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 \*\*\*\* DX INFORMATION \*\*\*\*  
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- 4S7 - Dariusz, SP9DLM will be active as 4S7DMG from Kalkudah, Sri Lanka (AS-003) on 6-14 August. He will be QRV on 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres. QSL via home call.
- 9M - A large number of special event stations located in various Malaysian states and federal territories will celebrate the 61st anniversary of Malaysia's independence (31 August 1957) from 1 August to 1 September. Active from West Malaysia will be 9M61MA, 9M61MB, 9M61MC, 9M61MD, 9M61MJ, 9M61MK, 9M61MM, 9M61MN, 9M61MP, 9M61MR, 9M61MT, 9M61MW and 9M61MY. Active from East Malaysia will be 9M61MQ (Sarawak) and 9M61MS (Sabah). QSL via operator's instructions. A certificate will be available from the Malaysian DX and Contest Group's website (<http://www.9mdxc.com/cq9m>).
- A3 - Hardy, DL7JLL will be active as A35JLL (requested callsign) while island hopping in Tonga between early August and mid-September. He will be QRV on 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres, running 5-10 watts from "remote islands" and up to 50 watts "when sufficient energy can be supplied". He will start from Nuku'Alofa (Tongatapu, OC-049) on 8-15 August, followed by the Vava'u group (OC-064) until 30 August, then the Ha'apai group (OC-169) until 14 September, and again Tongatapu until 19 September. QSL via DL7JLL, bureau or direct. [TNX DX News]
- BY - Lide Zhang, BI8CKU and Rui Li, BI8DJW will be active as B0/BI8CKU from Lhasa, Tibet on 6-14 August. They will operate FT8 only on 40 and 20 metres. QSL via LoTW, or via home call.
- CT8 - Serge, CT8/R7KW and Oleg, CT8/YL3JM will be active from Sao Miguel Island (EU-003), Azores on 26-29 July. Oleg will participate in the IOTA Contest as CR2S. After the contest Serge will be active as CT7/R7KW for a few days from Portugal. QSL for all calls via Club Log's OQRS (direct or bureau), or direct to K2PF. [TNX qrz.ru]
- E5\_sc - Dave, G4BUO will be active holiday style as E51BUO from Rarotonga (OC-013), South Cooks from 30 July to 6 August. He will operate CW only. QSL via home call. [TNX DX World]
- EI - The EIDX Group will hold their second "DX Feile" (DX Festival) on 14-15 September at the Aran Islands Hotel on Inis Mor (EU-006). Complete information can be found at <https://www.dxfeile.ie/>. Look for EJ0DXG on 13-16 September and during the event. QSL via M0OXO's OQRS. [TNX DX World]
- G - Commemorating five decades of offshore radio broadcasting, the Martello Tower Group (<http://www.martellotowergroup.com/gb5rc.html>) will be QRV again as GB5RC on 2-6 August. Activity will take place from the MV Ross Revenge, home of Radio Caroline, moored in the Blackwater estuary near Bradwell-on-Sea (Essex). QSL via GB5RC (bureau) or G6NHU (direct).

