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**** DX INFORMATION ****
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- 3W - Miki, JJ2CJB will be active as XV2CJB from Vietnam on 23-25 October. He will be QRV on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres and will participate in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest. QSL via JJ2CJB and LoTW. [TNX The Daily DX]
- A3 - Dave, W6ZL (3D2KM) will be active holiday style as A35KL from Tongatapu (OC-049), Tonga on 17-24 October. He will operate CW and RTTY on 80-10 metres. QSL via W6ZL (direct) and LoTW. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
- A3 - Masa, JA0RQV (<http://blog.goo.ne.jp/rqv>) will be active as A35JP/p from Vava'u Island (OC-064) from 31 October to 2 November. He will operate CW and SSB on 40-6 metres, running 100 watts into verticals. Prior to that, he will be QRV as A35JP from Tongatapu (OC-049) on 24-29 October. Main activity will be during the CQ WW DX SSB Contest. QSL via JA0RQV, direct or bureau (OQRS on Club Log), and LoTW.
- C9 - Beth, MW0VOW and John, ZS5J will be active as C91B from Mozambique from 20 October to 3 November. They will operate CW and SSB on 160-6 metres. QSL via LoTW or direct to P.O. Box 102303, Meer en See, Richards Bay, 3901, South Africa; logsearch on Club Log. [TNX DX World]
- DL - Special callsign DL25UNION is active until 31 December to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the end of the process in which the German Democratic Republic joined the Federal Republic of Germany to form the reunited nation of Germany. QSL via DJ6SI, direct or bureau. [TNX DX Newsletter]
- EA9 - DG00HD, DG5AA, DK8YY, DL1A0B, DL1AWD, DL5AOL and DL8ALU are active from Melilla on 14-19 October. They operate SSB, CW and RTTY on 160-10 metres and will take part in the WAG (Worked All Germany) Contest (<http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/contest/wag/en/>) on 17-18 October. [TNX DH7WW]
- JA - Take, JI3DST will be active as JI3DST/5 (CW and SSB) and JS6RRR/5 (RTTY and FM) from Shodo (AS-200) on 24-26 October and again from 31 October to 3 November. QSL via bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
- PY0F - Godoi, PY4NY will be active again as PY0NY [425DXN 1253] from Fernando de Noronha (SA-003) from 28 October to 5 November. He will operate CW, SSB, PSK31 and RTTY on 40-10 metres, and maybe also on 80 and 6m. See qrz.com for more information. QSL direct to home call. [TNX DX World]
- SM - Jef DD2CW, Marcel ON6UQ and Roger ON7TQ, along with SWL Dirk ONL741, will be active again from SI9AM (the King Chulalongkorn Memorial Amateur Radio Society, www.si9am.com) in Ragunda on 21-28 October, including an entry in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest. QSL via SM3TIR, direct or bureau.

- SV - Nicolas, F1RAF will be active again as SV8/F1RAF from Poros Island (not IOTA) on 25-31 October. He will operate SSB only on 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau (OQRS on Club Log). [TNX F6AJA]
- V2 - V260C (QSL via N30C), V26RA (QSL via K3RA) and V26BZR (QSL via W2BZR) will be active from Antigua (NA-100) on 18-28 October. Main activity will take place as V26B (QSL via LoTW or direct only to KA2AEV) during the CQ WW DX SSB Contest. [TNX The Daily DX]
- YB - As part of a "Moluccas IOTA Tour", Budi, YF1AR (www.yf1ar.com) will be active as YF1AR/8 from the Barat Daya Islands (OC-272) starting on 15 October "until further notice". Plans are to operate mainly SSB on 80-10 metres. QSL via the OQRS on Club Log (preferred, direct link on qrz.com) or N200. [TNX YF1AR]
- ZL7 - Graham, ZL3MA, will be active as ZL7/ZL3MA from the Chatham Islands (OC-038) on 20-27 October. He will operate CW, PSK and JT65 in his spare time. QSL via ZL3MA. [TNX NG3K]

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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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REDEFINED Q-CODE ---> A redefined Q-code (QTX) is promoted to communicate the state of affairs clearly from both ends of the DXpedition circuit. The new QTX code was released over the past weekend at the ARI DX summit in Rome, Italy and the RSGB Convention in the UK.

