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**** DX INFORMATION ****
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4S7 - Nikolay, LZ1NK will be active as 4S7NKG from Weligama, Sri Lanka (AS-003) on 1-5 March. He will operate CW, SSB, RTTY and FT8 on 40-10 metres. QSL direct to LZ1NK. [TNX The Daily DX]

CT9 - Once again Rosel, DL3KWR and Hardy, DL3KWF will be active as CT9/DL3KWR and CT9/DL3KWF from Madeira (AF-014) from 8 March to 5 April. They plan to operate mostly CW with a focus on 12, 17, 30 and 60 metres (5351,5-5366,5 kHz, QSX 5405 kHz). QSL via home calls (bureau preferred), LoTW and eQSL. [TNX NG3K]

D2 - The D2TI DXpedition to Tigres Island (AF-108) [425DXN 1374] is still going to happen. "As of now the initial team all had to pull out due to various reasons", DX World reported a few days ago. Nonetheless, "there is still a core team involved in this expedition", and they "will try undertake the activity sometime mid-March". Bookmark https://dx-world.net/ for updates.

D4 - Egill, TF3EO is active as D44KF from Sao Tiago (AF-005), Cape Verde between 20 February and 3 March, and possibly a few other times over the year whilst working there. He operates QRP on 40-10, metres mainly CW and FT8. QSL via G3SWH's OQRS (instructions can be found on http://www.g3swh.org.uk/methods.html); all logs will be uploaded to both LoTW and Club Log in due course. [TNX The Daily]

F - Fabien, F4GYM and Chris, F4GTB will be active as F4GYM/p and F4GTB/p from Noirmoutier Island (EU-064) on 27-30 July. Joined by F4FGV, F4FVI, F5NQL and F6GCP, they will participate in the IOTA Contest as TM6N (CW and SSB). QSL TM6N via F4GYM (direct or bureau), Club Log's OQRS, LoTW and eQSL. [TNX Les Nouvelles DX]

FG - Mike, OE6MBG plans to be active holiday style as FG/OE6MBG from Guadeloupe (NA-102) on 6-20 March. He will operate mainly SSB and CW with a focus on 80, 40 and "potential openings" on 10 metres for Europe. QSL via LoTW. [TNX DX World]

FK - Arnaud, FK/JG1XMV [425DXN #1397] will be active from IOTA group OC-033 between 21 February and 2 March, first from Lifou (until 26 February) and after that from Mare. He will then return to Noumea (OC-032) and be QRV until 3 March. QSL via JG1XMV (direct or bureau), LoTW and eQSL.

FM - F5OZF, F5RXL, F6EXV and FM5WD are active as TO972A from Martinique (NA-107) until 2 March. They operate CW, SSB and digital modes, and will participate in this weekend's Coupe du REF (the French HF Championship). QSL via F5RXL, LoTW and Club Log. [TNX The Daily DX]

FR - Alain, F1FJR will be active as FR/F1FJR from Reunion Island (AF-016) from 5 March to 15 May. He will operate FT8 on 80-10m. QSL via home call (direct or bureau), and eQSL. [TNX The Daily DX]

FY - Hartwig, DL7BC will be active again as FY/DL7BC/p from French Guiana on 12-26 March. He will participate in the BARTG HF RTTY

Contest (17-18 March) and the CQ WPX SSB Contest (24-25 March) as TO2BC. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, and LoTW; logsearch and OQRS on Club Log.

G - A team of Belgian operators (ON3DMR, ON4AFW, ON4AWT, ON4JW, ON6EF, ON6VJ and ON8WR) will be active as GB9OSA from the Isle of Wight (EU-120) on 8-13 May. They will operate mainly SSB and digital on 160-6 metres with two stations. QSL via ON6EF, direct or bureau. See https://hamradioexpedition.com/ for more information.

I - IT9PPG and IT9WDC will be active as IF9A from Favignana Island (EU-054) on 20-25 March, including an entry in the CQ WPX SSB Contest. QSL via IT9PPG. [TNX NG3K]

KH8 - Uli, DL2AH will be active as WH8/DL2AH from Ofu Island (OC-077), American Samoa on 2-29 October. He will operate SSB, RTTY and FT8 on 80-10 metres, and will participate in various contests (Oceania DX, WAG, CQ WW DX SSB). QSL direct to home call. [TNX NG3K]

P4 - K9NW, K9PG, W6LD and WE9V will be active as P40L from Aruba (SA-036) between 25 February and 9 March, ARRL DX SSB Contest included. QSL via WA3FRP. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]

PJ2 - Look for PJ2/DK5ON to be active from Curacao (SA-099) on 14-27 March. He will operate CW, SSB, RTTY and FT8 on 80-6 metres. QSL via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS or via home call (direct or bureau). [TNX NG3K]

PY - Look for ZW2MT to be active from Ilha Montao de Trigo (SA-071) on 10-11 March. A Brazilian team (PP5BT, PY2AE, PY2DX, PY2LCD, PY2RMZ, PY2VM, PY2VOX and PY2XYZ) will be QRV on 80-10 metres SSB, CW, FT8, PSK and RTTY. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW or via PY2RMZ.

