **FS/EA8DBM**Nov 14-18: **FJ/EA8DBM**Nov 19-24: **KP4/EA8DBM** 

Alek has a sub-stack which can be read here for up to date info on his activities.

**3B8, MAURITIUS** For CQWW CW contest this year the 3B8M team will consist of G0CKV, KX7M, 4O3A, 3B8GL, E70A, SM0CXU, YL3JA, YL2KL, YT1HA, YT7KM, YU6DX and YU9DX.

**3B9, RODRIGUES ISL** Kazu, M0CFW is once again QRV as 3B9KW and as 3B9/call outside the contests. QRV during the CQWW SSB contest (Oct 26-27) and CQWW CW contest (Nov 23-24). Before and after the contest as 3B9/call -> October 20-30 and again November 17-27. QSL via LoTW.

**3D2/R, ROTUMA** Antoine, 3D2AG, left Rotuma for a research trip lasting three to four weeks (depending on the timing of the return boat in November). In his spare time he will operate mostly CW and SSB as 3D2AG/p on 160-6 metres, with a focus on the higher bands. He hopes to complete the setup and be on the air at least by 25 October, so that he can try and participate in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest. Please note that while on the island he will not have access to the Internet, and that for CW he will use a manual lambic paddle and paper logs, which will be digitised after the trip. QSL via Club Log's OQRS and LoTW. By 425DX.

**5V, TOGO** Antonio, IK7WUL (ex TY2AA) is now active as 5V0DX, QRV on HF using SSB during his spare time. QSL via home call.

**6Y, JAMAICA** Neil, G0RNU is once again operating as 6Y/call until November 6. Activity on HF using SSB and FT8. QSL via home call.

**7Q, MALAWI** A team with EA7FTR, CT1BOL, D2ACE, 7Q6M and 7Q7CT is operating as 7Q1 until November 2. Operation on all bands and all modes. An entry in the CQWW SSB contest is included. QSL via EA7FTR.

**7Q, MALAWI** Operating from the QTH of Don, 7Q6M, look for Gerry, W1VE as 7Q2T until October 28. An entry in the CQWW SSB contest (SOAB, LP category) is included. Outside of contest QRV on HF bands, mainly CW. QSL via LoTW.

**8R, GUYANA** Aldir, PY1SAD is active as 8R1TM from Georgetown until November 24. Operation on all bands using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via LoTW and direct.

**9J, ZAMBIA** Tom, DL2RMC is active during his spare time, mostly during coming contests as 9J2FI. QSL via DL2RMC. 'However, since I am working on a time-consuming project, I won't be very active. Still, you can hear me in many contests.'

**C2, NAURU** A team with DG2RON, DJ5IW, DJ7TO, DJ9KH, DK3CG, DK5WL, DL1KWK, DL2RNS, DL4SVA, DL6KAC, DL6KVA, DL7JOM, DL7VEE and DL8LAS (T2C in 2023 and P29RO in 2022 and other activities in the years before COVID) is QRV until October 29. Operation is planned with 5 stations 24/7 from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi.

**E6, NIUE** Jacek, SP5EAQ is operating as E6AQ until November 9. The QTH will be on the western side of the island, right by the ocean. This will be a SSB only operation from 80 to 10 meter. An entry in the CQWW SSB contest is included. QSL via SP7DQR.

**EP, IRAN** EP9KNA is a special event callsign held and used by a new generation of young Persian amateur radio operators (EP2AVM, EP6DSP and EP3ISF) who would love to travel, have adventure, and experience the joy of DXing in the field! Operation during October 24-25 on 40, 20, 15 and 10 meter using CW and SSB.

**FG, GUADELOUPE** Look for TO2X during the CQWW SSB contest (M5RIC, GW4XUM, K1XX and W1MD). Before and after the contest they will sign as FG/calls. TO2X via LoTW.

#### On the scene...7Q1 Malawi

Shortly before 1545z today, 7Q1 started activity on 10m followed by 20m (SSB both bands).

Courtesy of 7Q7CT and 7Q6M here's some pics – thanks!



FG, GUADELOUPE Philippe, F1DUZ is once again operating as FG4KH until November 6. An entry in the CQWW SSB is included. QSL via home call, QRZ.com.

FR, REUNION ISL Stephane, F5UOW is once again QRV as FR/call until October 27. Operation from 40 to 10 meter using CW and digi. QSL via home call, LoTW.

FY, FRENCH GUIANA Sebastien, F8DQZ (ex-3XY3D) will be active from French Guiana as FY/F8DQZ during October 28 to November 8, 2024. He is there on a business trip but will QRV when time permits on HF bands (Yagi and IC-7300). QSL via F5OZC.

J6, ST LUCIA Steve NY3B is active as J68SS until October 29. QSL via home call and LoTW. He will join the J62K contest team during the CQWW DX SSB contest.

J6, ST LUCIA A team with K9HZ, W0CN, WA4PGM, NY3B, W0ZB and W1DED is active as J62K during the CQWW SSB contest. Also active as J6 calls until October 27. QSL for J62K via K9HZ.

JD1, OGASAWARA Koutarou, JP1IHD is once again active as JD1BQP until November 3. Operation from 160 to 6 meter mainly SSB. QSL via home call.

KHO, MARIANA ISL Masa, JAORQV will be operating in 'holiday-style' as KHO/call on October 25-27. QRV from 40 to 6 meter using CW, SSB, FT4/8 with a focus on 6 meter. QSL via LoTW, Club Log OQRS or direct via home call.

KH9, WAKE ISL Tom, NL7RR is once again active as call/KH9 until November 5. Operation on 20 meter using SSB when time permits. QSL via home call.

P4, ARUBA John, W2GD will once again be QRV as P44W during both CQWW SSB and CW contests. Before the contest he will be active during his spare time on all bands using CW. QSL via N2MM and LoTW.

PJ4, BONAIRE Running multi-op category, M5RIC, GW4XUM, G4CLA, W1MD and K2NG will be active from Bonaire as PJ4G during the CQWW SSB contest. Pre contest activity as PJ4/homecall. OSL via LoTW.

PJ7, SINT MAARTEN Ed, N2HX is active as PJ7PL until December 18. An entry in the CQWW

contests is included. Outside the contest operation in 'holiday-style' using FT8 and RTTY. QSL via home call.

