



# DX ITALIA

## DX NEWS

by **I2MQP**

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**ON NOW OR WITHIN NEXT WEEK -- IN ARIA ORA O ENTRO UNA SETTIMANA**

PFX	COUNTRY	DATE	INFO	QSL Info
3A	Mopnaco	Dec 28 - Dec 30	EA5IDQ will be /3A	H.C.
3D2	Fiji	December 2014	DL9HCU is active as 3D2HC	H.C.
3W	Vietnam	Nov 25 - Dec 24	KM00 will operate as 3W30 including CQWW. Will try also to be on 80 & 160	H.C. dir & bur & LoTW
4S	Sri Lanka	Mow - Apr 10	DC0KK is on as 4S7KKG mainly CW and digi	H.C. dir & bur & OQRS
5R	Madagascar	Aug end - 2016	AI4SV will be in Madagascar for 3 year and will sign 5R8SV	G3SWH
A6	U.A.E.	Dec 2 - Dec 25	VE6LB will be /A6	H.C. dir & bur & LoTW
A6	U.A.E.	Dec 23 - Jan 6	DL3YM will be /A6 CW	H.C. dir & bur LoTW

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<b>C6</b>	<b>Bahamas</b>	Dec 2014 - April 2015	9H5G will be /C6ATS	NI5DX
<b>CN</b>	<b>Morocco</b>	Now - Mar 20	F6CTF is often on different frequencies	H.C. dir
<b>D2</b>	<b>Angola</b>	Jan 16 - Dec 31	MM0SSG will be on as D2SG	GM4FDM
<b>D4</b>	<b>Cape Verde</b>	Dec 12 - Jan 8	DF2WO will be active as D44TWO	M0OXO
<b>DP</b>	<b>Antartica</b>	Now - Feb 2015	DL1HB will activate the DP0GVN station	DL5EBE
<b>DP</b>	<b>Antartica</b>	Dec 1 - Feb 28	DL5XL will be again in AN-016 as DP1POL	DL1ZBO dir & bur
<b>FM</b>	<b>Martinique</b>	Dec 11 - Jan 8	F2VX & F9IE will be /FM	H.C.
<b>FO</b>	<b>F.Polynesi a</b>	Nov 1 - Dec 31	FO9AA special stations will be on all bands and modes	
<b>FW</b>	<b>Wallis and Futuna</b>	NOW	FW5JJ is back to Wallis and will be on for two years including low bands	F5RXL OQRS
<b>HL</b>	<b>Korea</b>	Now - Dec 31	DS4DRE will operate from AS-093	H.C. bur
<b>IA</b>	<b>Antartica</b>	Now - Feb 4	IZ2QEJ arrived at Concordia. Will use IA/IZ2QEJ	
<b>J7</b>	<b>Dominica</b>	Nov 6 - Mar 5	SM0XBI will be on holiday and will operate from time to time as J79XBI	H.C. dir & bur & LoTW
<b>JA</b>	<b>Japan</b>	Dec 27 - Jan 4	JI3DST will be /6 from AS-049	H.C. bur & OQRS
<b>JD</b>	<b>Ogasawara</b>	Dec 22 - Jan 2	JI1LET & JA1UII will be on as JD1BOI & JD1BON	H.C.: dir & bur
<b>JD</b>	<b>Ogasawara</b>	Dec 28 - Jan 10	JG7PSJ will be on as JD1BMH	
<b>JW</b>	<b>Svalabard</b>	Nov 2014 Feb 2015	UA3IPL will be on signing /JW	RW6HS dir
<b>JW</b>	<b>Svalabard</b>	Nov 2014 Apr 2015	LA9JKA will operate as JW9JKA from EU-027	H.C. dir
<b>KC4</b>	<b>Antartica</b>	Now - Dec 31	W2NAF is on from McMurdo signing KC4USV	
<b>KH2</b>	<b>Guam</b>	Dec 27 - Dec 30	JJ2RCJ will operate as AH2/AB2RF	H.C. dir & LoTW
<b>OZ</b>	<b>Denmark</b>	Dec 6 - Dec 20	DJ8VW will sign 5P8VW from EU-125	H.C. dir & bur & LoTW
<b>PJ2</b>	<b>Curacao</b>	Nov 20 - Dec 26	PA0VDV will be on /PJ2	H.C. dir & bur
<b>PJ2</b>	<b>Curacao</b>	Dec 21 - Dec 28	HK4RB will be on from Curacao	H.C. dir & bur

