

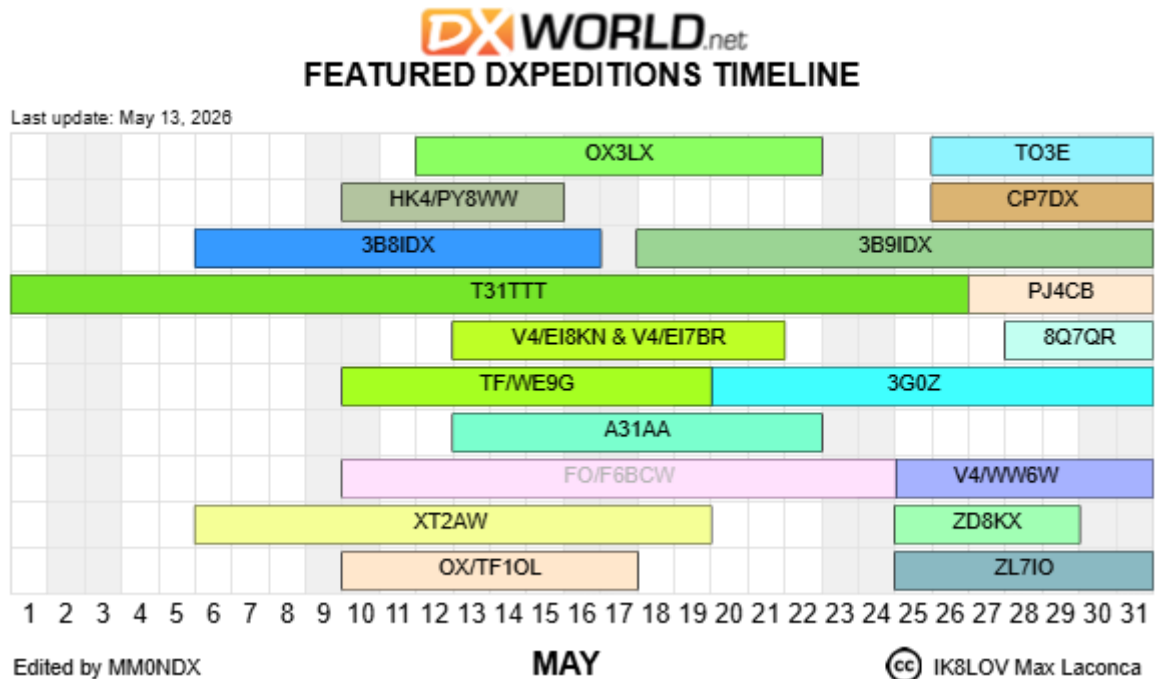
## The weekly DX bulletin 663

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## DXCC timeline



## DX News

### **HK4/PY8WW Tutumate Island SA-093 -update by Renato PY8WW May 11**

I'm writing this update from Titumati Island. The trip to the island took about 90 minutes by speedboat. The island is actually a group of three small IOTAs, and I chose one with a wider beach area.

I have already set up my tent, solar panel, battery system, and antenna. I kindly ask for your patience regarding the online log updates. I am using a Starlink Mini, which worked very well in Brazil, but here on the island the connection is very unstable. Sometimes I get 200 Mbps, and other times I have no connection at all.

If your QSO does not appear in the online log immediately, please do not worry it is only due to the internet situation here. I will do my best to update the log whenever I have a stable connection.

### **FP/KV1J St Pierre & Miquelon -update by Eric KV1J**

Eric, KV1J writes this will be his 18th trip to FP.

*'During the last few trips the amount of email requests while I was there increased significantly. This is a one person operation so please understand that I can not read and respond all the emails while I am there. I post logs to LoTW and Club Log daily as long as I have internet access. I can not do scheds and band change requests. I will try to concentrate on the higher frequency bands while we are at this peak in the sunspot cycle. These two weeks are also prime for 50 MHz so I am always watching that band for openings.'*

### **3G0YM Easter Island -update by Manu CE3YMR**

Great news: the operations site for the expedition has now been officially reserved! The location offers excellent facilities and a privileged environment for DX operations, providing ideal conditions both for operating and for deploying the different antennas that will be part of this activation.

In addition, the large physical space available will allow multiple antennas to be installed safely and efficiently, while also providing excellent comfort for the operator throughout the expedition. Its close proximity to the ocean will also help create very favorable propagation conditions, which will undoubtedly maximize performance and help achieve excellent results on the bands.



## **DXCC**

### **This week on air**

**3B8, MAURITIUS** Ivan UR9IDX is operating as 3B8IDX until May 16. Operation on HF using CW and SSB. QSL via home call.

**3B9, RODRIGUES** Continuing on from his recent FH (Mayotte) and FR (Reunion) activities, Ivan UR9IDX now has upcoming plans to be QRV as 3B9IDX from May 18 to June 1. QRV on HF bands; CW & SSB.

**3B9, RODRIGUES ISL** Suvarna, VU3OPT is operating as 3B9G until May 20. Operation from 20 to 10 metres from grid MH10qh. <https://www.9n7ga.com>

**5Z, KENYA** Paul MM0ZBH is active from Murang'a in 'holiday-style' until June 15. Operation so far on 10 metre FT8 and 20 metre CW and SSB. QSL via LoTW.

**A3, TONGA** Bob, ZL1RS is active as A35RS from Tongatapu until May 26. Operation mostly on 6m EME but he will try 6 and 10 metres FT8 also. QSL via OQRS or home call.

<https://www.qrz.com/db/A35RS>

**A3, TONGA** Takio, JH3QFL is operating from Nuku'alofa as A31AA until May 22. QRV from 80 to 6 metres using FT8. QSL via home call, LoTW.

**CE0Z, JUAN FERNANDEZ** Felipe, XQ7IR will be operating as 3G0Z and XR0Z for around May 19 for about 20 days. Operation from 160 to 6 metres using CW, SSB and FT8 with a focus on the low bands. QSL via M0URX OQRS. <https://www.robinsoncrusoe2026.net/>

**CN, MOROCCO** Pascal, F8NQV is active as CN2NQV until July 11. Activity from Sidi Rahal Chatai on 40, 20, 17, 15 and 10 metres.

**FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA** Didier, F6BCW is once again active from Tikehau Atoll, Tuamotu as FO/F6BCW until mid-July. QRV on 80-6m; CW, SSB. QSL via LoTW

**FY, FRENCH GUIANA** Ronan, F4LJA is active as FY/call until June 5. Operation on HF using mainly FT8. <https://www.qrz.com/db/F4LJA>

**HK, COLOMBIA** Lothar, DK8LRF is operating as HK3JCL until May 15.

**JD1, MINAMI TORISHIMA** Take, JG8NQJ is once again active as call/JD1 until mid-May during his spare time. Mostly using CW and FT8. QSL via JA8CJY, LoTW.

