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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Monday, 19th/January, through Monday, 26th/January there were 216 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 3X, 4J, 4L, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5R, 5U, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9V, 9Y, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E4, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FR, FS, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH8, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, S0, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T32, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2V, VP6, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, YA, YB, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZD8, 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".

3G0, JUAN FERNANDEZ ISLAND (Update to OPDX.1193/1197/1199). Members of the Provins ARC (F6KOP) will activate Robinson Crusoe Island (SA-005, aka Juan Fernandez Archipelago) as 3G0ZC between February 20th and March 8th. A team of 20 operators plan to be active with 8 stations on the air on 160-6 meters, using SSB, CW and the Digital modes. The Web site has been announced but is still under-construction at:

<http://www.juanfernandez2015.com>

A FaceBook page is available at:

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/JuanFernandez2015/747628888649765>

More details will be forthcoming.

5E, MOROCCO. Jim, W7EJ, and a team will be active as 5E5E from the CN2R Casablanca contest station in Morocco during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) as a Multi-2 entry. Operators mentioned are Juan/EA8RM, Jorge/EA9LZ, Mark/M0DXR, Mark/LU8EOT, Manu/LU9ESD, Olli/OH0XX and Jim/W7EJ. QSL via W7EJ. Visit the CN2R Web page at: <http://cn2r.net>

ARRL NEWS [If you haven't heard!](From their Web site).....

\* ARRL Board Okays Changes to DXCC Program, VHF and Above Contesting Rules.

For complete details, see:

<http://www.arrl.org/news/view/arrl-board-okays-changes-to-dxcc-program-vhf-and-above-contesting-rules>

\* QRZ Logbook Now Offering Reciprocal Confirmation Credit and LoTW Download. For complete details, see:  
<http://www.arrl.org/news/view/grz-logbook-now-offering-reciprocal-confirmation-credit-and-lotw-download>

BD1, CHINA. YUAN, BD1IIJ, will be active from the town of Sujiatuo during the ARRL International DX CW Contest (February 21-22nd) as a Single-Op/All-Bands/High-Power entry. QSL via LoTW.

CARIBBEAN TOUR (Reminder/Update). Once again operators Mek/SP7VC, Ted/SP3IPB and YL Kate/SQ7OYL will be on a Caribbean tour but will also have operators Bogdan/K2RPF, Zbyszek/SP3CFM and Jerzy/SP7TF join them. They plan to activate several islands between January 24th and February 14th. The tentative schedule, islands and callsigns have been announced:

January 24-26th - Martinique (NA-107, DIFO FM-001, WLOTA 1041);  
callsigns FM/SP7VC and FM/SP7TF  
Jan. 27th-Feb. 3rd - St.Lucia (NA-108); as J6/homecalls  
February 4-5th - St.Vincent (NA-109); as J8/homecalls  
February 6-7th - Grenada (NA-024); as J3/homecalls  
February 7-8th - Carricou (NA-147, Grenada IOTA); as J3/homecalls  
February 8-9th - Union (NA-025, Grenadies IOTA); as J8/homecalls  
February 13-14th - Martinique (NA-107); as FM/homecalls

Activity will be holiday style on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. Their equipment consists of TS-590, FT-847, FT-857 and with three Amp (500W). Antennas: Inv-L for 80-160m, 2 phased verticals 160/80/40m, HexBeam SP7IDX Technology, VDA antennas and verticals R-7000. QSL via their home callsigns. Watch for updates on Mek's Blog pages at:

<http://www.sp7vc.dxing.pl>  
<http://expedition.sp7vc.pl>

CT8, AZORES. Karel, OK2ZI, will be active as CT8/OK2ZI from Sao Miguel Island (EU-003) between February 1-6th. Activity will holiday style with 100 watts into a vertical on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. Emphasis will be on 30/17/12m bands. QSL only via the OQRS on ClubLog and LoTW. Logs will be uploaded after his return home.

DAYTON HAMVENTION NEWS.....

\* RTTY Contest Dinner 2015 (Update) -- Fred, WW4LL, announced that the RTTY Dinner for the Dayton HamVention will be on at 7:15 PM Thursday, May 14th, at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, 5th and Jefferson Streets (Next to the Dayton Convention Center), Dayton (Downtown), Ohio. Tickets can be purchased through PayPal at <[rttycontestdinner.com](http://rttycontestdinner.com)>. No tickets will be sold at the door and must be purchased before May 1, 2015. Ralph Fedor, K0IR, will be the keynote speaker at the dinner. There will be doors prizes and the NAQP RTTY plaques.

