



DX ITALIA

DX NEWS

by I2MQP

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PFX	Country	Date	Info	QSL Info
3B8	Mauritius	Nov 1 - Nov 6	DG5MMW will be on /3B8	H.C.
3D2	Fiji	Oct 27 - Nov 14	VK4AN will be on as 3D2A	H.C.
3Y	Antartica	Nov 2010 - Dec 2011	SM4TUV will be in Antartica for 1 year and will operate as 3Y8XSA	
4J	Azerbaijan	Oct 22 - Oct 26	4K4K 4J7WMF 4J5A 4K6OF will be on as 4J6RO	4K4K
5H	Tanzania	Oct 2 - Oct 30	W8FV will be on all bands mainly CW with the call 5H9PD	H.C.
5R	Madagascar	Sep 5 - Nov 28	F4DBJ will use the call 5R8HT	
5R	Madagascar	Oct 4 - Oct 29	DJ7RJ will operate as 5R8RJ	H.C.
5R	Madagascar	Mar 1 - Dec 31	IK5ZUI will be active as 5R8UI	IZ8CCW
5R	Madagascar	Nov 15 - Dec 18	F6ICX will be on as 5R8IC during his holiday	H.C.

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5R	Madagascar	Oct 26 - Nov 10	OH2BH OH2PM OH6KN OH7EA OH8NC as 5R8X focusing on low bands and will be in CQ WWDX contest	
5X	Uganda	Oct 27 - Nov 3	DK7PE will sign 5X0CW all bands and modes	H.C.
5X	Uganda	Nov 14 - Dec 1	G3XAQ will be on as 5X1XA	G3SWH
6V	Togo	Oct 10 - Oct 23	Italian team will be on as 5V7TT all bands and modes	I2YSB dir
6W	Senegal	Oct 25 - Nov 1	6V7T will be aired by F5RAV	FH
8P	Barbados	Sep 12 - Nov 8	G0OPA will sign 8P9LJ	H.C. dir & bur
8Q	Maldives	Oct 24 - Nov 6	G3VDB will be on as 8Q7EJ	H.C.
9A	Croatia	Now - DEC END	9A10P is active to celebrate the city of Djurdjevac	Bureau
9L	Sierra Leone	Nov 4 - Nov 18	DK2WV & DJ9AF will be on all bands/modes as 9L0W	DK2WV bur & dir
9M6	East Malaysia	Oct 30 - Oct 31	JF2QNM will be in the contest as 9M6LSC	LoTW
9Q	Congo	NOW	VE2EK has now got a valid license and will be on as 9Q1EK	SM5DJZ & LoTW
9U	Burundi	Nov 3 - Nov 9	9U0A will be on all bands/modes by DL7DF&group	D1
9X	Rwanda	Oct 27 - Nov 2	9X0SP, 9X0DL, 9X0RT, 9X0WK will be on all bands/modes by dl7DF&group	
A2	Botswana	Oct 21 - Nov 3	I0ZY as A25ZY, IK1MDF as A25DF, IZ5MMB as A25MB, K5LBU as A25CF, K5ZOL as A25BI, KD5TAN as A25AN, W5SL as A25SL all bands/modes + 6 Will sign A25HQ during contest	H.C. K5LBU
C3	Andorra	Oct 30 - Oct 31	URA URE & REF will activate C37N	EA4URE
C5	Gambia	Oct 21 - Nov 11	ON4TA will be mainly on 21 & 17 VHF SSB signing C56FR	H.C.
C5	Gambia	Nov 17 - Nov 30	OM & OK group will be on as C50C or C52C (C5A during the contest) with 6 stations (4 active simultaneously)	OM2FY Bur & dir
C6	Bahamas	Nov 20 - Nov 29	K2KW will be on as C6ATA mainly CW	WA4WTG
C9	Mozambique	Oct 15 - Oct 31	GI4FUM (C91DJ), GI8MIV (C91MV), G4LDL (C91DL), G8KWD (C91KW), ZS6AVM (C91AV), ZS6GF (C91GF)	