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<b>PJ7</b>	<b>S.Maarten</b>	Dec 18 - Mar 16	AA9A will be on as PJ7AA	H.C. & LoTW
<b>PY</b>	<b>Brazil</b>	Dec 27 - Dec 31	PU2KKE will be on from SA-026 signing ZV5WSC	H.C. dir
<b>R1</b>	<b>Antartica</b>	From Dec 23 on	RW6ACM will be active as RI1ANZ	RN1ON dir & bur
<b>RI</b>	<b>Antartica</b>	Nov 2014 Mar 2015	RD3MX and UA1PAW will be RI1ANR from AN-016 all bands CW & SSB	RK1PWA
<b>T8</b>	<b>Palau</b>	Dec 25 - Jan 4	JH0IXE will be on as T8CW	JA0FOX bur dirto JH0IXE
<b>TK</b>	<b>Corsica</b>	Oct 6 - Mar 16	G4BKI will be /TK	Dir only to US add.
<b>V2</b>	<b>Antigua</b>	Dec 25 - Dec 30	JJ1RJR will sign V25A holiday style	KG2A
<b>VK</b>	<b>Australia</b>	Nov - Dec	VK4EI informs that she will not be on OC-227 but will try to activate OC-172 & OC-187	NR6M dir & bur
<b>VK9N</b>	<b>Norfolk</b>	Dec 20 - Dec 22	JA0JHQ will be /VK9N	H.C.
<b>VK9N</b>	<b>Norfolk</b>	Dec 26 - Jan 1	G7VJR will sign /VK9N	M0OXO
<b>VP2V</b>	<b>Virgin Island</b>	Dec 11 - Dec 19	W5SJ & K5KQI will be /VP2V	H.C.
<b>VP5</b>	<b>Turks &amp; Caicos</b>	Dec 19 - Dec 26	VE3OC will sign /VP5	H.C: dir
<b>VP9</b>	<b>Bermuda</b>	Dec 31 - Jan 5	K4KGG will be /VP9	LoTW W3HNC ClubLog
<b>VQ9</b>	<b>Chagos</b>	Dec 3 - Dec 19	N7XR as VQ9XR (may be also VQ92X)	H.C. dir
<b>W</b>	<b>U.S.A.</b>	Dec 13 - Dec 18	KX9X will activate NA-062	H.C. dir & bur LoTW
<b>W</b>	<b>U.S.A.</b>	Dec 28 - Dec 29	KG4JSZ, KI4GMR/p & N2MFT will be /p from NA-076	
<b>XW</b>	<b>Laos</b>	Dec 15 - Jan 2 Jan 15 - Jan 23	3W3B will be on as XW4XR	E21EIC
<b>YB</b>	<b>Indonesia</b>	Dec 22 - Dec 27	YB8RW will be /8 from OC-157	H.C: OQRS ClubLog
<b>YB</b>	<b>Indonesia</b>	Dec 27 - Dec 31	YB8RW will be /8 from OC-224	H.C: OQRS ClubLog
<b>ZF</b>	<b>Cayman</b>	Dec 18 - Dec 24	N4EWT as ZF2KO and N4BFR as ZF2JS	H.C.

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PFX	19/12	20/12	21/12	22/12	23/12	24/12	25/12	26/12
A6	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
D4	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
ANTART	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
JD/O	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
VK9N		X	X	X				X
OC-157				X	X	X	X	X

**FUTURE OPERATIONS --- OPERAZIONI FUTURE**

PFX	COUNTRY	DATE	INFO	QSL Info
1S	Spratly	Apr 1 - Apr 30	4F2KWT AD5MD DU1BP K6BF K6BG WA6LOS WE6DX WJ1P WW6CP will be on as DX0P	WJ1P
3A	Mopnaco	Dec 28 - Dec 30	EA5IDQ will be /3A	H.C.
3B8	Maldives	May 10 - May 19	EA5IDQ will be on /3B8	EA5IDQ
3B9	Rodrigues	May 19 - May 24	EA5IDQ will be on /3B9	EA5IDQ
3Y	Bouvet	Jan 16-Apr 15	One man expedition could take place by ON4WW. See below	
3Y	Bouvet	DEC 2015	3Y0F will be the call of the expedition managed by UN7PCZ	
5Z	Kenya	Feb 16 - Mar 8	DF3FS & DL9OLI will sign /5Z	H.C. dir & bur
6W	Senegal	Jan 10 - Feb 5	F6BLP will sign 6W7SK. Will try also 150	H.C. dir & bur & LoTW
7Q7	Malawi	Postponed to Mar 22 - Apr 1	7QAA will be on activated by two groups	OQRS

