

### TNX NG3K, ARRL, OPDX, DXNL, ICPO Bulletin, RSGB IOTA & Six Italia

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
1A	SMOM	Dec 28 - Jan 6	1A0C by the DX Friends group	OQRS ClubLog
<b>4</b> S	Sri Lanka	Mow - Apr 10	DCOKK 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
<b>A</b> 6	U.A.E.	Dec 23 - Jan 6	DL3YM will be /A6 CW	H.C. dir & bur LoTW
BY	China	Now - Jan 9	BA7CK is again on from AS-143	BA4TB dir
C6	Bahamas	Dec 2014 - April 2015	9H5G will be /C6ATS	NI5DX
C6	Bahamas	Now - Jan 6	KB7HH is operating during his holiday signing /C6A qrp	H.C. dir & bur
CEOY	Easter Isl.	Jan 10 - Jan 16	JA3ARJ, JA3AVO, JA3HJI, JA3IVU, JH3LSS, JH3PBL andJI3DNN will be on /CE0Y	Н.С.

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CN	Morocco	Now - Jan 2	SP9DML will be on signing CN2DM	н.С.
CN	Morocco	Now - Mar 20	F6CTF is often on different frequencies	H.C. dir
D4	Cape Verde	Dec 12 - Jan 8	DF2WO will be active as D44TWO	MOOXO
DP	Antartica	Now - Feb 2015	DL1HB will activate the DP0GVN station	DL5EBE
DP	Antartica	Dec 1 - Feb 28	DL5XL will be again in AN-016 as DP1POL	DL1ZBO dir & bur
EP	Iran	Jan 16 -Jan 31	4 or 5 Stations will be on from AS-166 signing EP6T	M0URX
FG	Guadeloupe	Jan 1 - Jan 2	VA3QSL will be /FS	H.C. dir & bur
FM	-	Dec 11 - Jan 8	F2VX & F9IE will be /FM	н.С.
FO	F.Polynesi a	Jan 2 - Jan 5	Before austral KK6BT will be active from OC-067 signing /F0	KE8G
FO	F.Polynesi a	Dec 27 - Jan 12	OE1SSS will be /FO	H.C. dir & bur
	Austral	Jan 5 - Jan 11	KK6BT will be on from OC-114 signing TX5W	
FW	Wallis and Futuna	NOW	FW5JJ is back to Wallis and will be on for two years including low bands	F5RXL OQRS
НН	Haiti	Jan 11 - Feb 3	KCOW will be /HH5 mainly CW low bands	H.C. dir
IA	Antartica	Now - Feb 4	IZ2QEJ arrived at Concordia. Will use IA/IZ2QEJ	
J7	Dominica	Nov 6 - Mar 5	SM0XBI will be on holiday and will operate from time to time as J79XBI	H.C. dir & bur & LoTW
JA	Japan	Dec 27 - Jan 4	JI3DST will be /6 from AS-049	H.C. bur & OQRS
JD	Ogasawara	Dec 22 - Jan 2	JI1LET & JA1UII will be on as JD1BOI & JD1BON	H.C: dir & bur
JD	Ogasawara	Dec 28 - Jan 10	JG7PSJ will be on as JD1BMH	
JW	Svalabard	Nov 2014 Feb 2015	UA3IPL will be on signing /JW	RW6HS dir
JW	Svalabard	Nov 2014 Apr 2015	LA9JKA will operate as JW9JKA from EU-027	H.C. dir
кн8	American Samoa	Jan 7 - Jan 12	JA0JHQ will sign AH0CO/KH8	H.C. dir & bur
KP1	Navassa	Jan 2015	15 operators signing K1N Details to be fixed	