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			and ZS6JR (C91JR) will be active also as C91MS and C91WW during the contest	
CE0Y	Easter Island	Oct 3 - Oct 23	DK2ZF and DK7ZB are on /CE0Y focus on EME	H.C.
CM	Cuba	NOW	CM2IR is active mainly on 7 and 21 MHz during sunday	EB7DX dir
CN	Morocco	Oct 30 - Oct 31	IK2PZC will be in the contest as 5C2P	H.C.
CY0	Sable Isl	Oct 22 - Nov 1	N0TG, WA4DAN, A4VK & VE1RGB will be /CY0	H.C.
D2	Angola	NOW	UA0QV is active as D2QV	H.C.
D2	Angola	NOW - Mar 2011	MM0SSG is active as D2SG all bands/modes	GM4FDM
EL	Liberia	NOW	EL2DT is active on SSB mainly 17 meters	EL2FM
FH	Mayotte	NOW	FH8ND is active on SSB mainly 17 meters	F1OKV
FP	St Pierre	Oct 26 - Nov 2	KV1J will be on /FP all bands and 6 meters all modes	LoTW bur & dir
GU	Guernsey	Oct 29 - Nov 5	G10CN MU3IOP 2U1DQZ as GU10CN M3IOP 2E1DQZ	H.C.
H40	Temotu	Oct 7 - Oct 22	CANCELLED	
HB0	Liechtenstein	Oct 27 - Nov 4	DF7EF, DG3EX, DJ2YE, DL6EAQ, DL6KAC, DL8DAW, DL8EAQ, DO2RE, HB9DOD and HB9LCW will sign /HB0. Will be HB0/HB9AON in the contest	H.C. DJ2YE
HI	Dominican Rep	Oct 9 - Oct 23	EA3GU0 will be /HI3 and /HI9 NA-096 and NA-122	H.C.
HL	S.Korea	Oct 29 - Nov 28	Local Club will be on as D7G20	
HL	S.Korea	Oct 23- Oct 24	6M0V/5 will be on from AS-081	DS5ACV dir & bur
J3	Grenada	Oct 28 - Nov 5	AA8LL will be /J3 during his holiday possibly with a n operation from NA-147	H.C. dir & bur & LoTW
KH0	Mariana	Oct 21 - Oct 25	JA6EGL KK6WW/KH0, JA6JXN AC2BO/KH0, JE6DND (KH0R), JA6GLD (WH0AA), JR6DRH (KR1V/KH0) in contest	H.C. dir
KH2	Guam	Nov 5 - Nov 7	JA7RPC and JH7DFZ will be active /KH2	H.C.
KP2	Virgin Isl	Oct 30 - Oct 31	NP2B will be a multi-single during the contest	NP2B
OR	Antartica	Nov 10 - Feb 24	ON5TN will be again in antartica as OR4TN	H.C.

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OX	Greenland	Oct 20 - Oct 30	DF9TM, DL2SWW,DL1RTL, DL2VFR will be on from NA-151 all bands/modes	
P4	Aruba	Oct 30 - Oct 31	KE5OG will be on as P40B	
PJ2	Curacao	Oct 26 - Nov 2	W0CG (PJ2DX),K6AM, Gary,K9SG, N8NR, K8LEE, ,W9JUV, DF7ZS,DL5RDO, and DL5RDP will be /PJ2. PJ2T in the contest	H.C. N9AG & LoTW
PJ4	Bonaire	Oct 10 - Nov 2	PJ4LS PJ4NX PE2KY PE2MC PA3GVI PG4M PD5TS PA8A PA8F PA9JO W4PA K6AM N0VD W0LSD will be on all bands and modes with 2 or 3 statio	
PJ5	St. Eust-aius Saba	Nov 18 - Dec 3	SP6IXF and SP6EQZ will be /PJ5	H.C.
PJ6	Saba	Oct 10 - Oct 23	PJ6A will be aired by K4UEE & group all bands and modes	
PJ7	St. Eust-aius Saba	Oct 15 - Oct 22	AH6HY will be /PJ7	H.C. dir & bur
PJ7	Saint Maarten	Nov 20 - Nov 23	K1GI will sign /PJ7 all bands and modes	JG2BRI dir & bur
PJ7	S. Maarten	Oct 23 - Nov 5	K4UWH as PJ7/K4UWH CW only	LoTW
S7	Seychelles	Oct 30 - Oct 31	S79K group will operate in the contest	G3NKC
S7	Seychelles	Oct 26 - Nov 4	IW0HLG will sign S79AD HF + 6	H.C. bur & dir
S7	Seychelles	Nov 19 - Nov 27	JA2AAU(S79AU),JA2LSS(S79SS), JA2ATE(S79TE) will be active on all bands and modes	H.C. dir & bur
T8	Palau	Oct 27 - Nov 1	JA1FMZ will be on as T88OM	H.C. dir
T8	Palau	Oct 24- Nov 1	DL2OBO spends hid honeymoon and will devote some time also to radio as T88DL	
TL	Centafrica	NOW	TL8PB is often on 20 meters around 18 gmt	LA0HF
TY	Benin	Oct 8 - Oct 28	TY1JB is aired by DL2UX	H.C.
V4	St Kitts	Oct 20 - Nov 10	W5JON as V47JA on all bands	H.C.
V6	Micronesia	Oct 29 - Nov 2	JJ2CJB as V63CJB	LoTW dir & bur