**T31, KANTON ISL** Look for T31TTT, see full details <https://www.dx-world.net/t31ttt-kanton-island/>

**TF, ICELAND** Olafur, TF1OL is active from Nuuk as OX/call for a week. QRV on HF using FT8 depending the propagation. <https://www.qrz.com/db/OX/TF1OL>

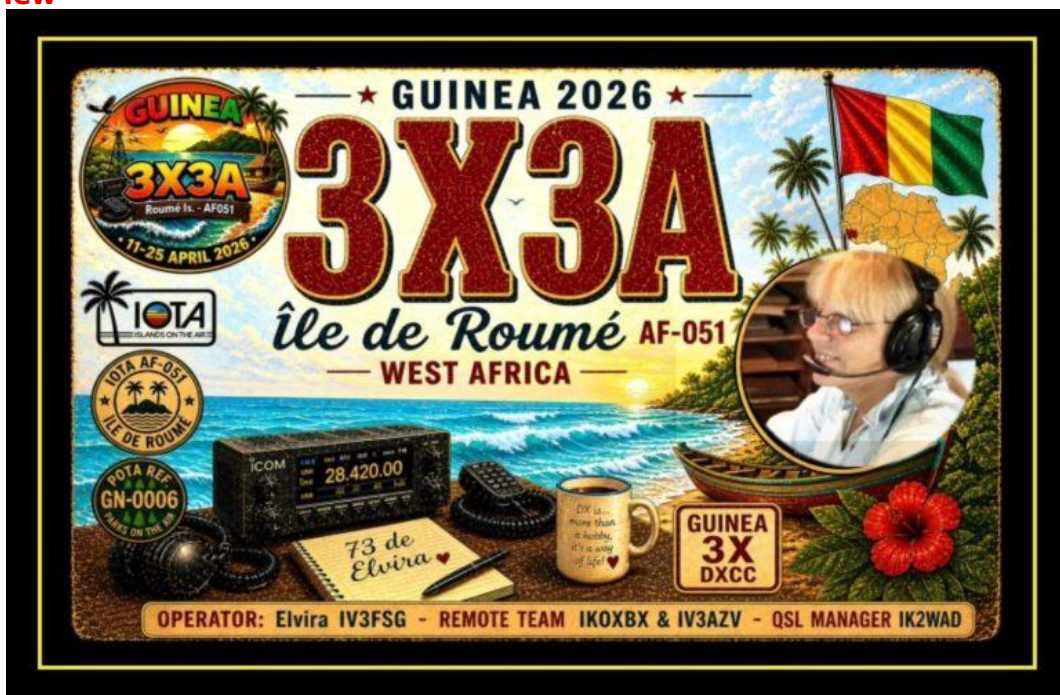
**TF, ICELAND** Rikk, WE9G is operating from Borg as TF/call until May 19. QRV from grid HP94ob using mostly FT8 with some CW and SSB. QSL via home call.

**TL, CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC** Joao, CR7BNW is operating as TL8BNW until June. Activity on 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres using SSB and FT8 with a dipole.

**V4, ST KITTS** Roger EI8KN and David G4CKS are operating as V4/EI8KN and V4/EI7BR from Basseterre until May 21. QRV in 'holiday-style' from 160 to 6 metres using SSB and LoTW. They use V49B as contest call. QSL via LoTW.

**XT, BURKINA FASO** Harald, DF2WO is once again active as XT2AW until May 19. Operation from 20 to 6 metres using a Hexbeam, from 160 to 30 metres a multiband dipole using SSB and FT4. QSL via M0OXO OQRS. <https://www.qrz.com/db/XT2AW>

### QSL preview



## Coming up soon

**8Q, MALDIVES** Yosuke, JJ1DQR (of DX-World Japan) let us know that he will be active from Male as 8Q7QR during May 28 to June 1. QRV in 'holiday-style' from 160 to 6 metres. Participation in the CQ WPX CW contest. QSL via H/c (direct or buro).

**CP, BOLIVIA** Team CP7DX will once again be active from Tarija from May 26 until June 6. Operation from 160 to 6 metres using CW, SSB and FT8. An entry in the CQ WW WPX CW contest is included. QSL via OQRS or direct via LU1FM.

**FM, MARTINIQUE** Darrell, AB2E will be operating as TO3E between May 26 and June 2. An entry in the CQWPX CW contest is included. Before and after the contest he will focus on WARC and low bands using mostly CW with some FT8 and RTTY. QSL via LoTW or direct via home call.

**HBO, LIECHTENSTEIN** Kasimir, DL2SBY will once again be active as HBO/call from May 25 until May 31. Operation on HF with a focus on 6 metres. *'This activity is intended to test and fine-tune all my devices, laptops, and antennas for my activities from Zanzibar and the Seychelles.'* QSL via LoTW / homecall (direct).

**PJ4, BONAIRE** Chris, WA7RAR will be active as PJ4CB during his spare time between May 27 and June 8. Look for Chris from 20 to 10 meter using SSB and CW. Perhaps 10 metre FM simplex depending conditions. QSL via home call direct only.

**T8, PALAU** Nobu, JA0JHQ will once again be active as T88PB during May 27-31 and June 20-22, 2026. An entry in the All Asian DX CW contest is included. QSL via home call, LoTW.

**T8, PALAU** Yoshi JR3QFB (as T88JH), Masa JA1MFR (as T88KY) and Masa JF3PLF (as T88IL) plan activity from the VIP Guest Hotel in Koror, Palau during May 21-24. QRV on HF bands. QSL via op's instructions.

**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.

**V5, NAMIBIA** Eric, V5/N7XOB is travelling for a month (mid-May to mid-June) and will be active from various locations and grids. QSL via LoTW.

**ZC4, CYPRUS SBA** Dave, G4WXJ will once again be active as ZC4RH during May 25-30. Operation from 40 to 6 metres using CW, SSB and FT8 with an FT857D and a dipole. QSL via DK6SP, OQRS? LoTW.

**ZD8, ASCENSION ISL** Fer, M0HXC will be operating as ZD8KX during May 25-29. Operation with a IC-705 and a EFHW antenna. This will be a low power operation using a CW, SSB and FT2/4/8. QSL via QRZ.com.

**ZL7, CHATHAM ISL** Look for Holger ZL3IO as ZL7IO from May 25 until June 4. An entry in the CQWW WPX CW contest is included. Operation outside the contest from 160 to 10 metres using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via LoTW, OQRS or via DK7AO.

## IOTA

### **This week on air**

#### **ASIA**

**AS-125 Chang Isl** Ake, E25VCR will be QRV as E25VCR/P on May 14 between 1100 and 1600z using CW and digi on 40, 20 and 15 metres. QSL via home call and LoTW.

#### **EUROPE**

**EU-038 Ameland Isl** Look for ON2LVC, ON4LO, ON5SEL and ON7DE as PA/OR5R during May 18-22. Operation on HF and 6 metres using CW, SSB and FT modes. QSL via e-mail.

#### **NORTH AMERICA**

**NA-134 Aasiaat Isl** Bo, OZ1DJJ is once again operating as OX3LX until May 22 from grid GP38NQ. Operation during his spare time from 30 to 10 metres. QSL via OZ0J.

