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KP5 - DESECHEO Press Release # 3

During the week of December 17-21, six members of the February 2009 Desecheo DXpedition team met in Puerto Rico. The team spent the first evening with local DXers and members of the Puerto Rican Amateur Radio League and enjoyed a wonderful dinner and a night of fellowship. The hospitality was gracious and very much appreciated.

The following day, the team visited US Fish and Wildlife Headquarters in Boqueron and met with the Chief Refuge Manager and law enforcement personnel. Later that day, the DXpedition team members underwent UXO (unexploded ordnance) training. The following morning, Friday, Dec. 19th, they accompanied U.S. Fish & Wildlife law enforcement and UXO personnel to Desecheo. The campsite and antenna fields were thoroughly swept for UXO and several areas were found suspicious. These areas were clearly marked, mapped by GPS and declared off limits for the DXpedition. USFWS will allow antennas on the ridge above the helicopter pad, thus providing a clear shot to EU, NA and JA. Other antennas will be located on the beach below the helicopter pad. The only radio operation that was conducted was to test a 2M link to Puerto Rico. After three hours on the Island, the team endured a rough passage back to the mainland.

Logistics and staging of equipment is ongoing and will be complete before the team arrives in Puerto Rico on Feb. 7th. The team will transit to Desecheo on Feb. 12 to begin the two-week operation. Eight HF stations plus 6 meters will be operational. An incredible array of antennas has been planned. Transportation and logistics have been arranged for a fast deployment and quick appearance on the air.

The Desecheo 2008 team wishes to thank our sponsors for their generous support. Special thanks go to North American and Japanese DX clubs and individual DXers. Their support has been especially noteworthy. Fund raising continues….if you or your Club would like to help out, please go to www.kp5.us. While on the team website, check out the pictures taken on the recent reconnaissance trip to Desecheo.

TS7C - TUNISIA

Mustapha, DL1BDF will lead a team of 26 operators to Chergui Island (AF-073) January 8-19. Six stations on 160-10 will operate 24-7 on CW/SSB/FM/digital modes and SSTV. Special attention will be given to 160 & 80. Antennas will include verticals/wires for low bands and SpiderBeams for 40-10.

Pilot stations include Pascal, F5JSD; Serge, F6AML; Thierry, F4TTR and Bruno, F5AGB. An on-line log search and more information on the web site: <http://www.ts7c.net/>.

QSL via Sylvain, F4EGD direct or via REF bureau.

V73NS - MARSHALL ISL

Neil reports, "Due to high surf and sea water over-topping berms, the shack was flooded and the building damaged beyond repair. Water was just below desktop so much of my gear is intact. Setting up a station in my living quarters a.s.a.p.

See photos at the bottom of the web page at: <http://www.pbase.com/alwayssomewhere/marshall_islands>."



On Desecheo, one of the UXO personnel checks for some Unexploded Ordnance during the scouting trip in December by some of the DXpedition team, USWS officials and UXO personnel.
Photo courtesy of KP5 Team

QRZ DX - 30 years and counting

You must have noticed the heading on QRZ DX for 2008 "Celebrating 30 years of DX News." As I begin the 31st year, I want to thank everyone who subscribes to QRZ DX. Many of you have been with QRZ DX from the very beginning and have "suffered" through several editors and still stuck it out as each one found his "sea legs" so to speak. Putting together this information is more a "labor of love" than anything else." It requires the Editor to "be there" every week to collect the information, do his/her best to make sure it is valid and then put it in a format that you can easily read. The Editor isn't free to take-off anytime he/she would like and still make the deadline to get QRZ DX to you when you expect it. Out of the 52 weeks this year, I'll take off two of them - one at a time. I'm not complaining, just stating the facts. With my added duties as Editor of The DX Magazine and the DX Editor for CQ Magazine (responsible for writing a monthly column for them), it doesn't leave a lot of free time. I have no plans to "retire" yet and I look forward to seeing many of you at the various DX gatherings around the country in 2009.