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V6	Micronesia	Oct 29 - Nov 4	JA7HMZ(V63DX), JA7GYP(V63T) and JA7EPO(V63EPO) will be on all bands and modes. V6B in contest	JA7HMZ
V7	Marshall	OCT	N3QQ will be on from several different IOTA references Oct 6 OC-029, OCT 12-15 AND OCT 20-21 OC-087 AS V73QQ OCT 16-19 OCT-278 AS V73RRC	N7RO
V8	Brunei	Oct 1 - Oct 30	V85TX will be on during all October from OC-088	W3HMK
VP2M	Montserrat	Nov 22 - Dec 6	K3VX as VP2MVX, K9CS VP2MSC, K9FO VP2MFO, K9NR VP2MNR, K9OWQ VP2MWP; VP2M during contest	H.C K9CS
VP9	Bermuda	Oct 30 - Oct 31	N1SL will be in the contest /VP9	H.C.
XX	Macau	Oct 18 - Oct 26	XX9TLX is on the air by DK7LX mainly WARC CW RTTY	H.C.
YA	Afghanistan	NOW	SP8HNB is active as T6LR on all bands.	SP8PRL
YA	Afghanistan	Oct 1 - May 30	KD5NOI will be on from Kandahar as T6JC	H.C.
YA	Afghanistan	Oct 1 - May 30	K5TLL will be on from Kandahar 40-10M SSB & Digital	LoTW and \$4FF
YI	Iraq	NOW	KB2RLB is active as YI9RLB KG4GYS is active as YI9GYS	H.C H.C.
YV	Venezuela	Nov 18 - Nov 22	Caracas DX Club will be on as YW5LF from SA-059	DM4TI
YJ	Vanatu	Nov 1 - Nov 15	HA5UK & HA5AO as YJ0HA all bands and modes	LoTW & dir
Z2	Zimbabwe	Sep 30 - Nov 1	AC7GP will be /Z2 mainly SB & digi. Will be in CQ WWDX	H.C.
ZD9	Gough Island	Sep 2010 Sep 2011	SZ1LF will be on Gough signing ZD9GI	ZS1A dir & bur
ZD9	Tristan da Cunha	Oct 10 - Dec 6	DL2AH will sign ZD9AH also during contest	H.C. dir & bur
ZK2	Niue	Nov 20 - Dec 3	Big group will sign ZK2A all bands and modes	PA3LEO
ZS8	Marion Island	Apr 2010 Mar 2011	ZS1HF is working on Marion and active as ZS8M on 7,14,21 Mhz	ZS1X dir

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FUTURE OPERATIONS --- OPERAZIONI FUTURE