**PZ, SURINAME** Look for PZ5JT this October and November during a jungle training of the Royal Dutch Army. The station is manned by personnel from the signal regiment on 40, 20, 17, 15 and 10 meter using SSB. PZ5JT will be using in-service military radio's (L3Harris) from different locations, but most of the time from main (command) post – keep your ears open for a special /M or /P from more challenging locations.

**TR, GABON** Roland, F8EN will once again be QRV as TR8CR starting late-October until mid-January 2025. Operation from 30-10 meter using CW. QSL via F6AJA.

#### On the scene...C21MM Nauru

The coax cable got cut and the mast carrying the beam was thrown over. Fortunately, worse things could be prevented. High bands are up and running again.



**V2, ANTIGUA** A team with N3OC (V26OC), K3RA (V26RA), KC2GOW (V26AG), AA3R (V26FT), and K3MTT (V26T) will be operating as V26B during the CQWW DX SSB contest (October 26-27). Operation in M/M category. QSL via KA2AEV direct.

**V4, ST KITTS** V47T (team N2NT, K5ZD, KM3T and K4ZW) will be active during the CQWW SSB contest (Oct 26-27). QSL via W2RQ, LoTW.

**V4, ST KITTS** Yuri, VE3DZ is QRV as V4/call and V48K until November 3. An entry in the CQWW SSB contest is included as V48K. QSL via LoTW.

**V5, NAMIBIA** The Norwegian ARD is planning a DXpedition as V55LA during end October and the first week of November. Still in planning phase, they are now working on the antenna farm layout and exploring the most ideal location. QSL via M00XO OQRS. More to follow, the website will soon be on air. <a href="https://www.ardxpeditions.com/">https://www.ardxpeditions.com/</a>

**V5, NAMIBIA** Gunter, DK2WH is active as V51WH until early November. QTH from a farm close to Omaruru. Operation from 160 to 10 meter and 60 meter.

**VP2M, MONTSERRAT** Look for K2DM / VP2MDM, N0SMX / VP2MMX and ND8L / VP2MMM until October 28. An entry in the CQWW DX SSB is included as VP2MDM. QSL via LoTW or direct via K2DM. Outside the contest a lot of FT4/8 with some CW.

**VP5, TURKS & CAICOS** Marc, WQ7X will once again be QRV as VP5/call between October 26 and November 2. Operation from 40 to 10 meter using CW and SSB, FT8 perhaps. QSL via LoTW. **XV, VIETNAM** Greg, XV9Q is operating as call/P for a few days with an entry in the CQWW SSB contest. He will use a portable Hexbeam (for 20-10m), 1Kw and Flex 6600; possibly a DX Commander for 40m. QSL via N4GNR.

**YJ, VANUATU** Chris, VK2YUS is again active from Port Vila, Efate Island, Vanuatu as YJ0CA until November 4. QRV on SSB only (participation in the CQWW SSB contest). He uses a 1/4 wave vertical with elevated radials for 40m, and various dipoles & verticals for other bands. QSL via H/c, no LoTW.

YJ, VANUATU Look for a team led by N4VGE as YJ0VV until October 29. An entry in several

contests is included. Operation with 2 stations from 160 to 10 meter using full size inverted V, 6-20 BuddiHex, 40m phased vertical array, 15m 5/8 wave vertical, 80-160m receive only pennants, 160m sloper, and a 10- 40m DX Commander Expedition. In addition to operating as a DX station we will have the opportunity to operate at several POTA and IOTA locations. QSL via K4NHW, Club Log.

**ZD7, ST HELENA** Oliver, W6NV will once again be QRV as ZD7W for the CQWW SSB and CQWW CW contest.

**ZF, CAYMAN ISL** Chris, AE6Z is active as ZF2XX until October 25. Operation using mainly CW QRP-style and some FT8. QSL via LoTW.

**ZL7, CHATHAM ISL** Holger, ZL3IO is QRV as ZL7DX until October 31 and as ZL7IO during the CQ WW contest. QSL via LoTW, Club Log or via DK7AO.

# **Coming up soon**

**8Q, MALDIVES** Tom, OE1TRI will be active from Kagi Island as 8Q7TR between November 2-9. Operation in 'holiday-style' with low power using SSB and FT8. QSL via home call. https://www.grz.com/db/8Q7TR

**E5, COOK ISL** Active earlier this year from Wallis & Futuna and New Caledonia, Stan LZ1GC and Ted LZ5QZ are again going on Pacific travels. First stop will be Rarotonga, Cook Islands as E51SGC (second stop A35GC, Tonga). Dates for E51SGC: November 6-24 from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB, FT8/FT4 & RTTY. QSL via LZ1GC, LoTW, Club Log OQRS.

**JD1, OGASAWARA** Makoto, JI5RPT will once again be active as JD1BLY between November 7 and November 10. Operation from 40 to 6 meter and Sats. Focus on HF using FT8 and on GreenCube. QSL via Club Log and LoTW.

**KH2, GUAM** Robert, N2OEF will be operating as KH2/call from November 6 until November 13. Focus will be POTA activation. 'While I aim to operate as much as possible, the 12th and 13th of November will be fully dedicated to on-air operations. Prior to those dates, operations will be on an availability basis. Times of operations to follow.' <a href="https://www.grz.com/db/KH2/N2OEF">https://www.grz.com/db/KH2/N2OEF</a>



**V4, ST KITTS** Look for W5JON as V47JA from Calypso Bay between November 6 and November 15. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using SSB and FT8 with a Yaesu FT-3000D, and Elecraft KPA500 amplifier. Antennas: Mosley MP-32N beam for 10/15/20m, 33' vertical for 10-80m and a 6m Yagi. QSL direct to W5JON or via LoTW.

VK9C, COCOS KEELING Members of OM7M and CDXP will be active from Cocos-Keeling island as VK9CV during November 1-15. Team consists of OM5ZW, OM4AYL, OK6DJ, OK2ZA, OM3PC, OM4MM, OM4MW and VK5GR. QRV from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB, FT8, RTTY and SAT QO-100. QSL via OK6DJ, Club Log and LoTW. <a href="https://vk9cv.com/">https://vk9cv.com/</a>

XT, BURKINA FASO Antonio, I8KHC and the Mediterraneo Dx Club are planning a DXpedition as

XT2MD between October 31 and November 11. A team with 14 skilled operators will be active with 5 stations non-stop from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via IK2VUC.

