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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 10th-August, through Sunday, 17th-August there were 205 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 3X, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C5, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PY, PZ, S0, S5, S7, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T32, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TL, TT, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9L, VP2E, VP2M, VP5, VP8, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

\* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later".

4W, TIMOR-LESTE. Randy, W5UE, reported on Sunday that James Brooks, 9V1YC/N1YC, is now active as 4W/N1YC from East Timor for the next 10 days. Activity (as of Sunday) has been on 17 and 12 meters CW. Randy states that he will be handling Jame's QSLs, and Randy should have daily log updates on his log search/OQRS page at:

<http://w5ue.net/qs1-w5ue-logsrch.html>

So, QSL 4W/N1YC via W5UE or LoTW.

LAST MINUTE ADDITION: "The Daily DX" reported early Sunday morning that Wilbert, PE7T, is with James and has been active as 4W/PE7T. OPDX has seen QSNs on 17 and 15 meters CW. The report states that PE7T will be there until August 26th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL 4W/PE7T via the Bureau to his home callsign or by LoTW.

6W, SENEGAL. Sigi, DL7DF, will be on holiday with his XYL Sabine in Senegal between November 1-13th. He will operate as DL7DF/6W on all bands from 160-10 meters using CW, SBB, RTTY, PSK31 and SSTV as often as possible. The location is Somone at the coastline of Senegal near Dakar. He states, "But please do not forget. This time I'm on vacation with a little bit

Ham Radio." QSL via DL7DF, direct or by the DARC Bureau. For more info and updates, see: <http://www.dl7df.com/6w/index.html>

9A, CROATIA (9AFF and 6m Op). Zrinko (Zik), DK8ZZ, will once again be active as 9A/VE3ZIK from Croatia between August 19th and September 5th. Look for him and Ivo, 9A1AA, between August 19-22nd, to activate 10 9AFF references:

August 19th - 9AFF-068 (Pantan), 9AFF-066 (Vrlička) and an evening activity from 9AFF-009 (Biokovo) (with sleeping facility on Biokovo).

August 20th - Neretva Delta River: 9AFF-037 (Pod Gredom), 9AFF-038 (Orepak) and 9AFF-039 (Prud).

August 21st - Island Pag: 9AFF-073 (Kolansko blato), 9AFF-074 (Veliko i Malo blato) and 9AFF-075 (Dubrava - Hanzine).

August 22nd - National Park Krka 9AFF-003.

After the 9AFF activity, Zik will be active mostly on 6 meters from a semi-rare field JN73ws. QSL 9A/VE3ZIK via DK8ZZ; DARC Bureau 100%. QSL 9A1AA/p via 9A1AA by the Bureau.

A2, BOTSWANA (C9 Canceled). Frosty, K5LBU, has announced that the planned trip to Mozambique (C9) by Arnold, WB6OJB, and him has been canceled due to medical problems with Arnold. However, Frosty will be going to Botswana (A2) in early September and is looking for operators for a 4-7 days trip. If you are interested, contact him ASAP via E-mail at: [3da0cf@gmail.com](mailto:3da0cf@gmail.com)

A5, BHUTAN. Pekka, OH2YY (A52YY), reports to OPDX [edited]: "I will be returning to Bhutan late September this year. I have applied for the same callsign, A52YY, that I used last year. I will arrive in Paro late afternoon on Sept. 26th, and will depart on the morning of Oct. 2nd. I will be staying close to city of Paro. This time I have nothing else to do and I can focus 100% on operating amateur radio! The QTH will be up on a hill facing to north giving a good take off to North America, most of South America, northern Asia, Middle-East and whole Europe should be good. I will have a K3 + KPA500, a 2-el tribander, 7m telescope mast and dipoles for 24, 18 and 7 MHz and two 10-12m fiberglass poles. I will have everyday 28, 21 and 14 MHz available and at least one (hopefully two) of the dipoles. I will be operating SSB. I try to start on Sept. 26th with one of the dipoles. From 27th onwards I will have the yagi up. On Oct. 2nd I will have an early morning flight and need to go QRT sometime during the night. I have not yet checked the weight of my stuff, but I know it will be very much up to the limit (more than I ever had before!). So, this is the plan at the moment and if I have to deviate from it, I'll let you know. Looking for nice pile-ups and hope to be able to give out a new one or at least a new band to many of you. QSL checking will be here (QRZ.com) and on LoTW. QSL cards directly to my home address or via SRAL QSL Bureau."