#### **OCEANIA**

**OC-107 Singkep Isl** YB1RQX/P, YB1RET/P and YC1RIK/P are active until May 16. Main operation on QO-100 SSB and digi.

**OC-165 Talang-Talang Besar** A team with 12 operators is QRV during May as 9M8T. QSL via 9W8ZZK. <https://cqdx.my/9m8t>

#### **SOUTH AMERICA**

**SA-093 Tutumate Isl** Renato, PY8WW is operating as HK4/call until May 15. "CW and SSB remain my main focus", he says, with FT8 as "just a tool for those difficult moments when propagation doesn't cooperate". This IOTA group was activated only once, by HK3JJH/4 back in 2002.

## **Coming up soon**

#### **ASIA**

**AS-056 Danjo Isl** Take JI3DST and Ken JA4GXS will be operating as call/6 on May 22-23 between 0800 UTC and 2200 UTC. As the islands are uninhabited and lack a regular ferry service, AS-056 is currently the second most wanted IOTA group in Japan. They plan to operate SSB, CW, FT8 and FT4 on 40, 30, 20, 17 and 6 metres, running battery power to a wire dipole for HF, and a

2-element delta loop for 6m.

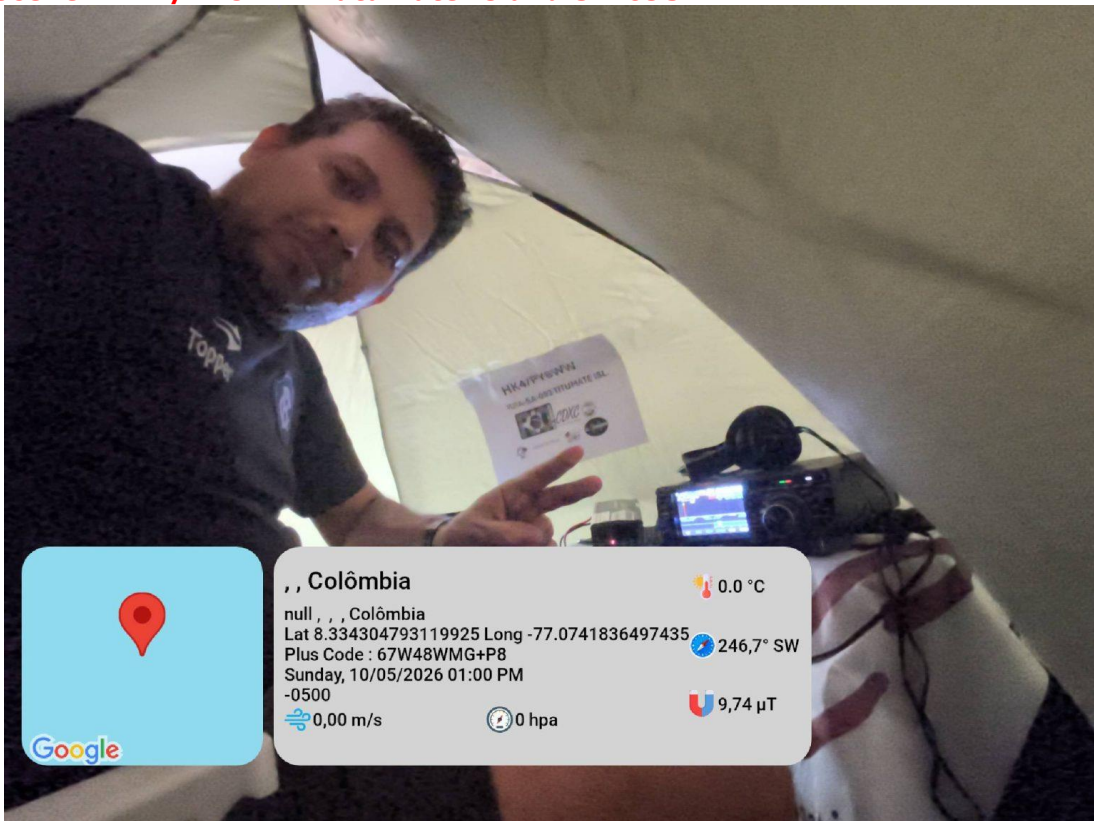
## **EUROPE**

**EU-121 Arranmore Isl** Pete M1PTR and Kieron M5KJM will be operating as EJ6KP/P on May 21-23. Operation on 40, 20 and 15 metres using SSB during their local daytime. QSL via Club Log, LoTW or via M5KJM direct or bureau.

## **OCEANIA**

**OC-146 Sulawesi Isl** Operators from the North Sulawesi Region and Radio of North Celebes will be QRV as 7F8RNC on May 23-24. Activity on 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres using CW, SSB and sat.

## **On the scene...HK4/PY8WW Tutumate Island SA-093**



## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Announced DX**

#### **THE NEWCOMERS**

**60, SOMALIA** The DX-adventure Team will be QRV as 6O6X during February 2027. Team leader Max ON5UR mentions: 'On 14 February 2026, our local contact was invited to the Ministry of Information and Communication Technology in Hargeisa, where Minister Jamaal Mohamed Jama personally handed over the official licence. During the DXpedition, we will be active under the callsign 6O6X ("six oscar six x-ray").

Although the Belgian government still advises against travel to Somalia, several reliable sources confirm that Somaliland, located in the northwest, is the safest region of the country. The safety of the team is the top priority, which is why we have deliberately chosen to organise our activities in this area. On average, the country receives barely 500 visitors per year.'

A Belgian-Dutch team with Marc ON4AMX, Patrick ON4HIL, Max ON5UR, Karel ON5TN, Marc ON6CC, Wim ON6DX, Franky ON7RU, Geert ON7USB, Francis ON8AZ and Ronald PA3EWP will be QRV on HF and perhaps QO-100 and EME. Website under construction.

**FS, ST MARTIN** John, K9EL will once again be QRV as FS/call from June 10 until June 24. Activity during his spare time with a focus on 6 metres when it is open, other bands from 40 to 10 metres.

Log upload to Club Log and LoTW, QSL via K9EL OQRS.

**V4, ST KITTS** Jon, W5JON will once again be operating as V47JA from June 11 until June 22. Activity from 160 to 6 metres using SSB and FT8. QSL via home call and LoTW.

**VK9L, LORD HOWE ISL** A team of 7 operators will be QRV as VJ2L from June 1 until June 14. This will be a DX Marathon activation ->as many DXCC and zones as possible. Focus from 40 to 10 metres using CW, FT8 and SSB. For 80 metres they will check on site if possible.

### On the scene...V47JA ST Kitts



## **THE REMINDERS**

**3A, MONACO** Col MM0NDX and Steve MM0SAJ will once again be active as 3A/MM0NDX and 3A/MM0SAJ sometime 2026. QRV on various bands and modes. Main focus on low bands in their evenings. QSL both calls to EB7DX (LoTW also).