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<b>9M2</b>	<b>W. Malaysia</b>	Cancelled	PA0RRS will be active as 9M2MRS	H.C. bur & dir & OQRS
<b>9Q</b>	<b>Congo</b>	Mar 2015	Italian group will be on for a couple of weeks as 9Q0HQ	9Q0AR
<b>C5</b>	<b>Gambia</b>	Jan 15 - Jan 26	G3VMW, G3XAQ, G3XTT and M0PCB will operate all bands and modes as C5X	M00XO OQRS
<b>CE0Y</b>	<b>Easter Isl.</b>	Jan 10 - Jan 16	JA3ARJ, JA3AVO, JA3HJI, JA3IVU, JH3LSS, JH3PBL and JI3DNN will be on /CE0Y	H.C.
<b>CE0Z</b>	<b>Juan Fernandez</b>	Feb 24 - Mar 4	22 operators will be on all bands and modes	
<b>CX</b>	<b>Uruguay</b>	Feb 21 - Feb 23	CV5A group will be on from SA-030	CX2ABC
<b>E4</b>	<b>Palestine</b>	Mar 1 - Mar 31	S500 S59M HB9OCR MM0NDX EA4AK EA7JX; will operate during march	S59M
<b>EP</b>	<b>Iran</b>	Jan 2015	4 or 5 Stations will be on from AS-166 signing EP6T	M0URX
<b>FG</b>	<b>Guadeloupe</b>	Jan 27 - Mar 30	F6ITD will be /FG	ClubLog & LoTW
<b>FG</b>	<b>Guadeloupe</b>	Feb 6 - Mar 16	F1DUZ will be on as FG4KH on EME and HF all bands	H.C. dir & bur
<b>FJ</b>	<b>St. Barthelemy</b>	Jan 17 - Jan 25	N9SW will be /FJ mainly CW	H.C.
<b>FK</b>	<b>Chesterfield</b>	2015	12 operators will be on from OC-176	
<b>FM</b>	<b>Martinique</b>	Jan 24 - Jan 26 Feb 13 - Feb 14	SP7VC, SP3IPB & SQ7OYL will be /FM	H.C. dir & Bur
<b>FM</b>	<b>Martinique</b>	Mar 22 - Mar 29	M5RIC will be on as TO4C	M00XO
<b>FO</b>	<b>F. Polynesia</b>	Feb 15 - Feb 24	K8PGJ will be /FO	H.C.
<b>FO/a</b>	<b>Austral</b>	Jan 5 - Jan 11	KK6BT will be on from OC-114 signing TX5W	
<b>FP</b>	<b>St. Pierre &amp; Miquelon</b>	Feb 26 - Mar 10	KV1J will be /FP All bands + 6 meters	H.C.
<b>FP</b>	<b>St. Pierre &amp; Miquelon</b>	Jul 20 - Jul 29	N7QT will be /FP	H.C. dir & bur
<b>FS</b>	<b>St. Barthelemy</b>	Jan 17 - Jan 25	N9SW will be /FS	H.C.
<b>GI</b>	<b>N. Ireland</b>	Jul 24 - Jul 26	GI50 group will be on from EU-122	M5KJM
<b>GM</b>	<b>Scotland</b>	Jan 16 - Jan 18	MM0NDX will be /p from EU-009	IW7EGQ
<b>H44</b>	<b>Salomon Islands</b>	Feb 1 - Feb 28	DL2GAC will be on as usual as H44MS	

