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DX news

VK9XU Christmas Island –now QRT

VK9XU is now QRT. Last QSO was on March 4th at 02:57z with VR2CO in FT8. Christmas Island was great! We achieved around 58000 QSOs, which is well above our expectation. Thanks to everybody on the other end of the pile up, and in particular thanks for the exceptionally good discipline in the pile-ups. We already disassembled all antennas and we are currently packing all our stuff for the flight to Cocos (Keeling) Island. As we will arrive well after sunset, we will only start with a limited activity in the first night and set up all antennas after sunrise next day.

FP5KE SAINT PIERRE & MIQUELON –update

Preparations for our FP5KE 2025 DXpedition to Ile aux Marins (Saint-Pierre & Miquelon archipelago) are progressing well. The team is complete and will be made up of 16 experienced operators as well as FP5AC for the important stewardship part as we will have to be autonomous. We are finally planning 8 HF and 6m stations and 2 EME stations (2m and 23cm) and up to twenty antennas. Everything will be powered by generator(s). Further information such as dates, list of operators and our website will be communicated later.



TX9A Austral Islands DXpedition –update

There are 50 days left until departure for Tubuai. ACOM delivered Power Amplifiers to us. A merchandise package (flag, caps, polo shirts) arrived with the equipment. The TX9A team thanks ACOM for their cooperation and support.



A step closer to activating KH3...???

Who knows, but if it did happen, a large number of people could be stationed there perhaps making it a bit easier for a visiting ham operator among them!

The Department of the Air Force (DAF) is issuing this notice of intent (NOI) to advise the public of the pending preparation of an Environmental Assessment (EA) to evaluate the impacts of construction and operation of two landing pads at Johnston Atoll for up to 10 reentry vehicle landings per year over four consecutive years to support the test, demonstration, and evaluation of capabilities under the DAF Rocket Cargo Vanguard program (Proposed Action). The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, National Wildlife Refuge System (USFWS) are cooperating agencies.

<https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2025/03/03/2025-03359/notice-of-intent-to-prepare-an-environmental-assessment-for-rocket-cargo-test-and-demonstration-at>
<https://www.twz.com/space/notorious-abandoned-pacific-island-outpost-eyed-for-space-force-rocket-cargo-delivery-tests>

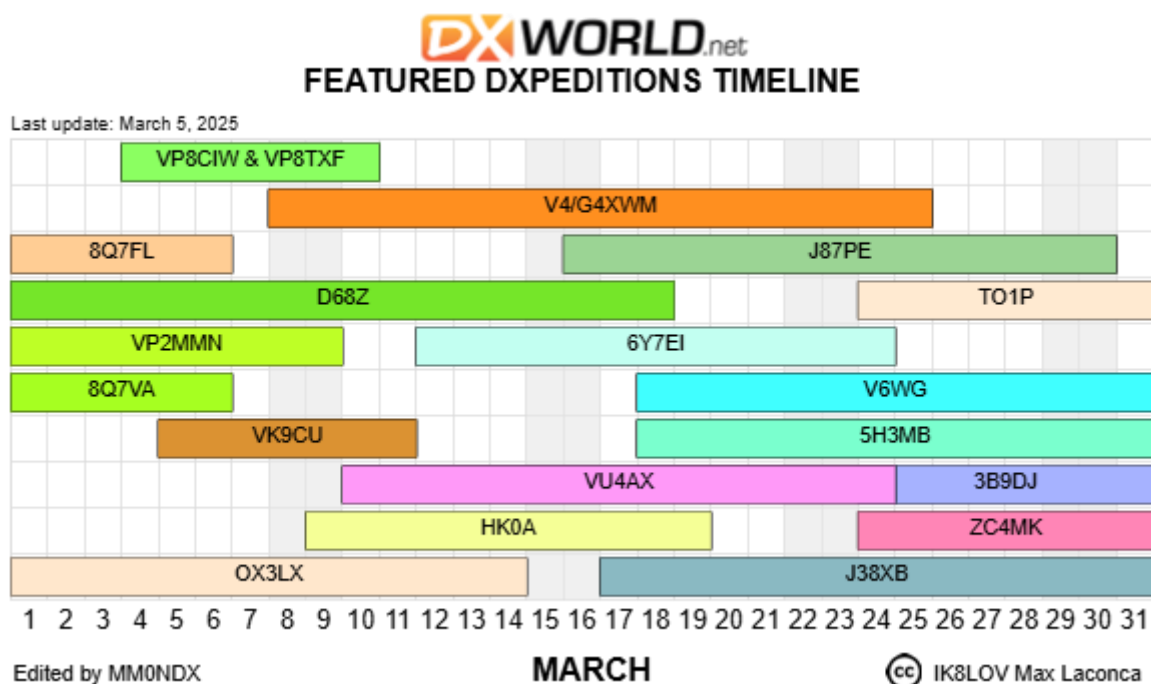
Video 3D2CT/3DCCU DXpedition to Conway Reef 1995

Matts, SM7PKK got in touch to say that – until now – no video has ever been released before of the 1995 3D2CT / 3D2CU Conway Reef DXpedition featuring a team of JH4RHF, NI6T, OH1RY, SM6CAS and SM7PKK.

I have the raw material from the DXpedition. I thought it would be interesting to release a video of our great adventure. It will be in memory of SM6CAS Nils who unfortunately passed away. Please do enjoy the video. It takes us down memory lane of a DXpedition that was almost abandoned due to the dramatic start.

<https://www.dx-world.net/30th-anniversary-of-the-3d2ct-cu-dxpedition-to-conway-reef/>

DXCC timeline



DXCC

This week on air

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

Central American Tour 2025 by the RRC team

Russian Robinson Team consisting Alex RW3RN, Hal W8HC, Mike K5MSK, Slava OK8AU, Raisa R1BIG, Tim NL8F, Vlad R9LR and Yuri N3QQ are active from Central American DXCC entities (covering IOTA and POTA) until March 7. As follows:

YN6RRC – Complejo volcánico San Cristóbal, POTA NI-0055 (Nicaragua)

H7RRC – Isla Del Cardon, NA-212 (Nicaragua)

3F3RRC – Chirique, POTA PA-0033 (Panama) **NOW QRV**

All calls are currently pending. QSL via LoTW or via M0OXO and RW3RN (RU/EW only).

Caribbean Tour by Mike, DF8AN

VP2, MONTSERRAT VP2MN March 1-March 9

V2, ANTIGUA V26MN March 9-March 10

FS, ST MARTIN FS/DF8AN, TO8AN March 10-March 11

Operation mainly digi and CW from 80 to 6 meter. QSL via home call, direct or buro.

5R, MADAGASCAR Richard, HB9FHV is QRV as 5R8RH until March 7. Operation daily for about 2 hours on 20 meter SSB. He's using an FX4-CR SDR transceiver + RM Italy amplifier with the antenna being a wire vertical for 10-15-20-40m, so he may use other bands too.