**3Y0, PETER 1 ISL** The 3Y0L Dxpediton is scheduled for February 2027. A team with 19 operators will spend approximately 20 days in the vicinity of the island. <https://3y0l.com/#Peter-I-DXpediton>

**4K, AZERBAIJAN** Jan, DL4XT will be back as 4K/DL4XT this summer for 2 weeks. More to follow. [Youth Contest Team](#)

**5H, TANZANIA** Kasimir, DL2SBY will again be operating as 5H1KB between June 3 and June 12. Focus on 6 metres during his trip. QSL via home call and LoTW.

**5H, TANZANIA** With dates not yet certain, Dov 4Z4DX and Eyal 4X1RE plan to be active from Tanzania as 5H2DX (CW & SSB) and 5H2RE (SSB) sometime in August or September '26. They hope to activate different National Parks within the country. Updates to follow.

**5H, TANZANIA** Chas, NK8O will once again be operating as 5H3DX between June 8 and July 2. Operation from 30 to 10 metres using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via NK8O, LoTW or OQRS.

**9N, NEPAL** Jan, DL4XT mentions: 'Activity planned in summer 2026! This is my biggest DXpediton planned so far. I got a verbal agreement on the callsign 9N7XT, but this isn't confirmed yet, so it might still change.' Operation from 160 to 10 metres using CW, SSB and FT8 with a FT-891 100W. <https://yct.janlabs.de/dx/nepal2026>

**9Q, D.R. of CONGO** The Mediterranean DX Club will be active as 9T0MD between September 30 and October 11. The 9T prefix has never been used before. Operation from 160 to 6 metres using CW, SSB and digi. Also on QO-100 and EME. <https://www.mdxc.support/9t0md/>

**9Y, TRINIDAD** Look for 9Y4I during the ARRL 160 Meter CW Contest. Caribbean Top Band CW signals are limited — listen carefully for 9Y4I during peak low-band windows.

**C9, MOZAMBIQUE** The Czech Dxpediton group will be QRV as C8K between November 10 and November 19. Active from 160 to 6 metres using CW, SSB and digi with several stations. Satellite

QO-100 also. Club Log livestream, QSL via OQRS or via OK6DJ. <https://www.cdxp.cz/>  
**C6, BAHAMAS** Eric, K9GY will be operating as C6AYM between August 5-10. Operation from 80 to 6 meter using CW. An entry in the WAE CW contest is included. QSL via LoTW.

**C8, MOZAMBIQUE** The Czech DX Team will be active as C8K during September/October 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.

**CE0, EASTER ISL** Manu CE3YMR will be operating as 3G0YM in June. QRV on different HF bands depending propagation. 'One of the most challenging bands in amateur radio is the 6-meter band, due to its unpredictable behavior and variable propagation conditions. For this reason, a 3-element Yagi antenna will be incorporated, which will allow us — if conditions permit — to activate this attractive band, highly sought after by radio amateurs.'

**E5, COOK ISL** Steve ZL2KE and Steve ZL4CZ will once again be active as E51CZZ and E51KEE between July 22 and August 14 for E51KEE (CW, SSB) and E51CZZ (SSB) between July 26 and August 6. QRV from Rarotonga. QSL via IK2DUW.

### On the scene...OX3LX and OX/TF10L



**E6, NIUE** Gavin, ZL3GAV will be active as E6SP during July. Operation on HF using CW, SSB, SSTV, digi and Satellite. More to follow.

**E6, NIUE** Tom, KC0W will be operating as E6CW sometime 2026. Operation from 40 to 6 metres using CW only. More to follow.

**FG, GUADELOUPE** Ronan, F4LJA will be QRV as FG/call from June 6 until June 12. Operation on HF using mainly FT8. <https://www.qrz.com/db/F4LJA>

**FP, ST PIERRE AND MIQUELON** Matt, W2MJR will be operating as FP/call from October 21 until October 26. An entry in the CQWW SSB contest is included with an activity from POTA PM-0025. QSL via LoTW. <https://www.qrz.com/db/FP/W2MJR>

**FP, ST PIERRE AND MIQUELON** Eric, KV1J will once again (18<sup>th</sup> tour) be active as FP/call, this for the 18<sup>th</sup> time. Activity between June 27 and July 13 with an entry in the IARU HF Contest. [FP/KV1J July 2026](https://www.qrz.com/db/KV1J)

**H44, SOLOMON ISL** A team with 9A2NA, 9A3MR, 9A3CJY, 9A4WY, 9A7Y and DK8ZZ will be active from Guadalcanal as H49A between October 9 and October 21. Operation on HF and perhaps 6 metres. 'H49A callsign has been issued for our expedition, honoring 15 years of charity work of Croatian Sisters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul in Buma, Malaita Island, OC-047. Our special callsign itself symbolises ties between Solomon islands and Croatia. Part of ham donations for the expedition will be redirected to charity work in the mission.'

**HK0, MALPELO** Last active in 2012 (by **HK0NA** who still maintain the 2<sup>nd</sup> highest ever QSO count for a Dxpediton), the Colombian League of Radio Amateurs (HK3LR) and its Board of Directors has announced its main goal – to stage a Dxpediton 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..

**IS0, SARDINIA** Jose, EA5UJ will be active as IS0/call/QRP with a campervan from different locations. Operation between July 16 and July 27. Jose works only SSB from 80 to 10 metres and will try to activate some POTA references. QSL via LoTW, home call and OQRS.

**J3, GRENADA** Graham MM8IJU and Eric GM5RDX will once again be active as J38DX and as J38LD. QRV from September 1 until September 12 from 80 to 6 metres using SSB and FT4/8. QSL via M0OXO and LoTW.

**KH8, AMERICAN SAMOA** A team that previous activated T2C, C21MM and V6D will now be operating as KH8A between October 29 and November 13. The team includes nine operators DJ9KH, DK5WL, DL1KWK, DL2RNS, DL4SVA, DL6KAC, DL6KVA, DL7JOM and DL7VEE. We are planning to operate 4 stations 24/7 from 160m to 6m in CW, SSB, FT8 and RTTY.

<https://kh8a.mydx.de/>

**PJ2, CURACAO** Frank, PH2M will again be active as PJ2/PH2M during June 12-29. QRV holiday-style on 60-6m, mainly FT8, some SSB. QSL via buro, direct, LoTW.

**R1/F, FRANZ JOSEF LAND** After two years of planning the RUDXT are proud to announce a DXpedition to the northern-most DXCC in the world – Franz Josef Land. Team of 6 operators will be active from Heiss island (FJL) during 15 days in late August-early September 2026.

