



# DX ITALIA

## DX NEWS

by I2MQP

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**ON NOW OR WITHIN THIS MONTH -- IN ARIA OR A ENTRO IL MESE**

PFX	Country	Date	Info	QSL Info
5R	Madagascar	Nov 15 - Dec 17	F6ICX will be again active as 5R8IC	H.C.
5V	Togo	Dec 19 - Jan 4	F4FOO will be active as 5V7MA	H.C.
5X	Uganda	Nov 23 - Dec 15	G3RWF will be active as 5XNH	H.C.
5Z	Kenya	Nov 20 - Dec 3	DL7DF will be active as 5Z4HW	H.C: dir & bur
6W	Senegal	Dec 4 - Dec 11	AA1AC will be /6W	H.C. dir \$ bur
7Q	Malawi	NOW	G0JMU is active as 7Q7MH HF and possibly 6 meters	G0IAS dir
7X	Algeria	Nov	7U1MA special station by ARA will be on	7X2ARA
9J	Zambia	2011 - 2012	ZS6RI will be active as 9J2RI during his stay in Zambia	H.C. dir & bur & LoTW

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9L	Sierra Leone	Nov 22 - Dec 4	5 D1 operators will be active as 9L0W from AF-037 all bands and modes	DK2WV
9N	Nepal	NOW	WP4FE is in Nepal for his job and active during free time as 9N1FE	
9U	Burundi	Dec 28 - Jan 4	IV3TMM will be on as 9U3TMM	H.C. bur
9X	Rwanda	Dec 24 - Jan 7	SM6CPY will be active as 9X0PY	H.C. dir & bur
A5	Bhutan	Now - Sep 2013	JA2PSV is active as A52SV on 10-12-15 meters	H.C.
CY0	Sable	Oct 5 - Dec 31	VE1AWW is working in CY0 and will be signing /CY0	H.C.
CY0	Sable	Dec 28 - Jan 6	N0TG WA4DAN AA4VK N1SNB will be /CY0	
D2	Angola	NOW - Jun 2012	MM0SSG is in D2 signing D2SG when free from his job	FM4FDM
DP0	Antartica	December	DL5XL & DL1LLL will be on as DP0GVN	DL5XL
FH	Mayotte	Now - Mar 1	F6GNT will be on as FH8NX	H.C.
E4	Palestine	Dec 16 - Dec 28	HB9IQB has a license for this period and will sign /E4	H.C. dir & bur
ET	Ethiopia	Dec 8 - Dec 13	Ethiopia 2011 group will be on all bands and modes signing ET3AA	
GJ	Jersey	Dec 2 - Dec 7	G3ZAY, G7VJR, JA1LZR, JF1PJK and JQ2GYU as GJ6UW all bands and modes focus on low bands	M0BLF & LoTW
HH	Haiti	Nov 26 - Jan 9	HB9AMO will be /HH2	H.C. & LoTW
HR	Honduras	Nov 23 - Dec 5	IV3IYH will sign HR5/NQ5W and HQ2X during the contest	W0MM IK2ILH
II	Antartica	Now - Feb 15	IW0HEU is on as II0ZM from Terra Nova mainly 20 & 40 SSB	
J6	St. Lucia	Dec 4 - Dec 11	W3FF N7UN WD9CMD N7BF WF2S K9CJM AA4OC WU1B will be also in the contest	H.C.
J6	St. Lucia	Nov 19 - Dec 3	K9HZ will sign J68HZ	H.C.
J7	Dominica	Now - Dec 7	HB9MFM is on as J79WTA	H.C.
J7	Dominica	Nov 23 - Dec 8	DL8WEM will be J79WE also in contest	H.C.

