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**** DX INFORMATION ****

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- 3A - Patrice, F5RBB says he will be active as 3A/F5RBB from Monaco on 1-10 September. He will operate on 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.
- 7Q - Once again Ely, IN3VZE will be active holiday style as 7Q7CE from Malawi from 29 August to 11 September. He plans to operate SSB and digital modes on all bands depending on propagation. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX IN3VZE]
- 8Q - Werner, DL1BKK and his wife Brigitte, DL1BKI will celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary and 30 years of amateur radio operating holiday style as 8Q7KK from Kuramathi Island, Maldives (AS-013) from 29 August to 17 September. QSL via DL1BKK, direct or bureau (please note that 8Q7KK has been reissued, and Werner will be able to confirm contacts made only in 2008). [TNX DL1BKK]
- 9A - Jan/OK1JK, Jiri/OK1JST, Jarda/OK1JIM, Standa/OK1AGE, Tom/OK1JRA, Vojta/OK1JKV and Radek/OK1MRK will be active as 9A/homecall from Porer Island (EU-110) and lighthouse on 6-13 September. They will operate CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK on 80-10 and 2 metres. QSL via OK1JST. Further information can be found at <http://jan.kepic.cz/> [TNX OK1JK]
- 9V - Special event station 9V1F1 (9V1 Formula One) will be active between 26 August and 30 September for the Formula 1 Grand Prix (<http://www.singaporegp.sg/>) that will be held in downtown Singapore on 28 September. The QSL cards will be sent via the bureau starting in October. Direct cards should be sent to either the Singapore Amateur Radio Transmitting Society (Robinson Road, P.O. Box 2728, Singapore 904728, Singapore) or the individual operator's callsign.
- EI - Dave/EI4BZ, Jeremy/EI5GM, Dave/EI9FBB and Mark/G4AXX will be active as EJ3HB from Great Blasket Island (EU-007) on 10-14 September. They will operate SSB and CW on 80-10 metres. QSL via EI9FBB, direct or bureau. Further information can be found at <http://blasketisland2008.blogspot.com/> [TNX G4AXX]
- F - Gerd, DK8NT will be active as F/DK8NT from Oleron Island (EU-032) from 24 August to 5 September. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
- F - Benoit/F8PDR, Jean-Jacques/F5NKX, Denis/F5RJM, Rolf/F9ZG, Alain/F5HVI, Rene/F6CMC and Alain/F6ACH will be active on all bands and modes as F5KAQ/p from Brehat Island (EU-074) on 1-8 September. QSL via F5RJM, direct or bureau. [TNX VA3RJ]
- F - Special event callsign TM2NN will be aired on 15-28 September for the 20th edition of Les Nuits de Nacre, the annual accordion festival that takes place in the city of Tulle. QSL via F5KTU. [TNX F5RBB]
- GM - Special event station GS8R will be activated on 80-10 metres SSB

and CW by the Orkney Amateur Radio Club (<http://www.eu009.com/>) on 22-24 and 29-31 August to commemorate the 850th anniversary of the death of St. Rognvald, the Norse Earl who founded St. Magnus Cathedral in Kirkwall. QSL direct to GM0WED. A sister special event station (LA8EARL) is expected to operate from Bringsvaerd (Norway), which is where Rognvald was born in 1100.

- GM - Four members of the Cambridge University Wireless Society (namely G3ZAY, M0ERY, M0FFX and M0SCH) hope to be active as GM6UW/p from the Monach Islands (EU-111) from mid-afternoon on 27 August until mid-morning on the 28th. The operation will take place only if the wind and sea conditions improve. [TNX G3ZAY]
- HL - A group of eight Korean operators (namely Kim/HL2CFY, Lim/DS2HRE, Kweon/DS2GXU, Han/DS2G00, Seok/6K2GDT, Cho/6K2FNN, Song/6K2BWA and Jeong/6K2ABX) will be active as either D9D and homecall/5 from Tok Island (AS-045) on 13-18 September. They will operate CW, SSB, FSK and PSK31 on 80-10 metres with four transceivers, two amplifiers and various vertical and wire antenna systems. QSL D9D via 6K2BWA, others via home call. [TNX DS2G00]
- PZ - Rich/OM2TW, Joe/OM5AW, Steve/OM5AA, David/OK1RK and Vlada/OK1NY will be active as PZ5Z from Suriname on 21-30 October, including an entry in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest. They will operate SSB and CW on 160-10 metres, plus 6 and 2 metres, with an emphasis on the low bands and 2m EME. QSL via OM2FY, direct or bureau. Further information (logsearch included) can be found at <http://www.om0c.com/suriname/> [TNX NG3K]
- SV - Laci, HA0HW will be active as J48HW and SV8/HA0HW from Thassos Island (EU-174) from 30 August to 10 September. He will operate mainly CW, with some SSB, RTTY and PSK31 as well, on the HF bands (mainly on 40, 30, 20 and 17 metres) and on 6 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX HA0HW] bureau or direct.
- UA - Celebrating the 65th anniversary of the end of the Nazi occupation during World War II, special event station R65B0 will be active from Bryansk and its surroundings between 25 August and 25 September. QSL via UA3YY. [TNX RV3YR]
- V4 - Dave, AH6HY will be active as V4/AH6HY from St. Kitts (NA-104) from 26 September to 3 October. He will operate SSB on 10-40 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX NG3K]
- VE - George, K3GV, will be active as K3GV/VY2 from Prince Edward Island (NA-029) on 1-22 September. Activity will be on 15 and 20 metres around the usual IOTA frequencies. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX K3GV]
- XU - Yuichi, 7K3BKY will be active as XU7YYY from Cambodia on 3-8 September. He will operate mainly CW, but will also give the All Asian DX SSB Contest a try. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX NG3K]
- ZP - Jan, DL7UFN and Rolf, DL7VEE plan to operate as ZP6/DL7UFN and ZP6/DL7VEE from the QTH of Tom, ZP5AZL in Asuncion, Paraguay on 4-14 September. They will operate CW, SSB, RTTY on 160-10 metres. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX DL7VEE]