6W, SENEGAL Willy ON4AVT is once again active as 6X7/call until April 10. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using SSB, digi and QO-100 sat. QSL via home call, Club Log.

6Y, JAMAICA Iain, G4SGX will once again be active as call/6Y from Robins Bay during March 11-21. Operatio from 80 to 10 meter using CW only. An entry in the BERU contest is included. More on QRZ.com.

7P, LESOTHO Mark KW4XJ and Arina KO4PZT are QRV as 7P8AB and 7P8NB until mid-2025. QSL via KW4XJ.

8P, BARBADOS Chris, WA7RAR is active as 8P9CB until March 16. Operation from 20 to 10 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via LoTW or direct via home call.

8Q, MALDIVES Nico S53A is operating as 8Q7NI. QRV so far on 10 meter using CW low power. Length of stay unknown.

8Q, MALDIVES Brad, KA9JDE is active as 8Q7BG until March 8.

8R, GUYANA Aldir, PY1SAD will once again be active as 8R1TM from Georgetown between March

11 and April 26. Operation on HF and satellite using CW, SSB and digital. QSL via LoTW, home call direct.

9G, GHANA Tommy, ON2TD is operating as 9G5TD during his spare time. Catch me on the air experimenting with antennas and chasing signals from this quiet QTH. QSLs and pics/updates to follow. 73!

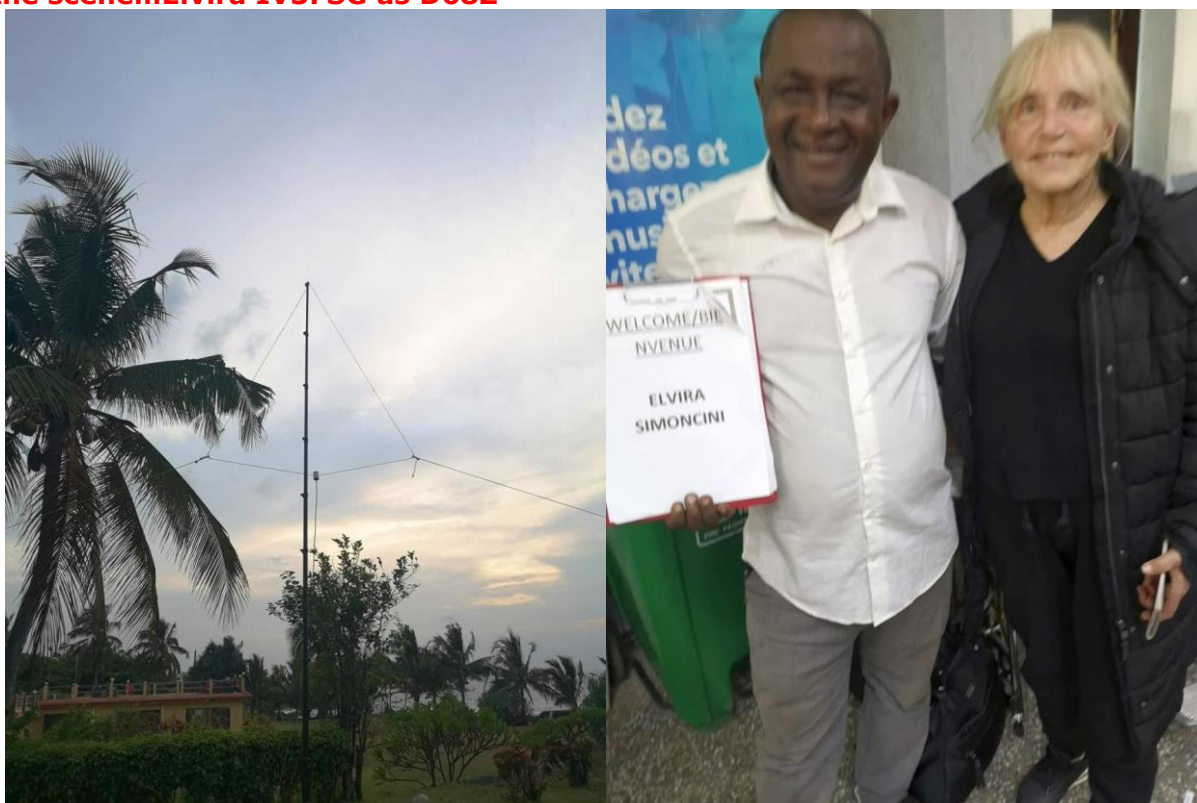
9L, SIERRA LEONE Peter, VK3HEX is active as 9L/call until March 7. Operation on 10 meter SSB after 18:00 local time. QSL via home call direct.

C5, THE GAMBIA Przem, SP3PS is once again operating as C5SP until mid-March. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using SSB and FT8. QSL via home call.

C6, BAHAMAS Chad, WE9V is active as C6ACK until May. QRV from 40 to 6 meter. Chad mentions that since he will be visiting various islands, his grid and IOTA will change so keep this in mind over the coming weeks. QSL via LoTW or via WD9DZV. More details here.

D6, COMOROS Elvira, IV3FSG is active as D68Z until March 18. Operation on HF using CW, SSB and FT4/8 with livestream on Club Log. Log upload to Club Log. QSL via IK2DUW and LoTW.

On the scene...Elvira IV3FSG as D68Z



FJ, SAINT BARTHELEMY Andreas, DK6AS is operating during February/March (to be confirmed) as FJ/call. Operation on HF using CW and FT4/8 from grid FK87. QSL via home call.

FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA Olafur, TF1OL will be active as FO/call from Tahiti starting March 7. Currently he is active from a 5th floor hotel in Auckland as ZL/TF1OL, and runs FT8. Prior to his ZL activity, he was active from various Australian states (VK2, VK3, VK4, VK5, VK6, VK7).

H4, SOLOMON ISL Bernard, DL2GAC is once again active as H44MS until May 7. QRV from Manakwai Village from 80 to 6 meter using SSB and FT8.

HK0, SAN ANDRES Ray, K3ARC will be QRV as HK0A between March 9 and March 19. Operation from 20 to 10 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via home call direct or LoTW.

HR, HONDURAS Gerard, F2JD is operating as HR5/call until late March 2025. Operation on HF and 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT4/8. QSL via F6AJA direct or bureau.

<https://lesnouvellesdx.fr/voirlogs.php>

KH9, WAKE ISL Allen, KH7AL is QRV as call/KH9 during his spare time.

Next:

He has dipoles covering from 40 to 10 meter using SSB with some CW. He keeps an "Activation Blog" and an "Upcoming" section on <https://sites.google.com/view/kh7al/>. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. <https://kh7al.site/>

OX, GREENLAND Bo, OZ1DJJ is once again QRV as OX3LX until March 14. Operation on HF from grid GP44de and perhaps GP35nj. QSL via OZ0J.

P2, PAPUA NEW GUINEA Xu, BG5DON is active during his spare time as P29XZ until end May.