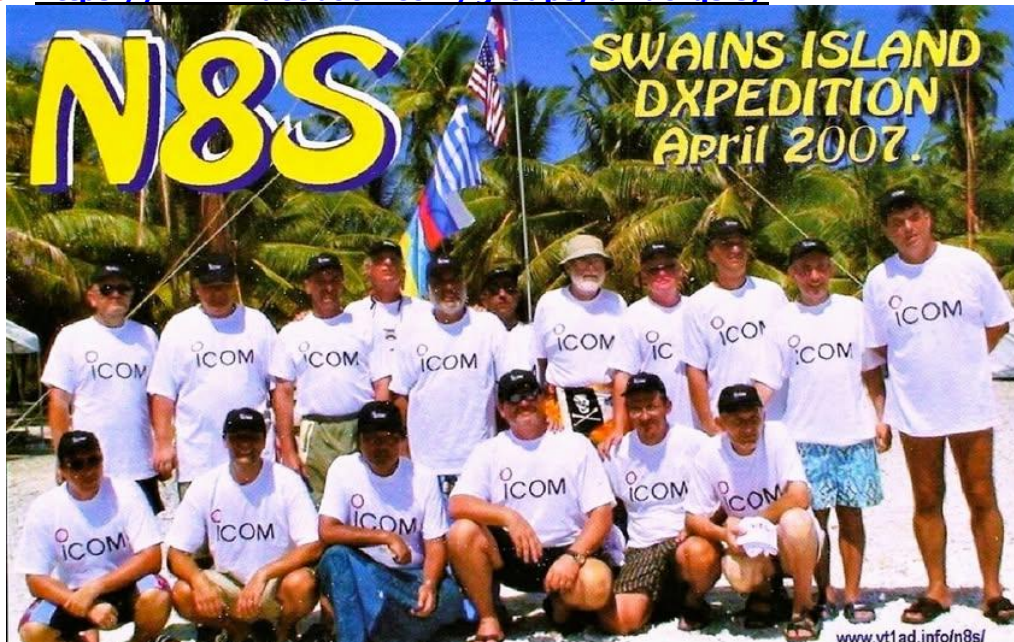
<https://www.rudxt.org/ri1fjl>

**S7, SEYCHELLES** Kasimir, DL2SBY will again be QRV as S79/call during September 11-21. Operation from 80 to 6 metres using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via homecall or LoTW.

**S9, SAO TOME** Francisco, CT7AKS will be active as S9R with EC7R, D2ACE, CT1BOL, D2IM, CT1BZG and CT3MD between October 17 and October 31. QRV with 3 stations from 160 to 6 metres using CW, SSB and digi.

**T8, PALAU** Noburo, JH1OLB will once again be active as T88DT from November 26 until December 2. Activity from 160 to 6 metres using CW, SSB and digi. An entry in the CQWW CW contest is included. QSL via home call.

**Land of QSL** <https://www.facebook.com/groups/landofqsls/>



**T8, PALAU** A team with Masu JA3AVO, Mune JI3DNN, Kuni JA1CJA, Jusei JA3IVU and Shozo JA3HJI plan (tentatively) activity from the VIP Guest Hotel, Koror, Palau during October 21-29, 206. QRV on various bands and modes as: T88MB (JA3AVO), T88CZ (JI3DNN), T88DK (JA1CJA), T88ED (JA3IVU) and as T88DN (JA3HJI).

**T8, PALAU** Yas, JA6UBY will be operating as T88RR from June 10 until June 18, 2026. Activity from 160 to 6 metres using SSB, FT4/8. QSL via LoTW or home call.

**V5, NAMIBIA** Hanspeter, HB9BFM will be QRV as V5/call during August 26 to September 20, 2026. QRV from different locations between 16-19 UTC in Olivia 8/250 at 14072.000kHz.

**VP5, TURKS AND CAICOS** Nobby, G0JVG will be operating as VP5G during June 17-30. Operation

on HF and 6 metres using CW, SSB and FT4/8. An entry in the IOTA contest is included. QSL via M0OXO.

**VP8, SOUTH GEORGIA ISLAND** Amateur Radio DXpeditions (ARDX) 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>

**VP9, BERMUDA** Paul, VP9KF will be active from Baileys Bay with only a focus on JA and Far East on all bands. QSL via home call. <https://vp9kf.com/>

**VU4, ANDAMAN ISL** The World DXpedition team will be operating during November 2027 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 Snavelly; KD0IVB, Emily Snavelly; K1LZ, Krassy Petkov; VU2RS, Sarath Rayaprollu; and N4VGE, Van Herridge Organizer. Team support members are XYL Judi Savacool and XYL Vicki Herridge is QRV with 5 stations 24/7. [Andaman - World DXpeditions](#)

**ZK3, TOKELAU** The Perseverance DX Group will be QRV from Tokelau. The permission for entering the island is already OK. Plan is to be active in November 2026. Team members include: Rob N7QT, Gene K5GS, Steve W1SRD, Glenn KE4KY, Dave K3EL, Dave WD5COV, Robin WA7CPA, Brian N9ADG, Jackie ZL3CW, Francesco IK0FVC, Laci HA0NAR, Violetta KN2P and Jack N7JP. More to follow.

### Guess the QSL



## IOTA

### THE REMINDERS

#### ASIA

##### **Arctic Legends Dxpediton**

**AS-050 Isachenko Isl** July 23-26 as RI0BI

**AS-055 Vize Isl** July 12-16 as RI0BW

**AS-057 Ugedineniya Isl** July 18-21 as RI0BU

**EU-160 Chaichiy Isl** July 4-7 as RI1PC

A team with UA9KDF, R3CN, RA8CV, UA6EX, UA1QV and R8KAM will be operating from 40 to 10 metres using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via OQRS Club Log, LoTW. <https://www.rt9k-club.ru/en/index.html#hero>

**AS-127 Kutubdia Isl** Look for team S21DX sometime during November 2026. 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 QO-100. QSL via EB7DX, LoTW.

## **EUROPE**

**EU-017 Stromboli** Look for Angelo IK8VRQ and Gino IK8QQM during June 6-8 as call/ID9. Operation on HF and 6 metres QRP. *'If the weather and the activities of the volcano allow, we will also carry out a short POTA activation from IT-0289 park.'*

**EU-104 Sanguinaires Isl** Antoine F5RAB and Gil F4FET will be QRV as TK5SI during July 20-21. This will be a micro-expedition for 2 days during daytime. QSL via F8GGV, LoTW and Club Log.

## **NORTH AMERICA**

**NA-178 California State Centre (Sonoma to Santa Cruz County) group**

**NA-187 California State Centre (Monterey / San Luis Obispo County) group**

Rick, K6VVA has plans to activate these islands sometime in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of 2026. More to follow.

