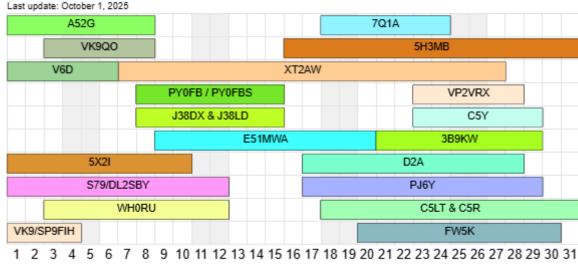




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DXCC timeline





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DX news

J38DX Grenada -update October 1 by Eric GM5RDX

Final preparations are now complete for the upcoming Grenada trip. Eric, GM5RDX (J38DX) and Graham, 2M0IJU (J38LD) will depart London Gatwick airport for St Lucia and then onward to Grenada next Wednesday morning. The expectation is to be QRV by 23:00 UTC on 8th October. We will have two stations running until around 16:00 UTC on the 15th October. The primary focus on this visit will be SSB, although Eric (J38DX) will also have the ability to operate FT4/8. We will operate on all bands from 80m – 6m. Transceivers will be Yaesu running 100W output primarily feeding vertical antennas. Our QTH is on the southern tip of the island with clear 360° take-off from a hilltop. Logs will be uploaded each day to M00XO website.



V6D F.S.M Dxpedition -update October 1

Conditions on the high bands are slowly improving again, but there is some news that will not please most people. It concerns 160m. Our 18m high vertical antenna for 80 and 160m is about 15m away from the shack and the raised radial is 12m. It performs very well on both bands and is rather good as a receiving antenna too.

The K4 transceivers are excellent. However, when transmitting on 160m, there is extreme RF interference on the touch panel display of the other K4s, which then become somewhat confused and can no longer be operated. This happens at power levels of just over 100 watts and only on 160m. Everyone knows how sensitive touch switches are to RF. Perhaps Elecraft could provide a way to disable the touch function of the display for this special case with multiple transmitting stations during a DXpedition and instead use only an RF mouse connected via USB on the front panel, as with a laptop?

We are well aware of how important 160m is and how many people are waiting for a New One there. We will try to be on 160m in FT8 tonight, especially from 11 to 13 for USA and from 17 to 19 UTC for Europe. Frequency 1839, 1840 or 1844 kHz.

9L8MD Sierra Leone -by the cancelled 3C2MD team

We don't even know how, but... we did! After the forced <u>postponement of 3C2MD</u>, in just 10 days we managed to make the work of 10 (and more...) months:

- find a new entity DXCC to visit.
- renew the license (always better to have a B-Plan).
- confirm the SAME dates of the previous planned expedition.

And now... ladies and gentlemen... it's time to announce the next adventure of the Mediterraneo DX Club:

— 9L8MD – Sierra Leone is coming! October 30 – November 10, 2025. More to follow.

PJ6Y Saba Island -update October 1

We are close to reaching our fundraising goals – we need your help! LoTW: Donors of \$10+ (before Oct 15) will receive early LoTW confirmation.

Two weeks from today, on October 15, a multi-national team of nine young operators, ages 16–28, from five different countries, will begin their adventure to Saba Island. The team will first assemble in Sint Maarten before making the short and exciting flight to Saba!



Stations and Operating Locations

We are fortunate to have secured two world-class operating locations on Saba:

- Upper Hells Gate (1200 ft ASL)

Stations: 2 × Elecraft K3 + KPA500, 1 × NexGenRiB2

Antennas: Tri-bander, 20–6m HexBeam, vertical for 40m & 30m

- The Level (1640 ft ASL)

Stations: 1 × Elecraft K3 + KPA500, 1 × NexGenRiB2

Antennas: 6-band DX Commander vertical, inverted-L for 160/80/60m, RX antennas, 4-element 6m Yagi.





3Y0K Bouvet Island -update by Ken LA7GIA

The 3Y0K Bouvet container has been picked up in Oslo, and has started its long journey to Bouvet!



DXCC

This week on air

3B8, MAURITIUS Roman, 5B4AQN is operating as 3B8/call until October 4. QRV from 40 to 6 metres with perhaps 80 metres using CW. QSL via home call bureau, Club Log.

5X, UGANDA Pista, HA5AO is operating as 5X2I until October 10. Activity from 80 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. Pista uses a FT-710 with a KPA 500 amp and a Hustler 6BTV vertical with add-on kit for 12 and 17m. QSL via OQRS.

9N, NEPAL Suvarna, OM0GA is operating as 9N/call until October 13. See more on https://www.9n7ga.com

A5, BHUTAN Gerben, PG5M is operating as A52G until October 8. QTH is Dochula at 3100 meter above sea level. Gerben will use a Yaesu FTDX-10 and SPE Expert 1.3K with a Hexbeam and a DX Commander from 40 to 10 metres using CW and FT8. https://dx.to/a52g/



C2, NAURU Phill remains active as C21TS until end November, the he will be QRT for 2 months and back starting from February 2026. 'I'll probably be back for a few months from February 2026 with minimal gear, probably just a FT-891. Hard finish will be June 2026 and no later.' QSL via M00XO OQRS or LoTW.

H4, SOLOMON ISL Bernard (DL2GAC) is once again QRV as H44MS from Manakwai village until November 25. With a small break again between January 25 and April 10, 2026. Operation from 80 to 6 metres using SSB and FT8. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.



J3, GRENADA Look once again for Eric GM5RDX/J38DX and Graham 2M0IJU/J38LD between October 8 and October 15. Operation from 80 to 6 meter with focus on SSB. QSL for both calls via M0OXO OQRS.