B4, China (Special Event). Look for special event station B4YOG to be active until August 28th. Activity is to celebrate the 2nd Youth Olympic Games in Nanjing (August 16-28th). Operations have been on 40/30/20/15/10 meters using CW, SSB and PSK. QSL via BD4WO, direct or by the Bureau. For more details, see: <http://www.jsroa.org/index.php?app=b4yog>

D4, CAPE VERDE. Fran, EA7FTR, will be active as D44KS from Boa Vista between September 5th and October 10th. Activity will be limited to his spare time (job commitments) on 40-6 meters using SSB and RTTY. QSL via EB7DX.

DXCC NEWS. The July 2014 DX Advisory Committee Report (Doc #27), which was submitted by Arne Gjerner, N7KA, Chairman of the DX Advisory Committee (DXAC), to the ARRL Board of Directors (BOD) and Program and Services Committee (PSC), is now made public and contains some interesting subjects:

Remote stations - The DXAC favored the proposed change of rule I.9,

stating, however, some distance limitation should be included for the remote station. Using an idea similar to that used for contest stations, establishing a distance of 200km separation between the remote station and the operator's home station location and that no part of a remote station can be located more than 200km from any other part.

Entity Criteria - The DXAC proposes that NO Change be made to the entity criteria at this time and any efforts presently in process for any entity to gain membership in the UN or the ITU be allowed to take its due course. This vote does not indicate a failure of the DXAC to reach a consensus. It does, however, represent the divided opinion of the DX community on this subject.

For the complete report, go to:

[http://www.arrl.org/files/file/About%20ARRL/Committee%20Reports/2014/July/Doc\\_27.pdf](http://www.arrl.org/files/file/About%20ARRL/Committee%20Reports/2014/July/Doc_27.pdf)

E6, NIUE. Maurice, ZL2MF (aka G3ZXD), will be active as E6MF from Niue between September 2-9th. Activity will be on 40/20/15/10/6 meters, but mainly on 20 and 6 meters SSB. Look for him in the All Asian DX SSB Contest (September 6-7th). QSL via ZL2MF, direct or by the Bureau.

GOLIST BUSINESS DECISION. For years, the DXer's number one tool for QSL information has been John Shelton's, K1XN, "GoList". The following was announced by John this past week (August 12th): "Hi Folks, -- As you know, I have been having sight problems with the only eye that I have remaining. It is taking much longer this time to recover from this episode. In considering my health issues, I needed to and did make a business decision today. It was a very hard one to make.

As of today, the GOLIST is going 'FREE'.

I will continue to upload to the download page, the weekly data file and DX Alert. The download page will still require an access code. I will continue to sell the 'WIN EQF\*' Logging software, the RAC Flying Horse Call Book CD.

I will accept donations via PayPal to help keep the web site up and running. A PayPal Donation button will be added to the Order page and Download page. A donation is appreciated but not mandatory.

You folks have supported Golist for many years and I appreciate that very much. That is what made this decision so hard. You guys are special and I wanted you to hear of the business change direct from me first.

You now have access to GoData files for as long as I am able to produce them. The password you now use will remain active unless you ask me to change it.

Thank you again for your support for all these years -- John K1XN"  
COMMENT FROM EDITOR (KB8NW): I want to thank John for his many years of service. I remember when the GoList was just a newspaper (I still have many issues saved) and it was about the only available source of QSL info for DXers world-wide until the InterNet became popular. Then John switched to an online service/Website <<http://golist.net/>> which provides the DXers with a much more detailed QSL and DX info. Again, thanks, John, for your services, and I am sure many DXers (and myself) wish you well and quick recovery.

ILLW STATIONS. The following is a list of stations that were expected to be in this past weekend's International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend (August 15-17th) <See: <http://www.illw.net/>>:

4S7LGT - Point Pedro Lighthouse; operators are members of the Radio Society of Sri Lanka; first time activate in the history of Amateur Radio in Sri Lanka (Ceylon); activity will be on CW and SSB. QSL via: P.O. Box 907, Colombo, Sri Lanka.