**NA-249 Vieques Isl** A team will be active as KP3RE sometime February 2027. More to follow.

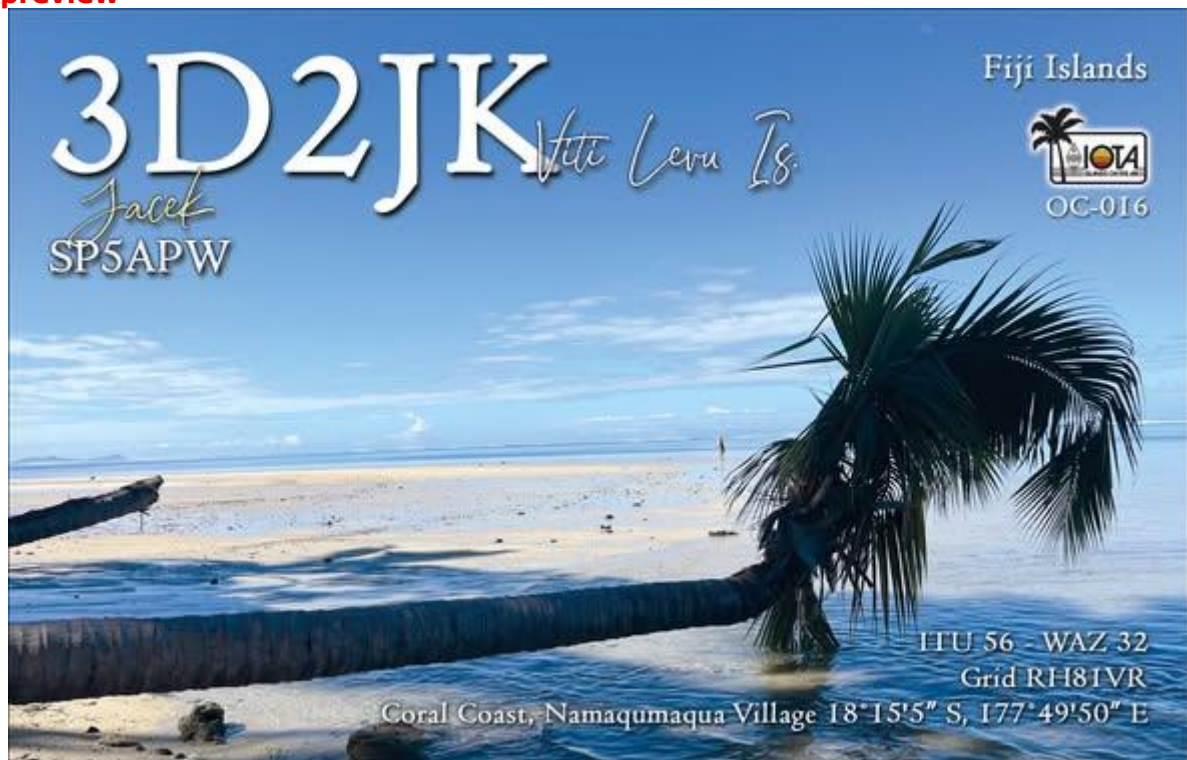
## **OCEANIA**

**OC-066 Rangiroa Atoll** Haru, JA1XGI will be operating as TX9XG (dates to follow). Activity from 40 to 10 metres using CW, SSB and digi with an IC-7300MK2 and multiband antennas. QSL via home call, OQRS.

## **SOUTH AMERICA**

**SA-019 Abrolhos Isl** Renato, PY8WW informs: *we are currently coordinating with the Brazilian Navy, there is a strong possibility that a Brazilian team will be active from Abrolhos Island, SA-019, later this year, possibly in November. More details regarding callsigns, bands, and modes will be shared as soon as the plans are finalized. Stay tuned for updates, and we hope to work many of you from this beautiful IOTA location!*

## **QSL preview**



## Special calls THE NEWCOMERS

### World Cup 2026 Special events

Amateur radio operators across USA, Canada and Mexico host cities are activating special call signs to celebrate this summer's 2026 World Soccer Tournament. Operate VHF, UHF, and HF, analogue and digital with and let's make this a fun event! With 16 cities participating you have 16 wonderful QSL cards to collect!

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**SV, GREECE** Celebrating "243 Years of Human Flight", the special call sign **SX1FLY** honours the Montgolfier brothers, who achieved the world's first free, manned hot air balloon flight in 1783. Look for activity on all bands and modes between 1 and 31 May. Paper QSLs will not be provided, but QSOs will be uploaded to eQSL, LoTW and other electronic resources, and a certificate will be available (details on <https://www.qrz.com/db/SX1FLY>). (TNX 425DX)

**VE, CANADA** Special event stations **VB3COPS** and **VB3EMS** will be active during the National Police Week (10-16 May) and the National Emergency Medical Services Week (17-23 May), respectively. Activity will be on 80-10 metres SSB, and maybe digital. QSLs via eQSL, or direct to VE3K GK. (TNX 425DX)

### QSL preview



## THE REMINDERS

**9A, CROATIA** Throughout 2026, Tom, 9A2AA will use **9A69AA** to mark his 69 years of activity on the amateur radio bands. QSL via home call. (TNX 425DX)

**9A, CROATIA** **9A10SOTA** is the special call sign celebrating ten years of SOTA Croatia. Look for activity until 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)

**9A, CROATIA** To celebrate their 15th anniversary, members of the Croatian Flora Fauna ARC (9A1WFF) are active as **9A44FF** and **9A44FF/p** until end 2026. See <https://www.qrz.com/db/9A44FF> for information about the Anniversary Award. (TNX 425DX)

**A6, UAE** The Emirates Amateur Radio Society participates in the "Proud of UAE" campaign, the nationwide initiative celebrating the country's progress and identity. Look for **A60PE** (individual operators may append a serial number to the special call sign: **A60PE/0, A60PE/1, etc.**) to be used through 31 May. See <https://www.qrz.com/db/A60PE> for the QSL routes. (TNX 425DX)

**DL, GERMANY** The special event station **DA100LENZ** (special DOK SL100) celebrates the 100th anniversary of the German author Siegfried Lenz until the end of August. QSLs will be sent out automatically via the bureau. (TNX DXNL)

**DL, GERMANY** During 2026, the following special event stations celebrate 100 years of the German aviation company Lufthansa: **DA100LH, DL100LH** and **DK100LH** (special DOK

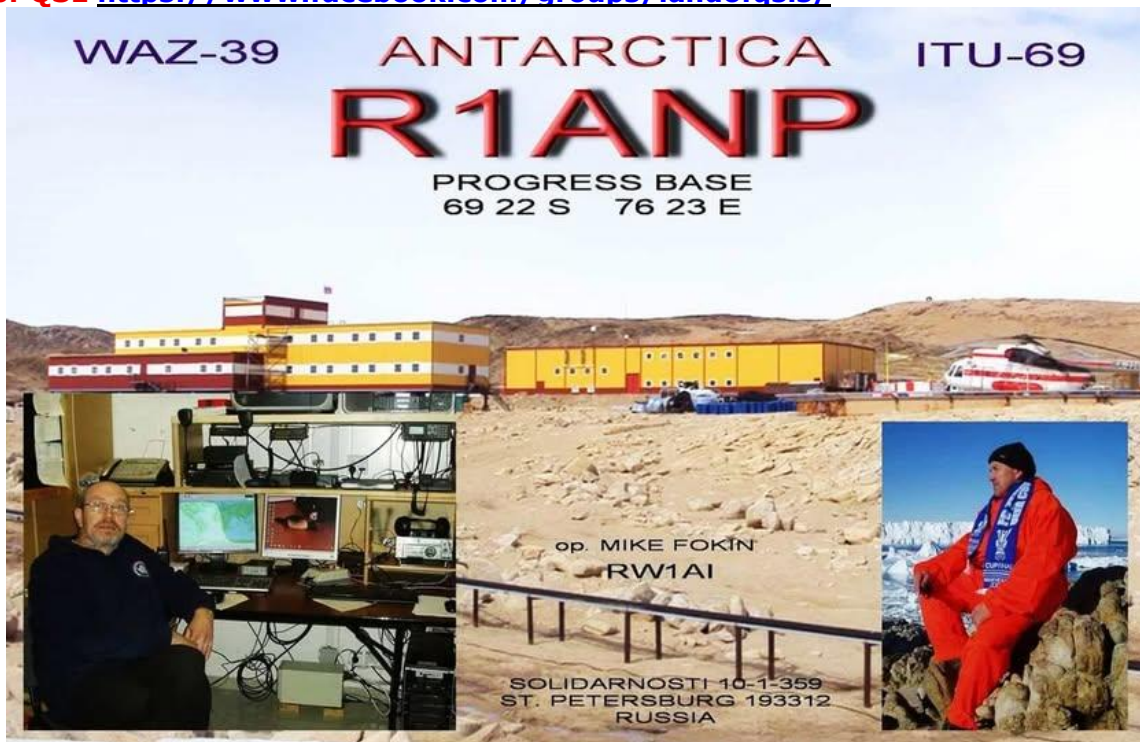
100DLH). QSL via DK5ON (d/B). (TNX DXNL)

