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DX News

XR0Z Alexander Selkirk Island SA-101 -update by Felipe XQ7IR

Due to adverse weather conditions, which forced us to postpone our originally planned trip to Alexander Selkirk Island, we are pleased to announce our updated schedule.

New arrival date on Alexander Selkirk Island is currently scheduled for November 24, 2026, and we hope to be ON AIR on November 25 or 26, depending on weather conditions present on the island and the time required to set up stations.

As a result of this postponement, we have also had to apply for a new extension of the license. The previously assigned callsign XR0Z has been requested for the period from November 11 to December 23, 2026, to accommodate the new expedition dates. <https://www.dx-world.net/xr0z-alexander-selkirk-island-sa-101/>

H49A Solomon Islands -update

The H49A team is slowly getting back to everyday life — work, school, and all the usual commitments.

We have to say that we are positively surprised by the overwhelming number of messages we received through various media channels. We did our best to make this DXpedition a success, despite the health issues and colds that affected some members of the team.

Attached is a preview of our QSL card, which will be printed by Tony, LZ1JZ. OQRS will be open later



3X4U Guinea -update

Marc, ON4AMX took the time to build a homemade 6-meter Yagi antenna for our upcoming DXpedition. This monster has a boom length of no less than 9.85 meters! We even had to extend the supporting mast just to get the Yagi reasonably high off the ground. We're all eager to see how this beast performs on air!



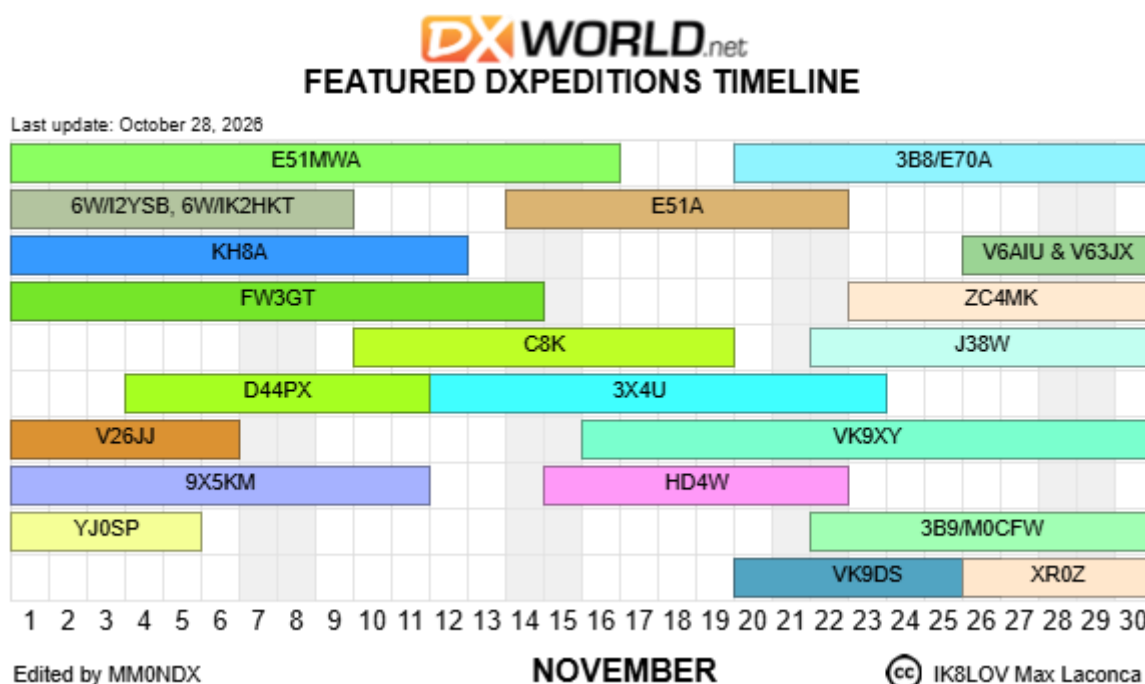
VK9XY Christmas Island -update

The Pacific Islands DXpedition Group (PIDXG), in partnership with Youth on the Air (YOTA) announces details of our 6m EME operating plans.

The VK9XY Team is excited to share more details about our plans for 6 meter EME. We would like to thank Grant, VK5GR, for his assistance. After HF is operational, we will get the EME station up and running. We have the required experimental license in hand to allow 1000 watts PEP (425 average) between 50.180 and 50.220. The radio is a Flex 6700 with external LNA's and a kilowatt amplifier. We will be watching <https://livecq.n6nu.org> and *ON4KST EME* chat.

The antenna is a 6M8GJ on a 24 foot mast that will allow elevation to about 75 degrees. The location is on a cliff about 40 feet above the ocean with a totally unobstructed view to the north from east to west. If we have any significant noise, we have permission to move to a cemetery that might be "quieter," but has some geologic obstructions to the east for a good moonrise. Degradation looks to be very good for the entire time!

DXCC timeline



DXCC

This week on air

5H, TANZANIA Maurizio, IK2GZU is once again operating as 5H3MB until November 18. QRV from 80 to 10 metres using CW, SSB and digi. Also QO-100. QSL via Club Log, LoTW or via home call. Maurizio is a volunteer at the Ikelu hospital in the South Highlands.

6W, SENEGAL The Italian Dxpediton Team is active until November 9. Look for Elvira IV3FSG, Tony I2PJA, Oscar IK2AQZ, Alfeo I1HJT, Silvano I2YSB, Franco I1FQH, Stefano IK2HKT and Angelo IK2CKR will be active as 6W/I2YSB (CW, SSB & RTTY) and 6W/IK2HKT (FT8) Operation with 4 stations on all modes and frequencies. QSL via I2YSB direct and OQRS. <https://www.i2ysb.com/idx/7P>

7P, LESOTHO Wolfgang, HB9CCS is QRV as 7P8EA until November 26. Operation mainly on 15 metres using CW and SSB. QSL via LoTW.

9N, NEPAL Matjaz, S57MK is once again operating as 9N/call until November 11. During his time there, he will be trekking the Kanchenjunga North Base Camp Area, and visiting Kathmandu too.

9N, NEPAL Look for Jan DL4XT as 9N7XT until end October. Activity using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via LoTW. <https://yct.janlabs.de/dx/nepal2026>

9X, RWANDA Alain, F8FUA will be operating in 'holiday-style' as 9X5KM from October 31 until November 11. Operation on multiple bands using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via home call, Club Log.

C5, THE GAMBIA Darko, E70A is QRV as C50A until end October. QRV on HF, 6 metres and QO-100. QSL via home call.

