

VP5DX 2016 VP5DX 2016 2016 NFDXA Officers 2 Oct Mtg Attendance President's Message 3 **Oct Meeting Minutes Oct Meeting Pictures DX Special Events** 10 **DX** Africa п **DX** Africa 12 **DX** Americas 13 **DX** Americas 14 **DX** Asia 15 **DX Arctic- Antarctic** 16 **DX Indian Ocean** 16 17 **DX Pacific-Oceana** 18 **DX Europe 6 Meter News** 18 **Broadcast Jamming** 18 **Nov DX Calendar** 19 Dec-2017 DX Calendar 20 W4ZR DXCC 21 2017 VP6 DXpedition 21 When ZZ0F DXped? 21 **Nav Code Talker SK** 22 F3AT SK 22 **HWN-VP9** Ham 22 The Work-Around 23

The next NFDXA
meeting will be
5 pm
Saturday
November 19
Athens Café
6271 St Augustine Rd

The Last Word





The North Florida DX Association

PileUp

The NFDXA Monthly Newsletter



Volume 8 Number 4

November 2016

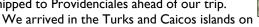
http://nfdxa.com/

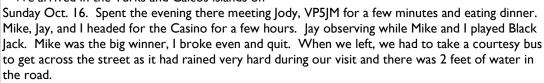
10,995,684 POINTS VP5DX 2016

— Story by Jim Iori, NU4Y, Photos by Dr. Jay, AA4FL & NU4Y

The 2016 CQWW SSB contest is in the books. The VP5DX crew was on the air in style. We had **taken** extra time for this trip due to the loss of the tower and main antenna. The picture on the right is from May 2016.

The anchors in the concrete had failed. AB4UF, Brown's engineering built new mounts, with a tilt over feature, out of all Stainless and Aluminum. Try doing this from 1,000 miles away! We also determined what parts were needed to repair the A4s that was on the tower when it fell from this picture that was taken by a neighbor. Ron, VP5KE, made a trip down there in June, to take more pictures and remove the antenna from the tower and get the tower off the walking path. The antenna parts and mounts plus other tools and hardware where shipped to Providenciales ahead of our trip.





On Monday, after breakfast we headed to the Air & Sea Agency to pick up our equipment we had shipped. Then off to the Ferry Dock and unload all of that stuff and off to food shopping. We



also purchased a Digicel unit to get the internet from the cell towers rather than relying on the ever so intermittent WiFi connection through Blue Horizon. After that back to the dock and we were off to North Caicos via the Ferry. Then the Cab ride to Middle Caicos with a short stop at the Liquid refreshment store. We purchased the only 3 remaining cases of Heineken and at their sugguestion 3 cases of Presidente beer. (reminder—don't buy Presidente again). We arrived at Ron's house about 5:00 pm unloaded all the food and our baggage and spent the remainder of the evening, trying to relax after a





NFDXA OFFICERS 2015

The North Florida DX Association, Inc. is a group of Amateur Radio Operators located in north Florida and south Georgia whose interests are primarily Contests and DXing. NFDXA typically meets on the 3rd Saturday of the month at a location selected by a meeting organizer. Visitors are always welcome. Officers elected for the calendar year 2015 are:



President

Mike Garcia, WIFO mike6t7@cfl.rr.com

Vice President

Warren Croke, NW4C nw4c@cox.net

Acting Secretary

Richard Hicks, K4UTE k4ute@comcast.net

Treasurer

Jim Hughes, KC4FWS kc4fws@comcast.net

Executive Committee

The Executive Committee consists of the elected officers of t the Association http://www.nfdxa..com



NFDXA PileUp Newsletter

Warren Croke, NW4C nw4c@nfdxa.net
Send **PileUp** stories, and photographs to nw4c@cox.net



Meeting Attendance October 15, 2016

Jay Garlitz	AA4FL	Υ	Joe Barnes	N4JBK	
Steve Brown	AB4UF		Ron Blake	N4KE	Y
John Hale	AC4ET		Dale Conner	N4NN	
Larry Bostic	K3LB		Victor Moore	N4QK	
Larry Junstrom	K4EB		Billy Williams	N4UF	
Dick Hicks	K4UTE	Y	Dave Mains	NO4J	Y
John Silberman	KB4CRT	Y	Jim Iori	NU4Y	
Jim Hughes	KC4FWS		Warren Croke	NW4C	Y
David Smith	KI4DLS		Walter Cox	VP5YZ	
William Walker	KX4WW		Mike Garcia	WIFO	Y
Cory McDonald	NIWON		Bob Lightner	W4GJ	
Greg Wilson	N4CC		Steve Barber	WA4B	
Mike Parnin	N4EPD		Dick Knox	WR4K	

Total Members Attending 7 Guests I

Notice to NFDXA Membership

Keep your records up to date. All NFDXA members are requested to go to the club web site and check their entry on the on the NFDXA Roster page. If any changes in address, e-mail or other information are needed please notify NFDXA Acting Secretary Dick Hicks, K4UTE@comcast.net.

President's Message - Mike Garcia, W1FO

Hello Fellow NFDXA members. Hard to believe that November is here and Christmas is around the corner. Of course with November come our yearly Officer elections. I look forward to a good turnout at this month's DX meeting so we can nominate and elect some new officers. I want to thank the nomination committee for recruiting some good members. I also want to remind everyone that the Christmas Party has been scheduled for December the 17th at the American Legion in Keystone Heights. The main course will consist of Prime Rib and Chicken Cordon Bleu so please RSVP as soon as possible so we can get a head count to the Legion Hall. The sooner we can give them a good head count the better. As always the Christmas party is for all current members, their families and guests.

On the Dx front, not much has been going on. Band conditions have been sparse at best. As winter conditions approach I am hopeful the band conditions on the low bands improve a bit. I finally trimmed back some limbs and my 160 meter and 80 meter inverted Ls are back up and ready to



Mike, W1FO

go. The hurricane set us back for a little while but not even a hurricane can keep a DXer down for long.

As everyone knows Dave (The Juice) finally completed his tower and antenna project and is tearing up the bands. I ran into Dave at the Legion this past Saturday and he was grinning ear to ear. It's always good to see another NFDXA member on the air. Maybe the DX gods will send us some good propagation for Christmas. See

you at the meeting, — **73. Mike WIFO**

Minutes of 15 October 2016 Meeting

American Legion Post 202 in Keystone Heights

The October NFDXA Meeting was called to order at 615pm at the American Legion in Keystone Heights.

Present were AA4FL, K4UTE, KB4CRT, N4KE, NO4J, W1FO, NW4C, guest John K4WJ.

The food was great!

Treasurers Report: There is no change to Treasury report since last meeting.

Old Business: Dave NO4J feels he has all he needs to access our website and control what is needed.

New Business: Dave NO4J has attended the necessary 3 meeting and we will vote next meeting on him becoming a full member again.

VP5DX team leaves tomorrow for Middle Caicos.

Steering committee came up with the following slate FOR 2017.

President Bob W4GJ
Vice President Ron N4KE
Secretary Dick K4UTE
Treasury Jim KC4FWS

Guest John K4WJ has 320 confirmed on cw.

Next Meeting: K4EB Larry's name was drawn to make arrangements for November 19th meeting.

The **December 17th meeting** will be held at the American Legion in Keystone Heights, spouses are welcome. Meeting adjourned at 640pm. Let me know of and corrections or omissions.

I will be out of country for November meeting so am looking for a volunteer to take some notes of the meeting.

Respectively submitted, Dick K4UTE



Meeting Pictures



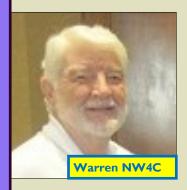
October 15, 2016



















VP5DX 2016— Continued from page 1

On Tuesday we started work on everything. There were no antennas to operate with, and no radios working. The Kenwood 950 was working in June when Ron was there, but not now. It was FMing and sounded terrible. The Icom that was shipped down after being repaired worked intermitantly, no TX audio. I spent a day in the shack, basically taking parts out of one of the TS-950's to make one of them work. Also found the power supply under the Mult desk was putting out 30 volts, lucky we didn't hurt the radio. Spent the next day repairing the Icom 736, with success. The computer used last year was toast.



The old mounts were cut from concrete base. New 3/4 inch holes were drilled 2 feet into the concrete and stainless threaded rod was installed with epoxy. Part of the bottom tower section had to be island engineered to accept the new mounts.

Also 3/4 inch holes were drilled in either some of the concrete from the old anchor points or directly into the





On Tuesday we started work on everything. There were no antennas to operate with, and no radios working. The Kenwood 950 was working in June when Ron was there, but not now.

It was FMing and sounded terrible. The Icom that was shipped down after being repaired worked intermitantly, no TX audio. I spent a day in the shack, basically taking parts out of one of the TS-950's to make one of them work. Also found the power supply under the Mult desk was putting out 30 volts, lucky we didn't hurt the radio. Spent the next day repairing the Icom 736, with success. The computer used last year was toast.



The tower is free standing but Phillystran guys are also installed as an added safety margin.

Continued on page 6

2016 VP5DX—Continued



Above is the tower going up.

What an engineering job by Steve, AB4UF. This went over without a hitch, but still was backbreaking work.

On the left is the completed base project. Again, amazing

The A4S still had to be repaired, with the broken boom, elements broken etc. Some of the parts ordered from Cushcraft were paid for and marked as shipped, but not in the box. I had to scramble around and try to find aluminum to repair the

After an e-mail to Cushcraft they promptly refunded the money for missing parts. Thank you.

Lucky I was able to find enough scrap to make the antenna. It didn't look so pretty, but it would function ok. So, up the antenna went.