Operation mainly in the weekends from 20 to 6 meter using FT8 with low power. QSL via home call.

P4, ARUBA Marty, KE4TT is active as P4/call until March 11. QRV on HF using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via LoTW, Club Log or home call.

PJ2, CURACAO Thaire, W2APF is active as PJ2/call until April 8. Activity from 80 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via home call, LoTW.

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.

TR, GABON Roland, F8EN is once again QRV as TR8CR until at least April. Operation on HF using CW only. QSL via F6AJA.

TY, BENIN Gérard F5NVF is again QRV as TY5C from Godomey until April 2. He is 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.

TZ, MALI Jeff, K1MMB is operating as TZ4AM from Bamako until May. *'TZ1CE is operating my station DX style for the next 2 weeks, concentrating on FT8 and SSB to a lesser extent. He is currently operating from 80 through 6m. He has already worked into southern EU on 6m FT8.'*

V3, BELIZE Walt W0CP and Mary K0ZV are once again active as V31DJ and V31DK during February 2025. Operation on HF using SSB and FT8. QSL via LoTW.

V4, ST KITTS Fred, G4XWM will be operating as V4/call between March 8 and March 29. Operation on HF using CW and SSB. QSL via LoTW and Club Log.

On the scene...Chris WA7RAR as 8P9CB from Barbados



V4, ST KITTS Tom, K0YA is active as V4/call until March 4 (from V47JA QTH). QRV in 'holiday-style'. QSL via LoTW for both calls.

V7, MARSHALL ISL Tim, KZ4V will be touring during March and April. He is part of a scientific mission to several atolls including Enewetak (OC-087), Bikini (OC-028), Rongelap (OC-028), Majetto (OC-028), Wotje (OC-029) and Majuro (OC-029). Most operations will be marine mobile on SSB although he hopes to run FT8 portable on several of the atolls including Bikini. Updates to follow.

VK9C, COCOS KEELING Gunter, DL2AWG and team DF4GV, DL2AMD, DJ9RR and VK6SJ are active from Cocos Keeling until March 12. QRV with 3 stations from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi.

VK9N, NORFOLK ISL Members of the Caboolture ARC are active until March 1 as VK9QD (club station), VK9YB and VK9AB. Operation is planned on HF including 630m and 2200m trying for the world distance record on those bands.

VP5, TURKS & CAICOS Rockwell, WW1X will be operating as VP5/call between March 8 and March 15. Operation QRP mainly using SSB with some FT8. QSL via LoTW only.

VP5, TURKS & CAICOS During most of March, Kevin W1DED will be in Turks & Caicos. Although not yet confirmed, he hopes to be QRV for CQ WPX contest as VP5E. Outside of contest look for VP5/W1DED on HF bands. QSL via LoTW.

NOTE: Kevin hosts and interviews well known ham radio operators from around the world – see his You Tube [channel](#).

VP8, FALKLAND ISL During the RSGB Commonwealth Contest (March 8-9, 2025), look for Nigel G3TXF / OE5TXF to be active from the Falkland Islands as VP8TXF. He will be joined by Ian, G3WVG who will sign VP8CIW. QSL via OQRS. [QSLing Tips](#)

VU4, ANDAMAN ISL A team with ON4AMX, ON4HIL, ON5UR, ON5RA, ON5TN, ON6CC, ON7FT, ON7USB, ON7RU, ON8AZ, PA9M and PA3EWP will be active VU4AX from Andaman Islands during March 10-25, 2025. QRV on HF bands; CW, SSB and digi. QSL via M0URX.

ZA, ALBANIA Mark, W4CK is operating as ZA/call until March 8. QRV from 80 to 10 meter using CW. QSL via LoTW.

ZF, CAYMAN ISL Colin, G4CWH will once again be active as ZF2CA from the ZF1A contest station during the Commonwealth Contest (March 8-9). Operation outside from 160 to 10 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via home call direct.

Coming up soon

5H, TANZANIA Maurizio, IK2GZU will be active as 5H3MB between March 18 and April 8. Maurizio is doing volunteer work at a local school. Operation during his spare time from 80 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via Club Log, LoTW or via IK2GZU, direct or buro.

6Y, JAMAICA The EIDXG DX group will be QRV as 6Y7EI between March 13 and March 24. A large team with DJ9RR, EI2II, EI2JD, EI4GZB, EI4HH, EI4L, EI5GM, EI6FM, EI8JB, EI3IXB, EI9FBB, EI9HQ, OZ1IKY will be QRV from 160 to 6 meter using various modes.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/2104079446688708/?ref=share>

J3, GRENADA Mike, VE2XB will be active as J38XB between March 17 and March 31. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using SSB with some CW. QSL via home call.

J8, ST VINCENT Ishmael, 8P6PE will activate some SOTA between March 16 and March 30. Operation from 20 to 6 meter using various antennas. QSL via home call.

IOTA

This week on air

ASIA

AS-079 Miyako Isl Take, JS6RRR is operating as JS6RRR, JI3DST/6, JJ5RBH/6 or JR8YLY/6 until March 31. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. An entry in the CQWW SSB and CW contest are included as JS6RRR. More on QRZ.com.



NORTH AMERICA

NA-008 Ellesmere Isl Pierre, VE3KTB will once again be operating as VY0ERC between March 7 and April 2. Operation during his spare time as the main goal is his work related at the Polar Environment Atmospheric Research Lab.

OCEANIA

OC-059 Kosrae Rikk, WE9G will be operating as V6WG during March 18 and April 1. QRV from 80 to 6 meter (160 might be possible) using mainly FT4/8 with some CW and SSB. QSL via Club Log.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announced DX

THE NEWCOMERS

D4, CAPE VERDE Warren KN6ZZI and Harald DF2WO will be operating "Holiday Style" from Ponta Achada, Paraia Baixo, Cape Verde during the month of May, 2025. After striking up a friendship based on a mutual interest in Africa, Harald (an Africa DX veteran), invited Warren (a newer, passionate DXer/Contester), to join him in Cape Verde to "learn the ropes of working as an African DX station".

Harald will use his faithful FT-991A and Warren his FTdx10. Harald will focus on CW and FT4 while Warren will operate SSB and FT8. We will also work QO-100 satellite as opportunities present. Antennas will include a BuddiHex for 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10, verticals for 160, 80, 60, 40, 30, and a home-brew 4 element 6 meter yagi. Antennas will be mounted rooftop at ~10m, close to the Atlantic on the South East coast of Santiago Island.

H40, TEMOTU Look for Lance W7GJ as H40GJ between August 8 and August 27 from Pigeon Island. This is Lance's 20th 6 meter EME DXpedition. Full info

<https://www.bigskyspaces.com/w7gj/H40%202025.htm>



T8, PALAU Yutaka JH1MLO and Chusuke JR1FKR will once again be active as T88HR and T88TJ during June 6-11. Operation from 80 to 6 meter using SSB and FT8. QSL via home call and LoTW.

