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DX NEWS

CY9C St Paul Island -now QRT

'Cape Breton, Nova Scotia in the distance...a glorious day! Very light wind for a change. Breakdown (camp) tomorrow, Sept 5th ...the team is tired, happy but a bit sad to see it all end....now for the long trip..'



9M1Z Semporna Island OC-133 -update

Unfortunately, team member 9M8HAZ has been hospitalised following an accident; a spill of acid to be precise. He has been admitted for 2-3 days and will be monitored closely by doctors. The rest of the team have decided to carry on to Timba Timba island as planned.

3D2Y Rotuma DXpedition -update

Shipment by air freight is expensive says Gregg, W6IZT. To minimize shipping costs, the team will be carrying 2x K3s, 3x KPA500s, laptops, the StarLink terminal, and other gear as checked or carry-on baggage. Our equipment will be picked up from customs in Nadi and placed in storage by our agent in Fiji in preparation for the trip by boat to Rotuma. The boat runs between Suva, Fiji and Rotuma about once per month. Our shipment will be picked up in Rotuma by our on-island representative for storage at our operating location. The team arrives November 15.

This DXpedition is a partnership with Youth on the Air (YOTA) encouraging youth participation and will feature three young operators who will be active on the Island while there will also be 60 or more hams operating remotely using W6IZT's NexGenRiBs over Starlink.

We will be signing **3D2Y**, not 3D2Z as previously planned.

Funding raising efforts continue for the November DXpedition.

We hope to see you on the bands, the op on the other end is likely a young ham experiencing the thrill of a DXpedition pile up for the first time!

Please consider supporting the 3D2Z Rotuma DXpedition by visiting our website for details: rotuma2024.com



VP6WR Pitcairn Island -update September 2

Bill, G0VDE says he arrived Papete at the uncivilised hour of 0510 local, after travelling from LHR to LAX for 11 hours, followed by a 3 hour 'layover' at LAX and then a 8 hour flight on to PPT. He had allowed himself two full days in case of luggage problems, but is glad to say all bags arrived (although unfortunately not in good condition). He's got tomorrow to look around a bit and then has to go back to PPT airport at 0400 for the 0630 flight to Mangareva on Tuesday followed by a connection to the boat to Pitcairn, and planned arrival on Pitcairn early on Thursday morning.



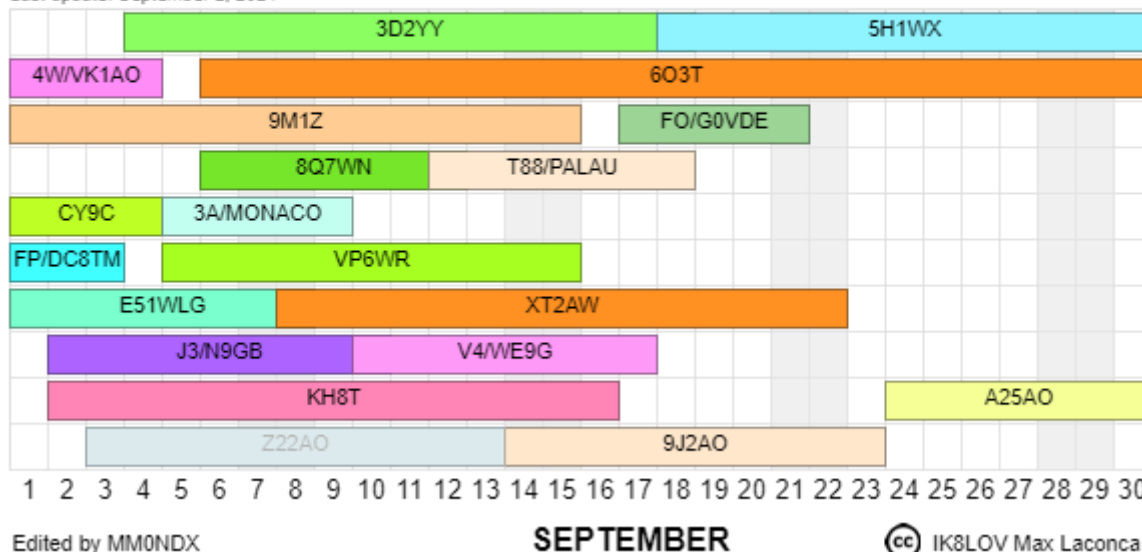
V7 Marshall Islands 2025 -update

'Greetings, fellow DXers and ham radio enthusiasts! We're thrilled to bring you the latest update on the upcoming DXPedition to the Marshall Islands (V7) scheduled for February 2025. As announced earlier in May, this highly anticipated adventure will see a team of six skilled operators heading to the remote and beautiful Republic of the Marshall Islands (RMI). The team is set to operate for 12 days, bringing V7 into the logs of thousands of stations worldwide – more [here](#). '

DXCC Timeline

FEATURED DXPEDITIONS TIMELINE

Last update: September 2, 2024



DXCC

This week on air

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

African tour by Pista HA5AO

Pista, HA5AO – celebrating 50 years anniversary of his HAM license – informs DX-World that he is active from operating sites within 40-80 km circle of the common borders of Zimbabwe, Zambia, Botswana and Namibia. QRV from each country on CW, SSB, and FT8 from 80m up to 6m. Pista use a K3S and FT-710 transceivers with KPA 500 power amplifier. The antenna is a DX Commander vertical for 40-6m bands and multi-band inverted-V (80m-6m) on a 12m HD Spider pole, donated by Spiderbeam. The planned schedule is as follows,
03-13 September, Zimbabwe, Zambezi National Park as **Z22AO**, QRA: KH21ww
14-23 September, Zambia, Victoria Falls region as **9J2AO**, QRA: KH22wc
24 Sept-14 October, Botswana, Chobe National Park as **A25AO**, QRA: KH22oc
Other details, QSL policy and OQRS can be found [here](#).

