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**** DX INFORMATION ****

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- 3D2 - Eddie DeYoung, VK4AN and his 13-year-old son Rajiv, VK4FRAJ will be active as 3D2A from Malolo Lailai (OC-121), Fiji Islands on 17-31 May, CQ WW WPX CW Contest included. They plan to operate CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31 on 160-6 metres, with two transceivers with amplifiers for the HF bands, plus one radio for 6 metres. Planned operating frequencies and further information can be found at www.qrz.com under 3D2A. QSL via VK4AN, direct or bureau. Logs will be uploaded daily to <http://hosenose.com/logic/logcheck/>
- 40 - Joska, HA9RT will be active as 40/HA9RT from Budva, Montenegro from 30 May to 6 June. He plans to operate mainly CW on the HF bands. QSL via home call. [TNX HA9RT]
- 4W - The Spanish "RadioSolidaridad" project for Timor Leste [425DXN 881] has received the callsign 4W6R. The team will be active from Dili for two weeks in June. QSL via EA4URE. The website for the expedition is at <http://www.ure.es/hf/eadx/expediciones/4w2008/>
- 5Z - Look for 5Z4DX to be active from Kenya between 14 May and 11 June, including a side trip to Wasini Island (AF-067) on 25-26 May. QSL direct to Frank Steffen Gast, Eskifirdi, 735 Eskifjoedur, Iceland. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
- 9A - Kiko/9A4KW, Felix/9A5BS and Zak/9A5ZP will be active as homecall/p the Plitvice Lakes National Park, Licko-Senjska county on 10 May. They plan to operate SSB and PSK on 40, 30 and 20 metres. [TNX 9A4KW]
- 9A - Frans, ON6KN will be active holiday style as 9A/006N from Losinj Island (EU-136) on 12-24 May. QSL via ON6KN, direct or bureau. [TNX ON6KN]
- 9A - Alessandro, IK4ALM and Sergio, IZ4BBF will be active as 9A/homecall from the island of Sveti Nikola (EU-110) on 15-19 May. [TNX IZ4BBF]
- 9M6_spr - John, 9M6XRO and Steve, 9M6DXX, will lead a team of six operators to Pulau Layang Layang, Spratly Islands (AS-051) between 1 and 14 March 2009. Activity will be on 10-80 metres CW, SSB and RTTY using three stations, two with full legal limit linear amplifiers. Callsign to be confirmed and QSL information via M3SDE (direct or bureau). [TNX 9M6DXX]
- DL & OZ - Heinz, DL4A0 will be active as DL4A0/p from Ruegen Island (EU-057) and as OZ/DL4A0 from Bornholm Island (EU-030) between 10 and 26 June. He will operate in his early morning and late afternoon hours, mostly on 20 metres. While on Bornholm he will operate also on 6 metres CW and SSB. All of the QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau. [TNX DL4A0]
- EA - The Demon DXers Team (www.demonsdxers.es) will be active as EE1TR from Tazones lighthouse at Villaviciosa on 2-4 May. They plan to operate SSB, CW and RTTY on 80-6 metres. QSL via EA1YG, direct or

bureau. [TNX F5NQL]