A few weeks ago I mentioned that those still receiving QRZ DX by regular mail might want to consider switching to the Email version. You would receive it quicker (in color) and you would receive special bulletins between regular weekly issues. In these tight financial times, it would be a money saving method for both of us.

Email is only $25.00 for a year versus the $44.00 for the regular mail. I can make the change at any time and adjust your expiration date to compensate for the price difference.

IOTA NEWS

The IOTA net meets on 14260 kHz at 1300 UTC on Saturdays and on 21260 at 1300 UTC on Sundays. The following frequencies are considered as the meeting place for Island chasers: CW - 28040, 24920, 21040, 18098, 14040, 10114, 7030 and 3530 kHz; SSB - 28560, 28460, 24950, 21260, 18128, 14260, 7055 and 3765 kHz.

◆ **NA-057 - ROATAN ISL (HR):** Paolo, IK2QPR will be active signing HR9/homecall until Jan 12. QSL to home call.

◆ **NA-076 - CEDAR KEYS, FL (W4):** Wade, AA8LL/4 will be here Jan 17-20. He will operate "holiday style" mostly CW/RTTY on 80-17. QSL direct or Bureau to home call. He will also upload the log to LoTW.

INTERNET INFORMATION

60 Meters	<http://60meters.net/>
425 DX News	<http://www.425dxn.org>
ARRL	<http://www.arrl.org>
Argentina-LU6EF	<http://gacw.co-ip.org>
Arkansas DX Assn	<http://www.adxa.org/>
Buckmaster	<http://hamcall.net>
Carolina DX Assn (CDXA)	<http://www.cdxa.org/>
Central Arizona DX Assn	<http://www.cadxa.org>
Cent TX DX/Contest Club	<http:www.ctdxcc.org/>
CQ Magazine	<http://www.cq-amateur-radio.com/>
Chiltern DX Club (CDXC)	<http://www.cdxc.org.uk>
Dynamic DX Charterhouse	<http://www.ddxc.net/wap>
Delta DX Assoc (DDXA)	<http://www.deltadx.net/>
DX Safaris	<http://www.africandxsafari.com>
DX Summit - Cluster	<http://www.dxsummit.fi/>
ETDXA (E.Tn.DX Assoc)	<http://etdxa.org/>
EUDXF	<http://www.eudxf.de/>
F6AJA - QSL Collection	<http://lesnouvellesdx.fr/galerieqsl.php>
French DX News	<http://LesNouvellesDX.fr>
German DX Foundation	<http://www.gdxf.de/>
German DX-News Ltr	<http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/fgdxm.htm>
GoList	<http://golist.net/>
HIDXA	<http://hidxa.com>
INDEXA	<http://www.indexa.org>
IOTA Website	<http://www.g3kma.dsl.pipex.com>
IRAQI Amateur Rad Soc	<http://www.iraqi-ars.org/>
IREF	<http://www.islandradio.org>
KP1-KP5 Project	<http://www.kp1-5.com>
LADXG	<http://www.hamradio.no/ladxg/default.htm>
Low-Land DXped. Team	<http://www.qsl.net/lldxt>
Magnolia DX Assn.	<http://www.mdxa.org>
Mediterraneo DX Club	<http://www.mdxc.org>
NCDXF	<http://www.ncdxf.org>
NCDXF Beacons	<http://www.ncdxf.org/beacons.html>
N. ILL DX Assoc. (NIDXA)	<http://www.nidxa.org>
North Jersey DX Assoc.	<http://www.njdxa.org>
Oceania DX GP(ODXG)	<http://www.odxg.org>
OK - DX Contest	<http://okomdx.radioamater.cz/>
Postage Information-K9XJ	<http://www.windridge.net/personal.htm>
Propagation Data	<http://dx.qsl.net/propagation/QSL>
Managers Society	<http://www.qsl.net/qslmanagers>
QSL Routes (Germany)	<http://www.qslinfo.de>
QSL Manager (Italy)	<http://www.ik3qar.it/manager/>
Radio Club of Costa Rica	<http://www.ti0rc.org/>
Radio Am. Soc.Thailand	<http://www.rast.or.th>
SEDCO - Convention	<http://sedco.homestead.com>
Utah DX Assn. (UDXA)	<http://udxa.org)>
TVDXA (TnVal DX Assoc)	<http://www.tvdxa.com>
Texas DX Society	<http://www.tdxs.net>
The DX Notebook	<http://www.dxer.org>
Visalia-Int'l DX Convention	<http://www.dxconvention.org>
Worldwide Antarctic Pgm	<http://www.waponline.it>
WØ-DXCC Convention	(http://www.rarexpo.org>
W9-DXCC Convention	<http://www.w9dxcc.com>