AO8LH - Punta de Arinaga Lighthouse; References numbers (ILLW: ES040 & ES041, DME:35002, DIE:S-005, FEA:D2812, WLOTA0969, ARLHS: CAI062 & CAI-024, WFF: EAFF-078, DAV: AI-036, IOTA: AF004,

WLOL: SPA-191); operated by the URE Las Palmas Grupo DX (EA8URL) on Gran Canaria; QSL via EA8AKN and LoTW. Promotional video: <http://youtu.be/yU1VLR-Xx7M>

PT7ZT/p - Morro Branco Lighthouse from Ceará in Brazil; References numbers (ILLW BR-008, ARLHS BRA-260, DFB EC-011, DFCE EC-011, DMB Beberibe, Grid Locat. HI-05 ); 80/40/20/17/15/12/10m; QSL via home callsign (see QRZ.com).

T42R - \*Castillo del Morro Lighthouse; References number ILLW CU0003

T45FM - \*Punta Maya; References number ILLW CU0005

T47LH - \*Cayo Sabinal, Camaguey; References number ILLW CU0007 (New, IOTA NA-015)

T48FL - \*Punta Lucrecia, Holguin; References number ILLW CU0006 (New)

T48FM - \*Punta Maisí; References number ILLW CU0001

T48SC - \*Castillo del Morro, Santiago; References number ILLW CU0004

\* Operations from Cuba LH will be mainly on HF and 2m; almost all stations plan to work SSB/CW/DIGI on HF. QSL via info on QRZ.com.

TC1LHW - Istanbul Terkos Karaburun Lighthouse; TCSWAT operators TA1FR and TA1HZ; References number TR0002; QSL cards for all QSOs will be sent out later 100% via the Bureaus.

TC6LHW - Samsun Bafra Lighthouse; TCSWAT operators TA7EB, TA2RX, TA7AOF and TA7AZC; References number TR????; QSL cards for all QSOs will be sent out later 100% via the Bureaus.

#### IOTA NEWS.....

AS-117. Kenji JA4GXS, will be active as JA4GXS/4 from Kasado Island (Yamaguchi Prefecture) between August 23-24th. Activity will be on 40/30/20/17/15 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via JA4GXS, direct or by the Bureau.

AS-200. Kenji, JA4GXS, will be active as JA4GXS/5 from Shodo Island (Kagawa Prefecture) between September 13-15th. Activity will be on 40-17 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via JA4GXS, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-045. Alessio, IZ0CKJ, will be active as IB0/IZ0CKJ from Palmarola Island until August 31st. Activity will be on 40/20/15 meters during his daytime and mainly on SSB. Listen for his QSL instructions.

EU-082. Operators Pavel/R2DX, Eugene/RW3FB, Misha/RW3FS, Dmitry/RZ3DJ and Yan/RZ3FW will be active as RK3DZJ/1 from Kildin Island (RR 03-03, RLHA RLE-132, ARLHS ERU-042, WLOTA LH-1196) between August 21-27th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via RK3DZJ.

EU-109. Operators Nobby/G0VJG, Dave/EI9FBB, Richard/G7GLW and Charles/M0OXO will be active possibly as M0UKI/p from Farne Islands between September 6-7th. From the M0OXO Web page: "This short operation may also include participation in the SSB Field Day contest. The team is aiming for Longstone Island, dependent on weather, (keep an eye on QRZ.com links for updates). They will be using multi-band Dipoles & vertical antennas and hope to give this IOTA to as many chasers as possible in the short time frame." QSL via M0OXO, by the OQRS for direct and Bureau. Bureau cards MUST be requested via OQRS only. Do not send via the RSGB Bureau, they may not receive them.