DXER K5LBU (Update/Status). Charles Frost (Frosty), K5LBU, a well-known DXer noted for his African DXpeditions/Safaris reportedly is not doing well. Rachael Larkins, Frosty's daughter reports that he has been moved to a hospice location (Windsor Quail Valley Post-Acute Healthcare Center in Missouri City, TX). Visitors are welcome, as are prayers, etc.... Also, a fund has been set up for Frosty's medical expenses, as he has been booted by his insurance company and the Medicaid has not kicked in. Expenses are piling up. Visit <http://www.gofundme.com/kpgpgg> to help and get further information on Frosty's status. Frosty was active last year as 7P8CF (Apr-May 2014) and A25CF (Sep 2014). He has also been active as 9L1CF, 9J2CF, 9G1LL, 3DA0CF and C91CF.

E4, PALESTINE (Update). Members of the "PALESTINE 2016 TEAM" will be active as E44Y from the village of Sebastia in the Mosaic Guesthouse sometime during March of 2016. Current operators listed are Romeo/S59M (Co-Leader), Marco/HB9OCR (Co-Leader), Jorge/HK1R, Santos/EA4AK, Col/MMONDX, Miran/S500,

Salim (Sal)/HK1T, Kaspars/YL1ZF, Peter/PD1RP, Mariano/LU8EOT, Rodrigo/EA7JX, Fulvio/HB9DHG and Tim/LW9EOC. Pilot stations are Lee/ZL2AL (VK/ZL), Michele/IW7EGQ (EU) and Jonathan/W6GX (W6/W7). Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Suggested frequencies are listed at:

<http://palestine.ig9y.com/plans/>

QSL via direct, by the Bureau, LoTW or the OQRS; direct cards via EB7DX.

Visit the following URLs for more details and updates:

Web page -- <http://palestine.ig9y.com>

FaceBook -- <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Palestine-Dxpedition-2016/729525207130528>

Twitter -- [https://twitter.com/PALESTINE\\_DXped](https://twitter.com/PALESTINE_DXped)

EP, IRAN. By time you read this, the members of the Rockall DX Group, signing EP6T from Kish Island (AS-166), Iran, may be QRT. Their Web page now states January 26th (not the 31st as first announced). QSL Manager is Tim Beaumont, MOURX: P.O. Box 17, Kenilworth, Warwickshire CV8 1SF, ENGLAND (w/SASE and 2 USDs). Use MOURX's OQRS via PAYPAL for direct and Bureau cards. No eQSLs. Some LoTW uploads have taken place. For more information and updates, visit QRZ.com or <http://www.rockall.be>.

As of January 24th at 1103z, they have made 54732 QSOs with 14257 Unique callsign (27164/CW, 23627/SSB and 3941/RTTY). Breakdown by Continents: 393/AF, 1/AN, 9867/AS, 38006/EU, 5134/NA, 668/OC and 663/SA.

The EP6T Team posted on their Web page Saturday: "We know that receiving is our main problem at this time, the noise level on most of the bands is very high. The first 2 days we had very high QRM level of humm and buzz on all bands. We bought a portable radio to search for the QRM and found a neighbors faulty air conditioner, this is now eliminated.

But there is still a high noise level on all bands, on the phased array for 30m it goes up to S9 ! Even our receiving antennas have S5 noise, man-made noise probably caused by neon lights and battery chargers all around our QTH, so you can imagine how we are struggling with the weak signals from the USA.

The 4 Square on 40m is useless for receiving in NA and SA direction. For us is it also very frustrating to hear the pile-up in the noise with some strong signals peaking sometimes just above our noise level.

Our receiving antennas (K9AY, Bev. en loops) are vertical polarized. Today we put up another one for horizontal polarization. Maybe this will do better against the vertical polarized man made noise, we will see in a few hours. We brought all kinds of net filters and common mode filters and installed a proper ground, but all this can not help us to kill the QRM we are having.