- GU - Mek, SP7VC will be active as MU/SP7VC from Guernsey (EU-114) on 5-11 August, followed by a short activity as MJ/SP7VC from Jersey (EU-013) on 11-14 August. He plans to be QRV on the HF bands, plus 2, 4 and 6 metres SSB and digital modes (FT8, MSK144, JT65A). QSL via home call. [TNX The Daily DX]
- HC8 - Alfredo, HC1HC will be active as HC1HC/8 from the Galapagos Islands (SA-004) on 7-10 August. He will operate mainly FT8 in DXpedition mode, on 30, 17, 12 and possibly 6 metres. QSL direct to NE8Z. [TNX The Daily DX]
- LA - Nick LB9LG, Anatoly UA1OIW and the Kirkenes Radio Amateur Group (LA2K) will be active as LM0POMOR on 25-29 July during the Pomor Festival on Vardo Island (EU-141). QSL via the bureau.
- UA - Victor, R6AF and Valery, RU6DX have been active again as R6AF/p and RU6DX/p from Sudzhuk Island (EU-185) since 22 July. Usually their stay on the island includes participation in the IOTA Contest. QSL via Club Log's OQRS (preferred), or via home calls.
- UA9 - Yuri UA0KBG, Vicotr UA3AKO and Alexandr RA3AV plan to be active as RT65KI from Idlidlya Island (AS-065) on 18-26 August. Dates are Approximate, and will depend on their travel arrangements from Lavrentija to the village of Neshkan, as well as on weather and local conditions. Plans are to operate CW and SSB on 40, 30, 20 and 17 metres. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, or via UA3AKO. Bookmark <http://rt65ki.ru/> for updates.
- UA\_ant - RI1ANF contacts in 2018 were made with Sergey, R3IW operating from Novolazarevskaya Station, Antarctica (not from Bellinghausen Base on King George Island, South Shetlands). The QSL manager is RN1ON (not RK1PWA, who "has nothing to share with this activity"). He says that Sergey made only "30-40 QSOs" using the same equipment of RI1ANL (operated by RW6ACM). On 23 July a new callsign (RI1ANW) was issued to Sergey, who will operate mainly digital modes on the HF bands. RI1ANL and RI1ANW will remain at Novolazarevskaya until March 2019. QSL both callsigns via Club Log's OQRS, or via RN1ON.
- W - Jeff, KU8E will be active during the IOTA from two different island groups. He will use the South East Contest Club's callsign (W4AN) from Amelia Island (NA-138) for the first five hours (QSL via K4BAI). Then he will move to Jekyll Island (NA-058) and be QRV as KU8E (QSL direct to home call). [TNX NG3K]
- ZA - Waldi, SP7IDX will be active as ZA/SP7IDX from Albania on 5-12 August. He will operate SSB and digital modes on 40-10 metres. QSL via LoTW or via home call (bureau preferred), logsearch on Club Log. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]

RSGB IOTA CONTEST ---> The following stations have announced their participation in this year's event (from 12 UTC on 28 July through 12 UTC on the 29th) from qualifying islands. For latest additions please give a look at the announced operation list maintained by Bill, NG3K:

<https://www.ng3k.com/Misc/iota2018.html>.

Complete details on the IOTA Contest can be found on the RSGB Contest Committee's website: <https://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2018/riota.shtml>.

| Ref.No. | Call/Ops | Island  | QSL VIA |
|---------|----------|---------|---------|
| AF-014  | CR3DX    | Madeira | OM2VL   |