C5, THE GAMBIA Lui YT3PL, Luc F5RAV and Darko E70A are once again active as C5R from near Banjul until November 4. Their humanitarian work is ongoing – so far they made 3 new classrooms for WILCOS school for children aged 3 to 5 years old. All the money that is donated will be invested in this project – they already spent €7500 but still need to make new toilets and add new tiles to make new floors. You can donate via here.

D4, CAPE VERDE Giovanni, IZ2DPX will be active D44PX from Boa Vista during November 4-11. Operation from 40 to 6 metres using SSB and FT4/8. He will use a combination of dipoles and verticals with a FT-891. QSL via home call, OQRS.

E5, NORTH COOK ISL Rob, N7QT is active as E51MWA until November 16. See their website for full information: <https://www.e51mwa.com/>

FK, NEW CALEDONIA Barry, KD6XU is operating as FK/call until mid-November. Operation on

20 metres using CW from POTA NC-0042.

FW, WALLIS and FUTUNA Gavin, GM3GAV will be active as FW3GT from October 31 until November 14. Operation from 40 to 10 metres using CW with some FT8 (perhaps 60 and 80m). QSL via M0OXO.

H44, SOLOMON ISL Bernard, DL2GAC is once again QRV from the Solomon islands as H44MS during the following periods: until November 20, 2026. February 5 to May 7, 2027.

J3, GRENADA Greg, N9GB will once again be active in 'holiday-style' as J3/call from October 31 until November 6. Activity from 40 to 6 metres using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via EB7DX.

On the scene...6W/I2YSB



JD1, OGASAWARA Aki, 7M1KJW is active as call/JD1 until November 4. QRV in 'holiday-style' and 6 metres using FT8 with a vertical antenna and low power. QSL via LoTW.

JD1, OGASAWARA Koutarou, JP1IHD is once again active as JD1BQP from Chichijima until November 2. Operation from 160 to 6 metres with a combo of antennas. QSL via home call direct.

KH8, AMERICAN SAMOA A team that previous activated T2C, C21MM and V6D will now be operating as KH8A between October 29 and November 13. The team includes nine operators DJ9KH, DK5WL, DL1KWK, DL2RNS, DL4SVA, DL6KAC, DL6KVA, DL7JOM and DL7VEE. We are planning to operate 4 stations 24/7 from 160m to 6m in CW, SSB, FT8 and RTTY.

<https://kh8a.mydx.de/>



PY, BRAZIL Look for Claudio PY3OZ as PR3X, it's a Brazilian Islands, Lighthouses and LLOTA Dxpediton until November 15. Operation from 80 to 10 metres using CW and SSB. See more on QRZ.com

S9, SAO TOME Francisco, CT7AKS is active as S9R with EC7R, D2ACE, CT1BOL, D2IM, CT1BZG and CT3MD until October 31. QRV with 3 stations from 160 to 6 metres using CW, SSB and digi.

<https://s9r.viacom.ao/>

TZ, MALI Jeff, TZ4AM is back until December 2. QRV from 80 to 6 metres using CW and SSB. QSL via KX4R or LoTW. This might be Jeff's final run from Mali. As the security situation continues to decline, he says, the primary challenge remains the local economy. With rent and utilities running over USD 10,000 a year, maintaining the operation is no longer viable, and he is considering closing it down completely.

V2, ANTIGUA Look for JA3FHL, JA3PJL, JH3UHG, JJ2RCJ and JA0JHQ as V26JJ between October 30 and November 6. Operation on HF using various modes. QSL via Club Log.

<https://oba.to/V26JJ/>

V4, ST KITTS Jon, W5JON is once again operating as V47JA until November 6. Operation from 160 to 6 metres using SSB and FT8 with a Yaesu FT-3000D and Elecraft KPA500 amplifier. Antennas: Mosley MP-32N beam for 10/15/20m, 33' vertical for 10-160m and a 6m Yagi. QSL direct to W5JON or via LoTW.

V5, NAMIBIA Until early December 2026, I shall be in Namibia supporting an exciting motoring event with my colleague Richard G8SVC. We will be located at Walvis Bay and in our spare time plan to operate an HF station running SSB and FT8. Will also have WSPR.

Thanks to the help of Nam Ham and CRAN we have the licenced callsign of V5/G0RIB to use for the remainder of 2026.

VK9, WILLIS ISL Sands, VK4WXW remains active as VK9WX until end October. QSL via M0OXO.

VP2M, MONTSERRAT Chuck, KG9N will be QRV as VP2MCV during November 3-16. Operation on all bands/all modes. QSL via home call and LoTW.

YJ, VANUATU Chris, VK2YUS is operating as YJ0CA until October 30. Operation using SSB only between 2100z and 1000z. QSL via homecall, LoTW

YJ, VANUATU Steve VK2SP will be active in 'holiday-style' as YJ0SP from October 30 until November 5. Activity on HF. QSL via home call.

Z6, KOSOVO Milan S58MU and Silvo S50X will be operating as Z68MU and Z68WW from November 1 until November 8. QSL via S58MU, direct or bureau. During the IPARC Contest they will sign as Z66IPA.

QSL preview



Coming up soon

3X, GUINEA The Belgian Rockall DX group's (Marc ON4AMX, Filip ON4FF, Patrick ON4HIL, Luc ON4IA, Pascal ON5RA, Karel ON5TN, Marc ON6CC, Wim ON6DX, Franky ON7RU and Ronald PA3EWP) next destination is Guinea. The team will be active as 3X4U between November 11 and November 23. Operation from 160 to 6 metres using CW, SSB and digi with 5 stations, hexbeams, phased verticals and a foursquare. QSL via M0URX OQRS. <https://rockall.be/>

5H, TANZANIA Chas NK8O will once again be QRV as 5H3DX during November. Chas mentions: *'I will be returning to Tanzania in November to host guests from Dartmouth College. We will potentially have an influx of students and residents from a consortium of medical schools in the Northeast. Picture shows the Guest Hostel in development. Radio shack on the left below the water tank.'*

C8, MOZAMBIQUE The Czech DX Team will be active as C8K during November 9 and November 20. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. Club Log live stream if possible. QSL via OK6DJ OQRS, LoTW. Antennas: 6m 5el. YAGI, 10m 4el. Yagi, 10-15-20 incl WARC 3 x Spiderbeam, 17/15/12m 2el. YAGI, 2x 30m phased verticals, 2x40m phased verticals, 80m vertical + 10 pcs radials, 160 vertical + 10pcs radials RX: 3x Beverage + RX vertical Focus on low bands. <https://www.cdxp.cz/>

Joshua Kutryk, KJ5BFU aboard the ISS today talking to Paul Duke STEM School in Norcross, GA about space exploration!