"The new meaning of QTX: when a DXpedition operator clearly spells out a callsign and a number, it simply means that a targeted station should stop transmitting for a specified time period, say 1 hour, and then come back with a retuned method and mind. Alternatively, a DXer can send QTX with band and time to a pilot station indicating that a specific DXpedition operator's efficiency and throughput - the rate, that is - has reached a point where the DXpedition operator cannot handle the task at hand, so much so that it all results in a chaotic situation. The DXpedition management folks should then act accordingly to deal with this unfortunate operator". [TNX OH2BN]

THE FUTURE OF THE IOTA PROGRAMME ---> The following release was posted by the Radio Society of Great Britain's General Manager on 10 October: "The RSGB Islands on the Air (IOTA) programme celebrated its 50th anniversary as a premier DX programme in July 2014. The last fifty years have seen the programme grow to 2,500 active island chasers and approximately 15,000 more casual participants. It is perhaps second in scale and scope to the DXCC award; indeed, many would argue it is even more challenging than that programme. Last year the Board identified a number of challenges that the programme faced, not least of which was the need to provide an IT system that would allow online island credit submission akin to Logbook of the World (LoTW).

Since that time, a small group of IOTA enthusiasts has been working with the Society to ensure that the IOTA programme continues to grow and play the prominent role that it has done in Amateur Radio DXing and contest

activity for the last fifty years.

That work has now come to fruition and we are pleased to announce that a new organisation will be formed, to be called the IOTA Foundation. It will be run by IOTA enthusiasts and will manage the IOTA programme in partnership with the Society. One major task for the new organisation will be to develop a new online credit system that is due to be completed in 2017.

Roger Balister (G3KMA), Bob Barden (MD0CCE), Cezar Trifu (VE3LYC) and Johan Willemsen (PA3EXX) are the team who will implement the IT changes and form the IOTA Foundation, with representation from radio amateurs at home and abroad". Read G3KMA's "Welcoming Response" on www.rsgbiota.org.

TX3X ---> The TX3X team logged their last QSO at 17.17 on 11 October and left the island at 3 UTC on the 12th. The voyage back to New Caledonia was not smooth: "with 2-3 meter seas, coming at us from different directions, and heavy winds the boat and passengers took a significant beating". All the logs have been uploaded to the server, and the current statistics show 50104 QSOs (50.8% CW, 38.9% SSB and 10.3% RTTY) with 14401 unique callsigns (28.74%) located in Asia (44.43%), North America (30.22%), Europe (20.19%), Oceania (3.71%), South America (1.23%) and Africa (0.23%). There are hundreds of e-mails asking for a "log check", and the team reports they "will begin the process of working through the Nil and busted calls when we are near a reliable Internet connection. This will probably not be until 19 October".

VK0EK NEWSLETTER ---> In the sixth issue of the Heard Island Expedition Newsletter, published on 14 October, "we celebrate and thank our sponsors. While the current list is incomplete (we receive new sponsors almost every day), we take this opportunity to thank not only those who have contributed already, but all who will help us complete our fundraising goal. The good news is that we are on track to completing the financial resources to carry out the expedition". Subscribe to the Newsletter for free by going to www.heardisland.org/HD_pages/HD_newsletter.php (where there is also a link to download back issues).

VP8SGI & VP8STI ---> This appeal (abridged) comes from the organizers of the January-February 2016 VP8STI (South Sandwich) and VP8SGI (South Georgia) DXpeditions. "Analysis of our funding shows us that while individual donations have exceeded all expectations, club donations have not. We are seeing that many clubs that gave FT5ZM or K1N \$1000-\$2000 are giving us \$500 or a fraction of what they gave to these other DXpeditions. Some clubs that gave quite generously to other recent DXpeditions have decided not to make any donation to us. While we appreciate each and every donation, with a budget of \$425,000 we are making small incremental steps when leaps and bounds are needed. To date, we have raised \$142,000 above the team contribution of \$210,000. We still have a deficit of \$73,000 that we need to fill as much as we can. At this time, we are asking for those Foundations and Clubs that have not yet made a donation to please consider doing so": www.intrepid-dx.com/vp8.