3D2, FIJI T2, TUVALU YJ, VANUATU

Maxim, OH7O is on a solo DXpedition as 3D2YY until September 19. A jump to Tuvalu T2 is planned during September 12-16 and to Vanuatu on September 6-10. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using SSB with some CW. <https://oh7o.com/dxexpedition-to-pacific-islands/>

3A, MONACO Col, MM0NDX and Steve, MM0SAJ will again be active from Monaco during September 5-9 as 3A/MM0NDX and 3A/MM0SAJ. QRV on various bands and modes. Main focus likely to be on low bands in their evening and 6m if propagation permits. QSL both calls to EB7DX (LoTW also).

3D2, ROTUMA Look for 3D22 and 3D22 for the next 3 to 4 weeks. Operation with 3 operators on the island and several remote ops via Starlink. QRV from 160 to 6 meter using mainly FT8, CW and some SSB. There will be experimental FT8 operations. One five bands (10, 12, 15, 17, 20) there will be different frequency used for NA and JA, and a different frequency for EU and RoTW. There will be 10 radios running simultaneously for this idea on those bands. Other bands will be shared old way.

4L, GEORGIA Stephane, F4JZW is active as 4L/call until September 30. Operation from 80 to 6 meter using 10W and a wire. QSL via LoTW.

6O, SOMALIA Look for 6O3T with Fabri IV3JPP, Paolo IV3DSH, Frank IZ8GCE, Maurizio IV3ZXQ and Mauro IV3AZV during September 9-30. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL information and more details on <https://dxexplorer.net/>

8Q, MALDIVES Juergen, DL3JH is operating as 8Q7JH from Thulhagiri island. Activity on 40, 25, 15 and 10 meter using CW and SSB until September 12. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

8Q, MALDIVES Michele, IZ8PWN will be operating as 8Q7WN from Thudufushi Island between September 6 and September 13. Operation in 'holiday-style' from 40 to 10 meter using SSB with some FT8. QSL via I8KHC.

CY9, ST PAUL ISL The CY0S team is once again active until September 5. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB, RTTY and digi. Full info and updates on <https://www.dx-world.net/cy9c-st-paul-island-2024/>

DU, PHILLIPINES Ronnie, DW1VVZ will be active from Landing Monument National Park (POTA PH-0115) on September 7. QRV on 40, 20, 15 and 10 meter using SSB and FT8 as DW0W. QSL via home call.

E5, SOUTH COOK Thomas, N2WLG is active as E51WLG until September 8. Activity from 40 to 10 meter using CW and digi with an IC-7300 and a vertical on the beach. QSL via LoTW, home call, direct or bureau.

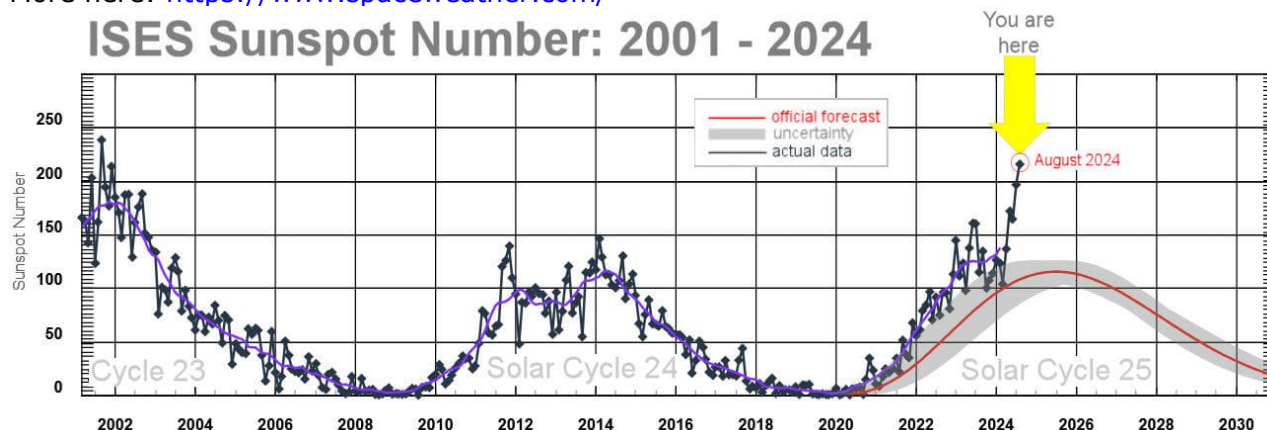
E5, COOK ISL Bob ZL1RS is once again operating as E51EME until September 15. Operation primarily on 6 meter FT8 and perhaps 10 meter if propagation is good. QSL via LoTW or via home call.

Solar cycle 25 continues to surge

SOLAR CYCLE 25 CONTINUES TO SURGE: Solar activity continues to intensify. In August 2024, the average monthly sunspot number exceeded 200 for the first time in 23 years, almost doubling the official forecast:

The current solar cycle (Solar Cycle 25) wasn't expected to be this strong. When it began in Dec. 2019, experts predicted it would be weak like its immediate predecessor Solar Cycle 24. Instead, Solar Cycle 25 may be on pace to rival some of the stronger cycles of the 20th century.