IOTA

This week on air

AFRICA

AF-067 Wasini Island Look for Reto 5Z4GO/P in QRP mode during November 1-3. QSL via LoTW. Follow Reto on X.

NORTH AMERICA

NA-174 Igloolik Isl Mike, VE2XB is active until November 6 as VY0ZOO. Activity from 20 to 10 metres using CW. QSL via home call.

OCEANIA

OC-066 Rangiroa Atoll Haru, JA1XGI will be operating as TX9XG end October (dates to follow). Activity from 40 to 10 metres using CW, SSB and digi with an IC-7300MK2 and multiband antennas. QSL via home call, OQRS.

OC-195 Deal Isl John, VK1AX is operating until late November. Operation during his spare time from 80 to 10 metres using FT8.

SOUTH AMERICA

SA-018 Chiloe Heli, CE7/DD0VR is QRV until November 29.

Guess the QSL



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announced DX

THE NEWCOMERS

5X, UGANDA Anders, SM0HPL will once again be active as 5X7W from Kampala starting mid-November until end this year. Operation on HF with a vertical and Carolina Windom during his spare time. An entry in the CQWW CW contest is included. QSL via Club Log, LoTW.

VP6, PITCAIRN ISL Rikk, WE9G will be operating as VP6W from May 27 until June 12, 2027. Operation from 80 to 6 metres using mainly FT8 with some CW and SSB from Grid CG44ww. QSL via LoTW, OQRS. This activity follows Rikk's FO/WE9G – Gambier Islands, OC-063 Dxpedition.

VP8, FALKLAND ISLANDS Freddy, F4HEC will be active as VP8TTX from April 1 until April 15, 2027. Operation on HF with a focus on the low bands using CW and SSB. QSL via home call.

ZD7, ST HELENA Lee, ZR6LC will be operating as ZD7LC between December 14 and January 1, 2027. QRV on 40, 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10 metres using CW and SSB. QSL via LoTW, OQRS.

THE REMINDERS

Look for Chris DL1MGB in 'holiday-style':

FS, ST MARTIN FS/call November 30 – December 9

VP2E, ANGUILLA call to be announced November 20-23

PJ7, SINT MAARTEN PJ7WW November 23-30

Operation from 160 to 10 metres on PJ7, 40 to 10 metres on VP2E and FS. An entry in the CQWW CW contest is included from PJ7. QSL via home call, OQRS and LoTW.

3A, MONACO Rikk, WE9G will be operating as 3A/call during March 2-9, 2027. Operation from 80 to 6 metres using FT4/8 with some CW and SSB. QSL via LoTW, Club Log or home call.

3B9, RODRIGUES ISL Kazu M0CFW is once again operating as 3B9KW during the CQWW CW contest (November 28-29). Operation before and after the contest as 3B9/call between November 22 end December 2. QSL via LoTW.

3Y0, PETER 1 ISL The 3Y0L Dxpedition is scheduled for February 2027. Peter I, last activated in 2006, currently ranks #7 on the Club Log global most wanted list. More information on the DXpedition details can be found on their website: <https://www.3y0l.com>

The expedition, comprised of an 11-man radio team, a 4-man support team, the vessel, and two helicopters, will depart from Punta Arenas, Chile on January 22, 2027. The team plans to stay 3 weeks around the island with 2 weeks of onshore operation. The radio plan is to be active on all bands, propagation permitting, 160m-6m.

On the scene with BG5CZD during CQWW SSB.



5H, TANZANIA Rafal SP3RK will be operating as 5H1RK during December 23 and January 6. QRV from 20 to 10 metres using mainly FT8, FT4, FT2 and some CW; QRP operation. More info here. <https://www.qrz.com/db/5H1RK>

6O, SOMALIA The DX-adventure Team will be QRV as 6O6X during February 2027. Team leader Max ON5UR mentions: *'On 14 February 2026, our local contact was invited to the Ministry of Information and Communication Technology in Hargeisa, where Minister Jamaal Mohamed Jama personally handed over the official licence. During the DXpedition, we will be active under the callsign 6O6X ("six oscar six x-ray").*

Although the Belgian government still advises against travel to Somalia, several reliable sources confirm that Somaliland, located in the northwest, is the safest region of the country. The safety of the team is the top priority, which is why we have deliberately chosen to organise our activities in this area. On average, the country receives barely 500 visitors per year.'

A Belgian-Dutch-American team with Paul N6PSE, Marc ON4AMX, Patrick ON4HIL, Max ON5UR, Karel ON5TN, Marc ON6CC, Wim ON6DX, Franky ON7RU, Geert ON7USB, Francis ON8AZ, Casper PA7DX and Ronald PA3EWP will be QRV on HF and perhaps QO-100 and EME. Website under construction.

9Y, TRINIDAD Look for 9Y4I during the ARRL 160 Meter CW Contest. Caribbean Top Band CW signals are limited — listen carefully for 9Y4I during peak low-band windows.

On the scene at W3LPL



A3, TONGA The Australian DXers Tommy VK2IR, John VK3YP together with Alex SV0EG, Manos SV1DAY, Giannis SV1GE and Micke HB9EBC will be operating as A35TV from November 28 until December 4. Operation from 160 to 6 metres using CW, SSB and FT8. The operation aims to give operators across Oceania, Asia, Europe, and the Americas a chance to log a sought-after Pacific entity. Pileups are expected to be substantial as the team works across various modes to maximize contacts. Livestream will also be active on Club Log. QSL via Club Log. <https://a35tv.com/>

A3, TONGA The Tongan Paradise Contesters will be active as A31W during the CQWW CW contest in November. Oliver W6NV/A31WW, Alan K0AV/A31AV, and Terry K7TD/A31TD will set-up

the contest station on the island of Vava'u, working 160 through 6 meters starting 21st of November prior to CQWW when A31W will be active as a Mult-2 entry. QSL via LOTW.

C5, THE GAMBIA Billy F4GJE will be active as C5H from December 27 until January 3. Operation from 40 to 6 metres using SSB and FT4/8 with a vertical and a long wire. QSL via home call, logs will be uploaded to Club Log and LoTW.

C5, THE GAMBIA Alan, G3XAQ will be operating as C56XA from November 17 until December 1. Operation in 'holiday-style' using CW and FT8. An entry in the CQWW CW contest is included. QSL via LoTW. OQRS via G3SWH.

C6, BAHAMAS Eric, K9GY will be operating as C6AYM during February 18-23. Operation from 80 to 10 metres using CW only. An entry in the ARRL DX CW contest is included. QSL via LoTW.

