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* Antarctic Net : 23.00z random on Saturdays 7.078MHz by LU4DXU
* Also check 14.160MHz, 14.188MHz, 14.203MHz, 14.243MHz from 17:00z and ahead

Most Wanted Antarctica Bases list is available now at www.waponline.it
Check:
<http://www.waponline.it/NewsInformation/Archi ve2013/September2013/tabid/342/Default.aspx>
and look at Sept.02-2013 page.

LU-X Various (ARG-23) - Tierra del Fuego Province (Tierra del Fuego Island)
Several stations are frequently on the bands from Ushuaia TdF. In this time,
with poor activity from Antarctica it's a fine oportunit y to set up skeds.
Check 28.340-28.360 they are quite often on 10 mts.
Last stations in the Packet Cluster:

LU1XP, LU1XS, LU1XT, LU1XU, LU2XP, LU3XPK, LU3XQN, LU3XX, LU4XPE, LU5XP,

LU7XX, LU7XZ, LU8XQL, LU8XW.

Hams from RC Ushuaia, Tierra del Fuego, are working to set a project with the help of the Argentinean Navy! The goal is to set foot on the small island- Les Eclaireurs and be active for a week end in the Austral summer (more or less 3 months from now) Information comes by Miguel Angel LU1XU of the Radio Club Ushuaia who is working to the project. So far Les Eclaireurs Island & Lighthouse has only been activated without putting foot on this small Island.

 OPOLE (BEL-02) - Belgian Princess Elisabeth Station
 Karel ON5TN (also OR4TN) is the operator at Princess Elisabeth Station, until end of Feb, early March 2016. OPOLE is the UBA Club call sign on Antarctica. Beautiful QSL via ON7TK, the UBA President.

Last season's operation only ended with very few contacts (about 50+). Hopefully this time there will be more. 30m & 40m CW 20:00-23:00UTC are the best chances.

* QSL --> ON5TN (Karel Moerman, St. Martinusstraat 52, B-9790 Wortegem-Petegem, Belgium)

 CE8EIO (CHL-13) - Magallanes and Antartica Chilena Province

Luis is active now.

* QSL --> CE8EIO (Luis Fierro Andrade, P. O. Box 1512, Punta Arenas, Chile)

Last spots in the Packet Cluster:

CE8EIO-@ 7148.5 CE8EIO 27/11/2015 04:02 Luis south chile

 D8A (KOR-02) - Jang Bogo Station

Looks like the QSLs for last 2013-2014 Antarctic Season are coming.

QSL Manager 6K5YPD seems to have start QSLing; several Hams worldwide did receive the cards recently.

Operator SANG HOON Lee DS4NMJ is actually again at Jang Bogo Station but no informations on his possible activity. You can find him and his QSL manager on Facebook.

 DP1POL (DEU-08) - Neumayer III Station

DP0GVN (DEU-08) - Neumayer III Station

Felix DL5XL has just left Cape Town to Novo Runway. He will be once again be on the air signing DP1POL from Neumayer Station III, Antarctica (Grid Locator IB59UH), between November 2015 through February 2016. As usual, the main mode will be CW on all HF bands, with a little activity in digimodes and maybe phone, as well. QSL via DL1ZB0 or LotW.

Last spots in the Packet Cluster:

PY2DN 14076 DP1POL 06/12/2015 03:28 Antarctica JT65 CQ

 VIOANZAC (AUS-02) - Casey Station

Casey Station is located in a World Wide Flora and Fauna (WWFF) VKFF0571.

Last spots in the Packet Cluster:

VK3DAC-@ 21255 VIOANZAC 22/11/2015 04:24 CQ

 FT4XU (FRA-10) - Ratmanoff Station (Brand "New Entry" WAP)

Nicolas Chatelain F4EGX is actually operating FT4XU from Ratmanoff Station on Kerguelen Island as part of a scientific mission. Nicholas could be there at Ratmanoff Station for time to time. He will stay on the Kerguelens till mid January 2016. Mehdi F5PFP has posted a nice 10' video showing the place. Check it at WAP website (News & Information's page)

* QSL --> F1ULQ

Last spots in the Packet Cluster:

IZ8GNR 14189.9 FT4XU 15/12/2015 14:42 55 (Nicolas)

F4HMR 14128 FT4XU 12/12/2015 16:45

 VP8ALJ (GBR-25) - Port Stanley (East Falkland Island)

Mario is active.