2016 VP5DX - Continued

With the A4S installed it was off to all the other work. The I60 inverted L was installed across the road, along with the 40 meter vertical. I used the 160 antenna for a couple of hours in the Stew Perry warm up on Sat. night. It worked well, but we did not have the beverage antennas installed yet and the static from the lightning (which we could see all around us) plus being tired caused me to shut it off and go to bed. By Sunday night we also had the other tower up with the A3 on it, a 40 meter dipole, (that was not used very much), and an 80 meter dipole from the main tower. We installed 2 beverage antennas, one ENE and one NW. Both of those were about 600 feet long. There had been a lot of rain this year and everything had grown so much we could not get one out to the West without a bulldozer. Also a new house was built down towards the beach which is where the Gap vertical used to go up and another new house is under construction in the back where the East beverage would go. We also installed a vertical with a small L section off of the main tower. (It had low SWR and looked ok with the vector meter but did not perform well at all and will not be used again). Below is the final set up.



Robin stopped by. Chris had emailed and asked where he could operate during his vacation. He went to eat at the Mudjin bar and grill and set up his wife at the beach we gladly let him spend a few hours at the radio. He had never experienced pileups and had a great time.

The definition of "rare" is one that neither you nor any of your friends have.

2016 VP5DX - Continued

We also discovered that Dr. Jay, AA4FL, not only could work satellites but could and wanted to cook! He is a good cook, (unlike the present one). However, I would have to say I bet our new President of the US will not ask him to be head chef.

Also a week before the contest Ron's new stove and fridge arrived on Friday. I went to cook dinner and stove did not work. We thought we had checked everything, the old stove worked and we had 220v at the plug. Pulling apart the back of the stove and tracing the wiring, I realized the controller PCB in the new stove worked on I I0v from one side of the 220 to the bond (ground). There was no ground. Opening the panel Steve said all the grounds were tied together in the panel but none of them were connected to the Neutral buss 20 years ago. NEVER....



After fixing that, all was well. Also on Sat. after the A4 and A3 install, we found we had S-5 noise level on 20 meters when pointed NW on either beam. We used Jay's radio (which ran on battery's) trying to trace down the problem. After messing around for a day making a helical wound dipole etc. etc. etc. realized it was the new Fridge. Why when pointed away from the house the noise showed up we do not know nor could figure it out. Also the noise was only on 20 meters. We tried adding up to 6 chokes to the cord and other fixes, we finally ran a 100 foot extension cord from down in the shack up through a window to the unit. When we were on 20 meters, we would unplug the Fridge.

Well, by the time the contest started, everything was working. We had the Icom 756 PRO on the Mult station with the new lap-top and large monitor donated by WIFO. We had the TS-950 on the run Station and one of the new monitors the club purchased with a laptop. We had the digicel in the shack, and a cable up to the other laptop upstairs for internet backup from the Blue Horizon Wi-Fi, but never needed it. I hour into the contest, the TS-950 dropped to 10 watts output, and receive signal strength dropped also. I grabbed the hammer and hit the right rear of the radio. I came back to life. The hammer became part of every run operator, had to do this maybe 20 times during the contest. You can see the hammer in the pictures.

We started off on 20 meters, but after the I^{\pm} hour it petered out. We moved around a lot and really never got any great runs running again until Steve got running on 40 meters.

We never had the hour after hour EU runs that we had gotten used to in years past. We felt the bands (or our antennas) were not up to snuff.



The bands just did not seem to be as good as in the past. We ended up with more qso's than last year but EU was only 17.6% compared to 27.6% in 2015. Also Asia was down from 4.8% to .9% from 2015. Our final score was just short of 11 Million. Looks like about 2nd place North America for Multi-Single. V47T had 16.5 Million. I don't know where they got there propagation but just at little bit of distance sure must of made some difference.

Dr. Jay turned out to be a good operator. He was accurate and had a good pace, with good ears.

Capt. Ron stayed up the first 24 hours on the mult station, what a horse. Mike also spent many hours searching and pouncing on the mult station.

— Continued next page



2016 VP5DX- Conclusion



Other notable things. On the left is N4EPD, Mike, going up the tower; he said something about short legs and wide step spacing.

Also Dr. Jay, AA4FL did a bang up job of working the Birds, and taking most of the pictures used here, not to mention doing a good job at the runner station.

The satellite pass is over when the bottle is empty.

Full set of pictures from Dr.
Jay is at: https://www.flickr.com/photos/129353943@N03/albums/72157674662074962
Also there are un-edited videos at: https://www.dropbox.com/sh/s23gvha9i7wtr7t/







L-R: N4EPD (Mike) -- AB4UF (Steve) -- AA4FL (Dr. Jay) -- NU4Y (Jim) -- N4KE (Capt. Ron)

73 and cannot wait until next year.

The VP5DX crew.

FX0ISS - Outer Space

FX0ISS is the French call sign for the International Space Station. The first use of this call is planned for some time between November this fall and April, 2017, with French astronaut Thomas Pesquet operating. He holds the US call sign KG5FYG. — DDX

DX SPECIAL EVENTS



8P – BARBADOS (CQZ 08) Dean/8P6SH is going to mark Barbados' 50th anniversary of the island's independence with the call **8P50B.** QSL via KU9C, LoTW. – **DXNL**

A4 – OMAN (CQZ 21) From now through November 30th Amateur Radio operators from Oman can sign their A4 calls /46 in celebration of the 46th anniversary of the independence of Oman. – DDX

DL - **GERMANY** (**CQZ 14**) The Saarland Broadcasting (TV and radio) celebrates its 60th anniversary. Their club-station DL0EW operates with the special DOK60SR **from Nov. I to Jan. 31 next year**. QSL via bureau. **— DXNL**

EIII-99, IRELAND. From Jan I through Dec 31, 2017, Irish Radio Amateurs will be on air with nine special call signs - EIIIWAW through to EI99WAW. Each call will be associated with one of the counties making up the "Wild Atlantic Way". Each call sign will have its own distinctive QSL card depicting a highlight of the county linked to the call sign.

QSL requests via ClubLog or the Bureau. For requests for a direct QSL via ClubLog or to EI6AL

QSL requests via ClubLog or the Bureau. For requests for a direct QSL via ClubLog or to EI6AL enclose \$2, or €2 via paypal to payments@irts.ie. A Certificate will be made available for download to any station that works all nine calls, any band any mode. Apply by email to QSL manager EI6AL giving name and call. A certificate can also be sent by post - send €5 (\$5) to cover postage either through ClubLog, direct to EI6AL or via PayPal to payments@irts.ie. For more info, see QRZ.com under each special call sign. — OPDX

F - FRANCE (CQZ 14) Special event call TM85VGC will be QRV to commemorate the "Vendee Globe", around the world single handed yacht race, with activity until Nov 13. Activity will be on all bands. QSL direct to F5OEV or via the bureau to F6KUF. -- DDX

HP – POLAND (CQZ 15) (Special Event). Members of the Polish Amateur Radio Club (PIASTOWSKI KLUB KRÓ-TKOFALOWCÓW) will be active as **HF800O** from Opole **Jan I to Mar 31, 2017**. Activity is to celebrate the 800th anniversary of Opole City. QSL via the Bureau or direct. – **OPDX**

I – ITALY (CQZ 15) In celebration of the 30th anniversary of the European DX Foundation (EUDXF) Italian special call I3EUDXF will be QRV. – DDX

IS – SARDINIA (CQZ 15) In celebration of the 30th anniversary of the EU DX Foundation (EUDXF) special event station II0EUDX will be QRV. QSL via IS0AGY. — OPDX

LA – NORWAY (CQZ 14) Also celebrating the 30th anniversary of the EUDXF will be special call **LA30EUDX**F. QSL via PATAW. – **DDX, DXNL**

LX - LUXEMBOURG (CQZ 14) The special event station LX35G celebrates the 35th birthday of Prince Guillaume of Luxembourg during November. Ops are Andre/LX1AM, Marc/LX1DUC, Ed/LX1EA, Christophe/LX2CS, and Patrick/LX3X. QSL via bureau, LoTW, eQSL. - DXNL

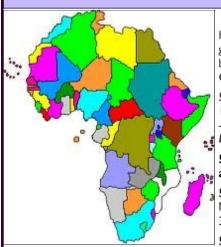
LZ, - BULGARIA (CQZ 20) The Bulgarian Radio Club Blagovestnik (LZ1KCP) continues to honour the memory of Bulgarian Saints with the call **LZ960SPA during November**. QSOs count towards the All Saints 2016 award. QSL via bureau, LZ1KCP (d). http://www.lz1kcp.com/ — DXNL

VE – CANADA (CQZ 01) VYIAAA, the Yukon Canam Contest Club, is celebrating Canada's 150th birthday with special call **XKI50YUKON, Jan I-Mar I, 2017**. The rest of 2017 they will still be on the air, using call signs CIIAAA or VYIAAA. QSL via KCICWF or LoTW. — **DDX**

VK – AUSTRALIA (CQZ 30) Special event station VI50DC is QRV now through the end of the year to celebrate the "50th anniversary of the introduction of dollars (Decimal Currency) in Australia". QSL via M0OXO. http://www.m0oxo.com/oqrs/logsearch.php — DXNL

YN – NICARAGUA (CQZ 07) (Humorous Special Event). OM Brooke, N2BA, (not a YL) will be active as YN2SX from Granada between Nov 25-30. Activity will be on 160-10 meters including the 30/17/12m bands using CW and SSB. He plans to be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (Nov 26-27) as a Single-Op/ Single-Band (20m) or All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via WA3RHW. By the way, this is a special event station. Brooke states the following on his QRZ.com page: "Our hobby is almost entirely male and it appears that every year the average age goes up by a year. It finally occurred to me that the reason we don't have more young hams is because we aren't having more kids. That is why I've decided to create YN2SX as a special event station commemorating the 1,200,000,000th anniversary of the invention of sex (plus/minus a few hundred million years). Note: Scientists believe sex was invented on a Monday but wasn't perfected until a Sunday, however they are not certain of the exact year sex was invented so this year is as good as any. <HamWidows.org> -- Our operation is sponsored by the Ham Widows Organization. I strongly suggest you have your XYL check it out." - OPDX