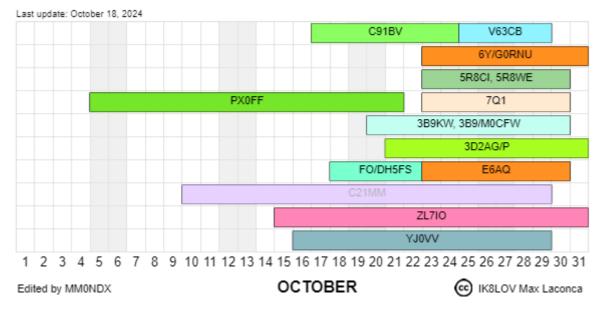
In addition to traditional 160 through 6m, all-mode operations and 2m EME digi, we will offer the chance to also contact us via QO-100 satellite, all-mode.

This new experience will be managed by GI4DOH Richard that, like DL8JJ for EME, will spend part of his time left free from the "regular" HF operations shifts, giving chance to the enthusiasts of QO-100 to contact Burkina Faso.

**ZD7, ST HELENA** Chuma JM1GDA and Nagano JF3SFU will be active between November 2-22. Callsign is pending. Operation in 'holiday-style' on HF. More to follow.

# **DXCC Timeline**





# **IOTA**

# This week on air

#### **AFRICA**

**AF-013** Nosy Be Isl Janusz SP9FIH and Leszek SP6CIK are active as 5R8CI and 5R8WE until November 6. Activity from 40 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. They will run verticals for 40-30-20m; quad for 17m, 3 el beam for 10 & 12m. 2 x PA, IC-7300 and K3 transceivers. QSL via Club Log OQRS.

**AF-086 Sal Isl** Claudio, HB9OAU is operating as D44OA until November 5. QRV in 'holiday-style' from 40 to 6 meter using CW and SSB with an entry in the CQWW DX SSB contest. QSL via LoTW.

**AF-090 Saint Marie Isl** Eric, F6ICX is once again active as 5R8IC until end 2024. Operation on HF using mainly CW with some SSB. QSL via LoTW and home call.

#### ASIA

AS-079 Miyako Isl Take, JS6RRR (also JI3DST/6, JJ5RBH/6 & JR8YLY/6) is operating until November 25. QRV from 160 to 6 meter using SSB, CW and FT8 using the various calls mentioned on different modes. Participation in the CQWW SSB & CW contests as JS6RRR. All QSL info on QRZ.com.

#### **EUROPE**

**EU-038 Ameland** Volker, DL1WH is operating in 'holiday-style' as PA/call/P until October 26. Activity using CW with some SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

#### **NORTH AMERICA**

NA-057 Roatan Isl A team with K1XM, K2TR, KQ1F, N1WQ and W1UE will be active as HQ9X during the CQWW DX SSB contest and with some operation until November 15. QSL via KQ1F.

#### **OCEANIA**

**OC-011 Moen Isl** Miki, JJ2CJB informs DX-WORLD that he will be active from Moen (Weno) Island OC-11 (Federated States of Micronesia) as V63CB during October 25-29. Participation in the CQWW SSB contest. Miki will use a DX Commander Expedition & 500W. QSL via LoTW / direct to home call. Some activity before / after contest.

**OC-133 Labuan Isl** Saty, JE1JKL is once again active as 9M6NA until November 25. An entry in the CQWW SSB and CW contest is included. QSL via LoTW and OQRS. https://isfc.org/je1jkl/9m6na.html

# ANNOUNCEMENTS Announced DX

#### **THE NEWCOMERS**

**HC8, GALAPAGOS ISL** Look for HC5CW/K2IN and HC2AP from San Cristobal Island as HD8CW between November 19 and November 28. Operation on HF using CW, SSB and FT8. An entry in the CQWW DX CW contest is included as HC5CW/8. They will run 2 x Flex Radios, 2 x Hexbeams, and a 80/40m Loop antenna throughout their DXpedition. OSL details on ORZ.com.

**TY, BENIN** Following on from the TY5C activity in March this year, Gérard F5NVF will again be QRV from Godomey during January 10 to April 2, 2025. He'll be active mostly from 80 to 10 meter using CW and FT8. QRV in 'holiday-style' using an IC-7000, 100w & wire antennas. QSL direct via F5RAV / free LoTW.

#### THE REMINDERS

#### C5, THE GAMBIA 6W, SENEGAL

Billy, F4GJE will be active as C5RK on January 4-5 and as 6W1RD on January 11-12. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using SSB, FT4/8. QSL via EA7FTR.

**3B9, RODRIGUES ISL** David OK6DJ and Milan OK7GU will be active as 3B9DJ between March 23 and April 5, 2025. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via OK6DJ, OQRS and LoTW.

**3D2, FIJI** Theo, PA3CBH will be active as 3D2TP from Suva during November 8 and December 12. QRV during his spare time QRP using CW and SSB. QSL via home call.

**3D2/R, ROTUMA ISL** The Pacific Islands DXpedition Group (PIDXG) announces a team with Gregg, W6IZT; Hal, W8HC; Dean W2FQ, Nathan, K4NHW and others will operate from Rotuma as 3D2Y between November 15 and December 4. The 6-man team will be QRV with 3 stations from 160 to 6 meter. An entry in the CQWW DX CW contest is included (call TBA). In addition, 2 NexGenRibs will be operated by a team of young amateurs. QSL via M0OXO OQRS.

**5N, NIGERIA** The Rebel DX Group are off to Abuja, Nigeria after their Tuvalu DXpedition. They have requested the callsign 5N9DTG. Three ops with up to 10 stations; 160-6m, mainly CW & FT8. Dates will be announced soon.

**5R, MADAGASCAR** Janusz, SP9FIH and Leszek, SP6CIK will be active from Andilana, Nosy Be island, Madagascar (AF-057) as 5R8WE and 5R8CI. Operation from 40 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. Superfox mode as 5R8CI. QSL via Club Log.