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HC	Galapagos	Jul 1 - Sep 30	G80FQ will sign /HC8 during his stay as volunteer	HA3JB
HH	Haiati	Jan 11 - Feb 3	KC0W will be /HH5 mainly CW low bands	H.C. dir
HK0	S.Andres	April	LW9EOC will be again on from NA-033 probably signing 5K0A	H.C.
J3	Grenada	Feb 6 - Feb 7	SP7VC, SP3IPB,SQ7OYL, K2RPF, SP3CFM & SP7TF will be /J3 from NA-024	H.C. dir & Bur
J3	Grenada	Feb 7 - Feb 8	SP7VC, SP3IPB,SQ7OYL, K2RPF, SP3CFM & SP7TF will be /J3 from NA-147	H.C. dir & Bur
J6	Santa Lucia	Jan 27 - Feb 3	SP7VC, SP3IPB,SQ7OYL, K2RPF, SP3CFM & SP7TF will be /J6 from NA-108	H.C. dir & Bur
J8	Grenadines	Feb 4 - Feb 5	SP7VC, SP3IPB,SQ7OYL, K2RPF, SP3CFM & SP7TF will be /J8 from NA-109	H.C. dir & Bur
J8	Grenadines	Feb 8 - Feb 9	SP7VC, SP3IPB,SQ7OYL, K2RPF, SP3CFM & SP7TF will be /J8 from NA-025	H.C. dir & Bur
J8	Grenadines	Apr 13 - Apr 21	GW4DVB will sign J88PI	H.C. dir & bur
J8	St.Vincent	Apr 13 - Apr 21	GW4DVB will operate as J88PI	H.C.
JW	Svalabard	Feb 18 - Feb 25	DL2JRM will be on	H.C.
KH5	Palmyra	Postponed	25 operators will be on from Jarvis Island signing N5E	ZL3CW & LoTW
KH8	American Samoa	JAN 7 - Jan 12	JA0JHQ will sign AH0CO/KH8	H.C. dir & bur
KH9	Wake	2014	N7XR will be /WH) all bands and modes. Will also sign WH9/W1AW	NN1N dir & LoTW
KP1	Navassa	Jan 2015	15 operators will be on signing K1N Details to be fixed	
OA	Peru	2014	OA4AI will be on from SA-052 signing OC0I, details not fixed	
P2	Papua	Jan 15 - Feb 15	DH\NK will be on as P29NK mainly digital	
PJ2	Curacao	Feb 2 - Mar 31	DH6TJ will be /PJ2	
PJ4	Bonaire	Jan 14 - Jan 29	PA8A will operate as PJ4B	H.C. dir
PJ4	Bonaire	Mar 1 - Mar 12	DG1SGW will be /PJ4	H.C. dir

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				bur LoTW
<b>S7</b>	<b>Seychelles</b>	Jan 17 - Feb 10	OE4AAC will sign S79AC	H.C. & OQRS
<b>T8</b>	<b>Palau</b>	Jan 7 - Jan 15	JA6EGL, JA6KYU, JA6UBY and JE6DND will be active as T88SM, T88HS, T88CP, and T88HK,	H.C. dir only
<b>T8</b>	<b>Palau</b>	Mar 5 - Mar 12	TA1HZ will be again on as T88HZ	H.C. bur & LoTW
<b>TG</b>	<b>Guatemala</b>	Jan 22 - Feb 17	VE7BV will be /TG9	H.C. dir & bur & LoTW
<b>TI9</b>	<b>Cocos</b>	Feb 16 - Feb 23	3Z9DX TI2HMJ K7CO will be active with two stations a/TI9	<b>K8PGJ</b>
<b>V4</b>	<b>St.Kitts</b>	Jan 20 - Mar 1	W5JON will be on again signing V47JA	HC dir & LoTW
<b>V5</b>	<b>Namibia</b>	Jan 6 - Jan 13	V5/G3RWF will be on CW	H.C.
<b>V5</b>	<b>Namibia</b>	Feb 9 - Feb 20	DD8ZX and DJ9KM will be /V5	H.C: dir & bur
<b>V6</b>	<b>Micronesia</b>	Feb 16 - Feb 23	W5MJ will use the call V63MJ all bands CW	H.C: LoTW
<b>VK0</b>	<b>Heard</b>	<b>Nov 17 - Dec 23</b>	<b>VK0EK will be the call of the expedition by a large group</b>	
<b>VK0</b>	<b>Macquarie</b>	<b>Nov 2014 - Apr 2015</b>	<b>VK6MH will be active as VK0MH</b>	
<b>VK0</b>	<b>Heard Island</b>	<b>EARLY 2016 Rescheduled</b>	<b>Big group will be on Details will follow</b>	
<b>VP2M</b>	<b>Montserrat</b>	Mar 11 - Mar 25	N7QT will be on	H.C. dir & bur
<b>VP8</b>	<b>South Georgia</b>	Jan 15 - Feb 16	Large tam will be on	ClubLog
<b>VP8</b>	<b>South Sandwich</b>	Jan 15 - Feb 16	Large team will be on	ClubLog
<b>VU</b>	<b>India</b>	Jan 19 - Jan 16	8T5MQT group will be on from AS-153	QRX.com
<b>XW</b>	<b>Laos</b>	Feb 5 - Feb 25	JA8BMK will sign XW8BM	H.C.
<b>XV</b>	<b>Vietnam</b>	Mar 1 - Mar 31	JA8BMK will sign XV7BM	H.C.
<b>YV0</b>	<b>Aves</b>	Jan - Mar 2015	YV0AI expedition could be during this period (TNX F6GNZ)	YV5Aj & ClubLog
<b>ZD8</b>	<b>Ascension</b>	Feb 23 - Feb 25	G3TXF will sign ZD8XF	H.C: & LoTW