More here: <https://www.spaceweather.com/>



FG, GUADELOUPE Thierry, F4IDN is operating as FG/call until September 15. QRV from 40 to 10 meter using SSB and FT4 with a G5RV and 100w. QSL via LoTW or home call.

FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA Yann, F1SMB is once again QRV as FO/call until September 15 from Tahiti. Operation on 20, 17, 15 and 10 meter using SSB and FT8. QSL via LoTW.

GJ, JERSEY Tev, TA1HZ will be active from Trinity as MJ/call from September 11 until September 16. An entry in the WAE DX SSB contest is included. Tev says : "*Pre-contest activity will be for catching the EU stations into the log for DXCC Award*". QSL via LoTW, Club Log.

H4, SOLOMON ISL Bernard, DL2GAC is once again active from Manakwai village as H44MS until mid-September. Operation on HF using SSB and FT8. QSL via home call and LoTW.

J3, GRENADA Greg, N9GB is once again active as J3/call until September 10. Operation in 'holiday-style' from 40 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via EB7DX.

JD1, MINAMI TORISHIMA Take, JG8NQJ is back at the weather station until end September. QRV during his spare time as call/JD1. Operation using CW and some FT8. QSL via JA8CJY direct or via JG8NQJ bureau, LoTW.

JW, SVALBARD Mariusz, SO5WL is operating during his spare time as JW/call until September 10. QRV with a G90 transceiver and a 20m dipole using FT4/8. QSL via LoTW.

KH8, AMERICAN SAMOA Look for N5DD, W5MJ, K5PI and VE7KW as KH8T until September 16. Plan is to include 2 stations from 80 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8 including the SuperFox mode. Possibly 160m, 60m and 6m if antennas and propagation allow. Equipment includes two

K3, FTDX10, Expert 1.3K, Expert 1.5K, two Hexbeams, half squares, and verticals. QSL via M0URX. Donations welcome. See [website](#) for latest info.

LU, ARGENTINA Look for Hoc LU5BE/S and Enri LU8EFF/S from Chepes, on the almost inactive locator FF68QP in a province of La Rioja until September 8.

They will operate SSB, CW, FT8, RTTY on 40- 6 meters, with two stations. Info QRZ.com.

OX, GREENLAND Bo, OZ1DJJ is operating as OX3LX until September 12. QRV from different grids on HF and 6 meter. QSL via OZ0J.

T8, PALAU Nobu, JA0JHQ will once again be QRV as T88PB during September 7-9. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW and SSB. An entry in the All Asian DX SSB contest is included. QSL via home call.

TU, IVORY COAST Yigitcan, TA2YGT is operating as TU/call until September 16. QRV mainly on QO-100 and perhaps some QRP style on 20 meter FT8

VP6, PITCAIRN ISL Bill, G0VDE informs DX-World that he will be active as VP6WR during September 5-15. QRV from 80 to 10 meter using vertical / wire antennas and PA. Modes: SSB & FT8, maybe some CW. QSL info to follow.

XT, BURKINA FASO Harald, DF2WO will once again be operating as XT2AW between September 8 and September 29. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using SSB and FT4 with also QO-100 SAT. LoTW upload after the DXpedition.

ZD7, ST HELENA On September 1st (18:30z) John, GW0BNN showed on air from St Helena island as ZD7BNN. He was briefly active on 10m SSB. Due to bad weather John had to extend his stay so was then able to QRV from the shack of Derek ZD7CTO.

ZD9, TRISTAN DA CUNHA Lance, W7GJ is QRV as ZD9GJ, this is a 6m EME DXpedition. QRV until September 30. This will be primarily a 6m EME DXpedition, using Q65-60A in the "Q65 Pileup" mode. See <https://www.bigskyspaces.com/w7gj/> for detailed information and instructions. When not "aimed up at the moon", he may operate SSB or FT8 on 6m TEP. QSL via LoTW, or direct to W7GJ.

ZS, SOUTH AFRICA Look for team ZS9KK from a farm in Klein Karoo region during the SARL Field Day weekend (September 7-8). Operation on 80, 40 and 20 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via bureau.

On the scene...John ZD7BNN QRV from the shack of Derek ZD7CTO



Coming up soon

GJ, JERSEY Fred ON8ZL and Peter ON8ZZ will be operating as MJ/OT9Z during September 13-15. Fred will participate in the WAE contest. Outside the contest look for them on 10, 15, 20, 40 and 80 meter. QSL via OT9Z QRZ page instructions.

V4, ST KITTS Rikk, WE9G will be QRV as V4/call during September 10-17. Operation mainly on digi from grid FK87pg. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, LoTW, Club Log.

V4, ST KITTS Look once again for V47JA between September 18 and October 1. Activity from 6 to 160 meter using SSB and FT8. QSL via W5JON direct or LoTW.

V5, NAMIBIA Gunter, DK2WH will be active as V51WH starting mid-September until early November. QTH from a farm close to Omaruru. Operation from 160 to 10 meter and 60 meter. An entry in the CQWW RTTY and SSB contest are included as V55Y.

IOTA

This week on air

ASIA

AS-206 Tashiro Isl Kari, JQ7ELL will be operating as call/7 during September 7-8. QRV on HF and 6 meter using SSB and FT8 with a multiband antenna and 50 watts. QSL via home call, bureau only.

