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**** DX INFORMATION ****

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- 5N - Bodo's ,DL30CH (KT3Q) trip to Nigeria [425DXN 930] has been delayed and now expects to travel to Nigeria around 21 March. The callsign for his EME activities will be 5N0EME, while on the HF bands he should be using 5N/KT3Q.
- 5X - Nick, G3RWF will be active again as 5X1NH from Fort Portal, Uganda starting on 11 March until 5 May. This time he may also give digital modes a try, and will try to improve his antennas for the low bands. QSL via home call. [TNX G3RWF]
- 6W - Alessandro, IK4ALM will be active as 6W/IK4ALM from Saly, Senegal between 29 March and 9 April. He will operate SSB and QRS CW on 40-10 metres with 100 watts and a ground plane. QSL via home call. [TNX IK4ALM]
- 9A - Look for Wolfgang, 9A/OE3WGC and Gert, 9A/OE3ZK to be active from Palagruza Island (EU-090) and lighthouse from 30 May to 6 June. They plan to operate CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via bureau to home calls. [TNX OE3ZK]
- 9M2 - Richard, PA0RRS will be moving permanently to Malaysia on 1 May. He will be active as 9M2MRS from Penang Island (AS-015), initially only on 20 metres with a dipole. He prefers CW, with SSB on request. QSL via 9M2MRS, either direct (Richard Smeets, Reef Apartment Building, 54-7-12 Jalan Low Yat, 11100 Batu Ferringhi, Penang Island, Malaysia) or through the bureau. "Via PA0RRS" is still possibile, but you should be patient, as Richard will be back to the The Netherlands only for a limited time each year. [TNX PA0RRS/9M2MRS]
- 9M6 - Steve, 9M6DXX will operate as 9M8Z from Sarawak, East Malaysia (OC-088) on 26-29 March, including a SOAB HP entry in the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest. Outside the contest, look for Steve on 40 metres SSB, on which band he will be using a 3-element Yagi. QSL via M0URX, direct, bureau or LoTW. [TNX 9M6DXX]
- BV - BV2DD and other six operators from Taiwan will be active as BP0A from the P'enghu Islands (AS-103) on 27-30 March. QSL via BV2KI, direct or bureau. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
- CN - Alfredo, IK7JWX and other eight operators will be active on all bands and modes from Mogador Island (AF-065) between 18 and 26 April. They have been issued individual callsigns as follows: 5C2A (QSL via IK2AQZ), 5C2C (QSL via IK6CAC), 5C2F (QSL via I2FUG), 5C2G (QSL via IZ7GWZ), 5C2J (QSL via IK7JWX), 5C2L (QSL via I8LWL), 5C2SG (QSL via IZ7ATN), 5C2Y (QSL via I0SNY) and 5C2Z (QSL via I8YGZ). Their main QTH will be Essaouira on mainland Morocco; when on the island they will operate /p. They also plan to operate /m from three lighthouses (ARLHS MOR-019, MOR-036 and MOR-040). Contributions will be gratefully accepted. Please e-mail mogadorisland2009@libero.it for further information, or visit

<http://www.mogador2009.altervista.org/> (under construction). [TNX IK7JWX]

