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To: The Members of the SP DX Club:

The Pitcairn Island DXpedition team would like our October DXpedition to be an exceptional and memorable event. Whether you need to fill band slots, try out FT8's DXpedition mode, want to demonstrate DXing to your friends or the local Scout troop, or just enjoy the thrill and chase of the pileup; we want to be there for you. With good antennas, amplifiers, an excellent on-island location, and dedicated operators; we intend to make all these possible and simply provide a lot of fun for the amateur community with an all-band, all-mode, 24/7 operation.

Pitcairn Island is one of the most unique places on earth. It's been the subject of books, encyclopedias, and movies. Its history and its people are like no other. Through ham radio and DXing, we'd like you to help us tell the story of the lore and legends of Captain Bligh, Fletcher Christian, the Bounty, the breadfruit tree, and navigational feats and difficulties of the 1700's. There is something in this story for everyone: historians, genealogists, naval enthusiasts, survivalists, sociologists, DX'ers, rag chewers, Scouts, book groups, and the Ladies Aid.

After long flights to Tahiti and Mangareva and a voyage aboard the RV Braveheart, our team will be elated to arrive at Pitcairn Island on October 17, 2019, and begin building our stations, raising our antennas, and awaiting the thrill of the DXpedition's first QSO.

Eleven of us are coming off the largest disappointment of our DXpedition careers, the failed 3Y0Z Bouvet DXpedition. We want to put this behind us and put some fun back into our lives. One other seasoned DXpeditioner is joining us as well as two brand-new DXpeditioners. We have a good, cohesive, balanced, and multi-skilled team with some new blood.

Pitcairn Island is not the rarest of entities. It's number 67 as I write this. Despite this, if you can offer us some financial support, our team would sincerely appreciate it and I would be pleased to add your club logo to our website.

Whatever your decision, contact us, get in our log, and help us make others more aware of amateur radio and Pitcairn Island. Please join us. **Let's have some fun with this!**

73 and Good DX,



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Check out our website:
www.pitcairndx.com

General Information: Pitcairn Island DXpedition 2019

Date: Approximately October 17 – 31, 2019

Operators: EY8MM, JR4OZR, K0IR, K0PC, K9CT, K9NW, N4GRN, N6HC, N9TK, W0GJ, W0VTT, W6IZT, W8HC, WB9Z

Previous DXpeditions of these team members is listed separately.

Stations: 8 HF stations 160 – 10 meters. All Flex Radios

3-element monoband Yagis 20-10 (WARC included).

¼ wave verticals 80 – 30 meters.

90 foot vertical for 160 meters

Flex amplifiers for maximum legal limit all bands.

24/7 operation.

Transportation: Flights to Tahiti from Japan, the U.S.A., and Tajikistan. Air Tahiti to Mangareva. The RV Braveheart from Mangareva to Pitcairn Island.

Op Site: We have secured the second highest accessible site on the island which has a clear shot to the horizon for North America, Europe, Japan, New Zealand, and Australia.

Budget: A large team, the per diem costs of an extended stay, inland and ocean freight costs, Internet air time, the voyage to Pitcairn, equipment purchases, a sea container purchase, customs fees, equipment rentals, QSL printing and mailing, and port and anchorage fees yield an estimated DXpedition cost of \$163,025. In addition, team members are each individually responsible for their airfare costs and in-route lodging. This amounts to an additional individual expense of approximately \$3,500.

General Information: 100% QSL response, LOTW within 6 months, All contributors acknowledged on our website. Checks may be made out to "Pitcairn DXpedition" and mailed to K9CT. PayPal information is on our website.

Team Member DXpedition History

EY8MM:

EK8R, YA5MM, EY1ARP, VP8ORK, FT5ZM. WRTC Official 2006, 2010, 2014, 2018. Aborted 3Y0Z DXpedition.

JR4OZR:

E22AAD, A52DX, 8N10GA, HR3/JF1PJK, 9M4SDX, GJ6UW, VP3ELY, A35W, Aborted 3Y0Z DXpedition.

K0IR:

VP8SSI, VP8SGI, VP8CBA/F, 3YOPI, VP8CBA/S, XR0Y, TO0R, VK0IR, VP8THU, VP8GEO, 3Y0X, K5D, PJ6A, VP8ORK, HK0NA, A52IR, K5N, FT5ZM, Aborted 3Y0Z DXpedition.

K9CT:

PJ7E, 3D2C, TI9KK, FT5ZM, K9W, K4M, K1N, NH8S, KH5/P, Aborted 3Y0Z DXpedition.

K9NW:

YN2NW, VK9NW, T88MR, 3DA0NW, A25NW, C91NW, K9W, K5P

N4GRN:

3Y0X, K5D, HK0NA, K1N, VP8ORK, Aborted 3Y0Z DXpedition

N6HC:

K7C, 3B7C, TX5C, K4M, T31A, T32C, NH8S, T33A, FT5ZM, TX3X, KH1/KH7Z, VP6D, Aborted 3Y0Z DXpedition

N9TK:

FO0AAA, VP6DI, KH8SI, K9W, Aborted 3Y0Z DXpedition

W6IZT:

K5D, PJ6A, HK0NA, K1N, Aborted 3Y0Z DXpedition

W8HC:

NH8S, K9W, VK9WA, K5P, Aborted 3Y0Z DXpedition.

W0GJ:

V59T, VK0IR, A52A, VU4AN, VU7RG, K5D, K4N, K5P, HK0NA, Aborted 3Y0Z DXpedition.

WB9Z:

VK9XX, VK0YY, 9M0M, K5D, VP8ORK, FT5ZM, K1N, NH8S, K9W, K5P, Aborted 3Y0Z DXpedition