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by **I2MQP**

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RED = Important operation

GREEN = Details not yet fixed

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

PFX	COUNTRY	DATE	INFO	QSL Info
3C0	Equatorial Guinea	After Mar 8	EA5BYP could operate a few days as 3C4BYP from AF-010	H.C.
3D2	Fiji	Mar 23 - Mar 31	K0UU will be on as 3D2FJ all bands CW only OC-016	H.C. dir & LoTW
3W	Vietnam	Now - March end	R3HD and UA3DK will operate as 3W1D and 3W4DK from AS-132	3W1D via SP5PB
4S	Sri Lanka	Nov 17 - Apr 15	DX0KK will be again on as 4S7KKG mainly CW & digi	Bureau
4S	Sri Lanka	Mar 10 - Mar 23	DK1BT DH7KU DJ6TF DK1BT DK7LX DL4WK DL7DF DL7UFN DL7UFR SP3CYY SP3DOI all bands/modes	DL7DF dir & bur & LoTW
5H	Tanzania	Now - Mar 23	OH2NNE is on as 5H2DK	H.C. LoTW dir/bur
5H	Tanzania	Mar 14 - Apr 11	IK2GZU will be on from the "mission illembula" as 5H3MB	H.C.
5V	Togo	Mar 7 - Mar 31	I1FQH is on as 5V7DX	H.C. & LoTW

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5V	Togo	Mar 23 - Mar 31	F5MVB will be active as 5V7MP F5AOW will sign 5V7BJ	H.C. dir & bur
5X	Uganda	Feb 25 - Mar 16	G3XAQ will be on as 5X1XA	G3SWH & LoTW
7P	Lesotho	Mar 14 - Apr 3	EI7CC will be on as 7P8PB	
8Q	Maldives	Mar 20 - Mar 31	JF1CCH will be on as 8Q7TS	H.C.
9G	Ghana	Aug 2013 - Dec 2014	W7JVN & his wife WB7NLY will be on a missionary activity and hopes to get on the air as 9G5AC	
9L		Now - May end	E73A is on as 9L1A also 6 meters	9A2AA
9N	Nepal	Now - May 23	UA3AA is on as 9N7AA	H.C. dir only
9N	Nepal	Now - Sep or more	W7WNN is on as 9N7NN	
9X	Rwanda	Now - Mar 2014	JR1IZM has got the call 9X0ZM and will be soon on mainly 20 m	JO1CRA
A3	Tonga	Mar 14 - Mar 20	JA0RQV will sign A35JP from OC- 049	H.C dir/ bur LoTW
BY	China	Mar 21 - Mar 24	BA3AX & BD3AEO will be /B3 from AS-134	QRZ.com
C9	Mozambique	Mar 16 - Mar 19	ZS6AYU will sign C91GR	H.C. dir & bur
CN	Morocco	Mar 12 - Mar 30	W7EJ will be on as CN2R and will work also in contest	H.C.
CT9	Madeira	Mar 6 - Apr 2	DL3KWR & DL3KWF will be /CT)	H.C.
D2	Angola	Jan 16 - Dec 31	MM0SSG will be on as D2SG	GM4FDM
D4	Cape Verde	Now - Mar 31	SM0JHF is on signing D44CF from AF-086	H.C.
DP	Antartica	Now - Feb 2015	DL1HB will activate the DP0GVN station	DL5EBE
FG	Guadeloupe	Jan 28 - Mar 25	F6ITD will be /FG. Will sign TO6D during contest	H.C. & LoTW
FG	Guadeloupe	Mar 11 - Mar 23	F6ARC will be /FG	FE11DX Bur & dir
FH	Mayotte	Mar 21 - Apr 4	TO7BC will be used by DL7BC	H.C.
FO/A	Austral Isl	Mar 20 - Apr 1	G3BJ G3SVL G3TXF G3WGN G3XTT G4JKS G4TSH will be on all bands and modes signing TX6G	G3TXF & OQRS/LoTW
FR	Reunion	Mar 7 - Mar 15	OK2KG is on /FR	H.C. bur & dir
FR	Reunion	Mar 16 - Apr 8	F5MNV will sign /FR	H.C. dir & bur