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KH2	Guam	Dec 12 - Dec 14	JA1XGI as W8XGI/KH2	H.C. bur & dir & LoTW
KH2	Guam	Now - Dec 5	JD1BNX is on as W3JH/KH2	JR3QFB
KH4	Midway	NOW - May 2012	W5FJG is /KH4 for at least one year	N7RO
OR	Antartica	Nov 16 - Feb 28	ON5TN will be on as OR4TN	H.C.
P2	Papua	NOW	SQ5RGR is qrv as P29FM	SQ1K
PJ2	Curacao	Nov 24 - Dec 13	PA0VDV will sign /PJ2 mainly CW	H.C.
PJ2	Curacao	Now - Dec 13	K2PLF is /PJ2	H.C.
PJ5	S.Eustatius	Nov 15 - Dec 5	DL5VOG will be /PJ5	H.C. bur
R1	Antartica	2011	RD1AV is on signing RI1ANC all bands SSB & CW	RN1ON
ST	Sudan	NOW	S53R is on as ST2AR	H.C. dir
T2	Tuvalu	Nov 1 - Dec 8	Pacific DXers are on as T2T all bands and modes	VK4FW
T5	Somalia	NOW	PA5M is active as 600M mainly CW	PA7FM
T8	Palau	Dec 7 - Dec 16	UA4CC will use T8CC & T88UU	H.C. bur & dir
T8	Palau	Dec 30 - Jan 8	RA0FF as T88OW	H.C.
TN	Congo	NOW - 2012	TN9SN is active for one year	IZ1BZV
V2	Antigua	Dec 9 - Dec 11	K6IF will be on as V25R also in the contest	H.C.
V3	Belize	Dec 16 - Dec 27	5B4AIF as V31NB SSB	EB7DX
V5	Namibia	Nov 17 - Dec 14	DJ4SO will be /V5	H.C.
V5	Namibia	Dec 2 - Jan 16	DJ2BQ will be /V5	H.C.
V5	Namibia	Dec 26 - Jan 16	DH3WO & DJ2HD will be on /V5	H.C.

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VK0	Macquarie	Oct 31 - Mar 2012	VK0KEV is on mainly SSB & RTTY Try 20 meters from 05.30 to 08.45	JE1LET
VK0	Macquarie	NOW	VK8TH has been heard signing VK0TH	JE1LET
VP2E	Anguilla	Nov 25 - Dec 3	VE3IKV plans to operate as VP2EAT	H.C.
VP2M	MOntserrat	Nov 18 - Dec 6	DF7OGO as VP2MGO, K3WT as VP2MWT, N0AT as VP2MTA, N0STL as VP2MTL, W0OR as VP2MOR	
VP5	Turks	Now - Dec 14	W5CV is on /VP5	H.C.
XV	Vietnam	Nov 1 - Dec 12	OH4MDY will be on as XV2RZ	H.C dir
XV	Vietnam	Nov 12 - Dec 5	DL5CO will sign XV2CO	H.C.
XV	Vietnam	Dec 2 - Dec 8	VK6LC as XV2LC	H.C.
XW	Laos	Nov 19 - Dec 3	RK3DT as XW3DT	
YA	Afghanista n	2011	K9GY as T6MO W6EOD as T6SH WB8LES as T6LB	
ZD8	Ascension	Nov 21 - Dec 2	G3ZVW as ZD8N	H.C.
ZD9	Gough Island	Sep 2010 Sep 2011	SZ1LF will be on Gough signing ZD9GI	ZS1A dir & bur
ZK1	North Cook	Now - Dec 5	N7OU is still in North Cook signing E51MAN	H.C.
ZK1	South Cook	November	W6NV is on as E51NNV	H.C.
ZK2	Niue	Oct 21 - Dec 31	GM3WOJ will sign ZK2V	N3SL
ZS	Antartica	NOW	ZS6KX is active /7 from AN-016	H.C.

**FUTURE OPERATIONS --- OPERAZIONI FUTURE**

PFX	Country	Date	Info	QSL Info
3D2	Fiji	Postponed	F8IJV will be in Viti Levu (OC-016) as 3D2JV and will try also a few days from Rotuma. Details will follow	
3D2	Fiji	Mar 15 - Mar 21	JA1NLX will be on as 3D2YA from OC-156 mainly CW	H.C. dir & LoTW
6W	Senegal	Jan 20 - Feb 3	F6BLP will be again on as 6W7SK	H.C. dir & bur
6W	Senegal	Feb 25 - Mar 6	F5RAV as 6V7T	H.C. Dir
8Q	Maldives	Jan 25 -Feb 5	CX3AN and CX4CR will be 8Q7HU from AS-013	
A3	Tonga	Mar 7 - Mar 24	A35YZ by DL7DF and other 9 operators working all bands and modes with several stations	H.C.
A3	Tonga	Apr 2 - Apr 9	JA1XGI will be on as A35XG 20-6 meters	H.C. dir bur and LoTW
C2	Nauru	Postponed to 2012	6 operators and 3 stations will be active as C21AA	VK4FW dir & bur
FH	Mayotte	Mar 21 - Apr 6	DL7BC will be signing/FH possibly with the T07BC call in contest	
FW	Wallis & Futuna	Jan 24 - Feb 23	HA group will be on as FW0R all bands and modes	
FY	French Guiana	Jan 2 - Jan 7	T05G from SA-020	F5KDR dir & bur
FO0	Clipperton	Mar 1 - Mar 31	KK6EK, N7CQQ, AD6E, W6OP, N7XG and N7CQQ will be on as TX5Q	
H40	Temotu	Feb 7 - Feb 20	DG1FK & DK9FN will be on as H40FK & H40FN	DG1FK HA8DD
HK0M	Malpelo	JAN 2012	HK0NA expedition will consists of 12 operators and 3 stations working all bands and modes	
KH5	Palmyra	Postponed to Nov 2012	25 operators will be on from Jarvis Island signing probably N5E	
KL7	Alaska	Jun 28 - Jun 30	K6VVA will be /KL7 activating a new island	