+ SILENT KEY + Franz Nieberding, DK1II (DA0I) passed away on 8 October 2015. Licenced since 1966, he was primarily a CW operator - but enjoyed SSB and RTTY as well - with a focus on DXing and contesting. He was the

organizer and team leader of the 701YGF DXpedition to Yemen (2000), and participated in the 5A7A (Lybia 2006), ZL8X (Kermadec 2010) and T32C (Kiritimati/Christmas Island 2011) DXpeditions. Other DX activities include YJ0AII (2004), ZL7II (2004) and 3D2II (2010).

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3B8CW	NI5DX	HA3ITU	HA5AGP	R00BVB	UA4WHX
3Z90GNZ	SP5ZRW	HA4ITU	HA5AGP	R00QVB	UA4WHX
4L5P	UT7QF	HA5BPITU	HA5AGP	R10NRC	RV9V
4U0ITU	4U1ITU	HA6ITU	HA5AGP	R2015DF	RA1ANY
4U0WFP	S57DX	HA7ITU	HA5AGP	RI0POL	UA4WHX
5H3MB	IK2GZU	HA8ITU	HA5AGP	RI0QV	UA4WHX
5X8C	ON6NL	HA9ITU	HA5AGP	S01WS	EA2JG
7Y7Y	7X2ARA	HB9SPACE	HB9ACA	S79SP	SP6FX Y
8S0C	SM0MPV	HE200GE	HB9AOF	SI9AM	SM3TIR
9G5GH	EA5ZD	HF690PMA	SP9KUP	T43GDXC	C03JA
9G5SP	SP3UQE	HG0ITU	HA5AGP	T45GDXC	PA3ACA
9Q6AL	DF9TA	HG150ITU	HA5AGP	T46G	RW6HS
A60WSW	IZ8CLM	HG1ITU	HA5AGP	T48X	K2AU
C5YK	ON6EG	HG2ITU	HA5AGP	T88MZ	DU1CKF [d]
CN8KD	EA5XX	HG3ITU	HA5AGP	T88MZ	JH0CKF [b]
C03VK	IZ8EBI	HG4ITU	HA5AGP	TM1C0	F6LIA
C08DM	KU9C	HG5ITU	HA5AGP	TM25LUX	F5KMY
C08LY	EA7ADH	HG6ITU	HA5AGP	TM300SK	F4GFE
CX2DK	EA5GL	HG7ITU	HA5AGP	TM72BST	F6KFI
DK0WRTC	DJ9MH	HG8ITU	HA5AGP	TT8AM0	M0URX
DU1IST	JA1HGY	HG9ITU	HA5AGP	V31YN	DJ4KW
E30FB	JH1AJT	HL03NWP	HL5FXP	V44KAI	W5TFW
EA9/DK8YY	DH7WW [d]	J42CPMV	SV2HXV	V47JA	W5JON
EA9/DK8YY	DK8YY [b]	JK3ZXK/5	JP3AYQ	V73D	DL4SVA
EG5MCC	EA5RCK	JT90IARU	JT1KAA	V85/VE3LA	LY5W
EI150ITU	EI6AL	JW5X	LA5X	V85/VE8DX	LY5W
EI8GQB	PA3249	KG4AW	KG9LB	VK6BP/p	VK6BP
EN1000U	UR4UWY	KG4DY	KE4KDY	VP2MTX	K8ESQ
E070LHG	UR3LD0	KG4WV	W4WV	XX9TIH	SP9FIH
FK8DD	NI5DX	LG5LG	LA5TIA	XX9TUD	SP2FUD
FM5BH	W3HNK	MB5RC	M0DXR	YB9/KY1A	E21EIC
FM5FJ	KU9C	MX0LDG	M0URX	YB9/WQ2C	9M2CQC
G50FRS	G0YYY	N5M	AB5EB	YP94HMK	Y02KBQ
GB0RWC	G0GWY	OA6Q	OE3NHW	YQ40KNE	Y06KNE
GP0STH	G4DIY	OT4CLM	ON3AIM	YR94HMK	Y02KBQ
HA0ITU	HA5AGP	P40DX	K5JP	ZD7W	W6NV
HA150ITU	HA5AGP	P40JW	NT5V	ZF1DX	W8BLA
HA1ITU	HA5AGP	PA70FAW	PA0FAW	ZM2IO	DK7A0

HA2ITU HA5AGP PY90IARU OZ1HHH ZV10M PT7ZT

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