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**** DX INFORMATION ****
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- 8Q - Gabor, HA3JB will be active as 8Q7IP the Maldives (AS-013) on 19-30 September. He will operate CW, SSB, RTTY, FT8 on 80-6 metres, and will participate in the CQ WW RTTY Contest. QSL via HA3JB.
- 9M2 - The Kuala Lumpur DX Team plans to be active as 9M4IOTA from Redang Island (AS-073), West Malaysia on 15-17 September. QSL direct to 9M2000. [TNX DX World]
- EA6 - Andrew, G8GNI will be active holiday style as EA6/G8GNI from Mallorca, Balearic Islands (EU-004) on 8-21 September. He will operate mainly FT8, RTTY, PSK and Olivia. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, Club Log, or via home call. [TNX The Daily DX]
- EL - Col, MM0NDX and Jonathan, MM0OKG plan to be active as EL2EL/4 from southern Liberia on 5-9 November. They will operate SSB and FT8 on various bands. More information is expected in due course. [TNX DX World]
- F - Look for F/DF2MX/p, F/DK2RO/p and F/DL8AW/p to operate SSB and CW from Tombelaine Island (EU-156) sometime between 11 and 14 September. "Access to the island is very dependent on weather and tidal conditions", so "exact times of operation are not yet determined". QSL via home calls (direct or bureau), Club Log's OQRS and LoTW. [TNX DX World]
- HA - Klara, HA5BA will be active as HA1973BA until the end of the year. The special prefix marks the 45th anniversary since she received her personal callsign when still a teenager. QSL via home call. [TNX HA5BA]
- HB0 - The NB-DX Team (ON6NB) will be active as HB0/ON4ANN from Liechtenstein on 24-28 September. Team members include ON2BDJ, ON4ANN, ON4CCV, ON4CKM, ON5PDV and ON6MI. The operators may also do some WFFF activity as HB0/ON4CCV/p and HB0/ON4CKM/p. QSL via M0URX's OQRS. [TNX M0URX]
- HR - Celebrating the 60th anniversary of the Radio Club de Honduras, HR2RCH will be active on the HF bands SSB, PSK31, RTTY, FT8 and VHF/UHF satellites on 15-16 September. QSL via the bureau, direct or via eQSL. [TNX IARU Region 2]
- HZ - Celebrating the 88th Saudi Arabia National Day (23 September), the Saudi Amateur Radio Society (HZ8SAR) will be active as HZ88ND, 7Z88ND and 8Z88ND on 16-30 September. QSL via HZ1BF. [TNX The Daily DX]
- J6 - Bill, K9HZ is active again as J68HZ from St Lucia (NA-108) until 17 September. He operates CW, SSB and RTTY on 160-6 metres. QSL via LoTW (preferred), eQSL, or direct to K9HZ. [TNX The Daily DX]
- KG4 - Stu, K4MIL will be active again as KG4SS from Guantanamo Bay from 25 September to 9 October. He will operate RTTY (CQ WW DX RTTY Contest included), FT8 (Fox & Hound mode) and CW. QSL via LoTW

- (preferred), or direct to K4MIL. [TNX The Daily DX]
- PJ7 - Randy, K5SL will be active again as PJ7/K5SL from Sint Maarten (NA-105) on 8-15 September. He will operate CW and SSB on 40, 30, 20 and 17 metres.
- T7 - The Radioamateurs Association of the Republic of San Marino (<http://www.arrsm.org/>) will operate again three special stations on 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres from the Three Towers of San Marino on 15-16 September: T71A (Torre Guaita), T71B (Torre Cesta) and T71C (Torre del Montale). Located on the three peaks of Monte Titano, the towers are depicted on both the flag and the coat of arms of the Republic of San Marino. QSL via T70A, direct or bureau.
- UA - Dima, UA1OLM is active in his spare time as RK1OWA/p from the Solovetsky Islands (EU-066) until late September. He has been QRV on 40, 30 and 20 metres CW so far. QSL via RZ1OA. [TNX qrz.ru]
- UA9 - Mikhail, RW1AI is currently active as RW1AI/mm from the RSV "Mikhail Somov", which left Arkhangelsk on 1 September. His destination is the polar station at Cape Baranov on Bolshevik Island (AS-042), where he will be QRV as RI0BC. [TNX qrz.ru]
- UA9 - The "Apostol Andrey" departed from Dikson on 7 September at 2 UTC. Depending on sea and weather conditions, the RI0B team expects it will take about 4 days for them to reach the Firnley Islands (AS-054), the first IOTA group they expect to be QRV from. See <https://www.qrz.com/db/ri0b> for direct links to Club Log's OQRS.
- V2 - Bud, AA3B will be active again as V26K from Antigua (NA-100) on 8-17 September. He will operate mainly CW. QSL via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS, or via AA3B (direct or bureau). [TNX The Daily DX]
- V3 - Victor, WB0TEV (V31VP) and Scott, K5PS (V31CQ) will be active from Blackman Eddy in central Belize from 27 September to 2 October. They will operate SSB and RTTY (V31VP) and CW (V31CQ), and will participate in the CQ WW DX RTTY Contest. QSL V31VP via Club Log's OQRS, or via WB0TEV (direct or bureau); QSL V31CQ via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS or via K5PS (direct or bureau). [TNX NG3K]
- V4 - Once again John, W5JON will be active as V47JA from St. Kitts (NA-104) from 10 October to 6 November. He will operate SSB and FT8 on 160-6 metres. QSL via W5JON (direct only) and LoTW. [TNX NG3K]
- VP2V - Steve, AA7V will be active as VP2V/AA7V from the British Virgin Islands (NA-023) from 26 September to 1 October. He will operate RTTY, CW and FT8, and will participate in the CQ WW DX RTTY Contest. QSL via LoTW or via AA7V. [TNX NG3K]
- Z6 - Max, ON5UR (<http://www.united-radio.be/>) will be active as Z68UR from Gjakove, Kosovo on 20-30 September. He plans to operate mainly SSB and FT8 on various bands. QSL via M0URX's OQRS.
- ZD9 - Steve, G4EDG will be active as ZD9CW from Tristan da Cunha (AF-029) from 20 September to 22 October. He will operate CW and RTTY with some SSB on 40-15 metres and possibly 80 metres. QSL via LoTW, or via LZ1JZ.

