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*** DX INFORMATION ****

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- Andy, KB9IJI is a long-term resident in Mango, Togo. Previously granted a special permission to be QRV as 5V/KB9IJI [425DXN 1490], now he has been issued the callsign 5VJA (correct). Plans are to upload his log to both LoTW and eQSL.
- Paolo, IZ3QFD has been active again as 5X4E from Moroto, Uganda since late July, and plans to remain there for a long time. He works for a non-governmental organization, and in his spare time he operates SSB on the HF bands. Apparently he does not QSL.
- Masa, JAORQV announced (https://blog.goo.ne.jp/rqv) that finally he was able to reach Tonga on 28 July. After completing a 21-day quarantine, he will move to a seaside small cottage and be QRV as A35JP from Nuku'alofa on Tongatapu Island (OC-049) from late August/early September until late October/early November. He will also try and be active from Niuatoputapu (OC-191), Niuafo'ou (OC-123), Vava'u (OC-064) and/or Ha'apai (OC-169). QSL via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS, or via the bureau to JAOROV.
- A9 Look for members of the Bahrain Amateur Radio Society to participate in the International Youth Day and be active as A91IYD on 6-12 August. QSL via EC6DX and LoTW.
- Giovanni, IZ2DPX will be active as CT8/IZ2DPX from the Azores between 14 and 29 August. He will operate SSB and digital modes on the HF bands from three islands: Terceira (EU-175, 14-19 August), Faial (EU-175, 19-23 August) and Sao Miguel (EU-003, 23-29 August). QSL via IK2DUW.
- DL Special callsign DK80ZUSE will be active from 1 August to 31 October to memorialize the 80th anniversary of the Z3 machine, the world's first working programmable, fully automatic computer built by German pioneering computer scientist Konrad Zuse (1910-1995). QSL via th bureau or direct to DL5DSM; the log will be uploaded to LoTW, Club Log and eQSL.
- DL Markus, DJ4EL will be active as DJ4EL/p from Mellum Island (EU-047) on 14-15 August. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW or via home call.
- Ed, ES2TT will be active as ES2TT/1 from Aegna Island (EU-149) on 14 August. He will operate CW and SSB starting around 9 UTC until around 16 UTC. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, or via home call (direct and bureau).
- F Jean-Louis, F4FSY will be active as F4FSY/p from ile d'Oleron (EU-032) on 7-20 August. QSL via F4FSY (direct or bureau), LoTW and eQSL.
- HL Celebrating the 76th anniversary of the liberation of Korea (15 August 1945), members of the Korean Amateur Radio League (KARL) will be active as HL76V on 1-31 August. QSL via 6KOMF.
- I A group of operators from ARI Genova (IQ1GE) will be active again

