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*           Antarctic, Sub-Antarctic and Peri-Antarctic Directory
*           (22th Edition - Release 1.41 - 18 January 2023)
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*           Updated DataBase for Software WAP by IK6CAC #41 (January 2023)
*           Updated Software WAP by IK6CAC #28 (20 December 2021)
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*           Next release will be available in July 2023
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*           Result of 44 years of Antarctic passion!
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*           Are available from our WEB site:
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\* Antarctic Net :23.00z random on Saturdays 7.078MHz by LU4DXU \*  
\* Also check 14.160MHz, 14.188MHz,14203MHz,14.243MHz from 17:00z and ahead \*  
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20th Antarctic Activity Week 2023, "ON AIR"  
WAP A.A.W. one of the most important events that connect radio amateurs and Antarctica, has reached its twentieth edition.  
Check the Cluster, more than 20 SES are on air right now and will continue till February 26 February 2023.  
See:<http://www.waponline.it/antarctic-activity-week/aaw-2023/> and apply for the Free Diploma issued on line by IK3GER

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WARNING:

We notice that several Hams WW are trying to "login" on the WAP website at [www.waponline.it](http://www.waponline.it)

Just to remind that there's no need to login as all the features on the site are free! Free to surf the site and free to visit anything and download what you need but PLEASE DO NOT force to login using admin or other way .... it's absolutely NOT NECESSARY, we kindly recommend to avoid it!

Thanks for your understanding

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LU1ZV (ARG-04) - Esperanza Base (Army)

Operator is active now.

\* QSL --> QRZ.COM

Last spots in the Packet Cluster:

14243.0 LU1ZV 19-Feb-2023 2115Z <LU7YW>

The contact with LU1ZV made from febr. 17 through febr.19, is valid also for Baliza Rocas Denticuladas Posterior (aka: ARLHS: ANC 007; G.1389.21; NGIA 111-2764) in the frame of the South America's Light House week end.

See the WAP Antarctic LH Directory at:

<http://www.waponline.it/wap-antarctic-sub-antarctic-light-house-directory/>  
and the info at:

<http://www.waponline.it/two-new-light-houses-added-to-the-wap-antarctic-light-house-directory/>

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LU4ZS (ARG-21) - Vicecomodoro Gustavo Marambio Base (Air Force)

Operator is active now.

\* QSL --> QRZ.COM

Last spots in the Packet Cluster:

28310.0 LU4ZS 19-Feb-2023 2026Z <PY1FJ>

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LU-X Various (ARG-23) - Tierra del Fuego Province (Tierra del Fuego Island)

Several stations are frequently on the bands from Ushuaia TdF joining expeditions and anniversaries. In this time, with poor activity from Antarctica it's a fine opportunity to set up skeds.

Last stations in the Packet Cluster in the last months:

LU1XU, LU6XQB, LU7XZ, LU8XW.

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CE8-Various (CHL-13) - Magallanes and Antartica Chilena Province

Several stations are frequently on the bands.

Last stations in the Packet Cluster in the last months:

CE8EIO, CE8MGZ, CE8PVT.

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DP0GVN (DEU-08) - Neumayer III Station

club station located at the German Antarctic Research Station is active now.  
 \* QSL --> DL5EBE  
 Last spots in the Packet Cluster:  
 14095.0 DP0GVN 02-Feb-2023 0500 FT8 <WA800M>

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FT4YM (FRA-01) - Dumont D'Urville Base (TAAF)  
 Operator David is active from February 13th to 27th.  
 \* QSL --> F5PFP  
 Last spots in the Packet Cluster:  
 14207.0 FT8WW 19-Feb-2023 1310Z <3D2BT>

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FT4YM/MM French Polar Ship L'Astrolabe  
 Mehdi F5PFP reports that David FT4YM will possibly operate /Maritime Mobile  
 aboard L'Astrolabe P800 from February 28th to March 05th.  
 \* QSL --> F5PFP

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FT4YM (MNB-18) - Robert Guillard-Cap Prud'homme NEW WAP Reference  
 1st time activation from this Multinational base. David was active from there  
 on 2 days last Febr. 11 & 12.  
 \* QSL --> F5PFP  
 Last spots in the Packet Cluster:  
 14223.0 FT4YM 11-Feb-2023 0734Z <F8DVD>  
 14220.0 FT4YM 12-Feb-2023 1848Z <F5SIH>  
 \* QSL --> F5PFP

