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*** DX INFORMATION ****

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- 3B8 Bob, MORCX will be active as 3B8/MORCX from Mauritius Island (AF-049) on 2-27 May. He will operate SSB, CW and digital modes (RTTY, JT65 and PSK) on 40-6 metres. QSL via EB7DX and LoTW. Bureau cards will be sent automatically six months after the operation.
- 7Q - A large multinational team of 20-24 operators is being assembled for a DXpedition to take place from Malawi between 10 November 2 December. The callsign will be 7QAA (no second number in prefix) and the team will be split into two sub-teams: Team will operate only SSB and RTTY (160-6 metres) on 10-20 November, while Team Two will operate CW only from 21 November December, including a M/2 entry in the CQ WW DX CW Contest. The logs will be uploaded to Club Log and LoTW on a daily basis. Bookmark www.malawidx.org for further information and updates.
- CEOY Vlad, UA4WHX has been active as CEOY/UA4WHX from Easter Island (SA-001) since 11 April. He operates RTTY, CW and SSB. Length of stay unknown. See www.grz.com/db/UA4WHX for QSLling instructions.
- EA URE Toledo will be active as EH4GT on 14-24 April to commemorate the 400th anniversary of the death of El Greco, the renowned painter of Greek origin. QSL via EA4TE, bureau preferred. [TNX EA4CWN]
- Celebrating World Amateur Radio Day and IARU's 89th anniversary (18 April), EH6ARD will be active from the Balearic Islands on 14-20 April on 40-10 metres SSB, CW and RTTY. QSL via EA6QY, direct or bureau.
- F Fred, F4EIH will be active as F4EIH/p from Oleron Island (EU-032) on 12-20 April. Look for him on 40, 20 and 10 metres SSB. [TNX Les Nouvelles DX]
- F Quite a number of French special stations will be active over the next coming months to commemorate the 100th anniversary of World War I. To start with, TM02REF will be active on 13 April and TM62PGM will be active on 14-15 April. A dedicated website can be found at http://tm1418.fr/ [TNX Les Nouvelles DX]
- F The Radioclub de Wimereux (F5KBM) will be active as TM1CW on 26-27 April to celebrate the 115th anniversary of the first wireless telegraphy communication across the English Channel. [TNX F8REF]
- F Fred F50ZK, Paul F4DVT and Christian F8HJV will be active as F5KKD/p from Ile du Levant (EU-070) on 1-4 May. QSL via F5KKD. [TNX F8REF]
- F In June-July 1944 the BBC war correspondents used the tower of the castle at Creully as a radio studio, from where the first reports of the Battle of Normandy were broadcast. Commemorating the 70th anniversary of the D-Day landings in Normandy, special station TM70BBC to be active from Creully on 3-13 June. QSL via F5UOW,

- direct or bureau. [TNX Les Nouvelles DX]
- Stan, EI6DX will be active as FO/EI6DX from Bora Bora (OC-067), French Polynesia on 7-18 May. He will operate holiday style on 80-10 metres CW and SSB. QSL via RX3RC, direct or bureau. A dedicated page will be available at www.ei6dx.com. [TNX DX World]
- GJ OK1BIL, OK1DBS, OK1DOL, OK1FIK, OK1NP and OK1XC will be active as MJ0ICD from Jersey (EU-013) on 21-27 July, IOTA Contest included. They will be QRV with two stations on 160-10 metres SSB, CW and digital modes, possibly with some activity on 6 and 2m. QSL via OK1BIL, direct or bureau. See http://jersey-2014.eu/ for further information
- GJ Five operators from the Cray Valley Radio Society (namely 2E0TBO, G0FDZ, G0VJG, G4FAL and M0TGV) will be active as GH3RCV/p from Ile Maitresse, Les Minquiers (EU-099) on 23-29 July. They will have three stations running on the HF bands, 6m and 2m, and will participate in the IOTA Contest as MJ8C. QSL for both callsigns via G4DFI, direct or bureau.
- GM Andy, M1LOL and Ray, M1REK (www.m1rek.co.uk) will be active as MM1REK/p from the Isle of Muck (EU-008) on 24-31 May. They will operate SSB and digital modes on 80-10 metres. QSl via M1REK, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
- HKO_sa Tim, LW9EOC will be active as 5JOT from San Andres Island (NA-033) on 18-25 April. He will operate CW and SSB on 80-10 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX NG3K]
- HKO_sa HK3LEC, HK3UAV, HK4IKL, HK5WUI, HK7IPT and HK7JA will be active on the HF bands as 5K0M from San Andres Island on 19-24 April. QSL via HK7IPT.
- HP Special event station HO100CANAL will be active from 19 April through 15 August, the date that marks the 100th anniversary of the formal opening of the Panama Canal. Expect activity on 160-10 metres SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK. QSL via HP1AVS. [TNX NG3K]
- HS Choon, E20HHK and other five operators will be active as E20HHK/p from Koh Nu (AS-145) on 18-20 April. QSL via E21EIC. [TNX The Daily DX]
- I Look for ID9DXC to be QRV from Vulcano Island (EU-017) on 17 May. The activity will be part of the DX Coffee Party 2014 that will be held in Milazzo (www.dxcoffee.com/eng/dxcoffee-party-2014/) over that weekend. [TNX IZ8IYX]
- J8 Brian, GW4DVB will be active holiday style as J88PI from Palm Island (NA-025) on 13-23 April. He will operate mainly SSB during his evenings. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX DX World]
- JA Take, JI3DST will be active as JI3DST/6 from Kuchino Island (AS-049) starting about 6 UTC on 29 April until around 00.00 UTC on 5 May. Plans are to operate SSB and CW (plus FM, RTTY, PSK31 and JT65A) on 40-2 metres, possibly also on 160 and 80m. QSL via home call, bureau preferred. [TNX JI3DST]
- JD1_oga- Once again Makoto, JI5RPT (www.ji5rpt.com/jd1/) will be active as JD1BLY from Chichijima (AS-031), Ogasawara from 27 April to 5 May. He will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 40-10 metres and satellite. QSL via home call, direct or bureau; logsearch on Club Log. [TNX JI5RPT]
- ON Ten special Belgian callsigns (OS10M to OS19M) will be in use from 15 April to 14 May to promote recognition of Morse Code as