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AFRICA DX CONTEST ---> The Africa All Mode International DX Contest will be held from 12 UTC on 15 September through 12 UTC on 16 September, on 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres CW, SSB and RTTY. The objective is to stimulate contesting from Africa. See <http://www.sarl.org.za/#Contest>.

ENIGMA RELOADED ---> The 5th "Enigma Reloaded" event will take place from 28 September to 6 October. Complete information on the event and the associated award is available at <http://www.enigma-reloaded.it/>.

QSL GALLERY ---> The large collection of QSL cards on Les Nouvelles DX's website has been updated. Sixteen different galleries include 16,046 cards for the ten Most Wanted DXCC Entities (2008-17), the 62 deleted DXCC Entities, obsolete prefixes, stations from Maghreb from 1945 to 1962, Allied Forces stations in Germany (1945-70), special stations commemorating ITU and IARU, stations using the United Nations prefix (4U), Antarctic bases and TAAF (Terres Australes and Antarctiques Francaises), the various French DXCC island Entities in the Pacific Ocean, the Indian Ocean and the Americas (from 1945 to 1969), pre-1945 countries, French Departments and CONUS, plus a gallery for cards not accepted by DXCC. Your participation is encouraged: <http://www.lesnouvellesdx.fr/galerieqsl.php>. [TNX F6AJA].

SAC ---> The 60th Scandinavian Activity Contest will be held on 15-16 September (CW) and 13-14 October (SSB), from 12 UTC on Saturday to 11:59 UTC on Sunday. Scandinavian stations (Aland Islands, Denmark, Faroe Islands, Finland, Greenland, Iceland, Jan Mayen, Market Reef, Norway, Svalbard and Bear Island, Sweden) will try to work as many non-Scandinavian stations as possible and vice versa. Complete information of the SAC events can be found at <http://www.sactest.net/>.

VP6D ---> "The Ducie Island 2018 project is on schedule", the VP6D team reported on 2 September, and "the equipment is now at Tauranga, New Zealand, stored in the Braveheart's warehouse.

A real challenge for DXpedition teams on uninhabited islands is knowing where in the world they're being heard. The usual pilot reports tell us what happened, not what's happening, propagation predictions tell us what might happen.

We understand that propagation may produce only short openings from Ducie Island to many locations around the world. For example, it's not unusual for an EU opening to occur but EU callers are covered up by callers from other geographies. Until propagation changes for the better the EU stations can't get through.

We have therefore augmented our pilot process to quickly identify these openings and get this information to the VP6D operators so they can exploit them. We're confident this new capability will result in more timely coverage of difficult paths.

No one likes to be continually asked for donations. Today's reality is DXpeditions to ecologically sensitive and restricted entities are expensive. Our boat and the freight invoices to New Zealand are now paid, the team is hoping to cover ~50% of the project cost.

Our fund raising target plus projected OQRS income should cover the remaining 50%. These bills must be paid whether or not you make a QSO. We have a team of AI operators who have been working on this project for 17 months, they can use your help". See <https://www.vp6d.com/>. [TNX K5GS]

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3A2MD, 4S7AB, 5H3EE, 6M6M (AS-105), A41ZZ, C96RRC (AF-088), C98RRC (AF-066), EK7DX, JD8NQJ/JD1, OY1CT, S01WS, SV2ASP/A, TE6DX (NA-155), TK5MH, TR8CA, TY7C, VQ5Z, YW6X (SA-090), Z68M.

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