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 **** DX INFORMATION ****
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- DL - Volker, DL1WH will be active as DL1WH/p from Usedom Island (EU-129) on 9-23 June. He will operate mainly CW with some SSB on the HF bands. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX DX Newsletter]
- F - Special event station TM62GG will be active from Meurchin, Pas-de-Calais for the 100th anniversary of World War I. Activity will take place on 17-18 June, and again for a few other days between 12 October and 2 December. QSL via F4AHN, direct or bureau.
- J3 - Nobby, G0VJG will be active as J3/G0VJG from Grenada (NA-024) on 14-28 June. He will operate SSB on 80-6 metres. QSL via G4DFI, direct or bureau. [TNX The Daily DX]
- KL - Look for Fred, VE1FA/KL7 and Helen, VA1YL/KL7 to be active from Round Island (NA-121) on 5-10 July. They will operate SSB on or around 7150 and 14260 kHz. QSL via VE1FA. [TNX NG3K]
- OJ0 - Pasi, OH3WS will be active again as OJ0W from Market Reef (EU-053) on 9-16 June. In his spare time he will operate CW and SSB on 40-6 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX The Daily DX]
- SV - Members of the Radio Amateur Union of North Aegean (SZ8LSV) are active as J48GEO until 30 June to promote the UNESCO Global Geopark of Lesvos Island (EU-049). They will operate SSB and digital modes on all bands. QSL via LoTW or direct to SZ8LSV.
- UA0 - Special callsign R125NSK will be active on 18-24 June to celebrate the 125th anniversary of the city of Novosibirsk. [TNX 5B4AHJ]
- VK - VK5CE/6's operation from East Lewis Island (OC-199) was delayed by bad weather and plagued by bad band conditions. Activity started at 08.30 UTC on 6 June and plans were to be QRV until around 22 UTC on the 8th. Craig now expects to be QRV from Direction Island (OC-140) from around 10 UTC on 9 June until around 22 UTC on the 11th.
- XV - Nobu, JA0JHQ (<http://pandasan.jimdo.com/>) will be active as 3W9NH from Hoi An, Vietnam on 14-18 June. Main activity will be during the All Asian DX CW Contest, with a focus on FT8 outside the contest. QSL via LoTW or direct to JA0JHQ.

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CQ DX MARATHON ---> The CQ DX Marathon is a year-long DX hunt, with participants competing to see who can work the greatest number of countries ("entities") and CQ zones during the calendar year. Complete results of the 2017 edition are on <http://www.dxmarathon.com/Results/2017/Results2017.htm>.

IARU REGION III 50TH ANNIVERSARY ---> HS50IARU (QSL via LotW, Club Log's OQRS or via the bureau) and BV50IARU (QSL via BV2FP) are the special callsigns for the Radio Amateur Society of Thailand (RAST) and the Chinese Taipei Amateur Radio League (CTARL) to celebrate the 50th anniversary of IARU Region 3 [425DXN 1410] until 31 October. See <http://awards-iaru-r3.org> for information on the awards issued free of charge for working these and other commemorative special callsigns.

KH1/KH7Z: PROPAGATION FORECASTS ---> The 2018 DXpedition to Baker Island [425DXN 1413] occurs during the declining side of the solar cycle where propagation is usually much, much worse, nearing the bottom. "However, this is the when our permit is valid", the KH1/KH7Z team says, "and we are planning to maximize the time we are available to work to propagation challenged areas".

Thanks to Stu, K6TU, "we have imbedded his tools in our website where you Can run forecasts specific to your grid square and station properties. Please visit <http://www.baker2018.net/pages/propagation.html> to see when and on what bands to look for us. We have also run these forecasts by geographic area to know when we should be listening for you". The pilots will also report how well we are being heard in the various areas to keep the team abreast of propagation.

"Our permit restricts our antennas to 43 ft vertical antennas", and "we will be using Steppirs and special design antennas to take advantage of the salt water ground". KH1/KH7Z will also be using FT8 "to find openings we might not hear, and to serve as a beacon. When we find an opening, we will put as many radios, modes, operators on as we can".

Make sure you read 'WORKING KH1/KH7Z USING THE FT8 DXPEDITION SUBMODE' (<http://www.baker2018.net/pages/plan.html>) which describes how the team intends to operate as the 'Fox' and how they recommend all the 'Hounds' operate.

KH1/KH7Z will stay on 20 meters continuously and jump to other bands from one of the other 7 operating positions. The 15 operators will rotate on and off in 3 hour shifts. "We have one goal, maximize the number of ATNO QSOs with this 5th most wanted entity".

