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*** DX INFORMATION ****

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- 8Q Fred, G4ZWI will be active as 8Q7FC from the Maldives (AS-013) from 26 May to 8 June. He will operate holiday style running 5 watts on CW and possibly PSK on 20 and 15 metres. [TNX The Daily DX]
- The Asociacion de Radioaficionados Vega Baja (www.arvb.es) and URE Orihuela will be active as EG5SUB from the S-61 Delfin submarine during the Museum Ships Weekend (1-2 June). They plan to operate SSB, CW and digital modes on the HF bands. [TNX ON5JV/EA5HZB]
- EI Andy, G7SQW will be active as EJ/G7SQW from Arranmore Island (EU-121) on 27-29 May. He will be QRV on 40-6 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
- F Special station TM100USA will be active on 25-26 May from the Montfaucon American Monument, as a tribute to the American troops who served here one century ago. This will be the first of a series of activations to commemorate the 100th anniversary of World War I in the area of Verdun. QSL via F6KUP (bureau) or F5LPY (direct).
- F Gil, F4FET and Diego, F4HAU have brought forward their TMOBIG operation from La Petite Ile (EU-107) [425DXN 1149] and now plan to be QRV for 24 hours on 3-4 June. On 1-2 June they will operate as F4FET/p and F4HAU/p from several islands (not IOTA) in Northern Brittany: Ile Molene (DIFM MA080), Ile Losquet (MA079), Ile Grande (MA016), Ile du Renard (MA077), Ile Aganton (MA076) and Ile Bolennec (MA078). Complete information on the Diplome des Iles de la France Metropolitaine (Metropolitan France Islands Award) can be found at www.difm.org
- F In June-July 1944 the BBC war correspondents used the tower of the castle at Creully as a radio studio, from where the first reports of the Battle of Normandy were broadcast. Look for special callsign TM5BBC to be aired again from Creully on 5-13 June. QSL via F2UW. [TNX Les Nouvelles DX]
- FJ Father and son team, Jeff FJ/K5WE and Erik FJ/N5WR, will be active from St. Barthelemy (NA-146) on 3-10 June. They will be QRV on 80-6 metres mostly CW, with some RTTY and SSB. QSL via home calls. [TNX K5WE]
- GD The Isle of Man Amateur Radio Society will be active on the HF bands as GB4JDF on 2 June. The suffix stands for the Joey Dunlop Foundation, a charity set up to cater for injured riders and named after the 26 times IOM Tourist Trophy winner. QSL via 2D0YLX.
- I Members of ARI Sanremo will operate as IQ1SM/p from Lago Campo Golf on 1 June. They plan to operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 40, 20 and 17 metres. QSL via bureau. Information on the Italian Lakes Award can be found at www.dlit.it [TNX I1UWF]
- I The 'Elettra' was a two-masted steam yacht that Guglielmo Marconi

used as a floating laboratory for many experiments. Part of her keel stands in the grounds of Villa Griffone, at Pontecchio near Bologna, from where special event station II4BTK will be active during the Museum Ships Weekend (1-2 June). QSL via IQ4FE, direct or bureau. [TNX IZ4MJP]

- I Eighty-five years ago the airship 'Italia' crashed on the ice on its way back from the North Pole, and a small tent dyed red for maximum visibility was the only shelter for the survivors. Commemorating the role of radio (and amateur radio) in rescuing the Red Tent survivors, ARI Arona will operate special callsign IIIITR from 25 May to 25 June. QSL via IQ1LM, direct or bureau. [TNX IZ1ETD]
- KL Jeff, KL2HD will be active as KL7NWR on 20, 17 and 15 metres from Attu Island (NA-064) on 2-5 June (but actual dates depend on ship schedule and weather). This operation commemorates the 70th anniversary of the Battle of Attu during World War II. The island is part of the Alaska Maritime National Wildlife Refuge which celebrates its 100th anniversary of establishment. QSL via KL2HD, direct or bureau, and LoTW. [TNX K6VVA]
- LA Keith, G3TTC will be travelling in his motorhome to visit and operate from quite a number of IOTA groups in Sweden and Norway between early June and late July. His tentative itinerary (subject to change) for the Norwegian part of his trip is as follows:

4-5 July Vardo EU-141 8-9 July Mageroya EU-044 13 July Tromsoya EU-046 15-16 July Hinnoya EU-033 18-20 July Lofoten EU-076 22-23 July Tomma EU-062 Tjome 27-28 July EU-061 (IOTA Contest)

Look for him on 14260, 7055 and 7100-7125 kHz. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

- OH Thomas, SM3DMP and Jan, SM3CER will be active holiday style as OH/SM3DMP and OH/SF3A Bjorkon Island (EU-101) on 16-19 June. They will operate mainly CW on 30, 20 and 17 metres. QSL OH/SM3DMP via home call, QSL OH/SF3A via SM3CER. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
- OX Henning, OZ1BII has had to cancel his 23-27 May XP2I operation [425DXN 1147] "due to illness". It will be rescheduled later in the year. [TNX NG3K]
- Bo, OX3LX (http://geronne.dk/index.php/ox3lx/ox3lx-dxped) expects to be active from Tasillaq Island (NA-151) between 29 May and 5 June and again between 20 July and 1 August. He plans to be QRV on 4/6 metres (WWL HP15eo) and the HF bands. [TNX DX World]
- OZ Tom, DL4VM, will be active as OZ/DL4VM from Vendsyssel-Thy (EU-171) on 1-15 June. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
- PJ4 Steve, 9M6DXX plans to operate as PJ4V from Bonaire (SA-006) from 4 or 5 June until the 16th. Activity will be holiday style on SSB only using 100 watts to a Spiderbeam. QSL via MOURX, direct or bureau (preferably using the OQRS at www.mOurx.com/oqrs). Logs will be uploaded to LoTW within a few days of the end of the operation at the latest. [TNX 9M6DXX]
- SM SB6A, SM6IQD, SM6MIS, SM6U, SM6XMY and SM6YOF will be active as

7S6W from Vinga Island (EU-043) on 6-9 June. They will have three stations active on 80-10 metres SSB with some CW and RTTY. Logsearch at http://sm6.se/7s6w/. QSL via bureau to SM6MIS, plus LoTW and eQSL. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

SM - Keith, G3TTC will be travelling in his motorhome to visit and operate from quite a number of IOTA groups in Sweden and Norway between early June and late July. His tentative itinerary (subject to change) for the Swedish part of his trip is as follows:

| 6-7 June | Ven | EU-137 |
|----------------|---------|--------|
| 8-9 June | Hasslo | EU-138 |
| 12-14 June | Kattilo | EU-177 |
| 16-17 June | Fogdo | EU-084 |
| 22-23 June | Limon | EU-176 |
| 24-26 June | Alnon | EU-087 |
| 27-28 June | Holmon | EU-135 |
| 30 June-1 July | Seskaro | EU-139 |

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- VE David, VE3VID is back to Igloolik Island (NA-174) until around mid-June. He is active as VY0/VE3VID in his spare time, on 20 metres RTTY with some SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX DX World]
- VE Special callsign CK3C will be aired between 1 June and 1 July to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Canadian Arctic Expedition of 1913-1916. QSL via VE3RHE, direct or bureau, and LoTW. [TNX VA3RJ]
- VP9 Yuri, VE3DZ will be active as VP9FOC from Bermuda (NA-005) until 30 May, including participation in the CQ WW WPX CW Contest. The special callsign celebrates the 75th anniversary of the First Class CW Operators' Club. QSL via VE3DZ. [TNX NG3K]
- W The South Jersey DX Association, Old Barney ARC and Tuckerton Wireless ARC will be operating W2WSC/WSC from the last active operating site of coastal marine station WSC (aka The Tuckerton Wireless) in West Creek, NJ on 1 June. Bands planned will be 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres CW and SSB. QSL VIA W2WSC. [TNX N200]
- W The Brazos Valley Amateur Radio Club (KK5W) will be active from the radio rooms of USS Cavalla (submarine) and USS Stewart (destroyer escort) during the Museum Ships Weekend (1-2 June). The ships are located at Seawolf Park on Pelican Island (NA-143). QSL direct to KK5W. [TNX VA3RJ]
- W AD5WB, KOJCC, KOKS, K5WRN, KJ5WRN, KT5MR, N5TCB and W5AOO will participate in the Museum Ships Weekend (1-2 June) as N5E from the tall ship 'Elissa' at the Texas Seaport Museum on Galveston Island (NA-143). They will operate SSB, CW and/or digital modes on 40-40 metres, from 14 to 22 UTC approximately. QSL via AD5WB, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
- ZS Gert, ZS6AYU will be active holiday style as C91GR from Bilene, Mozambique from 28 May to 1 June. He will operate CW only. QSL via ZS6AYU, direct or bureau. [TNX NG3K]