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FT8WW (FRA-02) - Alfred Faure Base (TAAF) Possession Island, Crozet I.  
 Operator Thierry F6CUK is active mostly on FT8 but also CW and little SSB.  
 \* QSL --> QRZ.COM  
 Last spots in the Packet Cluster:  
 18100.0 FT8WW 19-Feb-2023 1956Z <AA2T>

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VP8A (GBR-25) - Stanley (East Falkland Island)  
 Operator Kuzma is active now.  
 \* QSL --> QRZ.COM  
 Last spots in the Packet Cluster:  
 14080.0 FT8WW 19-Feb-2023 1956Z FT8 <GI0PGC>

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VP8ADR (GBR-25) - North Arm (East Falkland Island)  
 Operator Bob is active now.  
 \* QSL --> M00XO  
 Last spots in the Packet Cluster:  
 14074.0 VP8ADR 14-Feb-2023 2135Z FT8 <HL1VAU>

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VP8AWU (GBR-25) - Stanley (East Falkland Island)  
 Operator Neil is active now.  
 \* QSL --> K4MZU  
 Last spots in the Packet Cluster:  
 24915.0 VP8AWU 16-Feb-2023 1258Z FT8 <OK2LI>

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VP8KCA (GBR-25) - RAF Mount Pleasant Complex (MPC)  
 Operator Chris is always very active all bands.  
 \* QSL --> QRZ.COM  
 Last spots in the Packet Cluster:  
 14218 VP8KCA 19-Feb-2023 0204Z <CE3QY>

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VP8LP (GBR-25) - Stanley (East Falkland Island)  
Operator Bob is always very active all bands.  
\* QSL --> QRZ.COM  
Last spots in the Packet Cluster:  
28507 VP8LP 19-Feb-2023 1641Z <PY1EZ>  
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VP8NO (GBR-25) - Stanley (East Falkland Island)  
Operator Michael is always active.  
\* QSL --> QRZ.COM  
Last spots in the Packet Cluster:  
50313.0 VP8NO 18-Feb-2023 1743Z FT8 <EA7ST>  
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VP8YLJ (GBR-25) - RAF Mount Pleasant Complex (MPC)  
Operator Sally is always very active all bands.  
\* QSL --> QRZ.COM  
Last spots in the Packet Cluster:  
14074 VP8YLJ 18-Feb-2023 2024Z FT8 <IW1DQS>  
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AT42I (IND-03) - Maitri Station  
27 years old Eng. Sarabjeet Singh Chhabra(Sunny),VU2CUW will be active soon.  
Sunny arrived at Maitri St. last Dec.11 as part of the 42nd Indian Scientific Expedition to Antarctica. He will remain at Maitri Base for about a year  
\* QSL --> VU2CRS  
No activity from AT42 I reported so far even if the operator is at Maitri Base in Antarctica.  
He will be probably active when the Summer Team will leave the Base and only the overwintering Team will remain there.  
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3Y0J (NOR-14) - Cape Fie Camp  
Bouvet DX-pedition is QRT after having logged nearly 20K QSOs  
More info on 3Y0J website at: [www.3y0j.com](http://www.3y0j.com)  
\* QSL --> QRZ.COM  
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RI1ANU (RUS-01) - Bellingshausen Station  
Operator Oleg UA3HK is active now and since February 2023.  
\* QSL --> ZS10IN  
Last spots in the Packet Cluster:  
7074.0 RI1ANU 09-Feb-2023 2301Z FT8 <7K4PTY>  
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RI1ANC (WAP-RUS-13) Vostok Base  
Alex Turkeev, UG1A ex.RD1AV will be active until March 2024, at least.  
\* QSL --> RN10N  
Last spots in the Packet Cluster:  
14164.0 RI1ANC 13-Feb-2023 2055Z <F4GDZ>  
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RI30ANT (WAP RUS-13 ) Vostok Base  
Alex UG1A,Ivan UB1AQB and Zahar ex UH4NAE will be active in their spare time  
Look for them from January 1 to March 31, 2023) RI30ANT is celebrating the 30th anniversary of the Russian Robinson Club - RRC.  
\* QSL --> RZ3EC  
Last spots in the Packet Cluster:  
10117.0 RI30ANT 12-Feb-2023 1800Z <RT6C>  
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KC4AAC (USA-23) - Palmer Station

New operator for the season 2022-2023 is Cody Lewis and is active in JS8 and WSPR. For EU, windows on 20 mts opens from 17,00 through 21,00 UTC.