EUROPE

EU-173, EU-101, EU-184, EU-139, EU-087, EU-084, EU-002, EU-096, EU-097

Starting September 3 and lasting through until October 6, Frank DL2SWW and Gaby DF9TM plan to operate from several OH and SM islands around the Gulf of Bothnia.

EU-006 Aran Isl A team with EI3HA, EI3ISB, EI5KO, EI6FR and EI9JF will be operating as EJ7NET between September 7 and September 11. Operation on HF using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via EI6FR.

EU-028 Capraia Isl Luca, IK5AEQ is active as IA5/call until September 7. Operation from 40 to 6 meter using SSB and FT4/8. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, LoTW and Club Log.

EU-028 Elba Domenico, IK1MNF is operating as call/IA5 until end September. QRV from 20 to 6 meter using SSB. Log upload to Club Log and LoTW. QSL via home call.

EU-030 Bornholm Isl Look for the SP1KRF Team (SP1IVL, SP3VAX, SP3LPR and SQ1WO) as OZ0KRF until September 7. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8.

EU-165 San Pietro Isl Giuseppe, IK5WWA is active as IM0C until September 15. Operation from 40 to 2 meter. QSL via home call.

EU-171 North Jutland A team consisting PA1SVM, PA7JWC and PD2R will be active from Saeby (JO57GG) as OV2T and 5Q7DX during September 10-17. Operation from 160 to 2 meter using CW, SSB and Digi. Also active on satellite QO-100, RS-44. QSL info OV2T via PA0ABM and 5Q7DX via PA7JWC or LoTW.

NORTH AMERICA

NA-085 St George Isl September 8-9

NA-076 Havens Isl September 10-12

NA-034 Mullet Key September 13-15

NA-138 Amelia Isl September 16-18

NA-058 Jekyll Isl September 19-21

Steve, K4WA will be operating depending the local weather conditions from these IOTA's. QRV mainly on HF using CW and SSB with perhaps some FT8. QSL via home call.

OCEANIA

OC-133 Semporna Isl 4 confirmed islands as 9M1Z to be QRV, 4 OQRS via Club Log, Timetable, Band plan, QRZ.com [page](#) updated, and final logo.

OJ94LN, Timba-Timb Island (5-7 Sep 2024) – confirmed

OJ94LN, Matakina Island (8-11 Sep 2024) – confirmed

OJ94KO, Pom-Pom Island (12-15 Sep 2024) – confirmed

Look for them from 80 to 6 meter using CW, SSB, digi. QSL via Club Log, LoTW. Direct via 9W8ZZK or 9M8WIN.



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AFRICA

AF-054 Mafia Isl Vlad, OK2WX will be active as 5H1WX between September 18 and October 6. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via I8KHC. More on <https://www.mdxc.support/5h1wx/>

AF-057 Nosy Faly Shabu, MOKRI will be operating as 5R8SR possibly during September. Operation on HF using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via Club Log. More to follow.

OCEANIA

OC-063 Mangareva Isl Bill, G0VDE will be operating as FO/call during September 17-21. Activity from 80 to 10 meter using SSB, FT8 and some CW. QSL info to follow.

OC-144 Mendanau Isl Irfan, YE4IJ and team will be operating as 7E4M during September 14-16. Activity from 40 to 10 meter using all modes + VHF/UHF satellite, FM and SSTV.

OC-203 Stewart Isl Mike, VE6TC announces he will again be active from Oban, Stewart island, OC-203 starting early September '24 using a 20m vertical with 1/4 wave radials, FT-897 (100W). Grid: RE43BE. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, H/c.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announced DX

THE NEWCOMERS

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.

8R, GUYANA Aldir, PY1SAD will be active as 8R1TM from Georgetown starting October. More to follow.

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.

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.

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.

ZF, CAYMAN ISL Chris, AE6Z will be active as ZF2XX during October 20-25. Operation using mainly CW QRP-style and some FT8. QSL via LoTW.

THE REMINDERS

3B9, RODRIGUES ISL Kazu, M0CFW will once again be 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 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 M00XO OQRS.

5N, NIGERIA The Rebel DX Group are off to Abuja, Nigeria after their Tuvalu DXpedition. They have requested the callsign 5N5N. Three ops with up to 10 stations; 160-6m, mainly CW & FT8. Dates will be announced soon.

On the scene...CY9C St Paul – now QRT



5W, SAMOA Pete, ZL4TE will be QRV as 5W0TE from October 3 until October 10. *'Full credit to my XYL, she had no objection to my bringing the Icom 705. Given it is our silver wedding anniversary trip, I think she may be a keeper! I hope to operate CW, FT8 and D-STAR, holiday style. In anticipation of this latest trip, I have joined POTA and WWFF. I intend to activate at least one of the parks (more if I get time). Our accomodation is a good distance from many of the parks. It is still a way off, but at the moment I am going to cut and test some elements for EFHW antenna. Once the weather warms up I will give them an airing at a local park. I'm also trying to acquaint myself with the WWFF / POTA software.'*

6Y, JAMAICA Neil, G0RNU will once again be operating as 6Y/call between October 23 and November 6. Activity on HF using SSB and FT8. QSL via home call.

7Q, MALAWI A team with EA7FTR, CT1BOL, 7Q6M and 7Q7CT will be operating as 7Q1 during October 23 and November 2. Operation on all bands and all modes. An entry in the CQWW SSB contest is included. QSL via EA7FTR.