* QSL --> VP8ALJ (Mario Zuvic, P. O. Box 68, Stanley FIQQ 1ZZ, Falkland I.)

Last spots in the Packet Cluster:

W6SIY-@ 3576 VP8ALJ 04/12/2015 02:58 Tnx new one 80M and DIG

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

Neil is active.

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* QSL --> VP8AWU (Rowlands Neil, River House, Fitzroy River Farm FIQQ 1ZZ, Falkland Islands)

VP8LP (GBR-25) - Stanley (East Falkland Island)

Bob is always active.

* QSL --> VP8LP (Bob McLeod, 75 Davis Street, P.O. Box 474, Stanley, FIQQ 1ZZ, Falkland Islands, British South Atlantic)

Last spots in the Packet Cluster:

IV30KO 24953 VP8LP 12:12 14 Dec 15

VP8NO (GBR-25) - Stanley (East Falkland Island)

Michael is always active.

* QSL --> VP8NO (Michael Harris, P.O. Box 226, Stanley, FIQQ 1ZZ, Falkland Islands, British South Atlantic)

Last spots in the Packet Cluster:

JH10BS 10142 VP8NO 22:03 01 Dec 15 TNX UP1-2

- (ITA-02) - Italian Base "Giacomo Bove"

It has taken more than 5 years to plan a trip down South with the purpose to visit to the old Italian Antarctic site at Italia Valley, Ezcurra inlet, Admiralty Bay on King George island (Lat. 62° 10' 19.82"S - Lon. 58°31' 3.14"W), where 40 years ago, Renato Cepparo (an Italian explorer) built the first Italian Scientific Research Station, named after Giacomo Bove.

It will be a private Expedition as no one of the so called "National Institution" did help in no way. Huge bureaucracy and logistical issues did not allow to carry out the project so far. Now it looks like everything is ready and operation is on the way on. Leader of this attempt (date unpredictable) is Prof. Julius Fabbri Ph.D from Trieste, Italy who will travel along with another Italian guy, on the traces of the first Italian Base "Giacomo Bove" (ITA-02) in Antarctica.

The plan is to place a commemorative plaque on the same site where Cepparo set the Giacomo Bove Camp and doing some ecological studies, connected to the didactic program of the students of the Trieste's high school. Prof. Geol. Julius Fabbri, Ph.D (Ham callsign IV3CCT) will operate from the ruins of Giacomo Bove Camp during his stay.

From Trieste, city of the Barcolana regatta, to the Antarctic Peninsula, rafting in search of a lost Base. Italy is returning back there 40 years later. A dream, a romance of the past, to restore dignity to the few remaining stones as well as an ecological expedition in memory of the pioneers who did enter Italy in the Antarctic Treaty.

They are seeking help; be a sponsor, help them with a little contribution.

To get more, feel free to contact Prof. J. Fabbri Ph.D at sponsor@adriantartica.org or j.fabbri@virgilio.it and follow him on Facebook at:

<https://www.facebook.com/adriantartika?fref=ts> and AdriAntartika at:

Your contribution can achieve the feat that, thanks to you, will become a legend!

Share the efforts and send your help via:

https://www.paypal.com/cgi-bin/webscr?cmd=_s-xclick&hosted_button_id=NTE8PWU77QSFY

8T2BH (IND-04) - Bharati Base

Operator Bhagwati VU3BPZ is again in Antarctica as Radio Comm. at Bharati Base. He will be there for 1 year (Till the end of Dec. 2016) overwintering full time. Bhagwati has just begun to be on air.

