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>>> 425 DX NEWS MOST WANTED SURVEY <<<

The results are now available at <http://www.425dxn.org/surv2003/> - many thanks to the 2663 participants in the survey (last year they were 1985). Give also a look to the results of The DX Magazine's Most Wanted Survey at http://www.dxpub.com/dx_news.html

Bernie McClenny, W3UR, Editor of The Daily DX, has combined the results of the two surveys and has come to the conclusion that the top 10 positions are being held by Andaman (VU4), Scarborough (BS7), Lakshadweep (VU7), Juan de Nova & Europa (FR/J) and Peter I (3Y), Desecheo (KP5) and Yemen (70), Navassa (KP1) and North Korea (P5), Aves (YV0).

- 5X - Bob, WB2YQH reports that Graham, 5X1GS has been semi-active this month due to work related travel away from Kampala. He is now travelling to Kenya (no operation) and back to Uganda for a day before departing for the UK on 30 January. He will return to Uganda on 15 February, hopefully with a WARC beam for a better signal. QSL via WB2YQH.
- 6W - Norbert, F6AXX will be active as 6W7/F6AXX from Saly, Senegal from 25 January to 7 February. His favourite mode is CW and he plans to operate mainly during his morning and night hours on or around 14035, 18090, 21035, 24105 and 28035 kHz. QSL via F6AXX either direct or through the bureau. [TNX NG3K]
- 9Y - Look for Moni, 9Y/DL1SEN and Mike, 9Y/DL2SEK to be active on SSB and digital modes from Tobago (SA-009) until 6 February. QSL via home calls. [TNX DX Newsletter]
- HH - Hans/DL7CM and Sid/DM2AYO will be active as HH6/DL7CM and HH6/DM2AYO from Ile a Vache (NA-149), Haiti from 30 January to 15 February. They plan to operate on 160-6 metres CW, SSB and RTTY, with a beam and a GP for the low bands. QSL via home calls. Logs will be available at <http://www.qsl.net/dl7cm/haiti.htm> [TNX DL7CM]
- I - Vincenzo, IT9NVA plans to be active from Cozzo Spadaro lighthouse (WAIL SI-012, IOTA EU-025) on 25 January. He also says that is correct new address is P.O. Box 216, 96100 Siracusa - SR, Italy (Box 164, reported in 425DXN #611, was a mistake and Vincenzo apologizes

- for any inconvenience this may have caused).
- OD - Pavel, OD5/OK1MU will participate in the CQ WW 160 Meter CW Contest as Single Operator HP (he has about 400W but only a 35m half sloop). QSL via OKDX Foundation or OK1TN. His web page is at <http://www.qsl.net/ok1mu> [TNX NG3K]
- PY - Scout Association Baependi, PY3UEB will operate as ZX3S until 19 February to celebrate the World Social Forum taking place in Porto Alegre. QSL via PY3CQ. [TNX PY3CQ]
- T31 - Mike, KM9D is currently active as T31MY from Canton Island (OC-043), Central Kiribati. QSL via OM2SA. The Daily DX reports that Mike expects to remain there for the next three to four weeks.
- VK0_mi - The Daily DX reports that Peter, VK0MQI will be leaving Macquarie Island the last week of March: "he plans his last activity this Sunday (GMT) at 0000Z. Keep an ear on 21365, 24940 and 28630".
- VP5 - Chrissy, KB9VAL and her father Gary, K9SG will be active as VP5/KB9VAL and VP5/K9SG from Providenciales (NA-002) from 31 January through 3 February. QSL via K9SG. [TNX The Daily DX]
- XE - Hector/XE2K, Pablo/XE2CHE, Rogelio/XE2FCR, Emidgio/XE2ZY, Hector/XE2CK and Ray/N6VR (CW operator) will be active as XF1K from Isla Pelicano (NA-167) between 6 and 9 February. This rare IOTA group (Sonora State North) is needed by the 97.40% of the current IOTA members. The operation will last three days. The team hopes to start operating at 3 UTC on 6 February and expects to leave the island on either the evening of 8 February or the morning of the 9th (the decision will depend on tides). SSB and CW operations are expected to take place on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres, for 12-18 hours a day. QSL via N6AWD either direct (Fred K. Stenger, 6000 Hesketh Dr, Bakersfield, CA 93309, USA) or through the bureau. The operation is sponsored by the Island Radio Expedition Foundation (IREF) - <http://www.islandradio.org> [TNX AB5EB]
- XY - Kai, JH6VZS and Shirow, JF6DEA are going to join Hiroo, XY2A, who has been already active from Myanmar for a few days. Kai and Shirow plan to be active, hopefully as XY5D and XY6J, on 25-27 January and to concentrate on the low bands and 6 metres. There is further information on Shirow's web site (<http://www.ham-net.net/vu-dx/>). QSLs for XY5D and XY6J should be sent direct to JH6QIL (Shin-Ichi Kusumoto, 1777-289, Nishi-Mochida, Aira-cho, Aira-Gun, Kagoshima, 899-5431 Japan). [TNX JF6DEA]
- YB - Stan, OK1JR/YB0AJR reports he will be active during the CQ WW 160 Meter CW Contest as YE0X from Jawa, Indonesia. He will be looking for Europeans around 1855 kHz. Special QSL via the YB bureau.