- F - Francois, F5JNE will be active as F5JNE/p from Belle Ile en Mer (EU-048) on 8-21 May. He plans to operate mainly CW during his evenings. QSL via home call, bureau preferred. [TNX F5NQL]
- F - Dieter (DK5PZ), Volker (DL1WH), Peter (DL2RPS) and Rene (DL7WR) will operate from the Council of Europe Radio Club (TP2CE) on 16-18 May. They will concentrate on the low bands CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via F5LGF. [TNX DL1WH]
- F - Didier, F4ELJ will be active as F4ELJ/p from Groix Island (EU-048) on 19-26 July. QSL via home call. [TNX F4ELJ]
- G - The CQ CQ Portable Group will be active on the HF bands plus 2m, 6m and 70cm as GB0PIA from Piel Island (EU-005) on 24-25 May. QSL via 2E00YG. Further information can be found at <http://www.hamuniverse.com/pielislandddxpeditio.html> [TNX M0JFE]
- GJ - Charles, M0OX0 and Nigel, M0NJW will be active as GB8LMI from Les Minquiers Islands (EU-099) on 23-29 July, including an entry in the IOTA Contest as MJ0X. QSL via M3ZYZ. Updates will be available at <http://www.gb8lmi.co.uk/> [TNX NG3K]
- GM - M0DFV, G0WRR, M0GDL and hopefully G4TOQ will be active as M0EPC (for PSK) and M0DGR (for other modes) from a few EU-123 islands in the Firth of Clyde on 3-4 May. They plan to operate for about 2-3 hours from each island. Depending on the weather condition and other circumstances, the islands will be Horse, Lady, Ailsa Craig, Pladda, Inchmarnock and Little Cumbrae Island. QSL via M0DFV, direct or bureau. [TNX M0DFV]
- HC - Al, HC2SL will be QRV on 160 metres (1830 khz listening 10 kHz up) on 3 May, from 00.00 UTC to 10 UTC. QSL via EA5KB. [TNX HC2SA]
- I - Alfio, IT9EJW and Giovanni, IT9GAC will be active as homecall/p from Faraglioni dei Ciclopi (EU-025, IIA CT-003) on 11 May. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. A web page can be found at <http://www.mdxc.org/ciclopi> [TNX IT9EJW]
- I - Alex, IK8YFU and Giovanna, IZ8FEV will be active as either IG9/homecall and IG9/IQ8PP from Lampedusa Island (AF-018, IIA AG-001) from 27 July to 2 August. [TNX IK8YFU]
- JA - Look for JA1UNS/1, JI1PLF/1, 7N1GMK/1, 7L4PVR/1 and 7N4VPS/1 to be active from Hachijo Island (AS-043) on 16-19 May. They plan to operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 160-10 metres and 6m. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX JI6KVR]
- KH2 - Lee, HL1IWD (as KH2/K1IWD) and Harry, WX8C (as KH2/WX8C) will be operating from Guam (OC-026) on 23-26 May, including a multi-single entry in the CQ WW WPX CW Contest as KH2/WX8C. QSL via home calls. [TNX WX8C]
- LZ - Special station LZ08KM will be active on 1-31 May to celebrate St. Kiril and Methodius' Day. QSL via LZ1PJ, direct or bureau (e-mail requests for bureau cards can be sent to lz1pj@qsl.net). Logs will be uploaded to LoTW. Further information at <http://www.qrz.com/callsign/lz08km> [TNX LZ1PJ]
- OA - Daniel/DL5YWM, Rene/DL2JRM, Jens/DL3ALF and Jorge/OA4BHY will be active from Isla Blanca (SA-074) on 3-5 May. They plan to operate CW and SSB using two stations. [TNX DL5YWM]
- OK - Special event station OL1908D will be active through 31 May from the Czech Republic to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the railway of Dobruska. QSL via OK1KT, direct or bureau. [TNX OK1KT]

- PA - Bill, ON5JE and Luk, ON4BB will be active from Schouwen Duiveland (EU-146) on 9-12 May. QSL via home calls. [TNX ON4BB]
- SM - Jan, PA0IJM will be QRV from SI9AM (King Chulalongkorn Memorial Amateur Radio Society) in Utanede on 5-15 May. QSL via SM3CVM, direct or bureau (e-mail requests for bureau cards can be sent to info@si9am.se). Further information can be found at <http://www.si9am.se/> [TNX SM3CVM]
- SV - Kostas/SV2CWV, Diana/SV2HRV, Archelaos/SV2KBB and Kostas/SV2LBB will be active as SX2MT from the Royal Tombs Museum at Vergina, the capital of the ancient Makedonian kingdom, on 14-15 and 21-22 June for the International Museums Weekend (<http://www.ukradioamateur.co.uk/imw/>). QSL direct only to SV2KBB. [TNX SV2KBB]
- UR - The Ukrainian Amateur Radio League (UARL) will be represented by EM5HQ in the IARU HF World Championship (12-13 July). QSL via UR5EAW (all of the contacts will be confirmed automatically via the bureau). A special certificate will be sent to stations making four QSOs. [TNX UR5EAW]
- V6 - Shoji, JA7HMZ will be active again as V63DX from Pohnpei (OC-010), Micronesia on 19-24 May. He plans to operate on bands (6 metres included) and modes. QSL via home call. [TNX NG3K]
- VE - Juergen, DL7RV will be active as V02/NF6J from Battle Island (NA-044) on 25-30 June. QSL via DL7RV. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
- VE - Chris, GM0TQJ will be active as V02/GM0TQJ from Labrador during the period 23 September-2 October. He will be QRV on 80-10 metres RTTY, PSK31/63 and SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX GM0TQJ]
- VR - Celebrating the Games of the XXIX Olympiad to be held in Beijing, the Hong Kong Amateur Radio DX Association has been granted permission to operate special event station VR20080 from 15 July to 31 August. Expect activity on 40-6 metres, mainly SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL direct only to VR2XMT. [TNX F5NQL]
- ZS8 - Petrus, ZS6GCM has been on Marion Island for one month [425DXN 883] and the staff takeover period is now completed. The latest information bulletin, dated 28 April (<http://zs8t.net/>), stated that Petrus was "planning on starting construction of the antennas this week and will be QRV as ZS8T by 9 May". [TNX ZS6DXB]