Intangible Cultural Heritage.

- PJ5 Frank, K3TRM (www.k3trm.com) will again be active as PJ5/K3TRM from St. Eustatius (NA-145) on 12-20 April. He will operate SSB, CW and RTTY on the HF bands. QSL via home call, direct or bureau (logsearch and OQRS on Club Log), and LoTW. [TNX NG3K]
- PY PU2LGU, PU2WZR and PY2DMC will be active from Vitoria Island (SA-028) on 13-14 April. QSL via PU2WZR (direct only). [TNX PT7WA]
- V2 Anna, W6NN as V25N and Rich, KE1B as V25M will be active from Antigua (NA-100) on 7-15 May. They will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 40-10 metres, with an emphasis on the WARC bands. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau (OQRS on Club Log), LoTW and eQSL.
- V6 Shuji, JA1FMN will be active holiday style as V63PSK from Weno/Moen Island (OC-011) on 14-17 May. He will operate JT65A and PSK on 20-10 metres. QSL direct to home call and eQSL. [TNX NG3K]
- PB Budi, YF1AR (www.yf1ar.com) will be active as YF1AR/0 from Payung Besar Island (Seribu Islands, OC-177) and lighthouse on 18-20 April. He will operate SSB and CW mainly on 40 and 20 metres. QSL via N2OO or via the OQRS on Club Log. [TNX YF1AR]
- Phil ZL3PAH, Geoff ZL3GA, Paul ZL4PW and Gordon G3USR will be active as YJ0X from Efate (OC-035), Vanuatu on 3-15 October, including operations in both the SSB and CW weekends of the Oceania DX Contest (www.oceaniadxcontest.com). They will run at least two stations with amplifiers on CW, SSB and RTTY on 80-6 metres (they are "investigating the cost/benefit of 160m"). "This is not a 'holiday style' expedition", they say, "so whilst there will be some down time for the ops, we are looking to make a high total number of QSOs". QSL via ZL3PAH (OQRS on Club Log); logs will be uploaded to LoTW within three months. More information can be found at http://yj2014.wordpress.com [TNX ZL4PW]
- Jacek, SP5EAQ and Marcin, SP5ES will be active as ZK3Q and ZK3E (requested calls) from Nukunonu, Tokelau (OC-048) starting on 8 October for three weeks (dates may change "due to the unpredictability of transport"). They will operate SSB and CW on 80-10 metres. QSL route TBA. Some activity from Samoa (5W) is planned in early November on their way back home. Bookmark http://zk3.sp5drh.com for updates and logsearch.

CARIBBEAN TRIP ---> Mike, DF8AN will be active as V26MN from Antigua (NA-100) on 15-16 April, as VP2MMN from Montserrat (NA-103) on 16-24 April, and as V4/DF8AN from both St. Kitts and Nevis (NA-104) on 24-29 April. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

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425 DX NEWS MAGAZINE ---> The March 2014 issue is now available for download at www.425dxn.org/monthly/index.html. [TNX IZ3EBA]

DXCC AND CRIMEA ---> "Upon request of the CEO, the ARRL Awards committee

evaluated the situation at present in Crimea against the DXCC rules. As the interpreter of the rules, the following is the Awards Committee's decision on how to 'count' QSOs with stations operating from Crimea.