JD1, MINAMI TORISHIMA Take, JG8NQJ is once again active during his spare time as call/JD1 until December. Operation on HF using CW with some FT8. OSL via JA8CJY, LoTW.

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. Outside the contest, JW9DL will be mostly active on FT8 and FT4, JW6VM on CW, and JW7XK via satellite (RS-44) on CW, SSB and FT4. QSL via homecalls, JW5X via LA5X.

KHO, MARIANA ISL Harry, JG7PSJ will once again be active in 'holiday-style' as WH0RU during October 3-12. Operation from 40 to 10 metres using CW, SB and RTTY. QSL via home call direct or LoTW.

OX, GREENLAND Bo, OZ1DJJ will once again be QRV as OX3LX from Nuuk between October 3 and October 21. Operation during his spare time on HF. QSL via OZ0J. Bo is mainly active from Nuuk GP44 but might do a side trip to Paamiut City GP51.

PJ2, CURACAO Andre, PD1DRE will be active as PJ2/call during October 5-28. Operation in 'holiday-style' from 40 to 10 metres using SSB and FT4/8. He will again be active during January - March 2026.

PYOF, FERNANDO DE NORONHA Mario PY2DV and Bruce PY2BS will be operating as PY0FB and PY0FBS between October 8 and October 15. Activity from 80 to 6 meter using SSB with some FT4/8. Also PY0FBS will be on EME 23cm. QSL via LoTW.

S7, SEYCHELLES Celebrating 50 years in amateur radio this year, Kasimir DL2SBY is once again active as S79/DL2SBY until October 12. QRV on HF bands with a focus on 6m (using a 5el yagi). QSL via LoTW / or home call (direct).

On the scene...5X2I by Pista HA5AO



T32, EAST KIRIBATI Darren, VK4MAP is active as T32K from Kiritimati Atoll (OC- 024) for a couple of weeks. QRV on 80, 40, 20, 15, 12, and 10 metres. He is also QRV as T32K/p while operating from one of the atoll's islets (e.g. Cook). QSL direct to VK4MAP.



T8, PALAU Nobu, JA0JHQ will once again be active as T88PB during October 3-5. An entry in the Oceania DX Contest is included. QSL via home call, LoTW.

TG, GUATEMALA Dwight, VE7BV will once again be active as TG9BBV between October 5 and October 25. Operation from 40 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via home call and LoTW. **TZ, MALI** Jeff, K1MMB is once again active as TZ4AM until December. Operation from 80 to 6 metres using CW and SSB. QSL via LoTW or direct via KX4R.

V6, MICRONESIA A team with DG2RON, DJ7TO, DJ9KH, DK5WL, DL1KWK, DL2RNS, DL4SVA, DL7JOM, DL7VEE is active until October 6 as V6D. Location is Chuuk Island OC-011 grid QJ57WL. The plan is to operate with 5 stations 24/7 from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB, FT8 and RTTY. 60m is not allowed. QSL via DL4SVA, LoTW, OQRS. https://v6d.mydx.de

V7, MARSHALL ISL John, K5GDE is operating during his spare time as V73JW from Kwajalein Atoll until January 2026. Operation so far between 40 and 10 metres using FT8 with a Kenwood TS-450 and a 60ft long-wire antenna. QSL via QRZ.com, LoTW.

VK9X, CHRISTMAS ISL A team with JA3GEP, JA1COU, BA7LVG and BH6BEZ will be QRV as VK9QO between October 3-7. Activity from 40 to 6 meter using CW, SSB, RTTY, FT4/8 and Sat's QO-100/RS-44. QSL via JI1LET. Satellite QSO's via JA3GEP.

VK9X, CHRISTMAS ISL Janusz SP9FIH is QRV from Christmas Island until October 3, and will be active as VK9/SP9FIH. The plan is to be QRV from 30 to 10 meter using SSB and FT8. QSL via OQRS, LoTW. https://vk9.dxpeditions.org/

VP2M, MONTSERRAT Franco (ex J88BTI/J8AA) is QRV as VP2MAA until September 2026. The new station, says Franco, is improved in terms of equipment, with a beam mounted at a significant height and better antennas for the low bands, together with a power amplifier that will arrive around Christmas time. More info including QSL design to follow in due course. QSL via IK2DUW.

XE, MEXICO It's not often the 6J-prefix is on air. However, during October 10-12 look out for 6J8A operated by various XE2 hams within Baja California Sur. QRV on HF using CW and SSB. QSL via QRZ.com details.

XT, BURKINA FASO Harald, DF2WO will be active again as XT2AW between October 4 and October 27. Operation on various bands using CW, SSB and FT4/8 with 6 metres included. QSL via M00XO and OQRS.

YJ, VANUATU Bob, ZL1RS is once again operating from Efate as YJ0RS until October 10. Focus on 6 metres and perhaps 10 metres with FT8 and EME. QSL via LoTW or via home call. https://www.grz.com/db/YJ0RS https://www.gsl.net/zl1rs/yj0 eme.html

ZS, SOUTH AFRICA Troy, NW1B will be operating during his spare time as ZS6/call between October 31 and November 14. Activity from 40 to 6 metres with a modest setup, 6 metres depending on the conditions. QSL via home call.

