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**IC8MD it is not an expedition but a way to get together with old friends and new ones.**

**As already happened with IQ8MD/p from Dino Island, MDXC likes to keep this tradition by using activities from islands to mix members.**

**Therefore may participate veterans of DXpeditions and novices: former will provide their expertise giving right advices to get started in this type of activity.**

**Everything done with the spirit of a great family which is the Mediterraneo DX Club.**

**All info can be find on the site.**

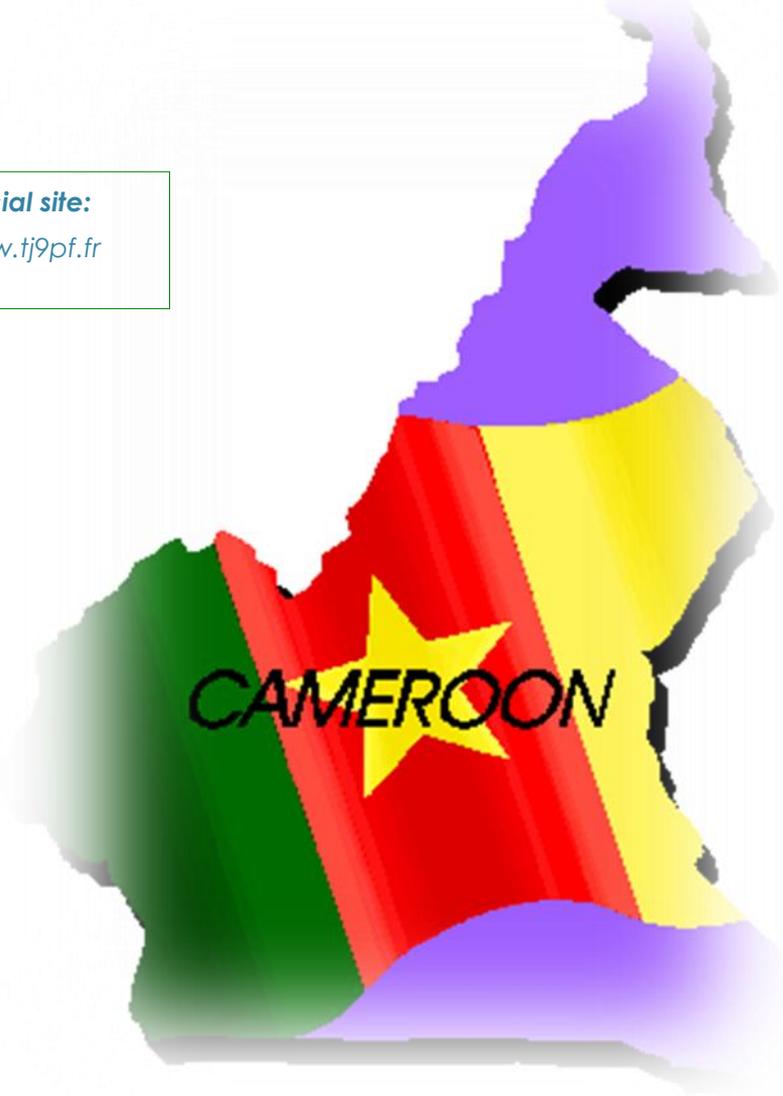
[www.mdxc.org/ic8md](http://www.mdxc.org/ic8md)



## TJ9PF Cameroon 2011

Considering the close bond that unites MDXC and Clipperton, working together since years to sponsor standing expedition, it was natural for us to stand by TJ9PF's side. Of course, for this expedition also it will be possible to ask for qsl via QSL SERVICE.