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FS	St. Martin	Feb 24 - Mar 27	KB8RJ & WD8KUR will be /FS	KB8RJ
FY	French Guyana	Mar 15 - Mar 25	F8FUA & F5UOW will be /FY	H.C.
GJ	Jersey	Mar 14 - Mar 16	JK3GAD will be in the contest as MJ0CFW and MJ5Z	M0CFW & LoTW
HK0	S. Andres	NOW	UA4WHX is on /HK0	H.C.
HL	Korea	Now - Dec 31	DS4DRE will operate from AS-093	H.C. bur
HP	Panama	Mar 15 - Apr 22	IK5RUN & I5OYY will be /HP2 from NA-170 & NA-202	IK5RUN OQRS I5OYY dir/bur
HR	Honduras	Mar 6 - Jun 4	F2JD will be again /HR5	F6AJA
HS	THailand	Now - May	HS0ZLU is on from AS-101	H.C.
J8	St. Vincent	Mar 14 - Mar 26	UA4CC as J8/UA4CC and LY2IJ as J8/LY2IJ will be on from NA-025	EI7CC dir & bur
JD	Minami Torishima	Dec 16 - Mar 18	JG8NQJ is now /JD1 during time left from work in the weather station.	JA8CJY dir & bur
JW	Svalabard	Dec - May	LA2US will be on during free time signing JW2US (EU-027	H.C. dir & bur & LoTW
KH2	Guam	Mar 19 - Mar 25	N2NL KH2L KG6DX KH2JU NH2KD as W1AW/KH2	W1AW
OD	Lebanon	Nov 2013 -May 2014	EA1CYK will be /OD5	EA7LS
OX	Greenland	2013 - 2015	OZ5MD will sign OX5M for 2 years OZ5BD will sign OX5T for 2 years	OZ0J OZ0J
P4	Aruba	Mar 2 - Mar 17	WA2NHA will be /P4	H.C.
P4	Aruba	Mar 13 - Mar 18	JR3QFB & JS6RRR as P40JH & P40R	H.C.
PJ2	Curacao	Mar 12 - Mar 29	DK5ON will be /PJ2 from SA-099	DK5ON
PJ7	S. Maarten	Feb 22 - Mar 16	AA9A will be again active signing PJ7AA	H.C. & LoTW
PZ	Suriname	Mar 1 - Mar 28	ON4AVT will sign PZ5VC mainly PSK	H.C.
RI	Antartica	Dec 15 - Mar 14 Now - Apr 6	RW1ANT will be on from AN-016 RI1ANR is on	RW1AI RK1PWA
T8	Palau	Mar 8 - Mar 14	VK3BY will be active as T88XT	H.C. bur & dir

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V2	Antigua	Feb 26 - Mar 26	V21ZG by DL7AFS	H.C.
V3	Belize	Mar 10 - Mar 18	KC1SQ will be on as V31SSQ	H.C.
V4	St. Kitts	Feb 19 - Mar 25	W5JON will be again on as V47JA	H.C. dir
VE	Canada	Now - Apr 20	VE3VID is /VY0 from NA-174 mainly RTTY	H.C:
VK9N	Norfolk	Mar 15 - Mar 22	NL8F will be on as VK9NF	K8NA
VK	Australia	Mar 23 - Mar 30	VK6HZ will sign VK6ARI from OC-164	H.C.
VP2V	British Virgin Isl.	Mar 19 - Apr 1	SP2FUD, SP6AXW SP6CIK SP9FIH SP9WZS will sign /VP2V	H.C.
VP8S	South Shetland	Mar 10 - Nov 26	RX0QM will be on as RI59ANT	
VU4	Andaman	Mar 22 - Mar 30	W4VKU will be on as VU4K	H.C. OQRS
W	USA	Mar 15 - Apr 1	W0FK will be on /4	H.C dir & bur & LoTW
W	USA	Apr 13 - Apr 18	K5TEN will be on from NA-085	H.C. dir & bur
XE	Mexico	Mar 14 - Mar 17	XF1T group will be on from NA-189	IT9EJW OQRS
XT	Burkina Faso	Mar 21 - Mar 26	JH3AEF as XT2AEF, JA3IVU as XT2IVU, JA3VWT as XT2VWT	H.C.
XU	Cambodia	Feb 25 - Mar 21	KF0RQ will go to XU to visit family and will sign XU7ACQ	H.C.
XZ	Myanmar	Mar 15 - Mar 21	XZ1Z by JH1AJT	H.C.
YA	Afghanistan	Now - May 2014	KB2RLB will be on as T6MT	KB2RLB
YA	Afghanistan	May 15-Aug 2014	KB2OBQ will be again on as T6JP	LoTW Qrz.com
YB	Indonesia	Mar 12 - Mar 18	YB4IR will be /p from OC-204	LoTW & OQRS
ZF	Cayman Island	Mar 15 - Apr 1	W4VAB will try to be on during his holiday as ZF2MT	LoTW
ZL7	Chatam	Mar 13 - Mar 26	OE2SNL will be /ZL7 mainly RTTY & CW	H.C.
ZL7	Chatham	Mar 20 - Apr 1	ZL7AAA group will be on all bands & modes	VE7NY
ZS8	Marion Island	Apr 2013 - May 2014	ZR6CWI is active from AF-021 as ZS8C. ZS1BCE is signing ZS8Z	ZS1HF

