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**** DX INFORMATION ****

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- E4 - Elvira, IV3FSG has been active again as E44YL from Bethlehem, Palestine since 5 December, and will remain there until 18 December. QSL via IK3GES.
- HL - Celebrating the XXIII Olympic Winter Games that will be held next year in PyeongChang (<https://www.pyeongchang2018.com/en>), special event station DT23WOP is active until 28 February 2018. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau and LoTW.
- JD1_oga- Once again Harry, JG7PSJ will be active as JD1BMH from Chichijima (AS-031), Ogasawara from 24 December to 2 January. He will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 160-10 metres. QSL via JD1BMH (bureau) or JG7PSJ (direct). See <http://sapphire.es.tohoku.ac.jp/jd1bmh/> for logsearch and other information. He does not use LoTW.
- JW - Morten, LA4JSA will be active as JW4JSA from Bear Island (EU-027), Svalbard until 1 June 2018. QSL via home call. [TNX The Daily DX]
- OE - The International Amateur Radio Contest DX Club based in Vienna, Austria will be active as 4Y1A on 7-14 December for the International Civil Aviation Day. QSL via UA3DX; logsearch on Club Log.
- OH - This year Santa Radio (OF9X) will be active as OJ9X to either promote the Christmas spirit on the radio spectrum and celebrate Finland's 100th anniversary as an independent state. The country-wide operation will take place on 6-31 December and will see several radio clubs participating across all bands and modes. The first 100 scoring the highest number of bands/modes, with the top 10 from each continent, will qualify for the "Finland 100 Years" award signed by Santa himself along with the prime minister of Finland, Mr. Juha Sipila, who is a patron of this special event. You can follow your score on Club Log. QSL via and Club Log's OQRS. [TNX W6SZN]
- OZ - Volker, DJ8VW will be active again as 5P8VW from Romo Island (EU-125) on 13-23 December. He will operate SSB, CW and FT8 on 160-6 metres. QSL Club Log's OQRS (preferred), eQSL, LoTW or via DJ8VW (direct or bureau). [TNX DX Newsletter]
- S5 - Special event station S510PMC will be active from 7 December to 7 January 2018 to promote the PMC Contest, sponsored by the Radio Club Slovenj Gradec (S59DCD). QSL via the bureau. The International Association of Peace Messenger Cities was established in 1988 to recognize and encourage the role and responsibility cities have in creating a culture of peace. The PMC Contest, promoting contacts between stations located in the Peace Messenger Cities and the rest of the world, will be held on 6-7 January (complete information can be found at <http://www.s59dcd.si/>).
- TK - Georg, NZ1C will be active holiday style as TK/NZ1C from Corsica on 16-24 December. He will operate CW and FT8, with some SSB, RTTY and

PSK on 40-10 metres. QSL via DD5ZZ. [TNX NG3K]

VU - The Manipal Institute of Technology's amateur radio club (VU2MHC) will be active as AT6MIT from 9 December to 7 January to celebrate the institution's Diamond Jubilee. QSL via VU3BUN.

CARIBBEAN TOUR ---> Heli, DD0VR and his wife Bigi, DE3BW will be touring the Caribbean between mid-December and mid-January, with planned holiday style activities from Barbados as 8P0VR (requested call sign, 17-31 December), Martinique as FM/DD0VR (31 December-10 January), Dominica as J70VR (10-14 January), and Guadeloupe as FG/DD0VR (14-20 January). Look for activity on 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres SSB and QRP CW. QSLs via DD0VR. [TNX The Daily DX]

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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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EL2EF --- > Eric, EL2EF (the nephew of Dickson, EL2DT) is a new amateur radio operator from Liberia. "So far he has limited operating experience and basic equipment", DX World reports. "For the time being he is paper-logging, but hopes to have a laptop soon. Thereafter, he will use the services of a QSL manager who will look after his log and QSLs".

IREF ---> The Island Radio Expedition Foundation (IREF) was founded in 1999 for the purpose of providing financial assistance for expeditions to rare IOTA groups (i.e. confirmed by less than 15% of island chasers). Now the Board believes "that the time has come for IREF to find other, non-financial ways, to encourage IOTA expeditions to less rare destinations". Therefore IREF will be sponsoring the "IOTA Expeditioner of the Year" award, which "will encourage expeditioners, through friendly competition, to activate islands that won't necessarily meet IREF funding guidelines, but are needed by many of the newer chasers". For information and rules please visit the IREF's new website: <https://irefnew.wordpress.com>.

OC-175 ---> The logs for both DU9/RZ3FW and DU9/R4WAA have been uploaded to Club Log (search for DU9/R4WAA_OC175 and DU9/RZ3FW_OC175), and the QQRS has been activated. They were QRV on 21-28 November and totalled 5000 QSOs.

