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**** DX INFORMATION ****
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- 5X Jack, NP2OR has been active as 5X3L from Kayabwe ("just a few steps from the equator line"), Uganda since 20 April, and will remain there until sometime in May. He will be QRV on 20, 10 and once in a while on 40 metres. QSL via LoTW, or direct via Club Log's OQRS. Updates will be posted to <u>https://hamradiosafari.blogspot.com/</u>.
- 9X Harold, DF2WO will be active again as 9X2AW from Rwanda on 2-17 May. He will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on the HF bands and 6 metres. QSL via M00XO's OQRS. [TNX The Daily DX]
- EA Celebrating the 75th anniversary of the Union de Radioaficionados Espanoles (URE), Spanish amateurs are allowed to replace their Normal prefix from 1 to 31 May as follows: EA stations can use AO#75, EB stations can use AN#75, and EC stations can use AM#75, where "#" is the digit of their call area. For example, EA1FMJ will use AO175FMJ, EC5BUH will use AM575BUH, EB7KA will use AN775KA.
- EA Once again the Federacion Digital EA will operate special callsigns AO1EU, AO2EU, AO3EU, AO4EU, AO5EU, AO6EU, AO7EU, AO8EU and AO9EU on 3-12 May to celebrate Europe Day, the anniversary of the Schuman Declaration (9 May 1950) that paved the way to the European Union. See <u>https://www.fediea.org/eudota/</u> for more information. QSL direct to EA3RKF.
- F Special callsign TM13JO will be active on 8-15 May as the Paris 2024 Olympic Torch Relay passes through the French Department of the Bouche du Rhone. QSL via F5SDD. Also active during the same time frame are expected to be TM83JO from the Department of Var (8-12 May) and TM04JO from the Department of Alpes-de-Haute-Provence. QSLs via operators' instructions.

They will be followed by a large number of other special callsigns, which in the following weeks will cover the progress of the Olympic Torch as it crosses other Departments and Territories until its arrival in Paris on 26 July. The Association des Radioamateurs Vauclusiens (F5KPO) organizes the "Olympic Torch Relay Challenge" for contacts made with those stations - see <u>https://www.qrz.com/db/TM00J0</u> for the details, and

https://www.oly24.fr/awardform.html for the certificates.

- FO Hiroyuki, JI1JKW will be active holiday style as FO/JI1JKW from Bora Bora (OC-067), French Polynesia on 26-30 April. He will operate SSB, CW and FT8 on 40, 20, 17, 15, 12, 10 and 6 metres. QSL via LoTW, or via home call. [TNX The Daily DX]
- JW Knut, LA9DSA will be active as JW9DSA from Svalbard from 29 April to 5 May. He will operate mainly SSB, with plans to go portable for SOTA and possibly also POTA activations. QSL only via LoTW or eQSL.
- OE Sylvia, OE5YYN will be active as OE20SOTA between 1 May and 31 October to mark the 20th anniversary since Austria joined the

Summits on the Air programme. A certificate will be available, see https://www.grz.com/db/OE20SOTA.

- OK Sixteen special event stations, representing the teams competing in the 87th Ice Hockey World Championship to be held in the Czech Republic (10-26 May), will be active from 27 April to 26 May: OL87DL, OL87F, OL87G, OL87HB, OL87LA, OL87OE, OL87OH, OL87OK, OL87OM, OL87OZ, OL87SM, OL87SP, OL87UN, OL87VE, OL87W and OL87YL. Look for activity on 160-10 metres SSB, CW and digital modes. QSL via LoTW and eQSL; paper QSLs will not be issued, but 3 certificates will be available: see https://ol87whc.cz/ for information.
- ON Members of Club Radio Durnal (ON4CRD) will be active as OR90AL on 1-31 May. The special callsign marks 90 years since the death of Albert I, King of the Belgians, who died in a mountaineering accident at the age of 58. QSL via the bureau.
- OX Bo, OZ1DJJ will be active again as OX3LX from Greenland between 26 April and 9 May. In his spare time he will operate FT8, RTTY and CW from Kangerlussuaq (grid GP60), Nuuk (grid GP44) and Paamiut (grid GP51). QSL via OZ0J; QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW and Club Log.
- SP Marking the 25th anniversary since Poland joined the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, special callsign HF25NATO will be active from 1 May to 31 August. A certificate will be available for download on <u>https://hf25nato.spaward.pl</u>. QSL via LoTW, or via Club Log's OQRS (only 100 "limited edition QSL cards" will be distributed on a first-come, first-served basis)
- UA A very large number of Russian stations using special prefix RP79 (where the letter P stands for 'pobeda', i.e. 'victory') will be active on 1-9 May to celebrate the 79th anniversary of the end of World War II. More information, including the list of participating stations and their QSL routes, is expected to be available on https://pobeda.srr.ru/ in due course.
- Special event station 6E0RM will be active on 17-26 May during the 10th edition of the Rally Maya Mexico. Activity is expected to take place on 40-6 metres from Merida (17-18 May, grids EL50, EL51, EL40), Campeche (19 May, grid EK49), Uxmal (20-21 May, grid EL50), Valladolid (22-23 May, grid EL50), and Cancun (24-26 May, grid EL61). QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW and Club Log.