E5, COOK ISLANDS Hrane, YT5A will be operating as E51A from Rarotonga between November 14 and November 22. Operation in 'holiday-style' using CW and FT8. The goal of this activity is to prepare for a DXpedition to North Cook Islands (Manihiki) in the period September 25 to October 10, 2027.

E6, NIUE Tom, KC0W will be operating as E6CW sometime 2026. Operation from 40 to 6 metres using CW only. More to follow.

FS, SAINT MARTIN Look for team TO9W with more operators and new equipment from November 29 until December 11. An entry in the CQWW DX contest is included. Updates will be posted on their Facebook page.

On the scene...JD1BQP Ogasawara



FS, ST MARTIN Philip, K0CD will be QRV as FS/call during the CQWW CW contest (November 28-29). Some activity before the contest also. QSL via home call, LoTW.

HK0, MALPELO Last active in 2012 (by **HK0NA** who still maintain the 2nd highest ever QSO count for a Dxpedition), the Colombian League of Radio Amateurs (HK3LR) and its Board of Directors

has announced its main goal – to stage a Dxpedition to Malpelo island, SA-007. It is hoped for a February 2026 activity, but this is not yet confirmed. Stay tuned for more info in the coming weeks..

HR, HONDURAS Gerard, F2JD will once again be operating as HR5/call from November 23 until March 15, 2027. Activity on various bands using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via LoTW or F6AJA.

<https://lesnouvellesdx.fr/voirlogs.php>

J3, GRENADA From 22 November to 2 December 2026, a team of six operators will be QRV from Grenada (J3). They will have several J3 callsigns available throughout the visit, with activity planned across the HF bands on CW, SSB and digital modes. A particular callsign to look out for is J38W, which will be used during the CQ Worldwide CW Contest (28–29 November) in the Multi-Two category. The team consists of: Jamie M0SDV, Martin GW4XUM, Dave G3NKC, Paul G4PVM, Mike G3WPH & Rich NN3W.

J6, ST LUCIA Stephen KB4YKC and Paul KB4PMK will be operating as J6/calls from March 9 until March 16, 2027. Operation in 'holiday-style' on HF. QSL via LoTW.

KH0, MARIANA ISL Ken, JO1VRK will once again be active as KH0/AJ6VJ from December 29 until January 3, 2027. Operation on 40, 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10 metres. QSL via LoTW, Club Log.

Land of QSL <https://www.facebook.com/groups/landofqsls/>



OX, GREENLAND Nadia, OZ7AM will be operating from Kangerlussuaq as OX7AM from November 23 until December 7. Operation on HF using CW only. An entry in the CQWW CW contest is included. QSL via OZ1ACB and LoTW.

PJ7, SINT MAARTEN Garry, KC9EE will be QRV as PJ7EE from November 18 until December 2. An entry in the CQWW CW Contest is included. Outside the contest he will focus on HF using FT8 towards Asia and 6 meter FT8 to NA.

PZ, SURINAME Wian, PE1K will be operating in 'holiday-style' as PZ5KW from November 23 until December 1. Operation most likely FT8 and SSB. QSL via home call.

S7, SEYCHELLES Rudi OLK2ZA and David OK6DJ will be QRV as S79/OL1T between December 28 and January 8, 2027. Operation on various bands and modes. More to follow. QSL via LoTW.

T33, BANABA In November 2022, the [Rebel DX Group](#) were QRV from Banaba as **T33T**. Later this year, they plan to return there and be active this time as **T33TT**.

Full details to follow, but you can expect plenty of FT8 on HF bands plus some CW & SSB. QSL via Club Log OQRS / LoTW.

T8, PALAU Mike, JA6EGL will once again be operating as T88SM during January 8-14, 2027. Operation from 160 to 6 metres using CW, SSB, FM/AM. QSL via home call.

T8, PALAU Noburo, JH1OLB will once again be active as T88DT from November 26 until December 2. Activity from 160 to 6 metres using CW, SSB and digi. An entry in the CQWW CW contest is included. QSL via home call.

TU, IVORY COAST The EIDX group next Dxpedition will be as TU7EI (pending) sometime in March 2027. More to follow.

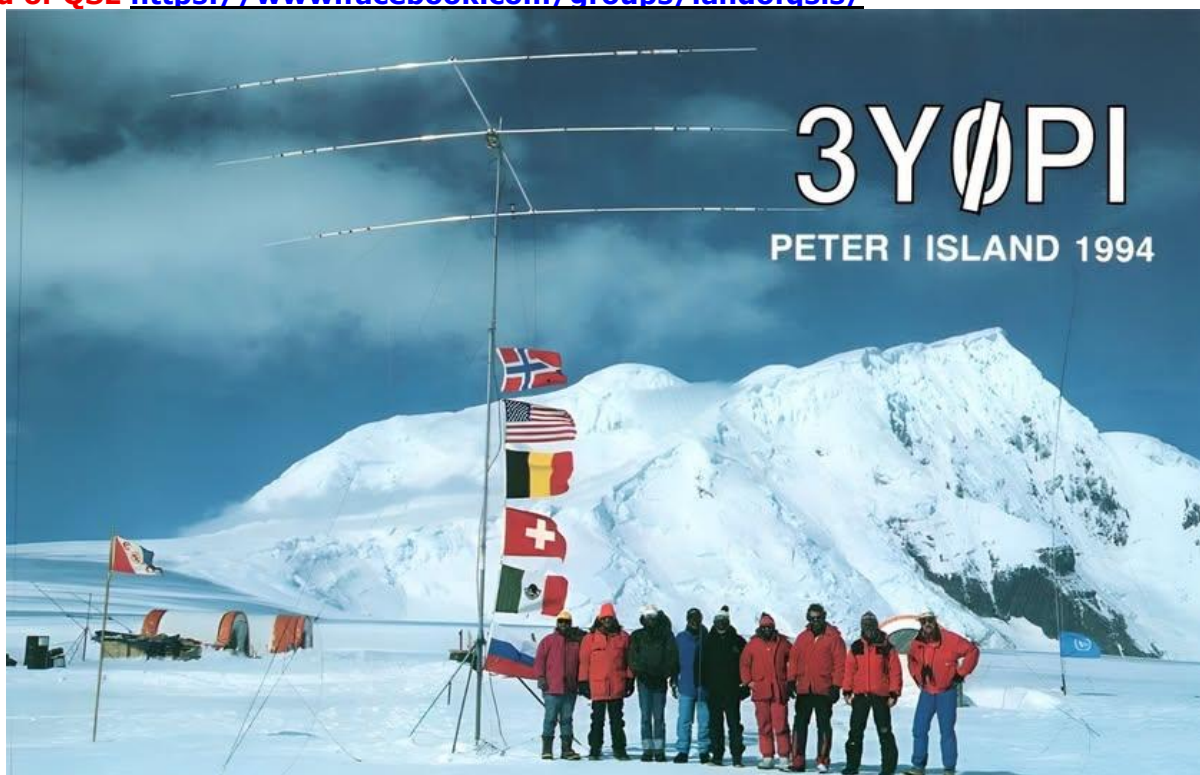
V6, MICRONESIA Haru, JA1XGI will be active as V6XG from January 14 until January 22, 2027. He says the main purpose of this dx-vacation is to make QSOs with stations in Europe, North America, and South America on 160 meters, but he will also be setting up antennas for other bands covering 80 meter to 6 meter. <https://islandvacation.amebaownd.com/>

V6, MICRONESIA Kenji JH3AIU and Masa JR3RIU will be active from Chuuk Island as V6AIU and V63JX between November 26 and December 1. Main goal is the CQWW CW contest. QSL via LoTW.