On the scene...OX3LX Greenland





Coming up soon

5H, TANZANIA Maurizio IK2GZU will once again be active as 5H3MB between October 16 and November 20. He returns as a volunteer in the Ikelu hospital in the South Highlands. Operation during his spare time on HF using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via home call, LoTW, Club Log. **E5, NORTH COOK** A team with N7QT, WA7CPA, N7JP, KC7EFP, N9ADG and KN2P will be operating as E51MWA from Manihiki Atoll between October 9 and October 20. QRV from 160 to 10 meter using SSB and FT8. QSL via M0URX OQRS, LoTW. https://www.e51mwa.com/

<u>IOTA</u>

This week on air

AFRICA

AF-018 Pantelleria Isl Luca, IK5AEQ is once again active as IH9/call until October 3. QRV from 80 to 6 metres using SSB and FT4/8. QSL via home call, LoTW.

AF-090 Sainte-Marie Isl Eric, F6ICX is once again active as 5R8IC until late December or early January. Activity from 40 to 10 metres using CW with some FT8 and SSB. During the last weeks of December or early January he will be QRV via QO-100. QSL via home call, LoTW or Club Log.

ASIA

AS-047 Kita Daito Isl Mitsu, JE1HXZ will be active between October 8 and October 15 as call/6. Operation from 160 to 6 metres using CW, SSB, RTTY and FT4/8. QSL via QRZ.com. **AS-079 Miyako Isl** Take, JS6RRR (also JI3DST/6, JJ5RBH/6 and JR8YLY/6) is active until December 3. Operation from 160 to 6 metres using CW, SSB and FT8 with the calls mentioned before. QSL info via QRZ.com.

AS-178 Hope Isl The members of Team Kanika-2024 are operating as AU2H until October 2. Cezar VE3LYC/VU3LPL, Sarath VU2RS, Adersh VU24DX, and Anil VU3DXA will attempt to operate three stations on all bands from 10 to 40 meter, aiming for a balanced number of contacts in CW, SSB, and FT8. They also prepared to operate on 6 m FT8, if the band will offer any openings. https://at2ah.weebly.com/





EUROPE

EU-057 Ummanz Isl Look for DD4U (DB1RUL, DJ1JB, DJ4EL, DJ5TM, DJ6MC, DK2BK, DL7ACN and DM1SV) until October 5. Operation from 160 to 10m using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via bureau.



EU-125 Fano Isl Dieter; DF2SD is operating in 'holiday-style' as OV9R until October 2. QSL via Club Log, LoTW.

EU-166 Isola di Capo Passero Look for team II9ICP (IT9BZW, IT9HTV, IT9JKT, IT9JTN, IT9KQV, IT9NVA, IT9VPE and IT9ZEC) on October 4 from 40 to 10 metres using CW, SSB and FT4/8. QSL via bureau.

ANNOUNCEMENTS Announced DX

THE NEWCOMERS

Pacific tour by Rudi DK7PE KH2, GUAM T8, PALAU V6, MICRONESIA V7, MARSHALL ISL

Operation using CW only with 100W and wire antennas. Rudi mentions 'Operation mode will be in CW using 100W and wire antennas, because of the high cost for extra weight. Of course I will take antennas from 160 to 6m with me. Depending on the situation I will try to be creative and show up on the low bands - the lower the better '. More to follow.

7P, LESOTHO Wolfgang, HB9CCS will be operating from time to time as 7P8EA until throughout November. QRV from Thaba Tseka mainly on 15 metres using CW and SSB, perhaps 17, 12 and 10 metres also. QSL via LoTW.

7Q, MALAWI The National HAM Team with 7Q7CT, 7Q6M, 7Q5MLV, 7Q7EB, 7Q7JN, 7Q6UJ, 7Q8AC, and 7Q8P will be operating as 7Q1A between October 18 and October 24. An entry in the CQWW SSB DX Contest is included. QRV on HF using CW, SSB and digi.

9L, SIERRA LEONE The ex-3C2MD managed to plan another Dxpedition as 9L8MD from October 30 until November 10. More to follow.

FO/M MARQUESAS ISL A team of 6 operators (K5WE, W5CCP, N5TEA, K4VBM, WD5COV and F6BCW) will be active as TX9W from April 19 until April 30, 2026. Activity with 6 stations from 160 to 6 metres using CW, SSB and digi. Depending upon a reliable internet connection, logs will be uploaded to Club Log daily and Club Log Livestream will be active. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW shortly after returning home. https://k5we.com/tx9w/



PJ4, BONAIRE Axel, DL6KVA will be operating as PJ4KV from November 20 until December 3. Activity using CW only. QSL via home call.

THE REMINDERS

3A, MONACO Col MM0NDX and Steve MM0SAJ will once again be QRV as 3A/MM0NDX and 3A/MM0SAJ during December 30 and January 3. QRV on various bands and modes. Main focus on low bands in their evenings. QSL both calls to EB7DX (LoTW also).



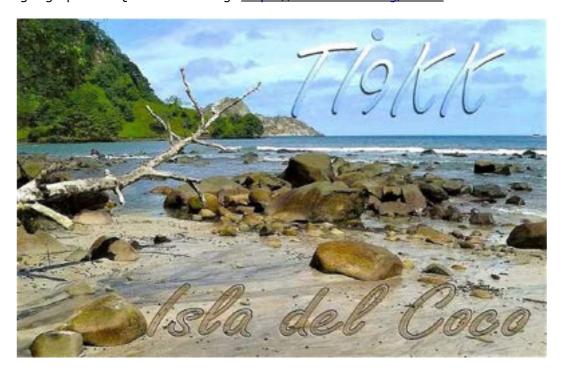
3B9, RODRIGUES ISL Kazu M0CFW will again be active as 3B9KW during the CQWW SSB (October 25-26) and CQWW CW contest (November 29-30). Before and after he will be active as 3B9/call between October 21-29 and again between November 23 and December 1. QSL via LoTW.