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.

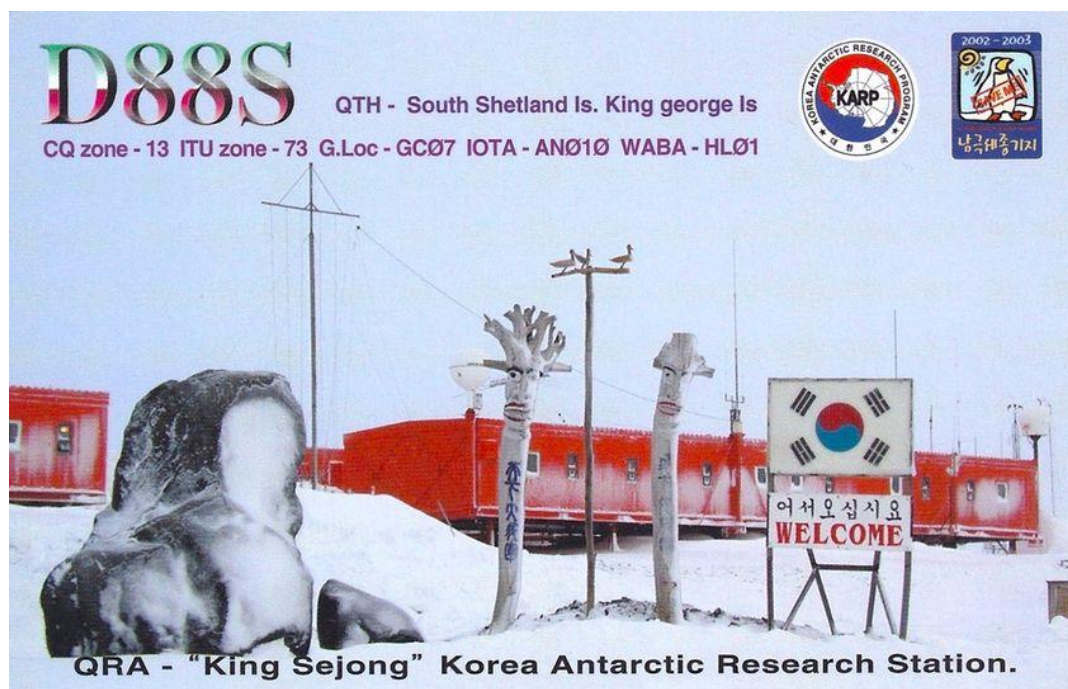
9L, SIERRA LEONE F6KOP can now inform the DX community that its next expedition will take place by the end of 2024 to SIERRA LEONE (9L). This DXCC entity had already been activated by F6KOP in 2019 (9LY1JM) but is however in 80th position on the most wanted list.

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 Log.



C2, NAURU A team (T2C in 2023 and P29RO in 2022 and other activities in the years before COVID) will be QRV from Nauru during October 10-29. Operation is planned with 5 stations 24/7 from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. Due the complicated logistics, we plan to arrive with two teams: 6 team members will arrive on October 11, 2024. They will bring 2 stations. This includes the LZ wire beam and the LBS-pentaplexer. This means that operation in the first days will only occur on the high bands. The rest of the team will arrive on October 14 for another 12 days.

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 CX2AM, CX3AN and CX8FB will be active as C91BV during October 17-24. Operation from 40 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via EB7DX.

D4, CAPE VERDE Claudio, HB9OAU will be active from Sal Island as D44OA between October 24 and November 5. Operation in 'holiday-style' from 40 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via LoTW.

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.

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.

E6, NIUE Jacek, SP5EAQ will be operating as E6AQ between October 22 and 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.

FG, GUADELOUPE Philippe, F1DUZ will once again be operating as FG4KH between October 22 and November 6. An entry in the CQWWSSB. QSL via home call, QRZ.com.

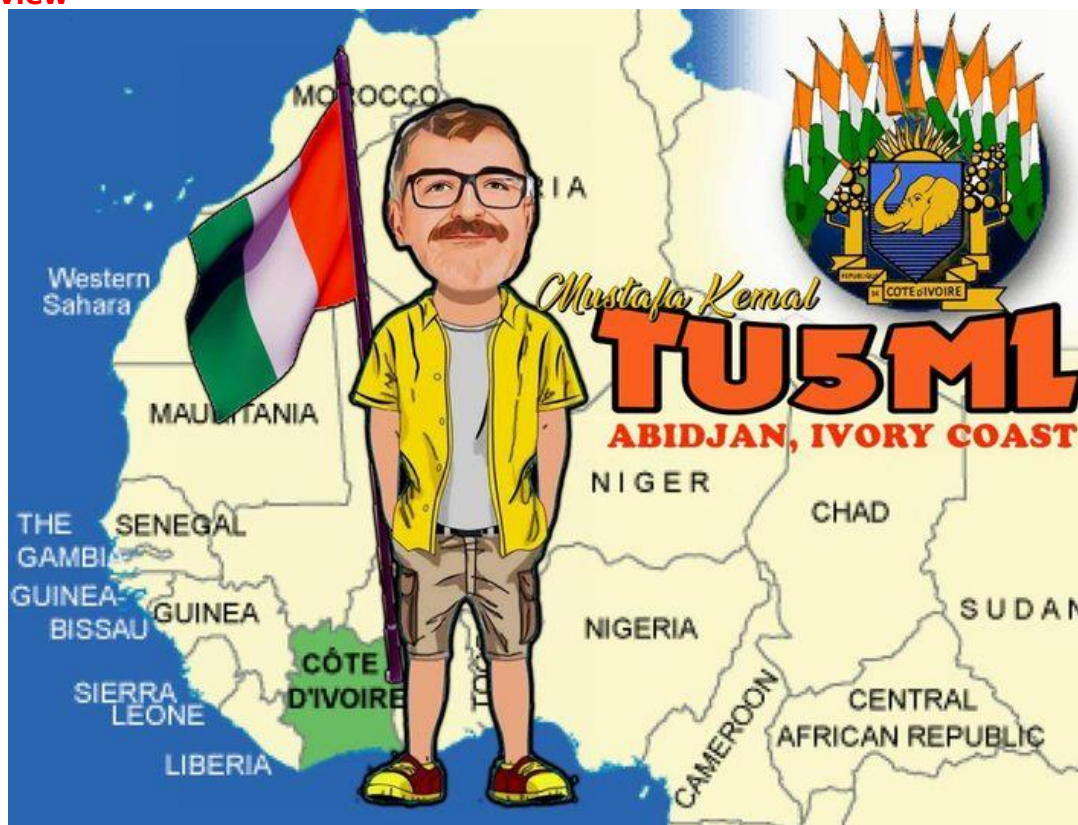
FG, GUADELOUPE Look for TO2X during the CQWW SSB contest (M5RIC, GW4XUM, K1XX and W1MD). Before and after the contest they will sign as FG/calls. TO2X via LoTW.

