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- CO - John, C07KR hopes to be active from Los Colorados Archipelago (NA-093) in October or November.
- EA1 - EA1BT will be QRV on 8 August from Puente Port (DIEI ZA-41) island. QSL via EA1BT.
- EX - From 25 October to 1 November DL4MFM, DJ5BA, DK7ZT and DL8OBQ will be active again from Kirghiz Republic (ex UM). Mario, DL4MFM can distribute QSL for EX stations. If interested send him the cards before 24 October.
- F - G3XZO will join the IOTA Contest from Noirmoutier island (EU-064)
- FH - Elio (FH5CB) reports that sending parcels with QSL is very expensive then he suggests to write him directly, enclosing the necessary for a direct answer, to this address: Elio Fontaine, B.P. 50, 97610, Dzaoudzi, Mayotte.
- G - From 7 to 9 August Carlo (I4ALU) will be active in CW only, from the Isle of Wight (EU-120) using the G/I4ALU/p call.
- G - From 20 to 21 August Carlo (I4ALU) will be active in CW only, from thw Isles of Scilly (EU-011) using the G/I4ALU/p call.
- GD - DL4LQM, DL5LYM and DL8WAM are currently portable GD. Activity on all bands, mainly in CW.
- GD - From 5 to 19 August Dave (GD3NKC) will be active, mainly in CW, on low bands.
- GJ - DL2ZAE and DL9ZBG are acurrently portable GJ. All bands activity mainly in CW.
- GM - From 29 October to 7 November a group of Scottish MidLanark ARK operators, celebrating the 500th anniversary of the foundation of their association will be active from the Shetland islands (EU-012) using the special GB5SI call. They will join to the CQ WWDX SSB Contest (28-29 October).
- GW - From 15 to 16 August Carlo (I4ALU) will be active in CW only, from Flat Holm Island (EU-124) using the GW/I4ALU/p call.
- H4 - Bernhard, DL2GAC has invited H44NH and H44DG to join the IOTA Contest repectively from New Georgia Group (OC-149) and from Ontong Java Atoll (OC-192).
- HK - Following what published in number 218, Pedro, HK3JJH, hopes to activate Aguja Island the first half of August. It depends on adequate means of transportation.
- HK0 - DF5JT is portable HK0 from San Andres. Activity mainly in CW and on WARC bands.
- HS - During the Seanet Convention 95, from 17 to 20 November, the special E28SEA station (or HS8SEA) will be active.
- IA5 - Sergio (IK5WWB) will join the IOTA Contest from Elba Island (EU-028) (IIA LI-01).
- IC8 - Wednesday 26 Roberto (IK8BIZ) and Nino (IK8DDN) were active from Scruopolo Reef (IIA NA13) and from Sconciglio di Scruopolo (IIA NA??) QSL via IK8OZZ.
- IC8 - Francesco (IK8TEO) will join the IOTA Contest from Capri Island

(EU-031) (IIA NA-06), in the single operator CW category.

IH9 - Luigi (IT9HLC), Joe (IT9JOF) and Bruno (IT9ZAG) will join the IOTA Contest from Pantelleria island (AF-018) (IIA TP-01). QSL via IT9JOF.

IL3 - Oreste (IK5VIA) will join the IOTA Contest, on 20 meters, from Lido island (EU-130) (VE-32).

IL7 - Wednesday 26 Gianni (IK8MRA) was portable IL7 from Varano Island QSL via IK8OZZ.

IL7 - As reported in number 218, Alberto (IW8XAJ), Lucio (IK8EJN), Tonino (IK8RMB), Antonino (IK8JRD) and Davide (IK8NSR) have started the planned activity from Tremiti islands (EU-050). Until now the operations took place from San Domino (IIA FG-01, until 25 July), Capraia (IIA FG-03, 26 July), Il Cretaccio (IIA FG-06, 27 July) and Pianosa (IIA FG-04 28 July). During next days they plan to activate Scoglio La Vecchia (IIA FG-08), Cacio Cavallo (IIA FG-05) and I Pagliai (IIA FG-07). QSL via homecalls.

JA6 - From 29 July to 1 August Seiji, JH6RTO will be active from Miyako Is (AS-079) using the 7L3TDU/6 call. QSL via buro.

JY1 - Amir (4X6TT) succeeded to bring on the air King Hussein of Jordan (JY1). Many thanks to Amir for his collaboration, permitting many OM, Europeans and Americans, to make this nice emotional contact. QSL via WA3HUP. Thanks to Amir it has been possible to contact Prince Raad, JY2RZ, King Hussein's cousin, as well.

JY - Following what published in number 220, Amir's (4X6TT) team has started the Jordan-Israelian operations using these special calls: JY47X and JY47Z. QSL via JY6ZZ.

LA - Arn (LA8LN) will join the IOTA Contest from EU-036.

OH0 - From 4 to 6 August Pasi (OH1NSJ) will be portable OH0 from Aland Island. Pasi will be active on 6 meters, using a 7 elements Yagi and 100 watts. QSL via homecall.

P2 - Bernhard, DL2GAC has invited VK4JEN/P29VNJ to join the IOTA Contest from Fergusson Island (OC-116).

SP - SO1DIG/p will join the IOTA Contest from Wolin Island (EU-132). The activity is planned from 10 to 80 meters, in CW and SSB. QSL via DL3BQA: Uwe Granzow, Ladestr. 2, 16306 Casekow, Germany.

SV8 - During August George (SV1QN) will be portable /8 from Myconos island (EU-067).

TI9 - Following what published in number 216, the activity of Carlos TI9JJP from Cocos island should take place during the first half of August.

