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**** DX INFORMATION ****

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- 4X - The Israel Amateur Radio Club will be running four special event stations, celebrating the Jewish holiday of Hanukkah and Christmas. Hanukkah station 4Z8NER will be active on 18-26 December; Christmas stations 4X7XMAS, 4X8XMAS and 4X9XMAS will be active on 23-25 December. QSLs via 4X6ZM, LoTW and eQSL.
- A6 - A60QATAR is the special callsign for the Emirates Amateur Radio Society to take part in the celebrations of Qatar National Day on 18-22 December. QSL via EA7FTR. Individual operators may append a serial number to the special callsign, and be active as A60QATAR/0, A60QATAR/1, etc. (see qrz.com for the QSL routes).
- FY - Pierre-Jean, F4GPK will be active again as FY/F4GPK from Kourou, French Guiana from 26 December to 8 January. QSL via eQSL, or direct to home call. [TNX DX World]
- HZ - HZ20SAT is a special callsign for the Saudi Amateur Radio Society (HZ1SAR) to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the launch of the Saudi satellite SO-50 (20 December 2002). Look for activity on SO-50 on 11-20 December; see qrz.com for more information.
- 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 80-10m. QSL via JD1BMH (bureau), or direct to JG7PSJ. Logsearch on <http://jg7psj.starfree.jp/jd1bmh/>. He does not use LoTW or PayPal.
- OH - Once again Santa Radio, OF9X (Old Father Nine Xmas) will be active on 16-31 December on all amateur radio bands CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, or via OH2BH.
- "For this troubled year Santa has established a special theme to focus the region that will be suffering in this Christmas most. Santa's puzzle is dedicated to those suffering children: xxAxA xxxAIxI (three plus four letters).
- In this puzzle the letters I and A are presented on multiple times while the other 7 single letters are released as part of the report received from OF9X, such as 599RA. The first letter is from the operator name, and the second is one of the seven different puzzle letters.
- The operator roster includes Rami OH2BCI (R), Martti OH2BH (M), Era OH2CV (E), Arttu OH2FB (U), Arto OH2KW (O), Juha OH2LQ (J), Pekka OH2TA (P), Anne OH2YL (A), Pauli OH5BQ (L), Timo OH5LLR (T), Alex, UT5UY (X) and others. Additional questions and the completed puzzle should be sent to of9x@sral.fi; the top-10 will be presented and awarded on <https://www.qrz.com/db/OF9X> by 1 January 2023".
- S5 - Special event station S523PMC is active until 8 January to promote the PMC Contest, sponsored by the Radio Club Slovenj Gradec (S59DCD). All QSOs will be confirmed via the bureau. The Interna-

tional 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 7-8 January (complete information on <http://www.s59dcd.si/>).

- TI - Joe, VE3BW will be active as TI7/VE3BW from Guayabo de Bagaces, Costa Rica from 23 December to 3 January. He will operate CW, SSB and FT8 on 160-6 metres. QSL via VE3BW and LoTW.
- VU - Team POTA India will be active as AU2SOA ("Santa On Air") between 15 and 31 December. Look for activity on FT8, SSB and SSTV from various locations - see qrz.com for the details. QSL via eQSL.
- W - Brad, N9EN will be active again as W4A on 16-18 December, commemorating the birthdate of Edwin H. Armstrong, the electrical engineer and inventor who developed FM radio and the superheterodyne receiver system. He will operate CW only on 160-10 meters. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX NG3K]

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CONTEST UNIVERSITY 2023 ---> Registration is now open for the 2023 Contest University (CTU), to be held on 18 May at the Hope Hotel near Dayton, Ohio. See <https://www.contestuniversity.com/> for the details. This is the venue for all contest-related activities taking place during the Dayton Hamvention (CTU, Contest Super Suite, Top Band Dinner, Contest Dinner, etc).

TN8K 2023 ---> The TN8K DXpedition to the Congo [425DXN 1637] is confirmed to take place between 6 January (arrival) and 21 January (departure), with "full operation" planned on 10-19 January. The team has secured a location "in the flat terrain within sight of the ocean. We will have an area of approximately 6000 square metres at our disposal, which is fenced, so we should feel safe. The view in all directions is unobstructed so we can point our antennas without problems to all continents. There is also enough space around for installing beverage antennas; the only complication can be grazing herds of cows".

The team will carry "17 pieces of checked baggage of 23 kg, and eight pieces of cabin baggage of 12 kg. That's a total of 487 kilograms of material". Two diesel generators will provide power around the clock; they will "regularly alternate in operation", so "we can expect minor outages needed to switch the entire local network to the second generator". The estimated consumption for two weeks is about 1400 litres of diesel at "roughly +0.8 USD per litre plus delivery costs to the QTH". This is "the most expensive project implemented by the Czech DXpedition team to date", and donations will be gratefully accepted. See <https://www.cdxp.cz/> for more information, including a revised band plan.

"To make the operation of the TN8K expedition more attractive, we decided to announce a competition for the official expedition T-shirt". The first stations from EU, NA & SA, AS and VK/ZL & Oceania "with the most slots on Club Log will receive a free official expedition T-shirt from us as a thank-you. Only the first station from a given area with the maximum number of slots can win. It is not only the number of slots that matters, but also the speed of who reaches this number first".