**5X, UGANDA** Don, G3XTT (as 5X1DF) informs DX-World that he will be returning to Uganda in November with Alan G3XAQ (as 5X1XA). They will be there from 13 to 27 November but primarily to take part in the CQWW CW contest. Both will enter as a single-band category – in Don's case 40m and in Alan's probably 15 or 10m. Also likely to QRV prior to the contest on various bands; CW and probably some FT8. QSL 5X1XA via G3SWH and 51XDF via G3XTT.

**6W, SENEGAL** Willy ON4AVT will once again be active as 6X7/call between February 2 and April 10, 2025. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using SSB, digi and QO-100 sat. QSL via home call, Club Log.

**6Y, JAMAICA** The EIDXG DX Group will be QRV as 6Y7EI between March 12 and March 24, 2025. More to follow.

8Q, MALDIVES Look for Mariusz, SP5MDB from Vaavu Atoll as 8Q7SQ (dates TBA). Activity on

20, 15 and 10 meter using SSB. QSL via home call.

**9L, SIERRA LEONE** F6KOP can now inform the DX community that its next expedition will take place by the end of 2024 to SIERRA LEONE (9L). This DXCC entity had already been activated by F6KOP in 2019 (9LY1JM) but is however in 80th position on the most wanted list.

14 operators are planned and "human" modes (CW and SSB) will have an important place in traffic. More information to come... (F2DX, communication manager).

**9L, SIERRA LEONE** The Russian DX Team (RUDXT) announce they are planning their next trip to Africa later this year (dates are not confirmed yet). This time, they say, their goal is Sierra-Leone and Guinea. The callsign 9L7RU has been granted and they have applied (currently waiting) for their 3X license. The team say much preparation is still to be done, so an official update will follow later once they have everything ready for the trip.

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



A3, TONGA Stan LZ1GC and Ted LZ5QZ will be active from Nuku'alofa as A25GC between November 25 and December 6. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT4/8, RTTY. QSL via LZ3GC, LoTW and Club Loq.

C5, THE GAMBIA A team consisting with EA3NT, EI5GM, EI9FBB, MM0NDX & MM0OKG will be QRV from The Gambia during November 25-29. This short activity will see the group operate from the mainland as C5T and possibly from the Bijol islands, AF-060 as C5I. QRV on various bands and modes, including 60m and 6m. QSL via EA5GL. Further updates provided nearer the time. C9, MOZAMBIQUE The Czech DX Team will be active as C8K during the second half of January 2025. Operation from 160 to 6 meter and QO-100, RS-44, IO-117 using CW, SSB and digi. Club Log live stream if possible. QSL via OK6DJ OQRS, LoTW. Antennas: 6m 5el. YAGI, 10m 4el. Yagi, 10-15-20 incl WARC 3 x Spiderbeam, 17/15/12m 2el. YAGI, 2x 30m phased verticals, 2x40m phased verticals, 80m vertical + 10 pcs radials, 160 vertical +10pcs radials RX: 3x Beverage + RX vertical Focus on low bands.

**E5, COOK ISL** Steve, ZL2KE will once again be active as E51KEE next August 2025. More to follow.

**E6, NIUE** Gavin ZL3GAV will be active as E6SP for 3 weeks in April 2025. It will be a more advanced mini expedition. Extra antennas/radios including 6m and satellite operation, focus on IO117 Greencube (if still working) and other available satellites: linear/FM. More details will be advised when planning is advanced.

**FO, AUSTRAL ISL** Mladen 9A2NA, Rolando 9A3MR, Livio 9A7Y and Zik DK8ZZ/YT3ZZ will be active from Tubuai between April 25 and May 7, 2025. Focus on human modes with some FT8/FT4. They have already applied for a special TX callsign. QSL via DK8ZZ. <a href="https://austral2025.com/">https://austral2025.com/</a>

**FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA** Laurent, N5LCP will be active from Bora Bora as FO/call between November 11 and November 16. Activity on 20 and 15 meter using SSB and FT8. QSL via home call and LoTW.

**FO/M MARQUESAS ISL** A team with F5VHQ, F8GGV, F6BCW, F5SDD, SP5APW, HB9GWJ, F8ATS, EA1SA, F6FMC, F1MNQ, OK2WX will be QRV as TX7N during January 2025, the team will also use TX100REF (REF CW), TX7MAS (SAT + 23EME) and TX7WW (CQWW CW 160) throughout the DXpedition period covering special activities / contests

**FR, REUNION ISL** Dates still to be confirmed, but look for Giovanni IZ2DPX as TO7PX. QRV from 40 to 6 meter using SSB & FT8 using fishing rod antenna. Operation in 'holiday-style'. QSL via IK2DUW.

**FS, ST MARTIN** Gary, KC9EE will be active as FS/KC9EE during November 19-26, 2024. Participation in the CQWW CW contest using an Elecraft K3 and wire antennas. QSL via H/c, LoTW.

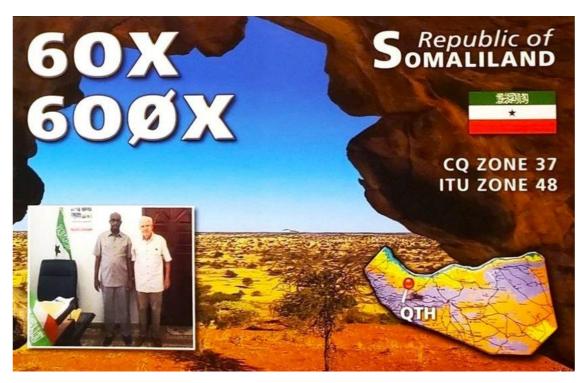
**FS, ST MARTIN** Philip, K0CD will be operating as FS/call during the CQWW CW contest (Nov 23-24. Operation before and after the contest. QSL via home call.

**FW, WALLIS & FUTUNA** Al K7AR says: 'W7YAQ, Bob and K7AR, Al will be active from the Lausikula Guest House on Wallis Island from November 16-29, 2024 with activity in the CQWW CWContest.

We will be active as FW7AA on 160-6 meters using two Elecraft K Line stations and amplifiers. We will use a DX Commander Classic, DX Commander Signature 12, and 160 M inverted L antennas. Our 6 meter activity will be casual, occasionally CQing and monitoring FT8 on 50.313 when not busy or out for dinner.