T8, PALAU Tetsu JF1GHX and Yoshi JK1SZX will be operating between May 22 and June 1. Operation on various bands and modes. QSL via operators instructions.

THE REMINDERS

T30, W KIRIBATI

T31, C KIRIBATI

T32, E KIRIBATI

T33, BANABA

The Rebel DX group plans following (info via facebook)

T30TTT Tarawa. Sometime 2025.

T31TTT Kanton Island. April – May 2025.

T33TTT Banaba Island. Date unknown yet but 2025.

Operation mainly FT4 but all bands and modes will be used. QSL via LoTW.

3B9, RODRIGUES ISL David OK6DJ and team OK7GU, OK2ZA and OK1CRM will be active as 3B9DJ between March 23 and April 5, 2025. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via OK6DJ, OQRS and LoTW.

5R, MADAGASCAR The Italian DXpedition Team led by Silvano, I2YSB announce a new activity from Madagascar (Nosy Be, IOTA AF-057) during October / November 2025. Team of eight operators covering four stations. QRV as 5R8TT and 5R8XX. QSL via I2YSB. Full details to follow..

8Q, MALDIVES Flavio, IW2NEF will be QRV as 8Q7EF from Filitheyo Island between April 3-10. Operation on HF using SSB and FT8. QSL via IK2DUW and LoTW.

C5, THE GAMBIA Luc F5RAV and Lui YU5R will be active from Kololi between April 19 and May 2. QRV as C5LT and C5R on HF using CW, SSB and FT8 + SATS (mostly RS44). QSL via LoTW.

C8, MOZAMBIQUE The Czech DX Team will be active as C8K during January/February 2026. 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.

D4, CAPE VERDE Harald, DF2WO will once again be QRV as D44TWO during May. Activity on HF and 6 meter using CW and FT8. <https://www.qrz.com/db/D44TWO>

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

QSL preview



E6, NIUE Bob, ZL1RS (YJ0RS, E51EME) will be operating as E6RS from Makefu during May 2025. More to follow but the focus will be on 6 meter and perhaps 10 meter is 6 is dead. QSL via LoTW and home call.

E6, NIUE Gavin ZL3GAV will be active as E6SP during August 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.

FJ, ST BARTHELEMY Otis, NP4G will be QRV as FJ/call between May 27 and June 2 in 'holiday-style'. QSL via LoTW.

FJ, ST BARTHELEMY Janusz, SP9FIH will be operating as FJ/call end March. He will change call as TO1P during the CQ WPX contest. *'According to the Club Log Most Wanted statistics, FJ is on 27th position in Far East, 67th in Oceania and on 97th position in Europe, so probably many "small stations" are waiting for their chance. Please do not make duplicate contacts! Hints for VK/ZL: Please use long path route because on short path we have mountains.'*

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.

<https://austral2025.com/>

FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA Look for FO/F4LYI from French Polynesia, this is going to be a holiday-style QRV by operator Eric who intends to visit different FO-islands. QRX for more details.

FP, SAINT PIERRE & MIQUELON The F6KOP team will be active as FP5KE from FP sometime 2025. A team with 16 operators and 7 stations will be active from 160 to 6 meter using all modes. More to follow.

FS, ST MARTIN Look once again for FS/K9EL between June 4 and June 18. Operation in 'holiday-style' with a focus on 6 meter when its open and limited operation on other bands. Daily Club Log uploads and LoTW uploads are planned. QSL via home call.

FW, WALLIS & FUTUNA The DX Obsessed Group with K6VHF, KA6IBM, 7HAN, NG7E, NJ7I and NC7M will be operating as FW5K between October 20 and November 7. An entry in the CQWW SSB contest is included. Operation before and after the contest from 160 to 6 meter using RTTY, FT4/8 and SSB with 3 stations.

GU, GUERNSEY A team of 7 operators will be operating as GU6EFW between May 7 and May 14. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. <https://hamradioexpedition.com/>

On the scene...The V73WW team is back in Germany –March 5

The remaining **#V73WW** team members just arrived at **#MUC** airport. All luggage made its way with them, they cleared customs and stored the equipment for further processing at their logistics QTH. Thanks to our local helpers for their outstanding support!

L-R: E77DX, DJ4MX, DJ2MX, DC9PA, DG8MG, DK1YH, HA8RT, DK6SP



H40, TEMOTU Darren, VK4MAP will be operating as H40DA from Pigeon Island OC-065 during early 2025, dates to be confirmed. QRV on 80, 40, 20, 15, 12 and 10 meter using SSB.

HC8, GALAPAGOS ISL A large team with 20 operators currently formed by HC5VF, PY2DV, PY2EL, PY2MC, PY2PT, PY2WAS, PY3MM, PY4RGS, PY5HSD, PY5KD, PY6HD, PY6RT, PR7AB, PS8RV, PV8DX, VU2RS, YL2KL, N6PSE, K3NQ, WD5COV 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 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..

J3, GRENADA Look for Jamie M0SDV as J38W between November 23 and December 2. An entry in the CQWW CW contest is included on all bands high power. Focus before the contest on WARC

bands, and SSB for other bands. See <https://www.m0sdv.com/>

J3, GRENADA Eric GM5RDX and Graham 2M0IJU will be operating as J38DX and J38LD during July 5-13. QRV on SSB with some FT8. QTH near a sea cliff on the south of the island.

J6, ST LUCIA A team consisting J68HZ, J69DS, KN2P, DL3ON, WA4PGM and W0CN will be active from St Lucia as J62K during the CQWPX SSB contest (March 29-30). Entry as M/2. Also QRV with individual J6 callsigns during the period March 26-31, 2025. J62K QSL via K9HZ, LoTW.

JD1, OGASAWARA JA1YVT – Toshiba Fuchu Amateur Radio Club – is celebrating its 60th anniversary. As part of the celebration, team members will stage a DXpedition to Ogasawara. They will QRV as JA1YVT/JD1 during April 2-10. Operating as JA1YVT/JD1 Chichijima April 2nd to 7th. JA1YVT/JD1 Hahajima April 8th to 10th.

JW, SVALBARD Tom, LA6VDA will once again be QRV as JW6VDA during September 12-22, 2025. Activity on HF using mostly SSB. QSL via LoTW, Club Log.

JW, SVALBARD Look for LA6VM, LA7XK and LA9DL as JW6VM, JW7XK and JW9DL during October 8-13. An entry in the Scandinavian Activity Contest is included as JW5X. QSL via homecalls, JW5X via LA5X.

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...QTH of VP8CIW / VP8TXF Falkland Islands



PJ4, BONAIRE Frank, PH2M will once again be active as PJ4M from Kralendijk during May. Dates to be announced approx 4-6 weeks ahead of activity. QRV from 80 to 10 meter using SSB and FT8. QSL via home call, Club Log.

