

I.C.P.O. Bulletin (09-16 January 2015)
"Islands, Castles & Portable Operations"
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09/01/2015: The West Bengal Radio Club (VU2MQT, wbradioclub.in/) will be active as 8T5MQT from Sagar Island (AS-153, WLOTA 2262) on 9-16th January 2015 during the annual Gangasagar Mela. Expect main activity to take place on 14260 kHz. QSL via VU2NRO. [425 DX News]

09/01/2015: Jeff, VA3QSL will be active from the island of Dutch Sint Maarten (NA-105, WLOTA 0711) as PJ7/VA3QSL between 9-13th January. QRV holiday style on 40-6 metre SSB and CW, using 100w and a dipole. QSL via home call, Bureau or direct (QRZ.com) with SASE \$2 for US QSOs, \$3 International. LoTW will be done on return, end of January. [VA3QSL/VA3YY]

10/01/2015: Francis, F6BLP will once again visit Saly Portudal, Senegal, and will be active as 6W7SK between 10th January and 5th February, 2015. IC-7100 with G5RV inverted V in the tree 12m up, inverted L for 160m + 300 watts solid state amplifier, mainly CW operation. Log uploaded (every day if possible ...) on www.f6blp.org/, ClubLog and LoTW. 100% QSI also via Bureau.

10/01/2015: Japanese ops Tatsuo JA3ARJ, Masumi JA3AVO, Shozo JA3HJI, Jusei JA3IVU, Kunio JH3LSS, YL Hiroko JH3PBL and Shima JI3DNN plan to be active from "Hare Kapone", Hanga Roa, Easter Island (SA-001, DICE ICE-001, WLOTA 0319, WWFF CEFF-027, Grid Loc. DG52) as XR0YJ from 10-16 January 2015. QRV holiday style on 80-6 metre CW, SSB and Digi-modes. Activity as CE0Y/homecalls is also possible. QSL via JA3AVO (OQRS for direct and bureau cards on Club Log) and LoTW. Website: www.nakade.jp/ce0y.htm [DX-World]

10/01/2015: Operators YB8IBD, YB8IAN, YB8KM, YC8KNW, YC8KLA, YC8IAI, YC8KBY and YB8KGR plan activity from Wowoni Island [formerly known as Wowoni] (OC-236), Indonesia, as YB8K on 10th and 11th of January, 2015. QRV on the HF bands using CW, SSB and Digital modes. QSL via YB8IBD direct only. Online log search will be hosted by ClubLog. Further info and updates at: www.qrz.com/db/YB8K [rsgbiota.org]

10/01/2015: Pete, K8PGJ, will once again be active as ZF2PG from near Georgetown, Grand Cayman Island (NA-016, WLOTA 1042, WW Loc. EK99hh), during January-February (2015), especially for the NAQP Contest between 10-18th January. QRV, when not diving, will occur on 20 thru 10 metre SSB during the morning and afternoons on weekdays, and he hopes one night on 160 thru 40 metres. QSL via home call, direct only (QRZ.com). Log will be uploaded to LoTW. [OPDX Bulletin]

11/01/2015: Tom, KC0W, will once again be active as HH5/KC0W from the extreme northern tip of the island of Haiti (NA-096, WLOTA 0343) from 11th January until 3rd February 2015. He plans to be QRV on 160, 80 and 40 metre CW only. Antennas Over Salt Water - 500 Watts - dedicated RX antennas. QSL Direct only via KC0W (QRZ.com). NO BUREAU, NO LoTW, NO eQSL. [DX-World]

12/01/2015: Zorro, JH1AJT will be active as KH8Z, from Tutuila Island (IOTA OC-045, USi AS007S, Grid Loc. AH45), Eastern county, American Samoa, 12-19th January 2015, after his business trip to KH6. His activity will be mainly SSB on 40-10 metres, 600W using verticals; holiday style operation. QSL via JH1AJT direct (P.O. Box 8, Oiso, Naka-gun, Kanagawa 259-0111, Japan) or JA Bureau. [JA1TRC via NG3K]