EU-110. Members of the Verona DX Team Group will be active as 9A/IQ3VO from Porer Rock (IOCA CI-090, MIA MC-313) between September 18-21st. Operators mentioned are Walter/I3VJW, Ampelio/IK3JBP, Mauro/IK3SCB, Flavio/I3JRF, Marco/IW3ICK, Roberto/IZ3JKI, Cale/

IW3ILP and Luca/IU3BXI. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, JT65A and PSK31, with two stations on the air. They also plan to be active with one station on 6 meters (WW Loc. JN64WS) using CW, SSB, MS, JT65A and EME. For EME and MS operations, skeds can be made through the ON4KST's Chat Web site. This operation will also count for the Porer Lighthouse (CLHA CLH-111, ARLHS CRO-014, WLOTA 0240). QSL via IQ3VO, the ARI Bureau is preferred. For more information and updates, see: [http://www.ari.verona.it/forumnew/topic.asp?TOPIC\\_ID=3569](http://www.ari.verona.it/forumnew/topic.asp?TOPIC_ID=3569)

EU-171. A group of German operators will be active as 5Q7Y from Jegindø Island between August 30th and September 6th. Operators mentioned are Heinz/DC5WW, Max/DF2MX, Robert/DK2RO, Anton/DL8AW and Thilo/DL9NB. Activity will be on 160-6 meters. QSL via DL8AW. For OQRS requests, pictures and more information, visit the Web site at: <http://www.5Q7Y.de>

EU-191. (NEW) Members of the Romanian Radio Club Association (ARR) will activate Fericii Island for the first time as YP0F between August 22nd and September 30th. The group's plan is to have several expeditions to this non-inhabited island of cormorants, black pelicans, scrapping gullping, egrets and gray herons. Operators mentioned are Dan/YO9FNP, Daniel/YO3GA and Petrica/YO9RIJ. Activity will be on the HF bands (which the IOTA frequencies). QSL via YO9FNP.

OC-173. (Update) Craig, VK5CE, will be active as VK5CE/8 from Bathurst Island between August 26-29th. Activity will be on the HF bands, but with a focus on 20m and 15m with 400 watts. Craig adds, "I'll also spend a little time on 12m SSB/digital and 30m digital." See Blog page below to see schedule operating times and frequencies. He is looking for funds to help off-set the cost. QSL via his home callsign. He does use ClubLog. For more details and updates, visit his Blog page at: <http://oc173.blogspot.com.au>

OC-222. Operators Imam/YB4IR and Din/YB8RW will be active as YB4IR/8 and YB8RW/P, respectively, from Obi Island between September 7-13th. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL YB4IR/8 via LoTW or the OQRS. QSL YB8RW/p via YB9BU.

SA-086. (Update) The Chilean team, who was expected to be active as XR2T from Damas Island (WLOTA-0029) between April 16-20th, has now announced they will be active sometime around October 6-12th. Operators mentioned are:  
CW - Nicolas/XQ1KZ, Carlos/XQ1CR, Dercel/CE3KHZ, Alfredo/XQ3WD and Danilo/XQ4CW  
SSB/RTTY - Marco/CE1TBN, Jose/CE1KR, Domingo/CE1DY, Pablo/CE1UMY, Claudio/XQ1FM, Mauricio/CE2WUI, Julio/CE3OP, Juan/CE3RBJ, Sergio/CE3WDH, Chris/CE3TAM, Juan/CE3RBJ, Rodrigo/CE4KCA and Juan/CE5PHI

Their main aim of this DXpedition will be to work the greatest possible number of unique callsign, thus offering a possibility to Little Pistols and QRP stations. Activity will be on all bands using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via XQ4CW.

J3, GRENADA. Harry, AC8G, (and possibly others) will be active as J37K from Saint Georges between October 24-26th. Activity will include the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 25-26th), signing J3A and as a Single-Op/High-Power entry (unless others join). QSL J37K via AC8G and J3A via WA1S.

J7, DOMINICA. Operators Janusz/SP9FIH and Kazik/SP6AXW will be active as J79L and J79\*(still pending), respectively, close to the village of Calibishie (NA-101, WW. Loc. FK95HO) between October 19-26th. Their main goal is to participate in CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 25-26th) as two Single-Op/Single-Band stations (one on 40m and the other on a higher band) and to work as many stations as possible from Asia before the contest. Outside of the contest, activity will be on 80-6 meters. QSL J79L via SP9FIH. QSL route for Kazik is pending at this time. For more details and updates, see: <http://www.j7.dxpedititions.org>

JW, SVALBARD. Pete, SQ9DIE, will be active as JW/SQ9DIE from the JW5E Club Station at Longyearbyen on Spitsbergen Island (EU-026, WLOTA 0125) between August 22-25th. Activity will be holiday style on 40-6 meters using SSB and RTTY. QSL via his home callsign. For more details about JW5E station, visit: <http://jw5e.com>

KH6, HAWAII. Jim, N6TJ, will be active as KH6LC from Lloyd's, KH6LC, QTH at Keaau during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 25-26th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via LoTW, or direct to WA6WPG.