PJ7, SINT MAARTEN Gary, KC9EE will once again be QRV as PJ7EE between March 26 and April 5. An entry in the CQWPX SSB contest is included. He mentions that focus will be on JA, BY, YB etc on 10 & 12m. Also listening for any 6m openings.

PY0S, ST PETER & ST PAUL The Araucaria DX Group will be active sometime October-November 2025. Plans are to be QRV from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. There will be six local operators: Adrian, KO8SCA, Fred PY2XB, George, AA7JV, Mike KN4EEI, Peter, PY5CC, Tomi, HA7RY, as well as a number of remote operators. The RIB equipment, which makes this operation possible, was developed with the support of the Northern California DX Foundation. <https://py0s2025.com/>

T8, PALAU Ichy, JH7IPR will once again be active as T88UW from Koror between April 16 and April 23. Operation mainly on FT8 with some CW and SSB. QSL via home call, buro or direct. Log upload to LoTW and Club Log.

TI9, COCOS ISL Pending approval from all relevant authorities, Charlie TI5CDA plans an HF and EME DXpedition to Cocos Island sometime in 2025. Callsign: TI9CDA. Updates to follow throughout the coming months. (Charlie uses EA5GL as QSL manager).

TZ, MALI Ulmar, DK1CE will once again be QRV as TZ1CE from Bamako. Currently QRX due to

uncertain flights. QRV from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via home call. Ulmar mentions: 'On FT8, DX stations outside of EU have precedence at all times.

Based on my experience, there is not advantage to F/H mode.

I use only normal FT8 mode.

I will mostly operate on FT8 and SSB.

The log will be updated daily on Club Log; the LoTW log will only be available after the end of my operations in Mali.

In Mali operation on 60m is not permitted.'

VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISL A team with DA1DX, DK9IP, DM6EE and DL8LAS will be QRV as VP2VI between April 10 and April 27. QRV from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via Club Log OQRS, LoTW. [VP2VI - Callsign Lookup by QRZ Ham Radio](#)

YJ, VANUATU Bob, ZL1RS (last year as E51EME) will be active from Efate, Vanuatu as YJ0RS in June '25. More details to follow, however focus on 6m and possibly 10m (if 6 is "dead"). QSL via LoTW and paper QSL cards will also be available via ZL1RS.

Z6, KOSOVO The Italian DXpedition team led by Silvano I2YSB will be active as Z68TT and Z68XX during June/July. A team of 7 operators will be QRV with 4 stations. QSL via I2YSB. More to follow.

ZC4, CYPRUS SBA Adrian, G0KOM will once again be active as ZC4MK during March 24-31. An entry in the CQ WPX SSB contest is included.

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.

ZK3, TOKELAU A QSP from the Rebel DX Group ZK3ZK: on target for around mid-June.

'We will be doing some delivery on one of our vessels for Tokelau. For now Tokelau borders remain closed due to several local issues. More info soon.'

Acom amps arrived for the upcoming TX9A DXpedition –March 4



IOTA

THE NEWCOMERS

ASIA

AS-037 Kami Koshiki Isl Kenji, JA4GXS will be operating as call/6 during May 3-4. Activity from 40 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT4/8. QSL via home call.

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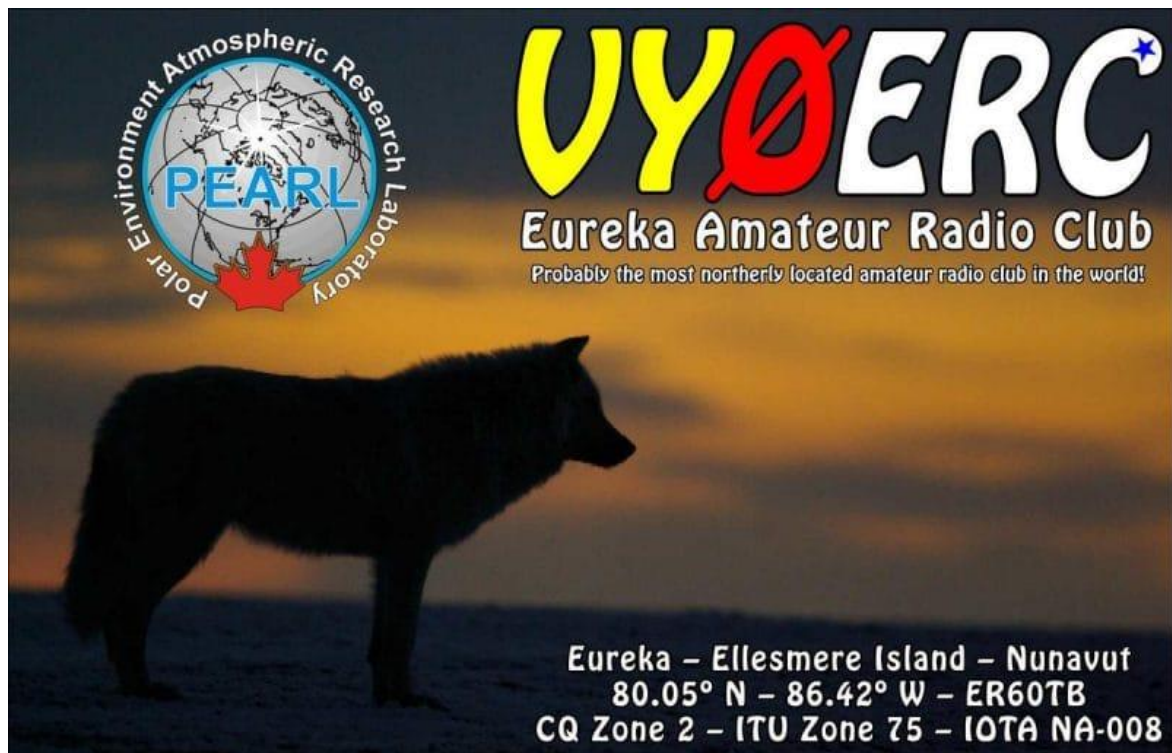
ASIA

AS-125 Chang Isl The Red Star Contest Club will once again be active as E28AM/P during April 25-28. Operation in 'holiday-style' from 40 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via E21LLR, LoTW and Club Log.

AS-169 Arnala Isl The DX India Foundation will be active as AU2M during May 29-June 1. This is a rare opportunity for IOTA enthusiasts around the world to log this highly sought-after entity, currently the most wanted IOTA in India! The team consists of Sarath, VU2RS, Aderesh, VU3WEW Anil, VU3DXA, Renju, VU3TPW, Girish, VU3GDS, Huzefa Merchant, VU2HIT (Local Support) Jatin Shah, VU2KWJ (Local Support). More to follow.

EUROPE

EU-012 Shetland Four operators G4AFF, G0DWW, M0NKR and G4LPP from Norfolk Amateur Radio Club will be travelling to Shetland and will be active from July 23 – 28. An entry in the IOTA contest is included. Operation from 80 to 10 meter with a station on 6m & 4m - CW/SSB and Digital modes.