VK9, CHRISTMAS ISL The Pacific Islands DXpedition Group (PIDXG), in partnership with Youth on the Air (YOTA), is proud to announce a DXpedition to Christmas Island during November 16 and December 4 that will be planned, led, and operated by the next generation of DXers. For the first time, the veterans are the support crew. The eight-operator on-island team is composed entirely of operators under the age of 25, led by Max Freedman, N4ML. Veteran DXpeditioners Glenn Johnson, W0GJ, and Gregg Marco, W6IZT, join the team as on-island advisors and mentors. Confirmed team members include Connor Black, W4IPC; Tyler Schroder, NT1S; Lukas Bartkus, LY7J; and Urgent Jere, 7Q6UJ, several of whom cut their DXpedition teeth on 3D2Y and PJ6Y, first from the remote side and now leading in the DXpedition. We will be rounding out the team over the next few weeks.

Operation from 160 to 6 metres with 4 local stations and 2 remote. An entry in the CQWW CW contest is included. QSL via M0OXO.

Land of QSL <https://www.facebook.com/groups/landofqsls/>



VK9C, COCOS KEELING David, VK6DS will be operating as VK9DS from Cocos and Christmas Island during November 20-27 from Cocos and from November 28-December 4 from Christmas. Operation in 'holiday-style' from WWFF and POTA sites. Activity from 80 to 6 metres using CW, SSB and FT8.

VK9L, LORD HOWE ISL A large team (DL2AWG, DF4GV, DL2AMD, DL2SAX, DL1KWK, DL4SVA, DL6RY, DL4VK, DJ7TO & EA5GV) will be active as VK2LHW from May 24 until June 7, 2027. Operation on HF using CW, SSB and digi with 4 stations nonstop. QSL via Club Log or via DL2AWG. <https://lhi-2027.topdx.de/>

VP2V, B.V.I Bob, GU4YOX will be active as VP2VBB during the CQWW CW contest (November 28-29). Before the contest he will be operating as VP2V/call. More to follow.

VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS Rikk, WE9G will once again be operating as VP2V/call from November 29 until December 7. Operation as SO3R covering from 160 to 6 metres. QSL via home call direct, Club Log search and LoTW

VP8, FALKLAND Santiago, LU2DUR will be active from the Falklands between January 10 and January 17, 2027. Operation during his spare time on HF using SSB with some FT8 on 10, 15, 20, 40 and 80 metres. <https://www.dx-world.net/vp8tog-falkland-islands/>

VP8, SOUTH GEORGIA ISLAND Amateur Radio DXpeditions (ARDX) is proud to announce plans for a groundbreaking DXpedition to South Georgia Island, set to take place in March 2027.

Operating under the allocated callsign VP0SG, this ambitious activation will target one of the rarest and most logistically challenging DXCC entities, well ranked on top of the Club Log's Most Wanted List, with particularly high demand in some areas of the world.

<https://www.ardxpeditons.com/dxpeditons/vp0sg>

On the scene... Fred, DH5FS (as J79FS) says:

"Licencing in J7 is straight forward - all in a online portal, pretty fast processing"



VU4, ANDAMAN ISL The World DXpedition team will be operating during November 2027 from 3 POTA locations. A team with 11 operators Dave WJ2O, K1NZ Nick Maslon; K2SAV, William "Savo" Savacool; K1ZM, Jeff Briggs; N1QV, Miriam Briggs; W0ZB, Steve Keithahn; K3PT, Kyle Snavelly; KD0IVB, Emily Snavelly; K1LZ, Krassy Petkov; VU2RS, Sarath Rayaprollu; and N4VGE, Van Herridge Organizer. Team support members are XYL Judi Savacool and XYL Vicki Herridge is QRV with 5 stations 24/7. [Andaman - World DXpeditions](#)

XT, BURKINA FASO From early January '27, XT2MAX will again be on air using an IC-7300, vertical and OCF dipole antennas. Power: 100w; modes: CW, SSB, FT8 (MSHV). QSL via DK1MAX. LoTW uploaded daily free of charge. This won't be a 24/7 activity, says Max. Check QRZ page for further updates.

ZC4, CYPRUS SBA Adrian, G0KOM will once again be active as ZC4MK late November. An entry in the CQWW CW contest is included. Activity is planned a week before the contest.

ZK3, TOKELAU The Perseverance DX Group will be QRV from Tokelau. The permission for entering the island is already OK. Plan is to be active in November 2027. Team members include: Rob N7QT, Gene K5GS, Steve W1SRD, Glenn KE4KY, Dave K3EL, Dave WD5COV, Robin WA7CPA, Brian N9ADG, Jackie ZL3CW, Francesco IK0FVC, Laci HA0NAR, Violetta KN2P and Jack N7JP. The ten team members will gather in Apia (Samoa) during the week of 16 November before embarking

on a 30-hour ferry crossing to Tokelau on 17 November. Upon arrival, the team will spend 14 days on the atoll, operating multiple HF stations on 160-6 metres CW, SSB, RTTY and FT8 (F/H). QSL via M0URX's OQRS. The callsign and additional details will be announced in due course. Donations to assist with shipping expenses and a humanitarian project are gratefully accepted, see <https://tok-dx.com/>

IOTA

THE NEWCOMERS

OCEANIA

OC-063 Gambier Isl Rikk, WE9G will be active from Mangareva during May 14-24, 2027 as FO/call. Activity from 80 to 6 metres using mainly FT8 with some CW and SSB. QSL via LoTW and Club Log.