On the low bands we have to pull out all callers and this takes time! On 80m we have better propagation to NA and SA around our SR and S/N is very good, but than everyone is calling We cant work all of you in this short time but we will keep doing our best.

Please remember that this project is a start for all new radio amateurs in Iran, promoting ham radio is our main goal, so in the future, contacts with EP will be guaranteed..... 73's from the EP6T team"

Other update was posted later in the day, stating the team had to stop transmitting (for 30 min.) because 8 officials from the CRA visited their location and wanted to test their radio equipment on different bands. They also stated, "Tomorrow (Sunday) another government delegation will visit us and probably will request us to stop the operation for a short time..... Monday morning after sunrise we will start dismantling the topband antenna. Monday evening after the higher bands are closed, we will start taking down these antennas. During our last night including the sunrise opening, we will be active on 30,40 and 80m." To read the complete post, go to their Web page.

FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA. Pete, K8PGJ, will be active as FO/K8PGJ from Bora Bora (OC-067) between February 15-24th. He states that this will be an "Island Style Operation" when not diving and will occur on 20-10 meters SSB. LoTW will be utilized and Direct QSL to his home callsign. Operation schedule will be posted on QRZ.com.

FT5X, KERGUELEN ISLANDS. Gildas, TU5KG, is once again active as FT5XT/mm around the Kerguelen area. Most of the time he is active as a Maritime Mobile, but can be occasionally be active from the Islands. QSL via F4DXW (direct only please).

IOTA NEWS.....

AS-117. Jan, ON7JA, will be active as JA4/ON7JA from Fune Island (JA4 Hiroshima Prefecture) between July 24-28th. Activity will include the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). QSL via ON7JA by the Bureau. NO eQSL.

AS-203. (Update) Operators Vladimir/RA0ZJ, Vladimir/RA9LR, Victor/RW0BG, Andy/UA0BA, Valery/UA0ZC, Sergey/UA0ZFW, Artemiy/UA9KAM and Igor/UA9KDF will be active as RT9K/0 from Dobrzhanskogo Island (RR-13-18, RDA KT-13). Team has booked the tickets to Petropavlovsk-Kamchatsky (UA0Z) on the August 19th, but the real operation on the air will begin much later. After arriving at Petropavlovsk-Kamchatsky, the team will have to wait for a ship (0-7 days) and then leave for AS-203. This 1500 km trip could take 1-2 weeks, so expect their arrival sometime in the beginning of September. They plan to be active from three different sites. Operations will be on 40-10 meters using all modes (CW, SSB and the Digital modes). IOTA AS-203 (Shelikhova Bay Group) has never been activated. QSL Manager/Pilot is Alexander/RX9KM. Pilots are Anatoliy/DL8RCB and Igor/RA3CQ. For updates, watch QRZ.com or Twitter at:

<https://twitter.com/ua9kdf>

EU-009. Col, MM0NDX, will once again be active as MM0NDX/p from Orkney Island (IOSA OR01, SCOTIA OI14, WLOTA 1652) between July 3-5th. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands. QSL via IW7EQQ.

NA-034. Members of the Mid-Florida DX Association will be active as homecall/p from Honeymoon Island (USI FL-017S) on February 28th. Operators mentioned are Jim/KG4JSZ, Tim/KI4GMR, Tony/N2MFT and Steve/KS4WA. Activity will be on the HF bands, on or near the usual IOTA frequencies. QSL via the operator's home call sign.

NA-066. Members of the Palos Verdes Amateur Radio Club will once again be active as K6PV/6 from Santa Catalina Island (USI CA-016S, WLOTA 2912) between February 25th and March 1st. Operators mentioned are Clay/AB9A, Mike/AF6VT, Diana/AI6DF, Jeff/K6JW, Norm/K6UU, Chris/KA6WNK, Don/KE6PMN, Ray/N6HE, Joe/NZ6L, Bob/W6HIP and Bill/WA6ESC. Activity will be on, or near, the usual IOTA frequencies between 160-10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and possibly PSK-31. Their operations will include the CQWW 160M SSB and NAQP RTTY Contests. QSL via K6PV direct (see address and details on QRZ.com).

J7, DOMINICA. Steve, KL7SB, is once again active as J79SB until January 28th. This operation will be from the QTH of J73CPL/J73HPL. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via NI5DX.