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<b>ZF</b>	<b>Cayman Island</b>	Jan 10 - Jan 18	K8PGJ will operate as ZF2PG	LoTW & H.C. dir
<b>ZF</b>	<b>Cayman Island</b>	Jul 7 - Jul 12	W6NN as ZF2LL	H.C. & LoTW

**SPECIAL CALLS AND PREFIXES**

<b>PFX</b>	<b>Country</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Info</b>	<b>QSL Info</b>
<b>CE</b>	<b>Chile</b>	Now - Dec 31	CB1D	XQ1FM dir & bur
<b>DL</b>	<b>Germany</b>	Jan 1 - Dec 31 Jan 1 - Dec 31	DM60JMZ from DOK60K07 DQ8T from DOK 30B39	Bureau Bureau
<b>DL</b>	<b>Germany</b>	2014 May2014 -Apr2015	DK40BOSCH DM20KIDS	DL4WK Bureau
<b>E5</b>	<b>Cook</b>	Jan 1 - Dec 31	All E5 can use the E50 Prefix	
<b>E7</b>	<b>Bosnia</b>	2014	E750EBL	E77E
<b>EI</b>	<b>Ireland</b>	All 2014 All 2014	EI30T EI1100WD	OQRS EI2HZB
<b>G</b>	<b>England</b>	Nov 1 - Mar 15	GB0SFE	
<b>GI</b>	<b>North Ireland</b>	December	GI4YOTA	
<b>HA</b>	<b>Hungary</b>	All 2014 All 2014	HG140JLO HG100ATOM	HA8KW HA3KNA
<b>HS</b>	<b>Thailand</b>	Now - Dec 31	HS50RAST	E21EIC & LoTW
<b>I</b>	<b>Italy</b>	Oct 1 - Dec 31 Nov 1 - Dec 31	II4CDN IY1EY	IZ4FUE IK1QBT
<b>JA</b>	<b>Japan</b>	All 2014 Dec 1 - Mar 31	8J1T from new JCC 0316 8J7DRS	Bureau
<b>JA</b>	<b>Japan</b>	Jun 1 - Dec 31 Aug 2014	8J1NUBO 8J5JAZZ	Bureau Bureau
<b>JA</b>	<b>Japan</b>	Nov 2014 Now - Mar 31 Nov 22 - Dec 31	8N2S5X 8J125SSI 8J1KP	Bureau Bureau Bureau
<b>JA</b>	<b>Japan</b>	Jun - Feb 2015 Oct 1 - Dec 31 Dec 1 - Mar 31	8J1ATUGI 8J150ZYG 8N150KC	Bureau Bureau Bureau
<b>JA</b>	<b>Japan</b>	2014 Oct 1 - Mar 31	8J1AOBA 8J160KSW	Bureau