14/01/2015: Peter, PA8A, will be active again as PJ4B from Kralendijk, island of Bonaire (SA-006, WLOTA 1279, WWFF PAFF-024) between 14-29th January 2015. QRV holiday-style on the HF bands. QSL via PA8A, direct only (Peter Jelgersma, Noordzijde 14, Bodegraven 2411RA, Netherlands) with 2\$ and SAE. [DX-World]

15/01/2015: Steve G3VMW, Alan G3XAQ, Don G3XTT and Iain M0PCB will be active from the old MW Radio Syd site, near Banjul, The Gambia, from 15-26th January 2015 with the callsign C5X. They plan to have two high-power stations with Elecraft K3/100 radios and KPA-500 amplifiers, operating on CW, SSB, RTTY and some PSK. There will be two Spiderbeams for HF; 160m and 80m verticals on an 18m Spiderpole and dipoles/verticals for 30m and 40m. There will be some activity in the CQWW 160m Contest during their last weekend in The Gambia. QSL Manager is Charles M0OXO and logs will be uploaded daily to ClubLog and to LoTW. Charles will provide an Online QSL Request Service (OQRS) and also deal with direct or Bureau requests. [DX-World]

15/01/2015: Norbert, DH1NK, will once again be active as P29NK from Papua New Guinea (OC-034, WLOTA 0084) between 15th January and 15th June, 2015. Activity will be limited (due to work at the hospital) on 80-10 metre SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via DH1NK by the Bureau. [OPDX Bulletin]

15/01/2015: Eric, OE4AAC will be active holiday style from the Seychelles (AF-024) between 15th January and 10th February, 2015. QRV on 40-10 metre CW, using K3, SG231 and 10m fiberglass rod vertical. Eric plans to activate both Mahe Island (WLOTA 3286) and Praslin Island (WLOTA 2862) during his visit. QSL via OE4AAC, OQRS. [DX-World]

15/01/2015: Bob, N7XR will be back to Diego Garcia (AF-006), Chagos Archipelago, and active as VQ9XR on 15-28th January. He will be QRV on 80-10 metres. QSL direct only to N7XR, preferably through the OQRS on ClubLog (please refrain from choosing the Bureau option, as "all ClubLog requests for Bureau cards will not be processed"). [425 DX News]

16/01/2015: The Rockall DX Group plans a DXpedition to Qeys (aka Kish) Island (AS-166), Iran, between 16-31 January, 2015. Dates are approximate. QRV on all bands and modes with 5 High power stations. Further information and updates can be found at: www.rockall.be/ and www.qrz.com/db/EP6T [DX-World]

16/01/2015: Col, MM0NDX plans a quick visit to Orkney Island (EU-009, IOSA OR01, SCOTIA OI14, WLOTA 1652) between 16-18th January, 2015. QRV on the HF bands as MM0NDX/p. QSL via IW7EGQ. [rsgbiota.org]

LOOKING AHEAD -

30/01/2015: Joe, K5KUA will once again be active as K5KUA/5 from Galveston Island (NA-143, USi TX001S), Galveston county, Texas, between 30th January and 1st February. Plans are to be QRV on 40-10 metre CW only, as time permits. QSL direct or Bureau to K5KUA. [rsgbiota.org]

31/01/2015: Gregory, W2BEE will be active from the island of Grenada (NA-024, WLOTA 0718) as J38GA between 31st January and 28th February, 2015. QRV on the HF bands, CW and Digital modes, using K2/100, RigBlaster+, 160m CFD with 450 ohm open line. QSL via home call and LoTW. LoTW and ClubLog to be uploaded no later than March 2015 or sooner if internet access is available. QSL via mail, please include SASE. Website: www.qrz.com/db/J38GA [DX-World]