TJ - In a few days Jum, TJ1JB will be QRT and back to USA. Meanwhile Jim is active, usually between 19 and 2000Z on 14030 KHz. QSL have been bought, but Jim is likely to start replying when back at home in Virginia. Ken, K9EA asked Jim to send him logs and cards, to speed up the process. Ken is just collecting the cards as Jim likes to answer personally. Therefore be patient.

TT - F5UBK is currently portable TT.

UA0 - From Thursday 27 July Valery's (RW3GW) team is active using the RU0B call from Russkij Island, Nordenshel'da Archipelago (AS-121). QSL via UA9OBA.

UA0 - UA0NL/0 is currently active from AS-066.

UX0 - Yuri, UR5FRG is portable UX0Z from Kinbur Isl. This island is not valid for the IOTA Award as it is located inside the Black Sea.

VK0_hi- The work for Heard Island expediton is continuing hardly. The ma-

terial is prepared (for example the assembly of antennas, coax, and so on) to be sent into a container that will be shipped to Australia the second half of August. Currently they are in search of generators - they need four, each able to supply 5 KW output - The HF equipment comprehends six transceivers and six or seven antennas beams and verticals. The calendar is confirmed: they will leave Freemantle (Western Australia) the 1st of November and they will arrive to Heard Island the 12. They will remain on the island until 1 December then they will come back to Australia between 12 and 14 December. Contributions for this high-cost DXpedition can be sent to:

The Heard Island Expedition, P.O. Box 563, Waite Park, MN 56387, USA.

- VK0 - Jim Smith, VK9NS wants to close the logs for the following operations VK0JS, AX0NE, VK0NE and VK0JR. Those who still need a confirmation have to speed the request. Jim has also the VK0GC logs for 1983, 1985 1987 and 1989.
- VU - Larry, F5PVI reports that he received the VU2JPS QSL in three weeks. The address of the sender (VU2AU), on the back side of the envelope is as follows: Sudhakar Dinkar Paranjpe, 24 Dharampeth Ext., Nagpur 440010, India. The VU2JPS address, printed on the QSL is as follows: P. Subramanian, K-21, Radio Colony, Port Blair, Andaman 744 102 India We suggest to send your card via registered mail.
- W2 - From 5 to 6 August the Old Barney Amateur Radio Club will activate the special station W2OB from Barnegat Light, Long Beach Island (NA-111). QSL via NU2F.
- W4 - Bill, WB4RMJ is active from Hatteras Island (NA-067) until 30 July. He is active in CW and SSB on 10, 12, 15, 17 and 20 meters and will probably join the IOTA Contest. QSL via homecall.
- YB5 - Imam (YB5NOC) lives in Tanjung Pinang, on Riau islands (OC-075) and is active again.
- 3V8 - Drago (S59A) hopes to receive the permission to join next WAE CW Contest (12-13 August) from Tunisia.
- 3V - Selim (OE6EEG) and Drago (S59A) are planning a DXpedition to Qerqenah islands (AF-074) to take place in August.
- 4U - RW3AH is currently portable 4U as has joined the UN troops in the former Yugoslavia.
- 5A - The departure of the Ukranian operators from Lybia, planned for the last weekend, has been delayed many times due to the Tripoli-Malta flight cancelled. The operations ended 25 July then the team left towards Malta then for Kiev via Rome (28 July). We hope the two 5A operators, "trained" by Toly and his friends, will active the Radio Club station (with Toly as possible manager). The next expedition to Tripoli is planned for Spring 1996. 5A1A will remain the only authorized station for some time, as no other call has been issued.
- 9M2 - Following what published in number 213, Neville, G3NUG is going to be 9M2/ from two West Malaysian islands, exactly from Babi Besar (Johor East/Pahang State group, AS-046, from 11 to 14 August) and Perhentian Besar (Terengganu/Kelantan State group, AS-073, from 17 to 21 August). Phone operations only (split 5/10 up) on usual IOTA frequencies, particularly on 14260, 18128 and 7055. Neville will be QRV for Europe between 14 and 16 UTC. QSL via homecall.
- 9M - Starting from 29 July the Borneo Radio Club will be active using the special 9M6V call in 15, 20 and 40 meters.
- 9X - SM5DIC is currently portable 9X.

ARRL NEWS

At its July 19 meeting, the ARRL Membership Services Committee (MSC) of the ARRL Board of Directors voted to remove from the Awards Committee Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) an administrative interpretation of a Board motion. The deleted text said in part, 'Thus it requires a favorable recommendation by the DXAC to initiate a country status review by the Awards Committee.' All ARRL Directors were present at the meeting, and it was the sense of the meeting that the Awards Committee should review negative as well as positive country status recommendations of the DXAC. On July 25, the ARRL Awards Committee voted unanimously that Scarborough Shoal (Huang Yan Dao) should be added to the DXCC List under Point 2 (a) of the Countries List Criteria. Committee members all felt that Scarborough meets the rules that were in place when the petition for new country status was received. Further they concluded that it meets the definition of an island under the UN Law of the Sea Conventions. China claims Scarborough, and there is an absence of other territorial claims. Finally it is more than 225 miles from the nearest part (island) of China. Awards Committee Chair, Chuck Hutchinson, K8CH, shared the results with DXAC Chair, Garth Hamilton, VE3HO immediately after the vote. As announced in a June 30, 1995 news release, the DXAC voted 9 to 7 against recommending the addition of Scarborough to the DXCC Countries List. Under procedures established by the ARRL Board, and because the Chairs are unable to effect a compromise, there is an automatic appeal. In the next step, the two committees will report the reasons for their votes to the MSC for recommendation to the full Board, which ultimately will decide the matter.

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