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IOTA-60 DINNER IN FRIEDRICHSHAFEN --- > "To celebrate 60 years since the founding of the IOTA programme, an anniversary dinner will be organized on Friday, 28 June 2024, between 19:00 and 23:00, at the V20 Bio Restaurant in the Zeppelin Museum, Friedrichshafen. The event offers an opportunity for chasers and activators to share time together, chatting about topics of common interest, such as past and future expeditions, technology trends, and

goals". Tickets should be purchased in advance, by no later than 31 May (there will be no on-site availability to join the dinner and/or pay for it). See https://www.iota-world.org/management-news.html for more information and detailed instructions.

N5J: JARVIS ISLAND IOTA/POTA News ---> "Since the Dateline DX Association announced plans for activating Jarvis Island this summer, many have asked if we could arrange with IOTA and POTA program organizers to secure approval of our DXpedition.

Jarvis is one of the rarest of the IOTA counters, having been off the air for 34 years. It is needed by 82% of IOTA program participants.

Because of the requirements set by the permit of the USFWS, while the stations, antennas and power are all set up on Jarvis Island, the local operators must conduct the DXpedition from the MV 'Magnet' which will still be in the Jarvis Island National Wildlife Refuge, just offshore.

Both the IOTA and POTA programs have agreed to recognize QSOs made by the local operators but will not allow QSOs made by internet remote operators to count. Therefore QSOs made by AA7JV, HA7RY, N1DG, KO8SCA and KN4EEI will count for the awards (IOTA OC-081 and POTA K-0115).

Daily uploads by the N5J team to Club Log will identify the operators. Additionally, at the beginning of each operator shift the team will endeavor to post on the cluster the callsign of the operator so chasers have some real time notice. At this time, all phone operations are expected to be by the at island team as well, giving that mode 100% IOTA/POTA certainty.

In addition to the five operators mentioned above, there is an experienced team of 24 operators from 8 countries operating up to 6 stations around the clock, ensuring DXers around the globe have ample opportunity to add an ATNO or band fill to their DXCC totals".

Website: https://jarvisisland2024.com/

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/groups/1359664908071770/

SWODXA DX DINNER ---> The 39th DX Dinner, sponsored again by the SouthWest Ohio DX Association (SWODXA) and held in conjunction with the 2024 Dayton Hamvention, will be on Friday, 17 May at the Marriott at the University of Dayton. The keynote speaker will be Dave Anderson, K4SV, veteran of many DXpeditions. The "DXpedition of the Year" and the inductees into the CQ DX Hall of Fame will be announced during the event; <u>https://swodxaevents.org</u> for the tickets and the list of DX Dinner prizes. [TNX AJ8B]

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3A2MW, 3C3CA, 4K0CW, 5W1SA, 5X70, 6W/IV3FSG, 6Y1V, 6Y3Y, 702WX, 8P6ET, A31DL, A44A, A71/ON5UR, A73A, AU2RS (AS-199), BM0QSO, BW2/JP1RIW, C21TS, CB0ZA, CB0ZW, CN3A, CO2AV, DS1TUW/2 (AS-122), E6AM, EL2DT, FM4LV, H44MI, H44WA, HH2AA, HI3K, HK3C, HV0A, HV5PUL, J62K, J69KZ, J79BH, K3KO/4 (NA-069), KH0/KC0W, KP2B, NP3Y, P4/WE9V, P40AA, P43A, PJ4D, PJ5/SP9FIH, PJ7EE, S01WS, SU1SK, TF3W, T01Q, T04A, T08FH, TX7L, TY2AA, TZ4AM, UN9L, V47T, V51MA, V7/N7XR, V85AHV, VP5/K0PC, VP5Z, VP6MM, VP8WA, VP9KF, VR2XMT, VU4N, VU7A, WH7T, YI3AIA, YJ0CA, YJ0TT, YS1/F4IXC, Z68BB, ZF2CJ, ZL7D.

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