DX-TRA's

◆ **3B9FQ - ST. BRANDON:** Ron, K5XK reports that Rachid's working trip may be rescheduled for February. He is also planning a personal trip to Rodriguez in July and a trip to Agelega in November. Details will be provided as they become available.

◆ **9M2 - WEST MALAYSIA:** Dani, EA4ATI will be active from Kuala Lumpur for about a year. He'll be on 40-10 on CW/SSB, and will work the main international contests. QSL to home call.

◆ **C6ANM - BAHAMAS:** Bill, NE1B/C6AWB tells us that he, Kamey, W2AFC and Dave, N1EMC will operate from Nassau with Tom, C6ANM during the following contests: CQWW 160 CW, Jan 23-25; ARRL DX CW, Feb 21-22; CQWW 160 SSB, Feb 27-Mar 1 and the ARRL DX SSB, Mar 6-8. Additional C6ANM activity on 160-6 will be Jan 1 thru Apr 1. QSL via LoTW.

◆ **CYØ - SABLE ISL:** Duane, WV2B says, "Reluctantly, due to the current US economic situation, the DXpedition team has decided to postpone the CYØ DXpedition planned for 2009. While we are hopeful to reorganize the DXpedition {possibly for 2010}, we have decided that rather than tie up the funds so graciously made available by our sponsors, we will return donations received so the sponsorship may be available to other DXpeditions for this year. any sponsoring organization may feel free to contact me with any questions regarding the matter. We are hopeful that our kind sponsors will be willing to renew their sponsorship when the DXpedition is able to be reorganized in the future. The sabledx.com website will remain functional for the time being.

◆ **E44M - PALESTINE:** The Italian/Polish team has been very active from the West Bank area of Palestine. That area is clear of the military action currently underway in Gaza. There is an on-line log search: <http://www.hamradioweb.org/e44mlogsearch.html>.

◆ **FW5RE - WALLIS & FUTUNA:** Eli, HA9RE corrects some erroneous information being circulated: "First of all I have never planned to work on 6m so we will not have any 6el Yagi but beside the Spiderbeam for 20-17-15m we are bringing HB9CV for 20/15m."

◆ **P4ØPZ - ARUBA:** EA5GVH will be active with this call Jan 12-28. He says "I will be active on digital modes (PSK/Olivia/ FeldHell/SSTV/RTTY and others) and SSB." QSL to home call.

◆ **S21DX - BANGLADESH:** The IOTA DXpedition to St. Martins Island (AS-127) is now scheduled to happen January 16-22. See the website for more at: <http://s2iota.eb7dx.com/>.

◆ **TL - CENT. AFR. REP.:** Chris (ex-5U5U) should be on the air around Jan 15. He has requested the call TLØA. He is well equipped with an amp, 6-band yagi, dipoles and a long wire.

◆ **TT8SK - CHAD:** Sylvain, F6CIS will be active on all bands for 6 months to three years. QSL via F5OZF

◆ **VQ9JC - CHAGOS:** Jim, ND9M is active from Chagos again. He is typically on the air Sunday to Thursday 1200-1630Z and Friday-Saturday from 1200-1730Z. QSL to home call.