06/02/2014: Jim WB2REM, Bob N4PSK, Cliff N4SIA and Nancy K9DIG plan activity from Guantanamo Bay (NA-015, WLOTA 0358) as KG4HI, KG4RQ KG4AS and KG4YL, respectively, between 6-13th February. QRV all bands, using CW, SSB and Digital modes. QSL KG4RQ and KG4HI via WB2REM. KG4YL via K9DIG. KG4AS via N4SIA. [DX-World]

11/02/2015: Rich, M5RIC will once again be active from La Moye, St Brelade parish, isle of Jersey (EU-013, WLOTA 0818, WW Loc. IN89VE) as MJ5RIC between 11-16 February. Activity will include an entry in the CQWW WPX RTTY Contest (14-15 February). Outside the contest, Rich will focus on the WARC bands, mainly 30 metres. QSL via M0OXO - OQRS preferred, see QRZ.com for details. [NG3K]

20/02/2015: Chris, NX4N will be active from Freeport, Grand Bahama Island (NA-080, WLOTA 0527), as C6AWW between 20-23 February. QRV primarily on 80m CW with an effort in the ARRL DX CW contest. Please QSL on LoTW or DIRECT to NX4N (Chris Blake, 19311 Seacove Dr., FL 3355-8974, USA). [DX-World]

21/02/2015: Jim, WP3A plans a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry in the ARRL International DX CW Contest (21-22 February) as HI3K from the Loma del Toro contest club station, Dominican Republic (NA-096, WLOTA 2974). QSL via KB2MS and LoTW. Website: www.qsl.net/hi3k [NG3K]

02/03/2015: John, KK9A will once again activate the USVI Contest Club, Gallows Bay Station, Christiansted, island of St. Croix (USi VI002S, WLOTA 2477), US Virgin Islands (NA-106), from 2-9 March, 2015. Activity will include a Single-Op/All-Band entry in the ARRL International DX SSB Contest (7-8 March). Outside the contest, John will be QRV holiday style on the HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL goes via WD9DZV and LoTW. [NG3K]

11/07/2015: Laurent, F8BBL will be QRV as CT7/F8BBL (maybe a special callsign) from Insua Island (EU-150, DIP MI-001, PIP NT-001, WLOTA 2869) and Alto de Sao Bento (SOTA CT/MN-046) from 11-25 July, 2015. QRV on the HF bands, holiday style, mainly CW with some SSB and Digital modes. Rig: FT-857D/100 w/ MP1 antenna and portable dipole antenna + 12v/18 amp battery. QSL via home call, Bureau or direct. Online log search will be hosted by ClubLog (CT7/F8BBL, CT7/F8BBL/P/IOTA and CT7/F8BBL/P/SOTA). [DxCoffee]

24/07/2015: Operators Colin CT7ACG, Andy M0GAV, Sharon M3VCQ and Cliff G0MMI will be active as CR5CW from Culatra Island (EU-145, DIA Ai-01, DIP AL-001, WLOTA 0144), Algarve province, Olhao county, Portugal, between 24-27th July. The team will be active from the Cabo de Santa Maria lighthouse (PT-505, DFFA Fa-06, ARLHS POR-041, Admiralty D2206) for the duration of the RSGB IOTA Contest (25-26 July) on 80-10 metres. Culatra Island is also part of the Parque Natural da Ria Formosa (WWFF CTFF-007). QSL via CT7ACG and LoTW. [rsgbiota.org]

18/10/2015: Will, AA4NC, plans activity from Fernando de Noronha (SA-003, DIB OC-01, WLOTA 1208, WWFF PYFF-016, WW Loc. HI36TD) as PY0F/AA4NC between 18-27th October, 2015. Activity will include a Single-Op entry in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (24-25 October) from CQ zone 11. QRV holiday style outside of the contest on 160-10 metre SSB, CW and RTTY. UPDATE: Ron AA4VK and Murray WA4DAN will also join Will as a "reunion" DXpedition. WA4DAN will handle Direct QSLs. An OQRS service is being considered. Until a dedicated PY0F website is created, updates will be posted at: aa4vk.com/PY0F/PY0F.htm and at the various DX bulletins. [DX-World]