DX AFRICA



3C & 3C0 - EQUATORIAL GUINEA and **ANNOBON ISLAND** (**CQZ 36**) Tom KC0W has canceled a planned trip to Guatemala, TG/KC0W, Instead, he is working up plans to go to 3C0 and 3C soon. **Those will be after the Philippines**. He says fantastic progress is being made getting his 3C and 3C0 licenses. He hopes that will be a 50-60-day DXpedition. – **OPDX**

5H – TANZANIA (CQZ 37) 5HIWW from Zanzibar Island, Tanzania, is planned for **Nov 19-28**. Ops RZ3FW and R4WAA will be there, operating CW "with some SSB and RTTY," 160 -10 meters **including the CQWW DX CW contest**. QSL via RZ3FW or use Club Log. **— DDX**

5H - TANZANIA (CQZ 37) 5H3MB Maurizio IK2GZU is active from Tanzania **until 2 Dec as 5H3MB**, operating on HF Bands. QSL via home call, LOTW and eQSL. **– DX Coffee**

5N - NIGERIA (CQZ 35) Tom, PA3TG informs DX-World that he will be active from Lagos, Nigeria as **5N/PA3TG** bNov I5-24. QRV spare time (mostly evenings on 20m CW/SSB). Also 30m CW. QSL via buro PA3TG or direct 2USD.—*DXW*

5R – MADAGASCAR (CQZ 39) Eric, F6ICX is in Madagascar and will be active from Sainte Marie (Nosy Boraha) Island, AF-090 as 5R8IC from now until February 4, 2017. QRV on HF bands, mostly CW. QSL via H/c. — DXW

5U - NIGER (CQZ 35) Yves, F5PRU is active during his spare time as **5U7RK** and this **for the next few months**. Activity from 80 to 10 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via F5PRU, direct or bureau, LoTW, log search on Club Log. – **DXW**

5X, UGANDA (CQZ 37) Alan, G3XAQ is operating as **5X1XA until Nov 28**. Operation in 'holiday-style' on HF using CW only. QSL via G3SWH. http://www.g3swh.org.uk – DXW

5Z – KENYA (CQZ 37) DL7KL, Reiner, and DJ6TF, Tom, plan to be QRV as **5Z4/DL7KL** and **5Z4/DJ6TF** from Diani Beach **Nov 16 -30.** They will have a 500-watt amplifier and transmitting into an R7 and wire antenna for 80 Meters. Activity will be on the digital modes, CW and SSB on 3.5 through 28 MHz. **During the CQ WW DX CW listen for 5Z4/DJ6TF.** QSL via the DARC QSL Bureau or direct to the operators home call. **– DDX**

5Z – KENYA (CQZ 37) 5Z4/LZ4NM is the temporary call sign of LZ4NM, Nick, who is in Nairobi **until January 23, 2017**. He has an IC-7000 running 100 watts into an inverted vee on 40 meters and a Duna X on the higher bands. Listen for him on CW, SSB and FM on all bands. He reports QSLs should go to: Amateur Radio Society of Kenya, Box 45681, Nairobi 00100, KENYA. **— DDX**

6W – SENEGAL (CQZ 35)F6AFH, Michel, will be in La Somone from **early January to April of next year**. He is licensed as **6W7SS**. **– DDX**

6W – SENEGAL (CQZ 35) Ronald, VE3REV has moved to Dakar, Senegal and has obtained the call sign **6W I SU**. He will be active on 80-6m. Ron says he's retiring soon and will be on the air quite often. He asks DXers to be patient woith his operating as he's inexperienced and has never run a pileup. More info including his operating condition at http://dx-world.net/6w l su-senegal/ — DXW, DXNL

6W – SENEGAL (CQZ 35) 6V1IS and 6V1IS/P from Dakar - and the portable operation from IOTA island AF-045, will be a group, I8LWL, IK7JWX, IS0AGY, IS0BWM, IS0FQK the CW operator, and YL IS0FFR, **Nov 19-20**, They will have an FT450, IC706 and FT897 to a Spiderbeam, dipoles and verticals. They will be on all the HF bands and six, SSB, CW, digital and SSTV. QSL bureau or direct to IK7JWX, plus Club Log or LoTW. IK7JWX, Fred, asks for help in finding donors and donations to help poor families suffering in Dakar. http://www.grz.com/db/6v1is/ — DDX, LNDX

6W – SENEGAL (CQZ 35) Look for Michel, F6AFH, to be active as **6W7SS** from La Somone in Senegal between **early January up** to **April 2017**. No other details were provided. **— OPDX**

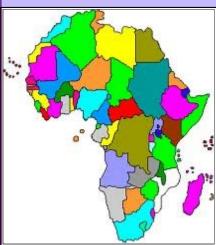
9G – GHANA (CQZ 35) 9G5X will be a 2017 activity from Accra. Full details yet to be released. QSL via M0OXO. -- DDX

9G - GHANA (CQZ 35) 9G - GHANA (CQZ 35) AB0GC, Dave, has received his **9GISD** Amateur Radio Dave and plans to be QRV on SSB on 14 through 28 MHz. Dave hopes to be QRV in his spare time, when not teaching. **9GISD** will be located in Wenchi, in the Brong-Ahafo Region in South Ghana. QSL via AB0GC. **– DDX**

9Q - DEM. REP. OF THE CONGO (CQZ 36) Fernando, EA4BB (ex-9Q5BB, D2BB, ST2BF, TU5JL, Z21BB), will be active as **9Q6BB** from Goma, DRC, **for up to 3 years**. Activity will be on various HF bands (usually 80-10 meters) using mainly SSB with some SSB. QSL via W3HNK. **— OPDX**

A2 – BOTSWANA (CQZ 38) A 10 to 12-man team, led by Nobby G0VJG, will be active from Botswana as A25UK during early Spring 2017 (dates to be finalised). They will be QRV with five QRO stations; 160-10m CW/SSB/RTTY for up to 10-11 days. Antennas include verticals for 80/160 and 4 square for 40m. Beams and towers will also be in use. QSL via M0OXO http://www.m0oxo.com/1176-a25uk-return-trip.html – DXW, DDX — DX Africa continues on next page

DX AFRICA—Continued from page 13



C9 - MOZAMBIQUE (CQZ 37) Johannes, PD0JBH is QRV as C91PA until March 2017. Operation during his spare time mostly on 40 and 20 meter using SSB. QSL via LoTW. - DXW

CR - MADEIRA ISLAND (CQZ 33) lose, CTIBOH, will be active as CR3OO during the CQWW DX CW Contest (Nov 26-27) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via LoTW. --**OPDX**

ED8 - CANARY ISLANDS (CQZ 33) An international contest team will be active as ED8X from La Palma Island (IOTA AF-004, DIE S-012, WLOTA 1276, EAA TF) during the CQWW DX CW Contest (Nov 26-27th) as a Multi-Single entry. Operators mentioned are Kresimir/9A5K, Manolo/EA8DO, Krassimir/K1LZ, Jeff/K1ZM, Velimir/K3JO, Andrey/LZ2HM, Alexey/ RAIA, Alexey/RNIAM, Vladimir/RWIA, Andrey/RW7K, Ionut/YO9WF and Tiberiu/YO9GZU. QSL via LoTW or RN3RQ. - OPDX

EF8 - CANARY ISLANDS (CQZ 33) Tom, OZIAA, will be active as EF8U from Gran Canaria Island (AF-004) during the CQWW DX CW Contest (Nov 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All -Band/High-Power entry. QSL via EA8URL or LoTW. To see the station, see: https://www.grz.com/lookup/ef8u - OPDX

ET - ETHIOPIA (CQZ 37) K4ZW's, Ken's "work schedule" has him "tentatively scheduled to be in Addis Ababa" for the CQ World Wide DX CW Contest weekend using the call sign ET3AA. QSL ET3AA via N2OO - DDX

FH - MAYOTTE (CQZ 39) Pierre, HB9AMO, will be active as FH/HB9AMO between Nov 23- Dec 4. Activity will be holiday style on 80-10 meters (possibly 160m) using mainly CW with some RTTY (no SSB). He plans to be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (Nov 26-27) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power/Unassisted entry. His setup will be a Yaesu FT-991 and MFJ-939 automatic tuner into: Two Spiderbeam 12 meters on telescopic masts, One Spiderbeam 404-UL multiband antenna, Delta loop for the 30 meters band and a Vertical & long wires antennas for the low bands. QSL via M0URX or LoTW. For more details and updates, see: http:// www.hb9amo.net/ -- OPDX, DXW

15 - GUINEA BISSAU (COZ 35) DX Italian Team leader 12YSB, Silvano, reports his team, who were supposed to activate 15T from IOTA AF-020 in November have delayed their expected trip to the second half of next year. http://www.i2ysb.com/idt/ - DDX, LNDX

SU - EGYPT (COZ 34) EA7TN, Nacho, who has been a resident in Cairo since 2014, has finally received his SU9IG license. He is planning to operate in the CQ WW DX CW Contest at the end of the month. QSL via EA5GL . - DDX

TY - BENIN (CQZ 35) Francois, F6A|L is active from Parakou, Benin as TY5AA until Nov 30. QRV on 80-10m. QSL via H/c. - DXW

TZ - MALI (CQZ 35) TZ4AM, Jeff, has "just finished rebuilding and fine tuning [his] fixed wire beam toward America (303 degrees) and reversible toward the rest of Africa and the Indian Ocean (123 degrees)". The antenna increases signals from North America and the Caribbean about an S-unit and likewise "attenuates Europeans about the same". Jeff can often be found on the low end of 20 Meters CW between 1830 and 1930Z, and occasionally he's on SSB. He says "80 meters QRN is still too high to hear calling stations..." However, Jeff, has erected "an inverted-L for 160" and is "gradually adding more radials to the counterpoise". He's running around 400 watts from his Elecraft system. "I still don't have a good receiving antenna for 160, but I do put a good signal into Europe and did work across the Atlantic the first night when I got on about 2 weeks ago, with a jury-rigged antenna and 2 radials" he says. leff goes on to ask Topband ops "to keep an ear out" for him and he'll "be looking for North American calls". - DDX