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JA	Japan	Apr 20 - Jan 31 May 2014 - Mar 2015 Dec 7 - Mar 1	8J1ZC 8J2VE 8J6HAM	Bureau Bureau Bureau
LA	Norway	2014 2014	LA stations may use LI prefixes LB stations may use LJ prefixes	
LA	Norway	2014	LM2T75Y	LA2T
LZ	Bulgaria	2014	LZ1784SMH Dec	LZ1KCP
LZ	Bulgaria	2014	LZ60KSP	LZ1JZ
OH	Finland	Now - Dec 31	OF60A	OH6GDX
OM	Slovakia	2014	OM44LTE	OM3RP
ON	Belgium	Dec 16 - Jan 14	ON70NUTS	ClubLog
PA	Netherlands	Dec 19 - Dec 26 Dec 20 - Jan 1 Dec 11 - Dec 31	PD17MH PA6XMAS PA55HAL	PD0MV PI4HAL
SM	Sweden	2014 2014	7S400K SC1DXR	SM7BHM SM6WYA
SM	Sweden	2014	SC2014ECC SB2014ECC SC2014ECC SD2014ECC SE2014ECC SF2014ECC SG2014ECC SH2014ECC SI2014ECC SJ2014ECC	SK2AT
SP	Poland	2014 2014 Dec 19 - Dec 28 Dec 19 - Dec 28	HF685DM 3Z0TECH 3Z1XMAS HF2014PRNF	SP4TXI 3Z6AEF SP6IEQ SQ3BKH
SV	Greece	Now - Dec 27	J400EG	SV2HTI
UA	E. Russia	Dec 2014 Dec 2014	R100DA R111EK	GM0WRR UA9OA
UR	Ukraine	Sep 1 - Dec 31	EM50LWY	UR4LWY
VE	Canada	Dec 6 - Jan 4 Feb 1 - Mar 1	XM3G CG350F	VE3RHE VE3RHE
VK	Australia	Oct 31	VI6ANZAC	
YO	Romania	Oct - Dec 31 Oct - Sep 2015	YP35KZA YO55BU, YP555BU, YQ555BU, YR555BU	YO8RAA
YU	Serbia	2014	YT0PUPIN YU100CER	YT7WA Bureau

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

**NCCC RTTY Sprint: 0145Z-0215Z, Dec 19**  
**QRP Fox Hunt: 0200Z-0330Z, Dec 19**  
**NCCC Sprint: 0230Z-0300Z, Dec 19**  
**Russian 160-Meter Contest: 2000Z-2400Z, Dec 19**  
**AGB-Party Contest: 2100Z-2400Z, Dec 19**  
**Feld Hell Sprint: 0000Z-2400Z, Dec 20**  
**OK DX RTTY Contest: 0000Z-2400Z, Dec 20**  
**Lighthouse Christmas Lights QSO Party: 0001Z, Dec 20 to 2359Z Jan 4**  
**Croatian CW Contest: 1400Z, Dec 20 to 1400Z, Dec 21**  
**ARRL Rookie Roundup, CW: 1800Z-2359Z, Dec 21**  
**Run for the Bacon QRP Contest: 0200Z-0400Z, Dec 22**  
**SKCC Sprint: 0000Z-0200Z, Dec 24**  
**CWops Mini-CWT Test: 1300Z-1400Z, Dec 24 and 1900Z-2000Z, Dec 24 and 0300Z-0400Z, Dec 25**

## **3Y/B, BOUVET ISLANDS**

Dear DXer,

On 26 October 2014 an announcement was made through various channels that I had obtained permission to land and reside on Bouvet Island (3Y/B) for the mid-January 2016 until mid-April 2016 time frame.

On the webpage <http://www.on4ww.be/bouvet2016.html> an extensive description of the project as well as a request for (exclusive) funding was put forward.

On 19 November 2014 I sent a request for funding intentions to the various DX Foundations, DX Clubs, Radio Amateur Organizations and some of the corporate material providers.

Today I am addressing you as an individual DXer who has actively contributed towards the success of one or more of the fairly recent major DXpeditions.

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On 11 November 2014 Alex/UN7PCZ announced a two week DXpedition to Bouvet Island during the December 2015 - January 2016 time frame. I do not at all see this as a competing project, and welcome this great news.

The fact of a large group going to Bouvet has convinced me even more that I should try to obtain funding through a single/exclusive sponsor, as extensively outlined at <http://www.on4ww.be/bouvet2016.html#funding> .

Two main reasons for this would be to

- 1) off-load the financial burden from the ham community (in case the sponsor doesn't want a financial return but has other plans with the project), and
- 2) for me to be able to focus on the DXpedition logistics, rather than having to search for finances.

In case I manage to secure an exclusive sponsor for this project, it would obviously be favorable if this sponsor does not specifically seek a financial return. In the opposite scenario I will have to turn to the ham community, investigating what is feasible in terms of financial support.