Ju	11 2 2015		NDK. VZ	
PJ7	S.Maarten	Dec 18 - Mar 16	AA9A will be on as PJ7AA	H.C. & LoTW
PJ7	S.Maarten	Jan 9 - Jan 13	VA3QSL will be /PJ7	H.C. dir & bur
R1	Antartica	From Dec 23 on	RW6ACM will be active as RI1ANZ	RN1ON dir & bur
RI	Antartica	Nov 2014 Mar 2015	RD3MX and UA1PAW will be RI1ANR from AN-016 all bands CW & SSB	RK1PWA
Т8	Palau	Dec 25 - Jan 4	JH0IXE will be on as T8CW	JA0FOX bur dirto JH0IXE
Т8	Palau	Jan 7 - Jan 15	JA6EGL, JA6KYU, JA6UBY and JE6DND will be active as T88SM, T88HS, T88CP, and T88HK,	H.C. dir
TK	Corsica	Oct 6 - Mar 16	G4BKI will be /TK	Dir only to US add.
V5	Namibia	Jan 6 - Jan 13	V5/G3RWF will be on CW	H.C.
VK0	Macquarie	Nov 2014 - Apr 2015	VK6MH will be active as VK0MH	
VK9N	Norfolk	Dec 26 - Jan 1	G7VJR will sign /VK9N	MOOXO
VP9	Bermuda	Dec 31 - Jan 5	K4KGG will be /VP9	LoTW W3HNK ClubLog
VU	India	Jan 9 - Jan 16	VU2MQT group will be on from AS- 153 as 8T5MQT	VU2NRO
XW	Laos	Dec 15 - Jan 2 Jan 15 - Jan 23	3W3B will be on as XW4XR	E21EIC
YB	Indonesia	Jan 10 - Jan 11	YB8K group will be on from OC-236	YB8IBD dir only OQRS
YV0	Aves	Jan - Mar 2015	YVOAI expedition could take place during this period	YV5Aj & ClubLog
ZF	Cayman Island	Jan 10 - Jan 18	K8PGJ will operate as ZF2PG	LoTW & H.C. dir

#### TOP DX NEXT WEEK

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PFX	2/1	3/1	4/1	5/1	6/1	7/1	8/1	9/1	10/1	12/1
1A0	X	X	X	X	X					
CE0Y									X	X
FO	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
FO/A				X	X	X	X	X	X	
KH8						X	X	X	X	X
AS153								X	X	X
OC236									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
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 17 - Jan 10	3Y0F will be the call of the expedition managed by UN7PCZ	
5 <b>Z</b>	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
7 <u>0</u> 7	Malawi	Postponed to Mar 22 - Apr 1	7QAA will be on activated by two groups	OQRS
9M2	W. Malaysia	Cancelled	PAORRS will be active as 9M2MRS	H.C. bur & dir & OQRS
9Q	Congo	Mar 2015	Italian group will be on for a couple of weeks as 9Q0HQ	9Q0AR