PFX	Country	Date	Info	QSL Info
1S	Spratly Isl	Jan 6- Jan 24	Expedition planned for next year by VK3FY and team. Possible call DX0DX Activity also EME ad 6 m	
3D2	Fiji	Oct 2011	F8IJV will be in Viti Levu (OC-016) as 3D2JV and will try also a few days from Rotuma. Details will follow	
3D2	Conway Reef	Sep 29 - Oct 12 2011	YT1AD K3LP K1LZ PY5EG N6TQS UA4HOX SV2BFN WD5COV N6PSE AA4NN VK3FY VK3FGRC VK3FT RZ3AA YU7AV YT3WW all bands and modes with more stations	YT1AD
3D2	Rotuma	Jul 1 - Jul 15	VK2IR 3D2AA VK2NN VK2RF VK2KLM VK3FY VK3YP VK3FT will be and all bands and modes as 3D2R	
9L	Sierra Leone	Mar 1 - Mar 31	PA3A PD0CAV PA8AD PA3AN will be on with 3 stations as 9L5MS. Qsl via PA3AWW	
9L	Sierra Leone	Nov 27 - Nov 28	VooDoo group will be in the contest as 9L5VT	
9M6	East Malaysia	Nov 26 - Nov 30	KM00 will be /9M6 from OC-088	
9Q	Congo	Dec 3 - Dec 13	ON4BR will sign 9Q500N QSL via H.C. dir & bur	
9Y	Trinidad & Tobago	Nov 27 - Nov 28	N6TJ will be in the contest as 9Y4W	H.C.
FJ	St.Barthelemy	Nov 22 - Nov 30	VE3EY will be again /FJ all bands and modes	H.C.
FR	Reunion	Apr 9 - Apr 22	F4FLE will sign TO2Z SSB & digi	H.C.
H40	Temotu	Dec 21 - Jan 23	DK9FN as H40FN and DG1FK as H40FK CW PSK and TTY	H40FN to HA8FW, H40FK to DG1FK
HK0	S. Andres	Nov 2010	DL7VOG will be there as HK0GU	
J6	S. Lucia	Dec 8 - Dec 13	Big group will be on all bands and modes	H.C.
KH0	Mariana	Mar 3 - Apr 2	WE8A and K8RYL as WE8A/KH0 HF + 6 m SSB & CW	WE8A
KH5	Palmyra	Nov 2011	25 operators will be on from Jarvis Island signing probably N5E	

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T30	W. Kiribati	Mar 1 - Mar 17	SP5EAQ as T30AQ and SP5DRH as T30RH SB & TTY	
T31	C. Kiribati	Apr 15 - Apr 24	W2IJ and group all bands and modes signing T31A	
T32	East Kiribati	Sep 28 - Oct 26	Big group will be on as T32C see below	
T6	Afghanistan	Apr 1 - Apr 30	N6PSE K3LP YT1AD K1LZ W01S YI1UNH AH6HY W0UCE W5KDJ will sign T6PSE for 10 days in April	W3HNC
TG	Guatemala	Dec 16 - Jan 13	DL5RMH will sign /TG9 Mainly CW	H.C.
VK9C	Cocos Keeling	Feb 22 - Mar 5	G3RTE G3SWH as VK9C/G6AY CW only	G3SWH dir & bur
VK9N	Norfolk	Dec 5 - Dec 12	Big group will operate from Norfolk all bands and modes	PA3LEO
VK9N	Norfolk	Jan 7 - Jan 21	VK3XPD, VK4UH and VK3KH, will be active as VK9NA 1	
VK9X	Christmas	Jan 14 - Jan 20	JA3BZO (VK9XA), JH3PBL (VK9XL), JI3DNN (VK9XN), JA3AVO (VK9XO), JA3UJR (VK9XJR), JA1CJA (VK9XXY) will be on all bands and modes	H.C.
VP2V	Virgin Islands	Nov 27 - Nov 28	N3DXX will be active /VP2V during the contest	KN5H
VP2V	Virgin Islands	Mar 11 - Mar 18	G3PHO will be /VP2V	H.C. dir & bur
VP5	Turks	Nov 24 - Dec 14	W5CW will be on /VP5 including contest	H.C. dir
VP80	S. Orkney	Jan 27 - Feb 8	K9ZO ND2T 9V1YC K0IR N1DG W3WL N6MZ I8NHJ N4GRN WB9Z W7EW VE3EJ will be on all bands and modes	VE3XN dir
XV	Vietnam	Nov 26 - Dec 6	XV4SP will be used by DL7DF & froup from AS-128 all bands and modes	H.C. dir & bur
ZL7	Chatham	Dec 2 - Dec 9	JF1OCQ will be on as ZL1WY/ZL7 all bands and modes + 6	H.C.
ZL8	Kermadec	Nov 19 - Dec 5	DJ5IW DJ7EO DJ9RR DK1II DL1MGB DL3DXX DL5CW DL5LYM DL5XL DL6FBL DL8OH DL8WPX SP5XVY as ZL8X	