On our return trip home we will stay in Fiji for 3 days and will be active from Club Fiji as 3D2NB from November 30 to December 2. QSL both callsigns via W7YAQ through OQRS, and LoTW.'

FY, FRENCH GUIANA Rikk, WE9G has been very busy travelling and operating recently – many ops will have worked him from JW, KH8, V4, VY0 & VP2V. His next activity will be from Matoury, French Guiana as FY/WE9G during November 15-23. QSL via WE9G for Direct/Bureau or use Club Log OQRS.



FY, FRENCH GUIANA Joe, OZ0J will be operating between December 20 and December 31 (call pending). Operation from 80 to 10 meter but depending on free space for antennas. QSL via Club Log OQRS (prefer), LoTW or H/C. He will operate on CW, SSB and FT8 (mostly Fox/Hound), but mostly FT8 because FY5FY and FY5KE are very active on CW, SSB and RTTY. Club Log Live Stream will be added if the Internet connection is stable. Website url to be added once callsign known.

HC8, GALAPAGOS ISL A large team with 20 operators currently formed by HC5VF, PY2DV, PY2EL, PY2MC, PY2PT, PY2WAS, PY3MM, PY4RGS, PY5CC, PY5HSD, PY5KD, PY6HD, PY6RT, PR7AB, PY7XC, PS8RV, PV8DX, VU2RS and YT1AD will be active as HD8G between April 18 and April 27, 2025. Operation with 10 stations from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via

**HKO, MALPELO** Last active in 2012 (by HKONA who still maintain the 2nd highest ever QSO count for a DXpedition), the Colombian League of Radio Amateurs (HK3LR) and its Board of Directors has announced its main goal – to stage a DXpedition to Malpelo island, SA-007. It is hoped for a February 2026 activity, but this is not yet confirmed. Stay tuned for more info in the

MOURX OQRS, LoTW. https://hd8g.com/

coming weeks...

J7, DOMINICA Oliver, W6NV will be QRV as J79NV sometime February 2025. Operation mainly for the ARRL CW and SSB contest. He will be a single operator in the ARRL CW contest and then join with FM6BH (J79BH), F8AAN (J79AN) and F5VHJ (J79AC) for the ARRL SSB contest.

J7, DOMINICA Lucien FM5WD, Luca IV3JVJ and Ivan IK3ZAQ will be active as J75K from December 26 until January 4, 2025. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via IV3JVJ, LoTW.

**JD1, MINAMI TORISHIMA** Take, JG8NQJ will once again be active as call/1 starting mid-November for about 3 months. Activity mainly in CW with some FT8. QSL via JA8CJY, LoTW. **KHO, MARIANA ISL** Ken, JO1VRK will be operating as KHO/AJ6VJ between December 30 and January 3. Operation on 40, 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10 meter. QSL via LoTW.

**OY, FAROE ISL** The 7163 Group with WB2REM, W9MK, W2WCM, G6TFL, VO1IDX, K3BAB, K4LT and W4VKU will be operating sometime June 2025 as OY/calls. An entry in the ARRL VHF contest is included, outside the contest they will be from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT4/8. QSL via WB2REM, Club Log.

On the scene...Miki JJ2CJB on his way to V63CB



**PJ4, BONAIRE** Look once again for PJ4A during the CQWW CW contest. Team with K4BAI, KU8E, N8VW and N4RR, active before and after the contest as PJ4/calls.

**PJ7, ST MAARTEN** Ed, N2HX will once again be active as PJ7PL later this year. An entry in the CQW SSB and CW contest is included. Outside the contests he will operate on HF using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via home call.

**PJ7, ST MAARTEN** Tom, AA9A will once again be QRV as PJ7AA from March 8 and April 5, 2025. Operation from 40 to 6 meter using CW, FT4/8. QSO upload via LoTW and Club Log, QSL via home call, LoTW.

**PJ7, SINT MAARTEN** Gary, KC9EE will once again be QRV as PJ7EE around mid-March 2025 and be QRV during the CQWPX SSB contest.

S9, SAO TOME A team consisting N4XP, 5B4AQN, CT1BOL, CT1EEB, HI8RD, I8NHJ, KH7U,

KJ7KOJ, K0IR, K3VN, N2WB, N6MZ, WB4JTT and W7YED will be active from Sao Tome as S9Z during November 11-20. QRV from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB, Digi and EME on 432 mHz. https://s9z.org/

**T8, PALAU** Mike, JA6EGL will once again be active as T88SM between January 10-16, 2025. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB, AM and FM from 160 to 6 meter. QSL via home call, direct only.

**T8, PALAU** Nobu JH1OLB and Tony JH1FFW will be operating as T88DT and T88RC between November 14 and November 20. QRV on HF using SSB and FT8. QSL via LoTW.

**T8, PALAU** Mike JA6EGL and Kazu JE6KFN will be QRV from Koror as T88SM and T88XK during January 10-16, 2025. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via home call. **V7, MARSHALL ISL** Following their successful journey to Guyana under the callsign <u>8R7X</u>, the team is now setting their sights on a new destination in the Pacific region. Their next DXpedition will take them to the Marshall Islands, scheduled for February 2025.

Stay tuned for more details as they become available. Additionally, the team is in the process of launching a website, which will soon be accessible.

# VK9C, COCOS KEELING VK9X, CHRISTMAS ISL

Gunter, DL2AWG and team DF4GV, DL2AMD, DJ9RR and VK6SJ will be active from Christmas Island as VK9XU between February 18 and March 4, 2025. Cocos Keeling will be on air between March 4 and March 12, 2025. QRV with 3 stations from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. More to follow.

VP2E, ANGUILLA Bob, GU4YOX will be operating as VP2EBB during the CQWW CW contest end November. QTH is on the north east coast as SOSB 20 meter. QSL via home call, LoTW. VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISL A team with AG9A, KD4D, K5PI & K2KW will be active during December 9-17 with a participation in the ARRL 10m Contest as VP2VMM. Outside of contest look for holiday-style activity as VP2V/homecalls. VP2VMM via KU9C, LoTW.

**QSL** preview



**VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISL** Dario, KP4DO will be operating from Tortola as VP2V/call. Dates not yet mentioned. More to follow.