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PFX	COUNTRY	DATE	INFO	QSL Info
3B8	Mauritius	Apr 18 - Apr 25	M0RCX will be /3B8	H.C.
3D2	Fiji	Apr 11 - Apr 14	ZL3TE will sign 3D2SE	H.C & LoTW
5B	Cyprus	May 7 - May 14	UR4NCK will be /5B	H.C.
5B	Cyprus	Jul 22 - Jul 29	M5RIC will be /5B. Will sign C4I on Jul 26-27	M0OXO
5V	Togo	Sep 27 - Oct 6	OK6DJ as 5V7DB, OK1FPS as 5V7PS, OK1FCJ as 5V7ST	H.C. dir bur&OQRS
6W	Senegal	Apr 4 - Apr 15	F4GPK will be /6W	H.C.
7P	Lesotho	Mar 28 - Mar 29	ZS4TX will be on as 7P8Z	
7P	Lesotho	Apr 22 - May 1	K5YY will be on as 7P8YY	QRZ.com
7Q7	Malawi	May 31 - Jun 8	LA7GIA will sign 7Q7GIA	LA7GIA
7Q7	Malawi	Nov - Dec	7QAA will be on	
A2	Botswana	Apr 2014	ZS2DL & group will be on as A22D	ZS2DL dir & LoTW
A2	Botswana	Apr 5 - Apr 30	ZS1LL will be on as A22LL	H.C. dir & bur
A3	Tonga	Apr 4 - Apr 18	GM3WOJ & GM4YXI will be on all bands and modes as A35V & A35X	LoTW N3SL
A3	Tonga	Aug 16 - Aug 24	AC8W K8AQM KG8CO KN8R N8LJ will be on all bands and modes	
BV	Taiwan	Mar 29 - Mar 30	BP0P group will be in the contest	BP0P
BY	China	Mar 21 - Mar 24	BA3AX/3 & BD3AEO/3 will be on from AS-134	H.C. LoTW dir/bur
CE	Chile	Apr 13 - Apr 21	XR2T team will be on from SA-086	XQ4CW
CE0Y	Easter Island	Apr 5 - Apr 17	CE1WFN will sign /CE0Y	
CN	Morocco	Apr 4 - Apr 20	CN2CA will operate mobile in the Morocco desert	PA9M dir & byr
CP	Bolivia	NOW	UA4WHX is now active as CP4WHX	H.C.