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PJ2	Curacao	Mar 12 - Mar 30	DK5ON will be /PJ2	H.C.
PJ4	Bonaire	Jan 8 - Jan 22	PA8A will sign PJ4B	H.C. dir
PJ4	Bonaire	Jan 12 - Jan 23	PJ4C by the F6KOP team	
PY	Brazil	Feb 3 - Feb 6	6 PY operators will be on as PS5F from SA-088	PP5BZ
T2	Tuvalu	Jan 12 - Jan 26 Delayed to 2012	HA5AO & HA5UK plan to be active as T2HA	HA5AO LoTW bur
T8	Palau	Feb 17 - Feb 21	JA9APS as T88KF	H.C. dir
T32	E.Kiribati	Jan 17 - Feb 2	VO1AU as T32AU (QSL via VO1MX), N8LJ as T32LJ (QSL via K8ESQ), KG8CO as T32CO, K8AQM as T32TR, KB8TXZ as T32TX, AC8W as T32WW, T32XX in contest (QSL via KB8TXZ)	
T33	Banaba	Oct/Nov 2011 Delayed to 2012	HA5AO & HA5UK plan to be active as T33HA	HA5AO LoTW bur
VK	Australia	Apr 18 - Apr 23	VK4LDX will be working from OC-185 as VK8PDX	H.C. dir & bur
VK0	Heard Island	Feb 1 - Feb 18 2013	Big group will be on Details will follow later	
VP6	Pitcairn	Jan 20 - Jan 29	F6BEE G3TXF VE2TZZT FM5CD F4BKV as VP6T	LoTW & G3TXF
XU	Cambodia	Jan 12 - Jan 22	JA Team will be on as XU7AAA	
YS	El Salvador	Jan 29 - Feb 10	DF7TT, DK8YY, DL2ARD, DL3JJ, DL4JS, DL5SE, DL8ALU, DK4MM, YS1GMV, YS1MAE and YS1ZC will be active as HU2DX	DH7WW
ZK2	Niue	Feb 3 - Feb 17	Big DL group will be on all bands and modes as ZK2C	DL7JAN bur

## Malpelo DXpedition 2012 Nov. 28, 2011

Contact: [bob@k4uee.com](mailto:bob@k4uee.com) EDITORS: email k4uee to request high res. pictures !

Recently three US members (K4UEE, N4GRN and W6IZT) of the Malpelo 2012 DXpedition flew to

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Cartagena, Colombia and met with six of their Colombian counterparts. The purpose of the two day meeting was to make some critical decisions about the upcoming DXpedition to Malpelo Island. Also, checklists and inventories were finalized and all team members' responsibilities were assigned.

Since it is highly unlikely that the various Colombian authorities will permit another DXpedition to Malpelo anytime soon; a decision was made to extend the DXpedition to 16-17 days from the previous 12-14 day plan. The approximate dates of operations will be January 21, 2012 through February 5/6, 2012. Four team members will travel with all equipment, radios, antennas and infrastructure to Malpelo in early January. They will be transported by the Colombian Navy. They will arrive about two weeks prior to the rest of the Team and will set up camp, the two operating sites, radios and antennas. They will spend about 30 days on the island. This will allow the rest of the team to begin radio operations immediately upon arrival by chartered vessel.