The subsequent question: what financial support would you be able to pledge for this project? This is no formal request for funding, I am only asking for your intentions in order to assess the financial feasibility of the project – with the scenario outlined above.

The forecasted budget is put at 250,000 euro ( $\pm$  310,000 USD), which is far less than a larger group operating for a shorter period of time would require. Furthermore, this is a generous forecast, I expect the final budget to ultimately be less.

In the last month I received donation pledges from individual DXers ranging from 15 to 3,400 euro. To give you an idea what would be needed to reach 250,000 euro: if each of the addressees on this list would pledge 55 euro (70 USD), Bouvet 2016 would be a fact.

This of course I can neither ask nor expect, it is just a mathematical example of what is required financially.

Another important aspect to me is the transparency and control of funding. Every cent raised for this project will be registered through the non-profit organization 'Peter I - Antarctica Expedition 1994' (renamed 'Antennes zonder Grenzen - Antennes sans Frontières' in 1995). This organization was formed in 1993 by Peter ON6TT, with the goal of transparent accountability for every cent spent on the 3Y0PI DXpedition – visible to the entire expedition team. Good accounts make good friends!

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You will notice further below what my intentions are in regard to QSLing: I want people to be able to receive bureau cards, get instant LoTW, e-QSL and Club Log confirmation. This is important to me: I don't want youngsters and less fortunate radio hams having to pay for a QSO with Bouvet. Call me idealistic/philanthropic/ideological, but it does indeed matter to me.

With the upcoming of the 3Y0F-group, many of you may decide to put your bets on that project. However, in the event that the UN7PCZ-group withdraws its plans (it wouldn't be the first time a major DXpedition is cancelled), my Bouvet project will probably be the only one in many years to come.

Here is an excerpt of the operational plan:

- projected number of QSOs: 100,000
- QSL: bureau, direct, OQRS, in the way people want it
- log: daily uploads to LoTW, Club Log, e-QSL through proper satellite link
- all HF bands CW/SSB + RTTY on 2 or 3 bands
- antennas: verticals/inv-V's in various constellations and inv-L's will be the only manageable type of antennas that won't break down on Bouvet – with sufficient spares brought along
- radios and amps: I will take what I am comfortable with, well proven and sturdy radios and amps, three of each device
- 24/7 operation during 3 months (with adequate rest periods), mitigating the impact of the Antarctic black-outs known from past expeditions of shorter duration
- operator: one
- I already have several offers from QSL-managers for (free) QSLing (a decision on what to ask for OQRS has not been made; it should be as low cost as possible so everybody can enjoy this service)

I would highly appreciate your response within the next few weeks. By the end of this year I will make a decision whether or not to proceed with the project. In the event that I am not able to secure an exclusive sponsor and at the same time the projected sponsoring from within the ham community would be sufficient, it will be a challenging decision.

Regardless if you are able to foresee financial support to this project or not, I would appreciate if a lead or an introduction to a potential exclusive sponsor would be considered. It is still my favorable prospect for funding, and I thank you in advance for any assistance on that front.

For those of you who want to know more about me and my past endeavors:

<http://www.on4ww.be/ON4WW.html>

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I hope this mail answers most of your questions upfront. Please have a thorough look at <http://www.on4ww.be/bouvet2016.html> , I believe you will notice that the project is well thought through.

Should you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to ask.

Thank you for your time and kind consideration.

73 de Mark / ON4WW

Please only use the [bouvet2016@telenet.be](mailto:bouvet2016@telenet.be) e-mail address in regard to the Bouvet Island project. Thank you in advance.

## **Juan Fernandez**

Press release nr 1

For immediate release:

After Tromelin, the Provins ARC, F6KOP will be on Robinson Crusoë Island SA-005 (Juan Fernandez Archipelago) from 24th February to 4<sup>th</sup> march 2015

A team of 22 operators from 7 different nationalities will be active on 160 to 6m

The web site will be online soon

QSL direct / buro / LOTW

Team Leader : F5JTV Alain, Co-leaders : F8ATS Tony, F1ULQ Jean Luc

Source : F6KOP

More information to follow.