- CT - CT1GFK, CT1GPQ, CT1IUA and CT2IHP will be active as CS6A from the lighthouse Murtinas Posterior (ARLHS POR-126) on 15 March, from 7 to 13 UTC. They plan to operate CW and SSB on 40, 30, 20 and 17 metres with two stations. QSL via CT1GFK, direct or bureau. [TNX CT1END]
- CU - Martti, OH2BH (CU2KG) and Juha, OH8NC (CU2KH) are in the Azores and will participate in the ARRL DX SSB Contest as CU2A (20m) and CU2X (80m). They may occasionally come on other bands to hand out multipliers. QSL both via OH2BH. [TNX OH2BN]
- DU - DY1C is the callsign Jairus/DV1ERS, Roland/DU1KGJ and Frank/VE7DP will be using during their operation from Cujo Island (OC-120) [425DXN 930]. Their operating schedule will be dictated by the boat schedule to the island and they anticipate to be QRV around 4 UTC on 6 March until around 2 UTC on the 8th. Look for DY1C on 40, 30, 20 and 17 metres CW and SSB. QSL via VE7DP, direct or bureau. [TNX VE7DP]
- F - Christophe/F5UBH, Juan/F5IRC and Karim/F4CTJ will be active as TM2HC from Hoedic Island (EU-048) on 13-15 March. They plan to operate CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31 on the HF bands. QSL via F5IRC, direct or bureau. [TNX F5NQL]
- F - Amateur radio club CBK (<http://www.cbk67.org>) will operate special event station TM0TAN from 27 March to 10 April to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the Organisation du Traite de l'Atlantique Nord (OTAN), i.e. the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO). The activity also includes participation in the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest. QSL via F8KHH, direct or bureau. [TNX F5AEG]
- FT5X - Gildas, TU5KG (FT5WP/mm) expects to stop at Port-aux-Francais (Kerguelen) between 8 and 10 March. If he is able to land, he will might be QRV as FT5XS (QSL via F4EFI). [TNX F4EFI]
- H40 - The Daily DX reports that the Temotu team - namely H40MS (SSB), H40FN (CW) and H40HP (2m EME) - is operating from Pigeon Island in the Reef Islands (OC-065), not from Nendo (OC-100) as previously announced. QSL H40MS via DL2GAC; QSL H40FN via HA8FW; QSL H40HP via DL2NUD.
- HH - Jan, K4QD and Don, AF4Z will be active again as HH4/homecall from the Northwest Haiti Christian Mission from 23 March to 3 April. They will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 160-10 metres as time and availability of AC power permit. They will also participate in the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest, and are working with HH2JR and the Radio Club Haiti in an attempt to obtain a special 4V4 prefix for the contest. QSL via home calls. [TNX K4QD]
- I - Special stations II0IDP (QSL via IS0SDX), II0IDR (QSL via IZ0FVD), II0IGU (QSL via IK0JFS), II1ICS (QSL via I1SAF), II1IGG (QSL via I2AZ), II8ICN (QSL via IZ8JPV) and II9ICF (QSL via IT9MRM) - all representing former coast radio stations of the Italian Navy - will be active on 7-22 March for the 3rd Italian Navy Coastal Radio Stations Award (<http://www.assoradiomarinai.tk>). [TNX IT9MRM]
- I - Celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Nobel Prize in physics awarded to Guglielmo Marconi, special event station IY1GMN will be QRV on 13-28 June from Sanremo (www.arisanremo.it). The activity will coincide with a vintage-radio exhibition ("From Marconi to