- TL CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC (CQZ 36) Members of the Italian DXPedition Team will be active as TL8TT from Central African Republic in February 2017. Operators mentioned are Alfeo/IIHJT, Silvano/I2YSB, Vinicio/IK2CIO, Angelo/IK2CKR, Marcello/ IK2DIA, Stefano/IK2HKT and Mac/JA3USA. The pilot stations are Art/IK7JWY (HF) and Sergio/IK0FTA (6m). Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via I2YSB, direct or the OQRS on their Web page at http://www.i2ysb.com/idt. A TL8TT needs/wants survey is available on the Web page also. Logs will be posted on LoTW about 6 months after the conclusion of the DXpedition. For News and Forum, see: http://www.hamradioweb.net -- OPDX
- TL CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC (CQZ 36) July 22, 2016 Ken, LA7GIA informs DX-World he will be active as TL8AO until Nov 22, from Bangui, Central African Republic. He will be QRV as a single op working primarily CW. Ken says his operation will be similar to his prior 7Q, D6 and 3C activities including 80 meters. Furthermore, donations/profit from OQRS/QSLs will go to DWOB (Doctor Without Borders) Charity. - DXW

XT - BURKINA FASO (CQZ 35) Harald, DF2WO is active as XT2AW until Nov 20. Operation on HF using digital modes and CW. QSL via M0OXO. -- DXW



DXCC News

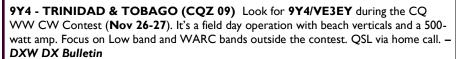




DX NORTH, CENTRAL and SOUTH AMERICA

3G – CHILE (CQZ 12) Members of the Radio Club "Antofagasta DX Team" (CEIANF) will be active as **3GIG** from Port of Gatico (Zone 12, WW Loc. FG47vi) **Nov 25-27**. Activity will be on 40/20/17/15/12/10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK31 and JT65. Operators mentioned are Melo/XQITUW, Manuel/ CEIDFU, CE2NGN, Pedro/CEIWML, Jose/CAIJST, Jorge/CAIJOK, Fernando/CAIFAA, Iván/CAIIVL, Domingo/CAIDSA, CAICMX, CDICVS and CE3TVP. More details are available on QRZ.com. QSL ONLY VIA DIRECT. NO BUREAU, NO eQSL, NO LoTW. — **OPDX**

6Y - JAMAICA (CQZ 08) Nov 20-28 are the dates K1XM, Paul, will be operating **6Y9X**, including the CQ WW DX CW Contest, possibly in the SOAB category. He'll be operating from the 6Y1LZ station, which includes an IC-7800 and Acom 2000A. Activity outside the contest will be on 1.8 through 28 MHz, including the WARC-79 bands, on CW and possibly SSB. Antennas include a 160 - Delta loop, 80 - 4-square, 40 - 3/3 SteppIR MonstIR stack, 20 - 6/6 M2 stack, 15 - 6/6 M2 stack, 10 - 7/7 M2 stack, 30 - 3/3 StepIR MonstIR, 17 - 4 StepIR MonstIR and 12 - 4 StepIR MonstIR. QSL via KQ1F and LoTW. **--DDX**



CO - CUBA (CQZ 08) Marcin, SP5QAZ will be QRV in 'holiday-style' as CO5/call during early January 2017. Operation on 20 and 15 meter. QSL via home call. – DXW DX Bulletin



- **FG GUADELOUPE (CQZ 08)** Dave, WJ2O will be QRV as **FG/home call Nov 24 Dec 1.** This includes an entry in the CQ WW CW contest. Operation on the WARC bands outside the contest. QSL via N2ZN. **DXW**
- FJ SAINT BARTHELEMY (CQZ 08) Adrian, KOSSCA will be operating as FJ/call Nov 19 26. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via LoTW, logs on Club Log. DXW DX Bulletin
- FS ST MARTIN (CQZ 08) Look for FS/K9EL, FS/K9NU, FS/N9TK and FS/W9ILY Dec I 10. Operation in 'holiday-style' with participation on ARRL 160 and 10 meter RTTY contest. QSL via home calls DXW DX Bulletin
- **HH HAITI (CQZ 08) HH2/VA3MPG**, Jim, reports his **I-year mission in Haiti is coming to an end Nov 27.** He'll be QRV on 40, 20, 15 and 10 Meters SSB, JT65 and PSK31. He works seven days a week and typically can be found during his evenings, after 2100Z. QSL direct via VE3NLS, LoTW, Club Log and e-QSL. **DDX, ARRL DX**
- HI DOMINICAN REPUBLIC (CQZ 08) Operators Tino/HI3CC, Franky/HI3TT, Miguel/HI3MPC and Edwin/HI8K will be active as HI3CC from Loma Del Toro Toro during the CQWW DX CW Contest (Nov 26-27) as a Multi-Single/Low-Power entry. QSL via W2CCW. -- OPDX
- **HK0 SAN ANDRES AND PROVIDENCIA (CQZ 07)** LW9EOC, Tim, has announced he's going to be QRV as **5J0NA Feb 13 27, 2017**. Activity will be on 160 through 6 meters on CW, SSB and RTTY with an emphasis on the low bands and WARC-79 bands. He will be in the ARRL DX CW Contest. QSL via LW9EOC. **DDX**
- **HK0 SAN ANDRES AND PRINCIPE (CQZ 07)** During the northern hemisphere's wintertime, AA4NC is going to San Adres, HK0, for the ARRL International DX Contest **Feb 18-19, 2017**. Will expects to get a 5K0 call sign. Apparently Will is going to be there for the ARRL Phone March 4-5, too! In total, he plans to be there from **Feb 13 through Mar 7**. QSL via AA4NC. **DDX**
- **HP PANAMA (CQZ 07)** VY2SS, Robby, who had been operating HP3/VY2SS since October last year, has a new call. He's now QRV as **HP3SS.** Robby likes CW and RTTY and participates in Contests. Listen for him on 80-6 Meters. QSL via AC2OV. **DDX**
- **HR HONDURAS (CQZ 07)** Michael AJ9C will be QRV as **HR2/home call Nov 22 30**. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via AJ9C, direct. **DXW**
- J3 THE GRENADINES (CQZ 08) Mike, VE7ACN will be operating as J3/call Nov 30 Dec 8. Operation on HF using CW and SSB. QSL via home call, LoTW. DXW DX Bulletin
- PJ2 CURACAO (CQZ 09) Mike, VE7ACN will be active as PJ2/call Nov 21 29. Operation on HF. QSL via home call and LoTW. DXW DX Bulletin
- PJ4 BONAIRE (CQZ 09) Look for PJ4/KU8E, PJ4/K4BAI, PJ4/W4EF and PJ4LS Nov 20-29. QSL for KU8E and K4BAI via K4BAI, others via home call. DXW DX Bulletin
 - DX North, Central and South America continues on page 16

DX AMERICAS — Continued from page 15

PJ4 - BONAIRE (CQZ 09) Peter, PA8A will be active in 'holiday-style' as PJ4B Jan 8 - 25. Operation from 40 to 10 meter. QSL via home call, direct only. – DXW DX Bulletin

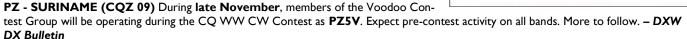
PJ6 - SABA (CQZ 08) Bill, K2HVN will be operating as **PJ6M Nov 11-18**. Activity from 40 to 10 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via home call. – **DXW, DX Bulletin**

PJ7 - ST MAARTIN (CQZ 08) Operators Chris/N0UK (G4JEC) and XYL Holly/ K0HAC will be active as PJ7/G4JEC and PJ7/K0HAC, respectively, from Sint Maarten Island (NA-105) Nov 26 - Dec 3. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via N0UK direct or LoTW. — DDX

PJ7 - ST MAARTEN (CQZ 08) Col, MM0NDX will be operating as PJ7/call early November. QSL via M0OXO. More to follow. – DXW DX Bulletin

PJ7 - ST MAARTEN (CQZ 08) Tom, AA9A will once again be operating as PJ7AA Feb 15 - Mar 17, 2017. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via home call. – DXW DX Bulletin

PY0T - TRINDADE & MARTIM VAZ ISLAND (CQZ II) A DXpedition is planned during 2018. More to follow. **– DXW DX Bulletin**



TI5 - COSTA RICA (CQZ 07) Darrell, AB2E, will be active as TI5/AB2E from Costa Rica Nov 24-29. He plans to be active in the CQWW DX CW Contest as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. There will be limited activity outside of the contest, but he will try to get on the WARC/Low Bands when possible. QSL direct via AB2E for any and all operations from 1993 to present. Be sure to include an SASE, green stamp, or new IRC or you won't get a card. Sorry, no Bureau cards at this time, and no eQSL. -- OPDX

V4 - ST. KITTS (CQZ 08) John, W5JON/V47JA, informs OPDX that he will 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, Nov 15 - Dec 15. Activity will be on 160-6 meters (incl. 60m) using SSB. 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 OSLs go to W5ION direct or via LoTW. NO Bureau OSLs. – OPDX

VP2E, ANGUILLA (CQZ 08) Operators Henri/OH3JR and Seppo/OH1VR will be active as **VP2EHC** and **VP2ESM**, respectively, from Anguilla **Nov 22 – Dec 1**. Activity will be on 160-10 meters, especially the 30/17/12m bands, using CW, SSB and RTTY. They plan to be an entry in the CQWW DX CW Contest (Nov 26-27). Look for VP2ESM to operate as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry and VP2EHC as a Single-Op/All-Band/High- Power entry. QSL cards will only be direct to CBA. – **OPDX**