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|--------|------------|------------------|----------|
| AS-008 | JI3DST/1   | Shikine          | JI3DST   |
| AS-020 | BV2A/3     | Taiwan           | BV2A     |
| AS-036 | JE6HCL/6   | Iki              | JE6HCL   |
| AS-073 | 9M2/IK2PFL | Perhentian Kecil | IK2PFL   |
| AS-074 | 9M2SDX     | Indah            | 9M2SDX   |
| AS-078 | JA8COE     | Hokkaido         | JA8COE   |
| AS-094 | BD7YK      | Hainan           |          |
| AS-107 | E2X        | Si Chang         | E20GMY   |
| AS-135 | BD4SDX     | Kaishan          | BD4SDX   |
| AS-146 | B4/BY1AA   | Chang            | BY1AA    |
| AS-150 | BY4JN      | Lingshan         | BI4IIZ   |
| AS-155 | BV0WPX     | P'engchia Yu     | BV2KI    |
| AS-155 | BW9W       | P'engchia Yu     | BV2KI    |
| EU-001 | SV5/OM6NM  | Kos              | OM2FY    |
| EU-003 | CR2S       | Sao Miguel       | K2PF     |
| EU-005 | G8X        | Great Britain    | G4FJK    |
| EU-008 | GM2T       | Tiree            | GM4UYZ   |
| EU-008 | GM7A       | Coll             | GM7WCO   |
| EU-010 | GM4AGG/p   | Lewis            | GM4AGG   |
| EU-010 | GM7V       | Benbecula        | N3SL     |
| EU-010 | MM0JTV     | Barra            | MM0JTV   |
| EU-011 | M1K        | St Agnes         | M1KTA    |
| EU-011 | MX5A       | St Mary          | Club Log |
| EU-015 | SV9/I3MDU  | Crete            | I3MDU    |
| EU-016 | 9A8DV      | Drvenik Veli     | IK6VXO   |
| EU-018 | OY1CT      | Faroe            | OY1CT    |
| EU-020 | SD1A       | Gotland          | SM1TDE   |
| EU-020 | SM/G3VYI   | Faro             | G3VYI    |
| EU-023 | 9H3HZ      | Malta            | TA1HZ    |
| EU-023 | 9H6YB      | Malta            | G3SWH    |
| EU-029 | OZ2PBS     | Sjaelland        | OZ2PBS   |
| EU-029 | OZ8SW      | Sjaelland        | OZ8SW    |
| EU-032 | F/OO4O     | Oleron           | ON4APU   |
| EU-034 | ES0IA      | Kassari          |          |
| EU-034 | ES3V       | Vormsi           | ES3VI    |
| EU-038 | PA/ON6QR   | Texel            | ON6QR    |
| EU-038 | PA6IOT     | Texel            | ON3UN    |
| EU-047 | DL7X/p     | Borkum           | bureau   |
| EU-052 | SV8/OM2FY  | Kefallonia       | OM2FY    |
| EU-054 | IF9A       | Favignana        | bureau   |
| EU-055 | LA4C       | Bokn             | LotW     |
| EU-057 | DK3R       | Ruegen           | DL1KZA   |
| EU-057 | DL5KUD     | Ruegen           | DL5KUD   |
| EU-064 | TM6N       | Noirmoutier      | F4GYM    |
| EU-073 | IJ7V       | San Pietro       | IK7IMO   |
| EU-083 | IP1T       | Tino             | I1ANP    |
| EU-088 | 5P5X       | Laesoe           | DD5ZZ    |
| EU-088 | OZ9V/p     | Laesoe           | OZ9V     |
| EU-091 | II7P       | Pedagna Grande   | IK7LMX   |
| EU-093 | EA5EL/p    | Tabarca          | EA5EL    |
| EU-095 | TM5F       | Ratonneau        | F5SDD    |
| EU-096 | OH1TD      | Korpo            | OH1TD    |
| EU-099 | MJ8C       | Les Minquiers    | G4DFI    |