**VP8, FALKLAND ISLANDS** Gerben will be active as VP8G between November 15-25. He will use the same setup as for VP6G which will allow him to operate two stations simultaneously. Activity on 40-6 meters and using a Hexbeam (20-6m) and DX Commander (40-10m). Modes are primarily CW and FT8 (using MSHV). <a href="https://dx.to/vp8g/">https://dx.to/vp8g/</a>

**VP9, BERMUDA** Darrel, AB2E will once again be active as call/VP9 between November 20 and November 26. Primarily during the CQWW CW contest as VP9I. Before and after he will be from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via LoTW or home call direct, VP9I goes to WW3S. **VU4, ANDAMAN ISL** A team with ON4AMX, ON4HIL, ON5UR, ON5RA, ON5TN, ON6CC, ON7FT,

ON7USB, ON7RU, ON8AZ, PA9M and PA3EWP have announced that they will be on the air as VU4X from Andaman Islands during March 10-25, 2025. QRV on HF bands; CW, SSB and DIGI. 'Dx-Adventure is proud to announce its next DXpedition, taking place in the first quarter of 2025. Our international team, consisting of more than 10 experienced operators, is eager to embark on this adventure......

This time, we are focusing on VU4 from the Andaman and Nicobar Islands, currently ranked 54th most wanted DXCC country. During this DX expedition, we will be active on all bands, using CW, SSB and digital.

This provides a fantastic opportunity for radio amateurs around the world to work this DXCC and IOTA.

There will be more updates on our website – stay tuned for the latest news and details.'

YN, NICARAGUA Mike, AJ9C will again be operating as YN2CC between November 19 and November 28. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. An entry in the CQWW CW is included. QSL via home call, LoTW.

**ZD9, TRISTAN DA CUNHA** DX-World has learned that a Tristan da Cunha DXpedition is in the works for 2025. Whilst it is quite some time away, we have gleaned the following info. It will be a 3-4 month long DXpedition to ZD9 which could be extended by another 2-3 months bringing it to (potentially) 6+ months. The additional months could depend on PayPal donations / extra donors. Focus is going to be on CW & SSB. There will be VERY LIMITED usage of FT8. Infact, FT8 will ONLY be used on 80 & 160 meters. Bands of operation will be 10 meters to 160 meters. 1kW to monoband heavy duty vertical antennas due to Tristan da Cunha's very inhospitable weather.

**ZF, CAYMAN ISL** Andriy, W9KM will be active as ZF2KM sometime November. QRV on HF using CW and digi with a focus on the WARC bands. QSL via LoTW.

**ZK3, TOKELAU** Hrane YT1AD and team YU3AA, RC9O and UA9OYL will be active from Tokelau end 2024 or beginning 2025. The reason is that New Zealand's State activities on the island of Tokelau during February and March, which have PRIORITY!

**ZL7, CHATHAM ISL** Xenia, ZL4YL will be active as ZL7YL from Waitangi between November 19 and November 26. An entry in the CQWW CW contest is included. QSL via home call.

# **IOTA**

# **THE REMINDERS**

#### **ASIA**

**AS-140 Dal Char Isl** 'We are planning to activate another IOTA in this December 13-19. Our main goal this year is to focus on hands on training and capacity building for the local HAMs to understand different types of HF antenna, Propagation and Pileup handling. We hope in coming days we will see more HF station doing DXing from S2.

After checking all the islands in the two groups, considering Logistics, Transport and Cost we have decided to do the IOTA from the same island as before (Dhal Char, AS-140). The other nearby island is not suitable due to antenna orientation problem and also drinking water is not available in all of them, some are not inhabited.'

**AS-179 Kanika Isl (new)** A team composed of Cezar (VE3LYC, VU3LPL), Sarath (VU2RS), Adi (VU3WEW), and Anil (VU3DXA) will attempt to operate as AU2K from Kanika Island, AS-179NEW, between December 2 and 7, 2024.

Regretfully, Frank (DL4KQ), who planned and worked on this project with us, will be unable to join the team due to family and work-related issues. More information can be found on the expedition **website**.

#### **NORTH AMERICA**

**NA-079 Dry Tortugas** The N4T team will be operating between February 21 and February 25, 2025. Main goal is 6 meter operation from the rare grid EL84 and from various POTA parks. QSL via W3NY.

NA-220 Maniitsoq Isl Joe, OZ0J will once again be QRV as OX0J sometime September 2025. Activity from 40 to 10 meter depending on free space for antennas. QSL via Club Log OQRS (prefer), LoTW or H/C. Joe will try to participate in the SAC CW on ONE band only if condx are good, and will also operate on CW, SSB and FT8 (mostly Fox/Hound) before SAC CW. Depends on local weather, he will put up the antennas on 13 September and take down on 22 September. Club Log Live Stream will be added if the Internet connection is stable. Information will be updated continuously **here** (and DX-World).

# **ARCTIC NEWS**

#### **RI42SP Arctic travels**

Oleg, RD1A is onboard "Severny Polyus / North Pole" and will be active when time permits as RI42SP as the ship travels through various parts of the Arctic. Primarily QRV on CW & FT8 from October 5th for approx one year. QSL via Club Log OQRS. Position of boat using this tracker. Frank, F8DVD also mentions:

'It's good news for all ham radio interested in polar contacts. Oleg made a very good job last season with callsigns RD1A/MM, RI41POL and RI0POL making more than 205,000 contacts. The vessel departed Murmansk on September 15 with a team of scientists aboard, and is heading towards the Novosibirsk islands. This is where the drifting polar station will begin its work as part of the "North Pole-42" expedition. For many months, polar explorers will conduct research in the high latitudes of the Arctic Ocean, encompassing over fifty scientific programs.'

#### **FT4YM Antarctica**

David, F4FKT will again be active as FT4YM from two Antarctic bases during mid-October 2024 to early March 2025. Dates of activity from each base to be confirmed nearer the time. Website FT4YM: Base Dumont d'Urville, Petrels island AN-017.

FT4YM/P: Base Concordia.

QRV on HF bands when time allows outside of his working environment. QSL via F5PFP.