LX, LUXEMBOURG. Operators Ronald/PA3EWP, Alex/PA1AW, Jo/PA9JO and Roberto/PB5X will be active as LX/homecall from Ranch Moot, Wiltz, between September 10-17th. Activity will be on all bands, 80-10 meters, using all modes. They will have four stations. QSL via PA1AW. The log will be on LoTW and an OQRS (from ClubLog) will be available. For more details and updates, see: <http://www.lldxt.nl>

PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (August 17-23rd)....

Aug/17th AN    Aug/20th AN    Aug/22nd AN  
 Aug/18th AN    Aug/21st AN    Aug/23rd AN  
 Aug/19th AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

NORMALITY	GEOMAG	K Values	Alpha
AN - Above Normal	Quiet	K=0-1	0-7
HN - High Normal	Unsettled	K=2	8-15
LN - Low Normal	Active	K=3	16-29
BN - Below Normal	Minor Storm	K=4	30-49
DIS - Disturbed	Major Storm	K=5	50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed	Severe Storm	K=6-9	100-400

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....

QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (August 13th)

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 3A/ON7EQ via ON7EQ    HP1RN via IZ8CLM    SV8/PD0ARI via PD0ARI  
 9H/OP4F via ON4AEF    ID9/IT9LKX via IT9LKX    TA7AZC via TA1HZ  
 AI4OW/KH6 via DF3MC    K0M via W0VLZ    TC2C via TA1HZ  
 AM08ZS via EA8ZS    KC4AAA via K1IED (d)    TK/DL1ASA via DL1ASA  
 CO6CBF via WA5KBH (L)    LI1B via LA1B    UE70KRM/5 via RV1CC  
 CT3AS via DL3BK    MM/DJ1AA via DJ1AA    UE70Y via RW0A  
 DF0WCA via DL5AWI    NP2P via KV4FZ (d)    YL/OK2ZAW via OK2ZAW  
 DQ60WAE via DF1QR    OZ5BD via OZ0J    YO6/DK2ZF via DK2ZF  
 F/IK5DHM/P via IK5DHM    PX2F via PY2PT    YP9W via YO9WF  
 GI5I via GI4DOH    SV8/IZ5EBL via IZ5EBL  
 (e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only  
 (O) OQRS only (C) ClubLog only

HK BUREAU. Rob, HK3CW, LCRA President, reports: "After a few months of interrupted service, the LCRA incoming QSL Bureau has been re-established. A few months ago incoming mail to HK PO Boxes was interrupted due to a change in Colombian post services management and the LCRA mail was

returned to its senders during this time. Fortunately, the LCRA has again managed to reopen its P.O Box with the same number as always.

So keep sending your QSLs to:

Liga Colombiana de Radioaficionados (LCRA)  
P.O. Box 584  
Bogotá, COLOMBIA

OG0X QSLs. The OG0X cards from Juha's, OH6XX, family vacation style DXpedition to Åland Islands in mid-July have been printed, labeled and sent out by Tony, LZ1JZ, from LZ1JZ QSL print. All of the contacts have been automatically confirmed in both regular QSL and in LoTW. There is no need to send your own QSL via the Bureau. Use LoTW and save the paper. If someone wants a direct QSL please send SASE to Timo, OG9X (QRZ.com address).

P5 PIRATE. Ed, 4L4FN, posted the following on QRZ.com, "Some of you may have heard about recent CW activities of P5/4L4FN. Just to let you know: I'm not in P5, currently I'm in Syria and station pretending to be me ☐ simple PIRATE !!! 73 de Ed!"