ZA1WW --- > The logs for the recent activity (according to Club Log, 13971 QSOs were made between 24 November and 4 December) have not been uploaded to LoTW. "A difficulty in obtaining the certificate for ZA1WW resulted in one test QSO being listed, which is why an upload shows in 'Find Call'. The logs will be uploaded in due course". [TNX N7NG]

+ SILENT KEY + John Plenderleith, 9M6XR0 passed away on 4 December, after battling cancer for several years. First licensed in 1960 as GM300K, he operated as 9V1RS from Singapore for about ten years; then he moved to the Isle of Man (GD300K), England (G300K) and finally retired to Kota Kinabalu,

Sabah (East Malaysia), where after one year as 9M6/G300K became 9M6XR0 in May 2006. John logged over 250 thousand QSOs with his personal call signs, which included 3DA00K, 7P80K, A2500K, C91X0, CU2/G300K/p, EL0A, V8FR0, V85/9M6XR0, XU7XR0, YB9/GM300K, ZL/GD300K, ZS6/GM300K. He was a team member of 4W6A (Atauro Island, Timor Leste 2011), 9M4SLL (Spratly Islands 2012 and 2013), ZL9HR (Campbell Island 2012), N8A & W8A (American Samoa 2013) and 5W8A (Samoa 2013). John was also active in the IOTA Programme, and operated as 9M6XR0/p from OC-133 (five times between 2008 and 2014) and OC-295 (2010), and as 9M6XR0/8 from OC-165 (2011). A keen tester, he also chased DXCC (CW, Phone and Digital). "John's favourite mode was CW, but was comfortable on any mode", his QSL manager (M0URX) recalls. His CW "was so accurate that over the last ten years I rarely had any busted call enquiries".

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 ***** QSL ROUTES *****

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CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER
3B8JB	SM6JBC	DU1IST	JA1HGY	OM17YOTA	M0SDV
3B9HA	M00X0	E2X	E20GMY	OM50SPSEKE	OM8AND
3DA0AQ	EA5GL	E44YL	IK3GES	ON1418POP	ON4HRT
3V8SS	LX1N0	E51AC0	JT1C0	ON4YOTA	M0SDV
3W1T	RW6HS	E71YOTA	M0SDV	OP17AR	ON7SS
3Z1K	SP1KRF	EA8JK	EB7DX	OP17N	ON4CRD
4K6F0	DC9RI	EA9EU	EA5KB	OP17RCL	ON3AR
4K9W	DL6KVA	ED2C	EA2CJ	OP70BFS	ON2KFJ
4L2M	EA7FTR	ED8X	RN3RQ	OT100BCA	ON4CRD
4L5P	UT7QF	EF2A	EA20T	OZ100DVI	OZ1IVA
407CC	UA4CC	EF8R	EB7DX	P29XC	ZL2XC
4S7DLG	DK8ZZ	EG2YOTA	M0SDV	P33W	UA3DX
4U1A	UA3DX	EH2EUS	EA2TP	PA6X	PA7CW
4U1GSC	9A2AA	EH2GRE	EA2RKW	PD6YOTA	M0SDV
4U24OCT	9A2AA	EH5MM	EA5GVZ	PJ2ND	K8ND
4X2M	4X4DZ	EH5SFJ	EA5AG	PJ2T	W3HNC
4Y1A	UA3DX	EI0R	EI6FR	PJ4A	K4BAI
5B4ALX	IZ4AMS	EM25IWW	UR7IWW	PJ4E	K9ES
5B4AMM	UT5UDX	EP2LMA	EA5GL	PJ4I	AD4ES
5P3WW	DL1YAW	ER4A	ER1FF	PJ4Y	DL5CW
5R8XB	ON8XB	ES9C	ES5RY	PS2T	K3IRV
5T5TI	NI5DX	FK8DD	NI5DX	PX0F	PP5BZ
5W0DXA	JA1DXA	FM5FJ	KU9C	PX2A	PY2VM
5W1SA	JA1DXA	FR4PV	F1UIJ	R164S	R6CF
5X8C	ON6NL	G3V	G3VER	R17YOTA	M0SDV
6W1SU	M0URX	G6T	M0URX	R1853S	R6CF
6Y0D	TA3D	GB17YOTA	M0SDV	R19410M	RD5C
6Y3M	VE3NE	GM2V	N3SL	R25MG0	RK3A
7Q6M	K6Z0	GW5R	GW3YDX	RA75SF	R4AS