CQ WW WPX SSB CONTEST ---> The following stations have announced their participation in this year's event (25-26 May):
Call Category Country QSL

3V8BB SO Tunisia LX1NO 4K6FO SO Azerbaijan 4K6FO SOSB 20m 4L8A Georgia LoTW 9A33P M/? Croatia 9A2NA AO2URD Spain EA2URD CR2X M/S Azores OH2BH CR3L M/?Madeira DJ6QT M/? Bosnia-Hercegovina E77E E7DX SO LP Balearic Isls EA6/OK2BFN/p OK2BFN ED1R M/2Spain LotW EE8X SOAB Canary Isls W2GR Scotland GM9W SOAB HP M0DXR HF550 Poland SP6PAZ HI3TT SOAB HP Dominican Rep. ON4IQ IF9/IT9PPG SO Italy IT9PPG TOOI M/S Italy IK1ROT J47X SOAB Greece SV7BVM M/S Virgin Isls KP2M AI4U Virgin Isls KP2MM SOAB LoTW SOSB 10m Argentina LO5D LotW LP5D SOSB 80m Argentina AC7DX LS1D SOSB 20m AC7DX Argentina LX7I M/2Luxembourg LX2A LY605W SO LP Lithuania LY5W LY7A M/MLithuania LotW MJ5Z SOAB LP Jersey M0CFW OG0Z SOAB HP Aland Isls MMOW P3N M/S Cyprus RW3RN SOAB Aruba WD9DZV P40A PJ4A SOSB 40m Bonaire K4BAI PJ4G SOSB 10 or 20m Bonaire WA2NHA PJ4R SOSB 15m Bonaire N4RR M/? Saba LotW PJ6A PQ5FB SOAB HP Brazil PY5FB EU Russia RG3K M/S UA3QDX RT27WW EU Russia SOAB HP RT4RO RW0A M/2AS Russia LotW SW8LZ M/? Greece LZ1QN SW8WW SOAB Greece HA0HW TP2CE M/2France F5LGF M/? Canada VC7M VE7UF VP9FOC SOAB Bermuda VE3DZ Canada XL3T VA3RVK YJ0PO SO Vanuatu K2PO YN2GY SOAB LP Nicaragua K9GY YS1/NP3J SOSB El Salvador EA5GL ZL3IO SOAB New Zealand ZL3IO ZM4T M/S New Zealand ZL2AL ZP9MCE SOSB 10m LP EA5ZD Paraguay ZV2K SOAB HP Brazil ZV2K

Do not forget to give a look at the Announced Operations listing maintained by Bill, at http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/wpxc2013.html - good contest to you

DODENTOCHT FOR CHARITY ---> On 9 August Chris, DL1MGB will participate in the 44th Dodentocht (a long-distance march of 100 kilometers organized annually in Bornem, Belgium) for charity. Details can be found at www.100-km.org [TNX DL1MGB]

DXCC NEWS ---> E51WL (North Cook Islands) has been approved for DXCC credit. The operator's former callsign (ZK1WL) was approved for DXCC previously. If you had E51WL rejected in a recent submission, send an e-mail to bmoore[@]arrl.org for an update to your record. [TNX NC1L]