- as II1L from La Lanterna during the International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend (21-22 August). QSL via LoTW, Club Logìs OQRS, direct or bureau. [TNX IZ1BZS]
- I A team of six (I1NVU, I1WXY, IK1CJO, IK1NEG, IK1QBT and IU1LCZ) will be active as IP1X from Gallinara Island (EU-083) on 11 September. They will operate CW and SSB on 40 and 20 metres during the daylight hours with two stations. QSL via IU1JCZ, direct or bureau. [TNX IK1QBT]
- I Alessandro IU3EDK, Andrea IU1LCU and Alvaro IU1DUB will be active holiday style as IA5D from Elba Island (EU-028) on 10-17 September. They will operate SSB, CW and digital modes on the HF bands. QSL via IU3EDK.
- Gianpaolo, IMO/IK1TTD will be QRV from Isola Cana (EU-024, N012 for the Italian Islands Award) and Isola Ruia di Porto Brandinchi (EU-165, N005 for the IIA) on 9 and 10 August. He will operate SSB on 40 and 20 metres. [TNX IK2RLS]
- SV Francesco, IK6QON will be active holiday style as SV8/IK6QON from the islands of Lefkada (not IOTA) and Meganisi (EU-052) on 7-17 August. He will operate CW and SSB on the HF bands. [TNX DX World]
- UA RM2P, RM5P, RQ3P will be active as RC3P/1 from Kiy Island (EU-153) on 9-14 August. Main activity will be on 2m during the Perseid meteor shower, but they will be QRV also on 40 and 20 metres. QSL via RM2P and LoTW. Note that Vasily, R7AL was active as R7AL/1 (QSL via Club Log's OQRS) from the same island on 1-2 August.
- VK Look for VK2FM (operated by VK2LL, VK2TEZ, VK4NGN and VK2FM himself) to be active from South Solitary Island (OC-194) on 20-22 August. Main activity will take place during the International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend on 80, 40 and 20m. QSL direct to VK2FM.
- VP9 Henning, OZ2I (<u>https://oz2i.dk/wp/</u>) will be active as VP9EE from the Bermuda Islands (NA-005) on 11-16 August. He will operate CW only, and will participate in the Work All Europe DX Contest (14-15 August). QSL via Club Log's OQRS (preferred), LoTW, or via OZ2I. [TNX NG3K]
- W Miguel, KC1LKO will be active holiday style as K1M from Monhegan Island (NA-137) on 9-21 August. He will operate SSB and maybe some FT8 primarily on 40 and 20 metres. [TNX WC6DX]
- W Commemorating the 20th anniversary of 9/11, members of the Alabama Contest Group (http://www.alabamacontestgroup.org) will be active on all bands and modes as K4A on 5-12 September. QSL direct to WA1FCN. [TNX WA1FCN]
- XE Special callsign 6E0D will be active on 1-31 August to commemorate the 500th anniversary of the Fall of Tenochtitlan (13 August 1521), the capital of the Aztec Empire. Three centuries later (27 September 1821), Mexico consummated the independence from Spain and special callsign 6E0CC will be active on 1-30 September to celebrate that bicentenary. QSL for both callsigns via LoTW, or direct to XE1EE.
- Z6 Rene, DL2JRM will be active as Z68XX from Kosovo on 10-13 September. He will operate mainly CW, but will also be active during the WAE DX SSB Contest (11-12 September). QSL via DL2JRM.

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BOUVET 2023 ---> On 4 August N6PSE posted the following announcement to the 3Y0J's Facebook group (https://www.facebook.com/groups/901378553769436/):
"On June 18th, we announced that we were continuing to seek new transportation to Bouvet in support of our Bouvet 2023 project. At the same time, we have refunded all donations as there was a high degree of uncertainty that we could move forward.

We are pleased to announce that we have found a suitable/affordable vessel willing to take us to Bouvet. We are negotiating the terms of that charter contract now. We have submitted a new application to the Norwegian Polar Institute. We have revised the Leadership of our team as follows:

David Jorgensen (WD5COV) Co-Leader, Operations, Antennas;

Kevin Rowett (K6TD) Co-Leader, Systems/Networks, Procurement, Logistics; Paul Ewing (N6PSE) Co-Leader, Planning, Public Relations, Tents, Logistics. Together, this leadership team will assemble twelve operators to make this vision a reality.

We are revising our website, and soon we will begin fundraising for this renewed effort. We are extremely grateful for all our past Sponsors and Donors and we hope that you can support this renewed effort".

CQ WW CONTEST RULES UPDATES ---> "Some exciting updates" to the CQ WW Contest, effective beginning in 2021, were announced on 1 August:

- 1) We have created a new YOUTH overlay that will be available to all competitors who are 25 years old or under, effective on the dates of the contest. The Cabrillo overlay format will be CATEGORY-OVERLAY: YOUTH. In support of this change, Youth overlay entries will be highlighted in the results (as is currently done for Classic and Rookies). In addition, plaques will be available for the winners.
- 2) A new EXPLORER category has been established to allow amateurs to participate in the CQ WW Contest while experimenting creatively with Internet-linked stations and other new technologies. The goal of this category is to encourage innovation in operating strategies, station design, and technology adaptation. This new category is only for the 2021 SSB and CW events. It does not apply to CQ WW DIGI or RTTY. Please review the detailed rules at https://cqww.com/explorer for more information.
- 3) As a reminder, audio recordings may be requested for your entry as part of the log checking process. Any single operator entrant competing for a top-five finish at the (a) World, (b) Continent, or (c) USA levels, including Classic Overlay, must record the transmitted and received audio as heard by the operator for the duration of the contest operation. Failure to respond to this request may result in your log being reclassified or disqualified. [Source: https://cqww.com/blog/2021-cqww-rules-updates/]