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CDXC AWARD ---> Robert Felicite, 3B9FR is the first winner of the Chiltern DX Club's "Local Heroes" Award. Club members voted for Robert as an outstanding

operator who, resident in a rare DX location, has for many years tirelessly provided QSO's and QSL's for thousands of amateurs worldwide, all without major sponsorship. Nominations are now requested for the 2003 award which will be decided in June this year. Votes can be e-mailed to chairman@cdxc.org.uk [TNX G3LAS]

EWVA ---> The new Country List for the European World Wide Award can be found at <http://www.ewwa.net> or can be requested by sending an e-mail to radioamateur.tp2ce@coe.int [TNX F6FQK]

GREEK PREFIXES ---> Costas, SV1XV reports the Greek amateur radio prefix system has changed recently to support the introduction of the new VHF-only, no-CW licence:

- * SV1-SV9 = full HF privileges
- * SW1-SW9 = 144 MHz and higher, no HF or 50 MHz
- * SZ1-SZ9 = club stations
- * J41-J49 = special event stations
- * SY1-SY9 = special event stations
- * SX1-SX9 = special event stations
- * SV1x-SV9x = voice repeaters and beacons
- * J41xxx-J49xxx = digital repeaters
- * SV0XAA-SV0XZZ = foreign amateurs with semi-permanent licence (HF)
- * SW0AAA-SW0ZZZ = foreign amateurs with semi-permanent licence (VHF only).
- * Temporary operations by foreign amateurs shall use the SV or SW prefixes, as appropriate, followed by the original callsigns and the appropriate identifier /P, /M, /MM, /AM.
- * The following identifiers shall be used for portables etc:
 - /P portable
 - /M land mobile, mounted on a vehicle
 - /A alternative licensed location
 - /MM maritime mobile
 - /AM aeronautical mobile
- * There is no provision for call area identifier, if operating outside main station call area; SV1AAA portable in SV5 will be SV1AAA/P.
- * There is no prefix reserved for Mount Athos. SY callsigns and /A identifiers do not imply a Mount Athos operation.

QRP MARATHON ---> The I-QRP Club organizes the 4th HF Marathon to encourage QRP activity. Open to licenced amateurs and SWLs, it will take place from 00.00 UTC on 1 April through 24.00 UTC on 31 August. For further details please contact Giovanni Zangara, IW0BET at iw0bet@amsat.org

QSL MANAGER OFFERED ---> Alan Roorcroft, VK4AAR says that now he has more time to manage the QSLs of additional DX or IOTA activities. If any of our readers need his services, please contact Alan for the details at either almee@dodo.com.au or almee@countyhunter.com Alan currently handles cards for the following stations (some now QRT): C21RH, KH2VM, P29RH, V63PD, VI0ANARE, VK0MM, VK6BM (OC-234), VK6BSI (OC-243), VK8AN, VK8AN/6 (OC-154), VK8AN/8 (OC-229), VK8AV/3 (OC-136), VK8DP, VK8MI (OC-173), VK8RH, VK8XC, VU3RSB, ZK2JJ, ZK2PJ. Please note that logs for YJ8AA are no longer available to Alan.