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 Michal, OM2DX will be operating as TO2DX between September 28 and October 7. An entry in the CQWW RTTY contest is included. Operation on HF using CW and digi. QSL via home call.

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.

QSL preview



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.

HBO, LIECHTENSTEIN Leo, DL2COM and Roman, DL3TU inform DX-World that they will be active (CW only) from the Principality of Liechtenstein end of September or early October 2024. Weather permitting they will operate Field Day style for two days from the summit of Augstenberg (2359 meters A.S.L.) using 50-100 watts and directional antennas. The location has been carefully chosen to allow a good take off to JA/VK/ZL, the target areas. Both ops say they are happy to log as many callers as possible but will focus on the JA/VK/ZL during UTC morning. Updates, such as the exact dates, will be published on their QRZ.com pages and here on DX-World. QSL via their home callsigns, LoTW, direct or bureau.

HC8, GALAPAGOS ISL A large team will be active as HD8G between April 18 and April 27, 2025. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via M0URX OQRS, LoTW. <https://hd8g.com/>

HK0, MALPELO Last active in 2012 (by **HK0NA** 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 coming weeks..

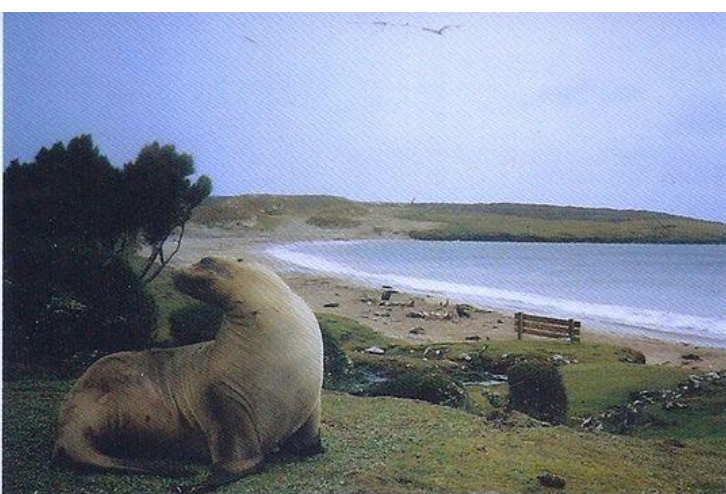
J6, ST LUCIA A team with K9HZ, W0CN, WA4PGM, NY3B, W0ZB and W1DED will be active as J62K during the CQWW SSB contest. Also active as J6 calls during October 21-27. QSL for J62K via K9HZ.

J7, DOMINICA Lucien FM5WD, Luca IV3JVJ and Ivan IK3ZAZ 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, OGASAWARA Koutarou, JP1IHD will once again be active as JD1BQP between October 21 and November 3. Operation from 160 to 6 meter mainly SSB. QSL via home call.

JW, SVALBARD Look for LA6VM, LA7XK and LA9DL as JW6VM, JW7XK and JW9DL between October 9-14. An entry in the Scandinavian Activity Contest SSB is included as JW5X. QSL via homecalls, JW5X via LA5X.

KH0, MARIANA ISL Tom, KC0W will once again be active as KH0/call on 160 meter starting October. *'I have not been active on Top Band Since 2021. Antenna is a monoband 160 Meter Dipole & 1kW. This new antenna is a BIG improvement over the former 160 Meter antenna which was used to make almost 1,000 Top Band QSOs in 2021.'*



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KH0, MARIANA ISL Ken, JO1VRK will be operating as KH0/AJ6VJ between December 30 and January 3. Operation on 40, 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10 meter. QSL via LoTW.

OX, GREENLAND Henning, OZ2I informs DX-World that he will be active from Kangerlussuaq, Greenland as XP2I during September 20-22. Actual QTH is Black Ridge - about 200 meter ASL - Grid: GP47PA. QRV on 80-10 (maybe 160) CW only. QSL via LoTW, Club Log OQRS.