◆ **ZD8UW - ASCENSION:** This is a group of six Cambridge University Wireless Society members who will be active until Jan 9th on HF bands CW/SSB. QSL via G7VJR or LoTW.

◆ **HELP:** QSL Manager Steve, N3SL is asking for some help in locating a route for UN2C. All sites have him at Box 121, but mail to that address is returned as UNKNOWN..

◆ **CORRECTION:** Due to a mixup in emails the reference in the last issue of QRZ DX to Gerd, DJ4KW operating as **V31JP** was totally wrong. V31JP is the callsign of Joe Pontek. Gerd's Belize call is V31YN. My apologies to Joe and Gerd and thanks to John, K4BAI for catching that mistake.

◆ **QSL INFORMATION:**

JX1JKA: Svein has the cards and is now processing direct requests.

QSN Heard / Worked

QSN FORMAT: Call Freq. Time Date Reporter's
*(** = LONG PATH)* (UTC) (Dec/Jan) State or Call Area

SEND INFO: Via Email: n4aa@dxpub.com

TOLL-FREE - PHONE/FAX: 877-397-8254

16Ø Meters					2Ø Meter	SSB	cont'd		17 Meter	CW			
4A1DXXE	1818	0320	2	OH	7X5VRK	14260	1340	31 MD	E44M	18073	1447	5	MD
4O3A	1829	0349	2	OH	9H1DL	14187	1411	4 NY	EA8DA	18070	1849	31	MD
CE1/K7CA	1823	0156	2	OH	9H1VC	14175	1435	5 MD	KH7Y	18073	1851	31	MD
CO8LY	1832	0159	2	OH	9K2GS	14225	1403	1 MD	TN/LZ1QK	18076	1434	1	MD
E77DX	1821	0148	24	OH	9K2MU	14225	1403	1 MD	ZL1BYZ	18072	1848	31	MD
HA9RT	1832	0132	23	OH	9Z4AMA	14200	2117	2 NY	17 Meter	SSB			
IV3PRK	1832	0340	23	OH	A62ER	14193	1318	27 NY	4A1DXXE	18135	1634	31	FL
LA5SE	1836	0307	2	OH	BX4AA	14265	2300	30 FL	9A2ØØ9ST	18142	1329	5	FL
LZ1ANA	1826	0323	2	OH	CN89NY	14193	1731	22 OH	CN89NY	18141	1644	31	FL
OM2XW	1828	0134	23	OH	CT1EHI	14188	1728	23 OH	EA8BWL	18155	1452	31	FL
OM3PC	1837	0327	2	OH	CU1EZ	14162	1742	22 OH	GD4WBY	18148	1451	1	MD
OZ1LXJ	1833	0326	2	OH	D44AC	14170	1229	3 NY	OD5J	18145	1402	29	FL
S5ØA	1834	0349	23	OH	EA8/PD1DX	14208	1724	1 FL	ZD8UW	18135	1901	2	FL
S51IV	1827	0135	23	OH	EA8AX	14176	1813	31 OH	15 Meters	SSB			
SM5EDX	1831	0235	26	OH	EA8BWW	14210	1845	3 MD	PY2GH	21278	1829	4	FL
T32YY	1812	1130	24	OH	EA8CEQ	14240	1811	2 MD	ZS6NJ	21295	1417	3	FL
UR8MA	1833	0141	23	OH	EA8OB	14192	1804	2 MD	12 Meters	SSB			
UX1UA	1828	0520	23	OH	EA8VN	14199	1358	3 NY	ZD8UW	24945	1824	4	FL
ZD8UW	1811	0029	2	OH	JR7XKN	14290	2247	30 FL	2Ø Meter	PSK			
4Ø Meter	PSK				JY4CI	14246	1847	3 MD	3B8GT	14071	1740	29	IL
CO2JD	7036	2327	30	IL	KC4AAA	14243	0057	1 FL	5P8ZY	14072	1359	30	IL
EA8UP	7036	2320	30	IL	OY8R	14210	1356	1 MD	7N4ABK	14071	2312	29	IL
IC8TEM	7036	2337	30	IL	SV5AZP	14258	1425	1 MD	CT3AS	14072	1748	29	IL
YV1JGT	7036	2320	30	IL	TF/LX1NO	14266	1355	29 FL	CU3CC	14071	1822	4	IL
2Ø Meter	CW				TM4IPY	14236	1350	29 FL	EA8CNX	14071	1603	4	IL
EA6UN	14010	1347	1	MD	TU5JM	14178	1736	22 OH	EI4GNB	14073	1359	30	IL
TA1AN	14013	1418	3	MD	V51YJ	14195	1914	31 MD	ES5GP	14072	1336	30	IL
VU2RM	14012	1340	2	MD	Z22JE	14190	1916	31 MD	FM5AA	14072	2136	30	IL
ZF2NN	14016	1350	31	MD	Z22JE	14195	1802	26 OH	GI4YWT	14071	1644	1	IL
2Ø Meter	SSB				ZD8UW	14221	2209	2 FL	GMØSDV	14072	1540	1	IL
1B1AB	14263	1428	1	MD	ZD8UW	14260	1743	5 TN	ISØYHV	14072	1354	2	IL
2DØRLA/P	14237	1420	1	MD	ZS1ROY	14178	1803	22 OH	NL7V	14072	1908	29	IL
3DAØTM	14272	1910	31	MD	ZS3Y	14158	1848	30 OH	UAØCAA	14071	2314	29	IL
7X5RS	14219	1517	5	NY	ZS6AMX	14163	1820	22 OH	VP2EBR	14072	1604	4	IL