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| EU-110 | 9A/DL3NCI | Porer                | DL3NCI  |
| EU-114 | GP6UW     | Guernsey             | G6UW    |
| EU-116 | GD6NX     | Isle of Man          | LoTW    |
| EU-116 | MD2C      | Isle of Man          | MD0CCE  |
| EU-116 | MD7C      | Isle of Man          | M00XO   |
| EU-120 | G0LKS     | Holy/Lindisfarne     | GM0LKS  |
| EU-120 | G5XV      | Wight                | M00XO   |
| EU-120 | G5XW      | Wight                | G5XW    |
| EU-120 | G6LD      | Holy/Lindisfarne     | qrz.com |
| EU-120 | G7O       | Wight                | G3SQX   |
| EU-120 | M0VPY     | Holy/Lindisfarne     | MM0VPY  |
| EU-121 | EJ6KP     | Aranmore             | bureau  |
| EU-123 | MM1E      | Great Cumbrae        | MM0GOR  |
| EU-123 | MM2M      | Arran                |         |
| EU-123 | MM3T      | Bute                 | -       |
| EU-124 | GW3TTC/p  | Holy                 | G3TTC   |
| EU-124 | MW0DHF/p  | Holy                 | MW0DHF  |
| EU-126 | OH8AA     | Selkasarvi           | OH8AA   |
| EU-128 | DG5LAC/p  | Fehmarn              | DG5LAC  |
| EU-129 | DL0KWH/p  | Usedom               | DL0KWH  |
| EU-129 | DL5KVV/p  | Usedom               | DL5KVV  |
| EU-130 | II3Y      | S. Maria di Barbana  | IV3OSC  |
| EU-131 | IQ3ME/p   | Pellestrina          | IQ3ME   |
| EU-132 | SN0RX     | Wolin                | SP8BXL  |
| EU-132 | SP7VC/1   | Wolin                | SP7VC   |
| EU-135 | SK2T      | Norrbysskar          | SK2AT   |
| EU-136 | 9A/OM5AW  | Losinj               | OM2FY   |
| EU-136 | 9A4KJ     | Rab                  | 9A2EU   |
| EU-136 | 9A8CV     | Krk                  | eQSL    |
| EU-140 | OH3D/5    | Kirkonmaa            | OH3AD   |
| EU-140 | OH5TS     | Kuorsalo             | OH5TS   |
| EU-145 | CR5CW     | Culatra              | CT7ACG  |
| EU-146 | PA/F4FET  | Schouwen Duiveland   | F4FET   |
| EU-146 | PA/ON4IBM | Schouwen Duiveland   | ON4IBM  |
| EU-146 | PA5TT     | Schouwen Duiveland   | PA5TT   |
| EU-146 | PI4AMF/p  | Schouwen Duiveland   | PA3EYC  |
| EU-147 | R1KRG/p   | Bol'shoy Kimalishche | R1NU    |
| EU-165 | IM0/I0PNM | San Pietro           | I0PNM   |
| EU-170 | 9A/OM2ZZ  | Vir                  | OM2FY   |
| EU-172 | 5P5CW     | Aro                  | DL5SE   |
| EU-172 | OZ/DL5CW  | Hjarno               | DL5CW   |
| EU-172 | OZ/PD7RB  | Fyn                  | PD7RB   |
| EU-178 | ES8DJ     | Ruhnu                | ES2DJ   |
| EU-181 | LZ0I      | Sveti Ivan           | bureau  |
| EU-185 | R6AF/p    | Sudzhuk              | R6AF    |
| EU-185 | RU6DX/p   | Sudzhuk              | RU6DX   |
| EU-187 | J49A      | Dia                  | SV9GPV  |
| NA-014 | VE9AA     | Deer                 | VE3IKV  |
| NA-026 | K2QMF     | Long                 | K2QMF   |
| NA-029 | VY2TT     | Prince Edward        | VY2TT   |
| NA-036 | VE7NY/7   | Denman               | VE7NY   |
| NA-055 | N9EAJ/1   | Deer                 | N9EAJ   |
| NA-055 | W2IY      | Mount Desert         | W2IY    |

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| NA-058 | KU8E     | Jekyll       | KU8E     |
| NA-062 | K3Y      | Key Vaca     | WX4TV    |
| NA-067 | K4Z      | Great        | LoTW     |
| NA-067 | W4MY     | Harkers      | W4MY     |
| NA-067 | WB8YJF/4 | Ocracoke     | WB8YJF   |
| NA-083 | N3MK     | Chincoteague | N3MK     |
| NA-126 | VB1M     | Bon Portage  | VA1YL    |
| NA-128 | CK2I     | Grues        | VE2EBK   |
| NA-128 | VE2VIA   | Coudres      |          |
| NA-137 | K1IMI    | Bailey       | N4CW     |
| NA-138 | W4AN     | Amelia       | K4BAI    |
| NA-142 | W4UC     | Santa Rosa   | W4UC     |
| NA-143 | K5KUA/5  | Galveston    | K5KUA    |
| OC-042 | DZ1PUP   | Luzon        | 4F1PH    |
| OC-130 | DX9EVM   | Mindanao     | DX9EVM   |
| OC-186 | YB3MM/2  | Karimunjawa  | Club Log |
| OC-237 | YE1R     | Tunda        | HA3JB    |
| SA-012 | YV7MAY   | Margarita    | EA8MU    |
| SA-046 | PW7I     | Itamaraca    | PY7RP    |
| SA-047 | ZV5O     | Mel          | PY5ZD    |
| SA-071 | PR2CI    | Couves       | PY2AE    |
| SA-072 | ZV8FF    | Canarias     | PS8RV    |
| SA-077 | PS1S     | Santana      | M0OXO    |