THE REMINDERS

ASIA

AS-127 Kutubdia Isl Look for team S21DX sometime during November 2026. They plan to operate for at least 18 hours a day depending generator and the number of team members. Team for now is S21YLJ, S21AM, S21RC, S21FIA and S21RED. Activity from 160 to 10 metres using SSB, FT8 and QO-100. QSL via EB7DX, LoTW.

AS-133 Koh Rong Isl 20 International Operators Set to Deliver Unprecedented Amateur Radio Activity from Southeast Asia's Premier Tropical Destination Koh Rong Island, Cambodia. The amateur radio community is invited to participate in one of 2027's most anticipated DXpeditions: XU7X Cambodia. Operating from November 13-23, 2027 from the pristine Koh Rong Island off Cambodia's coast. This landmark expedition brings together 20 operators from Brazil, USA, Ecuador, Bosnia & Herzegovina, and Japan to deliver continuous 24-hour amateur radio operations across 6 simultaneous stations. QSL via M0URX. <https://www.xu7x.net/>

NORTH AMERICA

NA-249 Vieques Isl A team will be active as KP3RE sometime February 2027. More to follow.

OCEANIA

OC-165 Talang-Talang Besar 10-12 man team plan to be active as 9M8T from Talang-Talang Besar OC-165 sometime in June 2027. This is much the same team who had been very active as 9M8A in July / August 2025 and 9M1Z in September 2024. Full details are listed on QRZ.com or their website. QSL via 9W8ZZK or 9M8WIN, LoTW.

SOUTH AMERICA

SA-019 Abrolhos Isl Renato, PY8WW informs: *we are currently coordinating with the Brazilian Navy, there is a strong possibility that a Brazilian team will be active from Abrolhos Island, SA-019, later this year, possibly in November. More details regarding callsigns, bands, and modes will be shared as soon as the plans are finalized. Stay tuned for updates!*

SA-056 Cojimies Isl Ren, PY8WW will be active as HD4W from November 15 until November 22. Operation from 40 to 6 metres using CW, SSB and FT8. SA-056 is a particularly interesting IOTA reference, with a relatively low percentage of confirmed credits. According to the current GDXF/IOTA Most Wanted information, the confirmation figures are approximately 7.9% for the last five years, 8.5% for the last ten years and 8.7% all-time. Club log live stream and OQRS.

SA-101 Alexander Selkirk Isl Moises CE3VTZ and Felip XQ7IR will be operating as XR0Z around November 24. Activity from 160 to 10 metres using FT8, CW and SSB with 2 stations. The team will establish their shack at a shelter located 1,057 meters (3,468 feet) above sea level. Reaching the site is a tough physical and logistical undertaking. Getting there involves a four-hour, seven-kilometre hike from the village to the mountain summit. To transport all necessary equipment each operator will carry a 15 kg backpack, with additional support provided by local fishermen. <https://www.xr0z.net/> for more information and updates. QSL via M0URX's OQRS.

Antarctic destinations

HF0PAS South Shetland Islands

Rafal, SQ40 informs that all going well, he will try to be active as HF0PAS from the Henryk Arctowski Polish Antarctic Station, King George Island, South Shetland Islands after May. He will remain there until February 2027. News updates will be posted on the HF0PAS QRZ page.

The 2027 French Polar Team Expedition by Mehdi, F5PFP

Following a telephone conversation with David, here is a summary and an approximate timetable for when he hopes to be QRV during the 2026-27 summer Antarctic campaign:

FT4YM/P Base Concordia : QRV from mid November 2026 to late January 2027.

FT4YM/P Camp Little Dome C : During this period (mid November to late January), occasionally QRV from Little Dome Camp which is situated about 30km from Concordia.

VK0/FT4YM/P Camp North Patch : During this period (mid November to late January) , occasionally QRV from North Patch Camp which is situated about 8km from Concordia.

FT4YM Base Robert Guillard-Cape Prud'homme : Late January – early February ; QSY from Concordia by DC3 aircraft to Cape Prud'homme for a short stay of unspecified duration (1 to 5 days , so not sure to be QRV).

FT4YM Base Dumont d'Urville : Late January – early February; QSY from Cape Prud'homme by helicopter flight to Dumont d'Urville, QRV for an unspecified duration (3 to 15 days).

FT4YM Lion island Depot : which is situated just beside Dumont d'Urville.

FT4YM/MM Icebreaker L'Astrolabe-P800 : From Mid-February, on the way back to Tasmania.

NOTE: This timetable may change anytime.

RI1ANI Antarctica -update by Oleg UA6GG

- Novolazarevskaya Base, Progress Base, Vostok Base (dates t.b.c)
- Vostok – Dome B (December 10, 2026 – January 5, 2027);
- Vostok, Progress (dates t.b.c)

ZS7ANF Antarctica -update by Frank F8DVD

As in previous years, Oleg ZS7ANF will be working in Antarctica again this season. Currently in Cape Town, he is heading to Antarctica in the coming days. The season is going to be more or less the same as usual, until February 20, 2027. He plans to be active with the callsign ZS7ANF from Wolf's Fang Runway, Which Away camp, and maybe from some remote places. Let's hope so! He will be working with a FT-710 transceiver and wide band dipole and SteppIR vertical antenna.



Special calls

THE NEWCOMERS

EA, SPAIN Look for **EG1PR**, a special event during November 6-8. This is more than a commemorative callsign. The diploma aims to draw attention to rural depopulation in Spain: villages losing residents, public services and opportunities. By bringing their stories onto the amateur bands, we hope to connect the international DX community with places that are too often overlooked. URE Burgos and URASO (Soria) are involved, alongside the '183 municipalities of Soria on the air' initiative.

Both URE Spain and ARI Italy have already published the announcement. Could you consider sharing EG1PR as an editorial news item? The official award rules, including operating bands, modes and award requirements, are already available on the EG1PR QRZ.com page. We can also supply the event poster.

URE Spain: <https://www.ure.es/diploma-presura-2026-eg1pr-radio-por-la-repoblacion/>

ARI Italy: <https://www.ari.it/english-area/8861.html>

Official award rules (bands, modes and requirements): <https://www.qrz.com/db/EG1PR>

F, FRANCE The Association des Radio Amateurs de la Cote d'Emeraude is active as **TM8R** until 1 November to promote the 13th Route du Rhum, the 3000-mile single-handed transatlantic yacht race between Saint-Malo (France) and Pointe-a-Pitre (Guadeloupe). QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW, or via F5BNJ.