**TJ9PF official site:**  
<http://www.tj9pf.fr>



### TEAM

- F4AJQ Leader
- mdxc#537
- F5UFX Co leader
- FM5CD
- N6OX
- N2WB
- K4SV
- ON7RN
- I2VGW mdxc #279
- F8BJI
- F6ENO
- F6BIV
- F5EOT
- F5VHQ mdxc # 577
- F2JD
- F2VX
- F1NGP
- F5PED
- F1HRE



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 azienda per le telecomunicazioni

## Nuovi Soci

605 Marco Sgarzoni IZ5RIE  
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 610 Giuliano Nonino IV3RLB

611 Matteo Cirinei IZ5HSK  
 612 Tullio Viola IZ8RLH  
 613 Rosario Scognamiglio IZ8TVD  
 614 Alfonso Ruggiero IZ8IQM  
 615 Nicola Monterisi IZ7KNY

## Number changes

We remind you that new numbers come into force from January 2011.

IK1MDF      mdxc #094  
 IZ5MMB      mdxc #135  
 HB9EFJ      mdxc #165



We decided last October, Sylvie, my wife, and I, to return on Zanzibar Island. We know this Island. We gone on 2006, 2007. A phone call to the guest house Cocobeach, and Rashid, the manager of Cocobeach hotel, inform me that it will be possible next January. The most important for me, is to have a valid license. I had a call 5H1Zdurinh my 2007 trip. I send an Email to Joseph 5H3JW, but unfortunately, he is in Sweden. He informs me that his friend 5H3PF Paul, will help me for the license. Two days later, he sends me a mail and confirms me that le license will be OK for next January. During this time, we look for a fly to Tanzania. The most interesting at that time is Egyptair Company. After two "click", we have our E.ticket to fly and arrive to Dar Es Salaam. The local company Zancair will flying us from Dar Es Salaam to Zanzibar in 20 minutes. I decided to have a small station because we have maximum 20 kilos luggage for each passenger. The transceiver will be a FT857D, a small linear HF3 (500w), a vertical Butternuts HF9V and dipoles for 80m and 40m will be OK. I try to have the minimum of thing for the minimum weight. I do not forget a simple cable because for me there, it will be a serious problem. On Zanzibar Island, there is nothing for radio. The first test in my home QTH is perfectly OK. One day before to go, our 4 bags are closed. We are really over the 2x20 kilos, but it is difficult to do better.

The D day is on. At 08.00 French time, my good friend Jim

F5MCC arrive to drive us to Charles De Gaulle Airport. We have 3 hours driving with a big traffic. All was OK in CDG airport and luggage will go to Dar Es Salaam in the same time than us. We have a stop in Cairo and must change the plane to go to Tanzania. After 11 hours, we arrive at Dar Es Salaam International Airport. Police control is quickly OK and we go to catch our four luggage. We wait a long time, too long time, we have only 2 of 4, and we still waiting for the last 2 one. I have gone to the desk company to explain my situation. Two hours later, they confirm me that the last 2 luggage are lost in Cairo Airport, and "perhaps" I could receive them later.....but not sure. I was really afraid, because in this two luggage, I have the linear, the antennas, the coax cable, key, microphone and all different cable. In fact in hand I have just the FT857D, a MFJ941E tuner and a power supply, nothing more. Impossible to connect the three items and antenna. Anyway,, we decides to go to Jambiani, the village where we will be, situated on the South East coast of Zanzibar. We arrived at Cocobeach guest house in the end of the afternoon, nervous but happy to be there. It is a wonderful and paradise place. It is like a second house for us. The pleasure to meet one more time the staff and the same atmosphere. Of course no radio....Two days later, like I do not have my luggage, I call again to the company and the answer me that my luggage are really lost. Said and sorry, I go to

an internet point (working) and send a mail to Antonio IZ8CCW to inform the situation here and no radio. In the same time, Rashid the manager of the hotel try to find cable and coax cable to make dipoles antenna. He call me that he find but at gold price. I said him OK; I must try to be QRV. We walk in the village, really said, but with the sun it will be a nice 2 weeks relaxing. Return to our bungalow, what was my surprise..... One, just one, but one luggage waits me. Fantastic, I have some cable the vertical, but no linear, dipoles and no coax cable. No problems with Rashid help, I will be QRV. The HF9V was quickly OK, and Rashid give me the famous coax cable...!!!! I do not know the impedance, but all is connected and with the tuner it is OK. I was on the air and the first QSO is YO8KOM on 20 meters CW. Signals are not strong and I have a high static on all bands the static is between S5 to S7, of course I have difficulties to copy the call sings. The Electric power is unstable between 175 v to 200 volts for normally 220 volts. My power give me all the time the 13.5v for the FT857D without problem.