W8S: SWAINS ISLAND ---> The DXpedition has been postponed once more, as "at the moment it is impossible to charter a ship for March 2023", PA3EWP reported on 11 December. The government ship 'Manu'atele' has a fixed schedule and cannot sail to Swains to drop the team off and pick them up two weeks later. Negotiations continue, however, and the project "has certainly not been cancelled, but again postponed. As soon as it is possible, we will go to Swains". Bookmark <https://swains2020.1ldxt.eu/home/> for updates.

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***** QSL ROUTES *****
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CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER
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3W3B	E21EIC	E77DX	E73Y	RI1ANU	ZS1OIN
4L1BB	EA5GL	EA9/YL7A	YL2GM	S21DX	EB7DX
4L4DX	K6VHF	EA9KB	EA7FTR	SN155MJP	SP3PGR
4L8A	M0OXO	EK6TA	DJ0MCZ	SN2M	SP2XF
4M1W	EB7DX	EY8MM	W0VTT	SO0KBW	SP3PDO
5W1SA	JA1DXA	FS4WBS	IZ1MHY	SO55K	SP5FKW
6E2RCG	XE2ML	FT4YM/p	F5PFP	SP84GDO	SP3PDO
6M23VGC	HL4CAF	GD5WS	M0OXO	ST22FIFA	ST2M
7X2GK	IK2DUW	GI5WS	M0OXO	TF3XO	EA5GL
7Z1LR	EC6DX	GM5X	N3SL	TG9ADM	EA5GL
7Z1VD	EA5GL	GU5WS	M0OXO	TG9AJR	M0URX
8Q7BB	RX3APM	H25A	LZ3SM	TI1K	EA5GL
8Q7CA	R6CA	H44SHD	HB9SHD	TI5CDA	EA5GL
9G5AF	EA5GL	HC1MD/2	K8LJG	TI7W	M0URX
9J2BO	EA5GL	HH2AA	EB7DX	TM200LP	F8GGZ
9K2GV	M0URX	HS0ZJF	ON4AFU	TM34SCR	F4JBU
9K2JJ	EA5GL	HS0ZME	SM6NT	TM4K	F4EGZ
9K2YM	EA5KB	HZ1BHR	HZ1SAR	TM4TLT	F4KIP
9K9BHR	EC6DX	JG8NQJ/JD1	JA8CJY [d]	TM50VAR	F4GPB
9K9QATAR	EC6DX	JG8NQJ/JD1	JG8NQJ [b]	TM6DEO	F4GJC
9N7NQ	JA7NQQ	KL2R	EA5GL	TM9C	F5OHM
A43BHR	EC6DX	KL7SB	N4GNR	UE25DD	RZ5D
A43UAE	EC6DX	KP2M	NZ4DX	UE25KDR	RA3ATT
A60BHR	EA7FTR	LP1A	EA7FTR	UE25KK	RA3TRR
A60BHR/11	EA7FTR	LP1H	EA5KB	UE25RR	RA4DAR
A60BHR/14	LZ1YE	LS2D	EC6DX	UP7L	UN6LN
A71FIFA	A71A	LS7H	LU1HHT	V26K	AA3B

A722FWC	A71A	LT6M	EC6DX	V51WH	DK2WH
A72FIFA	A71A	LT7D	EA5GL	V55Y	DK2WH
A73FIFA	A71A	LT7F	EA5KB	VE2CSI	M0URX
A74FIFA	A71A	LV4V	LU4VZ	VK5KI	M0OXO
A75FIFA	A71A	NL8F	N7RO	VL4R	VK4ZD
A76FIFA	A71A	NP2X	KU9C	XF1S	IT9EJW
A77FIFA	A71A	OD5ET	EB7DX	XF3RAM	EA5GL
A78FIFA	A71A	OK8CX/p	DL7CX	XT2AW	M0OXO
A91ND	EC6DX	OR100RCBE	ON4GDV	XV9BPO	EA5GL
AP2TN	N4BAA	OR78NUTS	ON5UB	XW4KV	F4BKV
CB1A	CE1ZZ	OY1OF	M0URX	YC8IKU	M0OXO
CB3R	XQ3SK	PC70RH	PF1SCT	YE8DWC	M0OXO
CB4A	CE4UFC	PI4DX	PD1DX	YI1WWA	IK2DUW
CN22JIM	RW6HS	PJ2T	W3HNC	YU75ACR	YU1ACR
CO7GTE	IK2DUW	PJ4DX	M0URX	Z21ML	N4GNR
CT9ABO	OM3GI	PJ7PL	N2HX	ZC4GR	EB7DX
CX1T	IK2DUW	PR2R	PY2ERA	ZF1A	K7ZO
D44PM	IZ4DPV	R1941MB	R2DX	ZW2A	PY2SGL
DP0GVN	DL5EBE	R1941OM	R5CA	ZW8T	PS8HF
E2A	E21EIC	R25KDR	RU6UR	ZZ5K	PP5RT

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