LU, ARGENTINA Radio Club QRM Belgrano **LU4AAO**, LS2E and members will be active during November 7-15 celebrating the tradition day. Special awards and QSL are available. Operation on HF using SSB and FT8. More on <https://lu4aao.org/certificados/dia-de-la-tradicion-2026>

PY, BRAZIL Members of the Uniao dos Radioamadores do Litoral do Parana (UNO) will be active as **ZZ5UNO** between 31 October and 15 November to commemorate Brazilian Radioamateur Day. Electronic certificates and QSLs will be available, paper QSL cards will not be issued. See <https://www.qrz.com/db/ZZ5UNO> for more information. The Dia do Radioamador Brasileiro marks the anniversary of the entry into force of the first Brazilian Amateur Radio regulations (5 November 1924).

TA, TURKEY Celebrating the anniversary of the proclamation of the Republic of Turkiye (29 October 1923), members of the YM1KE Radio Club will be active as **TC29TC** on 27-31 October. They will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on various bands. QSL via LoTW, eQSL and QRZ Logbook.

THE REMINDERS

9A, CROATIA Throughout 2026, Tom, 9A2AA will use **9A69AA** to mark his 69 years of activity on the amateur radio bands. QSL via home call.

9A, CROATIA To celebrate their 15th anniversary, members of the Croatian Flora Fauna ARC (9A1WFF) are active as **9A44FF** and **9A44FF/p** until end 2026. See <https://www.qrz.com/db/9A44FF> for information about the Anniversary Award.

CE, CHILE On the occasion of the 90th jubilee of the Radio Club Rancagua (CE4RG), the club members will use the special event callsign **XR90RG** until the end of the year. QSL direct via CE4RG.

CN, MOROCCO The special event station **CN1UNI** marks Morocco's Unity Day (Oct. 31) on the air from October 26 until November 8.

DL, GERMANY During 2026, the following special event stations celebrate 100 years of the German aviation company Lufthansa: **DA100LH**, **DL100LH** and **DK100LH** (special DOK 100DLH). QSL via DK5ON (d/B).

DL, GERMANY The special event stations **DA100TV** and **DL100TV** (special DOK 100TV) celebrate 10 years of television in Germany during 2026. QSL via DK5ON (d/B).

DL, GERMANY The special callsign **DB100FT** will be active throughout 2026 to celebrate the centenary of the Berlin Radio Tower (Funkturn), one of the city's most iconic landmarks. The 150-metre-high steel lattice tower occupies a prominent place in the history of radio broadcasting in Germany, as it was used to broadcast transmissions starting in 1926. QSL via the bureau, or direct to DO2PZ.

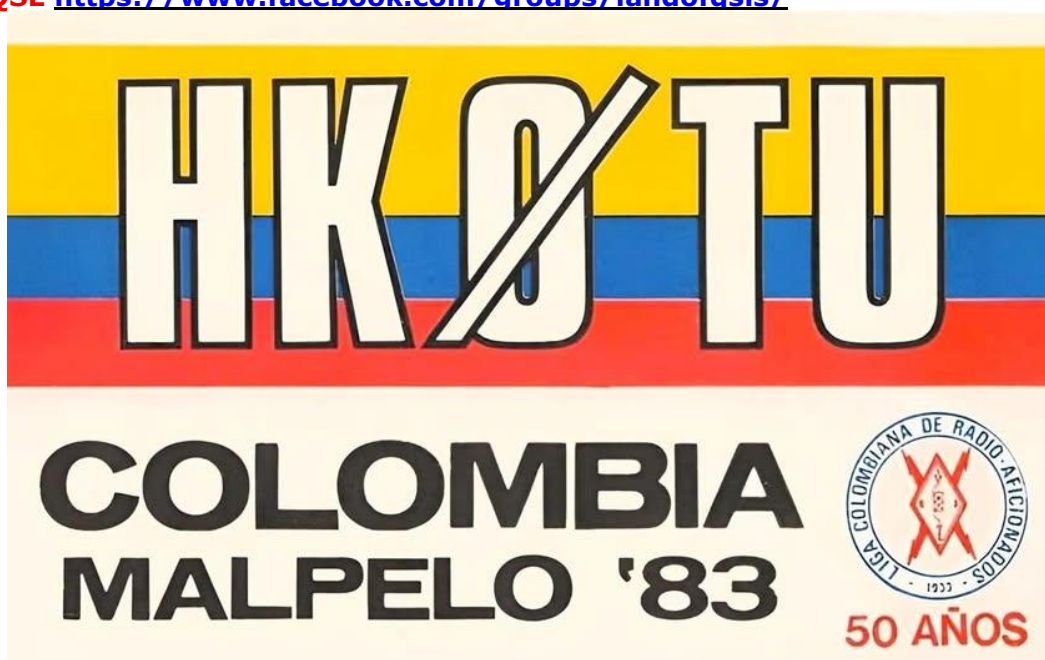
DL, GERMANY The 125th birthday of Rudolf Hell, inventor of the the HELL/Feld-HELL mode, will

be celebrated with the special event callsign **DA125RH** from October 1 until the end of the year. More information on QRZ.com.

DL, GERMANY DARC Team SES will be active as **DL25WIKI** throughout 2026. The special callsign celebrates the 25th anniversary of Wikipedia, The Free Encyclopedia, founded in January 2001: "the station reflects the spirit of free knowledge and international collaboration within the amateur radio community. Wikipedia and amateur radio share common values: openness, education, technical enthusiasm, and world-wide networking". QSL cards will be sent automatically via the bureau; QSOs will also be uploaded to LoTW and the DCL (DARC Community Logbook)

DL, GERMANY **DQ30GDXF** is the special callsign celebrating the 30th anniversary of the German DX Foundation (<https://www.gdx.de/>) during 2026. QSL via Club Log's OQRS and LoTW.

Land of QSL <https://www.facebook.com/groups/landofqsl/>



DL, GERMANY **DR170TESLA** is the special callsign for members of DARC's Ortsverband Mainz (DL0MZ) to celebrate the 170th anniversary of the birth of Nikola Tesla until end 2026. QSL via Club Log's OQRS (preferred), or via DK8ZZ.

DL, GERMANY **DB70DLRS** is a special callsign marking the 70th anniversary of the Deutschland-Rundspruch, the DARC's weekly news broadcast tailored specifically for amateur radio enthusiasts in Germany. Look for activity on all bands and modes from 1 June to 31 December. QSL via DK5ON, LoTW and DCL (DARC Community Logbook). More information can be found on <https://www.qrz.com/db/DB70DLRS>

F, FRANCE The radio club Mazirat (F4KOK, dept. 03) uses the callsign **TM3CF** on Sundays during October, drawing attention to one of the officially recognised geographical centres of France in Nassigny.

G, ENGLAND **GB50PUNK** is a special callsign for David, G3SKA "and team" to use at various times during 2026 to celebrate 50 years of punk rock music. QSOs will be uploaded to Club Log and eQSL; QSL via the bureau or direct. Updates will be posted to <https://www.facebook.com/61585208894891>.