5R, MADAGASCAR The Italian Dxpedition Team led by Silvano, I2YSB announce a new activity from Madagascar (Nosy Be, IOTA AF-057) during October 29 and November 12 as 5R8TT (CW, SSB and RTTY) and as 5R8XX (FT8). A team with I1FQH, I1HJT, I2PJA, IK2CKR, IK2HKT, IK2RZP, IV3ZXQ and I2YSB will be operating with 4 stations from 160 to 6 meter. QSL via I2YSB. https://www.i2ysb.com/idt/

5X, UGANDA Andy, 5Z4VJ will be operating as 5X2VJ from Kampala with activity using CW and FT8. Dates to follow. QSL via MOURX and LoTW.

8Q, MALDIVES Harald, DL7MDX will be QRV during his spare time as 8Q7HT during December 1-10. Operation from 40 to 10 metres. QSL via home call.

9U, BURUNDI Members of the Russian DX Team with Vasily R7AL as team leader will be active as 9U1RU between October 29 and November 20. Plan is to be active with 7 stations from 160 to 6 meter using high power. QSL via Club Log. https://www3rudxt.org/9u1ru



C5, THE GAMBIA Peter PC3M, Maarten PA3EYC, Tijmen PA3GRM, Gert PA2LO and Mariette PA4UUS will be active as C5Y during October 23-29. Operation from 160 to 6 meter with a focus on CW and SSB. An entry in the CQWW SSB contest is included. QSL via OQRS, LoTW or PH3T. **C5, THE GAMBIA** Luc F5RAV (as C5R) will be returning to The Gambia during October 18 to October 31. Following on from previous visit where money was raised to build a new classroom for infants, the plan this time is build two more classrooms and to start a radio club to introduce YOTA. C5R (YT3PL) will be operating during October 18 and November 12. During the CQWW SSB they will sign as C5R.

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.

CEOY, EASTER ISL A large team will be active as 3G0YR between November 26 and December 3. An entry in the CQWWCW contest is included. Operation on all bands with 4-5 radios, K3 transceivers, verticals and a focus on low bands.

CYO, SABLE ISL The CYOS Dxpedition Team will once again be active between March 19 and March 30/31, 2026. "As we have done in the past, we will personally transport all of the gear to Halifax, Nova Scotia shortly before the DXpedition", they say. "We have been informed by Sable Aviation that the cost of the flights to the island have significantly increased since 2023. Fund



raising has now officially begun for the CYOS DXpedition" https://t-rexsoftware.com/cy0s/

D2, ANGOLA To celebrate the 50th anniversary of the independence of Angola, a team of Spanish and Portuguese operators will be active from near Luanda as D2A during October 17-28. Full details including website to follow soon..

E5, NORTH COOK Steve, ZL2KE will once again be active as E51KEE together with Steve ZL4CZ as E51CZZ next August 2026.

E6, NIUE Hot on the heels of their recent T30TTT DXpedition, the Rebel DX Group will be active from Niue as E66E - dates to follow. This will be a 2-man activity similar to T30TTT. More details to come..

FS, ST MARTIN Philip, K0CD will be active as FS/call during the CQWW CW contest (November 29-30). Some activity before the contest. 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. HOME | Dxobsessed

HKO, SAN ANDRES ISL A team with EA7BF, EA7FPG, EA7JW and EA7ATX will be operating during November 20-30 as 5J0EA. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using all modes. More to follow.

QSL preview



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 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/

J7, DOMINICA Gil, FM5FJ will be operating as J79FJ between October 20 and October 29. Operation on HF using CW, SSB and perhaps FT8. QSL via KU9C.

JD1, OGASAWARA Koutarou, JP1IHD will once again be active as JD1BQP between October 19 and November 2. Operation mainly on 6 meter with other bands. An entry in the CQWW SSB contest is included. QSL via home call.



KHO, MARIANA ISL Ken, JO1VRK will once again be QRV as KHO/AJ6VJ between December 30 and January 3. Activity on 40, 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10 meter. QSL via LoTW, Club Log.

PJ2, CURACAO Thaire, W2APF will be QRV as PJ2/call from January 22 until March 31, 2026. Activity from 80 to 10 metres using CW, SSB and FT8 with a Elecraft K5D and a Buddipole, DX Commander for 40 and 30 and a doublet for 80. QSL via home call, LoTW.

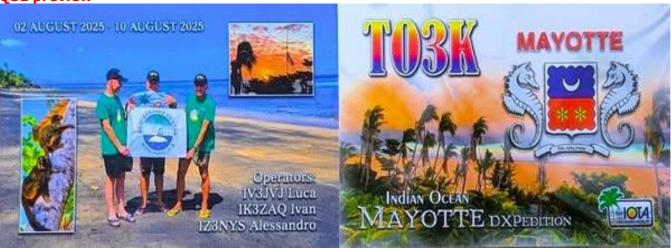
PJ2, CURACAO Olli, DH8BQA will be QRV in 'holiday-style' between October 24 and November 6. An entry in the CQWW SSB contest is included. QSL via LoTW, Club Log or home call.

PJ2, CURACAO Andre, PD1DRE will be back as PJ2/call between January 26 and March 4, 2026. More to follow.

PJ5, SINT EUSTATIUS Peter PA4O and Ad PA8AD will be operating as PJ5C between November 23 and December 1. An entry in the CQWW CW contest is included, outside the contest from 160 to 10 meter using mainly CW and some FT4/8. QSL via Club Log OQRS.