- Nowadays") to be hosted at Villa Nobel, where Alfred Nobel lived and died in 1896. QSL via operator's instructions [TNX I1UWF]
- J3 - Colin, G3VCQ will be active as J38CW from Grenada on 12-26 March. He will operate holiday style on 80-10 metres SSB, CW and possibly RTTY/PSK. He will also participate in the Commonwealth (BERU) Contest (14-15 March, rules at www.rsgbhfcc.org). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX G3VCQ]
- JA - Look for JS6RRR and JI3DST/JS6 to operate on all bands and modes from the Miyako Islands (AS-079) on 14-24 March. QSL via bureau. [TNX JS6RRR]
- KH0 - Look for KH0/KI3DNN (QSL via JI3DNN), KH0/N3MU (QSL via JA3CEK) and KH0/K2JA (QSL via JL3SIK) to be active from Saipan (OC-086) on 19-22 March. They plan to operate SSB, CW and some digital modes on 160-6 metres. [TNX JL3SIK]
- LU - LU4GL, LU1JB/L, LU4LC, LU9GDN, LU7LC, LU4LE and possibly others will be active as LT9L (<http://www.qsl.net/lt9l>) from the nature reserve Esteros del Ibera on 21-23 March. They will operate CW, SSB, PSK, RTTY and SSTV on 80, 40, 20 and 15 metres. QSL via EA5FL. The operation is organized by Radio Club Corrientes (LU4LG), Radio Club Villa Angela (LU4GO) and Chaco Radio Club (LU4GF). [TNX LU5FZ]
- OE - The "Radio Club of America" was established in January 1909, and issued the first amateur radio licences in April of that year. To celebrate 100 Years of Amateur Radio, the Amateur Radio Section of ORF (Austrian Broadcasting Corporation) and the Documentary Archives Radio Communication/QSL Collection will be active as OE100M on 1-30 April (contacts made on the International Marconi Day, 25 April, will be valid for the IMD Award). QSL via the bureau or direct to OE1WHC. [TNX OE1WHC]
- PA - Amateur radio operators from Ireland (EI) will be permitted to operate digital modes on 30 metres starting on 29 March, and a number of European Phase Shift Keying Club's (EPC) stations will be active on or around that date to celebrate that event. Announced stations include PA30EPC (from 28 March to 24 April, operated by Richard/PA3GWH on 10-80 metres PSK) as well as CS2EPC, DK0EPC, K1EPC, M0EPC, MI0EPC, N4EPC, and possibly others. QSL via operator's instructions. [TNX PA3GWH]
- S2 - S21KD is the callsign for the Korea DX Club's DXpedition to Dhaka, Bangladesh [425DXN 921]. Four operators (namely 6K2AVL, 6K2GCW, 6K5YPW and HL5FUA) will be active from 7 to 14 March on 160-10 metres the following suggested frequencies:
 CW 1822, 3515, 7015, 10115, 14015, 18075, 21015, 24895, 28015
 SSB 3793, 7095, 14195, 18130, 21295, 24950, 28460
 Digital 7035, 10140, 14082, 18100, 21082
 QSL via HL5FUA, direct or bureau. The webpages for the expedition can be found at <http://dxpedition.co.kr/>
- SV - Andreas/SV2JAO, Archelaos/SV2KBB, Kostas/SV2LLB and Litsa/SW2MIN will be active as SX2MT from the Royal Tombs Museum at Vergina, the capital of the ancient Macedonian kingdom, on 20-21 and 27-28 June for the International Museums Weekend. QSL via SV2KBB, direct only. [TNX SV2KBB]
- TA - The TC Special Wireless Activity Team (<http://www.tcswat.org/>) will be active as TC18M on 17-19 March to commemorate the 94th

anniversary of the naval battle of 18 March 1915 during the Dardanelles Campaign. They will operate SSB and CW on the HF bands from Canakkale on the Asiatic side of the Dardanelles. QSL via TA3FB. [TNX TA1HZ]