Several feet of coax cable from his multiband dipole (RFI HFX-400-ST) has been under 1 mts of ice and highly damaged.

He is trying to repair it and be active, as he did use to be in his past Antarctic Seasons.

Actually there is a lot of works and duties at the Base, but be sure when he has spare time, he will be on.

QSL via I1HYW

DO NOT BE RUSH WITH QSLs, QSL manager will get new pictures from Bhagwati and will order the cards to a Printer, but cards will not be ready before March-April 2016

Last spots in the Packet Cluster:

VU3BPZ 18150 8T2BH 13:12 15 Dec 15 JH1RGG 54 THANK MY RPT 57

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OH2FFP (SWE-04) WASA Research Station
OH2FFP Operator Mika Kalakoski is again in Antarctica but unfortunately so far we do not have information from him

RI1ANZ (RUS-11) - Progress Station (aka Progress II from January 1989)
Nikolai Zinin RW6ACM ex RI1ANP is active.
He mostly operates CW, but also SSB and Digi modes.
* QSL --> RN10N (Alexei V. Kuz'menko, P. O. Box 599, 163000 Arkhangel'sk, Russia)
Last spots in the Packet Cluster:
UR5TEX 7002 RI1ANZ 18:18 08 Dec 15 tnx qso! 73!

RI1ANC (RUS-13) Vostok Station
operator is active now.
* QSL --> RN10N (Alexei V. Kuz'menko, P. O. Box 599, 163000 Arkhangel'sk, Russia)
Last spots in the Packet Cluster:
RN3QN 14160 RI1ANC 14:17 15 Dec 15

RI1ANR (MNB-06) - Novo Runway Station
Alex and Oleg are active during the Antarctic Campaign 2015-2016.
More info about their activity will follow
Last spots in the Packet Cluster:
RM4D-@ 7020.5 RI1ANR 21:44 13 Dec 15 tnx QSO

KC4AAA (USA-36) - Amundsen-Scott South Pole Station (New rebuilt Base)
Operators are reported active sporadically.
* QSL --> K1IED (Larry F. Skilton, 72 Brook Street, South Windsor, CT-06074, U. S. A.)
Last spots in the Packet Cluster:
YU4DX 14243 KC4AAA 00:12 13 Dec 15 73 Dale wk bt wkable

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.

Follow M/V Italica on the way to Antarctica
MYWAY is the navigation system that will be used during the actual oceanographic cruise of the XXXI Italian Antarctic Expedition. The system, realized by ENEA (http://www.enea.it/en/home?set_language=en&cl=en) only utilizing open source software, has been deployed on M/V ITALICA, the vessel employed for the Expedition. MYWAY is fully operational since the beginning of the oceanographic cruise in mid-December. Meanwhile, it allows to follow the ship ITALICA in its long journey to the Lyttelton Port in New Zealand where the cruise will start. MYWAY hourly communicates position and speed of M/V ITALICA to this site:
http://sysnav.bologna.enea.it/MywayPrologue/Welcome.action?request_locale=en#map
which also updates the map. As far as we know, there aren't Ham Radio operators on board, so ... unfortunately no ways to work someone /MM!

WAP QSL Gallery
several new batches of QSL will be uploaded shortly. Apogize us for delay, but we have been very busy in the last months!
You can check the new entries on the WAP Gallery soon.
WAP Antarctic QSL Gallery is the largest one WW with nearly 2900 QSLs from 1945 till today. Pay a visit and enjoy the Antarctic history through the Ham Radio QSL cards.
QSL Gallery wait your vist at WAP web site or directly at:
<http://fotoalbum.waponline.it/>
Thanks very much to all those who are sending scan copies of their cards, or scan copies of old cards from their friends, to help WAP Antarctic QSL Gallery to continue to be the largest one Worldwide.

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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.rdx.org/RRC/QSL/List_e.asp?ID=1

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www.waponline.it to be always informed about Antarctica life.

73s de John I1HYW, Max IK1GPG and Betty IK1QFM