VP2V - BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS (CQZ 08) K2SX, W2LK, W1UU and WA6O plan to be QRV from **Nov 22 r 29**. During the CQWW CW contest they have been issued the call **VP2VI** in honor of Bob Dennison's contributions to DXing and the ARRL in general. Outside the contest, we will be using VP2V/call. More details to follow. – **DXW DX Bulletin**

VP5 – TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS (CQZ 08) PVRC Members K4QPL and AA4NC are teaming up for a multi-single effort in the CQ WW DX CW next month. Their contest call will be **VP5M. VP5/AA4NC** will be QRV **Nov 21-30** operating holiday style on 1.8 t- 28 MHz, including the WARC-79 bands on CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL VP5/AA4NC via AA4NC. QSL VP5M via K4QPL. **— DDX**

VP8 – FALKLANDS (CQZ 13) Look for VP8CLE and VP8DKW during January / February 2017. More to follow. – DXW DX Bulletin

YN - Nicaragua (CQZ 07) N2BA, Brooke, plans to be in Granada, Nicaragua **Nov 25-30** operating a K3 and Expert 1K as **YN2SX**. This will include the CQ WW DX CW Contest. Outside the contest he'll be on CW, SSB and all bands from 1.8 through 28 MHz, including the WARC-79 bands. QSL via WA3RHW. – **DDX**

ZF - CAYMAN ISLANDS (CQZ 08) Dan, N6MJ, will again be active as **ZF2MJ** from the ZF1A QTH on Grand Cayman Islands (NA-016) during the CQWW DX CW Contest (Nov 26-27) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. He will be on the island **Nov 22-29**. Activity outside of the contest will be on 160-10 meters including 30/17/12 meters. QSL via W6TMD. **—OPDX**



DX ASIA

4I – PHILIPPINES (CQZ 27) Tom, KCOW is in the Philippines **until 25 Nov** using the call sign is **4I7COW**. This unique prefix has never been issued before and it's generating some interest. – **ARDX.com**

4Z – ISRAEL (CQZ 20) WIUE, Dennis, plans to operate as from the 4ZIUF QTH as **4X0W** in the **CQ WW DX CW Contest.** Some 80 and 160-meter activity is expected both before and after the contest. Dennis says he will release QSL information and more details as we get closer to the planned operations. – **DDX**

9N – NEPAL (CQZ 22) Yutaka, JA6GWX, will be active as **9N7NZ** from Kathmandu Nov 20-23. Activity will be on various HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL via his home call sign direct only. – **OPDX**

A5 – BHUTAN (CQZ 22) Nobuaki, JA0JHQ will be active from Paro, Bhutan as **A52NH Nov 24-27**. QRV on 160-10, mainly CW. QSL – Buro, Direct, LoTW, Club Log. – **DXW**



E4 - PALESTINE (CQZ 20) Chris PA2CHR and Jos PA3FYC will be operating as **E44CM Nov 15 - 24**. Operation on 2 meter and 70cm using EME. http://www.qrz.com/db/E44CM **-- DXW**

HS – THAILAND (CQZ 26) Fifteen operators will be active as **HS0ZAR** from Phimai, northeast of Bangkok, during the CQWW DX CW Contest (**Nov 26-27th**) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via K3ZO. Look for some of the operators being active as **HS0ZGD** before and after the contest. QSL via LA7JO, direct or by the HS Bureau. **— OPDX**

S2 – BANGLADESH (CQZ 22) From now into December, **S21SM**, Syed, plans to be QRV from Dhaka. He's running 100 watts in to an MFJ 1622 antenna and will be QRV on SSB on 20 and 15 Meters. QSL direct only to his Finnish address: Syed Ibrahim Khandker, Taitoniekantie 9 E 311, 40740 Jyvaskyla, Finland – **DDX**

VU – INDIA (CQZ 22) VU3DMP is on Topband. Op Chetz reports hearing his first US station, on 1828.5 at 0144Z. He figures his low power and basic antenna, an inverted L on 12M Spiderpole, was responsible for him not getting through for a QSO. He is running 80 watts. Chetz has previously operated as a team member at VU7LD, VU4PB, VU7AG and VU4KV. — **DDX**

XW – LAOS (CQZ 26) CW OP KM0O (3W3O, XU7MWA, HS0ZJN), Tony, will be QRV as **XW0YO** from Vientiane from **Nov 19-28**, including the CQ World Wide DX CW Contest. He'll be QRV on CW and SSB, but not RTTY on 1.8 through 28 MHz. "Fortunately, in this time of low solar activity and weak signals, this particular QTH has virtually zero noise" says, Tony. --- DDX

XW – LAOS (CQZ 26) KM0O, Tony, is heading to Laos for the CQ World Wide DX CW Contest. "I'll be operating from outside Vientiane, **arriving there around Nov 20 and leaving around the 29th**", says Tony. While there he will be doing some antenna work and plans to be QRV as **XW0YO** as much as time allows on CW and SSB on 1.8 through 28 MHz. QSL **only** via LoTW. – **DDX**

XW – LAOS (CQZ 26) Low band DX aficionado K4ZW, Ken, has plans "in the works for another low band DXpedition to Laos" where he'll operate as **XW4ZW** in **January 2017**. A new HI-Z receive array will be used courtesy of K7TJR, Lee, and HI-Z. "More details will be provided as we get closer to January", says Ken. – **DDX, DXNL**

XW – LAOS (CQZ 26) Bruce 3W3B will be active again from Laos 19 - 30 Nov as XW4XR. Operate on HF band in CW, RTTY and IT65. OSL via E21EIC, LOTW. – DX Coffee

XZ – MYANMAR (CQZ 26) Zorro, JH1AJT, will be active from Myanmar (XZ) with Champ, E21EIC; Franz, DJ9ZB; and Madison, W5MJ. QRV 15 - 22nd Nov. His main purpose of this trip is to support Olympic and Paralympic Committee in Myanmar. Activity will be on 80 - 10m bands CW, SSB and RTTY, by two stations, using a tri-band beam for 20/15/10m and another beam for 30/17/12m bands. Wire verticals will be used for other bands. Call sign will be announced as soon as they know. QSL to JH1AJT; PO Box 8, Oiso, Naka-gun, KANAGAWA 259-0111, Japan OQRS will be available at Club Log after his return to Japan. — DDX



DXCC News

The ARRL DXCC Desk has approved the 2015/2016 operations by **E44QX in Palestine** for DXCC credit. **10/9/2016.** — **OPDX**

The ARRL DXCC Desk has approved the 2016 A5A Bhutan operation for DXCC credit. - DX Coffee

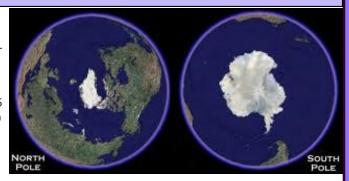


DX ARCTIC - ANTARCTIC

CE9 - ANTARCTICA (CQZ 39) It's back to the Japanese Polar Research Syowa Station on East Ongul Island (AN-015) where JG2MLI, Yath, will be operating with special call 8J60JARE for the 60th anniversary of the Japanese Antarctic

Research Expedition (JARE). He will be there Jan 1 - 20, 2018. The former 8|1RL op will be using an FTDX3000 and

IC7100S running either 50 or 10 Watts into a four element Yagi (20, 15 and 10 Meters) and a Dipole (40, 30, 17 and 12 Meters). Listen for him on SSB, CW, RTTY, PSK, JT9 and JT65 on 40-10 Meters. QSL via the JARL QSL Bureau, LoTW, eQSL or direct with SASE to JG2MLI. Direct requests will not be responded to until after April 2018, as Yath will not be back home in Japan until March 2018. He will be posting his logs to Club Log. https://www.grz.com/db/8|60|ARE — DDX



DPI – ANTARCTICA (Neumayer Station III) (CQZ 38) Felix, DL5XL is active as **DPIPOL** until February 2017. Operation on HF using mainly CW and digital modes. QSL via DL1ZBO, bureau or direct, LoTW. There will also be a ham radio operator on the next wintering team at Neumayer Station III. Daniel, DL1SU, works as an electronics engineer at the base. He plans to use the club call sign **DP0GVN from December 2016 to February 2018**. QSL cards for DP0GVN will be handled by DL5EBE, direct or via the bureau. – **DXW DX Bulletin**

OX – GREENLAND (CQZ 40) OX6M is the new six-meter beacon transmitting on **50.047 MHz** from grid locator **HQ90al**. Transmissions are already underway. The beacon is running 25 watts into a "dipole radiating North/South". **— DDX**

VP8 – ANTARCTICA (CQZ 13) Alan, MW0YCC is the Communications Manager on Rothera Research Station, Adelaide Island, AN-001, British Antarctic Territory. Operating as **VP8DPJ** as time permits. Possibly QRV from other Antarctic locations **until April 2018**. QSL via eQSL. -- DXW

DX INDIAN OCEAN



3B8 – MAURITIUS (CQZ 39) 3B8/DJ7RJ, Willi, will be on from Mauritius **until December 6**. He plans to be on 160-10 and "focus on Topband as usual." QSL to his home call. – *DDX*

3B9 – RODRIGUEZ (CQZ 39) Olof G0CKV will operate 3B9HA Rodriguez 24 Nov - 12 Dec. Activity mostly

on the low bands using CW and participate in the CQWW CW contest late November. QSL via M0OXO. – *LNDX*, *DXW*

8Q - MALDIVES (CQZ 22) The Polish DXpedition Team will be active as **8Q7SP later this year**. Operation from Dhiffushi Isl AS-013 from **Nov 20 - Dec 3**. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via SP6FXY, log search and OQRS on Club Log. http://8q7sp.dxing.pl/ **- DXW**