Every day, I am QRV, but unfortunately only 20m and 40m are really open in the evening

time only. Sometimes 30m and 17m are open very shortly one hour only. Signals are still QRP except some bug gun but really not many. Most of the time signals are at the same lever of the static. I try to work on phone, but extremely difficult, most of the time it was impossible to copy all letter of a call, two reasons: the static and the indiscipline. It means that everybody has the same call you try to copy.....! During the day time, bands are usually closed except 2 or 3 days. Good open for the West Coast USA and JA on 40 and 20 meters also with KH6 but Europe is still difficult and the EU QRM is strong. Sunday 23, 5H1Z closed at 20.00z 4S7NE is the last QSO of 5400 in the log with 100w only a simple vertical and a very high static. I hope all of you are enjoy to QSO Zanzibar Island IOTA AF-032, WLOTA-1080. Really sorry for those who were calling me and have no QSO with 5H1Z. Next time I hope to have a better propagation.

The 5H1Z QSL via F6AML, my home call, is OK via the bureau or direct. Sorry no EQSL. You can send me an Email if you want a QSL bureau.

A special thanks to Paul 5H3PF, Jim F5MCC, the MDXC and DX COFFEE for their kind help.

73.....Sam....5H1Z/F6AML



[www.ari.cosenza.it](http://www.ari.cosenza.it)

From now on the site of ARI COSENZA other independent radio changes its graphic and becomes a real portal with news Ham at 360°, dx, contests, diplomas, swl, operational techniques, trade shows, events, and much more.

MDXC is close to all Italian companies such as this.

We wish a good job to the editor, Francesco Presta IK8LTB.



## 4A4 A News

Event this expedition to Revillagigedo will be sponsored by the group; as habit, it will be possible to get the qsl for free through QSL SERVICE.

Team will be active with five stations with particular attention to low bands.



Because lack of time due to its new job, Pietro IZ8FWN decided to hand over the management of Mediterranean Islands' Diploma and, in agreement with the seat, the new award manager will be Max IZ8EPY; everyone is welcome to contact him via e-mail at [max@iz8epy.it](mailto:max@iz8epy.it)

We wish Max a good job and a big thank you to Pietro for its excellent management..

From March 5<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> , 2011, two teams ARMI - GRSNM -INORC -ARI - MDXC will participate in the event "**ITALIAN NAVY COASTAL RADIO STATION 2011**"; for the occasion there will be all former Navy Coastal Radio Stations operating from their sites with special calls.

Regarding Sardinia's province, two stations will be active: one from the TLC Center of Cagliari with the call **IIDP** and the other from the former radio station of Guardavecchia in La Maddalena with the call **IIOICH**.

Team **IIDP** : IS0IGV Gianni - IS0FQK Patrizio - IS0MKX Beppe - IS0UTA Andrea - IS0PEV Sergio - IS0SDX P.Giorgio - IS0BGL Daniele - IM0KMX Giuseppe -IS0EUJ Franco -IS0UNG Miro.

Team Managers.: IS0IGV - IS0FQK

QSL Manager : IS0IGV

Team **IIOICH** : IM0QMA Fabrizio - IM0GMF Tore, IS0JMA Roberto, Pietro Lunati SWL ed altri Soci della Sez. ARI Olbia

Team Manager - IS0JMA

QSL Manager - IM0QMA.

Diploma's rules on [www.assoradiomarinai.it](http://www.assoradiomarinai.it)

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