As mentioned there will be two operating sites, each with a complete complement of antennas and radios with amplifiers. The first operating site will be co-located with the Colombian marine's camp on the east side of the island. It is clear to East Coast USA, EU and Africa. In order to have a clear shot at JA/Asia, the Pacific region and W6/W7; the second operating site will be located near the top of the highest mountain peak on the island. However, to lessen the physical risks to the team members, the operating site will be located on platforms situated below the actual peak. Still, it will be a 45 minute uphill climb to reach the platforms. The antennas for that site will be on the top of the mountain peak. At times, there will be as many as nine stations QRV with the capability of dual mode operations on all bands.

Safety of the team is paramount. We will be installing a winch system to hoist team members and all of our equipment from our chartered ship's Zodiac onto the island. From there, manpower will carry the equipment the 300 meters straight uphill to the marine camp. The trail to the elevated operating site is extremely dangerous. We will utilize harnesses and safety ropes to minimize the risks. This is going to be a difficult and expensive DXpedition. Every effort will be made to maximize QSOs while protecting the safety of the team members. It is a delicate balance.

Your financial support is necessary and gratefully accepted. Contributions can be made via our website at: [www.hk0na.com/sponsors](http://www.hk0na.com/sponsors) We plan periodic press releases with information of interest. Also, watch the website for breaking news.

Thanks,  
Jorge Prieto, HK1R  
DXpedition leader

Co-leaders:  
Bob Allphin, K4UEE  
Gregg Marco, W6IZT

**The following operation is approved for DXCC credit:**

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## **5X1VJ – Uganda**

2011 Operation

*Special thanks to John Sharp, K2SHA for his help in acquiring this supporting documentation!*

73 es DX!

Bill Moore NC1L

Awards Branch Manager

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## **ARLP048 Propagation de K7RA**

I mentioned recently that some of the sunspot numbers released by NOAA didn't seem right. I just got word from Mike Husler at NOAA that data posted recently, like that record breaking day in which the sunspot number hit 220, were wrong, and the corrected data is now on their site. His email said, "Sunspot Number, Sunspot Area, Number of New Regions, Number of Spotted Regions, and Number of Spots calculations were at times incorrect on the external web for about 1 month. The current values are the correct values. Please use them."

Not sure how to correct the record on this, except to note it here, and if you are keeping track of data with this bulletin as a source, that you go back and correct the bad data.

The correct data is posted here:

[http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftplib/indices/quar\\_DSD.txt](http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftplib/indices/quar_DSD.txt)

Between October 18 and November 9 the data on 18 of those 23 days was bad. On October 18 the SSN changes from 155 to 144, October 19 162 to 140, October 20 195 to 159, October 21 207 to 184, October 23 128 to 102, October 24 151 to 125, October 25 147 to 121, October 26 104 to 91, October 27 98 to 85, October 28 104 to 91, November 1 141 to 129, November 2 121 to 109, November 3 161 to 149, November 4 100 to 88, November 5 135 to 123, November 6 144 to 132, November 8 160 to 148, and November 9 220 to 208.

This means that the data in propagation bulletins numbered 42, 43,

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44 and 45 had partially bad data.

The latest prediction from USAF/NOAA shows solar flux at 140 on November 28, 145 on November 29-30, and 150, 155, 155, 155, 160, 165, 165, 160, 160, 155, 150 and 140 on December 1-12, followed by 135 on December 13-19.

Planetary A index over the same period is 12, 18, 12, 10, and 8 on November 28 through December 2, then 5 on December 3-24.

## **Contest, mainly from ARRL Bulletin & WA7BNM**

**QRP Fox Hunt: 0200Z-0330Z, Dec 2**

**NCCC Sprint: 0230Z-0300Z, Dec 2**

**ARRL 160-Meter Contest: 2200Z, Dec 2 to 1600Z, Dec 4**

**TARA RTTY Melee: 0000Z-2400Z, Dec 3**

**Wake-Up! QRP Sprint: 0600Z-0629Z, Dec 3 and 0630Z-0659Z, Dec 3 and 0700Z-0729Z, Dec 3 and 0730Z-0800Z, Dec 3**

**TOPS Activity Contest: 1600Z, Dec 3 to 1559Z, Dec 4**

**AWA Bruce Kelley Memorial CW Contest: 2300Z, Dec 3 to 2300Z, Dec 4 and 2300Z, Dec 10 to 2300Z, Dec 11**

**10-Meter RTTY Contest: 0000Z-2400Z, Dec 4**

**ARS Spartan Sprint: 0200Z-0400Z, Dec 6**

**QRP Fox Hunt: 0200Z-0330Z, Dec 7**