FH – MAYOTTE (CQZ 39) HB9AMO, Pierre, is planning to be in the CQ WW DX CW Contest, Nov 26 - 27 from the northern end of Mayotte Island as FH/HB9AMO. He says this is not a DXpedition, but rather a holiday with some radio activity lasting about 10 days. Dates for this one are Nov 23 to Dec 4. He'll be running 100 watts into wire antennas for activity mainly on CW and possibly some RTTY activity, but no SSB operations. He'll be on 80 through 10 Meters and some Topband activity "if" he can put up a long wire. He plans to use Club Log and will upload his logs to LoTW "at the end of January 2017". QSL via M0URX using OQRS. http://www.hb9amo.net/fh.php - DDX

FR – REUNION ISLAND (CQZ 39) Willi, DJ7RJ will again be active from Reunion as FR/DJ7RJ Nov 9 - Dec 6. QRV on 160-10m; CW/SSB. QSL via H/c. – DXW

FT - KERGUELEN (CQZ 39) Gildas TU5KG has been occasionally active as FT5XT/MM in the southern Indian Ocean in the vicinity of Kerguelen and Crozet. He is captain of the long-line fishing boat 'Le Reunion'. While refueling at Kerguelen Oct 13 Gildas had the opportunity to operate onshore and was QRV several hours working mainly European and Asian stations. His logs will be sent to QSL manager (F4DXW) on his return home in December. It is hoped Gildas can repeat a similar operation on Crozet. - LNDX, DXW

DX PACIFIC—OCEANA

5W - SAMOA (CQZ 32) Hiro/IFIOCQ and Taka/IHIBED will be active Oct 31- Nov 9 as 5W7X and 5W0ST from Samoa (OC-097, WW Loc. AH45ad) on HF (CW, SSB, RTTY). QSL 5W7X via [FIOCQ (d/B), 0ST via [HIBED (d/B). -- DXNL

AHO - MARIANA ISLANDS (CQZ 27) Look for the Mariana Intrepid Contest Club call sign, AH0K, from Northern Mariana Islands, to again be active during the CQWW CW DX Contest (Nov 26-27) -- Operators Jack/BA5CW, Joerg/DF9LJ, Jussi-Pekka/OH6RX, Esa/OH7WV and Harry/WX8C. QSL via OH6GDX. Entry is a Multi-2. Some pre-contest and perhaps some post contest activity expected. -- OPDX

AH2 - GUAM (COZ 27) Santos, EA4AK, will be active as AH2P from Guam Island (OC-026) Mar 29 - Apr 17. Activity will be on various bands and modes where Guam is most needed. QSL AH2P primarily via LoTW, eQSL or by ClubLog's OQRS. Later all QSLs will be sent by the bureau.

Please, no direct QSLing to neither AH2P/Guam or EA4AK. - OPDX

CEO - EASTER ISLAND (CQZ 12) Serge RZ2FW and Sergey R4WAA will be operating as CEOY/home calls Nov 24 - Dec 2. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using mainly CW with some SSB and digital modes. QSL via OQRS Club Log preferred. - DXW

E5 - NORTH COOK ISLANDS (CQZ 32) This DXpedition commemorates the launch of a new non-profit supporting charitable works by DXpeditions. Operation as E51AMF Jan 11- Feb 6, 2017. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY. http:// amateurfoundation.org/ http://e5lamf.amateurfoundation.org/ -- DXW

E5 - SOUTH COOK ISLANDS Dom, MIKTA will be operating as E51KTA Mar 10 -19. Operation during his spare time. – DXW

E5 - SOUTH COOK ISLANDS (CQZ 32) ZLIBQD, Roly, is "off to the Cook Islands again in a few days time." Call sign E5 IRR from Rarotonga, Roly operates almost exclusively | T65 and | T9 "with some CW." He expects to mainly operate on 40, 20 and 15, Oct 29-Nov 25. OSL direct to ZLIBQD. -- DDX

FO/A - AUSTRAL ISLANDS (CQZ 32) Al K7AR will be FO/K7AR from Raivavae Island (IOTA OCI 14) in the Austral Islands 21-28 Nov. He will be active from 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY and plans to participate in the CQWW CW contest - LNDX

H4 - SOLOMON ISLANDS (CQZ 28) Bernhard/DL2GAC is back in the Solomon Islands as H44MS until sometime in 2017. QSL via DL2GAC (d/B). -- DXNL

KH0 - MARIANA ISLANDS (CQZ 27) AH0K will be in the CQ WW DX CW Contest as a multi-two effort. The team will be BA5CW, DF9LI, OH6RX, OH7WV and WX8C. They expect some pre-contest and possibly some post-contest activity. QSL via OH6GDX. -- DDX

KH2 - GUAM (CQZ 27) Mike DF8AN will be active from Guam Island, IOTA OC-026, 16 - 20 Nov as KH2/DF8AN. Operate on HF Bands CW, PSK and RTTY. QSL via home call. - DX Coffee

T30 - WEST KIRIBATI (CQZ 31) T30TM, lack, is a somewhat newly licensed ham on Tarawa. He's using an IC-M700, which does not have an S meter. Jack is QRV on 40 and 20 Meters SSB, and can sometimes be found on the ANZA Net on 14.183 MHz after 0515Z or the 7163 DX group on 7.163 MHz between 0900 and 1230Z. QSL direct only to VKITX with SAE and 3 US \$. (W3UR note: It should be noted T30TM is a reissued call as it was issued to VK8TM back in 2002.) -- DDX

T8 - PALAU (CQZ 27) T88WM from Koror Island, Republic of Palau, is scheduled for Jan 12-19, 2017. YL op Kouko Matsumoto, JQ6FQI, will have an IC-765, TS-570 and FT-847 plus KW amp, operating on 160-6 (no 30) CW and SSB. QSL via JQ6FQI bureau or direct. She is considering Club Log and LoTW. For low bands she will have dipoles. For higher bands it's a triband Yagi. For 17 and 12M it's a dual band Yagi. For six, a six-element. Kouko will be part of a group with T88SM (JA6EGL), T88HS (JA6KYU) and T88UW (JH7IPR). -

V6 & KH2 - MICRONESIA & GUAM (COZ 27) V63Al from Yap, Micronesia, Nov 6-16. KH2/DF8AN from Guam Nov 17-20 or thereabouts will be DF8AN, Mike's, "Pacific trip." He plans to be on HF CW, RTTY and PSK. QSL direct or bureau to his home QTH, no LoTW. -- DDX

V6 - MICRONESIA (CQZ 27) | AIVND as V63YY and | AISVP as V63FA will be active from Chuuk Is (OC-011) in Micronesia Nov 16-22. QRV on 160-10m, CW/SSB/RTTY. QSL via H/c. (buro or direct). LoTW later. - DXW

VK9N - NORFOLK ISLAND (CQZ 32) Tim, NL8F, will again be active as VK9NF from Norfolk Island (OC-005) Nov 22-Dec 3. Activity will be mainly on 17/12 meters using SSB, RTTY and PSK. His equipment is an IC-7300 with a small amp into a vertical. QSL via N7RO. ADDED NOTES: "The Daily DX" reports that Paula, NXIP, will be joining Tim on this operation and is trying to obtain the call sign VK9NX. The report states that Paula will be on CW and RTTY, while Tim will be on SSB and IT65 on all bands 160-10 meters. Paula will also be in the COWW DX CW Contest. Paula's operation via NXIP direct, by the Bureau and LoTW. - OPDX

YJ - VANUATU (CQZ 32) Rod/YJ8RN plans an activation of the Gaua Islands (OC-104) for the end of November / beginning of December as YJ8RN/p. QSL via NZ4DX. -- DXNL

DX EUROPE

9H – MALTA (CQZ 15) 9H3PP will be the call of HA5PP, Zoli, in the **CQ WW DX CW Contest, Nov 26-27**. This will be a single-op effort. QSL via HA5PP. **— DDX**

PileUp

GU – GUERNSEY (CQZ 14) During the CQ World Wide DX CW Contest **GU4YOX**, Bob, plans to do an **eighty meter single-band effort.** QSL via GU4YOX and LoTW. – **DDX**

SW9, CRETE (CQZ 20) Christo, LZ3FN, will once again be active as **SW9AA** from Crete (EU-015, GIOTA KRS-005, MIA MGC-005, WLOTA I400) between **Nov 24-30th**. Activity will be holiday style on all bands, mainly CW. He also plans to be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via LZ1PM. – **OPDX**

TF – ICELAND (CQZ 40) During the CQ WW DX CW, **Nov 26 and 27**, **TF3CW**, Siggi, plans to do a single band 20 Meter effort. QSL via LX I NO. – DDX



60 METER NEWS



LX OPS GET 60M USE APPROVAL

Amateur Radio operators from Luxembourg have been authorized use of the 60 Meter band. LX ops can operate with 15 watts of "effective radiated power" on a secondary basis from 5351.5 to 5366.5 KHz.

As of October 10th, amateur radio operators in Luxembourg can now use frequencies between 5351.5 to 5366.5 kHz on a secondary basis with an "Effective radiated Power" of 15 watts.

CO - CUBAN OPS NOW CAN USE 60 METERS

Cuban hams now can go on the 60-meter band, which Cuban authorities call the 55-meter band, which has been "mostly empty spectrum, until now." Cuban hams are trying to be active between 21-01Z daily and are working out antennas, rigs and propagation. They may be speaking Spanish on the air but can also switch to English. They have "a continuous segment between 5418 to 5430 kHz" and are also using 5425 kHz USB for their informal net. CO7RR and CO7WT often coordinate the activity and say about 12 Cuban hams have been on the new band so far.

BROADCAST JAMMING AFFECTING 40 METERS

The Voice of the Broad Masses Eritrea continues to be jammed by neighboring Radio Ethiopia with a broadband white noise that is causing interference to radio amateurs on 40 meters.