NA-234 ---> The OQRS for the 25-27 May KL7RRC/p operation is now up and running on <https://clublog.org/logsearch/KL7RRC/P/2018>. Tim, NL8F and Yuri, N3QQ made 2,255 QSOs operating from Chuginadak Island (not Kagamil as previously announced).

OC-164 ---> The OQRS for VK5CE/6's operation from Rottneest Island (2 June) is up and running on https://clublog.org/logsearch/vk5ce/6_oc164.

TRUE BLUE DXERS CLUB ---> "Because it's hard, not because it's easy" is the True Blue DXers Club's motto. "The one and only requirement is your personal commitment to pursuing and promoting DXing as a form of person-to-person amateur radio activity involving the use of radiotelegraphy (CW) or radiotelephony (SSB). Therefore, if you enjoy FT8, we wish you all the very

best in your ham radio activity, but the TBDXC is probably not for you". See <https://www.tbdxc.net/> for more information.

WRTC 2018 ---> The designated Team Leader for Team Africa has withdrawn owing to personal reasons, and he will be replaced by a "wild card" competitor. Wild card applications ("please explain why you are applying as TL") for the now open position with DL1CW as teammate should be sent to qualification[@]wrtc2018.de. The deadline is 9 June at 23.59 UTC.

+ SILENT KEY + G. Kip Edwards, W6SZN passed away on 6 June. Born in 1947, first licenced as KN0PID (1958) and re-licenced as W6SZN in 1976, he was a Director and Secretary of the Northern California DX Foundation and the YASME Foundation. A serious DXer and contester, in the past he also various offices of the Northern California DX Club and the Northern California Contest Club. He was a team member of FO0XX (Clipperton Island 1986) and 3D2XX, the first DXpedition to Rotuma (1988).

Larry Skilton, K1IED passed away on 4 June. In 1991-2002 he worked a nightly schedule to run phone patches and traffic for the US science stations in Antarctica. The National Science Foundation rewarded his service to the Antarctic group by naming Skilton Ledge (a rock platform in the Darwin Mountains) after him. Larry was the QSL manager for KC4AAA (the Amundsen-Scott South Pole Station), KC4AAC (Palmer Station on Anvers Island, AN-012) and KC4USV (McMurdo Station on Ross Island, AN-011).

Gennady "Gene" T. Shkumat, UA9AB passed away on 4 June after a long illness. An active DXer and contester for nearly fifty years, he was also the QSL manager for several stations, notably UN4L and UP2L.

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***** QSL ROUTES *****
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| 3B8CW | NI5DX | EJ7NET | HB9DGV | OH8X | OH2UA |
| 3V8SS | LX1NO | EN4U | EA5HPX | OH9W | OH5BQ |
| 4E1A | 9V1KG | EN7P | UT1PG | OL3Z | OK1HMP |
| 4J100RO | 4K4K | ER18FIFA | ER1FF | OM0R | OM3GI |
| 4J28MAY | 4J5A | ER4A | ER1FF | OM2018FIFA | OM0CS |
| 4K100W | DL6KVA | ET3AA | N2OO | OM7M | OM3PA |
| 4K28MAY | 4K4K | EV18FWC | EU1EU | P33W | UA3DX |
| 4K6FO | DC9RI | EX8VM | RW6HS | P44W | N2MM |
| 4L5P | UT7QF | FM5BH | W3HNC | PF2018HIN | PA0MBD |
| 4L8A | K1BV | FS4WBS | IZ1MHY | PJ2T | W3HNC |
| 4M1K | OH0XX | G4R | G4RFR | PJ4KY | M0URX |
| 4O7CC | UA4CC | G5O | G8SRS | PS2T | K3IRV |
| 4U1A | UA3DX | G5W | G3BJ | PX18WC | PY2GTA |
| 4U29MAY | 9A2AA | G6T | M0URX | PX2MTV | PY2VM |
| 4Z9III | EA7HBC | G6XX | M0OXO | R100PW | UA4CDN |
| 8P5A | HA1AG | GB100RAF | G8FC | R100PZ | RX7K |