7Q7AB	JA7SGV	GW9J	GW0GEI	RI1ANC	RN10N
7S50AW	SM6PPS	H79H	TI4SU	RI1ANO	RN10N
7X2YOTA	M0SDV	HA6YOTA	M0SDV	RW0A	RA0ALM
7X5KBS	M0SDV	HB9YOTA	M0SDV	RZ4AZ	RW6HS
8P1W	KU9C	HC0E	HC1QRC	S79K	G3NKC
9A0YOTA	M0SDV	HC8LUT	IK2DUW	SH9YOTA	M0SDV
9A17YOTA	M0SDV	HG0IDPD	HA5MA	SI9AM	SM3TIR
9A1957AA	9A2AA	HG0YOTA	M0SDV	SK3W	SM5DJZ
9H3DQR	SM6DQR	HH2MK	EB7DX	SN150J	SP9PGE
9H3HM	DK2HM	HK3JCL	DK8LRF	SN150M	SP9PGE
9H6A	9H1BT	HP1RIS	HP1ALX	SN150P	SP9PGE
9M2CNC	G4ZFE	HP3SS	AC20V	SN60	SP6PAZ
9M2MRS	PA0RRS	HQ9X	KQ1F	SN7Q	SP7GIQ
9M2TO	JA0DMV	HS0AC	HS5NMF	SN8B	SP8CUR
9M8YY	JR3WXA	HS0ZAR	K3ZO	S04M	SP4MPG
9Q6BB	W3HNC	IB9T	IT9TQH	S09M	SQ9UM
A31MM	EA5GL	II2YOTA	M0SDV	SU9JG	EA5GL
A31NM	JM6EBU	II5YOTA	M0SDV	SW9AA	LZ1PM
A41NN	A61BK	II9P	IT9CHU	SX1T	SV1ENG
A44A	A47RS	I02X	IK2NCJ	SX2T	SV2DSJ
A60MD	A61BK	IR1Y	IZ1YPF	TF3CW	LX1N0
A60ND	A61BK	IR2L	IW2LLH	TI3/W7RI	W3HNC
A61EK	IZ8CLM	IR4M	I4IFL	TK0C	S50C
A61FK	A61BK	IR4X	I4EAT	TM0R	F5GGL
A61HA	A61BK	IR6T	IK6VX0	TM1A	F5GSJ
A65CA	RV6AJJ	J42CPMV	SV2HXV	TM3R	F5UTN
A71EM	M00X0	J79WTA	HB9MFM	TM4Q	F4SGU
AC2CX/KH2	JE1JAC	JT5DX	JT1C0	T01A	F5HRY
AH2R	JH7QXJ	JW2US	LA2US	UN4L	UA9AB
B1Z	EA7FTR	KC4AAC	K1IED	UN9GD	DL8KAC
B7Q	BA1DU	KC4USV	K1IED	UN9L	LZ1YE
BI4SSB	BA4TB	KH2/K2IO	JA2JWH	UP0L	DL8KAC
BI4WXD	BI4SCC	KH6LC	WA6WPG	UP2L	UA9AB
C4W	5B4WN	KH7M	KH6ZM	V31MA	M00X0
CE3CT	EA5KB	LN8W	LA9VDA	V47T	W2RQ
CK100VDA	VA1YL	LX4A	LX1N0	V63DX	JA7HMZ
CN2AA	UA2FM	LX7I	LX2A	V6A	JA7HMZ
CN2MA	LY5W	LZ17YOTA	M0SDV	V73NS	W3HNC
CN2R	W7EJ	LZ710SG	LZ1KCP	VP5M	K4QPL
CN8KD	EA5XX	M6T	G4BWP	VR20EH	VR2ZQZ
C02RQ	EC5AC	NP2J	K8RF	XF1IM	XE2IC
C06RD	EA5GL	NP2X	K5WW	XL3T	VE3AT
CP4BT	DJ2BW	NP4Z	N4A0	XV1X	RW6HS
CP6CL	W3HNC	0A4SS	KB6J	XW4ZW	K1SE
CR3W	DL5AXX	0C4HC	0A40	YE1K	EA5GL
CR5T	CS5ARC	0D5YA	IZ8CLM	Y00YOTA	M0SDV
CR6K	CT1ILT	0E0YOTA	M0SDV	YT17YOTA	M0SDV
CT9/OL3R	OK1VWK	0F2YOTA	M0SDV	Z30YOTA	M0SDV
CW4MAX	EA5GL	0G2B	0H2BH	ZA1WW	0H2TA
CX2AQ	EA5KB	0G90AA	0H8AA	ZB2TT	M0URX
CX3AT	EA5GL	0H0R	0H2PM	ZB2X	0H2KI
CX5UA	EA5KB	0H0Z	W0MM	ZF20K	W10U
CX9AU	EA5GL	0H1F	0H1AF	ZF9CW	K5G0

DA0WRTC	DJ9MH	OH8X	OH2UA	ZM4T	ZL3IO
DF0HQ	DL5AXX	OH9SCL	OH9AB	ZP9MCE	EA5ZD
DM500RT	M0SDV	OH9W	OH5BQ	ZS1C	W2ARP
DQ17YOTA	M0SDV	OJ9X	OH2BH	ZS6CCY	K3IRV
DR0YOTA	M0SDV	OK2RJC	OK2RZ	ZW5B	K3IRV
DT0HH	DS3DJX	OL17YOTA	M0SDV	ZW8T	PS8HF

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