PJ6, SABA Co-leaders Gregg W6IZT, Dean W2FQ, and Jeff NM1Y, in collaboration with Youth on the Air (YOTA), are thrilled to announce our upcoming Dxpedition to Saba! Operation from October 17 until October 29 from 80 to 6 meter and satellite with an entry in the CQWW SSB contest. https://pj6y2025.com/





PJ7, SINT MAARTEN Chris, NOUK will be QRV as PJ7UK (Grid: FK88lb) from November 27 until December 7. An entry in the CQWW CW contest is included. Operation on HF and 6 meter. QSL via home call.

PZ, SURINAME Joe, OZ0J will be operating during December 21 and January 2,2026 as PZ50Z. Operation from 160 to 6 metres using CW, SSB, FT8 and perhaps some RTTY from the PZ5RA rental shack. QSL via OQRS, LoTW and buro.

S2, BANGLADESH The Bangladesh Telecommunication Regulatory Commission (BTRC) has officially granted special authorization for the upcoming Dxpedition program to be held at the UNESCO World Heritage Site, the Sundarbans, from 11–17 November 2025. All radio operations during this period will be conducted under the special event callsign S21SDX. QSL via I8KHC.

S2, BANGLADESH The Next Generation DX Club will be off to Bangladesh February/March 2026. 'Ranked #91 worldwide, #32 for North America, and still highly wanted on CW (#66) and SSB (#75), this DXpedition is set to light up the bands. After bringing you 8R7X – Guyana 2024 and V73WW – Marshall Islands 2025, we're ready to make waves from one of Asia's most exciting and under-activated locations. More information about callsign, dates, and operators will follow shortly – stay tuned!'

S7, **SEYCHELLES** Vaclav, OK6RA will be active as S79/call during the CQWW CW contest (Nov 29-30). QSL via home call direct, OQRS.

T8, PALAU Bob W7YAQ and Al K7AR will be QRV from Choll as T88AR between November 22 and December 1. An entry in the CQWW CW contest is included. Operation from 160 to 6 meter with 6 meter, occasionally listening on 50.313 FT8. QSL via K7AR direct, OQRS, LoTW.

T8, PALAU Koh, JA1ADT will be QRV as T88AC during December 10-17. An entry in the ARRL 10m contest is included. Focus outside the contest on the low bands. OSL via LoTW.

T8, PALAU Operating out of the VIP Guest Hotel, Koror, Palau, look for T88JH (JR3QFB), T88KY (JA1MFR), T88MH (JA1JRE), T88MT (JA1MEJ) & T88YL (7K4TKB) to be active during January 28-



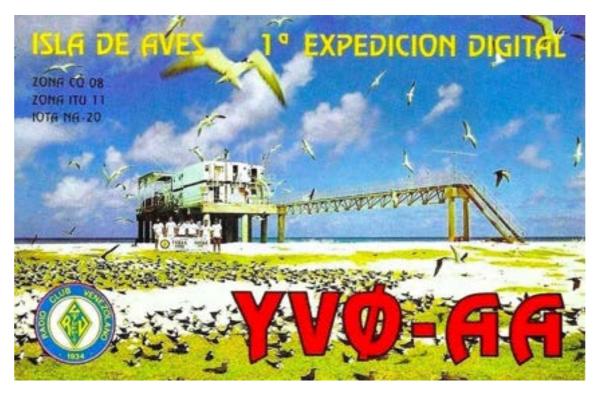
31, 2026. QRV on various bands and modes. QSL via ops instructions.

T8, PALAU Noboru, JH10LB (as T88DT) and Takeo, JR1GSE (as T88TH) will be active from Koror during October 23-30. Participation in the CQWW SSB contest. QSL both calls via LoTW.

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).

TU, IVORY COAST Marie-Lydie, F4LHI (Rookie Dxpedition team) informs that a team will be operating as TU5RE during February 2026. F4LHI goes on to say this expedition takes on a new form: 'it is novice, mixed, and inclusive. It brings together a team of passionate amateur radio operators with diverse backgrounds who believe in the power of transmission, civic engagement, knowledge sharing, and inclusion.'

TY, BENIN Gerard, F5NVF will be operating from Godomey as TY5GG during November 2025 and April 2026. QRV on various bands. QSL via LoTW.



V4, ST KITTS Markus, WW6W will be back as V4/call between May 24 and June 1, 2026. An entry in the CQWW WPX CW contest is included. QSL via home call, LoTW.

V4, ST KITTS Tom, K0YA and Antoinette W5RCX will be operating between February 11 and March 18, 2026. Activity on HF using CW, SSB and FT8 in 'holiday-style'. QSL via LoTW.

V5, NAMIBIA Gunter, DK2WH will once again be QRV as V51WH between November 2 until March 24, 2026. Activity from a farm near Omaruru from 160 to 6 metres (60m included). Look for V55Y during the CQWW RTTY and SSB contest. QSL via home call.

V6, MICRONESIA Celebrating 60 years in ham radio, Haru JA1XGi announces he will be active from Chuuk, Federated States of Micronesia as V660XGI during January 22-28, 2026. QRV on 160-10m; CW, SSB & Digi. Participation in the CQWW CW 160m contest (January 23-25). QSL via JA1XGI, Club Log OQRS.

VP2M, MONTSERRAT Chuck, KG9N will be active as VP2MCV between February 17 and March 3, 2026. Operation on all bands and all modes with an entry in the ARRL DX CW contest. QSL via LoTW and home call.

VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISL Seth, N4XTT and a team of young operators will be active as VP2VRX during the CQWW SSB contest. This operation features a team of operators (W3MLJ, KC1KUG, N4XTT, K4BEN and KC3VPB), all in their late teens and early twenties, who bring energy to DXpedition activities. The group has been planning this operation for many months, coordinating equipment, antennas, and logistics for a memorable and fun operation for both the team and the stations they work.