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.

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 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 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.

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.

TY, BENIN Following on from the TY5C activity earlier this year (see below), Luc F5RAV informs via the "X" platform that a new DXpedition to Benin (again as TY5C) will take place during October '24 to February '25. QRV on 80-10m.

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.

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 M0OXO OQRS. More to follow, the website will soon be on air. <https://www.ardxpeditons.com/>

V7, MARSHALL ISL Following their successful journey to Guyana under the callsign **8R7X**, 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.

VE, CANADA Chris, VO1CH informs DX-WORLD that he will be active from CQ Zone 2 as VO2VC during September 26 to October 5. Participation in the CQWW RTTY contest (Sept 28-29). Before / after the contest on SSB & FT8/4. Equipment will be an ICOM IC-7300, AL80B amp, 3 Element Triband Yagi and ZS6BKW antenna.

QSL preview



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. <https://vk9cv.com/>

VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS 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.

VU4, ANDAMAN ISL Team consisting of 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.'

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

VU4, ANDAMAN & NICOBAR DX-Adventure announces a DXpedition with an international team of over 10 operators during the first quarter of 2025. QRV on all band using CW, SSB and digital modes. More to follow. <https://www.dx-adventure.com/>

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.

YJ, VANUATU Look for a team led by N4VGE to be active as YJ0VV between October 15-30. An entry in several contests is included. *'There are openings in the group for three to four more hams and their spouses. We are expecting excellent spring propagation for making European and North American contacts. Of course, the location will bring an abundance of Asian contacts as well.*

Antennas we plan on taking and erecting include parasitic phased verticals, BuddiHex Hexbeam, 160 Cable Help long wire, and 40-80 meter G5RV long wires.'

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.

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

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.

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. No Spiderbeams. The 60, 80 & 160 meter antennas will be inverted L's with plenty of radials.

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 NEWCOMERS

ASIA

AS-081 Isu Isl Look for Jong DS5ACV/p, Terry DS5DNO/p, Hoya DS5MNO/p and Cho HL5JYS/p around 1 UTC on September 21 until around 7 UTC on September 22 (30 hours). They will operate CW, FT8 and some SSB on 40, 20, 17, 15, 12, 10 and 6 metres. QSL for all callsigns via DS5DNO (direct); QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW and Club Log.

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.

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.'

NORTH AMERICA

NA-119 Dernieres

NA-120 Marsh

Dragan K0AP, Mike AD5A, Hector XE2K/AD6D and Mike AB5EB plan to be active from IOTA groups NA-119 (Dernieres) & NA-120 (Marsh) during the period October 4-8, 2024. Operation from NA-120 will be daytime only due to overnight restrictions.

Mike AB5EB says final layout of the stations is not complete but will likely be a combination of verticals and possibly a Buddihex which he used at **CB0ZA**, and found it very portable and practical for IOTA. Team also plan on having a dedicated 6m station; October will not be ideal for 6m but with FT8 they hope to exploit any E-skip openings. Two different 1×1 callsigns to be announced later.

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).

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.

Special calls

THE NEWCOMERS

DL, GERMANY EA, SPAIN F, FRANCE G, ENGLAND I, ITALY OE, AUSTRIA OH, FINLAND YO, ROMANIA

The G-QRP-Club's 50th anniversary will be celebrated on air during the month of September with the special callings **Gx5LOW (G5LOW, GM5LOW, GI5LOW, GW5LOW, GJ5LOW, GD5LOW, GU5LOW), OE50LOW, OH50LOW, TM50LOW, DM50LOW, IR3QRP, YP50QRP** and **EG5LOW**. For more information, including award info, see <https://gqrp.com/50years.htm>

EI, IRELAND Look between September 1 and August 31 2025 for **EI4FOTA**. In the next 12 months we will activate more Irish remote islands, summits, lighthouses and UNESCO World Heritage sites. They will all be submitted as IOTA, SOTA or POTA entries.

F, FRANCE Look for **TM9NL** in honour of Maurice F9NL. Operation in various modes on HF, VHF and UHF between September 15 and September 29. For more information see QRZ.com.

PA, THE NETHERLANDS Commemorating the 80th anniversary of Operation Market Garden, members of Radio Club Limburg will be active as **PA80OMG** on 13-19 September. QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau; direct cards go to PD8RW. See <https://rclb.nl/pa80omg> for more information. Also active will be PH80MG, operated by members of the PI4CQ club station on 13-21 September. (TNX 425DX)

W, USA Organized by the Citrus Belt ARC, the 25th annual Route 66 On The Air special event celebrates the historic US Highway 66. Twenty- three amateur radio stations using 1x1 callsigns (**W6A-W6W**) will be QRV from cities along the "Mother Road" on 7-15 September. See <https://w6jbt.org/> for information about the event and QSL routes. (TNX 425DX)

ZA, ALBANIA Radio amateurs from Gibraltar are allowed to use the **ZG2** prefix from September 3 to 10 to celebrate Gibraltar National Day (September 10th). (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 100th anniversary since Radioklub Zagreb was founded (24 March 1924). Look for activity throughout 2024. QSL via 9A1ADE. (TNX 42DX)

9M6, MALAYSIA **9M61LS** celebrates the 61st anniversary of Sabah's independence until Sept. 16. QSL direct via qrz.com. (TNX DXNL)