73 de

Maurice, F5NQL, KOP team 10

Internet communication Officer for Juan Fernandez 2015

**From: The KP1-5 project**

**RE: Navassa 2015**

**Date Dec 4, 2014**

Press Release: K1N Navassa Island DXpedition

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**From: KP1-5 Project**

**The KP1-5 Project and the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service have been working together on preparations for our joint 14 day visit to Navassa Island NWR. Although the actual dates may still vary, it now appears we will begin transport to the Island during the last week of January 2015.**

**Our container of equipment and supplies will depart late in December enroute to our helicopter staging area. All of our equipment is being assembled, tested and packed.**

**We have visited and contracted with the largest helicopter operations group in the Caribbean to transfer personnel and equipment to the island. Our window of opportunity, dictated by USFWS, is during the period of least bird nesting. But it is also the time of the most treacherous seas, making a safe sea landing of all our equipment and people all but impossible. The famous "ladder" used to access the island at Lulu Bay was removed when the U.S. Coast Guard turned administration over to the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service. For safety reasons, the USFWS uses helicopter transport to the island and we will too.**

**Consequently, and as one might expect, the costs of this DXpedition are quite high. The team has contributed approximately half of the total cost. Foundations such as NCDXF and INDEXA have been very generous, as have a number of DX Clubs and individuals, and for this generosity, we are deeply grateful!**

**The particulars of this DXpedition require more "up front" payments than most DXpeditions and we have a "cash flow timing" situation that needs to be addressed. The helicopter contractual agreement requires all charter costs to be paid prior to the conclusion of the project. Many older hams need a mode or band fill from Navassa, but an entire generation has grown up without Navassa being on the air. Hence, it has risen to the #1 Most Wanted on the ClubLog list. If you need Navassa for an all-time new one (ATNO), or for a particular band or mode, we could use your financial help. If you plan to help support the DXpedition, we ask that you do so now, not later.**

**We have an excellent team of fifteen operators who will be manning eight stations 24 hours/day, dedicated to giving out as many contacts as possible over the two week period.**

**Your generous financial gift will help insure a most successful DXpedition for all!**

**Please visit [www.navassadx.com](http://www.navassadx.com) for details.**

**For the KP1-5 Project,  
Bob Allphin, K4UEE, president**

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Glenn Johnson, W0GJ, vice president  
Mike Thomas, NA5U, secretary

## **VP8/SG & VP8/SS, SOUTH GEORGIA ISLAND AND SOUTH SANDWICH ISLANDS (Press Release #1, by Paul Ewing, N6PSE)**

The Intrepid-DX Group, led by Paul Ewing-N6PSE and David Collingham-K3LP, is pleased to announce our next Dxpedition. In January 2016, a multi-national team of fourteen operators will converge in Stanley, the Falkland Islands, and start a 34 day voyage aboard the R/V Braveheart to the #4 most wanted DXCC, South Sandwich Island and the #9 most wanted DXCC, South Georgia Island.

The team will set up and operate from each island for approximately eight days, weather and sea conditions permitting.

Our primary objective is to activate South Sandwich and South Georgia with a goal of providing as many Dxers as possible a "new one" with these rare DXCC entities and, as a secondary objective; we will focus on low-band contacts.

The team consists of fourteen operators including: Paul Ewing/N6PSE (Co-Leader), David Collingham/K3LP (Co-Leader), Bill Beyer/N2WB, Arnie Shatz/N6HC (Team Physician), Dmitri Zhikharev/RA9USU, Jun Tanaka/JH4RHF, Krassimir Petkov/K1LZ, David Jorgensen/WD5COV, Al Hernandez/K3VN, Craig Thompson/K9CT, Jay Slough/K4ZLE, Kevin Rowett/K6TD, Stephen Wright/VE7CT, and Mark Stennett/NA6M.

The group plans to have six stations on the air from 10 through 160 meters with SSB, CW and RTTY. The radios will be the venerable Elecraft K3 while the amplifiers will be the Elecraft KPA500, 600 watt amplifiers. We will also use an Acom 1500 on the low bands. There will be low band receive antennas and every effort will be made to utilize the propagation on all bands to all population areas.

Our QSL Managers will be Bob Schenck, N2OO, and Steve Wheatley, KU9C, working with the QSL team from the South Jersey DX Association. We will have OQRS, we will accept direct and bureau QSL cards. We plan to upload our logs to Club Log on a daily basis where conditions permit. The Club Log Leaderboard feature will not be activated for this Dxpedition. You can find out more about our plans at our website:

<http://www.intrepid-dx.com/vp8>

Thank you, Paul N6PSE and David K3LP

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