VHF DXpedition to NAMIBIA (JG73NI) January 2009

A major VHF DXpedition to Namibia in January 2009 that will include operation on a number of VHF bands and modes is in the final planning stages. The team will be led by HB9CRQ, one of Europes top EME operators and will include moonbounce operation on 50, 144, 432 and 1296 MHz.

Dates of operation will be from moonrise on 7th to moonset on 16th January 2009. QTH will be in Luderitz Namibia, grid locator JG73NI.

We have applied for a special call for our DXpedition. As soon as we get it confirmed we will announce it. For more go to: <http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=2027>.

Our main target is to activate Namibia on 50, 144, 432 and 1296 MHz EME. At the same time we will be QRV for transatlantic Tropo on 144 and 432 and on satellite (AO-7, FO-29 and AO-51).

KH6BZF REPORTS

January 2009

7 AN	**9 AN**	**11 AN**	**13 AN**
8 AN	**10 AN**	**12 AN**	**14 AN**

AN = Above Normal Geomag Level =QUIET

QUIET=A Index between 0 & 7; K Index=2 or less

Lee notes there were 272 "spotless" days out of the 366 in 2008 or 74.37% with NONE. August was the worst month with all 31 days showing no spots at all.

QSL.NET & QTH.NET

Al, K3TKJ announced he is retiring and these web sites are being transferred to Scott, KA9FOX. Scott is in the process of migrating all services to new hardware.

Check <http://www.qsl.net/index.html> for an update on the status of the migration.

