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>>> 425 DX NEWS MAGAZINE <<<

The monthly edition of 425 DX News is back by popular demand after a short interval. The monthly magazine (in colour) also includes pictures, articles, tables etc. that cannot be published in the weekly bulletins. If interested, the latest issue (November 2004) can be freely downloaded in either .pdf and/or .doc formats at <http://www.425dxn.org/monthly/>

Suggestions, advice, articles and photographs are welcome! Closing date for contributions is ten days prior to publication date. Please send your articles and pictures to Nicola Baldresca, IZ3EBA (iz3eba@libero.it).

- CX - CX2ABC, CX5BW, WQ40, EA5KM and EA5RM will operate as CW5R from Lobos Island (SA-039) and lighthouse (ARLHS URU-002) between 5 and 11 January, depending on weather conditions. Plans are to operate on all modes and bands, with dipoles for the low bands and monobanders for the other HF bands. The QSL route will be announced later. On line logs will be available after the operation at <http://webs.ono.com/cw5r>; comments can be sent to cw5r@ea5rke.ampr.org [TNX EA5RM]
- DU - The Daily DX reports that Klaus, DL5ZAH is active as 4F7RWW from OC-129 for the next two weeks.
- JA - Special event station 8J10DA will be activated on all bands and modes from 9 December to 31 March to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Japan's Official Development Assistance. QSL via JA1BAB. [TNX the Daily DX]
- LU - LU2FA, LW7DX, LW9DA and LU5FF will participate in the ARRL 10m Contest (10-11 December) as LR2F. QSL via LU2FA. Complete rules for this popular event can be found at <http://www.contesting.info/> or <http://www.arrl.org/contests/rules/>
- OH - Santa Claus Land (OH9SCL) will be again active on all bands and modes from the Artic Circle between 17 and 19 December. The operators will be N7NG, OH2BH, OH3BHL, OH9KL, OH9MDV, OH9MM, OH9RJ and OH9VC. QSL via OH9UV. [TNX OH9MM]
- S2 - Manjurul, S21AM and Dave, EI3IO (<http://EI3IO.com>) will operate from Char Dakhin Shahbazpur (Bhola Island, AS-140) on 4-7 February. A special call sign is being sought from the licensing authority. Two 100 watt CW/SSB MF/HF stations will be operational and activity on all bands is planned, subject to antenna availability. A 30m communications tower is on-site and half slopers are being considered for 160 metres and 80/30 metres. QSL via EI3IO direct (Dave Court, 'Connogue', River Lane, Shankill, Co. Dublin, Ireland)

- or bureau. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW. [TNX EI3IO]
- TK - TK5EP and TK5MH will participate in the ARRL 10M Contest as TK5KP (SSB and CW) from Corsica. QSL via TK5KP. [TNX TK5MH]
- VU4 - The five operators at Port Blair, Andaman (VU4NRO and VU4RBI) have different stations on the air simultaneously. Reports indicate that they have one beam installed without rotor. Some pirate CW activity was reported during the very first days; the genuine VU4RBI operated on 15m CW for about one hour on 8 December. Activity is expected to continue through 31 December.
- Charles Harpole, K4VUD/HS0ZCW is currently in Thailand and expects to arrive at Port Blair, Andaman Island on 14 December for a two-week visit. He says he "will carry all advice on operating practices and propagation openings to the team". He adds that he will be "travelling to Andaman Islands as a tourist to photograph and video the VU4 DXpedition. As a non-India citizen, I do not have an operating permit for that location. I do hold a one-year India license, VU3CHE, but it is licensed for operations in New Delhi only".
- Bookmark <http://www.niar.org/vnews.html> (niarvu4@gmail.com) for official information.
- ZK1 - Tim, M3SDE (ZK1SDE) sends an update on the 31 January-3 March activities from the Cook Islands [425DXN 709]. ZK1SDE, ZK1SDZ, ZK1WET and ZK1XMY will operate from Aitutaki (OC-083, South Cooks) on 31/01-17/02 and again on 25/02-03/03. On 17-24 February ZK1SDE and ZK1SDZ will go on a side trip to Manihiki (OC-014, North Cooks), while ZK1WET and ZK1XMY will remain on Aitutaki. QSL direct to M3SDE (Tim Beaumont, P.O. Box 17, Kenilworth, Warwickshire CV8 1SF, England). Logs and updates will be available on <http://www.zk1sde.co.uk/>

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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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DXCC NEWS ---> The current TN3S operation (effective 15 May 2002) from Congo has been approved for DXCC credit.