Crimea is not a DXCC entity. Neither Russia nor Ukraine is a rare entity and the vast majority of confirmations used for DXCC credit for either entity do not involve Crimea.

DXCC Rule 4 reads: 'Confirmation data for two-way communications must include the call signs of both stations, the entity name as shown in the DXCC List, mode, date, time and band. Except as permitted in Rule 1, cross-mode contacts are not permitted for DXCC credits. Confirmations not containing all required information may be rejected'.

A QSL with a call sign issued by the administration of Ukraine and showing the entity name as Ukraine counts as Ukraine.

A QSL with a call sign issued by the administration of Russia and showing the entity name as Russia counts as Russia.

A QSL that satisfies neither condition does not count for either entity". [TNX NC1L]

NCDXF ---> The following officers were elected at the annual board meeting of the Northern California DX Foundation (www.ncdxf.org) in Visalia (CA)on 5 April: Tom Berson ND2T (President); Glenn Johnson WOGJ (Vice President); Kip Edwards W6SZN (Secretary); Don Greenbaum N1DG (Treasurer); Steve Merchant K6AW, John Miller K6MM, Glenn Rattmann K6NA, Ned Stearns AA7A and Glenn Vinson W6OTC (Directors). The Foundation's scholarship funds will be directed toward supporting new DXers (age 25 or less) at CT University sessions over the next two years. Over the last year NCDXF provided approximately \$99,000 to support DXpeditions to the rare and most difficult entities. [TNX W0GJ]

VK9MT ---> "Due to the ever worsening weather associated with an impending tropical storm, the team decided in the interest of safety to end the operation early". Their last night on Mellish Reef "was extremely difficult", as "with continued heavy rain and wind, radio operations were nearly impossible". VK9MT went QRT on 4 April at 13.53 UTC, after 40,085 QSOs (24,409 CW, 12,233 SSB and 3,443 RTTY) with 12,914 unique calls. The OQRS for direct and bureau cards is at http://mourx.com/oqrs/.

WAPC ---> The third edition of the Worked All Provinces of China (WAPC) DX Contest will be held on 19-20 April (from 6 UTC on the 19th to 05.59 UTC on the 20th), on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres SSB and CW. Complete details can be found on the Mulan DX Club's website (www.mulandxc.org/287).

W1AW WAS ---> Look for ARRL Centennial stations W1AW/5 from Mississippi and W1AW/0 from North Dakota to be on the air starting at 00.00 UTC on 16 April until 23.59 UTC on the 22nd. Complete information on the ARRL Centennial QSO Party can be found at www.arrl.org/centennial-qso-party.

+ SILENT KES + recently reported Silent Keys include Bernardo "Dino" Doleatto (I1UX), Roberto Esposito (I8WES) and Sergio R. Rubio (KP4L).

5W8A, 7X7QB, 8R1Z, 9H1AL, 9J2BO, 9Y4/VE3EY, A35JP, A5A, A62A, AP2TN, AU5SV, C5A, C82DX, CP4DR, E21YDP, E51CDW, E75C, EA6SX, EA9/DL2RNS, EA9/DL2RVL, EA9EU, EA9KB, EA9RY, EK7DX, FG/DK9PY, FJ/VA3RA, FR4OO, FWD2A, FY/F5UII, GD6IA, HC5T, HQ4W, HR5/NO7B, HV0A, JD1BHA, JF3BFS (AS-117), JH6TYD, JW/DL5CW, JY9FC, LA1CI (EU-046), MJ0AWR, N8A, NH0Z, NP4A, OA1F, OD5ZZ, OF9X, OG0A, OH/SP7VC (EU-101), OH0B, OV1CDX (EU-029), OY1CT, PJ7I, PJ7PL, PY0F/PP1CZ, S21ZBB, S21ZBC, SV5BYR, SV9ANK, SZ7SER, T77C, T77NM, T88ES, TF3ML, TJ3AY, TJ6RM, TY1TT, UH8EA, UK8FF, UN1L, UX0ZA, V26K, V44KAO, V73NS, V85ML, V85TL, VK8BI/p (OC-185), VP2MNS, VR2XMT, VU7AG, W8A, XR0ZR, XZ1J, YB4IR/p (OC-204), YB9Y (OC-276), YJ0ZZ, YN2NC, YP8T, YP9W, YS1/NO7B, YS1AG, Z81X, ZB2CN, ZD8D, ZD8UW, ZF2AH, ZF2GG, ZS8A, ZS8C, ZS9MADIBA, ZV0FWA.

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