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*** DX INFORMATION ****

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- Maurizio, IK2GZU will be active again as 5H3MB from Ilembula, Tanzania from 7 April to 8 May, while doing volunteer work for the local mission. QSL via IK2GZU and LoTW. Log search and OQRS for bureau and direct cards at www.buffoli-pm.it
- 7X 7T50ARA and 7T9A are two special callsigns to be used from 1 March to 30 May to celebrate the 50th anniversary of ARA (Amateurs Radio Algeriens), Algeria's IARU member society. QSL via 7X2ARA. Information on the relevant award can be found on qrz.com.
- 9X Nick, G3RWF will operate (neither 160 nor 6m) mainly CW from Rwanda on 4-13 March. He will collect his license (hopefully 9X0NH) upon arrival. QSL via home call and LoTW.
- A3 Werner, A35WH is still active from Tongatapu (OC-049) until 2 March. His planned side trip to Vava'u (OC-064) [425DXN 1133] has been cancelled due to problems with local flights. QSL via home call (DJ9KH), direct or bureau.
- EU Special callsign EV50WB will be in use on 1-31 March to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Radioclub Dalnye Strany (EW1WB) of Minsk, Belarus. QSL via EU1AZ (SSB and CW QSOs) and EU1DX (RTTY QSOs), plus LoTW. [TNX EU1DX]
- G G3VFC, M0KJA, M0RFD, M0VFC, M6KOM, M6VFC and 2E1EVK will be active as GX5MW/p from the Isle of Wight (EU-120) on 16-23 March. QSL via M0RFD, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
- H4 Announced frequencies for the 8-25 March H44G expedition to Guadalcanal (OC-047), Solomon Islands [425DXN 1123] are:

CW 1825.5 3505 7005 10115 14005 18070 21005 24890 28005 50103

SSB - 7100 - 14140 18130 21240 24940 28400

RTTY - - 10144 14080 18100 21080 24920 28080 -

Announced frequencies for the concurrent 12-23 March H40T expedition to Nendo Island (OC-100, Temotu province [425DXN 1123] are:

CW 1818.0 3515 7015 10122 14015 18077 21015 24895 28015 50103

SSB - - 7150 - 14165 18140 21265 24965 28450 -

RTTY - - 10140 14093 18105 21090 24925 28090 -

QSL for both H44G and H40T via DL7DF, direct or bureau, and LoTW "within 6 months of the completion of the DXpedition". Logsearch and further information at www.dl7df.com/h4/index.php

- J3 Bob, G3PJT will be active as J34G from Grenada (NA-024) on 5-20 March, including an entry in the RSGB Commonwealth Contest (9-10 March). QSL via G3PJT. [TNX NG3K]
- J7 Rick, KK4GV will be active holiday style as J79GV from Dominica (NA-101) on 8-17 March. He will operate SSB only. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, and LoTW.
- KHO Sam, JE1XUZ (KH0XH) and Tama, JQ2WTT (KH0XW) will be active from Saipan (OC-086) from 10 March to 1 April. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. They will participate in the CQ WW WPX SSB

- Contest from the AHOBT contest station. [TNX NG3K]
- KP2 Matt, KOBBC is active as KP2/KOBBC from will be active from St. Thomas, Virgin Islands (NA-106) until 5 March, including an entry in the ARRL DX SSB Contest. QSL via home call. [TNX KOBBC]
- KP2 Look for KP2/JS6RRR (QSL via home call), KP2/K2JA (QSL via JL3SIK), KP2/KI3DNN (QSL via JI3DNN), KP2/W3JH (QSL via JR3QFB) and WP2KY (QSL via JR3QFB) to be active from the Virgin Islands (NA-106) on 13-19 March. They plan to be QRV on 160-6 metres SSB, CW, FM and digital modes. [TNX JR3TVH]
- OZ Look for Harry, OZ/PA1H and Nico, OZ/PA7PA to be active from Laeso Island (EU-088) on 13-26 April. They will operate SSB and digital modes on 80-10 metres, if possible also on 160m. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX PA1H]
- PA Dirk, DL5DCL will be active holiday style as PA/DL5DCL from Ameland Island (EU-038) on 1-6 April. He will operate CW only "on several HF bands". QSL via home call, direct or bureau (OQRS on Club Log). More information can be found at www.dl5dcl.de [TNX DL5DCL]
- PJ2 Mike W1USN, Bob AA1M and Scott W1SSR will be active as PJ2/from Curacao (SA-099) on 8-22 March. They will operate SSB, CW, PSK and RTTY on 160-10 metres. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX NG3K]
- S2 Vadym, UT6UD will be active as S21XV from Bangladesh on 1-7 March. He plans to operate on all bands with a focus on North America. QSL via home call. [TNX DX World]
- SU A team from the Egyptian Radio Amateur Society for Development including SU1AO, SU1AR, SU1SK and SU3YM will be active as SU8N from Jazirat Disuqi (Nelson's Island, AF-109: new one for IOTA) on 3-10 May. [TNX SU1SK]
- TK Vincent F4BKV, Gil F4FET, Christian EA3NT and Laurent TK4LS will be active from three Corsican IOTA groups as follows:
 - 23 March TK0INT EU-100
 - 24 March TK1INT EU-104
 - 25 March TK1INT EU-104
 - 26 March TK0INT EU-100
 - 27 March TK2INT EU-164
 - 28 March TK2INT EU-164