**DL, GERMANY** The special event stations **DA100TV** and **DL100TV** (special DOK 100TV) celebrate 10 years of television in Germany during 2026. QSL via DK5ON (d/B). (TNX DXNL)

**DL, GERMANY** The special callsign **DB100FT** will be active throughout 2026 to celebrate the centenary of the Berlin Radio Tower (Funkturn), one of the city's most iconic landmarks. The 150-metre-high steel lattice tower occupies a prominent place in the history of radio broadcasting in Germany, as it was used to broadcast transmissions starting in 1926. QSL via the bureau, or direct to DO2PZ. (TNX 425DX)

**DL, GERMANY** DARC Team SES will be active as **DL25WIKI** throughout 2026. The special callsign celebrates the 25th anniversary of Wikipedia, The Free Encyclopedia, founded in January 2001: "the station reflects the spirit of free knowledge and international collaboration within the amateur radio community. Wikipedia and amateur radio share common values: openness, education, technical enthusiasm, and world-wide networking". QSL cards will be sent automatically via the bureau; QSOs will also be uploaded to LoTW and the DCL (DARC Community Logbook) (TNX 425DX)

**Land of QSL** <https://www.facebook.com/groups/landofqsl/>



**DL, GERMANY** **DQ30GDXF** is the special callsign celebrating the 30th anniversary of the German DX Foundation (<https://www.gdx.de/>) during 2026. QSL via Club Log's OQRS and LoTW. (TNX 425DX)

**DL, GERMANY** **DR170TESLA** is the special callsign for members of DARC's Ortsverband Mainz (DL0MZ) to celebrate the 170th anniversary of the birth of Nikola Tesla between 1 May and 31 December. QSL via Club Log's OQRS (preferred), or via DK8ZZ. (TNX 425DX)

**DL, GERMANY** **DM50GFS** (special DOK 50GFS) commemorates the opening of the first German Antarctic station (Georg Forster) by the German Democratic Republic (GDR) in 1976. QRV from April to the end of July on HF, VHF and via QO-100. QSL via DK5ON (d/B), DCL, LoTW. (TNX DXNL)

**DL, GERMANY** **DA200GVN** (special DOK 200GVN) celebrates the 200th anniversary of the polar explorer Georg von Neumayer from April until the end of July on HF, VHF and via QO-100. QSL via DK5ON (d/B), DCL, LoTW. (TNX DXNL)

**F, FRANCE** The radio club APRA Wingles (Pas de Calais) celebrates France's second female astronaut Sophie Adenot (KJ5LTN) with the callsign **TM62SA** until June. (TNX DXNL)

**F, FRANCE** The radio club Rambouillet F6KKR celebrates its 50th anniversary with the callsign **TM50KKR** from March until June (Saturdays only). (TNX DXNL)

**F, FRANCE** On 27 March 1899, Guglielmo Marconi achieved the first international wireless

transmission, sending Morse code signals between Wimereux (near Boulogne-sur-Mer), France, and the South Foreland Lighthouse in Dover, England. Commemorating this milestone in the history of telecommunications, the special event station **TMSDW** will be sporadically active until June. QSL via Club Log's . (TNX 425DX)

**G, ENGLAND GB50PUNK** is a special callsign for David, G3SKA "and team" to use at various times during 2026 to celebrate 50 years of punk rock music. QSOs will be uploaded to Club Log and eQSL; QSL via the bureau or direct. Updates will be posted to <https://www.facebook.com/61585208894891>. (TNX 425DX)

**On the scene...HK4/PY8WW Tutumate Island SA-093**



**I, ITALY** Commemorating the centenary of the Amundsen-Ellsworth-Nobile Trans- polar Flight, members of ARI Colli Albani will operate under the special callsign **IIONRG** between 12 May and 31 July. The suffix stands for "Norge", the Italian-built airship that achieved the first verified journey to the North Pole (11-14 May 1926) and completed the first flight across the polar ice cap from Europe to America. QSL via I0KNQ. A certificate will be available, details will be published on QRZ. (TNX 425DX)

**I, ITALY** The ARI "COLLI ALBANI" section will activate a commemorative station that will remain operational until July 31, 2026, with the call **IIONRG**. The event celebrates the first overflight of the North Pole, completed 100 years ago, by the airship "NORGE" UNDER THE COMMAND OF COLONEL UMBERTO NOBILE. This station will operate under the patronage of the municipality of Ciampino (Rome), from whose airport the "NORGE" airship took off, and of the Air Force Association. The station will operate in the HF range (and, where possible, also on QO100). The activity will continue until July 31, 2026, and for the occasion, an electronic "AWARD" and special eQSLs will be established. In addition, special QSL cards in paper form will be available upon request. The AWARD rules can be found on the QRZ.com page under the callsign IIONRG and on the diplomradio.com website.

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**I, ITALY** Throughout 2026, ARI Fidenza (IQ4FE), with the patronage and historical supervision of the Guglielmo Marconi Foundation, will use a series of special callsigns, each representing one of the "key figures who played a fundamental role in Marconi's personal and emotional, educational and cultural, academic, scientific and, finally, entrepreneurial development": II4ROSA (May), II4PRCE (June), II4JAFL (July), II4KEMP (August), II4PAGE (September), II4NTTI (October), II4GCLB (November), II4SLRI (December). QSL via LoTW, or direct only to IQ4FE. Complete information about the "Marconi Supporters" award: <http://www.arifidenza.it/> (TNX 425DX)

**JA, JAPAN 8J70JARE** is a special callsign celebrating the 70th anniversary of the Japanese Antarctic Research Expedition, which on 29 January 1957 established Syowa Station on East Ongul Island. The special callsign will be in use from various locations across Japan between 22 May 2026 and 29 January 2027. QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau; direct cards should be sent to JG2MLI. (TNX 425DX)

**LZ, BULGARIA** The foundations of Bulgaria's organized amateur radio movement were laid in 1926, when 38 enthusiasts established the Bulgarian Radio Club - a predecessor to today's Bulgarian Federation of Radio Amateurs (BFRA). Celebrating this centenary, members of the BFRA will be active as **LZ100LZ** on 160-10 metres CW, SSB and digital modes between 1 and 31 May.