QSL 9V1DJ ---> QSL cards can be sent via the SARTS (Singapore Amateur Radio

Transmitting Society) bureau. Those who want to QSL direct, please note that Taka, 9V1DJ/JA3KAB will be going back to Japan at the end of February. He advises that after 15 February direct cards should be sent to Taka K. Shimazu, 10-36 Kizuri 3-chome Higashiosaka, Osaka 577-0827, Japan. [TNX K1XN]

QSL CO6XN ---> Effective immediately, Frank Dalonzo, N3ZOM, will be handling all of CO6XN's direct cards. Bureau cards will continue to be handled by Oscar Gaviria, HK6DOS. [TNX HK6DOS]

QSL CV1F ---> The correct QSL route is via EA5KB (not EA5JB): Jose F. Ardid Arlandis, P.O.Box 5013, 46080 Valencia, Spain. Many thanks to Paulo, PY2PAI for detecting the typo in 425DXN 610.

QSL KC4/N2TA ---> Mike Fokin (RW1AI) went QRT from "East Camp" (WABA K-12, AN-016) on 22 January, after some 5000 QSOs made as KC4/N2TA. QSL direct only to P.O. Box 392, Brooklyn, NY 11230, USA (mail drop). Mike and Alex, UA1PAC were expected to stop for a couple of days at McMurdo Base (WABA K-09, AN-011) on their way to Christchurch, New Zealand. [TNX UA1AKE]

QSL YI1BGD ---> Contradictory information is being circulated about the correct QSL route for the current activity of YI1BGD.

Diya, YI1DZ, confirms that he is the QSL manager and QSL cards should be sent direct only to P.O. Box 7361, Baghdad 12216, Iraq.

However Steve, OM3JW, states that the current operator at YI1BGD is his son Mike, OM2DX [425DXN 605], who, while waiting for his personal call to be issued, is active from the club station. The QSL route for this operation is via OM3JW (logs are at <http://www.qsl.net/om2dx>).

At the same time Cliff, G0MMI, reports that "due to the confusion regarding the latest operation at YI1BGD, I am no longer Rodger's manager. All QSL cards go to YI1DZ" (Cliff used to be the QSL manager only for contacts made with YI1BGD operated by G0TLC).

At the end of the day, as John, K1XN from the Golist wisely says, "guess this one should be: QSL via operators instructions".

QSL VIA KU9C ---> "As of January 31", Steve says, "I will be current with all direct QSL received for PW0T and YA5T as of January 6, 2003. Please note that this means that if you sent a QSL to me for *only* PW0T or YA5T (i.e., without another card for a station I manage), it will have been processed and mailed to you. If you do not have your card within a reasonable mailing time from NJ at that time, I'd suggest you resubmit.

The 2002 BQ9P operation will be my next focus, and I expect to have that done in February.

Other calls I manage have been on the back burner a bit, although I'm mailing them out as I can get to them. If you sent me *individual* SASEs for these stations, I expect to have them out in the next month or so as well.

Many QSLs will be delayed beyond the above schedule because more than one call have been included in the SASE.

Statistics: just under 50,000 PW0T QSOs and 20,000 YA5T QSOs have been issued. When I take these with the other calls I manage, including bureau mailings, approximately 100,000 QSOs have been issued by me since January 1, 2002".

SWL CONTEST ---> The SLP Contest for SWLs will take place in eight sessions

through the year. The first session is on 25-26 January. Visit <http://www.veron.nl/cie/nl/swlcontest.htm> for the rules, or e-mail Ruud Ivens, NL-290, the new VERON SWL Manager, at NL290@amsat.org [TNX I1-21171/IZ1CRR]

WRTC 2002 VIDEO ---> The official video of the Amateur Radio Olympics (WRTC 2002) is now available on DVD and VHS. Unlike previous ham radio videos, this one is produced from a 100% "pro-sports" perspective. In order to capture as much of the action as possible, three different camera crews were sent out to film as many teams and events as they could during the actual 24 hour competition. And supporting all this great footage are high-end 3D graphics, intra-competition scoreboards, top-ten boxes, team profiles, and lots of other things that you might expect when watching a professional sports event on television. The entire production is even narrated by one of ESPN's top announcers. Total running time is 60 minutes. The DVD version also contains lots of extra features like full score breakdowns for each team, continental line-ups, competitor rulebook, and even all the past WRTC scores dating back to 1990. All information on how to obtain your copy can be found at <http://home1.pacific.net.sg/~jamesb/> [TNX OH5DX]

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CONTEST CALENDAR: The 12-Month Contest Calendar, compiled by Bruce Horn, WA7BNM and updated as new contest information is received, is available at <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/> The e-mail version can be requested by sending an e-mail to calendar@hornucopia.com

QSL ROUTES: Boye, OZ7C reports that his QSL manager web page is back up and running at <http://www.qsl.dk/oz7c/> (the QSL and Manager databases contain 336,368 and 17,570 records respectively). Weekly updates will be posted usually on Mondays.