JD1, OGASAWARA. Members of the World Wide Club will be active once again as JD1YBT from Ogasawara (AS-031) between May 2-11th. Operators mentioned are Toshi/JP1IOF (JD1BLC), Yoshi/JE2EHP, Masaru/JA5AQC and Aki/JA4FHE. Activity will be on all bands (160-6m) and modes using possibly 3 stations. QSL via JP1IOF, by the Bureau or direct. LoTW and QRS (ClubLog) will also be available. Check out their QRZ.com page for pages from other operations.

K1N NAVASSA DXPELITION NEWS. It was reported on <http://www.navassadx.com> on January 22nd, "Three team members sailed for Navassa aboard 'Electra'

very early this morning. George AA7JV, Tomi HA7RY, Mike N6MZ and crew made it across the Gulf Stream and are safely in the Bahamas for the night. It's ON! -- The 'going by boat' team left Miami Beach at 0330 EST. They crossed the Gulf Stream and arrived at Chub Cay in the Bahamas around 3:30p local." There were pictures provided at:

<http://69.89.25.185/~trexsoft/t-rexsoftware.com/kln/photos-underway.htm>

ADDED NOTE: Take a look at 108 interesting photos of Navassa Island during a helicopter fly over, sailing around, hiking and scuba diving between 1998-1999 at: <http://coastal.er.usgs.gov/navassa>

KH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Sean, EI2CR, will once again be active from Saipan (OC-086) as KH0/EI2CR between February 4-7th. Activity will be on the HF bands. QSL via his home callsign, direct and by the Bureau.

NP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS. Yuriy, N2TTA, will once again be active from here as NP2P during the ARRL International DX CW Contest (February 21-22nd) and the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via LoTW.

OP0, ANTARCTICA. OP0LE is now active from the Princess Elisabeth Station (PES), and has been heard on 40 and 30 meters CW between 2045-2245z. QSL via ON7TK. According to Ghis, ON5NT, the OP0LE was/is the original license callsign for the Princess Elisabeth Station and has been recently renewed. OP0LE will be active until the end of February. There are 2 radio amateurs at PES: ON5TN (also OR4TN) and ON1EN.

OZ90, DENMARK (Special Event). To celebrate the 90th anniversary of the IARU, Danish radio amateurs will activate the special event callsign, OZ90IARU, between January 1st and December 31st, 2015. Activity will be on all bands, inclusive the WARC bands, and all modes may be used. Exceptions are cross-mode, cross-band contacts and contacts via repeater and echo-link. QSL OZ90IARU via OZ0J: Joergen Roemming, Brandelev Stationsvej 9, DK-4700 Naestved, Denmark. For paper QSL requests via postal mail, please send a SAE and include 1 IRC or 3 USDs to cover return postage. IRCS must be the new type "Water of Life", valid until December 31st 2017. QSL card with insufficient payment will be returned via Bureau. PLEASE DO NOT SEND YOUR QSL CARD VIA THE BUREAU. All QSOs will be verified via LoTW and eQSL. Paper QSLs may be requested via direct or by the Bureau from ClubLog:

<http://www.clublog.org/logsearch/OZ90IARU>

Wrong/missing QSOs can be reported to OZ0J at [qsl@oz90iaru.dk](mailto:qsl@oz90iaru.dk). All paper QSL cards will be sent from Denmark no earlier than February 2016. A "OZ90IARU AWARD" is available. Complete details are available at:

<http://www.oz90iaru.dk/award.htm>

For more details and an activities calendar, go to the OZ90IARU Web page at: <http://www.oz90iaru.dk>

PACIFIC TOUR. This year (2015) Hrane, YT1AD, will travel again to Central and South Pacific in February to prepare for the next DXpedition, and his schedule will be as follows:

February	3-8th	--	Fiji, callsign 3D2AD
February	8-11th	--	Samoa, callsign 5W7A
February	11-12th	--	American Samoa, callsign KH8/N9YU
February	13-14th	--	Hawaii, KH6/N9YU

Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via YT1AD.