#### **QSL** preview



# Special calls

### THE NEWCOMERS

**G, ENGLAND** GB2ZL marks the centennary of the first contact between New Zealand and England until Oct. 28. (TNX DXNL)

**I, ITALY** The United Nations Global Service Centre ARC (4U1GSC) in Brindisi is active again as **4U24OCT** <u>until the end of October</u>. The special callsign marks United Nations Day (24 October). DXCC wise, it counts for Italy. QSL via 9A2AA. (TNX 425DX)

**TA, TURKEY** Members of the radio club YM1KE celebrate the 101st anniversary of the Turkish republic until the end of October with the callsign TC29TC. QSL via eQSL. (TNX DXNL)

#### THE REMINDERS

**9A, CROATIA** Throughout 2024 Tom, 9A2AA will use **9A67AA** to mark his 67 years of activity on the amateur radio bands. QSL via home call. (TNX 425DX)

**9A, CROATIA 9A100RKZ** is the special callsign celebrating the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary since Radioklub Zagreb was founded (24 March 1924). Look for activity <u>throughout 2024</u>. QSL via 9A1ADE. (TNX 42DX)

**DL, GERMANY DP9GLHN** is the special callsign that members of DARC's Ortsverband Norderney are using until end 2024 to mark the 150th anniversary since the Norderney Island (EU-047) lighthouse was put into service. QSL via the bureau. (TNX 425DX)

**EA, SPAIN AO3AMCUP** (<u>from 15 October to 28 October</u>) is the special callsign used by members of URE's Unio de Radioaficionats de Barcelona i Baix Llobregat (EA3MM) during the 37th America's Cup. A certificate will be available, see https://www.ure.es/diploma-cq-americas-cup-2024/ for information. QSL via EA3MM, LoTW, eQSL and QRZ Logbook. (TNX 425DX)

**EA, SPAIN EG2AMCUP** operates around the 37th America's Cup <u>until October 28</u>. QSL via EA3MM, ClubLog, LoTW, Eqsl (TNX DXNL)

**F, FRANCE** To commemorate the 80th anniversary of the liberation of Wingles during WWII (2 September 1944), the local radio club (F4KLR) will be active as **TM80LW** until 9 November. All SSB and CW QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau and eQSL; FT8 QSOs will be confirmed via eQSL. (TNX 425DX)

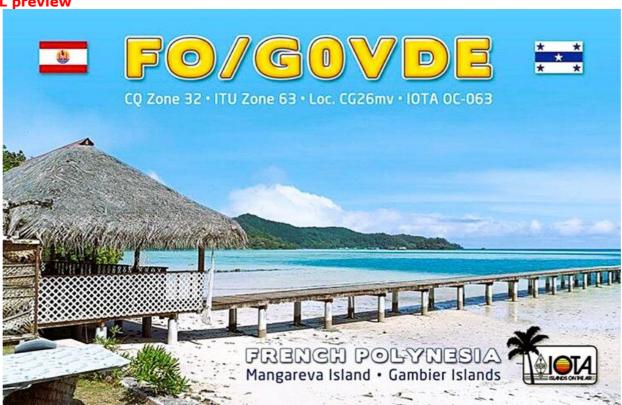
**GM, SCOTLAND** Special event station **GB2ZL** (Scotland) will operate CW only on 1-28 October to mark the 100th anniversary of the first amateur radio contact between Great Britain and New Zealand (18 October 1924). QSL via LoTW only. See https://www.qrz.com/db/GB2ZL for more information. (TNX 425DX)

**HB9, SWITZERLAND** Celebrating the 150th anniversary of the birth of Guglielmo Marconi members of the USKA's Valais/Wallis Section are active as **HB150GM** <u>until December</u>. QSL via the bureau to HB9Y. (TNX DXNL)

**HB9, SWITZERLAND** Special callsign **HB50VC** celebrates the 50th anniversary of the Radio Amateur Club Swissair (HB9VC) end 2024. QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW; QSL cards will not be provided, but a certificate will be available for download:

https://award.dl1run.de/award/hb50vc/awardform.html (TNX 425DX)

**QSL** preview



HB9, SWITZERLAND Members of the Zurich City Police Radio Amateur Club (HB9SP) will be active as HB20SP throughout 2024 to celebrate their club's 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary. QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW, Club Log and qrz.com; do not send any card via the bureau. (TNX 42DX) HS, THAILAND Special event station HS19IARU will be active between 12 October and 10 November for the 19th IARU Region 3 Conference to be hosted in Bangkok by the Radio Amateur Society of Thailand (4-8 November, https://www.iarur3conf2024.org). QSL via LoTW and Club Log's OQRS. (TNX 425DX)

**I, ITALY** Special callsign **II6PRES** will be in use <u>between 12 and 27 October</u> to celebrate the 50th anniversary of ARI San Benedetto del Tronto (IQ6SB). QSL via IK6XEJ, direct or bureau. (TNX 425DX)

I, ITALY Members of ARI Bologna will be active as II4RCDN from 1 October to 31 December.