EUCW 160M CONTEST ---> The Union Francaise des Telegraphistes (UFT, the French EUCW society) sponsors the 4th European CW 160 Meter Contest, which will be held on 8 January (20.00-23.00 UTC) and on 9 January (04.00-07.00 UTC). Rules can be found at <http://www.uft.net>, where it also possible to download the software written by F6EN0 (visit "Telechargements"). [TNX F5NQL]

QSL VK4UC ---> Kim Larson, daughter of N3SL, is assuming the duties of QSL

manager for John, VK4UC. Cards are on order and expected in early January. John has forwarded nearly 4 pounds of cards received via the VK bureau to N3SL for processing. About 50 direct cards also were included, and will be answered at the same time. We ask that those awaiting cards please not send another until the bureau system has had a chance to work. John's logs already have been uploaded into LoTW, and a log search will be available at <http://www.qsl.net/n3sl/manager.htm> [TNX N3SL]

QSL V02AAA ---> Cards for the recent operation, centered around the CQ WW DX CW Contest, should go to K8DD (Hank Kohl, P.O. Box 88, Attica, MI 48412-9312, USA). [TNX K8DD]

QSL VIA EA7JX ---> Rod is the QSL manager for AY5FF, C03J0, D2U, L25FF, L45FF, L59EOC, L73F, LQ0F, LU5FF, LW9EOC, VK3FY, VK3FY/DU8, YN9HAU, YV1DIG, YW1D, YW6P and YX1DIG. Rod says he has not heard from Joao, D2U for six months now, and at the moment he is unable to reply to the QSL requests received.

QSL VIA LX1N0 ---> QSL requests for Sigg, TF3CW/TF4CW or any other future TF#CW call should be routed via LX1N0. Sigg is not a member of IRA and he has no QSL cards, so please refrain from sending bureau or direct cards to him. Norby, LX1N0 is also the QSL manager for Thomas, OZ1AA. [TNX LX1N0]

S9A & S9BB ---> The Finnish team logged 24,617 QSOs during the recent operation from Sao Tome. The 89% of the total QSOs was made with Europe (12,686) and North America (9,115). Conditions turned out surprisingly unstable, varying from day to day. The tropical noise came lower at times, allowing the team to make a number of contacts on 160 and 80 metres (221 and 1096 respectively). The log search is up and running at <http://www.df3cb.com/logsearch/s9bb/> [TNX OH2BN]

VU4 PROPAGATION CHARTS ---> Andaman chasers in the US may take advantage of the set of short-path and long-path propagation forecasts between each of the 10 continental US call areas and the Andaman Islands prepared by Dave, AA6YQ (http://www.ambersoft.com/Amateur_Radio/VU4). He has used PropView, which produces a graphical display emulating propagation charts that show likely openings across a 24-hour UTC day. Those outside the US can generate their own forecasts; PropView is free and can be found at <http://www.qsl.net/propview/>

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*** NEWS FROM THE WEB ***

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ARI CONTEST: The results of the 2004 ARI International DX Contest (1-2 May) can be found at http://www.qsl.net/contest_ari and <http://www.ari.it/> (click on HF and then on Contest). The prizes will be mailed before the end of the year. The rules for the

2005 event, as well as the All Time Records tables, are available on the websites above. [TNX IK2HKT]

LOGS: The HS72B log search is available at
<http://www.df3cb.com/logsearch/hs72b/news.php>

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CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER
3D2FI	G0UIH	HC8N	W5UE	TM0TLT	F5KLJ
3D2XA	WA4WTG	HI3K	AD4Z	TM5VT	F6KJX
3E1A	DL6MYL	HI8/JA6WFM	JA6VU	TM6OLT	F6KFT
4K7Z	UA3FDX	HP1XX	DJ0LZ	TM9TLT	F6KUC
4U1UN	HB9BOU	HS0ZCY	AA4XR	TN6X	DJ6SI
5B4AHH	RA3AMG	HS0ZDY	SM6CVM	T04A	VE3H0
5K5Z	K7ZD	HS0ZFA	DJ4ER	TZ6JA	JA3EMU
5U5Z	G3SXW	HS72B	E20NTS	UA0SR	W3HNC
5Z4DZ	PC1A	IG9A	IT9GSF	UA0ZDA/6	UA6HPR
6W1RW	F6BEE	IH9P	OK1MG	UA6HLO	UA6HPR
7Q7RS	IW9BBX	IP1TI	IK4JPR	UQ13A	DL8KAC
7X0AD	EA4URE	J79A	K7GK	V26K	AA3B
8P5A	NN1N	J79WI	WI9WI	V31JP	KA9WON
8P9Z	K4BAI	J70J	KU9C	V31RM	KN5H
8Q7DV	UA9CLB	JW5E	JW5NM	V47KP	K2SB
8R1K	EA4BQ	JY4NE	K3IRV	V47ZM	K3ZM
9G5ZS	ZS6EGB	KC4AAA	K1IED	V51/DL5XL	DL5XL
9K2MU	WA4JTK	KC7JEF/MM	UA6HPR	VC3L	VE3AT
9K2WDD	9K2MT	KK6WW/KH0	JA6EGL	VC9COAL	VE9WGS
9L1MS	IZ0EGB	LU8XW	WD9EWK	VK6KN	JA1CIC
9M6NA	JE1JKL	LX7I	LX2AJ	VK9AA	DL8YR
9N7BCC	DK7YY	LZ2TU	WB2RAJ	VK9NW	K9NW
9N7CQ	IK2ILH	MJ0ASP	F5SHQ	VK9XG	W0YG
9N7M	PA7FM	MJ0AWR	K2WR	VP2MDG	K2DM
9Y4ZC	DL6FBL	OH0B	OH2BH	VP2MKK	W8QID
A35RK	W7TSQ	OH0I	OH3BHL	VP2MLA	LA9VDA
A45WD	Y09HP	OH0Z	OH5DX	VP2MNS	W8QID
A61AV/p	ON5NT	P3J	5B4AHJ	VP2MQQ	W8QID
AH2R	JH7QXJ	P4/K9UK	WF9V	VP2MW	W8QID
AM7AL	EA4URE	P4/W9AEB	WF9V	VP2MZM	K2DM
BV0J	BW0IR	P4/WG9J	WF9V	VP2VVV	K9VV