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 3E100PC, 4S7LXG, 9A7C, BA4TB, DJ8QP, DU3/NOQM, EJ0PL, EJ1Y, HB9MFM, HI3K, JH1GNU, LA1SNA, LW7HA, R1NU/P and ZD8N

QSLs RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 4W/HB9FLX, A65CA, C37ITU, C5II, FT5ZM, JA5QYR, MS0WRC, S01WS, SM/DJ8MS, SV5/G0TSM, TF2CL/5, TJ3TS, TY2BP, XZ1J, XZ1Z, YB0ARA, YL3CW and ZL7AAA

QSLs RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 7K2DTV, 7K3MGL, 7K4QQK, 8J1MTD, 8J110SIT, 8J120TAM/1, 8J3A, 8J5SSS/5, 8N1HQ, 8N5JAZZ, 9H3N, 9M2TO, 9M2/JE1SCJ, DV1/JO7KMB, JD1BOI, JQ2HAP/JD1, KH0WJ, KH0/JA1KGP, KH0/JA0JHQ, NH2KY/KH0, NH2KY, PJ5J, XV9NPS and ZP7/JE1LGY

SE100, SWEDEN (Special Event/IOTA). Several operators from Täby Sändar-amatörer (SK0MT) in collaboration with Södertörns Radioamatörer (SK0QO), RadioScouter in Stockholm (SC0UT), Kvarnberget ARC (SK0UX), SSA Youth Team (SK0YT), Storstockholms Radioamatörer (SK0ZS), FRO Norrtelje (SL0ZG) and FRO Stockholm (SL0ZS) will be active as SE100SAF on August 23rd from Vaxholmen [aka Vaxholms Kastell] (IOTA: EU-084 a part of Vaxholm Fortress, WCA: SM-00186). Activity is to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Coastal Radio SAF. Operation will be on 80-10 meters using CW and SSB. More info is available on QRZ.com. QSL will be sent via Bureau shortly after the activity.

V4, ST. KITTS. John, W5JON/V47JA, informs OPDX that he will once again be active as V47JA from his vacation home in Calypso Bay, St. Kitts (NA-104, WW Loc. FK87SG), located 200 feet from the Caribbean Sea, between September 29th and November 12th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters (incl. 60m) using SSB. He will also be active during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 25-26th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. Equipment is a Kenwood TS-590S and Elecraft KPA500 Amplifier. Antennas include: 31', 10-40m Vertical, and 35', 40/80m Top Loaded Vertical; and newly added, shortened 160m dipole and 3 element Yagi for 6m. Also, XYL Cathy, W5HAM, will occasionally operate as V47HAM. ALL QSLs go to W5JON direct or via LoTW. NO Bureau QSLs.

VU4, ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ISLANDS. Krish, W4VKU, will be leading a team of 10 operators to the Andaman Islands (AS-001) and Nicobar Islands (AS-033) in the month of November. The callsign for both activations will be VU4KV. Initially, a short duration of activity will be carried out from Campbell Bay in the Great Nicobar by few of the team members. This will be followed by a larger activation from Neil Island in the Andamans for at least 10 days. The exact dates will be published once the logistics are in place. Operators mentioned are Krish/W4VKU (VU2VKU), Prasad/VU2PTT,

Pai/VU2PAI, Nandu/VU2NKS, Kumar/VU2BGS, Chetan/VU3DMP, Deepak/VU2CDP, Sangeeth/A45WH (VU2WH), Kiran/VU3KPL and Aravind/VU2ABS. The tentative plans and schedule are as follows:

\* Campbell Bay, Great Nicobar Island - Operation between November 3-13th, and is dependent on boat schedules published only a week ahead of departure. The team will be Krish/W4VKU (VU2VKU), Pai/VU2PAI, and Chetz/VU3DMP. Activity will be focused on limited bands for CW/SSB with QRO and gain antennas. They will have two stations on the air:

Radios: 1x Elecraft K3, 1x Kenwood TS 480  
5 band Hexbeam, vertical for 40/30m  
2x Elecraft KPA-500 amplifiers

\* Neil Island, Andaman -- This will be a bigger operation with 5 QRO stations and 10 operators possibly between November 15-30th. The five stations (4x HF, 1x 6m) will be made-up of Elecraft K3, Kenwood TS-590 and Kenwood TS-480, with 3x Elecraft KPA-500 and 2x Acom 1000 amps. Antennas: Phased Vertical arrays for 160/80/40/30m + separate RX antennas, Mix of directional antennas and verticals for 20-10m and a 5 element Yagi for 6m.

The team is looking for sponsors/funds for both operations (PayPal available). QSL via W4VKU. An OQRS will be available in December. For more details and updates, see the Web page at: <http://www.vu4kv.info>

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