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CT	Portugal	Jul 26 - Jul 27	CR5CW group will be in the contest	LoTW
CT9	Madeira	Mar 29 - Mar 30	DF7ZS will be in the contest as CQ3L and /CT) before and after it	DJ6QT
CT9	Madeira	Apr 5 - Apr 12	F5SGI will sign /CT9	H.C. dir & bur
D4	Cape Verde	Mar 29 - Apr 5	HB9EBT will sign D44TEG	H.C.
E5	South Cook	November	N7QT will be on all modes and bands	H.C. LoTW dir & bur
EA8	Canary islands	Mar 26 - Apr 6	WP3A will be /EA8 and will sign EF8U	EA8URE & LoTW
F	France	May 25 - May 30	TM4U by and ON group from EU-094	ON8AZ
FM	Martinique	Mar 26 - Apr 1	M5RIC will be on as TO4C	M0OXO
FO0/A	Austral Islands	October	N7QT will be on as TX5D all modes and bands	H.C. LoTW dir & bur
FP	St. Pierre	Jul 7 - Jul 15	KV1J will be /FP	LoTW & H.C. dir
FR/T	Tromelin	Oct 30 - Nov 10	F5UFX is organizing an expedition to Tromelin. See below	
FS	St. Martin	Jun 8 - Jun 27	K9EL will be / FS all bands and modes	H.C. OQRS Lotw
FY	F.Guyana	May 15 - May 25	F5UOW & F8FUA will sign /FY	H.C. LoTW dir & bur
GD	Isle of Man	May 10 - May 17	MT0WCB will be on	M0TGN dir & bur
GJ	Jersey	Jul 23 - Jul 30	G0VJG will be /MJ	H.C: bur / dir
GM	Scotland	Apr 21 - Apr 25	MM0KLR group will be on from EU-008 IOSA NH01	
GM	Scotland	Apr 26 - May 3	GS3PYE/p group will be on from EU-010 IOSA OH01 all bands and modes including EME	M1ACB
GM	Scotland	Jun 14 - Jun 21	MS0WRC group will be active from EU-092 IOSA SC10	G0MTD dir & bur
GM	Scotland	Jul 26 - Jul 27	MM0GHM, 2M0VNW, GM7AAJ, GM7VSB will be in the contest	GM7A
HB0	Liechtenstein	May 4 - May 18	DL4HTK and DO5AD will be on as HB0DRK and HB0YRK	DL5DRK
HH	Haiti	Mar 29 - Mar 30	4V1JR group will be in the contest. N5JR & N5JC will be /HH2 before and after the contest	W3HNK H.C.
HI	Dominican Rep	Apr 7 - Apr 14	ZP9MCE will be operating from HI7	EA5ZD

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HK0	S. Andres	Apr 2 - Apr 14	5J0X will be on holyday style	N7QT dir/ bur LoTW
HK0	S. Andres	Apr 18 - Apr 25	LW9EOC will be /HK0	H.C.
HK0	S. Andres	Apr 2 - Apr 14	N7QT, AB1UH, W4VAB and N7UN will be /HK0 all modes and bands signing 5J0X	H.C. LoTW dir & bur
J3	Grenada	Jun 19 - Jul 2	W9DR will operate as J38DR	H.C. dir
J6	St. Lucia	Jun 5 - Jun 18	G0VJG will be /J6	G4DFI
JA	Japan	Apr 11 - Apr 15	JA8COE will be /6 from AS-067	H.C. dir
JD	Ogasawara	Apr 9 - Apr 17	JA2NQG will be active as JD1AAI mainly CW	H.C. dir & bur
JD	Ogasawara	Apr 27 - May 11	JD1BMH by JG7PSJ	H.C. dir & bur
KH5	Palmyra	Postponed	25 operators will be on from Jarvis Island signing N5E	ZL3CW & LoTW
KH8	American Samoa	Apr 9 - Apr 20	DL2AWG DL6JGN PA3EWP will be /KH8 on all modes and bands	H.C.
KH8	American Samoa	Jul 13 - Jul 28	W7JG will be /KH8 EME	H.C.
KH8	American Samoa	Oct 21 - Oct 27	JH3PRR as KH8B	
KH9	Wake	2014	N7XR will be /WH) all bands and modes. Will also sign WH9/W1AW	NN1N dir & LoTW
KP2	Virgin Islands	Mar 29 - Mar 30	WP2Z will be in the contest	KU9C
OA	Peru	2014	OA4AI will be on from SA-052 signing OC0I, detail not fixed	
OZ	Denmark	May 10 - May 14	DL4VM will be /OZ from EU-171	H.C. dir & bur
P4	Aruba	Mar 25 - Mar 31	W2GD will be on as usual in the contest as P40W	N2MM dir & LoTW
PA	Netherland	Apr 5 - Apr 19	PD5MVH will be /P from EU-038 LH-NET001	H.C.
PA	Netherland	Jul 28 - Aug 8	PA7DN will be /p from EU-038	H.C. dir / bur
PJ4	Bonaire	Apr 5 - Apr 18	PJ4H by 3 DL operators	DL3KMS OQRS LoTW
PJ4	Bonaire	May 24 - May 25	WJ20 will be in the contest as PJ4G	N2ZN
S0	Western Sahara	Mar 10 - Mar 20 CANCELLED	3Z9DX will be /S0	H.C.

