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**** DX INFORMATION ****

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7Q - Jerry, W1IE and Bill, KC4D have been in Malawi since 20 September, and will remain there until 1 October. In their spare time they are QRV as 7Q7WW on SSB, CW and RTTY (maybe including activity during the CQ WW DX RTTY Contest). QSL via KC4D. [TNX The Daily DX]

9H - Witek, SP9MRO (9H3I) and Danuta, SP9PX (9H3QQ) will be active from Malta (EU-023) from 25 September to 9 October. They will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 40-12 metres. QSL both callsigns via SP9SX and LoTW. [TNX The Daily DX]

9M6 - Just, LA9DL will be active as 9M6AAC from Mataking Island (OC-133) from 26 September to 1 October. He will operate mainly PSK and FT8 on 20 metres. QSL for this operation via LA9DL. [TNX The Daily DX]

CY9 - CY9C will be active again from St. Paul Island (NA-094) on 1-9 August 2018. Ten operators, including several members of the 2016 DXpedition, will be active on 160-6 metres SSB, CW, RTTY and maybe FT8, plus 2m EME and Satellite. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW or via WA4DAN. See http://cy9c.com/index.html for more information and updates. [TNX NG3K]

E4 - Janusz, SP9FIH, will be active again as E44WE from Palestine on 18-29 October. He will be QRV on 30, 15, 12 and 10m SSB, PSK63 and RTTY, and will participate in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest on 15m. QSL via Club Log's OQRS or SP9FIH. See http://www.e4.dxpeditions.org for more information. [TNX NG3K]

EL - EL2GM, EL2BB and EL2EL are the callsigns issued to EI5GM, EI9FBB and MM0NDX respectively. They plan to use them after the 5L3BI DXpedition to Baiyah Island [425DXN 1376], from the Liberia Radio Amateur Association in Monrovia, probably on 3 November. If bad weather/sea conditions prevent them from landing on the island, they will use their personal callsigns from mainland Liberia during late October-early November. [TNX DX World]

FR - Alain, F8FUA will be active as FR/F8FUA from Reunion Island (AF-016) on 22-30 September. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, and LoTW. [TNX DX World]

KG4 - Active from Guantanamo Bay (NA-015) will be Henry W2DZO (KG4HH, 6-9 October), Jeff KQ4LA (KG4LA, 6-13 October), Bill W4WV (KG4WV, 6-20 October) and Al W6HGF (KG4HF, 6-20 October). QSL via home calls; KG4LA and KG4HF will upload their logs to LoTW.

HB0 - Look for Tina, HB0/DL5YL and Fred, HB0/DL5YM to be active again from Liechtenstein from 21 September to 7 October. They will operate mainly CW, with some SSB and RTTY (including activity during the CQ WW DX RTTY Contest) on 160-6 metres. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX DX Newsletter]

HC8 - LU3YK, LU7VB, LU8YD and LU9VEA will be active as HC8LU from San Cristobal, Galapagos Islands (SA-004) from 29 November to 8 December (https://hc8lu.blogspot.com/). They will operate SSB and

digital modes on 160-6 metres. QSL via IK2DUW and LoTW, logsearch on Club Log.

I - Franco, IK4YCQ will be active holiday style as IF9/IK4YCQ from Favignana Island (EU-054) from 26 September to 1 October. He will operate SSB on 40-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, and LoTW; logsearch on Club Log. [TNX IK4YCQ]

JD1_mt - Take, JG8NQJ expects to be back to the weather station on Minami Torishima (OC-073) for two months starting around 15 October. He operates CW and RTTY as JG8NQJ/JD1 in his free time. QSL via JA8CJY (direct) or JG8NQJ (bureau).

P4 - Jim, K8JH as P40N and Mike, KB8KB as P40M will be active from Aruba (SA-036) from 27 September to 3 October. They will operate FT8, SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK31. [TNX The Daily DX]

PY0F - PY0FW is the new callsign for Leo, PP1CZ to use while operating from Fernando de Noronha (SA-003). He is currently there until 27 September [425DXN 1375]. QSL via Club Log's OQRS or direct only to PP1CZ.

RI1F - The RI1F DXpedition team (R9LR, RA9J, RT9K, RW0BG, UA0ZC, UA1QV, UA9KAM, UA9KB, UA9KDF, UA9LDD, UA9LDW and UA9OBA) will gather in Murmansk on 24 September and leave on the 27th, destination Victoriya Island [425DXN 1363]. Plans are to be QRV between 1 and 7 October, depending on weather and ice conditions, and to operate CW and SSB on all bands, including EME and Satellite activity. A number of tracking instruments to follow the DXpedition's voyage can be found on https://www.qrz.com/db/ri1f. QSL via Club Log's OQRS (search for RI1F/EU-190). Victoriya Island is "new one" for IOTA (EU-190), but DXCC wise is part of Franz Josef Land.