KH6VV/KH4 ---> The DXpedition to Midway Island, tentatively planned for September [425DXN 1547], has been postponed sine die. "The new management team is on island and trying to catch up with things the last team didn't do", Ron, KH6DV posted to KH6VV's qrz.com page 2 August . "The trick is to be on island when the albatross are gone. This year they are going to do a rodent extermination project while the albatross are off island, so the expedition can't be there while that is underway".

SECOND DREAM RIG YOUTH ESSAY CONTEST ---> "The Intrepid-DX Group recognizes the importance of including Youth in our great hobby because they are our future. We are establishing an annual Dream Rig Youth Essay Contest to gather the views and suggestions of young people involved in Amateur Radio". The contest is for USA amateur radio license holders aged 19 or younger, see https://www.facebook.com/The-Intrepid-DX-Group-180857615282553 for complete information.

UA1FA MEMORIAL ---> Several Russian special callsigns will be active on 9-16 August to celebrate the life and achievements of Yakov Semenovich Lapovok, UA1FA (1931-2014), a prominent figure in the history of Russian amateur radio who would have turned 90 on 16 August: RA90FA, RC90FA, RD90FA, RK90FA, RL90FA, RM90FA, RN90FA, RO90FA, RQ90FA, RT90FA, RU90FA, RW90FA, RY90FA and RZ90FA. Special callsigns that will be joining the celebration from other countries include 4X90FA (Israel), EM90AFA, EM90BFA, EM90IFA and EM90QFA (Ukraine), ER90FA (Moldova), ES90FA (Estonia), EV90FA (Belarus), UN90FA (Kazakstan) and WOL (USA). All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau; direct cards should be sent to RN3RQ (except RA90FA, which is via RV1CC). A certificate will be available on https://hamlog.online/.

+ SILENT KEYS + Ray Burlingame-Goff, G4FON passed away on 29 July. First licensed as G8HMH in 1973 and then as G4FON in 1976, he was the President of the First Class CW Operators' Club. He wrote the Koch method "CW Trainer" and "CW Contest Trainer" (https://www.g4fon.net/), which have been used by many to improve their Morse skills. Given at the 2018 RSGB convention, Ray's presentation "Improving your Morse Code skills from 5NN TU to effortless casual rag-chewing" is still available on the FOC website:

https://www.g4foc.org/Improving-Your-CW

Wolf Harranth, OE1WHC passed away on 3 August after a short illness. He would have celebrated his 80th birthday on 19 August. An acclaimed author of children's book, an award-winning literary translator and a journalist, Harranth became known also for his work at Radio Oesterreich International, where he was in charge of popular programmes for shortwave amateurs from 1969 until the station was discontinued in 2000.

Harranth was the founder and CEO of DokuFunk (https://www.dokufunk.org/), the non-profit "Documentation Archive for Research into the History of Radio Communications and Electronic Media" based in Vienna: started as a QSL card collection, today the archive contains about six million objects, including 1,500 bequests, making it the world's largest institution with archives and collections of all kinds on the history of radio, with a focus on broadcasting and amateur radio. In recognition of his commitment and dedication, in 2017 IARU Region 1 awarded the "Roy Stevens, G2BVN, Memorial Trophy" to him.

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QSLs received direct or through managers: 4L6QL, 5W1SA, 60100, 7Q7RU, 7X2AC, 9Q1C, 9X2AW, A25RU, AF2F/W4 (NA-067), B4CRA, BG2AUE, BY2CRA, C92RU, D44TWO, DT8A, E51WL (OC-082), FR8TG, FY4PU, FY5FY, GB13COL, GR2HQ, OD5ET, OD5EU, OH0Z, PJ2MAN, PJ4KY, RI0Q (AS-152), T6AA, T77C, TI4VAA, TM13COL, TZ1CE, UK8ZC, VK100AF, XT2AW, XV1X, YI1SAL, Z37CXY, ZD7JC.

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