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         Antarctic, Sub-Antarctic and Peri-Antarctic Directory
             (22th Edition - Release 1.41 - 18 January 2023)
      List of more than 4.313 Callsigns used in Antarctica since 1945.
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                Next release will be available in July 2023
                 Result of 44 years of Antarctic passion!
                    Are available from our WEB site:
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* For this number we thank: All of WAP Chasers
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* Antarctic Net :23.00z random on Saturdays 7.078MHz by LU4DXU

WARNING:

We notice that several Hams WW are trying to "login" on the WAP website at 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

FT4 & FT8 versus SSB & CW

Some Antarctic Bases are actually on air using FT8 & FT4 and unfortunately missing the tradional SSB & CW modes so dear to the Old radio Amateurs. These digital "new modes" are certainly an index of progress but they also deprive the radio amateur of the pleasure of being the one making the connection, not a computer!

Thanks to all the Antarctic operators, those who are actually overwintering in the Icy Continent and those who are aprroaching the new 2023-2024 season to don't forget that besides FT4 and FT8, SSB & CW still exist!!!

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

Juan LU8DBS and Alejandro LU8YD are active now.

* QSL --> LU3IA

Last spots in the Packet Cluster:

7074.0 LU1ZV 08-Jun-2023 0000Z FT8 QS0 TNX!!

<LU4EFC>

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 oportunity to set up skeds.

Last stations in the Packet Cluster in the last months:

LU1XU, LU2XX, LU5XT, LU6XQB, LU7XZ, LU8XQL, LU8XW.

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, CE8SIW

DP0GVN (DEU-08) - Neumayer III Station

Club station located at the German Antarctic Research Station is active now. * OSL --> DL5EBE

Last spots in the Packet Cluster:

18100.0 DP0GVN 03-Jun-2023 1157 FT8

<JA1JXT>

VP8ADR (GBR-25) - North Arm (East Falkland Island)

Operator Bob is active now.

* QSL --> M00X0

Last spots in the Packet Cluster:

10136.0 VP8ADR 18-June-2023 2157Z FT8

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VP8AWU (GBR-25) - Stanley (East Falkland Island)

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Operator Neil is active now.
* QSL --> K4MZU
Last spots in the Packet Cluster:
21074.0 VP8AWU 18-Jun-2023 1617Z FT8
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VP8BTR (GBR-25) - North Arm (East Falkland Island)
Operator Lindsay is active now.
* QSL --> M00X0
Last spots in the Packet Cluster:
28074.0 VP8BTR 17-Jun-2023 2155Z FT8
                                           <DL1YQH>
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VP8DKP (GBR-25) - Walker Creek Farm (East Falkland Island)
Operator Clint is active now.
* QSL --> QRZ
Last spots in the Packet Cluster:
7074.0 VP8DKP 17-Jun-2023 2301Z FT8
                                                <EA3EDU>
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VP8GGM (GBR-25) - Stanley (East Falkland Island)
Operator Bob will be active now from the Goose Green 1982 War Museum from
24 to 25 June 2023.
* QSL --> VP8LP
Last spots in the Packet Cluster:
21140.0 VP8HDM 18-Jun-2023 1955Z FT8
                                                <JF1KKV>
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VP8HDM (GBR-25) - Stanley (East Falkland Island)
Operator Bob has been active now from the Historical Dockyard Museum from
17 to 18 June 2023.
* OSL --> VP8LP
Last spots in the Packet Cluster:
21140.0 VP8HDM 18-Jun-2023 1955Z FT8
                                                <JF1KKV>
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VP8KCR (GBR-25) - Stanley (East Falkland Island)
Operator Bob has been active for the period 1st May-31st May 2023 with this
Special Call to commemorate the Coronation of King Charles III.
* QSL --> M00X0
Last spots in the Packet Cluster:
21074.0 VP8KCR 31-May-2023 1954Z Commemorate King Charles 3 <JF1KKV>
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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:
21140.0 VP8LP 18-Jun-2023 1454Z
                                                <GM4SUF>
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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:
14074.0 VP8NO 18-Jun-2023 1300Z
                                                <HL1VAU>
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VP8VK (GBR-25) - Saunders Island
Operator Suzan active now.
* QSL --> QRZ.COM
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Last spots in the Packet Cluster:

<JF1KKV> ______

RI1AND (RUS-09) - Novolazarevskaya Station (née Lazarev)

Dmitry UA3MNH is active now.

* OSL --> RN10N

Last spots in the Packet Cluster:

18101.0 RI1ANU 16-Jun-2023 1635Z FT8

KC4AAC (USA-23) - Palmer Station

Operator Cody Lewis is active now.

* QSL --> K7MT

Last spots in the Packet Cluster:

21074.0 KC4AAC 18-Jun-2023 1526Z

<N4NG>

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 QRZ.com for details and QSL policy

Last spots in the Packet Cluster:

14243.0 KC4AAA 16-Apr-2023 0040Z

<N8D0G>

"NEW ENTRY" on WAP-WADA & WAP-WACA Directories

Since the beginning of 2023, we add several new Bases, Huts, Field Camps on both WAP Directories which are coming a real complete tool to check for students, Antarctic Chasers and Hams.

Last add is Echo Base Camp, WAP MNB-NEW at 71°32'47" South, 08°50'11" East on Queen Maud Land Antarctica.

The new release, containing last new entries, will be ready by July 2023 and will be officially presented at the DCI & WAP Meeting next 15-17 September 2023.

See: https://www.dcia.it/dci/index.php/2023/04/06/meeting-2023/

New Mananger LU3IA

Alfredo Arcangel Amaro, LU3IA has announced that as of 23 May is the new QSL Manager for the Amateur Radio Stations at Argentinian bases under the Antarctic Joint Command. These include LU1ZA (Orcadas, South Orkney Islands), LU1ZAB (Matienzo, Antarctica), LU1ZB (Melchior, Antarctica), LU1ZC (Decepc., South Shetland Islands), LU1ZD (San Martin, Antarctica), LU1ZG (Belgrano II, Antarctica), LU1ZI (Carlini Base, South Shetland Islands), LU1ZR (Petrel, Antarctica), LU1ZS (Camara, South Shetland Islands), LU1ZV (Esperanza, Ant.), LU2ZD (Primavera, Antarctica), LU4ZS (Marambio, Antarctica).

Now, an APPEAL

Our good friend Eddy De Busschere, of the Belgian Polar Expedition Society is looking for a OR4OR QSL, as it's the only one he is still missing from the late Belgian Antarctic Expedition.

He did locate one of this card in a private collection but it is not for sale! Any help in this matter, will be extra appreciated.

Eddy can still offer vintage QSL cards from Arctic Canada, Russia and Alaska from the collection of his late friend Erwin Heitler OE1ER.

Eddy do not collect Arctic cards but may be some of our readers may know someone interested.

Eddy can accept Antarctic QSL cards in exchange.

Those ineterested, can contact him directly.

WAP QSL Gallery

WAP Antarctic QSL gallery has 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.

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.rdxc.org/RRC/QSL/list_e.asp?ID=1

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

www.waponline.it and at Polar DX Group

(https://www.facebook.com/groups/1961114967367742)

to be always informed about Antarctica and Arctic news.

73s de John I1HYW, Max IK1GPG and Betty IK1QFM