PJ4, BONAIRE. Three stateside operators from Georgia will be going to the K2NG rental QTH (PJ4G Contest Station) on Bonaire (SA-006, WLOTA LH-1279) for CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 28-29th). Activity will be between March 25th and April 2nd. The team will be active as PJ4/homecall outside of the contest, and in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest they will use the contest callsign PJ4Z as a Multi-Single entry. Operators are John/K4BAI, Fred/WW4LL and Jeff/KU8E. Their activity will be on CW, RTTY, and SSB, outside the contest. QSL PJ4Z via K4BAI. The PJ4Z logs are usually uploaded to LoTW. See the PJ4G contest station at: <http://www.pj4g.com>

PQ70, BRAZIL (Special Event). Ronaldo, PS7AB, will activate special event station PQ70FEB between February 1-28th. Activity is to celebrate the 70th anniversary of World War II and to remember the importance of PEACE. The special callsign is also in honor to all who participated in the war, especially the Brazilian Expeditionary Force - FEB, on the battlefields in Italy. Operations will be on 40/20/17/15/10 meters and SSB. QSL via PS7AB, direct (1 USD), by the Bureau, eQSL or LoTW. Each month in 2015, Ronaldo will activate a different callsign and also send 12 different QSLs. PQ70FEB is the second special event station to celebrate the 70th anniversary of the end of World War II in 2015. For more details, see: <http://qrz.com/db/pq70feb>

PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (January 26th-February 1st)....  
 Jan/26th HN            Jan/29th    HN            Jan/31st    LN  
 Jan/27th AN            Jan/30th    HN            Feb/01st    AN  
 Jan/28th 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

REALTIME BAND CONDITIONS WEB SITE <http://www.bandconditions.com>:  
 The purpose of this experimental Web site is to provide 24-7-365 actual (REALTIME) band condition information to CW QRPP, QRPE and CW/SSB for Contesters interested in increasing their scores. It can also be of benefit to other Radio Amateurs to determine band conditions for Nets and casual QSO's. This information is NOT based on any software predictions or any kind of satellite based readings. It is based on a new Ionospheric sounding method called "HF Ionospheric Interferometry" which operates very similarly to the PolSAR system used by NASA.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....  
 QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (January 25th)

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 5R8UI via IZ8CCW                    FJ/N9SW via N9SW                    S79AC via OE4AAC  
 5Q0PI via OZ6PI                    KH8Z via JH1AJT                    UE77VW via R4AAAT  
 8P0P via W3HNC (d/W0SA-B)        KP2/K0BBC via K0BBC                ZP/5P8X via OZ8X  
 CP4BT via DJ2BW                    OZ90IARU via OZ0J (\*)                ZS4AZ via EA5ZD  
 DL4DBM via PA3CLP                PH44ZU via PC4DX                    ZZ461SP via PY2AA  
 FG/F6ARC via FE11DX (d/B)        R47TBS via UA4ATL  
 (e) eQSL only    (d) direct only    (B) Bureau only    (L) LoTW only  
 (O) OQRS only    (C) ClubLog only    (\*) no QSL needed

HV0A via LoTW and IK0FVC direct only. Operators were IK0FVC, S53T, 9A3A/E73A and IK0PRG during the CQ 160-Meter CW Contest (January 23-25th).

LX7I via LX2A. Logs will be put on the LoTW. Operator was Ron, DL3BPC, during the CQ 160m CW Contest (January 24-26th) as a Single-Op/High-Power entry.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 1A0C, 4U1WB, 9A4M, AA7V, AB9YC, AL9A, CE1UMY, DD8SM, DF0SX, DL6KVA, E77W, EA8CNR, EP6T, F5IN, HA6OA, HA8JV, HG7T, HG8C, K4FCG, K6LRN, KH6VV, KW9U, LZ1FY, N1RM, N4UA, N6RO, NS6T, OU2I, S56A, VA3DF, VA3EC, VA7ST, VE1EJ, VE3CX, VE3OI, VE4EA, VE5UF, VE7SZ, VE7TJF, VO1KVT, VY2LI, W7ZR, WN1G, WT9U, YO8SS, Z35F and ZF2PG

QSLs RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 5H1Z/P (AF-087), BY4AA/4 (AS-136), C21GC, LU4ZS (AN-013), P4/W6HGF, PJ2/DL1NX, PJ7PK, SV1/IK0GDG/P (EU-060), T88HZ, V6P, V6T, VY0/RK0BWW/P, XR2T, XX9R (AS-075), YB4IR/8 (OC-157) and YB4IR/8 (OC-224)