NORTH AMERICA

NA-060 Tigre Isl Renato, PY8WW will be operating as HR4/call during May 13-18. Operation from 40 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via OQRS.

NA-190 Isla Zacatillo Renato PY8WW will be active as YS3PY together with PY7RP, PY7XC and PY1WK. Operation between May 7 and May 17 from 80 to 6 meter. Renato mentions: *"as they activate this rare island, combining the thrill of amateur radio with exploration"*

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-067 Bora Bora Nobby, G0VJG will be QRV during June 11-27 as FO/call. Operation on HF

and 6 meter using high power.

OC-093 Itbayat Isl A team from the Mabuhay DX Group will be operating as 4I2I during March 27-31. Activity planned from 160 to 10 meter using SSB with an entry in the CQ WPX SSB contest. QSL via VE6GJP.

OC-235 Camiguin Isl Kouichi, JI1FGX/DU9 is planning an IOTA DXpedition during next April-June when conditions on 50Mhz are more favourable. This will apparently be the first 6m activation from the island. He will use a HexBeam covering: 14, 18, 21, 24, 28, and 50MHz with the main mode being FT8. QSL via JJ2VLY, LoTW. <https://www.qrz.com/db/JI1FGX>

SOUTH AMERICA

SA-092 Papegaaien Isl A team with Renato (PY8WW), Rico (PZ5JW), and Dieter (DL8TG) will be QRV during the first week of April as PZ5IP. The island is located at the mouth of the Corantine River, on the border between Suriname and Guyana (8R). The team plans to operate from 10 to 40 meters using SSB, CW, and digital modes. QSL via PY8WW, OQRS.

ARCTIC NEWS

Bharati Research Station

Denney, VU2DGR is part of the scientific team (Polar Ocean Research) within the 44th Indian Scientific Expedition to Antarctica (44-ISEA) which will be based at Bharati Research Station, Larsemann Hills. When time permits he hopes to QRV as **AT44I**. QSL via H/c.

RI42SP Arctic travels

Oleg, RD1A is onboard "Severn Polyus / North Pole" and is active when time permits as RI42SP as the ship travels through various parts of the Arctic. Primarily QRV on CW & FT8 for approx end October 2025. QSL via Club Log OQRS. Position of boat using this tracker. Frank, F8DVD also mentions:

FT4YM Antarctica

David, F4FKT is again active as **FT4YM** from two Antarctic bases until early March 2025. [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.

Special calls

THE NEWCOMERS

G, ENGLAND GB0IARU is the special callsign for the Radio Society of Great Britain to take part in the celebrations of the centenary of the International Amateur Radio Union. Look for activity *on 1-30 April*, and be aware that GB0IARU may be activated from all of the seven different DXCC Entities in the United Kingdom (England, Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland, Guernsey, Jersey and the Isle of Man). QSL via M0OXO's OQRS and LoTW. (TNX 425DX)

HL, REP OF KOREA Celebrating the centenary of the International Amateur Radio Union, members of the Korean Amateur Radio League (KARL) will be active as **HL100IARU** from March to April. QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW, eQSL and Club Log; direct cards to HL1IWD. (TNX425DX)

OZ, DENMARK OZ100IARU is the special callsign for members of EDR, Denmark's IARU society, to celebrate the centenary of the International Amateur Radio Union on 19-27 April. QSL via Club Log's OQRS (preferred), or via the bureau to OZ1ACB. An award will be available, see <https://www.qrz.com/db/OZ100IARU> for the details. (TNX 425DX)

PA, THE NETHERLANDS Celebrating the 40th anniversary of the Dutch Marine Radio Amateur Club (<https://www.marac-radio.nl>), special callsign **PA40MARAC** will be active between 1 March and 31 December. A QSO with this station earns 10 points for the MARAC awards (see PI4MRC on qrz.com). QSL via PA3CNI.

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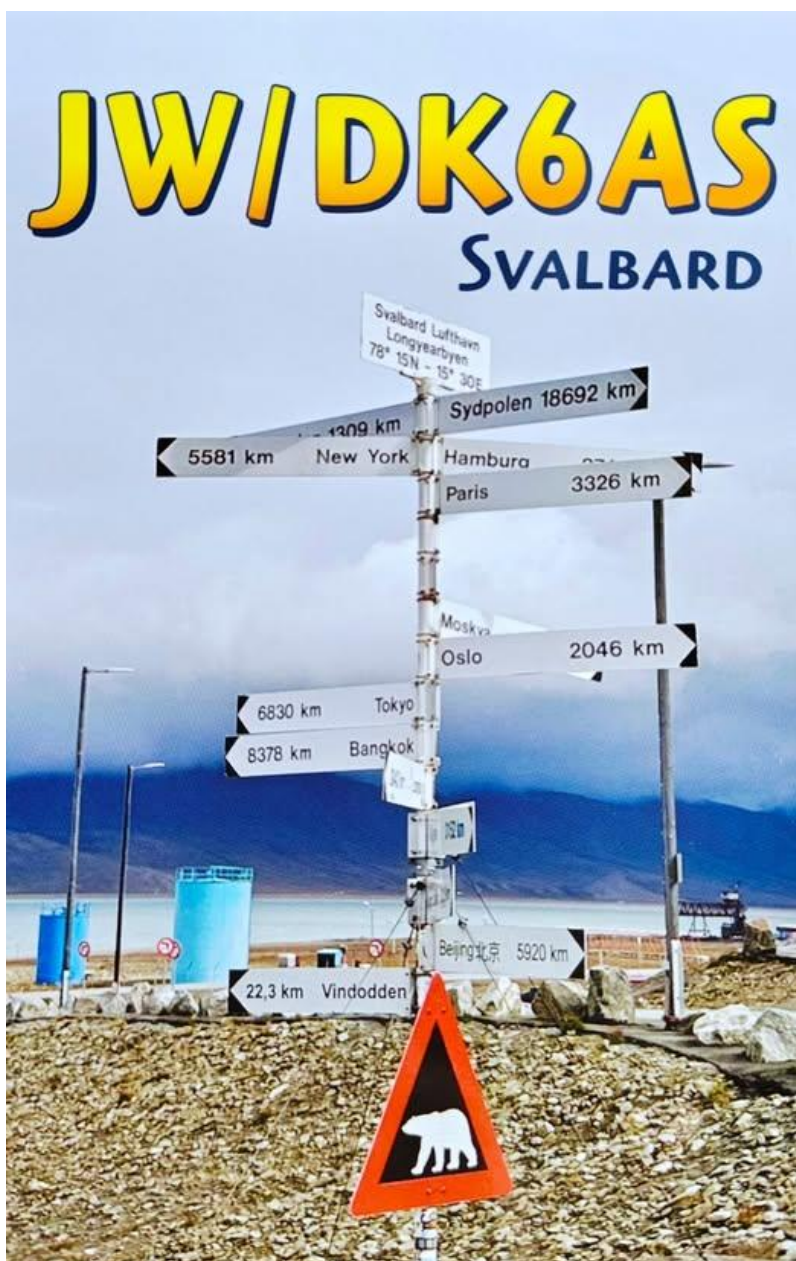
9A, CROATIA 9A2025HWC marks the 29th edition of the IHF World Men's Handball Championship that is being held right now until 2 February. The special callsign, however, will be in use until 30 June. QSL via LoTW; QSOs are also uploaded to QRZ Logbook and Club Log. (TNX 425DX)