HP, PANAMA Henry, HP1CDW, celebrates his 40 years on the air with the callsign **3E40CDW** until the end of November. QSL via LoTW.

I, ITALY Throughout 2026, ARI Fidenza (IQ4FE), with the patronage and historical supervision of the Guglielmo Marconi Foundation, will use a series of special callsigns, each representing one of the "key figures who played a fundamental role in Marconi's personal and emotional, educational and cultural, academic, scientific and, finally, entrepreneurial development **II4NTTI** (October), **II4GCLB** (November), **II4SLRI** (December). QSL via LoTW, or direct only to IQ4FE. Complete information about the "Marconi Supporters" award: <http://www.arifidenza.it/>

JA, JAPAN **8J70JARE** is a special callsign celebrating the 70th anniversary of the Japanese Antarctic Research Expedition, which on 29 January 1957 established Syowa Station on East

Ongul Island. The special callsign will be in use from various locations across Japan between 22 May 2026 and 29 January 2027. QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau; direct cards should be sent to JG2MLI.

LZ, BULGARIA Radio Club Blagovestnik (LZ1KCP) will use six special callsigns during 2026 to honour as many different Orthodox saints: **LZ936BA** (October), LZ911TD (November and December). QSL via the bureau or direct to P.O. Box 36, 4300 Karlovo, Bulgaria. Details on the "All Saints 2026 Award" can be found at <https://www.lz1kcp.com/>

LZ, BULGARIA **LZ75HSC** is the special callsign for Bulgarian HSC members to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the Radio Telegraphy Highspeed Club (HSC) until the end of the year. QSL via LZ2JE. The club was founded in 1951 as a community within the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club (DARC). To date, membership has grown to include over 1,400 operators spanning every continent: <http://www.highspeedclub.org>

ON, BELGIUM Special callsign **OT5IDPD** will be active from 4 November to 3 December for the International Day of Persons with Disabilities, whose annual observance (3 December) was proclaimed by the United Nations General Assembly in 1992. All operators will be hams with a disability. The logs will be uploaded to LoTW, Club Log and eQSL; all QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau.

ON, BELGIUM The ONZ Oostkust Radioclub (ON6HC) will be active on all bands and modes as **OR82CLM** between 16 October and 15 November to commemorate the 82nd anniversary of the liberation of the region of Knokke Heist by Canadian troops in 1944. QSL via eQSL. A certificate will be available: <https://www.onz.be/or82clm-award-request/>



ON, BELGIUM **OR80AF** — 80 years of the Belgian Air Force. From 1 to 30 October 2026 BAFARA will activate special callsign OR80AF on all HF bands, CW, SSB and digital, together with air base stations ON4BAF, ON4BFS, ON4BBE, ON6BK and members' own stations. Free award in four grades, nothing to submit: points are credited from the station logs. SWLs welcome. Log, eQSL and award at www.bafara80.be. contact via info@bafara80.be

PA, THE NETHERLANDS **PG75HSC** is the special callsign for Theo, PA3HEN to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the Radio Telegraphy Highspeed Club (HSC) until the end of the year. QSL via home call, and LoTW. Also joining the celebrations is Artur, SP3LPR as 3Z75HSC (QSL via home call, direct or bureau). The club was founded in 1951 as a community within the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club (DARC). To date, membership has grown to include 1400+ operators all over the world: <http://www.highspeedclub.org>

PY, BRAZIL Celebrating "five decades of radio activity, international contacts, contesting, dxpeditons, technical development and friendship", members of the Araucaria DX Group will use the special callsign **ZW50B** until the end of October. See <https://araucariadx.com/50anos/> programme.

SP, POLAND Special callsigns **3Z100LKK**, **HF100LKK**, **SN100LKK**, **SO100LKK**, **SP0LKK**, **SP100LKK** and **SQ100LKK** celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Lviv Shortwave Club, founded in 1926 as Lwowski Klub Krotkofalowcow (LKK) until end 2026. "The cradle of Polish Amateur Radio", LKK was one of the largest clubs in Europe before World War II. See <https://radiodyplom.pl/ses/282> for the commemorative certificate.

SP, POLAND The Dobrzycki Amateur Radio Club (SP3PDO) will use twelve special callsigns during 2026 to honour as many different Polish saints: **SP1550SK** (October), **SP1234KK**

(November) and **SP1835JK** (December). QSLs via SP3PDO. See <https://radioawards.club/ses/155> for the certificates.

TF, ICELAND TF80IRA is the special callsign used by the club station of Icelandic Radio Amateurs (IRA) to celebrate the 80th anniversary since the foundation of Iceland's IARU member society (14 August 1947). Look for activity between 14 August and 31 December. QSL via the bureau, direct, and LoTW.

UR, UKRAINE Special callsigns **EO210WLP** and **EM70WWW** will be active from 1 September until 31 December for the 210th anniversary of the Lviv Polytechnic National University, and for the 70th anniversary of the Polytechnic's club station. QSLs via LoTW; see qrz.com for the certificates available for QSOs made with the special calls.

UR, UKRAINE To celebrate his 50th anniversary in amateur radio, Nick, US8AR will be active throughout 2026 using the special callsign **EM50AR**. Electronic QSL cards can be downloaded from <https://em50ar.pp.ua>



VK, AUSTRALIA AX120AAC celebrates the 120th anniversary of the Australian Army Cadets (AAC) during 2026.

YU, SERBIA To commemorate the 170th anniversary of Nikola Tesla's birth, members of the Amateur Radio Union of Serbia (YU0SRS) are active as **YT170TESLA** until end 2026. QSL via LoTW; paper QSL cards will not be available.

YU, SERBIA The special event callsign **YU65AEC** celebrates the 65th anniversary of the first radio club in Odzaci throughout 2026.

YU, SERBIA The radio club Mihajlo Pupin YU7BCD in Pancevo celebrates its 45th anniversary during 2026 with the callsign **YU45MJA**. QSL via LoTW.

ZB, GIBRALTAR ZB2FTY celebrates 50 years of Amateur Radio on Gibraltar during 2026. QSL direct via ZB2BU.

ZL, NEW ZEALAND The New Zealand Association of Radio Transmitters (NZART) was founded in Auckland in 1926. To celebrate their centenary, NZART members are encouraged to use the **ZM** prefix during the 2026 year.

Astronomy pictures taken by Jim AC9EZ

The nebulae photos include the Butterfly nebula (there are two halves of the nebula, with each half forming one of the wings of the butterfly) and the Teddy Bear Nebula.