The timing works out well with the CQ Worldwide SSB Contest happening that weekend, which will



bring lots of participation from stations worldwide. The plan is to start things off with a few days operating as NP2R from the US Virgin Islands (October 20-22); allowing the team to test equipment before moving over to the British Virgin Islands for the main VP2VRX operation during the contest (October 23-28). They'll be running multiple stations simultaneously during the contest. Outside the contest, the operators will each be active as VP2V/call on various modes/bands.

VP8, SOUTH GEORGIA ISLAND Amateur Radio DXpeditions (ARD) is proud to announce plans for a groundbreaking DXpedition to South Georgia Island, set to take place in March 2027. Operating under the allocated callsign VP0SG, this ambitious activation will target one of the rarest and most logistically challenging DXCC entities, well ranked on top of the Club Log's Most Wanted List, with particularly high demand in some areas of the world.

https://www.ardxpeditions.com/dxpeditions/vp0sg

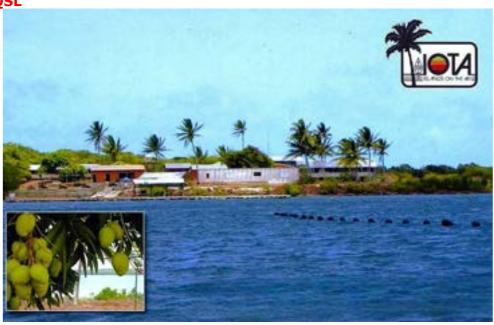
VU4, ANDAMAN ISL The World DXpedition team will be operating between October 19 and November 2, 2026 from 3 POTA locations. A team with 11 operators Dave WJ2O, K1NZ Nick Maslon; K2SAV, William "Savo" Savacool; K1ZM, Jeff Briggs; N1QV, Miriam Briggs; W0ZB, Steve Keithahn; K3PT, Kyle Snavely; KD0IVB, Emily Snavely; K1LZ, Krassy Petkov; VU2RS, Sarath Rayaprollu; and N4VGE, Van Herridge Organizer. Team support members are XYL Judi Savacool and XYL Vicki Herridge will be QRV with 5 stations 24/7. 'Needless to say, the support of corporate and private sponsors are essential to make this DXpedition a success. The Team priority will be to make as many QSOs as possible and offer the highest exposure as possible for sponsors. Corporate or Club sponsors (donating \$1,000 or more in cash or equipment) will be recognized on our QSL cards and website. All Private Sponsors and Patrons will be listed on our website.' Andaman - World DXpeditions

YJ, VANUATU Stan, LZ1GC will be active as YJ0GC between November 23 and December 5. His station is a combination of verticals, GP antenna's and VDA's with an ACOM 1200S. QSL via LZ1GC, Club Log. (Stan's Lord Howe Dxpedition is cancelled.)

ZD9, TRISTAN DA CUNHA DX-World has learned that a Tristan da Cunha Dxpedition is in the pipeline 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. In fact, 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.

ZL7, CHATHAM ISL Stan, LZ1GC will be operating as ZL7/call between November 3 and November 20. Operation from 160 to 10 meter with 2 stations using CW, SSB and FT4/8. Stan will use a combo of verticals, GP antennas and VDA's. QSL via home call, OQRS.

Guess the QSL





IOTA

THE REMINDERS

AFRICA

AF-090 Saint Marie Isl Eric, F6ICX will once again be active as 5R8IC during mid-October to end December. Operation from 40 to 10 meter using mainly CW with some FT8. QSL via LoTW and home call.

ASIA

AS-140 Kutubdia Isl Look for team S21DX during December 21-27. They plan to operate for at least 18 hours a day depending generator and the number of team members. Team for now is S21YLJ, S21AM, S21RC, S21FIA and S21RED. Activity from 160 to 10 metres using SSB, FT8 and Q0-100. QSL via EB7DX, LoTW.

AS-176 Shial Bet Look for the AU2M team (AS-169) FROM Shial Bet during November 2-4. More to follow.

EUROPE

EU-118 Flannan Isl Nobby, G0VJG reports that a return to the Flannan Islands with team is in the pipeline. He mentions they hope to be QRV from this very rare IOTA (EU-118) in the near future, as MM0UKI.

NORTH AMERICA

NA-057 Roatan Isl Alex, K6VHF will once again be QRV as call/HR9 during November . Activity from 80 to 6 meter using mainly digital modes.

OCEANIA

OC-131 King George Isl Haru, JA1XGI will be active as TX7XG between November 30 and December 6. Operation on HF and satellites. OSL via home call, LoTW.

OC-165 Talang-Talang Besar A large team with 12 operators will be active as 9M8T sometime April/May 2026. More to follow.

SOUTH AMERICA

SA-013 San Ambrosio Isl An International Team of very experienced Amateur Radio operators is helping behind the scenes with technical support and operational knowledge in order to make this activity a very successful Dxpedition with Felipe XQ7IR. Operation is planned between January 12 and February 15, 2026. QRV from 160 to 10 metres using CW, SSB and FT8. Desventuradas islands, the small volcanic islands of San Ambrosio and San Félix, lies 850 km off the coast of Chile and some 780 km north of Juan Fernández Archipelago one of the Most Wanted entities in amateur radio community. The operation includes one operator on the island focus in SSB/FT8 Modes, and a remote station on the island working 24/7 CW/FT8 Modes. Permits and authorization will be post on this website as required by a legal operation. website.