IOTA NEWS ---> The following operations in the period March to May 2013 have provided acceptable validation and are therefore approved for IOTA credit: TS8TI (AF-083), SU8N (AF-109), XF2E (NA-171), V31HU (NA-180), V31MV (NA-180), V32EE (NA-180), A35UD (OC-049), YB6N (OC-161), DX8DX (OC-174 & OC-225). AF-109 is now confirmed as a valid IOTA group. [TNX G3KMA]

LOTW SOFTWARE ---> It was announced last week that TQSL 1.14 would be available on 20 May. However, three defects were reported - they have been corrected, but "we must test the corrected version before publicly releasing it" at the end of the month. [TNX AA6YQ]

NORTH SLOPE IOTA TOUR ---> Last year Rick, K6VVA planned to operate from IOTA groups NA-172, NA-050 and NA-004, but the expedition was rescheduled "for hopefully better propagation". Now he says that "the prognosis for this Summer from observations of solar trends and my perspective appears that things will likely be similar to last Summer (2012), when he decided to postpone the operation to July 2013". Mike, K9AJ is only interested in doing NA-172 with him. So Rick is "breaking up the Tour into three separate chunks which may, or may not be done in one lengthy trip vs. separate ones (NA-172, NA-004 & NA-050). At this point, there is a 50-50 possibility that any of these activations will take place until 2014, and a final decision will not be made until mid June to possibly the first week in July". [TNX K6VVA]

MUSEUM SHIPS WEEKEND ---> Sponsored by the Battleship New Jersey Amateur Radio Station (NJ2BB), this year's Museum Ships Weekend will be held from 00.00 UTC on 1 June until 23.59 UTC on the 2nd. Information on the event, including the relevant certificate and the listing of participating ships, can be found at www.nj2bb.org

QSL YB8P: NEW ROUTE ---> The new QSL route for the 15-19 May IOTA expedition to Pulau Peleng in the Banggai Islands Group (OC-208) is via W2FB, direct or bureau. QSO details and donations "For Banggai OC 208" are accepted via PayPal (sbusono[@]gmaildotcom) or cash and will be transferred

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THE P5 PROJECT ---> Paul, N6PSE and David, AH6HY have received visas to visit the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (North Korea) in June. Plans are to "present and discuss our proposal for a major Dxpedition, involving two teams of twelve members each to operate consecutively over a thirty day operation", and to "visit and evaluate possible venues for the DXpedition". Complete announcement on www.intrepid-dx.com/p5/news.php

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3B9/OH1LEG, 3D2NB, 3D2RX, 3W3B, 4J5A, 4U1ITU, 5A1A, 5C5W, 5Z4EE, 6W/HAONAR, 6W2SC, 7Z7AB, 9H3KK, 9K2KCBB, 9K2RA, 9M4DXX, 9X0ZM, A41MX, A45XR, CS2F, DX8DX (OC-174 and OC-225), EA9/DL2RNS, EA9/DL2RVL, EP3SMH, GB100TMD, H40T, H44G, H44KW, HB0/SP7VC, J35X, J5NAR, J5UAP, J88DR, JG8NQJ/JD1, JX9JKA, KL7AIR, KP2/JS6RRR, L22D (SA-022), P29FR, P29NI (OC-099), P29VCX (OC-103), P29VPB(OC-069), PJ2/DL5AXX, PT0S (SA-014), RI0K/p (AS-092), RW0BG/9 (AS-109), TF3DC, TF3IMD, TF3Y, T07BC, TR0A/p (AF-089), TZ6BB, V63XG, V85AVE, VP8LIZ, VP8LP, WH7P/KP2, XR0YG, XT2TT, XU7AAJ, XV2DLH, XW0ZJZ, XW4XR, XX9THX, YB8BRI/p (OC-236), YB8HZ/p (OC-236), YB8XM/p (OC-271), YI9AJ, Z81D, Z81Z, ZD8RH, ZP6CW.

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