Contest, mainly from ARRL Bulletin & WA7BNM

NCCC Sprint: 0200Z-0300Z, Oct 22

FOC QSO Party: 0000Z-2359Z, Oct 23

Araucaria VHF Contest: 0000Z, Oct 23 to 1600Z, Oct 24

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10-10 Int. Fall Contest, CW: 0001Z, Oct 23 to 2359Z, Oct 24
SYLRA Contest: 1000Z, Oct 23 to 1000Z, Oct 24
Stew Perry Topband Challenge: 1500Z, Oct 23 to 1500Z, Oct 24
W/VE Islands QSO Party: 1600Z, Oct 23 to 2359Z, Oct 24
SKCC Sprint: 0000Z-0200Z, Oct 27
RSGB 80m Club Sprint, SSB: 1900Z-2030Z, Oct 27

The dissolution of the Netherland Antilles has caused changes to the DXCC List.

As per the DXCC rules, the two Netherland Antilles DXCC entities will be deleted and moved to the Deleted Entities List.

Four new entities will be added to the DXCC List : (1) Curacao; (2) St. Maarten; (3) Saba and St. Eustatius; and (4) Bonaire. The event date and time for these changes will be 0400Z, 10 October, 2010. Confirmations for these new entities will be accepted for credit starting 1 January, 2011. Other administrative changes and actions will be announced as they are finalized.

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STATIONS EXPECTED TO BE ON THE AIR LATER IN NOVEMBER:

PJ4A - Bonaire Island; November 23-30th
PJ5/SP6IXF - St.Eustatius; November 18th-December 3rd
PJ5/SP6EQZ - St.Eustatius; November 18th-December 3rd
PJ7/K1GI - Sint Maarten; November 20-23rd

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Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports that the following operations are approved for DXCC credit:

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9Q50AR - Democratic Republic of the Congo (Club Station all operations)

9Q50ON - Democratic Republic of the Congo; 2010 Operation

Also the following operations are approved for DXCC credit:

A51A – Bhutan

2010 Operation

T6MB – Afghanistan

2010 Operation

9U1RSI – Burundi

2010 Operation

9U4T – Burundi

2010 Operation

9U1KI – Burundi

2010 Operation

9U1VO – Burundi

2010 Operation

If you've had any of these operations rejected in a recent submission please send a note to dxcc@arrl.org. You can verify the update to your records either by checking your LoTW account, or, you'll see a change in the live daily listing on the DXCC web site.

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CQ COMMUNICATIONS, INC. NEWS RELEASE

Rich Moseson (W2VU), Editor, reports on October 13, 2010, for immediate release:

"Former Netherlands Antilles and CQ Awards and Contests

With several groups operating this week from the "new" DX entities created by the breakup of the Netherlands Antilles, questions have arisen regarding their status for CQ DX awards and contests. This announcement updates and supplements the preliminary announcement that will appear in the November issue of CQ magazine, which is already at the printer.

CQ DX Awards

Each of the five islands involved in the change of status retains its previous PJ callsign prefix (Curacao - PJ2; Bonaire - PJ4; St. Eustatius - PJ5; Saba - PJ6; and St. Maarten - PJ7). According to CQ DX Awards Manager Billy Williams, N4UF, the previous entities of the Leeward Islands (PJ2/PJ4) and Windward Islands (PJ5/PJ6/PJ7) Islands were deleted as of October 9, 2010. Four new entities - Curacao (PJ2), St. Maarten (PJ7), Bonaire (PJ4) and Saba/St. Eustatius (PJ5/6) - became active on October 10, for a net gain of two DX entities. Confirmations for contacts made with the new entities will be accepted for CQ award credit effective immediately.

New Multipliers in the CQWW

The country multiplier list for the CQ World Wide DX Contest (SSB weekend on October 30-31; CW on November 27-28) is based on a combination of the ARRL's DXCC list and the DARC's WAE (Worked All Europe) list. Since the ARRL has also made the same changes, deleting the old Windward and Leeward Islands entities and adding PJ2 (Curacao), PJ4 (Bonaire), PJ5/6 (St. Eustatius & Saba) and PJ7 (St. Maarten) as four new entities effective October 10, these "new ones" will each count as separate country multipliers in the CQWW.