S9 - Jose, EA5IDQ will be active as S9CQ from Sao Tome (AF-023) on 12-21 October. He will operate SSB and RTTY on 80-6 metres. QSL via home call (direct or bureau) and LoTW.

SP - Special event station HF27PLI will be QRV from 23 September to 1 October to mark the 27th anniversary of the activation of the first analogue Internet link in Poland (26 September 1990). QSL via bureau to SQ8W.

SV5 - Oliver, DK7TX will be active as SV5/DK7TX from the Dodecanese (EU-001) islands of Kos, Kalymnos, Nisyros and Telendos on 3-13 October. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX DX World]

UA - Special callsigns R80ORL, UE80O, UE80OL will be activated from 27 September to 27 October to commemorate the 80th anniversary of the creation of the region (oblast) of Oryol. QSL R80ORL and UE80O via R2EA, QSL UE80OL via R5EO. Similarly, special event station RU80TO (QSL via UA3RF) is active until 10 October for the 80th anniversary of the region of Tambov.

UA - Commemorating the 60th anniversary of the launch of Sputnik 1, the first artificial Earth satellite, special callsign R60SAT will be active on 1-8 October. QSL via R4AS (direct).

VK - Craig, VK5CE will be active as VK5CE/8 from North Island (OC-198) on 12-15 October [425DXN 1367]. He will operate SSB on 40, 20, 17 and 15 metres with "a large array of vertical and beam antennas"; on the last couple of days he is likely to "do a little PSK on 30m at night and 15m during the day if SSB pile ups slow down". A detailed operating schedule is on https://oc198.wordpress.com in the "Propagation" section. QSL via Club Log's OQRS (search for

VK5CE/8_OC198), or via VK5CE (direct or bureau). The log will be uploaded after the DXpedition, as Craig will have no access to phones or Internet while on the island.

XT - Harald, DF2WO will be active again as XT2AW from Burkina Faso between 29 September and 30 October. He will be QRV on the HF bands, 60 metres included, "and with conditions what they are may be on JT65 and FT8 more than CW or SSB". QSL via M0OXO's OQRS and LoTW. [TNX M0OXO]

ZD7 - A regular air service from Johannesburg to St Helena Island (AF-022) is due to start on 14 October, and Bill, G0VDE hopes to be on the first commercial flight. He plans to be active as ZD7VDE for one week, and to operate SSB and some data modes ("maybe even FT8"). See http://www.sthelenadx.com/ for more information and updates. [TNX NG3K]

ZS - This year, the Jamboree On The Air (JOTA) celebrates its 60th year of running. To commemorate this milestone, the Sandringham Scout Group (ZS6SSG) will be running special event station ZS60JOTA over the JOTA weekend (20-22 October). Activity will be on 80, 40 and 20 metres. QSL via ZS6RKE, direct or bureau. [TNX ZS4BS]

CQ WW DX RTTY CONTEST ---> This year's event will run from 00.00 UTC on 23 September through 23.59 UTC on the 24th (rules at https://www.cqwwrtty.com). Please visit http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cqr2017.html for the Announced Operations listing maintained by Bill, NG3K. The following stations are expected to participate:

ZONE	CALL	CATEGORY	COUNTRY	QSL
02	W4TMO/VE2	M/?	Canada	W4TMO
05	VY2/W5AJ		Canada	LoTW
07	V31VP	SOAB HP	Belize	WB0TEV
08	8P50B	SOSB 20m LP	Barbados	LoTW/KU9C
08	ZF1A	M/?	Cayman Isls	LoTW/K6AM
09	PJ4/MW0JZE	SO	Bonaire	M0OXO
11	PY0FW	SO	Fernando de Noronha	PP1CZ
14	CR5V	SOAB HP	Portugal	M0OXO
14	MJ5Z	SOAB LP	Jersey	LoTW/M0CFW
14	TM3Z	SOAB LP	France	F4DSK
14	ZB2TT	SOAB LP	Gibraltar	LoTW/M0URX
15	HF9M	SOAB LP	Poland	SQ9UM
15	OH0JWL	M/?	Aland Isls	DL5FF
21	A44A	M/2	Oman	A47RS
24	BV2A/3	M/?	Taiwan	BV2A
26	XW1IC	SOSB 20m	Laos	LoTW/E21EIC
27	JD1BON	SOAB LP	Ogasawara	LoTW/JA1UII
28	YB0NDT	SOSB 20m	Indonesia	LoTW
32	A35W	SOAB HP	Tonga	LoTW/JJ2VLY
32	E6AG	SO	Niue	M0OXO
33	7U1X	SOAB	Algeria	EA7JX
33	CR3W	M/?	Madeira	LoTW/DL5AXX
33	EF9R	SO	Ceuta	LoTW/EA5KB
37	7Q7WW		Malawi	KC4D