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T32	E. Kiribati	Mar 25 - Apr 2	NL8F as T32TM	K8NA
T32	E. Kiribati	Mar 2014	3 operators will be on from OC-280 & OC-282	
T8	Palau	Apr 29 - May 7	JR3STX will be on as T88ST 80 - 6 M all modes	H.C.
T8	Palau	Apr 8 - Apr 15	DF8DX will operate as T88QX	LoTW & H.C.
TF	Iceland	May 11 - May 22	EA5IDQ will be /TF	H.C.
V2	Antigua	Apr 15 - Apr 16	V26MN by DF8AN	H.C. dir & bur
V4	St. Kitts Nevis	Apr 24 - Apr 25 Apr 25 - Apr 29	V4/DF8AN will be on from St.Kitts V4/DF8AN will be on from Nevis	H.C. dir & bur
V6	Micronesia	May 9 - May 15	JA1XGI will sign V650XG	H.C. OQRS dir/bur
VK	Australia	Aug 26 - Aug 29	VK5CE is planning an activity from OC-173 & OC-228	H.C. OQRS
VK0	Heard Island	EARLY 2016 Rescheduled	Big group will be on Details will follow	
VK9M	Mellish Reef	Mar 28 - Apr 9	Large team will be on	M0URZ
VK9C	Cocos Keeling	Jul 29 - Aug 2	5 JA operators will be on	JF3PLF dir/bur & LoTW
VK9X	Christmas Island	Aug 2 - Aug 8	5 JA operators will be on	JF3PLF dir/bur & LoTW
VK9L	Lord Howe	Oct 13 - Oct 29	Big multinational group will be on	
VP2M	Montserrat	Apr 16 - Apr 24	VP2MMN by DF8AN	H.C. dir & bur
VQ9	Diego Garcia	2014	N7XR will be on as VQ9XR twice all bands + 6 m and modes. A second operation with N6MZ	NN1N
VU	India	Jul 23 - Jul 31	VU3ARF & VU2GMT will be active as VU3ARF/p from AS-153	VU3ARF dir/bur
W	U.S.A.	Apr 5 - Apr 6	N5T will be on from NA-092	QRZ.com
W	U.S.A.	Apr 13 - Apr 19	K5TEN will be /4 from NA-085	H.C. dir & bur
W	U.S.A.	Jun 23 - Jun 30	KI4GGJ, KV4T, KS4YT, AJ4T, W4CCF, KJ4AVG and KD4QZR will be /p from NA-213	H.C.

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XX	Macau	Oct 22 - Nov 1	A group of EA operators will be on	EB7DX
YB	Indonesia	Mar 26 - Apr 2	YB3MM and YF1AR will be on from OC-219 signing /8	YF1ARN200 YB3MM QRZ
YB	INDONESIA	MAY	YB5NOF, YB5QZ and YB4IR will try to activate OC-109 and OC-122	
YJ	Vanatu	Oct 3 - Oct 15	4 ZL operators will be on	
YV	Venezuela	April	YW5D from SA-044	DM4TI
ZS8	Marion Island	Apr 2014 - Mar 2015	ZS1KX is going to ZS8 probably will sign ZS8KX	H.C. dir

SPECIAL CALLS AND PREFIXES

PFX	Country	Date	Info	QSL Info
DL	Germany	Jan 1 - Dec 31 Jan 1 - Dec 31	DM60JMZ from DOK60K07 DQ8T from DOK 30B39	Bureau Bureau
DL	Germany	NOW	DR800BI from DOK 800BI	
DL	Germany	April 2014 2014	DR175LDE DK40BOSCH	Bureau DL4WK
E7	Bosnia	2014	E750EBL	E77E
EI	Ireland	All 2014	EI30T	OQRS
F	France	Jun 3 - Jun 13	TM70BBC	F5UOW
G	England	Jun 14,15,21,22	GB4SMH	Bureau
GI	N. Ireland		GB1SPD	Bureau
GM	Scotland	Jan 25 - Nov 30	GM stations will sign GA	
HA	Hungary	NOW	HG45DRK	HA9KPZ
I	Italy	Mar 22 - Mar 23	II7LPD/MM	IZ7EDQ
JA	Japan	Now - Mar 2014 All 2014	8J7JE400 8J1T from new JCC 0316	Bureau
JA	Japan	Jul 28 - Mar 14 Nov 20 - Mar 31	8N1FUJI special call 8J1TS50A	Bureau Bureau