See <https://lzprint.eu/lz100lz-award/> for the certificates. (TNX 425DX)

**LZ, BULGARIA** Radio Club Blagovestnik (LZ1KCP) will use six special callsigns during 2026 to honour as many different Orthodox saints: **LZ370TL** (May and June), LZ67PP (July and August), LZ936BA (September and October), LZ911TD (November and December). QSL via the bureau or direct to P.O. Box 36, 4300 Karlovo, Bulgaria. Details on the "All Saints 2026 Award" can be found at <https://www.lz1kcp.com/> (TNX 425DX)

**LZ, BULGARIA** **LZ75HSC** is the special callsign for Bulgarian HSC members to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the Radio Telegraphy Highspeed Club (HSC) until the end of the year. QSL via LZ2JE. The club was founded in 1951 as a community within the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club (DARC). To date, membership has grown to include over 1,400 operators spanning every continent: <http://www.highspeedclub.org> (TNX 425DX)

**ON, BELGIUM** **OT26EPIC** is the special callsign for the Antwerp Port Contest Club (ON8APC) to promote this year's edition of the Antwerp Port Epic cycling race. Look for activity between 25 April and 25 May (the actual day the race will be held on). QSL via ON8JJ. (TNX 425DX)

**PA, THE NETHERLANDS** **PG75HSC** is the special callsign for Theo, PA3HEN to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the Radio Telegraphy Highspeed Club (HSC) until the end of the year. QSL via home call, and LoTW. Also joining the celebrations is Artur, SP3LPR as 3Z75HSC (QSL via home call, direct or bureau). The club was founded in 1951 as a community within the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club (DARC). To date, membership has grown to include 1400+ operators all over the world: <http://www.highspeedclub.org> (TNX 425DX)

**PA, THE NETHERLANDS** Look for **PA40AC**, the historical minesweeper Hr.MS. Abraham Crijnssen during the Museum Ship Weekend 2026 on June 6-7. Operation on HF using CW, SSB and FT8.

**SP, POLAND** The Dobrzycki Amateur Radio Club (SP3PDO) will use twelve special callsigns during 2026 to honour as many different Polish saints: **SP1920KW** (May), **SP1373JA** (June), **SP1183JO** (July), **SP1905MFK** (August), **SP1373AB** (September), **SP1550SK** (October), **SP1234KK** (November) and **SP1835JK** (December). QSLs via SP3PDO. See <https://radioawards.club/ses/155> for the certificates. (TNX 425DX)

**SV, GREECE** **SZ40A** is the special callsign for the Radio Amateur Association of Western Greece (SZ1A) to celebrate "forty years of continuous presence, service, and contribution to amateur radio". Look for activity across multiple HF bands and modes from 1 March to 31 May. QSL via ON3UN. See <https://awards.sz1a.org> for the award programme. (TNX 425DX)

**UR, UKRAINE** To celebrate his 50th anniversary in amateur radio, Nick, US8AR will be active throughout 2026 using the special callsign **EM50AR**. Electronic QSL cards can be downloaded from <https://em50ar.pp.ua> (TNX 425DX)

**VK, AUSTRALIA** **AX120AAC** celebrates the 120th anniversary of the Australian Army Cadets (AAC) during 2026. (TNX DXNL)

**YO, ROMANIA** **YR100RC** is the special callsign celebrating the centenary of Radioclubul Craiova (18 March 1926), Romania's first amateur radio club. Look for activity between 16 March and 30 September. A certificate will be available on <https://hamlog.online/club/romania/1786/>. (TNX 425DX)

**YU, SERBIA** To commemorate the 170th anniversary of Nikola Tesla's birth, members of the Amateur Radio Union of Serbia (YU0SRS) are active as **YT170TESLA** until end 2026. QSL via LoTW; paper QSL cards will not be available. (TNX 425DX)

**YU, SERBIA** The special event callsign **YU65AEC** celebrates the 65th anniversary of the first radio club in Odzaci throughout 2026. (TNX DXNL)

**YU, SERBIA** The radio club Mihajlo Pupin YU7BCD in Pancevo celebrates its 45<sup>th</sup> anniversary during 2026 with the callsign **YU45MJA**. QSL via LoTW. (TNX DXNL)

**ZL, NEW ZEALAND** **ZL100AA** is the special callsign celebrating the centenary of the Auckland Amateur Radio Club (ZL1AA), which was formed alongside and as a branch to the New Zealand Association of Radio Transmitters (NZART) (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)

**ZL, NEW ZEALAND** The New Zealand Association of Radio Transmitters (NZART) was founded in Auckland in 1926. To celebrate their centenary, NZART members are encouraged to use the **ZM** prefix during the 2026 year. (TNX 425DX)

## Hamvention DX Forum 2026

# Dayton Hamvention<sup>®</sup>



**The DX Forum** at the 2026 Dayton Hamvention promises a compelling and thought-provoking lineup for amateur radio operators with a passion for DXing. Moderated by Brian Bathe, AD8FD, and sponsored by the SouthWest Ohio DX Association, the forum will showcase world-class DXpeditions, innovative operating techniques, and hard-earned lessons from challenging environments.

This year's DX Forum features three in-depth presentations that span the extremes of modern DXing, from the most remote islands on Earth to fully remote, solar-powered operations and real-world lessons learned when conditions do not go as planned.

**3Y0K Bouvet Island: The Second Time Around. Presented by Dennis Ward, KT8X, and Bob Ronk, W9AP**

Returning to Bouvet Island after the limited 3Y0J activation, the 3Y0K team set out to deliver the level of operation the DX community had hoped for. This presentation offers a behind-the-scenes look at the immense planning, logistics, weather challenges, and equipment hurdles involved in mounting a second activation of one of the rarest and most difficult DXCC entities.

**Desecheo 2026 DXpedition: The First All Solar Powered Unattended DXpedition in History. Presented by Otis Vicens, NP4G, and Ez Prado, HI3R.**

This groundbreaking presentation details the KP5 Desecheo operation, which brought the island back on the air using a fully remote, solar-powered platform. Operating unattended for more than 40 days and logging over 100,000 QSOs, the team relied on advanced power management, propagation planning, and multistream FT8 to maximize results while conserving energy. Attendees will gain insight into the technical, logistical, and personal challenges of running a world-class DXpedition remotely.

**Failures and Lessons Learned from DXing in Adverse Conditions. Presented by Paul Ewing, N6PSE.**

Not every DXpedition follows the plan. Paul Ewing shares candid stories of operations impacted by weather, equipment failures, logistics breakdowns, and human factors. This session focuses on what went wrong, what was learned, and how those experiences can help future DXpeditions better prepare for the unexpected.

Tickets are going fast, so don't wait too long. Go now to <https://swodxaevents.org/dinner-tickets/> to secure a seat.