IARU Region I Monitoring Service Coordinator Wolf Hadel DK2OM, reports that the 20 kHz wide signal can be heard between 7.145 and 7.175 MHz on the exclusive amateur service band. The conflict between Eritrea and Ethiopia has been going on for years. The jamming has been heard as far away as the USA.

Telecommunications regulators in Germany, Austria, and Switzerland have been informed. Other AM broadcast intruders on 40 meters include Radio Hargeisa in Somaliland on 7.120 MHz, even audible in Australia and Japan.

Also, reports to the IARU Monitoring Service indicate the Voice of Iran's signal on 7.205 MHz is splattering up to 5 kHz on either side of its channel, while Radio France International, which operates on the same frequency, is splattering down to 7.185 MHz.

ABU

In other observations of intruders are the military in Russia, Chinese broadband Over-The-Horizon radars, numerous fishing operations and oceangoing sensor buoys. — **HF IARU INTRUDER**

Page 19 PileUp			Volume	e 8 Number 4 November 2016			
November 2016 DX Calendar (Edited from http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/adxo.html)							
	Dates Entity Call Sign QSL via Source Details						
201 Nov		2016 Dec02	Tanzania	5H3MB	LotW	<u>DXNews</u> 20160927	By IK2GZU; 80-10m; SSB CW RTTY; dipoles + ground plane; QSL also OK via IK2GZU (Buro or direct), Club Log, and eQSL
201 Nov		2016 Nov22	Philippines	417COW	KC0W Direct	KC0W 20161107	By KC0W; focus on 160m; CW; first time use of this prefix; QSL direct only, DX w/ 2 USD, US w/ SASE
201 Nov		2016 Dec06	Mauritius	3B8	DJ7RJ Direct	AAIM 20161017	By DJ7RJ as 3B8/DJ7RJ; 160-10m, focus on 160m; 500w
201 Nov		2016 Nov16	West Kiribati	Т30	Home Call	<u>TDDX</u> 20161020	By JATKJW as T30KJ, JA3MCA as T30MA, JA8VA as T30VE, JATJQY as T30JY fm Tarawa I (OC-017); 160-10m; SSB CW RTTY
201 Nov		2016 Nov22	Central African Rep	TL8AO	LotW	DXW.Net 20160728	By LA7GIA fm Bangui; 80-10m; mainly CW; QSL also OK via LA7GIA
201 Nov		2016 Nov22	Myanmar	xz	JHIAJT	JAITRC 20161108	By JH1AJT et al as TBA; 80-10m; CW SSB RTTY; 2 stations; QSL: PO Box 8, Oiso, Naka-gun, Kanagawa 259-0111, Japan; Club Log
201 Nov		2016 Nov24	Nigeria	5N	PA3TG	DXW.Net 20161026	By PA3TG as 5N/PA3TG fm Lagos; 30 20m; CW SSB; spare time operation; QSL OK via Buro or direct (w/ 2USD)
201 Nov		2016 Nov22	Micronesia	V63	LotW	JAISVP 20161102	By JATVND as V63YY and JATSVP as V63FA fm Chuuk (OC-011); 160m-10m; CW SSB RTTY; QSL OK via home call (Buro or direct)
201 Nov		2016 Nov30	Kenya	5 Z 4	Home Call	DJ6TF 20161019	By DJ6TF as 5Z4/DJ6TF and DL7KL as 5Z4/DL7KL fm Diani Beach; 80-10m; CW SSB; 500w; R7 + wire on 80m
201 Nov		2016 Dec05	Cambodia	XU7A- EZ	LotW	<u>OPDX</u> 20160905	By Russian team fm Koh Rong Samloem I (AS-133); HF; various modes; QSL also OK via RC3C
201 Nov	-	2016 Nov20	Guam	KH2	DF8AN	<u>TDDX</u> 20160722	By DF8AN as KH2/DF8AN; HF; CW, some RTTY PSK
201 Nov		2016 Nov21	Fernando de Noronha	PY0F	PT7WA Direct	<u>DXNews</u> 20161014	By PV8IG as PY0F/PV8IG fm SA-003; HF; QSL: Luciano Sampaio de Souza, PO Box 825 - AC Monte Castelo, 60325-970 Fortaleza - CE, Brazil
201 Nov		2016 Nov25	St Barthelemy	TO2EE	K2HVN	<u>DXNews</u> 20160911	By K2HVN fm NA-146; 40-10m; CW SSB; may use PJ6/K2HVN
201 Nov		2016 Dec03	Maldives	8Q7SP	LotW	<u>DXNews</u> 20160711	By SP6EQZ et al fm Dhiffushi I (AS-013); 160-10m; CW SSB RTTY; QSL also OK via SP6FXY Buro and Club Log
201 Nov		2016 Nov23	Nepal	9N7NZ	JA6GWX Direct	JA6GWX 20161016	By JA6GWX; HF; SSB CW
201 Nov		2016 Dec25	DR Congo	9Q0HQ/3	Club Log	<u>TDDX</u> 20160916	By IS0BWM; all bands; SSB; QSL also OK via IS0BWM direct w/ 2USD
201 Nov		2016 Nov30	Turks & Caicos	VP5	AA4NC Direct	AA4NC 20161026	By AA4NC as VP5/AA4NC; 160-10m; CW SSB RTTY; holiday style operation
201 Nov		2016 Dec01	Ascension I	ZD8V	LotW	<u>TDDX</u> 20160929	By K0AV; 160-10m; mainly CW; QSL also OK via K0AV and Club Log
201 Nov		2016 Dec03	Norfolk I	VK9NF	LotW	<u>TDDX</u> 20161104	By NL8F and NX1P; 160-10m; SSB CW RTTY JT65; 500w; Hex Beam, wires, verticals; QSL also OK via N7RO (w/ \$2 and SASE) and Club Log
201 Nov		2016 Dec01	Chatham Is	ZL7	LotW	<u>OPDX</u> 20160516	By JAIXGI as ZL7/JAIXGI fm OC-038; 160-10m; mainly CW, some RTTY JT65 PSK; verticals; QSL also OK via JAIXGI, Buro or direct
201 Nov		2016 Nov30	Micronesia	V63DX	JA7HMZ	JA7HMZ 20160904	By JA7HMZ fm Pohnpei; QRV for CQWW DX CW
	CQ Worldwide DX Contest, CW (Nov 26-27, 2016) Check here for pre-contest activity too.						
201 Nov		2016 Dec08	Grenada	J3	LotW	DXNews 20160810	By VE7ACN as J3/VE7ACN fm Carriacou I (NA-147, FK92gm); 40-10m, perhaps 80m; mainly CW, ; holiday style; QSL also OK via VE7ACN

L	Pa	ge 20		$PileU_{I}$,	Volu	ıme 8 Number 3 October 2016
	De	ecemb	er 2016 - E	Early 201	7 DX C	alendar (Edited from http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/adxo.html)
L	Da	ates	Entity	Call Sign	QSL via	a Source	Details
	2016 Dec01	2016 Dec11	St Martin	FS	~	TDDX 20160725	By K9NU as FS/K9NU, N9TK W9ILY K9EL likewise; QRV for CQ 160m Contest w/ 3 simultaneous stations
	2016 Dec03	2016 Dec15	Bonaire	PJ4	~	<u>OXNews</u> 20161107	By DLICOP as PJ4/DLICOP and DC7MO as PJ4/DC7MO fm SA-006; HF; CW SSB RTTY; holiday style operation
	2016 Dec08	2016 Dec12	Palestine	E44QX	IOTVV	<u>TDDX</u> 20160919	By DF8DX fm the West Bank; 80-12m; mainly CW, some SSB; 100w; vert; limited time operation; QSL via DF8DX (Buro/direct), Club Log
	Jan 2	2017					
	2017 an04	2017 Jan22	Micronesia	V63		DXW.Net 20160912	By JA3ARJ as V63ARJ, JH3LSS as V63LSS, JA3AVO JH3PBL W7AYA likewise fm Pohnpei; 160-6m; CW SSB + digital
	2017 an08	2017 Jan25	Bonaire	PJ4B	PA8A Direct	PA3GVI 20160930	By PA8A; 40-40m; I00w; end-fed; holiday style operation; include US\$2 (no IRCs) + SAE w/ QSL request
	2017 an 11	2017 Feb06	North Cook Is	E51AMF	LotW	DXW.Net 20160730	By K7ADD fm Manihiki Atoll (OC-014); 160-10m; CW SSB RTTY; 1.5kw; verts, wires near salt water; QSL via K7ADD, Club Log, eQSL
	2017 an 12	2017 Jan 19	Palau	T88WM	JQ6FQI	<u>DXNews</u> 20161014	By JQ6FQI fm OC-009; HF
	Feb	2017					
	2017 eb01	2017 Feb28	Central Afri- can Rep	TL8TT	LotW	IK7JWY 20161011	By IIHJT et al; 160-6m; CW SSB, RTTY on I band; QSL also OK via OQRS (no card required); exact dates TBA
	2017 eb13	2017 Feb27	San Andres &Providencia	5J0NA	LW9EOC	LW9EOC 20160927	,
	2017 eb13	2017 Mar07	San Andres &Providencia	НК0	AA4NC	AA4NC 20161014	By AA4NC as HK0/AA4NC; QRV for ARRL DX CW and SSB using a 5K0 call sign
	2017 eb16	2017 Mar05	Pitcairn I	<u>VP6EU</u>	LotW	PA3EWP 20160927	By DJ9HX et al fm OC-044; 160-10m; CW SSB RTTY; 2 stations, I QRV 24 hours/day; 600w; beam + verticals; QSL via DK2AMM,Club Log
	ARRL International DX Contest, CW (Feb 18-19, 2017) Check for pre-contest activity too.						
	Mar 2017						
	ARRL International DX Contest, Phone (Mar 4-5, 2017) Check for pre-contest activity too.				e (Mar 4-5, 2017) Check for pre-contest activity too.		
	2017 1ar10	2017 Mar10	South Cook Is	E51KTA		TDDX 20160818	By MIKTA fm Rarotonga I (OC-013); spare time operation; QRV for BERU Contest
	2017 1ar14	2017 Apr04	Tuvalu	<u>T2</u>	LotW	DXW.Net 20160620	By SP5EAQ as T2AQ, SP7DQR as T2QR fm OC-015; 80-10m; CW SSB RTTY; dates and call signs tentative; QSL also OK via SP7DQR
	2017 1ar20	2017 Mar24	Cayman Is	ZF2CJ	LotW	TDDX 20160927	By JJ2RCJ fm ZFIA club station; 80-6m; mainly RTTY; QSL also OK via JJ2RCJ
	CQ WW WPX Contest, SSB (Mar 25-26, 2017) Check for pre-contest activity too.						
	2017 1ar29	2017 Apr17	Guam	AH2P	LotW	DXW.Net 20161003	By EA4AK; QRV on most needed bands and modes; auto-QSL via Buro, QSL also OK via Club Log, eQSL
	Sept	2017					
	2017 Sep01	2017 Sep14	Baker & Howland Is	кні	ТВА	DXW.Net 20160307	By YT1AD N6PSE K3LP UA4HOX + team as TBA fm Baker I (OC-089); planned for Sep-Oct timeframe; more info in May 2016
E	2018						
	Jan 2	2018					
	2018 an20	2018 Feb28	Bouvet I	<u>3Y0Z</u>	N200	DXW.Net 20160608	By K0IR K4UEE LA6VM + team; exact dates TBD