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JA	Japan	Oct 1 - Mar 31 Oct 1 - Mar 31	8JI30MUT 8J7JE400	Bureau Bureau
JA	Japan	Nov 20 - Apr 30 Mar 1 Jun 16	8J5SSS 8N2HHH	Bureau
JA	Japan	Mar 1 - Jun 16	8N2HHH	
JA	Japan	2014 Now - Sep 30 Now - Mar 31	8J1AOBA 8N3HKC 8J1TZ20Y	
LA	Norway	2014 2014	LA stations may use LI prefixes LB stations may use LJ prefixes	
LA	Norway	2014	LM2T75Y	LA2T
LY	Lithuania	2014 MAR 1 - Apr 11	LY10NATO LY24A	LY5W LY5A
LZ	Bulgaria	2014	LZ1246SIT Mar LZ1808SNS Apr LZ1555WNS May LZ1816PAS Jun LZ1810PPW Jul LZ1680MTS Aug LZ37MP Sep LZ1375IKA Oct LZ1164SIM Nov LZ1784SMH Dec	Bureau
LZ	Bulgaria	2014	LZ60KSP	LZ1JZ
OM	Slovakia	Feb 1 - May 30 2014	OM150JM OM44LTE	OM7AX OM3RP
PA	Netherland	2014	PA35WO	PI4WO
PA	Netherland	2014	PG200KMAR	PA9LUC
PY	Brasil	Mar 15 - Mar 16	ZY7J	PR7VX
SM	Sweden	2014 2014	7S400K SC1DXR	SM7BHM SM6WYA
SM	Sweden	2014	SC2014ECC SB2014ECC SC2014ECC SD2014ECC SE2014ECC SF2014ECC SG2014ECC SH2014ECC SI2014ECC SJ2014ECC	SK2AT
SP	Poland	Jan 1 - Aug 31 Feb 16 - Jul 31	HF2014JP SP25KUP	SP4ICP SP9KUP
SV	Greece	NOW	J400EG	SV2HTI
TA	Turkey	2014	TC10SWAT	Bur
UA	Russia	Dec 1 - Mar 31 Feb 2014	R00000 R25AFG	UA1OJL UA4AJD
UA	Russia	Jan 1 - Mar 31 Jan 1 - Mar 31	R2014HS special olimpic games call RJ22GG	RW6HS RW6HS

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UA	Russia	Mar 1 - Mar 31	UE80HS in honor of YURI GAGARIN	RW6HS
UR	Ukraine	Mar 2014	EM200RT, EN200RT, EO200RK, EO200RT, and EO200TARAS	
VE	Canada	Mar - Apr	CJ3A	VE3AT
VK	Australia	Jan 26 - Apr 25	VK stations can use AX prefixes	
YL	Latvia	Now - Nov 28	YL2014C	YL3DQ
YO	Romania		YR85AA, YR85AR, YR85LI, YR85IN, YR85CC, YR85PE, YR85SE	YO2KBQ ClubLog
YU	Serbia	2014	YT0PUPIN YU100CER	YT7WA Bureau
YU	Serbia	Mar 2014	YU120STEPA	YU1BBV

Contest, mainly from ARRL Bulletin & WA7BNM

CWops Mini-CWT Test: 1300Z-1400Z, Mar 12 and 1900Z-2000Z, Mar 12 and 0300Z-0400Z, Mar 13

RSGB 80m Club Championship, CW: 2000Z-2130Z, Mar 12

QRP Fox Hunt: 0100Z-0230Z, Mar 14

NCCC RTTY Sprint: 0200Z-0225Z, Mar 14

NCCC Sprint: 0230Z-0300Z, Mar 14

BARTG HF RTTY Contest: 0200Z, Mar 15 to 0200Z, Mar 17

PN Quick CW Contest: 0900Z-1040Z, Mar 15

F9AA Cup, SSB: 1200Z, Mar 15 to 1200Z, Mar 16

Russian DX Contest: 1200Z, Mar 15 to 1200Z, Mar 16

Virginia QSO Party: 1400Z, Mar 15 to 0200Z, Mar 16 and 1200Z-2400Z, Mar 16

AGCW VHF/UHF Contest: 1400Z-1700Z, Mar 15 (144) and 1700Z-1800Z, Mar 15 (432)