ARCTIC ---> Serge, RZ6MF and Oleg, UA6LP are participating in the "Arktika-2008" expedition (17 August-30 September) to the Arctic basin region, and are active as UE6MAC/mm while on board the research vessel

"Akamik Fedorov". In early September they expect to be signing UE6MAC/0 from the new Russian drifting station "North Pole-36". Depending on weather and sea conditions, they might also operate from Wrangel Island (AS-027) and/or Franz Josef Land (EU-019). QSL via RZ6MF. [TNX UA6LP]

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CANADA ---> At it July 2008 meeting the Board of Directors of Radio Amateurs of Canada (RAC) adopted a new HF Band Plan, which can be found at http://www.rac.ca/service/bandplans/hfband_e.php [TNX VA3RJ]

QSL VIA LA5YJ ---> Over the past few years Hugo, LA5YJ operated as 9N7YJ, JW5YJ, MI0YJR, S21XF, ST2YJ and XU7ACW. The QSL route for ST2YJ is still via LA4YW, the other callsigns are handled by Hugo himself. The blank S21XF cards were expected to arrive from the printer earlier this week. All of the bureau cards for 9N7YJ and XU7ACW have been sent out. The 9N7YJ log will be closed on 31 December 2008, if you still need a QSL card please go direct (Hugo B. Ark, Rute 509, N-1766 Halden, Norway). [TNX LA5YJ]

SAC 2008 ---> Organized this year by SSA, the Swedish Amateur Radio Society, the 50th edition of the Scandinavian Activity Contest (SAC) will take place on 20-21 September (CW) and 27-28 September (SSB). To celebrate the Golden Jubilee, three special Anniversary Awards will be available for contacts made with Scandinavian stations during the contest. Complete information can be found at <http://www.qrq.se/sac> [TNX SM6LRR]

ZS8T ---> This is the latest press release posted by Rhynhardt Louw (ZS6DXB) on <http://zs8t.net/> (21 August):

"In April, Petrus ZS6GCM arrived on Marion Island to begin a year of work. Sometime in May he erected the SteppIR vertical he took along and ran into a few difficulties. He did make one contact during the month but efforts to resolve these difficulties were unsuccessful and Petrus's work commitments impeded our efforts to communicate via other methods with Petrus.

It has been over two months since we have heard from Petrus and are as much in the dark as the DX Community as to his plans.

At this point we are at a loss why Petrus has not been able to find time to put ZS8T on the air, he certainly made the efforts to obtain permissions and training before leaving for the Island. We must assume his job as administrator to the scientific community was much more than he contemplated. Petrus is on Marion Island for 7 more months.

If and when Petrus surfaces we will inform the DX Community. We are as disappointed as you".

+ SILENT KEYS + Famous Belgian sailor Willy de Roos (ON8RP and VK9XR/mm) passed away on 4 August at 85 years of age. In 1977-78, aboard his ketch "Williwaw", he sailed through the Northwest Passage, from Greenland to the Bering Strait, and then went on to round Cape Horn and sail back to

Belgium, thus becoming the first one to circumnavigate the Americas counter clockwise.

Other recently reported Silent Keys include Doug M. Hill (G3ZWH), Pete Weymouth (M1SOM), Vic Dubois (N4TO), Alan P. Burgstahler (N7BF) and Valery F. Shishlov (RA1PAW).

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3D2VB, 3DA0VB, 3W2BMK, 4M5IR, 403A, 5H3VMB, 5R8VB, 5T5DC, 5X1VB, 5Z4/UA4WHX, 6W1SJ, 7Q7VB, 8Q7SH, 9J2M, 9J2VB, 9K2/SP4R, 9L0W, 9M6/N1UR, 9U0VB, 9X0R, 9X0VB, A25VB, A35RK, A35VB, A45WD, A92GR, C910K, C91TK, C91VB, C08LY, D20VB, D60VB, DK6A0/TI7 (NA-191), DL3VFN/J3, DP0GVN, DU5/ZL4P0, ET3JA, FH1LE, FJ/DJ2V0, FM5FJ, FO/KH0PR, H7/K9NW, HB0/DL2SBY, HC1HC, HC5WW, HI8/AC4LN, HP2/JA5REX, J20VB, JT1SNY, KG4WV, KL2R, KL7HBK (NA-004), KP2/W5IF, N1YC/VK9X, N6VR/p (NA-144), OA4BHY/3 (SA-074), OH0/PA2A, OH0/PA3BAG, OH0/PB5A, P29VVB (OC-025), PE7T/VK9X, PJ6/K2KW, PT5A, R1FJT, R35NP, S79JE, SD20 (EU-135), ST2VB, T32Z, T88PR, TF/DL2VFR (EU-168), TM5B (EU-148), TX5C, TX7LX, UT0FT/p (EU-182), V51VV, V73VV, VK6FAU (OC-206), VP5/WB2REM, VP6DX, VP6PR, VP8/LZ1UQ, VQ9JC, VQ9LA, VR10XLN, VR2XLN, WH6R, WP4U, XR7W (SA-053), XW3DT, YL3FT, YN2KDJ, Z2/UA4WHX, Z21BC, ZB3B, ZD8Z, ZK1/AC4LN (OC-082).

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