- UA - Special event station R150ASP will be active from Gogland Island (EU-133) on 14-17 March to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the birth of Russian physicist and radio pioneer Aleksandr S. Popov. Look for activity on the HF bands SSB, CW and digital modes. QSL via RF3C, direct or bureau. [TNX RA3DOX]
- V2 - Bob, W4OWY (V25WY) and Mark, W9OP (V25OP) will be active on 160-6 metres from Antigua (NA-100) on 10-19 March. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. They will also upload their logs to LoTW and eQSL. [TNX NG3K]
- VE - John/VE8EV, Wally/VE8DW and Gerry/VE8GER will be active as VX8X from Ellice Island (NA-192) on 20-23 March. They plan to operate around the clock, with an expected focus on 20m SSB and some activity on CW as well. They will also have a vertical for 40 metres. The QSL route will be announced at www.qrz.com and updates will be posted on <http://ve8ev.blogspot.com/search/label/IOTA> [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
- VE - VY0A is the callsign Cezar, VE3LYC will be using during his 31 March-3 April activity from Fox Island (NA-186) [425DXN 929]. He will operate SSB and CW with 100 watts and a multi-band vertical antenna, with a focus on 20, 30 and 40 metres. This IOTA group was activated only once and very briefly sixteen years ago. The costs associated with this operation are considerable and both group and individual donors are being sought. QSL via VE3LYC.
- VP5 - Dave, W5CW will be active on 160-6 metres CW and SSB as VP5/W5CW from Providenciales (NA-002), Caicos Islands from 24 March to 8 April. He will participate in the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest as VP59V; before and after the WPX event he will concentrate on 160, 30, 12 and 17 metres. QSL via home call (direct only). [TNX W5CW]
- W - Pete, VE3IKV (VA3RA) will operate from St. Simons Island (NA-058) on 7 March. On 9-13 March he will be active from Key West (NA-062), with a possibility of a side trip to the Dry Tortugas (NA-079) during that time frame. Expect him to be active as W4/VA3RA on 40 metres CW, between 21 UTC and 2 UTC, from all locations. [TNX VE3IKV]

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ARRL INTERNATIONAL DX CONTEST (SSB) ---> Object of the contest is for W/VE amateurs to work as many stations in as many DXCC countries as possible on 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, and 10 metre bands, while foreign amateurs (also including KH6, KL7, CY9 and CY0) work as many W/VE stations in as many of the 48 contiguous states and provinces as possible (full rules can be found at <http://www.arrl.org/contests/rules/2009/intldx.html>). This year's event will run from 00.00 UTC on 7 March through 24.00 UTC on the 8th. Do

not forget to give a look at the Announced Operations listing maintained by Bill, NG3K at <http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/adxs2009.html> - good contest to you all!

DXCC NEWS ---> At its last meeting the ARRL Programs and Services Committee decided that administratively the concept of "deleted entities" should be returned to the DXCC programme. The concepts for deleting an entity do not change. If an entity is deleted it will be added to the Deleted Entities List and the statistical records for DXCC participants will be adjusted accordingly, just as they had been in the years prior to 2000 (when the change from "deleting entities" to "removing entities" was introduced). Read Bill Moore's, NC1L full release on the Century Club Awards Weblog at <http://www.arrl.org/blog/Century%20Club%20Awards>

FH/G3SWH ---> Phil (G3SWH) and Dick (G3RWL) arrived back from their trip to Mayotte with over 10,000 QSOs in the log. "Looking at the DX Summit spot database", Phil says, "we appear to have been the victim of some piracy". Please note that there was neither activity by FH/G3RWL (both operators used FH/G3SWH) nor SSB activity whatsoever.

K5D POSTLOGUE ---> "The K5D DXpedition (12-26 February 2009) netted 115,783 QSOs, including one QSO with the International Space Station. The DXpedition ranks #7th for all-time number of QSOs, and the #1 DXpedition with the most 30m contacts. More importantly, we are confident that thousands of radio amateurs worldwide now have a QSO with Desecheo for an all-time new one - our overall #1 goal!

Desecheo was #2 Most Wanted in Asia and #3 Most Wanted in Europe. We are happy to report that 40% of our contacts were with Asia and Europe - another important goal achieved!

The QSL card is in the final stages of design and will be available in the next few weeks. You may QSL directly to N200, but online QSL requests are available and highly recommended (details at <http://www.kp5.us/qsls.htm>). Logs will be uploaded to LoTW early next year. The Desecheo 2009 team wants to thank everyone for working us and helping to make this DXpedition such a success!" [TNX K4UEE and W0GJ]