J	an 2 2015		NBR. UZO		
C2	Nauru	Mar 25 - Apr 4	PA3EWP DL6JGN DK2AMM DL2AWG will		
		1	operate 40-10m CW SSB, RTTY		
C5	Gambia	Jan 15 - Jan 26	G3VMW, G3XAQ, G3XTT and M0PCB will	MOOVO	
CJ	Galibia	Jan 15 - Jan 26			
			operate all bands and modes as C5X	OQRS	
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CE0Z	Juan	Feb 24 - Mar 4	22 operators will be on all bands		
	Fernandez		and modes		
CX	Uruguay	Feb 21 - Feb 23	CV5A group will be on from SA-030	CX2ABC	
DU	Philippines	Apr 16 - Apr 19	4G0PUP from OC-244	4F2KWT	
			100101 110111 00 211	dir & bur	
TI 4	Dalastina	N	CEOO CEOM LIDOOCD MMONDY EA 4A IZ		
E4	Palestine	Mar 1 - Mar 31	S50O S59M HB9OCR MM0NDX EA4AK	S59M	
			EA7JX; will operate during march		
F	France	May 10 - May 15	TM5U by a ON group from EU-074	ON8AZ dir &	
				bur	
F	France	Feb 17 - Feb 28	TM60TAAF will be on in different periods.	F8DVD dir &	
			See below	bur	
FG	Guadeloupe	Jan 27 - Mar 30	F6ITD will be /FG	ClubLog &	
LG	Cuaderoupe	Juli 27 Mar 30	I OTID MITT DE \LA	LoTW	
FG	Guadeloupe	Feb 6 - Mar 16	F1DUZ will be on as FG4KH on EME	H.C. dir	
			and HF all bands	& bur	
FJ	St.Barhelem	Jan 17 - Jan 25	N9SW will be /FJ mainly CW	H.C.	
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FK	Chesterfiel	2015	12 operators will be on from OC-		
	d		176		
FM	Martinique	Jan 24 - Jan 26	SP7VC, SP3IPB & SQ7OYL will be /FM	u С dir	
PM	Marcinique		SFIVE, SESTED & SQIOIL WITT DE /FM		
		Feb 13 - Feb 14		& Bur	
FM	Martinique	Mar 22 - Mar 29	M5RIC will be on as TO4C	M00X0	
FO	F.Polynesia	Feb 15 - Feb 24	K8PGJ will be /FO	H.C.	
FP	St. Pierre	Feb 26 - Mar 10	KV1J will be /FP All bands + 6	H.C.	
	& Miquelon		meters		
FP	St. Pierre	Jul 20 - Jul 29	N7QT will be /FP	H.C. dir	
	& Miquelon	our 20 our 25	N/QI WIII DC /II	& bur	
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FS	St.	Jan 17 - Jan 25	N9SW will be /FS	H.C.	
	Barthelemy				
GI	N.Ireland	Jul 24 - Jul 26	GI50 group will be on from EU-122	M5KJM	
GM	Scotland	Jan 16 - Jan 18	MMONDX will be /p from EU-009	IW7EGQ	
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H44	Salomon	Feb 1 - Feb 28	DL2GAC will be on as usual as		
	Islands		H44MS		
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HC	Galapagos	Jul 1 - Sep 30	G80FQ will sign /HC8 during his	на3јв	
			stay as volunteer		
HK0	S.Andres	April	LW9EOC will be again on from NA-	H.C.	
			033 probably signing 5K0A		

J	an 2 2015		NBK. UZO			
HR	Honduras	Feb 17 - Feb 25	AA4NC will sign /HR5	LoTW		
Ј3	Grenada	Feb 6 - Feb 7	SP7VC, SP3IPB, SQ7OYL, K2RPF, SP3CFM & SP7TF will be /J3 from NA-024	H.C. dir & Bur		
Ј3	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		
Ј8	Grenadines	Feb 4 - Feb 5	SP7VC, SP3IPB, SQ7OYL, K2RPF, SP3CFM & SP7TF will be /J8 from NA-109	H.C. dir & Bur		
Ј8	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	н.С.		
JA	Japan	Jan 23 - Jan 25	JA4GXS will operate /5 from AS-200	H.C. dir & bur		
JW	Svalabard	Feb 18 - Feb 25	DL2JRM will be on	н.С.		
JW	Svalabard	Apr 9 - Apr 15	F8DVD will be /JW	H.C. dir & bur		
OJ0	Market reef	Jun 28 - Jul 4	ON8VP ON6QO ON5TQ will sign OJ0V	ON5TC		
P2	Papua	Jan 15 - Feb 15	DH\NK will be on as P29NK mainly digital			
PA	Netherlands	Feb 28 - Mar 15	PD38eu will be aired from EU-038 by PD5MVH	H.C: dir & bur		
PJ2	Curacao	Feb 2 - Mar 31	DH6TJ will be /PJ2			
PJ2	Curacao	Feb 2	E7AUM will be /PJ2	н.С.		
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 bur LoTW		
PY0F	F. de NoronhA	Oct 17 - Oct 27	AA4NC will be (PY0F all bands and modes	LoTW		
S7	Seychelles	Jan 17 - Feb 10	OE4AAC will sign S79AC	H.C. & OQRS		