CALENDAR

Date(s)	Operation/Activity	Ref.
May 9 - Apr '09	ZS8T - MARION ISLAND	2008-19
Sep 21 - Feb'09	FM - MARTINIQUE	2008-38
Nov 15 - Mar'09	6W2SC-J5UAP-Sene/Guinea Bissau	2008-43
Nov 15 - Apr '09	OD5/IV3YIM - LEBANON	2008-47
Nov 17 - Feb 6	9M2RRS - WEST MALAYSIA	2008-46
Jan 16 - 22	S2 - BANGLADESH	2009-01
Dec 5 - Jan	KC4AAA - ANTARCTICA	2008-40
Dec 10 - Nov '09	FT5WO - CROZET	2008-44
Dec 15 - Jan 26	TR - GABON	2008-44
Dec 15 - ???	XU7ACY - CAMBODIA	2008-47
Dec 21 - Jan 31	CN89NY - MOROCCO	2008-50
Dec 25 - Feb 28	TU8/F4EGS - IVORY COAST	2008-48
Dec 31 - Jan 9	ZD8UW - ASCENSION	2008-47
Dec - Jan	A52RY - BHUTAN	2008-50
?? 2009	FR/G - GLORIOSO	2008-47
?? 2009	YVØA - AVES ISLAND	2008-47
Jan 1 - 11	E44M - PALESTINE	2008-49
Jan 6 - Feb 1	4Z/K2LS - ISRAEL	2008-EXTRA
Jan 8 - 19	TS7C - TUNISIA	2009-01
Jan 9 - 14	C56KR - THE GAMBIA	2008-50
Jan 10 - Apr 28	H44MS - SOLOMONS	2008-48
Jan 11 - 27	8Q7AK - MALDIVES	2008-48
Jan 16 - 18	T8 - PALAU	2008-50
Jan 16 - 19	K1HP/KH2 - GUAM	2008-EXTRA
Jan 16 - 29	6W/DL2RMC - SENEGAL	2008-EXTRA
Jan 17 - 31	VP8YL* - FALKLANDS - YL's	2008-39
Jan 23 - Feb 4	C56KR - THE GAMBIA	2008-50
Jan 24 - 25	5KØCW - SAN ANDRES	2008-49
Jan 28 - Feb 23	FW5RE - WALLIS & FUTUNA	2008-EXTRA
Feb 12 - 26	KP5 - DESECHEO	2009-01
Feb 11 - 16	3D2 - FIJI	2008-48
Feb 17 - Mar 2	T2 - TUVALU	2008-48
Mar 2009	VK9LA - LORD HOWE	2008-45
Mar 2 - Apr 9	H4Ø - TEMOTU	2008-50

UPCOMING EVENTS/ACTIVITIES

Jan 10 - 11	NA QSO Party - CW
Jan 17 - 18	NA QSO Party - SSB
Jan 17 - 19	ARRL January VHF Sweepstakes
Jan 23 - 25	CQ 160 Contest - CW
Apr 17 - 19	Int'l DX Convention - VISALIA

• QSL ROUTES AND INFORMATION

Station	QSL Via
3Z2ØØ9PGA	SQ9NFD
4A1DXXE	N7RO
5X4X	DF5GQ
9A2ØØ9OS	9A-Bureau
9A2ØØ9PO	9A-Bureau
9A2ØØ9PU	9A-Bureau
9A2ØØ9ST	9A-Bureau
9A2ØØ9VZ	9A-Bureau
9A2ØØ9ZD	9A-Bureau
9A2ØØ9ZG	9A-Bureau
9H3OT	OH2OT
A52RY	I2DMI
CN89NY	EA7FTR
CO6WD	8P9NX
DAØCA	DL1REM
E44M	IZØBTV (direct)or SP3DOI (Bureau)
EG7CRM	EA7URS
EG8AAD	EA8RCP
EP3PK	IK2DUW
FM5BH	W3HNK
FM5FJ	KU9C
H44MY	OM2SA
H6VA	TI4SU
HA8Ø5BA	HA5BA
HE8CXZ	HB9CXZ
HE8DAX	HB9DAX
HF1PGA	SQ9NFD
HF9HNY	SP9BRP
HSØZIL	DL2LAH
IY1GM	IK1UGX
J79WE	DL8WEM
K3N	N3YIM
LU1ZA	LU4DXU
LY7M	LY2BW
OG2O	OH2EI

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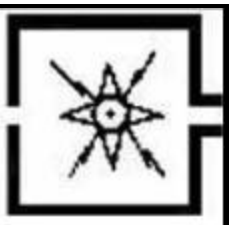
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