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Kiritimati (Christmas Island) 2011

Kiritimati lies 232 km (144 mi) north of the Equator, 6,700 km (4,200 mi) from Sydney and 5,360 km (3,330 mi) from San Francisco. It counts as Eastern Kiribati for DXCC.



Yaesu FT-450D transceiver

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A world record breaking DXpedition by FSDXA despite our container not arriving!

KIRITIMATI 2011 213,116 QSOs in 24 days

(Included above are 1,770 QSOs made by the advance party)



QSL to:
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STATION EQUIPMENT

- 12 Yaesu FT450D transceivers loaned by Yaesu UK Ltd
- Various linears loaned by team members and others
- 20 IBM laptops running StarLog
- 18 W3NQN filters from Array Solutions
- 12 Heil Prossets and footswitches

MAIN ANTENNAS

The DXpedition used primarily vertical antennas constructed using fibreglass poles and positioned close to the high water line on a north east facing beach

- 160m.....50 foot top-loaded vertical with 32 radials
- 80m.....Quarter wave vertical with 32 radials
- 40m.....Quarter wave vertical with 2 elevated radials and a reflector
- 30m.....Quarter wave vertical with 2 elevated radials
- 20m.....2 x 2 element vertical dipole arrays
- 17m.....2 phased 2 element vertical dipole arrays
- 15m.....2 x 2 element vertical dipole arrays
- 12m.....2 element vertical dipole array
- 10m.....2 element vertical dipole array and dipole at 35 ft
- 6m.....8 element 6M8GJ M2 Yagi

We also erected a number of Beverages for receiving on LF

To Radio OP4K

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Date	UTC	MHz	Mode	RST	Operator
15-Oct-11	1301	14.0	SSB	59	N6HC
16-Oct-11	1809	21.0	SSB	59	G4LDL
19-Oct-11	1956	18.0	SSB	59	G3YBY
23-Oct-11	0948	10.1	CW	599	ON7RU
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DXPEDITION MEMBERS

Neville G3NUG (Team Leader)	Tony G0OPB	Ian G3YBY	Paul KG4UVU
Chris G3SVL (Co-Leader)	Nobby G0VJG	Mark G4AXX	Bob MD0CCE
John G3WGV (Co-Leader)	Richard G3RWL	John G4DRS	Arnie N6HC
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Michel FM5CD	Don G3XTT	Bob GU4Y0X	

The entire island is a wildlife sanctuary. The island has the greatest land area of any coral atoll in the world; about 322 square km (124 sq mi), its lagoon is about the same size. The main source of income is tourism, mainly for bone fishing in the saltwater lagoon and offshore fishing. There are regular flights from Honolulu; the Captain Cook Hotel is an ideal base for tourism.



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