SPECIAL EVENTS -

11/01/2015: Special event station 8N8SSF will be QRV on all bands and modes between 11th January and 11th February, 2015 to celebrate the 66th Sapporo Snow Festival, Ishikari (Hokkaido Prefecture, Ishikari Subprefecture), island of Hokkaido (AS-078, WLOTA 2967), Japan. QSL via the Bureau. Information about the Snow Festival can be found at: www.snowfes.com/english/ [JJ1WTL/AC6IM]

U.S.A. Special Event Stations can be found at: www.arrl.org/contests/spev.html

LIGHTHOUSE CALENDAR -

09/01-13/01 PJ7/VA3QSL: St. Maarten Island WLOTA:0711 QSL H/c (d/B)
10/01-16/01 CE0Y/JA3ARJ: Isla de Pascua WLOTA:0319 QSL Op's Info
10/01-16/01 CE0Y/JA3AVO: Isla de Pascua WLOTA:0319 QSL Op's Info
10/01-16/01 CE0Y/JA3HJI: Isla de Pascua WLOTA:0319 QSL Op's Info
10/01-16/01 CE0Y/JA3IVU: Isla de Pascua WLOTA:0319 QSL Op's Info
10/01-16/01 CE0Y/JH3LSS: Isla de Pascua WLOTA:0319 QSL Op's Info
10/01-16/01 CE0Y/JH3PBL: Isla de Pascua WLOTA:0319 QSL Op's Info
10/01-16/01 CE0Y/JI3DNN: Isla de Pascua WLOTA:0319 QSL Op's Info
10/01-16/01 XR0YJ: Isla de Pascua WLOTA:0319 QSL JA3AVO OQRS
10/01-18/01 ZF2PG: Grand Cayman Island WLOTA:1042 QSL K8PGJ (d)
11/01-11/02 8N8SSF: Hokkaido - main island WLOTA:2967 QSL JARL Buro
11/01-03/02 HH5/KC0W: Haiti Island WLOTA:0343 QSL H/c (d)
14/01-29/01 PJ4B: Bonaire Island WLOTA:1279 QSL PA8A (d)
15/01-15/06 P29NK: Papua New Guinea Island WLOTA:0084 QSL DH1NK (B)
16/01-18/01 MM0NDX/P: Mainland Orkney WLOTA:1652 QSL IW7EGQ (d/B)