SA-050 Navarino Isl The friends of JuncalDX from the Aconcagua Valley, eager to enjoy amateur radio, participate in and organize various amateur radio activities, such as the 3rd Chilean DX Congress and participation in international contests like CQWW or CQWPX, POTA activations, lighthouses, and others. CB9N, XR9N and 3G9S will be the special callsigns that will be part of the expedition to the Chilean Antarctic Province CE9 on Isla Navarino, taking place during the first half of January 2026. Operators Miguel CE2PM and Garcia CE2GT will be QRV from 40 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via OQRS.

More information and a call-for-support are available on the DXpedition website.

SA-084 Playa Blanca Isl Renato, PY8WW will be operating from this rare IOTA during November 12-17 as 5J4W. QRV from 80 to 10 metres using CW, SSB and digi with a Yaesu FT-DX-10 and FT-710 transceiver and DX Commander verticals. This Dxpedition will use solar panels and an ecoflow power bank to store energy. QSL via home call.



Antarctic base

Vostok base by Alex UG1A

Approximate schedule below:

- Flight to Cape Town then onto Progress Base: October 20.
- Progress Base: October 20 December 5.
- Traverse Progress Base to Vostok Base: December 5-20 (possible CW activity during the traverse)

After Vostok, says Frank, there's a possibility that Alex will go to Ridge B and operate from there. Nothing is certain about that yet so more info later. However, it would be an ATNO for the Worldwide Antarctic Program (WAP) and Polar DX Challenge as Ridge B has never been activated before.

A new callsign have been assigned to Alex for all operations during this season: RI1ANI. Since 2007, Alex was very active from Progress and Vostok base, mostly in CW but also in SSB with many calls such as R1ANC, R1ANP, RI1ANC, RI1ANV, RI30ANT.

NOTE: Ridge B is one of the least studied areas in Antarctica but has been considered to be a potential location for the oldest ice on Earth. In January 2020, the first scientific traverse from Russia's Vostok Station to the topographical dome of Ridge B was carried out. Ridge B (Dome B) is 3807m above sea level, 79.02°S, 93.69°E).

On the scene...the V6D team



Special calls

THE NEWCOMERS

9A, CROATIA 9A10SOTA is the special callsign celebrating ten years of SOTA Croatia. Look for activity between 1 October 2025 and 30 September 2026. A certificate will be available for contacts made between 1 October and 31 December 2025, see https://9aff.wordpress.com/ for information. QSL via LoTW. (TNX 425DX)

I, ITALIA Members of ARI Gorizia (IQ3GO) will be active as II3GONG from 1 October to 29 December. The special callsign's suffix stands for Gorizia (Italy) and Nova Gorica (Slovenia), the first cross-border European Capital of Culture. QSL via the bureau and eQSL. A certificate will be available, see https://www.grz.com/db/II3GONG for information. (TNX 425DX)

ON, BELGIUM Special callsign **OT5IDPD** will be active from 4 November to 3 December for the International Day of Persons with Disabilities, whose annual observance (3 December) was proclaimed by the United Nations General Assembly in 1992. All operators will be hams with a dis



Ability. The logs will be uploaded to LoTW, Club Log and eQSL; all QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau. (TNX 425DX)

W, USA Special event callsign **WW0WWV** will be in use on on 2-5 October to mark the 106th anniversary of the time and frequency standard station WWV, one of the oldest continuously-operating radio stations in the world. See https://wwvarc.org/WWV_106th_SES for more information. QSL via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS, or direct to WWV ARC, PO Box 273226, Fort Collins CO 80527, USA. (TNX 425DX)

W, USA Special event stations **N0F, N1F, N2F, N3F, N4F, N5F, N6F, N7F, N8F** and **N9F**, plus KF2IRE and VE3FIRE (Canada) will be active on 5-11 October for the Fire Prevention Week 2025. QSL cards for any of the FPW stations should be sent direct to Fire Prevention Week Special Event, c/o Siemens Fire Safety USA, 2 Gatehall Drive, Parsippany NJ 07054, USA. See https://hamfire.com/ for more information on the event. (TNX 425DX)

QSL preview



THE REMINDERS

4U1ITU ITU HQ GENEVA 4U0ITU is the callsign for the International amateur Radio Club at ITU HQ in Geneva to use <u>from 16 May through the end of the year</u> in celebration of the 160th anniversary of the International Telecommunication Union. QSL via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS, or direct to IARC, P.O. Box 6, 1211 Geneva 20, Switzerland. (TNX 425DX)

9A, CROATIA 9A169TESLA is a special callsign that will be used <u>until 31 December</u> in celebration of the 169th anniversary since the birth of Nikola Tesla (10 July 1856). QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW, Club Log. (TNX 425DX)

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)

D2, ANGOLA An international team of radio amateurs from Angola, Portugal, Spain is carrying out a special amateur radio operation under the callsign **D2A**, from October 18 to 26, to commemorate the 50th anniversary of Angola's Independence and to promote the country's cultural and natural richness to the world through radio communications.

The initiative, taking place on the iconic Mussulo Island, aims to serve as a bridge between peoples and cultures, connecting Angola with thousands of radio amateurs across all continents. Through the airwaves, Angolan and international voices come together to share a message of peace, unity, and progress.

With local logistical support and collaboration between operators, the D2A operation is equipped



with high-level communication infrastructure, enabling 24/7 global radio contact throughout the duration of the event.

Driven by a strong spirit of cooperation, this multicultural and multidisciplinary team joins forces to bring Angola to the world—and the world to Angola—using the magic of radio as a means of connection.

Beyond its patriotic symbolism, this amateur radio activation highlights Angola's role within the global amateur radio community, promoting the country as a vibrant destination rich in history, nature, and hospitality.

D2A is more than just a callsign – it is a symbol of international cooperation, passion for communication, and Angolan pride at a time when the nation celebrates half a century of sovereignty and nation-building.