QSL GALLERY ---> The large collection of QSL cards on Les Nouvelles DX's web site has been updated. Twelve different galleries include cards for the ten Most Wanted DXCC Entities (301 QSLs), the 58 deleted DXCC entities (939 QSLs), obsolete prefixes (2547 QSLs), stations from Magrebh from 1947 to 1962 (304 QSLs), Antarctic bases (723 QSLs) & TAAF (Terres Australes and Antarctiques Francaises, 246 QSLs), the various French DXCC island Entities in the Pacific Ocean (245 QSLs) & the Indian Ocean (95 QSLs), pre-1945 countries (533 QSLs), French Departments (522 QSLs) and USA (50 QSLs) plus a gallery for cards not accepted by DXCC (105 QSLs). Several cards are still needed and your participation is encouraged - please visit <http://LesNouvellesdx.fr> and send your comments to lesnouvellesdx@free.fr [TNX F6AJA]

QSL VIA NI5DX ---> Buzz, NI5DX is the new QSL manager for ZC4TS (logs transferred, cards being ordered) and FM1II (logs transferred, cards expected "in the not too distant future"). [TNX K1XN and The Golist]

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 eligible for listing. Send send your scores, as well as any request for further information, to Erminio Pandocchi, I2EOW (i2eow@fastwebnet.it)

VK9NS ---> Bruce Smith, G3HSR, son of the late Jim Smith, recalls his father's life on the Documentary Archive Radio Communication's website (<http://www.dokufunk.org/vk9ns>). The interview was given to Wolf Harranth, OE1WHC on 5 March,

+ SILENT KEYS + Recently reported Silent Keys include Karl-Heinz Moeding (DJ9CZ), John S. Kanzius (K3TUP), Harry K. Nishiyama (KH6FKG), Victor A. Babenko (RV6AB), John D. Peebles (W0LBA), Leonid I. Zverev (UA8TAB), Vasilij A. Spirin (UA9TE), George Smith (VE3CA0) and John Metcalfe (VE3HWW).

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3B8CF, 3DA0EI, 4L/UU4JMG, 4L0A, 4L4WW, 4L8A, 4X/K2LS, 5B4AGL, 5N/LZ1QK, 5T5DC, 6W1SJ, 7Q7HB, 7Q7JL, 8R1AK, 9A2X, 9A5W, 9J2B0, 9M2MRS, 9M6/N2BB, A71BX, BD4JUJ, BG1DRJ/2, C31CT, C91LW, C94KF, CE0Y/N6N0, CE1/K7CA, CE9/K2ARB, CM6RCR, C02WL, CP4BT, DS1REE, DU9RG, E51KAJ, E51QQQ, E73TW, E74KC, E76AQ, ER4DX, ER4ER, ES1WN, ES5QX, EY8/K4ZW, EY8MM, FK8CP, FO/KH0PR, FW8DX, H40MY, H44MY, HB0/DK9FEC, HC2SL, HC5WW, HC8A, HI3T, HI9/EA3BT (NA-122), HI9/EA3WL (NA-122), HK3CQ, HQ8R, J3/DL5AXX, J79WE, JD1BIE, JD1BMM, JX9JKA, KH8/KK6H, KP2/AE6XY, LY2ZZ, N1LI (NA-137), NP2/AK2P, OA4BHY/2 (SA-075), OY9JD, P29NI (OC-041 and OC-181), PJ4E, PV8AZ, RU6DX/p (EU-185), S79AB, S79NS, S79NS/p, ST2A, T70A, T77C, T93Y, T96Q, TA3D, TF3SG, TI2CCC, TN5SN, T01YR, T05DX, TR50R, TR8CA, TT8JT, TX7LX (AF-027), UK9AA, V73NS, V85TT, VI9NI, VK9DWW, VP5/N0VD, VP5W, VP6PR, VP8DIF, VP8YLC, VP8YLE, VP8YLI, VP9GE, VQ9LA, VU4RG, W1AW/KL7, W6H, XE2EJ, XU7ACY, XU7TZG, XV3M, YB0AZ, YI9PT, Z32ID, ZB2FK, ZD8UW, ZF2DS, ZL1BYZ.

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