- QSL via IZ4FUE. The special callsign marks the 60th Anniversary of the Northern Cross Radio Telescope, one of the largest transit radio telescopes in the world. Gianfranco Sinigaglia (I4BBE, SK), after whom the Bologna ARI Section is named, was a professor of radioastronomy and applied electronics at the Physics Institute of Bologna University, and responsible for the electronics of the Northern Cross. A certificate will be available, see https://www.grz.com/db/II4RCDN for information. (TNX 425DX)
- I, ITALY Celebrating the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the start of regular radio broadcasting in Italy (6 October 1924), ARI local branches across Italy will be using special callsigns <u>from 1 October to 29 December</u>. The callsigns will be in the format II#Rxyz (e.g. II9RCAT for ARI Catania) and IR#Rxyz (e.g. IR1RVDB for ARI Valbormida). In addition, special event station I1MRTV will be active from the RAI Radio and Television Museum in Torino. Certificates and electronic QSLs will be available for download from the HamAward platform (direct link from each special callsign's qrz.com page). (TNX 425DX)
- I, ITALY Throughout 2024 ARI Fidenza will use a series of special callsigns each representing a "keyword" that summarizes and characterizes the content of a sentence from one of Guglielmo Marconi's many public speeches: II4BFRE (August), II4OTSR (September), II4VISN (October), II4BTFU (November), II4FCGD (December). QSL via IQ4FE. Information about the "Discovering Marconi" award: <a href="http://www.arifidenza.it/">http://www.arifidenza.it/</a>.
- **LA, NORWAY** Look for **LA400KBG** <u>during 2024</u> to celebrate the  $400^{th}$  anniversary since the establishment of the Kongsberg silver mines and the Kongsberg town in 1624. Operation on different bands and modes. QSL direct only via LA1TV. The silver rich area measures about 5 x 20 km, and the richest mine, called The King's Mine, was mined to a depth of 1076 meters. The mining lasted to 1958, and the total silver amount mined has been estimated to about 2000 tonnes. (TNX DXNL)
- **LZ, BULGARIA** Radio Club Blagovestnik (LZ1KCP) will use six special callsigns <u>during 2024</u> to honour as many different Orthodox saints: **LZ1515IW** (<u>October</u>), and **LZ311PA** (<u>November and December</u>). QSL via the bureau or direct to P.O. Box 36, 4300 Karlovo, Bulgaria. Details on the "All Saints 2024 Award" can be found at <a href="https://www.lz1kcp.com/">https://www.lz1kcp.com/</a>. (TNX 425DX)
- **OE, AUSTRIA** Celebrating the 100th anniversary of the start of regular radio broadcasting in Austria (1 October 1924), members of the Amateur Radio Club of the ORF (Austria's national public broadcaster) will be active as **OEORF** (https://www.oe1xrw.radio/). QSL direct to OE1XRW. (TNX 425DX)
- **OE, AUSTRIA OE45NO** highlights the negative Austrian referendum about the commissioning of a nuclear power plant 45 years ago. QRV from <u>September until the end of November</u>. QSL via ClubLog OQRS, hrdlog.net OQRS. (TNX DXNL)
- **OE, AUSTRIA OE100RADIO** celebrates the centennial of radio broadcasting <u>during 2024</u>. (TNX DXNL)
- **OE, AUSTRIA** Sylvia, OE5YYN will be active as **OE20SOTA** between 1 May and 31 October to mark the 20th anniversary since Austria joined the Summits on the Air programme. A certificate will be available, see <a href="https://www.grz.com/db/OE20SOTA">https://www.grz.com/db/OE20SOTA</a>. (TNX 425DX)
- **ON, BELGIUM** Members of UBA's Groupement De Verviers will be active as **OR80USA** on 16-31 December. The special callsign commemorates the 80th anniversary of the liberation from German occupation and the Battle of the Bulge during World War II, events in which the US military was heavily engaged. QSL via bureau to ON4GDV. (TNX 425DX)
- **ON, BELGIUM** Throughout 2024, the Radio Club de Liège (LGE) will be celebrating its 100th anniversary. To mark the occasion, the special call sign **OR100LGE** will be activated from 6m to 160m, mainly on FT8/FT4, CW and SSB. Livestream on Club Log.
- https://clublog.org/livestream/or100lge. QSL via LOTW, Club Log and e-qsl.
- **PA, THE NETHERLANDS** Special callsign **PH80LIB** will be in use from various locations between 11 September and 10 November to commemorate the 80th anniversary of the liberation of southern Netherlands in the autumn of 1944. Activity will be on 80-10 metres SSB, CW and digital modes. QSL via the bureau. See https://www.qrz.com/db/PH80LIB for detailed information. (TNXN 425DX)
- **SM, SWEDEN SK100FRK** is the special callsign celebrating the 100 anniversary since Falu Radioklubb (SK4AO) was founded. Look for activity <u>during 2024</u>. A very special diploma will be available see <a href="https://www.grz.com/db/SK100FRK">https://www.grz.com/db/SK100FRK</a>. (TNX 42DX)
- **SM, SWEDEN SK50B** is the special callsign for members of the Botkyrka Radioamatorer to celebrate their club's golden jubilee <u>throughout 2024</u>. The club was founded on 18 January 1974. QSL via the bureau to SK0HB. (TNX 42DX)
- **SP, POLAND** Special callsigns **SN100P**, **SN100L**, **SN100N**, **SN100PLN** and **SN100BP** will used from 1 September to 31 December for the 100th anniversary of the establishment of Bank Polski SA and the introduction of the zloty (PLN), Poland's official currency. The activity is organized by the Polish Amateur Radio Association. QSL via the bureau. A certificate will be available, see

https://www.grz.com/db/SN100PLN for the details. (TNX 425DX)

**SP, POLAND SN55DIG** is the special callsign that Adam, SQ9S will be using <u>until the end of the year</u> to celebrate the 55th anniversary of the Diplom Interessen Gruppe. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau. See https://diplom-interessen-gruppe.info/ for information about the DIG. (TNX 425DX)

**SV, GREECE** Special callsign **SX80FF** will be used from various locations (including Crete as SV9/SX80FF) on 1-31 October. The purpose of this activity is to honor the 80 fallen Greek firefighters and aerial firefighting crews who lost their lives in the line of duty. QSL via LoTW, eQSL and QRZ Logbook; paper cards will not be available. (TNX 425DX)

**TA, TURKEY** In celebration of the 101st anniversary of the Republic of Turkey (29 October 1923), special event callsign **TC101TC** will be used <u>from 18 to 29 October</u>. QSL via LoTW; a certificate will be available on <a href="https://tadx.org/awards">https://tadx.org/awards</a>. (TNX 425DX)

**VK, AUSTRALIA** Celebrating the 60th anniversary of the Islands On The Air programme, special event callsign **VI60IOTA** will be in use across Australia <u>during 2024</u>: "whenever VI60IOTA is heard on the air", the organizers say, "it will be from one of the VK IOTA entities", including the main islands of Australia (OC-001) and Tasmania (OC- 007). QSOs will be made available for Club Log and LoTW Matching on the IOTA website; traditional QSLs via M00XO's OQRS. (TNX 425DX) **VU, INDIA** Jos, VU2JOS, marks the independence of India 78 years ago with the callsign **AT78I** <u>until Nov. 13</u>. QSL via VU2JOS. (TNX DXNL)

**YU, SERBIA** Organised radio amateurism in Serbia began with the founding of the "Society of Friends of Radio-Telegraphy and Radio-Telephony" on 15 July 1924 in Belgrade. Celebrating 100 years of Amateur Radio in the region, the Amateur Radio Union of Serbia (YU1SRS) are active as **YT100R** and **YU100R** <u>until December</u>. A certificate will be available: https://www.radiosport.yu1srs.org.rs/.