W4ZR's DXCC Count



OK, so you've worked them all—or most of them at least—and nothing you need is active or expected to be in the near future. So what's a body to do?

Here's a little exercise to keep you active and QRV. NFDXA would like to increase its DXCC count for its club station W4ZR. Consider doing the following: After you work a station for yourself, work them as W4ZR, too. Even if you don't work them for yourself work them for W4ZR. Bands don't matter for now, just the mode.



After your W4ZR contact send your ADIF records to Richard, K4UTE (<u>k4ute@comcast.net</u>) and he will post them to LoTW. There is a W4ZR summary page of what has been worked so far. Just click the link: http://nfdxa.com/w4zr/summary.asp

As you can see there are plenty of entities left to work in a number of modes. Just remember to update the summary whenever you make an entry after working a country. The DXCC summary for W4ZR as this is being written at 11 am November 10, 2016 is

Worked 236 Confirmed 174 CW-172 Digi-77 Fone-141

2017 DXPEDITION VP6 PITCAIRN ISLAND



VP6 – PITCAIRN ISLAND (CQZ 32)
From 16 Feb - 5 March 2017, a European team consisting of Uwe DJ9HX, Erno DK2AMM, Hans DL6JGN and Ronald PA3EWP will be active for 18 days from Pitcairn as VP6EU. They will operate from 160-10m in CW, SSB and RTTY. (no permission to operate on 60 meters). They will try to oper-

ate with 2 stations around the clock. Equipment will be 2 x Elecraft K3, Expert 1.3 and a homemade 600 watt amplifier. Antennas will be a Spiderbeam or Hexbeam for 10-20 meter and verticals for the other bands. For 80/160 they will use a K9AY and/or beverage antennas. They will stay at hilltop location on island. QSL is via Erno DK2AMM. For more information: http://www.pitcairn2017.de — **DX-World.net, DX Coffee**



ZZ0F DXPEDITION TO TRINDADE & MARTIN VAZ



The DX World has been standing by for updated news on an expected Brazilian-sponsored DXpedition to number 26 mostwanted PY0T Trindade and Martin Vaz Island. Although news was 'leaked' last summer that a group from Brazil working on a 2018 operation as ZZ0T nothing has been heard since—this despite of a promise that details would be forthcoming "soon"

It should be noted as of this writing that a PY0T license has not been posted on the

website of ANATEL, the National Telecommunications Agency of Brazil. Therefore, it is 'assumed' that details are still being worked out. It is hoped the DX pedition team will keep the DX Community posted appropriately.



Trindade and Martim Vaz is a remote archipelago located about 1,170 kilometers (730 miles) east of <u>Vitória</u> in the Southern <u>Atlantic Ocean</u>, belonging to the <u>State of Espírito Santo</u>, <u>Southeast Brazil</u>. The islands are of volcanic origin and have rugged terrain. They are largely barren, except for the southern part of Trindade. According to an article in Wikipedia, the archipelago has a total land area of 10.4 square kilometers (4.0 square miles) and an estimated population of 32 Brazilian Navy personnel. — *Various*

Frivolous Factoid - WWFF and "44"

The greeting "44", often used among operators participating in the WWFF program to symbolize the four compass winds and the four classical elements. http://wwff.co/ — Danny/ON4VT

NW4C and K3LB Attend 2016 SEDCO



In what has become something of an annual tradition, PileUp editor Warren, NW4C and Larry, K3LB drive north over the Smokies to Pigeon Forge (aka Dollyville), TN to attend the annual Southeastern DX and Contesting Conference. This was Larry's 8th SEDCO and Warren's 3rd.

Major presenters during the 2016 SEDCO included Dr. Robert Schmieder, KK6EK who headed the recent multi-nation DXpedition to VK0EK, Heard Island; Lou Dietrick, N2TU on the K5P, Palmyra operation and Jay Slough, K4ZLE and the twin DXpeditions to VP8STI and VP8SGI.

WWII NAVAHO "CODE TALKER" DIES

One of the last surviving Navajo Code Talkers recently passed away. Sergeant Major Dan Akee died at age 96 in his Tuba City, Arizona home in late October.

Sergeant Major Dan Akee served as a United States Marine on Iwo Jima and three other Pacific Islands during World War II. CIA.gov notes that during the war, the Marines used those who could speak Navajo to relay messages about attacks and other tactical messages. The complexity of the language which was only spoken on American soil was too tough for others to crack. On top of the use of an unfamiliar language, the Marines took it a



step further and had the men use word substitutions as well. Before the end of the war, around 400 Navajos had been employed in the program.

CENTENARIAN DXER F3AT SK



One of the world's oldest radio amateurs — Ivan Pastre, F3AT, of Saint Georges sur Baulche, France, has died. He was 102. Pastre became a radio amateur in 1931 and remained active — favoring CW — for the rest of his life.

First licensed as F3AU, he became F3AT a couple of years later, using a 100 percent home-built station. Over the years, he also operated under various exotic call signs, including FQ3AT in French Equatorial Africa; FQ3AT/FE and FE8AB in French Cameroon, and FF8AG in French Sudan in the 1940s and 1950s. His FQ3AT operation marked the only appearance of the FQ3 prefix.

F3AT was at the top of the DXCC Honor Roll with 388 entities confirmed, and he held 5-Band DXCC. He belonged to the First Class CW Operators' Club (FOC), Clipperton DX Club, and other organizations. He was also on the roster of the A-I Operators Club.

Gérard Debelle, F2VX, said Pastre's accomplishments were unparalleled and that he served as "a model for our younger operators." A service will be held in Auxerre on November 12.

- ARRL, The Daily DX, Les Nouvelles DX.

U.S. HURRICANE WATCH NET HONORS VP9 HAM

The Hurricane Watch Net (HWN) Manager Bobby Graves, KB5HAV, announced on October 20 that the net would confer upon Antony "Tony" Siese, VP9HK the title of "Honorary Member" in recognition of his 31 years of service. Graves said Siese is the first non-manager to be named an Honorary Member. His reports during Hurricane Fabian gave forecasters at the National Hurricane Center valuable ground-truth information and insight as to what the storm was doing in Bermuda. Siese was first licensed in the UK as G4CIL in the 1970s and has lived in Bermuda for more than 52 years. —ARRL



CREDIT

Much the DX news, illustrations and information contained in this publication comes from a variety of sources including, but not limited to the following:

The Daily DX (DDX)
(http://www.dailydx.com)

Ohio-Penn DX (OPDX)
(http://www.papays.com/
opdx.html),



(DXW) (www.dx-world.net/)



http://dxnews.com/

DX Coffee (DXC)

DARC DXNL (DXNL) (http://www.dxhf.darc.de/)

NG3K Amateur Radio Contest/DX Page (NG3K) (http://www.ng3k.com/)

The DX Magazine (DXM) (http://www.dxpub.com/),

ARRL (ARRL DX)
(http://www.arrl.org)

Last but not least...
Off- air and word of mouth from those who turned on their radios, listened, and then told **The PileUp** what they heard.

- NW4C

DXer's Benediction - May you have a day filled with DXtraordinary miracles

PileUp

Warren Croke, NW4C 4092 NW 23 Circle Gainesville, FL 32605

The Monthly Newsletter of The North Florida DX Association

The Work-Around



http://nfdxa.com

The Last Word

You probably thought you had seen the last of elections for 2016 ... but you were wrong. There's one more to go.

It's a 'biggie' and it's important to every member of the North Florida DX Association because it's the selection of those who will lead NFDXA in 2017.

First, kudos and a tip of the club hat to the NFDXA selection committee for coming up with the following slate of proposed officers: President - **Bob W4GJ**; VP - **Ron - N4KE**; Secretary - **Dick - K4UTE** and Treasurer **Jim - KC4FWS**.

Warran NW/C

Second, hats off and a big thank you to each those on the 2017 slate who agreed to stand for election, and second, to serve if indeed they are elected.

This proposed slate is just that, a *proposed* list. It should not be interpreted to be *the* list, or to discourage anyone not named who might be interested in running. Seriously, nominations from the floor are encouraged. Jump in, please.

See you at the meeting and may the good DX be yours. - Warren NW4C