They will operate SSB and CW with three stations on 40, 30, 20 17, 15 and 10 metres, using vertical GPs and vertical dipoles. QRV time from all of the three groups will be 8-18 UTC, as they are not permitted to overnight on the islands. These are protected areas, and from EU-100 they will have to use car batteries. QSL via EA5KA, direct or bureau, and LoTW. Logsearch, OQRS and further information can be found at http://f4bkv.net/corsica2013/

- UA Vladimir, RV3EFH will be active as RV3EFH/0 from Bolshevik Island (AS-042) between March and October. He will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX W5PF]
- VE David, VE3AAQ will be active as VO2AAA from Zone 2 on 7-10 March, including an entry in the RSGB Commonwealth Contest. QSL via VE3AAQ. [TNX VA3RJ]
- VK9C Chris, GM3WOJ and Keith, GM4YXI will be active as VK9CZ (replacing VK9C/GM2MP) from the Cocos-Keeling Islands (OC-003) from 30 March

- to 13 April [425DXN 1133]. A website is under construction at www.vk9cz.com. [TNX GM3WOJ]
- VP5 Urb, W1UL and his wife Patricia, W2PKV will be active as VP5/W1UL (mainly CW) and VP5/W2PKV (mainly SSB) from Provideciales (NA-002), Turks and Caicos on 7-13 March. QSL for both via W1UL. [TNX NG3K]
- YB Imam, YB4IR and others will be active as YB6N from Nias Island (OC-161) on 7-13 March. QSL via YB4IR (he requires that cards reach him before 31 August 2013).
- YB Look for YB3MM/6, YB6AR/p, YC6EI/p and YF1AR/6 to be active from Rondo Island (OC-245) on 9-17 March. They might be using a special callsign. QSL via IZ8CCW. Website at www.mdxc.org/oc-245/
- John YB5NOF, Anton YB5QZ and other three operators will be active as YE8B from the Banggai Islands (OC-208) from 26 April to 2 May. Plans are to be QRV on 80-10 metres CW, SSB and RTTY. Shu, JN6RZM (jn6rzm[@]nifty.com) is collecting donations by Paypal. [TNX JN6RZM]

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ARRL DX CONTEST (SSB) ---> Object of the contest is for W/VE amateurs to work as many stations in as many DXCC entities as possible on 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, and 10 metre bands, while DX stations work as many W/VE stations in as many of the 48 contiguous states and provinces as possible (full rules can be found at www.arrl.org/arrl-dx). This year's event will run from from 00.00 UTC 2 March through 23.59 UTC on the 3rd. Do not forget to give a look at the Announced Operations listing maintained by Bill, NG3K at www.ng3k.com/Misc/adxs2013.html

DXCC NEWS ---> 4S7DXG (Sri Lanka, only operations in 2008 and 2011) and 8Q7VR (Maldives, only operations in 2008 and 2011) have been approved for DXCC credit. If you had credit rejected for contacts with dates during the periods noted, contact dxccrules[@]arrl.org to be put on the list for an update. Contacts before or after these periods cannot be accepted. Also, in order to expedite the search for these QSOs please include the application "date received" or "reference number" noted on your credit slip of the submission these were originally rejected. [TNX NC1L]

QSL GALLERY ---> The large collection of QSL cards on Les Nouvelles DX's web site has been updated. Fourteen different galleries include more than 10,600 cards for the ten Most Wanted DXCC Entities (2004-12), the 61 deleted DXCC Entities, obsolete prefixes, stations from Magrebh from 1945 to 1962, Allied Forces stations in Germany (1946-69), Antarctic bases & TAAF (Terres Australes and Antarctiques Françaises), the various French DXCC island Entities in the Pacific Ocean, the Indian Ocean and the Americas (from 1945 to 1970), pre-1945 countries, French Departments and CONUS, plus a gallery for cards not accepted by DXCC. Your participation is encouraged - please visit www.LesNouvellesdx.fr and send your comments to

Pavel V. Presnov (RU3UA).

RSGB COMMONWEALTH CONTEST ---> The 76th edition of the Commonwealth (BERU) Contest (www.beru.org.uk) will be held on 9-10 March, from 10 UTC to 10 UTC, on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres CW. Only operators located within the Commonwealth or British Mandated Territories are eligible to enter.

TX5K ---> The TX5K team arrived at Clipperton at 04.30 UTC on 27 February, were able to land on the 28th and expected to set up radios on 1 March. Follow the updates posted by KY6R at http://ky6r.com/. The preferred method to use for QSLling is the OQRS provided by Club Log for either direct and bureau cards. Traditional requests go via N2OO (Bob Schenck, P.O. Box 345, Tuckerton NJ 08087-0345, USA). The log will be uploaded to LoTW "within six months after the end of the DXpedition".

+ SILENT KEYS + RSGB Life Vice President John Patrick Hawker, MBE (G3VA) passed away on 21 February at 90 years of age. In addition to writing the "Technical Topics" column in the Radio Society of Great Britain's journal for fifty years (1958-2008), he also authored various books on electronics and radio and television engineering. In 2006 he was inducted into the CQ Amateur Radio Hall of Fame and made a Member of the Order of the British Empire by Queen Elizabeth II for "Services to Radio Communications".

Other recently reported Silent Keys include Valery N. Metaxa (ER1DA) and

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