The IOTA SWL Contest has been picked up by the Radioascolto SWL Club, and it will run in parallel with the IOTA Contest. Complete details can be found at <http://www.radioascolto.org/swl/> or from the IOTA SWL Contest Manager (iwlqla[@]tin.it). Good luck to you all!

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ARCTIC EXPEDITION ---> Simone, IU5KUH will be active as II0PN/mm during AISE 2018, the World Artic Fund's expedition in search of the wreckage of the airship "Italia" (<http://www.worldarcticfund.org/aise2018>). He will operate SSB, CW and PSK on 40, 30 and 20 metres. The expedition will take place between 1 August and 15 September. QSL direct to IT9MRM.

KH1/KH7Z ---> The QSL design has been finalized and cards are expected to be in the mail by the beginning of September. Club Log's OQRS is now open at <https://clublog.org/charts/?c=KH1/KH7Z>, and over 25,600 QSL records have been uploaded to LoTW already (as a result of OQRS orders and donations) with over 19,000 matches. A short video "to excite you about upcoming presentations at your local DX convention our team will be participating in" is available on <https://vimeo.com/281933500>. [TNX N1DG]

VP6D ---> "The Ducie Island 2018 project is on schedule", the team reported on 22 July, and "the fundraising campaign is underway" (see the progress on <https://www.vp6d.com/>). VP6D will use the same equipment as KH1/KH7Z. On 20 July the Baker Island radio equipment was returned to Elecraft for inspection, testing and refurbishing. The equipment will be shipped to New Zealand on about 15 August, then Z L3CW will transfer the shipment to the 'Braveheart'.

"There's no question that the Baker team had considerable success with FT8. However, a large percentage of the callers weren't prepared for the challenges of this new mode". One of VP6D's announced goals is an "extensive digital operation" using RTTY and FT8, so it is essential to read and understand the latest revision of the 'FT8 DXpedition Mode User Guide', which is now available in several different languages at <http://physics.princeton.edu/pulsar/kljt/wsjtx.html>.

"It will be in everyone's best interest if callers use the most recent software version, correctly configure their equipment, call VP6D above 1000 Hertz and in the correct sequence. If you are unsure of your configuration please seek assistance before calling".

+ SILENT KEY + Reginald J. Beck, VE7IG (VE1DXA) passed away on 27 July. First licensed as VE7ANI the day of his 18th birthday in June 1956, he was an accomplished DXer, a doyen of island chasing and former IOTA Checkpoint for Canada. Over the years he operated from several DXCC Entities and from a large number of Canadian islands. Your trulies had the pleasure of hosting Reg back in 1991, when he travelled to Italy in order to attend the first ever IOTA Convention.

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QSLs received direct or through managers: 3B7A, 3B9RUN, 3C0W, 3C3W, 3V8CQ (AF-083), 4B4B (NA-030), 4X4NJ, 5A1AL, 6W/UA4WHX/p (AF-078), 7Q7EI, 9J2BO, 9M0W, 9M6NA (OC-133), AT7BK (AS-175), ET3AA, FO5QS, GB13COL, GB9OSA (EU-120), GU8FBO, KL7J, KL7RRC/p (NA-234), N1YC/VK9X, P29RR, PJ5/SP2GCJ, PJ6/AI5P, SN740BAR, TJ2TT, TN5R, TY7C, UN4L, XE1B, XR0YD, YB3TET/8 (OC-242), YB8HZ/p (OC-242), Z81D.

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