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8R1WD ---> "Following on from my recent e-mail informing of the passing of Peter, 8R1J", says Phil Whitchurch (G3SWH), "some helpful soul has taken it upon himself to amend the entry on QRZ.com to show that Peter, 8R1WD had become a 'silent key'. To quote Mark Twain, reports of Peter's death are very much exaggerated and neither was he too pleased to learn of his passing!" Phil has managed to get the entry on QRZ.com corrected.

ADXO ENHANCEMENT ---> Bill, NG3K (Bill@ng3k.com) recently made a functional

improvement to his ADXO (Announced DX Operations) listing (<http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/adxo.html>). Active DX operations now include a link to the DX Watch spot database. The link is located beneath the call sign in the Call field for most active DX operations listed in ADXO. A user clicking on [spots] will view a real-time list of recent DX Cluster spots for the call in question. DX Watch (www.dxwatch.com) is an innovative second generation DX spotting application that integrates data from packet cluster, qrz.com, and 425 DX News.

ARI INTERNATIONAL DX CONTEST ---> The Associazione Radioamatori Italiani (ARI) invites amateur radio operators and SWLs all over the world to participate in the 2008 A.R.I. International DX Contest, which will take place on 3-4 May (from 20 UTC on Saturday thorough 19.59 UTC on Sunday). Full information, free software included, can be found at www.qsl.net/contest_ari [TNX IT9BLB]

DXCC NEWS ---> YA/LY1Y (operations in 2006 and 2007) has been approved for DXCC credit. If you had cards rejected for this operation, send an e-mail to dxcc@arrl.org to be placed on the list for an update. [TNX NC1L]

JAPAN: NEW BAND PRIVILEGES ---> Effective 28 April, amateur radio operators from Japan have gained more privileges on the 80/75 metres band and are now allowed to operate on the following frequencies: 3500-3575 kHz, 3599-3612 kHz (new), 3680-3687 kHz (new), 3702-3716 kHz (new), 3745-3770 kHz (3745-3747 kHz and 3754-3770 kHz new) and 3791-3805 kHz. [TNX JARL]

QSL VIA 5B4AH0 ---> Due to his impending return to the UK, George, 5B4AGC is no longer QSL manager for Pafos Radio Club. The new QSL manager for 5B4PRC, C4EU and C4EURO is 5B4AH0 (Barry Carter, P.O. Box 79, Pegeia, 8560 Paphos, Cyprus). Cards that have already been sent via the bureau to 5B4AGC will be automatically forwarded to 5B4AH0. All direct requests for these calls have been responded to. [TNX 5B4AHJ]

QSL GALLERY ---> The large collection of QSL cards (more than 5400) on Les Nouvelles DX's web site has been updated. Twelve different galleries include cards for the ten Most Wanted DXCC Entities (220+ QSLs), the 58 deleted DXCC entities (850+ QSLs), obsolete prefixes (2140+ QSLs), stations from Magrebh from 1947 to 1962 (240+ QSLs), Antarctic bases (670 QSLs) & TAAF (Terres Australes and Antarctiques Francaises, 230+ QSLs), the various French DXCC island Entities in the Pacific Ocean (180+ QSLs) & the Indian Ocean (90+ QSLs), pre-1945 countries (410+ QSLs), French Departments (430 QSLs) and USA (40+ QSLs) plus a gallery for cards not accepted by DXCC (80+ QSLs). Several cards are still needed and your participation is encouraged - please visit <http://LesNouvellesdx.fr> and send send your comments to lesnouvellesdx@free.fr [TNX F6AJA]

