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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 *

20th Antarctic Activity Week 2023, it's time to book!
WAP AAW one of the most important events that connect radio amateurs and Antarctica, has reached its twentieth edition.

After the joint venture with the Hams of Russian Robinson Club (RRC) in the celebrations of the 200th anniversary of the discovery of Antarctica, WAP proposes a new friendship adventure, undertaking jointly in honor of the Italian Air Force (IAF), recognizing it the invaluable support in the scientific missions in Antarctica. The main purpose of the A.A.W. is to increase worldwide interest around Antarctic Continent and its related matters, with the aim of staying close to the researchers and personnel who are spending their time away from home and families, studying the Antarctic life and its secrets. Additional purpose, is to share what Nations and Organizations are doing to protect this still non contaminated corner of the world, to share WW a message of peace. Today's invitation, is addressed to all Radio Amateurs (OMs & SWLs) around the World, to the Clubs and Organizations as well as other important groups and individual operators who would like to join and share with us, this initiative.

AAW is the only event in the world where radio amateurs come together to celebrate and improve knowledge of the Icy Continent and through it, spread on the air a message of PEACE. Registration to the 20th Antarctic Activity Week have been opened.

Don't hesitate, book in now and join with a special Callsign in this 20th AAW's event which will last from 19 through 26 February 2023.

See: <http://www.waponline.it/antarctic-activity-week/aaw-2023/>

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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

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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:

LU1XPR, LU1XU, LU1XWP, LU1XY, LU6XQB, LU8XQL.

VK0WN (AUS-02) - Richard Casey Station (ANARE)

VK0WN is now QRT. Operator Warren has returned home and will be dealing with QSL requests soon once cards arrive back from printer.

* QSL --> VK7WN

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

Several stations are frequently on the bands.

Last stations in the Packet Cluster in the last months:

CE8EIO, CE8MGZ.

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:
14074.0 DP0GVN 14-Dec-2022 0937 FT8 <LU4EFC>

DP1POL (DEU-08) - Neumayer III Station
Felix DL5XL did fly from Cape Town to the Norwegian Research Station Troll
on Dec.15, and will continue his trip to Neumayer Station the same day.
Felix expects to stay in Antarctica until the end of January 2023.
There are a few interesting projects on our to-do-list, including telemetry
data transmission by LoRa and the integration of a new wind turbine into the
station's power management system. It's been twenty years since Felix first
travelled to the Antarctic continent, and the job still is interesting and
enjoyable most of the time-he says.
DL5XL will stay at Naumayer III from mid-Dec.2022 to the end of Jan.2023.
* QSL --> DL1ZB0

FT4YM (FRA-01) - Dumont D'Urville Base (TAAF)
David (F4FKT) should be qrv again from Dumont d'Urville at the end of the
summer antarctic campaign.That is a new opportunity for those who missed him
* QSL --> F5PFP
Last spots in the Packet Cluster:
14074.0 FT4YM 11-Dec-2022 0918 <JR7DXE>

FT4YM/P (MNB-03) - Concordia Station
Operator David (F4FKT) is actually QRV from the French-Italian Concordia
Station operting as FT4YM/P
Look for him at theevening from 17.00 UTC and ahead
* QSL --> F5PFP

VP8A (GBR-25) - Stanley (East Falkland Island)
Operator Kuzma is active now.
* QSL --> QRZ.COM
Last spots in the Packet Cluster:
21182.0 VP8A 04-Dec-2022 2037Z FT4 <N3SL>

VP8ADR (GBR-25) - North Arm (East Falkland Island)
Operator Bob is active now.
* QSL --> M00XO
Last spots in the Packet Cluster:
28440.0 VP8ADR 04-Dec-2022 1610Z <F4AZF>

VP8AWU (GBR-25) - Stanley (East Falkland Island)
Operator Neil is active now.
* QSL --> K4MZU

VP8LP (GBR-25) - Stanley (East Falkland Island)
Operator Bob is always very active all bands.
* QSL --> QRZ.COM
Last spots in the Packet Cluster:
18100.0 VP8LP 13-Dec-2022 1141Z FT8 <G3PXT>

VP8NO (GBR-25) - Stanley (East Falkland Island)
Operator Michael is always active.
* QSL --> QRZ.COM
Last spots in the Packet Cluster:
24915.0 VP8NO 01-Dec-2022 2015Z <N8IK>

VP8TAA (GBR-25) - Mount Pleasant Airport (East Falkland Island)
Operator Jonathan has been active since October.
Pleasant Airport (East Falkland Island)
* QSL --> M00XO
Last spots in the Packet Cluster:
14155.0 VP8TAA 13-Dec-2022 0243Z <KX7TL>

VP8VK (GBR-25) - Saunders Island
YL Operator Suzan is active now.
* QSL --> GM3ITN
Last spots in the Packet Cluster:
18100.0 VP8VK 12-Dec-2022 0923Z FT8 <JR6RRD>

VP8/SQ1SGB (GBR-40) - Halley VI-a Station
Seba SQ1SGB is active now and until the end of January 2023. He set a new inverted Vee dipole for 20 & 40 mts on a 8 meters tower. Is signal seems to get better than last year. Seba is almost daily on 20 mts (14135-14140 from 20,00 and ahead. Later he moves on 40 mts. He is also active on FT8.
* QSL --> EB7DX
Last spots in the Packet Cluster:
14135.0 VP8/SQ1SCB 13-Dec-2022 1818Z GD08 <IK1JTP>
14135.0 VP8/SQ1SGB 15-Dec-2022 2202Z <I1HYW>
14075.7 VP8/SQ1SGB 16-Dec-2022 2254Z (FT8) <LU4DRH>

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

8J1RL (JPN-03) - Syowa Base
Operator is active now.
* QSL --> QRZ.COM

ZS7ANF (MNB-12) - Wolfs Fang Runway (aka Wolf's Fang Runway)
Oleg ZS1ANF (UA10, ex UA1PBA) has left WFR last December 8 and went back to Cape ton for a while. He will be back to WFR on Jan. 17 for 2 more months. No chance to activate Whichaway Camp (WAP MNB-11) this year as Oleg have no time for that.
* QSL --> ZS1ANF or RK1PWA
Last spots in the Packet Cluster:
7020.0 ZS7ANF 07-Dec-2022 2121Z <DL5EBE>

3Y0J (NOR-02) - Norwegian Research Station Bouvetoya
Bouvet DX-pedition is expected to be "On Air" by January 2023.
The Camp, set in a new site of the island will be numbered as a New WAP Ref.
More info on 3Y0J website at: www.3y0j.com

RI1ANU (RUS-01) - Bellingshausen Station
Operator Oleg UA3HK is active now and since February 2023.

* QSL --> ZS10IN

Last spots in the Packet Cluster:

18100.0 RI1ANU 13-Dec-2022 1430Z FT8 <RX4HX>

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

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

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.

GN0HCQ/MM Icebreaker RRS Sir David Attenborough

Mike Gloistein should be any time on air onboard of I/B

WAP did receive a message from him:

I have just finished setting up my radio equipment and if all goes well I will be active shortly. I do not have any times and will not be arranging any scheds as I operate around my work, which can vary at short notice.

Kind regards, Mike GM0HCQ/MM

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 suggestes 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 Antarctic 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.rdxcc.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.waonline.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