DL, GERMANY Members of DARC's Ortsverband Greifswald (DL0HGW) will be active as **DL250CDF** from 1 August to 30 September. The special callsign marks the 250th anniversary since the birth of the painter Caspar David Friedrich, an icon of the German Romantic movement. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau, eQSL and LoTW. A certificate will be available, see <https://dl0hgw.darc.de/dl250cdf.htm> for information. (TNX 425DX)

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 Special event callsigns **EH1SDC- EH9SDC** (8-15 September) will be activated to commemorate Day of Asturias and the principality's patron saint, popularly known as the Santina de Covadonga. This is the 40th edition of the 'SDC' special event. Also active will be EG40SDC (1-15 September) and ED3SDC (14-15 September). QSL for all callsigns via EA1AUM (direct or bureau), LoTW and eQSL. See <https://santina.dxfun.com/> for more information, including online logs and downloadable certificates. (TNX 425DX)

EI, IRELAND **EI4FOTA** will be active from all around Ireland - including SOTA and POTA locations, UNESCO World Heritage Sites, lighthouses and IOTA islands. Apparently the first operation will be on 17-24 September from the Giant's Causeway - which is in Northern Ireland (GI), though; then on 5-15 October from the Blasket Islands (EU-007). (TNX 425DX)

F, FRANCE To commemorate the 80th anniversary of the liberation of Wingle during WWII (2 September 1944), the local radio club (F4KLR) will be active as **TM80LW** on 31 August, 2 September and for another 13 days 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)

F, FRANCE Special callsign **TM45CDXC** will be active on 7-21 September for the 45th Convention of the Clipperton DX Club (<https://cdxc.org/>) to be held at Montceau les Mines on 20-22 September. QSL via F5CWU's OQRS (<http://www.f5cwu.net/oqrs/>). (TNX 425DX)

F, FRANCE The radio club F4KIR from Saint Malo uses the callsign **TM80LCA** (during September) to commemorate their city's liberation 80 years ago. QSL via F5BNJ. (TNX DXNL)

F, FRANCE Vitaly, F4WBU will be active as **TM2024PG** from 28 August to 8 September during the 17th Summer Paralympic Games. All QSOs will be confirmed via the bureau. (TNX 425DX)

F, FRANCE Celebrating the Paris 2024 Olympic and Paralympic Games, members of the Union des Radioclubs (URC) will use **TM2024JPP** on 28 August-9 September: <https://log-et-qsl.associations-radioamateurs.org/wp/boutique/> (TNX 425DX)

F, FRANCE Special event station **TM51JP** (to be active from 28 August to 8 September during the Paralympic Games). QSL for the three special callsigns via F5JYD, direct or bureau. (TNX 425DX)

F, FRANCE By the Landes 40 department, look for **TM40IPC** August 28 - September 8 (International Paralympic Committee).

HB9, SWITZERLAND Celebrating the 150th anniversary of the birth of Guglielmo Marconi members of the USKA's Valais/Wallis Section are active as **HB150GM** until December. 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)

HB9, SWITZERLAND Members of the Zurich City Police Radio Amateur Club (HB9SP) will be active as **HB20SP** throughout 2024 to celebrate their club's 20th anniversary. QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW, Club Log and qrz.com; do not send any card via the bureau. (TNX 42DX)

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: <http://www.arifidenza.it/>.

LA, NORWAY Look for **LA400KBG** during 2024 to celebrate the 400th 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 during 2024 to honour as many different Orthodox saints: **LZ1515IW** (September and October), and **LZ311PA** (November and December). 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 <https://www.lz1kcp.com/>. (TNX 425DX)

OE, AUSTRIA OE45NO highlights the negative Austrian referendum about the commissioning of a nuclear power plant 45 years ago. QRV from September until the end of November. QSL via ClubLog OQRS, hrdlog.net OQRS. (TNX DXNL)

OE, AUSTRIA OE50LOW celebrates the 50th anniversary of the G-QRP Club during September. QSL via OE7AFT (d). (TNX DXNL)

OE, AUSTRIA OE100RADIO celebrates the centennial of radio broadcasting during 2024. (TNX DXNL)

OE, AUSTRIA OE70VIE is a special callsign marking the 70th anniversary of Vienna International Airport (IATA code VIE) from 21 June to 30 September. QSL via Club Log's OQRS (preferred), LoTW in due course, or via OE6VIE. (TNX 425DX)

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 <https://www.qrz.com/db/OE20SOTA>. (TNX 425DX)

ON, BELGIUM Members of UBA's Groupement De Verviers will be active as **OR80USA** on 1-15 September and again 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.

SM, SWEDEN SK100FRK is the special callsign celebrating the 100 anniversary since Falu Radioklubb (SK4AO) was founded. Look for activity during 2024. A very special diploma will be available - see <https://www.qrz.com/db/SK100FRK>. (TNX 42DX)

SM, SWEDEN SK50B is the special callsign for members of the Botkyrka Radioamatorer to celebrate their club's golden jubilee throughout 2024. The club was founded on 18 January 1974. QSL via the bureau to SK0HB. (TNX 42DX)

SP, POLAND SN55DIG is the special callsign that Adam, SQ9S will be using until the end of the year 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)

VK, AUSTRALIA Celebrating the 60th anniversary of the Islands On The Air programme, special event callsign **VI60IOTA** will be in use across Australia during 2024: "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 M0OXO's OQRS. (TNX 425DX)

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** until December. A certificate will be available: <https://www.radiosport.yu1srs.org.rs/>.