QSLs RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 3B8/G0TSM, 3V8ST, 3D2ML, 5X8C, 5W1SA, 6Y9X, 7Z1HL, 8P6NX, 8P0P, 8Q7TS, 9M2TO, C36JS, C37NL, C82DX, CR2X, CT9/DL1CW, CT9/DL5LYM, CT9A, D44TBE, E4X, FS/DK5ON, HB0/HA7JTR, HB0/IZ3ESV, HC2AO, J45PO, J49Y, NH8S, OF9X, OG0A, PJ4/EA1PP, PJ4Y, PZ5VC, T39A, TF3Y, TM4U, TT8PK, TX6G, TZ5A, UN7PCZ, V25M, WH2DX, VK9IR, VP2MSN, VR2AJ, Z68BH, Z81R, ZD8X, ZD9XF and ZL7/OE2SNL

TI9, COCOS ISLAND (Update OPDX.1190/1191/1198). Operator's list has grown for the upcoming TI9/3Z9DX to Cocos Island (NA-012) to air between February 16-23rd. The current operators are now Dom/3Z9DX, Jorge/TI2HMJ, Przemek/SP8SIW and Dmitri/RA9USU. Pilot stations are ZL2TZE (Pacific), SP5MXZ (Europe), ZS4TX (Africa) and NR6M (USA). Two stations will be on the air operating 160 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. There "may be" some 6 meter activity. A survey/vote for bands/modes needs is available at the following Web page, as well as more details and updates, see:

<http://www.nielsen.net/ti9a>

TX3X CHESTERFIELD ISLAND DXPELITION (Excerpts From A Press Release dated January 20th). Gene, K5GS, reports, that three more operators have been added to the team: John/K6MM, Joe/AA4NN and Stu/K6TU. Previously announced operators are: Pista/HA5AO, Les/W2LK, Gene/K5GS, Ross/K6GFJ, Tom/ND2T, Kevin/K6TD, Steve/W1SRD, Mike/WA6O and one open spot (To Be Named). Joining the pilot team is Hiroo/JA1WSX (JA pilot). They also signed on a new corporate sponsor: Elecraft (They appreciate Elecraft's continued support of their projects).

VP8/G, SOUTH GEORGIA ISLAND (Update to OPDX.1198). Paul, ZL4PW, informs OPDX that Denis, ZL4DB, heading to VP8\G South Georgia (AN-007) has been issued the callsign VP8DOZ. QSL via ZL4PW. Uploading to LoTW and eQSL is very unlikely.

VP8/G & VP8/SS, SOUTH GEORGIA AND SOUTH SANDWICH ISLANDS DXPELITION NEWS (Press Release #2, dated January 21st)[edited]: "The Intrepid-DX Group, led by Paul Ewing/N6PSE and David Collingham/K3LP, is pleased to announce that we have received our Landing/Camp Permit for South Sandwich and South Georgia Islands for our January 2016 DXpeditions.

South Sandwich is currently the #4 most wanted entity while South Georgia is currently the #9 most wanted entity.

We will be on each island for ten days and we plan for eight full days of radio.

At this time, we are seeking Foundation, Club and individual support to help us offset our significant costs to activate these two rare islands. Our vessel charter is in excess of \$310,000 USDs and our total budget is \$425,000 USDs. Without significant support from the global DX Community we will not be successful in making these very rare activations.

Our primary objective is to activate South Sandwich and South Georgia with a goal of providing as many Dxers as possible a "new one" with these rare DXCC entities and, as a secondary objective; we will focus on low-band contacts. We will use proven techniques to help ensure that everyone has a fair chance to work us. We will not be using the Club Log 'Leader-board'. It is our hope that we can perform an upload to LoTW during or just after the Dxpedition.

You can find out more about our plans at our website:

Thank you,  
Paul N6PSE  
David K3LP"

VP9, BERMUDA. Ron, W3PV, is now active as W3PV/VP9 from Hamilton Parish on Bermuda (NA-005, WLOTA 0201) until January 29th. Activity will most

likely be on 40 6 meters (possibly 160/80m) using CW, JT65, JT9 and PSK. QSLs via eQSL, LoTW or by the Bureau (W3PV). For a paper QSL direct, send SASE or green stamps to cover postage to your country.

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