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| 9A18FWC | 9A3JB | GB18FIFA | MI0SAI | R1630SR | RA4AV |
| 9A70A | 9A7A | GB4RME | GW0ANA | R16JKR | UA9JLL |
| 9H3EE | OZ1BII | GB9RAF | MI0MOD | R16JUR | UA9JLL |
| 9H4G | M0OXO | GI6XX | M0OXO | R30STM | RZ5D |
| 9H6A | 9H1BT | GM6XX | M0OXO | R350SA | RA4AV |
| 9K2GS | EC5AC | GW6XX | M0OXO | R70AWB | RZ4AWB |
| 9L1YXJ | KW4XJ | HD18FIFA | HC5VF | R90ORC | RA9MX |
| 9M6NA | JE1JKL | HF100M | SP2ZIE | RN85AM | RK1B |
| 9M8YY | JR3WXA | HG3R | HA3NU | S9ZZ | EB7DX |
| 9X2AW | M0OXO | HG6N | HA6KNB | SA6G/7 | SM6CUK |
| 9X9PJ | N4GNR | HG7T | HA7TM | SD7SUB | SM7EYO |
| A60FIFA | A61BK | HH2MK | EB7DX | SJ0X | SM6JSM |
| A75GT | N4GNR | HP18FWC | HP2BWJ | SN2B | SP3CGK |
| A91FWC | A92AA | HQ9X | KQ1F | SN740BAR | SP1KRF |
| AH2R | JH7QXJ | HZ1FI | DL1RTL | SN7Q | SP7GIQ |
| AL1G | W2GR | IB1CN | IK1UGX | SN8B | SP8CUR |
| AO18FWC | EA4URE | IB9T | IT9TQH | SN8N | SP8HZZ |
| AY0FWC | LU5FB | II1ITR | IZ1ETD | SP100N | SP9MA |
| B4T | BA4TB | II2RR | IK2VUC | SP50ZCF | SP9ZCF |
| B7P | BA4EG | II3B | IQ3SD | SX1T | SV1ENG |
| BV50IARU | BV2FP | II3WW | IQ3BM | SX2G | SV1RP |
| CB3R | XQ3SK | II4AMP | IQ4FE | TE6DX | TI2CDA |
| CN18FWC | CN8MC | II5CWA | IQ5DY | TI7W | W4FS |
| CN3A | IK2OHG | II9FIFA | IW3RUA | TM10ARP | F4HRA |
| CQ7BE | CS0RCL | IO4T | IZ4JMA | TM18FWC | F8ATS |
| CR140AA | CU3AA | J42L | SV2DCD | TM24H | F6KFI |
| CR3DX | OM2VL | J48GEO | SZ8LSV | TM3FO | F6KCZ |
| CR3W | DL5AXX | J48J | SV1PMQ | TM6GAL | F6HQP |
| CR5E | CT1ILT | JT5DX | JT1CO | TM7Q | DF3FS |
| CS20EXPO | CT1REP | JW8DW | LA8DW | UN9L | LZ1YE |
| CS2C | OK1RF | K7UGA | K7BHM | UP0L | DL8KAC |
| CS5SUB | CS5NRA | KH6LC | WA6WPG | UP4L | UN7LZ |
| CW18FWC | CX1AA | KL7SB | NI5DX | V3A | M0OXO |
| CW4MAX | EA5GL | KP2M | NZ4DX | VB3T | VE3AT |
| DJ18FWC | DK5ON | LN8W | LA9VDA | VC3J | VE3EJ |
| DK18FWC | DK7TX | LX/ON4PRA/P | ON6LC | VK18FIFA | VK2IR |
| DM200MARX | DG0CH | LX0RL | LX1KQ | VK1FOC | DK2BJ |
| DQ800HRO | DL5KVV | LX7I | LX2A | VK3FY | M0OXO |
| DU1KA | NR6M | LZ25TRC | LZ1YE | VK4DX/p | VK4DX |
| DX18FIFA | DU1EV | LZ30STM | LZ1ZF | VK5CE/6 | VK5CE |
| E2A | E21EIC | LZ430PPW | LZ1KCP | VP5M | K4QPL |
| E2X | E20GMY | M6T | G4BWP | VR2FIFA | VR2XRW |
| E7CW | E73ESP | MD2C | MD0CCE | WH7AA | N2NL |
| EF7X | EA7PP | OC18FWC | OA4O | YI0FIFA | IK2DUW |
| EF8R | EB7DX | OD5YA | IZ8CLM | Z3Y | Z37Y |
| EG1PNP | EA1AUM | OG0C | OH5C | Z68AT | IW7EGQ |
| EG3PTM | EA3DUR | OG0Z | W0MM | Z68BH | OH2BH |
| EG7JIR | EA7LH | OG73X | OH8L | ZB2RAF | G8FC |
| EG8CID | EA8URL | OG7A | OH6MW | ZM4G | ZL2IFB |
| EI0DXG | M0OXO | OH0R | OH2PM | ZP9MCE | EA5ZD |
| EI6DX | RA3R | OH3077F | OH3JF | ZW8T | PS8HF |

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