9V, SINGAPORE To mark the 60th anniversary of Singapore's independence, all members of the

Singapore Amateur Radio Transmitting Society (SARTS) may substitute the prefix S60 for their usual **9V1** prefix between Jan. 1 and Aug. 9. Special events during that period are planned for introducing more young people to amateur radio, for example through cooperations with the Singapore Scout Association and the Singapore School of Science and Technology. (TNX DXNL)
A9, BAHRAIN Members of the Bahrain Radio Club celebrate IARU's 100th anniversary with the callsign **A9100IARU** on the first 5 days of each month in 2025. For more information see: <https://www.itu.int/hub/2024/04/world-amateur-radio-day-iaru-celebrates-a-century-of-connections/>. QSL via EC6DX. (TNX DXNL)

D4, CAPE VERDE Celebrating the 50th anniversary of the independence of Cabo Verde (5 July 1975), the Monteverde Contest Team (D4C) and Paolo, D44PM will be active as **D450ICV** until 31 December. They will operate "across all bands and modes, primarily focusing on HF". QSL via Club Log's OQRS. Bookmark <https://www.facebook.com/D4C.STATION> for updates. (TNX 425DX)

QSL preview



DL, GERMANY DA0LH (special DOK 25ILLW), associated with the lightship Laesoe Rende will be active throughout 2025. QSL via DK5ON (d/B), Club Log OQRS, LoTW. (TNX DXNL)

DL, GERMANY The Deutsches Museum in Munich, one of the largest science and technology museums in the world (<https://www.deutsches-museum.de>), celebrates its 100th anniversary in 2025. **DL100DM** is the special callsign to be used throughout the year by the amateur radio station which is part of and regularly active from the museum's "Electronics" permanent exhibition. QSL via DL8FA. (TNX 425DX)

DL, GERMANY DA0IARU is the special callsign for DARC Team SES to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the IARU. Look for activity between 1 February and 27 April. All QSOs will be

confirmed automatically via the bureau; direct cards via DL2VFR. (TNX 425DX)

DL, GERMANY Celebrating the city of Chemnitz, one of the European Capitals of Culture for 2025, special event callsigns **DL2025C**, **DL2025B**, **DL2025E**, **DL2025S** and **DL2025W** will be active from 18 January to 31 March. All QSOs will be uploaded to eQSL, LoTW, Club Log and DCL (DARC Community Logbook); paper QSL cards will not be issued, but digital QSLs - as well as a number of certificates - will be down-loadable from the event's website. Complete information on the "2025C Ham Radio Event" can be found on <https://2025c.de/>.

DL, GERMANY Radio amateurs in Kamenitz (DOK S22) celebrate their city's 800th anniversary with the callsign **DM800KM** (special DOK 800KM) throughout 2025. QSL info see qrz.com. (TNX DXNL)

F, FRANCE Members of Radio Club Jean Bart, F6KMB will be active as **TM6C** from 24 February to 9 March during the traditional Dunkirk Carnival (Carnaval de Dunkerque). QSL via F6KMB. (TNX 425DX)

On the scene...Nico S53A as 8Q7NI from the Maldives



F, FRANCE TM100REF The year 2025 will mark the centenary of the Réseau des Émetteurs Français (REF) and the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU). In commemoration of this significant event, the REF, a member of the IARU, is organizing a radio challenge for all licensed amateur radio operators and shortwave listeners (SWLs) worldwide.

For more information go to the website at <https://web.r-e-f.org/tm100ref/> or on <https://www.qrz.com/db/TM100REF>.

F, FRANCE In France, from May 27 to June 10, 2025, Gaby F5PSI, also the members of the "Lillers radio club F4KIS", and many others OM and YL stations from Pas de Calais department (dpt 62), will be on the air with the special call **TM41GM** (GM for "Grève des Mineurs"), in tribute to the « Patriotic Strike of the 100,000 miners of Nord de Calais in 1941 » (la « Grève Patriotique des 100.000 mineurs du Nord Pas de Calais en 1941 ») during the occupation of the German army, from May 27 to June 10 1941. More historical information on QRZ.com about this important workers' strike, the first major collective act of resistance in France during World War II. For the QSL, visit the dedicated page on QRZ.com and follow instructions.

HB9, SWITZERLAND HB20SOTA is the special callsign for the Swiss SOTA Group (HB9SOTA) to celebrate its 20th anniversary throughout 2025. A certificate will be available, see <https://hb9sota.ch/en/> for more information. (TNX 425DX)

I, ITALY Throughout 2025 ARI Fidenza will use a series of special callsigns, each representing one of the many patents registered by Guglielmo Marconi between 1897 and 1926: **II4SHLD** (March), **II4GHPR** (April), **II4JGGR** (May), **II4RXOS** (June), **II4COHR** (July), **II4LDMA** (August), **II4RADS** (September), **II4WLTX** (October), **II4EACC** (November) and **II4TJTB** (December). QSL via IQ4FE and LoTW. Information about the "Marconi - Patented By" award: <http://www.arifidenza.it/>.