TOP LISTS ---> The latest Topband, Topmode and Toplist listings are now available at <http://www.425dxn.org/awards/toplist/index.html>. Please note that QSOs confirmed through LoTW or included in on-line logs are now eligible for listing. Send send your scores, as well as any request for further information, to Erminio Pandocchi, I2EOW (i2eow@ari.it)

VK1AA/2 (OC-223) ---> Nick, VK1AA logged 1,716 QSOs, mainly on 40 and 30

metres running 75 watts into home made vertical, during his 17-20 April activity from Montague Island (OC-223). A few pictures and the video can be found at www.vk1aa.com [TNX VK1AA]

+ SILENT KEYS + Recently reported Silent Keys include Iwan Thomas Halasz (PY2AH), Robert J. Thibert (W9ARV) and Ivan M. Lesiv, JW0HS (UX1MS, ex UR5MVM), who lost his life on 17 April after a fire broke out 450 metres below ground in a coal mine at Barentsburg, Svalbard. The fire caused the death of another worker, while twenty-nine miners were safely evacuated.

QSLs received direct or through managers: 1A4A, 3B7C, 3B8CF, 3B8GL, 3C0CW, 3Y0C, 4J9NM, 403B, 4060BH, 4U1UN, 5J0E, 5T5DC, 5X1NH, 6Y9S, 7Q7VB, 8P1A, 8R1K, 9J2B0, 9K2MU, 9L1BTB, 9M2/JH3GCN, 9X0X, 9Y4D, A35MT, A35RK, A45XR, A71AN, A92HB, AA8LL/4 (NA-076), AY0DX, C31LM, C37URA, C4N, C50C, C52C, C6AKQ, C91VB, C020T, CQ95F, CT/DL5DSM/p (EU-145), CT1FJK, CW2C, D2NX, DR1A, DU9RG, E4/OM2DX, E51JA, E51QMA, E51TUG, EP2AC, FG/F5CWU, FG5FR, FH1LE, FJ/G3TXF, FJ/OH2AM, FJ/SP6IXF, FJ5KH, FM5AA, FO/JA8BMK, FO/OH1RX, FW0M0, H40MY, HH2FYD/6 (NA-149), HH4/K4QD, HK3TU, HL0LPM/2 (AS-090), HL2FDW, J20VB, J28JA, J37T, J5C (AF-020), JD1BLY, JD1BMM, JT1C0, KH8/K3UY, KP2M, KP4ED, LN8W, LZ128L0, MJ/F5CWU, MJ/K8PT, N1LI (NA-137), OF8X, OH0B, OH0R, OJ0B, OJ1AB0A, OX/NA1SA, OX3XR, P29XF, P40CW, P40LE, P49V, PJ2MI, PJ2T, PJ4/K8GG, PJ40, PT1A, PW0T, PW2M (SA-071), PZ5RA, PZ5WW, PZ5X, R1AND, R1FJM, R7C/TF, RK3DZJ/1 (EU-147), RW0CWA, S21ZDX, ST2A, T32J, T320U, T32YA, T77C, T77NM, T92J, TK5IH, TL8CK, TM7Z, TN6X, T05FJ, TY0CDX, TY22DX, UN2L, V31MR, V63JY, V630C, V73NS, V73QB, V85SS, V8FWU, VE1AI/W4 (NA-085), VK6DXI, VP2EDL, VP5/W5CW, VP6TD, VP9/W6PH, VQ5XF, VQ9LA, VR2ZQZ, VU2NKS, VY0/JA1DOT, WH2D, WP3R, XE1V, XU7ACY, XU7TZG, XW1B, YI10M, YI9KT, YK9G, YK9SV (AS-186), Y022NATO, Y09HP, YU8/HB4FG, YV5YMA, Z2/UA4WHX, ZB3B, ZD7BG, ZD7X, ZP0R, ZX5J.

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