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 <u>December</u>. 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) **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 Radio amateurs in Kamenz (DOK S22) celebrate their city's 800th anniversary with the callsign **DM800KM** (special DOK 800KM) throughout 2025. QSL info see qrz.com. (TNX DXNL)

On the scene...FP5KE Saint-Pierre & Miquelon -now QRT



F, FRANCE Special callsign **TM46CDXC** will be active <u>from 27 September to 11 October</u> for the 46th annual Convention of the Clipperton DX Club (https://cdxc.org/), to be held at Saint-Antoninsur-Bayon on 10-12 October. QSL via operator's instructions. (Tnx 425DX)

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.grz.com/db/TM100REF.

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

I, ITALY Celebrating 130 years of radio and IARU's centenary, several special callsigns will be in use from 15 September to 15 October: IIOIARU (Sardinia), II1IARU, II2IARU, II3IARU, II4IARU, II5IARU, II6IARU, II7IARU, II8IARU, II9IARU, IR0IARU, IR2IARU, IR3IARU, IR7IARU and IR8IARU, as well as II1RVCO, II2RBUS, II3RTRE, IR2RGAL, IR2RIMV and IR2RMAG. See https://www.ari.it/ for more information; certificates and eQSLs will be available on HamAward. (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: II4WLTX (October), II4EACC (November) and II4TJTB (December). QSL via IQ4FE and LoTW. Information about the "Marconi - Patended By" award: http://www.arifidenza.it/.

JA, JAPAN JARL is operating special event station **8K3EXPO** from the premises of the 2025 Expo in Osaka, from 13 April to 13 October. (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 <u>throughout 2025</u> to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the International Police Association. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, or direct to LZ3HI. (TNX 425DX)

LZ, BULGARIA Look for **LZ80TUS**, by one of the most established and established clubs in Bulgaria LZ1KDP. The activity is <u>from August 1 to December 24, 2025</u>. More information can be found athttps://www.qrz.com/db/LZ80TUS or contact the specified email. This is a strong club with traditions, and established leading places in competitions from the mid-1950s to the present day. The club plays a club role in the Bulgarian Antarctic Program, since during the first expeditions the Antarctic station LZ0A maintained contact with its relatives precisely through the help of LZ1KDP. Many HAM expeditions have sought logistical or technical support precisely from this club.

the current head of LZ1KDP- Ivaylo

LZ, BULGARIA Radio Club Blagovestnik (LZ1KCP) will use six special callsigns <u>during 2025</u> to honour as many different Orthodox saints: **LZ117ME** (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)

OK, CZECH REP OL100IARU, OL100I, OL100A, OL100R and **OL100U** are the special call signs for the Czech Radio Club to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the International Amateur Radio Union from 15 April to 31 December. A certificate will be available. (TNX 425DX)

PA, THE NETHERLANDS The Dutch Marine Radio Amateur Club (MARAC) celebrates its 40th anniversary this year. To mark the occasion, the Dutch Administration has given permission to the MARAC to use the special call **PA40MARAC** in 2025.

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 <u>until 31 December</u>. QSL via LoTW, or via the bureau. (TNX 425DX)

SM, SWEDEN Eight special callsigns (**7S100SSA**, **8S100SSA**, **SB100SSA**, **SC100SSA**, **SD100SSA**, **SE100SSA**, **SF100SSA** and **SM100SSA**) will be in use <u>from 10 September to 12 October</u> in celebration on the 100th anniversary of the Foreningen Sveriges Sandareamatorer (SSA), Sweden's IARU member society. Look for activity on 160-6 metres CW, SSB and digital modes. Details of the award programme will be published on https://hamaward.cloud/awards.



(TNX 425DX)

UA, RUSSIA Commemorating the 500th anniversary since Russian diplomat Dmitrij Gerasimov first proposed the idea of a sea route connecting Europe and China via the Arctic Ocean, special callsign **R500SMP** (Severnogo Morskogo Puti, i.e. Northern Sea Route) will be QRV from 10 September to 10 October. Also active will be seven memorial stations from the regions along whose coasts Gerasimov had imagined it would be possible to reach Asia: **R5000** (Arkhangelsk Oblast), **R500M** (Murmansk Oblast), **R500X** (Komi Republic), **R500K** (Yamalo-Nenets Autonomous Okrug), **R500Z** (Kamchatka Krai), **R500F** (Sakhalin Oblast), **R500L** (Primorsky Krai). Gerasimov's geographical hypothesis was recorded by the Italian humanist Paolo Giovio in 1525. The QSL manager for all stations is RN3RQ; all QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau . See https://hamlog.online/club/srr/1604/ for the certificate. (TNX 425DX) **VK, AUSTRALIA V1100SIG**, the special callsign celebrating the centenary of the Australian Corps of Signals during 2025. QSL via M00XO's OQRS. See https://www.qrz.com/db/VI100SIG for more information.

YO, ROMANIA YR1600VT is the special callsign that members of Radio Club YO6KGS will be using <u>until 31 March 2026</u> to popularize Via Transilvanica, the long-distance trail (1600 km) used for hiking, cycling and horse riding that crosses Romania. More information can be found on https://www.qrz.com/db/YR1600VT. QSL via eQSL. (TNX 425DX)

ZL, NEW ZEALAND ZL100C is a special callsign celebrating the centenary of the New Zealand Association of Radio Transmitters (NZART), which was formed on 16 August 1926. The callsign is valid until 6 August 2026. QSL via the bureau and LoTW. (TNX 425DX)

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)

QSL preview

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Novolazarevskaya Station Schirmacher Oasis, Princess Astrid Coast, Queen Maud Land