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Т8	Palau	Mar 5 - Mar 12	TA1HZ will be again on as T88HZ	H.C. bur & LoTW
TG	Guatemala	Jan 22 – Feb 17	VE7BV will be /TG9	H.C. dir & bur & LoTW
TI9	Cocos	Feb 16 - Feb 23	3Z9DX TI2HMJ K7CO will be active with two stations a/TI9	K8PGJ
V4	St.Kitts	Jan 20 - Mar 1	W5JON will be on again signing V47JA	HC dir & LoTW
V5	Namibia	Feb 9 - Feb 20	DD8ZX and DJ9KM will be /V5	H.C: dir & bur
V6	Micronesia	Feb 16 - Feb 23	W5MJ will use the call V63MJ all bands CW	H.C: LOTW
VK0	Heard	Nov 17 - Dec 23	VKOEK will be the call of the expedition by a large group	
VP2M	Montserrat	Mar 11 - Mar 25	N7QT will be on all bands and modes	H.C. dir & bur
VP8	South Georgia	Jan 15 - Feb 16	Large tam will be on	ClubLog
VP8	South Sandwich	Jan 15 - Feb 16	Large team will be on	ClubLog
VU	India	Jan 19 - Jan 16	8T5MQT group will be on from AS- 153	QRX.com
XW	Laos	Feb 5 - Feb 25	JA8BMK will sign XW8BM	н.с.
xv	Vietnam	Mar 1 - Mar 31	JA8BMK will sign XV7BM	н.С.
YB	Indonesia	Jul 25 - Jul 26	YC8ROP will be /p from OC-210	LoTW
ZD8	Ascension	Feb 5 - Mar 6	DJ9KH DK9BDN DL6KAC will sign ZD8D Mainly low bands	
ZD8	Ascension	Feb 23 - Feb 25	G3TXF will sign ZD8XF	H.C: & LoTW
ZF	Cayman Island	Feb 6	W7AUM as ZF2UM	н.с.
ZF	Cayman Island	Mar 14 - Mar 20	K3UL as ZF2UL	LoTW
ZF	Cayman Island	Apr 25 - May 2	ZF2CI will be used by MM0NDX Could also use /ZF9	IW7EGQ
ZF	Cayman Island	Jul 7 - Jul 12	W6NN as ZF2LL	H.C. & LoTW
ZL7	Chatham	Jan 30 - Feb 1	JA0JHQ will be /ZL7 mainly 17 and 15 m	н.С.

## **SPECIAL CALLS AND PREFIXES**

PFX	Country	Date	Info	QSL
				Info
DL	Germany	May2014 -Apr2015 All 2015	DM20KIDS DJ901ARU	Bureau
DL	Germany	Jun 1 – Jun 30	DP7BVBG	DF7AA
		Jan 4	DM20KIDS	Bureau
		All 2015	DG150ZRS, DK65DARC	Bureau
<b>E</b> 5	N.Cook &	All 2015	DJ901ARU, DL65DARC	Bureau
EO	S.Cook	All 2015	Stations in the two countries con	
F	France	Tan 1 Marz 20	use the E50 prefix	F5SJB
r	France	Jan 1 - May 30	IMSCW	LOSOB
G	England	Nov 1 - Mar 15	GBOSFE	
		Jan 1 - Jan 15	GB8HMC	
		All 2015	G50FRS	
HB	Switserlan		HB200GE	HB9AOF
	d			
JA	Japan	Dec 1 - Mar 31	8J7DRS	Bureau
		Jan 11 - Feb 11	8N8SSF	Bureau
JA	Japan	Now - Mar 31	8J125SSI	Bureau
JA	Japan	Jun - Feb 2015	8J1ATUGI	Bureau
		Dec 1 - Mar 31	8N150KC	Bureau
JA	Japan	Oct 1 - Mar 31	8J160KSW	Bureau
		All 2015	8J1FUYO	Bureau
JA	Japan	Apr 20 - Jan 31	8J1ZC	Bureau
		May2014-Mar2015	8J2VE	Bureau
		Dec 7 - Mar 1	8J6HAM	Bureau
LZ	Bulgaria	2015	LZ290MB (January), LZ550SI (February),	Bureau
			LZ386SKI (March), LZ883PI (April),	
			LZ102SIB (May), LZ293MA (June),	
			LZ429PS (July), LZ250MM (August),	
			LZ129WNLS (September), LZ130SAK	
			(October), LZ259PA (November) and LZ362MT	
			(December	
ON	Belgium	Dec 16 - Jan 14	ON70NU	ClubLog
PY	Brazil	Jan 2015	ZY7NAT	PS7GL
		Jan 2015	PQ60ICN	PS7GL
		Jan 2015	PP70FEB	PS7AB
SP	Poland	Jan 1 - Apr 30	3Z85PZK, HF85PZK, SN85PZK, SP85PZK,	OQRS
			SQ85PZK, SO85PZK, 3Z90IARU, HF90IARU,	