There is no need to worry if your own contest logging software is not updated, according to CQWW Contest Director Bob Cox, K3EST. 'In the end, the log checking software calculates final tallies anyway,' he notes, adding that the software 'is very up-to-date and reflects any status changes.'

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DX Marathon Double-Dip

Competitors in the 2010 CQ DX Marathon will have a unique 'double-dip' opportunity in working the islands of the Netherlands Antilles for Marathon points. Those who worked any of the islands before 10/10/10, get credit for either the Windward or Leeward Islands, as appropriate. Hams who work them again on or after 10/10/10 will get additional credit for the new entities, providing a maximum of six country credits for working the islands in 2010."

T32 Press release

The Five Star DXers Association (FSDXA) is pleased to announce its next DXpedition, to Kiritimati (also known as Christmas Island, T32) to take place in September/October 2011. FSDXA, closely linked to CDXC (Chiltern DX Club), the UK DX Foundation, is the group which brought you the 1998 9M0C Spratly Islands DXpedition, the record-breaking 2001 D68C DXpedition to the Comoros and, subsequently, the 2004 3B9C Rodrigues and 2007 3B7C St.Brandon DXpeditions. Once again, Yaesu have kindly agreed to be Global Sponsor, and will be providing sixteen FT-5000 transceivers along with a similar number of Quadra VL-1000 linears. UK amateur radio retailers Martyn Lynch & Sons and Nevada are also committed to sponsoring the operation.

It is hoped that the callsign T32C will be allocated. The "C" in the callsign stands for "CDXC", the club from which the Five Star DXers Association was formed, and is also a reminder of the group's previous successful operations.

As with previous FSDXA expeditions, this will be a major effort, with a target of more than 150,000 QSOs. There will be up to sixteen stations on the air, using amplifiers along with monoband beams and vertical dipole arrays, 24 hours a day, for almost four weeks, including four weekends, around the autumn equinox when DX propagation on all bands is typically at its best.

Our primary objective is to activate Christmas Island T32 with a view to giving as many DXers as possible a first contact with this rare DXCC entity and, as a secondary objective, to give as many band-slots as possible. While many experienced DXers have one or two contacts with Christmas Island, our focus, in addition to, making Christmas Island available to less well-equipped DXers, especially in Europe and the US East Coast, both of which are tough paths from the mid-Pacific, will be to help fill those missing band and mode slots, especially on LF and on RTTY.

Club Log shows Kiritimati as 36th most wanted DXCC entity by European operators and 61st most wanted worldwide. It is even more sought after on the LF bands.

A large number of amateurs from 13 different DXCC entities have already signed up for T32C, some for half the overall period, some for the whole operation. There will be 30 operators on site at any one time. Operator numbers have been determined to ensure that a full complement of stations can be manned whenever bands are open. Many of these operators have been with us before. All bring experience not only of operating (usually multiple modes, often with a contesting background) but in terms of other essential skills. For example, we will have two medical specialists, antenna, RF and software specialists, and a range of other skills which will be essential in mounting a major operation so far from logistical support.

At the time of writing, the team is expected to consist of 40 operators including: Falk DK7YY, Jens DL7AKC, Paul EI5DI, Dave EI9FBB, Gerard F2JD, Ian F5VKT/G3YBY, Michel FM5CD, Vincent G0LMX,

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At this time we are seeking contributions from sponsors to help defray the very significant logistics costs of this DXpedition. For example, there is limited electricity on the island so generators will have to be shipped. Most equipment has to be shipped by container via Tarawa. The team will then fly out to Christmas via Honolulu. All team members will be covering their own travel costs and accommodation on the island, and making a contribution to other (mainly logistics) costs, but there will still be a significant shortfall.

Details of how to donate appear on our website (www.t32c.com) which is now live. PayPal donations may be made directly via the site. All donations will be acknowledged.

The logos of all DX clubs etc which have helped to sponsor the DXpedition will be shown on the QSL card, as will the names and callsigns of those who make an individual contribution in advance of the DXpedition (subject, in each case, to a certain minimum amount).

This first Bulletin is intended mainly to alert you to our upcoming DXpedition. More information will be forthcoming in due course, and will be posted on our website (www.t32c.com) as it becomes available.

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