6 METRES & UP -

07/01-15/01 T88HK: Palau OC-009 Grid:PJ77FI 6m CW/SSB QSL JE6DND (d)
07/01-15/01 T88HS: Palau OC-009 Grid:PJ77FI 6m CW/SSB QSL JA6KYU (d)
07/01-15/01 T88KC: Palau OC-009 Grid:PJ77FI 6m CW/SSB QSL JA6KCC (d)
07/01-15/01 T88RR: Palau OC-009 Grid:PJ77FI 6m CW/SSB QSL JA6UBY (d)
07/01-15/01 T88SM: Palau OC-009 Grid:PJ77FI 6m CW/SSB QSL JA6EGL (d)
08/01 LY 50MHz Activity Contest Open/CW/SSB/FM 1800z-2159z
08/01 SPAC 50MHz Contest CW/Phone/Open 1800z-2200z
09/01-13/01 PJ7/VA3QSL: St Maarten Grid:FK88 6m SSB/CW QSL H/c (d/B)
10/01-11/01 SKCC Weekend Sprintathon 6m class 10 1200z-11 2359z
10/01 FISTS Two Metre Activitiy 2m CW 1500z-1600z
10/01-16/01 CE0Y/JA3ARJ: Easter Isl Grid:DG52 6m CW/SSB QSL Op's Info
10/01-16/01 CE0Y/JA3AVO: Easter Isl Grid:DG52 6m CW/SSB QSL Op's Info
10/01-16/01 CE0Y/JA3HJI: Easter Isl Grid:DG52 6m CW/SSB QSL Op's Info
10/01-16/01 CE0Y/JA3IVU: Easter Isl Grid:DG52 6m CW/SSB QSL Op's Info
10/01-16/01 CE0Y/JH3LSS: Easter Isl Grid:DG52 6m CW/SSB QSL Op's Info
10/01-16/01 CE0Y/JH3PBL: Easter Isl Grid:DG52 6m CW/SSB QSL Op's Info
10/01-16/01 CE0Y/JI3DNN: Easter Isl Grid:DG52 6m CW/SSB QSL Op's Info
10/01-16/01 XR0YJ: Easter Island SA-001 Grid:DG52 6m QSL JA3AVO OQRS
11/01 FISTS Two Metre Activitiy 2m CW 1000z-1100z
13/01 LY 432MHz Activity Contest Open/CW/SSB/FM 1800z-2159z
13/01 NRAU 432MHz Activity Contest Open/SO/MO 1800z-2200z
13/01 SPAC 432MHz Contest CW/Phone/Open 1800z-2200z
13/01 RSGB 432MHz UKAC SO Fixed/Open 2000z-2230z
14/01 MOON Contest 432MHz CW/Digital/FM/SSB 1800z-2000z
15/01 NRAU 70MHz Activity Contest Open/SO/MO 1800z-2200z
15/01 SPAC 70MHz Contest CW/Phone/Open 1800z-2200z

Contest Calendar: www.qsl.net/va3rj/con_jan.html

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SMIRK: www.smirk.org/

SOTA (Summits On The Air) Watch Alerts at: www.sotawatch.org/

QSL INFO -

QSLs via Bureau: None to report this week.

QSLs via Direct: 3W7CW (SP5JTF), 5W0AG (SP7DQR), B9/BY9GA (OQRS/BA1DU), C6ADX (W8GEX), CE0Z/UA4WHX (H/c), EG2INT (OQRS), EJ1Y [EU-007] (SP9UMI), EX8MLE (QRZ.com), HC8ART (UA4WHX), J6/DL7VOG (H/c OQRS), J79L (OQRS), ZK3E (SP7DQR), VP5/G3SWH (H/c OQRS), ZK3Q (SP7DQR) and ZS8C (OQRS).

QSLs via LoTW: 4U1WB, 5B4AHL, 8P6NW, 8Q7UX, 9A5W, A71AE, AD4Z, AF6GA, AL1G, C6ATS, DL3EBX, EA4TD, EA8CNR, EI7M, F1IWH, F5BSB, F5SDD, G3YJQ, HG8C, IZ1PLH, K0PC, K3EST, K3SV, K4HAL, K6LRN, KJ9C, KL7SB, N4DW, N6RO, N7TR, NN2NN, NR4M, NW3H, OH4KZM, OL8M, ON4QX, P49X, PY2MC, S53S, S56A, S57AW, SE4E, SM7CIL, SN7Q, SQ5IRO, TC10SWAT, VE2FU, VE2RO, VE3BW, VE3CFK, VE3DZ, VE3KI, VE5KS, VE5SF, VE7AX, VE7SZ, VE9AA, VY2LI, W100AW, W1ZD, W9CF, WJ9B, WP3C, WT6P, XE2B, YV1KK and ZL2B.

BITS & PIECES -

PJ7, SINT MAARTEN -

The Uruguay Team Group have plans to be active from Dutch Sint Maarten (NA-105, WLOTA 0711) as PJ7C later this year. Full details coming soon. QSL via EB7DX. [DX-World]

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73 and Good DX!

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