			SN90IARU, SP90IARU, SQ90IARU, and SO90IARU.	
TA	Turkey	Jan 1 - Jan 10	TC5OCK	Qrz.com
VE	Canada	Dec 6 - Jan 4 Feb 1 - Mar 1 Jan 2015	XM3G CG350F VC7SJAM	VE3RHE VE3RHE Bureau
VK	Australia	Jan 2015	VK16AC	MOOXO
YO	Romania	Oct - Sep 2015	YO55BU,YP555BU,YQ555BU,YR555BU	

# Contest, mainly from ARRL Bulletin & WA7BNM

Lighthouse Christmas Lights QSO Party: 0001Z, Dec 20 to 2359Z, Jan

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NCCC RTTY Sprint: 0145Z-0215Z, Jan 2

QRP Fox Hunt: 0200Z-0330Z, Jan 2

NCCC Sprint Ladder: 0230Z-0300Z, Jan 2

PODXS 070 Club PSKFest: 0000Z-2400Z, Jan 3 WW PMC Contest: 1200Z, Jan 3 to 1200Z, Jan 4

ARRL RTTY Roundup: 1800Z, Jan 3 to 2400Z, Jan 4

EUCW 160m Contest: 2000Z-2300Z, Jan 3 and 0400Z-0700Z, Jan 4

Kid's Day Contest: 1800Z-2359Z, Jan 4 ARS Spartan Sprint: 0200Z-0400Z, Jan 6

#### K1N NAVASSA DXPEDITION

(Press Release - December 20th)

The KP1-5 Project Team would like to report progress in preparations for a late January landing on Navassa is coming along very well! A container is being shipped from Atlanta, GA, to our staging point in the Caribbean.

Bob, N2OO, is our chief pilot and has organized an excellent worldwide team to collect reports and suggestions from our target areas. Feedback will be prioritized, filtered and/or condensed to pass along to the team

at least daily. We have a very special pilot, Brandon KF5NYQ. Brandon is 11 years old and one of the youngest hams ever to have achieved DXCC!!! Brandon will be collecting feedback from young hams. On our website, <www.navassadx.com>, check out "Our Team" and scroll down to see your pilot. Click on their picture to see their bio and contact information.

# 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 <a href="http://www.on4ww.be/bouvet2016.html">http://www.on4ww.be/bouvet2016.html</a> 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.

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 <a href="http://www.on4ww.be/bouvet2016.html#funding">http://www.on4ww.be/bouvet2016.html#funding</a>.

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 DX pedition 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!

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: <a href="http://www.on4ww.be/ON4WW.html">http://www.on4ww.be/ON4WW.html</a>

I hope this mail answers most of your questions upfront. Please have a thorough look at <a href="http://www.on4ww.be/bouvet2016.html">http://www.on4ww.be/bouvet2016.html</a>, 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 <u>bouvet2016@telenet.be</u> 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.

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Maurice, F5NQL, KOP team 10 Internet communication Officer for Juan Fernandez 2015

# 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

#### TM60TAAF, FRANCE (Special Event)

Look for special event station TM60TAAF to be on air on February 2015: 1, 6 to 8, 13 to 17, 19 to 22 and 27 to 28. Activity is to celebrate the  $60^{th}$  anniversary of French Southern Antarctic Territory (FSAT/TAAF) founding in 1955. The FSAT/TAAF territory includes 8 DXCC:

- Amsterdam, Crozet and Kerguelen Islands (3)
- Adelie Land /Antarctica (1)
- Europa, Glorieuse, Juan de Nova, Tromelin islands (4)

Operation will be made from 10 to 40 m by François F8DVD from his Qth of Mâcon in the east part of France, 60 km North of Lyon.

Activation will also be hold during the 12<sup>th</sup> Antarctic Activity Week. The new reference for WAP program is 255. For more details, visit http://www.grz.com/db/TM60TAAF

QSL via F8DVD, direct (SAE + 1 new IRC or 2 USD) or via buro.

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