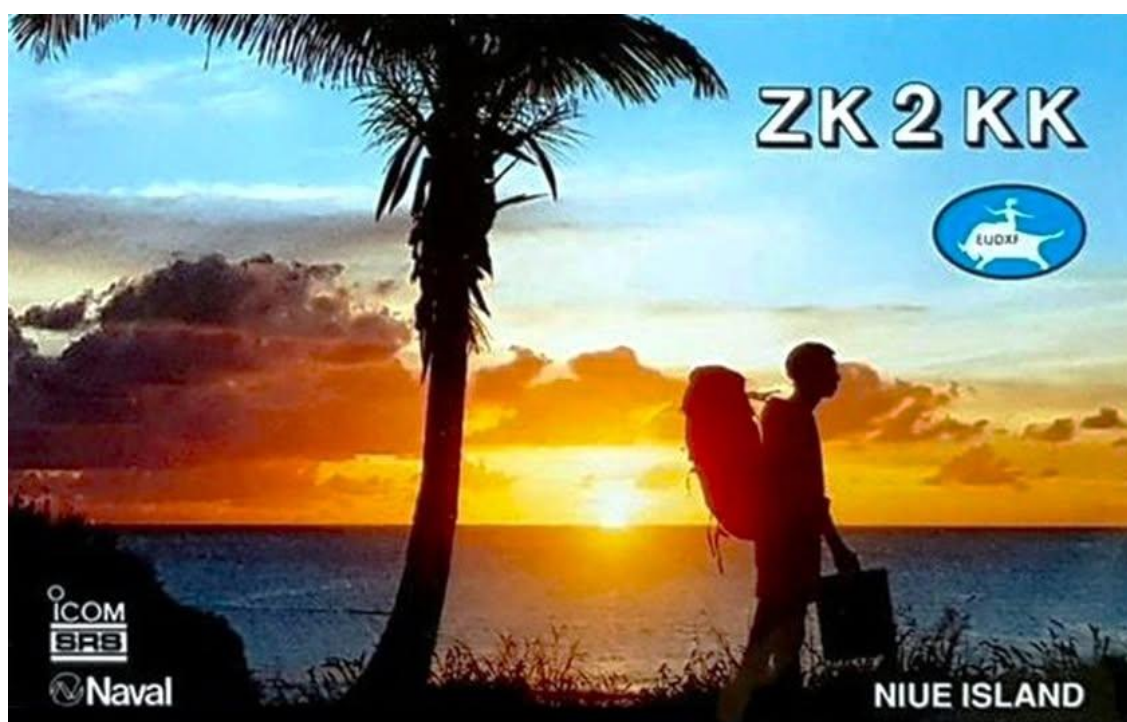
I, ITALY II3MPL is the special callsign celebrating the 50th anniversary of ARI Merano/Meran (IQ3MP). Look for activity between 1 February and 1 May. (TNX 425DX)

ISO, SARDINIA IROAPTT is the special callsign celebrating the 50th anniversary of ARI Porto Torres (IQ0AK), Sardinia. Look for activity on all bands and modes between 12 February and 12 May. QSL via the bureau or direct. (TNX 425DX)

LA, NORWAY LA100A is the special callsign for NRRL's Midt-Troms Gruppen (LA6M, <https://www.la6m.no/>) to use throughout 2025 to mark the 100th anniversary of the first amateur radio two-way contact between Norway and the US, made by Johannes Diesen, LA1A from Moen in Malselv municipality and UIYB at Dartmouth College, Hanover, New Hampshire (25 November 1925). QSL via the bureau, QRZ Logbook, or direct. (TNX 425DX)

LZ, BULGARIA Special event station **LZ75IPA** will be active throughout 2025 to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the International Police Association. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, or direct to LZ3HI. (TNX 425DX)

LZ, BULGARIA Radio Club Blagovestnik (LZ1KCP) will use six special callsigns during 2025 to honour as many different Orthodox saints: **LZ372SG** (March and April), **LZ286MDK** (May and June), **LZ591MK** (July and August), **LZ117ME** (September and October) and **LZ306WW** (November and December). QSL via the bureau or direct to P.O. Box 36, 4300 Karlovo, Bulgaria. Details on the "All Saints 2025 Award" can be found at <https://www.lz1kcp.com/>. (TNX 425DX)



OH, FINLAND OF60AP is the special callsign for members of the Central Uusimaa Radio Amateurs Association (OH2AP) to celebrate their club's 60th anniversary throughout 2025. QSL via Club Log's OQRS. A certificate will be available, see https://oh2ap.fi/?page_id=491. (TNX 425DX)

OM, SLOVAKIA OM25ISS marks the anniversary of the first Slovak astronaut, Ivan Bella, in space 25 years ago. QRV until the end of September 2025 on all bands. An award is also available: <https://www.qrz.com/db/OM25ISS>. QSL via OM8ATE. (TNX DXNL)

ON, BELGIUM Celebrating the centenary of the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU), the local divisions of the Belgian IARU society (UBA) will activate 28 special event stations between 15 March and 15 May: **ON100I, ON100A, ON100R, ON100U OO100I, OO100A, OO100R, OO100U OP100I, OP100A, OP100R, OP100U OQ100I, OQ100A, OQ100R, OQ100U OR100I, OR100A, OR100R, OR100U OS100I, OS100A, OS100R, OS100U OT100I, OT100A, OT100R, OT100U** In addition, members of the UBA Board and HF Committee will be active as **OQ0IARU** and **OR0IARU**. A series of certificates will be available, see <https://www.uba.be/en/news/uba-iaru-100-event> for the details and the OQRS for bureau cards (TBA soon) (TNX 425DX)

PA, THE NETHERLANDS PC80TT is the special callsign for members of VERON Leiden (PI4LDN) to celebrate the 80th anniversary of the liberation of the Netherlands during World War II (5 May 1945). Look for activity between 1 January and 1 June. QSL via the bureau to PI4LDN. The special call-sign honours the memory of Rudolf Tappenbeck (PCTT), a pioneer of Dutch amateur radio who died in Neuengamme concentration camp on 21 December 1944. (TNX 425DX)

S5, SLOVENIA S5100IARU is the special callsign for members of the Zveza Radio amaterjev Slovenije (Association of Radio Amateurs of Slovenia) to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the IARU until 31 December. QSL via LoTW, or via the bureau. (TNX 425DX)

SM, SWEDEN On 14 March 1925, electrician and radio pioneer Sven Bernholm made history in Gavle by conducting the city's first radio broadcast under the callsign SMXF and using a homemade transmitter with 10 watts. Bernholm and Gefle Radioklubb's efforts led to nearly fifty years of local broadcasts. **SM100XF** is the callsign for Gavle Kortvagsamatorer (SK3GK) to celebrate this centenary during the year. The 2nd activation will be on 14 March (10:00- 16:00 UTC). QSL via the bureau. (TNX 425DX)

SP, POLAND The Polski Związek Krotkofalowcow (Polish Amateur Radio Union) will celebrate its 95th anniversary and the IARU centenary by activating ten special event stations on 11-25 April: - **3Z95PZK, HF95PZK, SN95PZK, SO95PZK and SP95PZK**;- **3Z100IARU, HF100IARU, SN100IARU, SO100IARU and SP100IARU**. Details of a special award programme will be published soon on <https://hamaward.cloud/awards>. (TNX 425DX)

VK, AUSTRALIA VI100SIG, the special callsign celebrating the centenary of the Australian Corps of Signals, has been QRV since 14 February . QSL via M00XO's OQRS. See <https://www.qrz.com/db/VI100SIG> for more information.

ZS, SOUTH AFRICA On 20 May 2025, the South African Radio League will celebrate its 100th anniversary. The SARL Centenary Marathon QSO Party is set to kick off for a year-long operating during 2025. Throughout the year, the SARL, with the aid of its members and associated clubs, will be on the air with a special event callsign **ZS100SARL**, as well as the permanent callsigns **ZS6SRL** and **ZS9HQ**, and possibly other special event callsigns. A number of awards will be available, see <https://mysarl.org.za/centenary-marathon/> for more information. (TNX 425DX)

On the scene at KH9 Wake Island
An old transmitter site at the island.



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