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CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER
3C5XA	G3XAQ	EY8MM	K1BV	T30HC	DL9HCU
3V8SQ	DL1BDF	FG5FC	F6DZU	T77GI	pirate
3W2XK	W9XK	FK8GM	WB2RAJ	TA0/NK7U	pirate

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3Z0OL	SQ4NR	FP5BZ	F5TJP	TF3CW	LX1NO
4K7A	TA2ZV	FY5GS	F6FNU	TM0A	F6OIE
4X6HP/P	EA7FTR	H44MS	DL2GAC	TM5SIA	F2WS
5H9IR	ZS6EZ	HC#/NP3D	W3HNK	TT8FC	EA4AHK
5R8GZ	G3SWH	HI3HN	OE7NHT	UA6JD	K0KG
7Q7HB	G0IAS	HI8ROX	ON4ANT	UA6LGR/3	UA6LGR
7Q7LA	G0IAS	HK3CW	W2GR [a]	UA9YAU	W4CMB
7X2RO	OM3CGN	HL5/VK2DXI	DS5UCP	UK8ZC	RW6HS
8Q7AM	EA5MB	II1D	IZ1CCE	UN0F	EA5KB
9G1YK	PA3ERA	IY4W	I4JED	UN9GC	LZ1YE
9H3CT	G0WKJ	J41LHA	SV1GRB	V31JP	KA9WON
9J2BO	G3TEV	J75PL	AA1M	V31JZ	NN7A
9K2GS	W6YJ	J75RN	W1USN	V31KQ	WA0ETE
9L1BTB	SP7BTB	J79AK	8R1AK	V31YN	DJ4KW
9N7YJ	LA5YJ	J79RJ	DJ7RJ	V51HK	DL6OBS
A45WD	YO9HP	JT1R	JT1BL	V51XG	DL8AL
A61AJ	N4QB	JW0HU	SP3WVL	V73GT	WF5T
A61AQ	N1DG	JW7VK	LA7VK	V73RX	N6RX
A61AR	UA6MF	K8LIZ/C6A	K8LIZ	VK0MQI	JA1ELY
C21HC	DL9HCU	K9YNF/HR9	K9YNF	VK0MQI	JE1LET
C31LJ	VE3GEJ	LU1ZA	LU4DXU	VK7KHZ/P	EA7FTR
C6AGN	W1DIG	LW4EU	EA7FTR	VO2UE	VE2ACP
C6ALB	AA8LL	LZ0A	LZ1KDP	VO2ZT	VE2TKH
CE/CO2WW	pirate	N4BQW/KH9	KB6NAN	VP8ROT	GM0HCQ
CM8WAL	EA5KB	OH0B	OH2BH	VQ9SS	N6SS
CT3FN	HB9CRV	OH0R	OH2PM	W8DLI/WHO	J13DLI
CV1F	EA5KB	OH0Z	OH5DX	W8XGI/KH0	JA1XGI
D2EB	I3LLH	P29VMS	DL2GAC	WH0EWX	SP5EWX
D44TD	CT1EKF	P40AV	K4AVQ	XT2ATI	EA4YK
D88S	DS4CNB	P40RH	W6FRH	XW1N	HS6NDK
DA0ED	DJ5CL	P49MR	VE3MR	XY2A	XW2A
DU9/N0NM	W4DR	PJ5/K3RGD	WA2NHA	YA1BV	JA1PBV
E44Q	pirate	PR0F	W5SJ	YA6RF	F6ITD
ED2TIS	EA2ICA	RU0SYL	UA0SE	ZF2CM	K0BJ
ED5MUC	EA5URM	S21B	KX7YT	ZF2DS	W3WKP
ED5URV	EA5URV	S21YY	JM1HXU	ZK1UKX	W6UKX
ED6SAA	EA6ZX	SB70OJ	SM5CAK	ZK2GI	PA3GIO
EM60USB	UT5UKY	ST2X	PA5NT	ZP62AA	ZP5AA
ER60SB	ER1DA	SU9BN	EA7FTR	ZS90SAP	ZS6ZYM

[a] direct cards only

[b] others

[c] JA stations only

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