Feld Hell Sprint: 1600Z-1800Z, Mar 15

North American Sprint, SSB: 0000Z-0400Z, Mar 16

UBA Spring Contest, 2m: 0700Z-1100Z, Mar 16

Run for the Bacon QRP Contest: 0100Z-0300Z, Mar 17

Bucharest Contest: 1800Z-2059Z, Mar 17

CLARA HF Contest: 1700Z, Mar 18 to 1700Z, Mar 19 and 1700Z, Mar 22

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to 1700Z, Mar 23

QRP Fox Hunt: 0100Z-0230Z, Mar 19

CWops Mini-CWT Test: 1300Z-1400Z, Mar 19 and 1900Z-2000Z, Mar 19 and 0300Z-0400Z, Mar 20

VK9M - Mellish Reef

Mellish Reef DX-pedition is scheduled for March 28, 2014 to April 9, 2014.

Status: Our equipment is on the way to Australia and the team is making last minute preparations for their journey to Australia. An advance team will arrive in Mackay, Australia on March 18th to begin the process of retrieving equipment from storage and preparing for the sea voyage. We'll be assembling several antennas for final tuning and to verify all the parts arrived. The generators will be tested and prepared for sea shipment. We'll have 2 small generators, 1.5KW each and 4 new 4KW inverters. Antennas will include two 18 meter SpiderPoles w/auto-tuners in the water using specially designed bases loaned to us by George Wallner, AA7JV, who was on Mellish Reef with the 2009 DX-pedition, 2 folding hex beams, and several SteppIR BigIR and CrankIR antennas. We have an Inmarsat Broadband Global Area Network (BGAN) satellite terminal for uploading logs daily to our QSL manager, as well as photos - if time permits. LoTW will be uploaded shortly after we return home.

Donation to local Boy/Girl Scout Council: At the conclusion of the DX-pedition locally purchased items such as tents, tarps and tools will be donated to the Mackay City Central (Boy/Girl) Scout Council. We've arranged for them to help us with the disposition of gear that would be too expensive to ship to EU or the US.

Leaderboard: After a team discussion the Leaderboard will not be used for VK9MT. We will be uploading to Clublog so you can check whether you're in the log. We decided that the optional Leaderboard function would not help in achieving our stated goal of providing an ATNO for as many as possible.

Global Pilot Team: The pilot team will manage communication between the island team and DXers. While on the island we will not be checking personal e-mail accounts. Please direct operational suggestions to the designated pilot for your region. The Pilots will not have the logs so please do not ask them to verify QSOs. If you think your call is missing or busted while we are on the reef please work us again. After we leave the reef direct all logging questions to our QSL Manager, Tim, M0URX, <tim@m0urx.com>.

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Upcoming Hamfest Season: Several members of the VK9MT on-island team will be attending the Dayton Hamvention and the Friedrichshafen Ham Radio - International Exhibition for Radio Amateurs, as well as local ham club meetings and conventions.

Fund Raising: We are honored to receive a grant from the ARRL's Colvin Award Committee. The Colvin Award is funded by an endowment established by Lloyd Colvin, W6KG (SK), who, with his wife Iris, W6QL (SK), logged more than 1 million contacts during their world travels, and assembling one of the largest QSL collections in the world.

Like all DX-peditions to rare and semi-rare DXCC entities, donations are welcomed through vk9mt.com please use the Donate Button on the web site to insure your name is automatically added to the donor list, or by check/money order in US dollars to:

Mellish Reef 2014 DX-pedition
Gene Spinelli, Treasurer
PO Box 189
Divide, CO
USA 80814

For our friends outside the USA please use PayPal or e-mail for wire transfer instructions: info@vk9mt.com

We appreciate the generosity of the foundations, clubs and individuals who have already made a donation or a commitment. At the completion of the DX-pedition a financial summary will be sent to all club/foundation donors.

For additional information please e-mail: info@vk9mt.com

Beginning on, or about, March 19th we will send regular updates to the DX bulletins as we consolidate the equipment load the boat and set sail for Mellish Reef..... 73, Team Mellish 2014"

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