SU - Jovica, E78A (ex JY9FC) has a new work assignment in Cairo, Egypt and will be active as SU9JT until the end of the year. QSL via Club Log's OQRS (to be activated when the cards are received from the printer), or via E73Y (direct or bureau). [TNX E73Y]

T32 - Uli, DL2AH will be active as T32AH from Kiritimati (Christmas Island, OC-024), East Kiribati from 12 September to 1 October. He will operate SSB, RTTY and FT8 on 80-10 metres. QSL direct to home call. [TNX NG3K]

UA_ant - Nikolai, RW6ACM will be active as RI1ANL from Novolazarevskaya Station, Antarctica (AN-016) for one year starting sometime in March. In his spare time he will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on the HF bands. QSL via RN1ON, Club Log's OQRS or LOTW.

V2 - Bud, AA3B will be active again as V26K from Antigua (NA-100) from 28 February to 5 March, including an entry in the ARRL DX SSB Contest. QSL via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS, or via AA3B (direct or bureau). [TNX NG3K]

V3 - Victor, WB0TEV (V31VP) and Michael, K5MDK (V31MK) will be active from Blackman Eddy in central Belize on 2-4 March, ARRL DX SSB Contest included. They will concentrate on 20 and 40 metres, with some 15m and 80m at times. Outside the contest they will operate SSB and RTTY. QSL V31VP via Club Log's OQRS, or via WB0TEV (direct or bureau); QSL V31MK via K5MDK (direct or bureau).

V3 - Iain, G4SGX will be active again as V31GX from Ambergris Caye (NA-073), Belize on 6-16 March. He will operate CW and possibly some FT8 on 80-6m, and will participate in the RSGB Commonwealth (BERU) Contest. QSL via Club Log's OQRS and LoTW, or via home call.

VK - The Gold Coast Amateur Radio Society (VK4WIG) will be active as

VI4GAMES from 1 March to 31 May to celebrate the XXI Commonwealth Games that will be held in Gold Coast City on 4-15 April.

VU4 - John, G4IRN (VU3VXO) will be active as VU4G from the Andaman Islands (AS-001) from 23 February to 5 March. "The operating QTH is by the sea with clear take off to Europe, Africa, South America and long path USA. The intention is to mount vertical and wire antennas as close to the waters's edge as possible". He will operate mainly CW on 40-17 metres. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW or via home call. [TNX DX World]

YU - Special callsigns YT100SF and YU100WWI are active until 31 December to mark the 100th anniversary of the breakthrough of the Salonica Front and the end of World War I. QSL via LoTW or via YU1SRS (direct or bureau); logsearches on Club Log.

Z6 - Mome, Z32ZM will be active as Z68M from Kosovo between 22 February and 6 March. He will operate CW, SSB, RTTY, FT8 and JT65 on 160-10 metres. QSL via Club Log's OQRS for direct and bureau cards. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]

ZF - Dan, N6MJ will be active again as ZF2MJ from the Cayman Islands (NA-016) on 2-5 March, ARRL DX SSB Contest included. QSL via LoTW or direct to N6MJ. [TNX NG3K]

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H44MS ---> Bernard, H44MS [425DXN 1381] has moved to a new QTH on Malaita Island (OC-047) and will remain there "for the next four weeks or more". His new location is next to the sea and less noisy than his previous QTH in Honiara, but there is no access to the Internet. He operates SSB only, using dipoles for 80 and 40 metres, and a beam for 20-6 metres. QSL via DL2GAC, direct or bureau.

VK5MAV/9 ---> Andy, VK5MAV will be active as VK5MAV/9 from Cato Reef (OC-265) [425DXN 1397], Australia on 11-16 April. His new website can be found at http://vk5mav.wixsite.com/dxpedition.

YJ0AG ---> Grant, VK5GR will be active as YJ0AG from Efate (OC-035), Vanuatu on 17-29 April [425DXN 1393]. His new website, which includes his past operations, can be found at http://vk5gr-iota.net/

Z60A ---> Delegates from ten different countries were part of the initial Kosovo activation, which resulted in 81,478 QSOs with 26,487 unique callsigns. Of the total number of QSOs, some 22% (17,876) were from North America and 10% (8255) were with DXers in Asia. Europe was obviously

dominating with 66% (53,725) QSOs. "Please kindly look at your QSOs in Club Log and at QRZ.com (Z60A). In the case of errors, please allow the group look at problems and correct them accordingly. For a next three weeks, errors will be worked out and the log will be entered into Logbook of the World (LoTW). Early donors will receive their direct QSL cards with others to follow immediately thereafter". [TNX N7NG]

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3C0L (AF-039), 3C1L (AF-010), 3XY3D/p (AF-096), 5B4XMAS, 5K0T (NA-033), 5K1B (SA-078), 5V1JE, 5X2B, 6O6O, 6Y6J, 7Q7AB, 9U4M, CE0Y/LU9VEA, CO7PH/p (NA-086), CX2DK, DU6GG, E31A, EL2BB, HC8LUT, HF0ARC, HK3W, IS0HQJ, J5T (AF-020), OA1F, PZ5RA, RI1F (EU-190), T2AR, T88PB, T88RF, TO2SP (NA-146), TR8CA, UN3M, V53DX, VK9MA (OC-072), VP9/N2OO, YB8RW/p (OC-145), YI1SAL, YS/HR2DMR, Z21LS.

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