\* QSL --> K7MT, Check QRZ.com for details and QSL policy

Last spots in the Packet Cluster:

14074.0 KC4AAC 25-Jan-2023 0051Z <LU4EFC>

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KC4AAA (USA-36) - Amundsen-Scott South Pole Station (New rebuilt Base)

Operator is active now, even if on last 3 months he was only sporadically on air (SSB & FT8). Looks like he prefers 20 mts. Check 14275.

\* QSL --> K7MT, Check QPZ.com for details and QSL policy

Last spots in the Packet Cluster:

14243.0 KC4AAA 12-Feb-2023 2036Z <K80B>

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ZS7ANF (MNB-11) - Wichaway Camp

Oleg has been briefly active from this rare Multinational Camp in Antarctica on last 13 and 14 Febr. Oleg made 300 QSO from WA this time. The camp has been closed and the airplane has taken the personnel to Cape Town.

The Season is almost over. TNX to Oleg for his activity this year from both Wolf's Fang Runway (WAP MNB-06) and Whichaway Camp (WAP MNB-11).

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S/Y Marama enter in WAP-WACA Directory

On the way to Bouvet Island (3Y0J), operators (\*) on board, did show up /MM When the DX expedition did reach the destination, WAP has announced that S/Y Manama has been included in the list of Polar ship of the WAP-WACA Directory

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(\* ) VE3LYC/MM, NP4A/MM, DL6KVA/MM, LA7GIA/MM, LB5GI/MM, K08SCA/MM, K07SS/MM, AB5EB/MM, WD9COV/MM POLAR SHIP / MM sailing Antarctic waters

When it is not possible to determinate the exact position of a ship, such as Polar Boats, Icebreakers and any kind of /MM sailing Antarctic or Sub-Antarctic waters, WAP staff did agree that, when position is not marked on the QSL at the moment of contacts, or in lack of details confirming the exact position of the ship, dates between October and March could be OK for a provisional judgement.

In any case information on this matter are normally posted on WAP site. WAP Software- FT8 Mode and 60 mts band are add on.

To manage the Antarctic W.A.P. Awards and its subsequent updates, the best solution is to use the WAP Software, set by IK6CAC.

Now a days, many Antarctic Stations are QRV using FT8 & 60 mts band. IK6CAC's WAP management software updated at version 2.8 is online at W.A.P. website with the opportunity to add contacts made in FT8 and 60 mts band.

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WAP QSL Gallery

WAP Antarctic QSL gallery is gone!

It was hosted on a server that have quit its archive system so we have practically lost the whole job! I1HYW have all the cards in his computer, but really he doesn't know how and where load all of them in a safe and cheap site. Bob, K4MZU suggetes us to go through Greg Cogar VK2GJC, the owner of a company in Australia. Greg, said that there are many free plugins we could use for an image library: <https://en-au.wordpress.org/plugins/>.

We would need to install and configure the plugin and learn how to use it to achieve. This is a job that probably we will carry on in the winter time, but for now we thanks immensely Bob K4MZU and Greg Cogar VK2GJK for their friendship and help. In the mean time, thanks very much to all those

Hams who are sending scan copies of their cards, or scan copies of old cards from their friends.

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K4MZU Antarcic QSL Gallery & web site at: <http://www.k4mzu.net>  
K6EID Antarctic QSL Gallery & web site at : <http://www.k6eid.com>  
<http://www.qsl.net/k6eid/DXCC-Antarctica.htm>  
RRC Antarctic QSL Gallery: [http://www.rdxo.org/RRC/QSL/list\\_e.asp?ID=1](http://www.rdxo.org/RRC/QSL/list_e.asp?ID=1)

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Don't forget to check daily information on Antarctic News at both W.A.P. website at:

[www.waponline.it](http://www.waponline.it) and at Polar DX Group  
(<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1961114967367742>)  
to be always informed about Antarctica and Arctic news.

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73s de John I1HYW, Max IK1GPG and Betty IK1QFM  
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