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C56JHF	SM0JHF	P4/WW9WW	WF9V	VP5W	W7TSQ
C6AKQ	N4BP	P40J	WX4G	VP8DID	DJ2V0
C6AQQ	ND3F	P40K	WM6A	VP8WWW	W5PF
C91F	AA4NN	P40L	K5WW	VP9I	KQ1F
CN2R	W7EJ	P40Q	K0DQ	VR2JN/P	JN4ASA
C03LF	IZ8EBI	P40TA	WM6A	WH2A	KG6DX
CP6CW	W0ZR	P40TP	WF9V	WP2Z	KU9C
CQ3T	CT3KN	P40W	N2MM	WP3F	DK8ZB
CQ9T	CT3KN	P40YW	AB0YW	XT2MF	KC7V
CS94ZKN	CT3KN	P40ZZ	WF9V	XU7ADE	E21EIC
CT3AS	DJ8FW	P49MR	VE3MR	XU7ADF	AA4XR
CT7B	CT1ILT	PJ2/WB9Z	AF9H	XU7ADI	SM5GMZ
CT9KN	CT3KN	PJ2MI	W2CQ	XU7POS	ON4AJV
CT9L	DJ6QT	PJ2T	N9AG	YB0AJR	OK1JN
CW2A	SM4DHF	PJ4/WW4LL	K4BAI	YB0ECT	K3AIR
CX7C0	SM5KC0	PJ4J	DJ2MX	YB5QZ	W3HNC
D2PFN	KK5D0	PJ4Z	K4BAI	YE0X	OK1JN
D4B	K1BV	PP6ZKN	CT3KN	YI1RM	DJ0LZ
DU1IST	JF1IST	PQ2Q	PY2WC	YI9B0N	WA5B0N
DU9/N0NM	W4DR	PS2T	W3HC	YI9GT	SP3GTS
EA8EA	OH2MM	PX2A	PY2VM	YI9QW0	K5QW0
EA8EW	OH1MA	PY0S/PS7JN	PS7JN	YI9WRV	W3HNC
ED3URT	EA3TE	R1ANN	RZ3DJ	Z22JE	K3PD
ED6CTB	EA6SB	S9A	OH2TA	Z32ID	DJ0LZ
ED6TAB	EA6ZX	S9BB	OH2TA	Z35X	DJ0LZ
ED7MCM	EA7G0G	S9SS	N4JR	ZK1COW	F6COW
ED7PIE	EA7DA	SC0AG	SM6CTQ	ZK1DRA	W7DRA
EF8TDX	EC8AUA	ST2YJ	LA4YW	ZK1EPY	F6EPY
EI9JN	SP9JZT	SU8BHI	HA3JB	ZK1GNZ	F6GNZ
EK6DZ	RW6HS	SU9FL	WD9DZV	ZL/RA3XR	RA3XR
EK6LX	RW6HS	SU9NC	OM2SA	ZL1V	N3SL
EM1H0	I2PJA	SX2LH	SV2AYT	ZL6QH	ZL2A0H
EM5U	UT2UB	SX8P	SV8CYV	ZM1A	ZL1AM0
ET3TK	OK1CU	T32CK	K6SRZ	ZP0R	W3HNC
EX2M	W3HNC	T32QS	N6TQS	ZY7C	PT7WA
EY8MM	K1BV	TF3CW	LX1N0	ZY7LH	PS7AA
GJ2A	K2WR	TI4CF	W3HNC	ZZ8Z	PY8AZT

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