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3Y0Z: BOUVET 2018 ---> Eighteen team members gathered in Atlanta, GA on 7-10 September for planning meetings, safety briefings, equipment packing, inventorying, container packing and getting to know each other. A highlight was testing the 2m EME setup ("it worked! We completed a QSO with our pilot, PA2CHR").
The sea container leaves Atlanta in early October, and hopefully it will reach Punta Arenas (Chile) no later than 1 December. "Our team members have all purchased their airline tickets to Punta Arenas for a couple days of meetings and orientation", the team reported on 21 September. "Then we will fly across the Drake Passage on the morning of 13 January to board our ship at King George Island in the South Shetland Islands. We plan to sail for Bouvet that same afternoon. We will arrive at Bouvet sometime between 23 and 25 January. Our actual landing date is weather dependent. We will be lucky to be on the air within a few days. Every detail of our landing sequence, shelter construction, antenna layout, equipment setup and radio operations is well thought out. Also, our emergency evacuation routes and plans have been identified".
Over 100 clubs and foundations and over 1550 individuals have already supported the DXpedition financially. "While our operators are prepared to dig deeper into their pockets to make this DXpedition happen", if you "have yet to contribute, we ask for your consideration". You may visit http://www.bouvetdx.org and click on a 'donate' button.

ENIGMA RELOADED ---> The 4th "Enigma Reloaded" event is taking place until 30 September. Participating stations include II0ENG, II1ENG, II1MTN, II2ENG, II3ENG, II3ENI, II4ENG, II9ENG, IO3ENG, IO3ENI, IQ8XS, IQ9PA and LX9LARU. Complete information on the event and the associated award is available at http://www.enigma-reloaded.it/.

INDEXA NEWS ---> The International DX Association's officers for the 2018 and 2019 fiscal years are Bob Schenck N2OO (President), John Scott K8YC (Vice-President) and Dick Williams W3OA (Secretary-Treasurer). The directors are Roberto Ramirez CE3CT (2018), Franz Langner DJ9ZB (2018-19), Joe Aoki JJ3PRT (2018), Ralph Fedor K0IR (2018-20 and Fiscal Year 2018 Chairman), Mary Hobart K1MMH (2017-19), Gary Dixon K4MQG (2018-19), Bob Allphin K4UEE (2018-20), Lou Dietrich N2TU (2018) and Jerry Rosalius WB9Z (2018-19). INDEXA (http://www.indexa.org) is an amateur radio organization dedicated to working DX and making DX possible. Over the years, it has supported over 240 DXpeditions to rare and semi-rare entities. [TNX W3OA]

IREF NEWS ---> The Island Radio Expedition Foundation, Inc. (IREF) has announced that Charles Wilmott, M0OXO, is now a member of the IREF Board of Directors. Charles fills the vacancy left by the resignation of Neville Cheadle, G3NUG, who has been on the IREF Board since its inception. The IREF

Board ultimately decides on IREF sponsorship of an IOTA Expedition and is an internationally diverse group. In addition to Charles, M0OXO, the Board consists of Jim (JA9IFF), Buzz (N5UR), Don (W9DC), Jose (CT1EEB), Mike (K9AJ) and Buzz (NI5DX).
IREF is funded solely through donations and is a 501(c)(3) organization which allows for contributions by US hams to be tax deductible. The website is www.islandradio.org and contributions can be made by clicking on the "Join" tab. [TNX AD5A]

QSL VIA UA4FCJ ---> The logs for UZ4FWD/UH8W (Turkmenistan 1989), UZ4FWD/UI8U (Turkmenistan 1989) and UZ4FWD/UH0Y (Turkmenistan 1990) are still open, and QSL cards are available via UA4FCJ (Evgenij S. Krivulin, pr. Stroitelej 130-232, Penza, 440071, Russia). [TNX RG4F]

QSLs received direct or through managers: 4V1G, 5K3W, 5U5R, 9Q6BB, A35JP/p (OC-191), B7CRA (AS-143), E51LYC (OC-098), ER1LW, ER1PB, GU1IIW, HK3W, LX/PG5M, MD/OO4O, RI1AND, TJ3PD, V6J (OC-226), V85ACY, VK9AA, VU7KP (AS-011), YI1SAL, ZD7FT, ZF1EJ.

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