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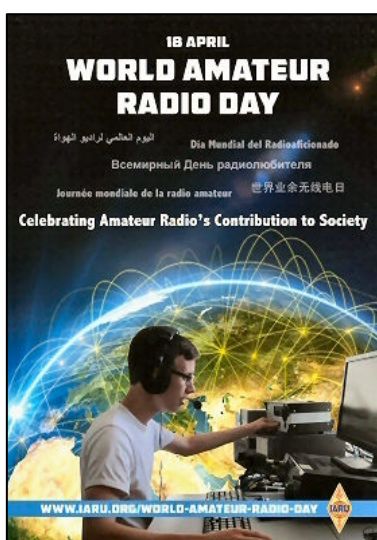
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DX INFORMATION

Owing to the ongoing and fluid nature of the COVID-19 situation globally, announced activities might be cut short, postponed, cancelled or even extended at any time and without notice.

4U1UN - 4U1UN has been active again since 11 April. As part of the Stay Home movement, during the UN HQ building lockdown, the United Nations Radio Club has been granted special permission to utilize a very limited remote operation possibility. Considering the demand for digital modes for 4U1UN, operation will be limited to FT8 mode only. The operator at the keyboard is James, K2QI. QSL via LoTW, or via HB9BOU (direct or bureau).



4W - The Lagunaria DX Group's DXpedition to Timor Leste (11 October-8 November) [425DXN 1505] has been postponed until sometime in 2021. "The current situation based on the Corona pandemic makes it impossible to plan anything later in this year", the team says. "The un-

certainty of travel safety, the not predictable impact on the companies we have to rely on and the current restrictions that prevent a solid preparation, forced us to take this step. We hope that we can see clearer by the end of this year what will be in 2021". Updates will be posted to <http://timor-leste-dx.de/>.

4X & LY - Special callsigns 4Z0GAON from Israel (QSL via LY2QT) and LY300GAON from Lithuania (QSL via LY2QT) will be active on 1-30 April to commemorate the 300th anniversary of the birth of Eliyahu ben Shlomo Zalman, known as the Vilna Gaon (1720-1797), one of the most

influential figures in rabbinic study during the Middle Ages. A certificate will be available, see qrz.com for information.

5H - Charles, 5H3DX (NK80) expected to leave the country on 21 March [425DXN 1502], but he has changed his plans due to the COVID-19 situation. Although "we have not had a large outbreak", he says, "I believe there is more good to be done by remaining in Tanzania, especially since our usual caretakers are prevented from traveling at this time. I also think I am safer in the long run". QSL direct to home call.

9G - Matteo, IZ4YGS will be active again as 9G5GS from Sanzule, Ghana from 14 April to 15 May. In his spare time (typically 21-00 UTC, and sometimes also 12-14 UTC) he will operate FT8 (Fox & Hound only on 3567, 7056, 10131 and 14090 kHz) and SSB on 160-10 metres. He also plans some USB activity on the QO-100 Geostationary satellite. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW, eQSL, or direct to home call.

A3 - Stan, LZ1GC will be active as A35GC from Tonga (OC-049) from 19 October to 2 November. He will operate CW, SSB, RTTY and FT8 on 160-6 metres. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW, or via LZ1GC (direct or bureau). See

<http://www.c21qc.com/> for QSLing policy and other information.



A6 - The Emirates Amateur Radio Society (EARS) has several "StayHome" stations active to raise awareness for social distancing and sheltering in place during the COVID-19 pandemic: A60SH/1 (operated by A61M, QSL via A61BK); A60SH/2 (operated by A61Q, QSL via EA7FTR); A60SH/3 (operated by A61NN, QSL via A61NN); A60SH/4 (operated by A61BK, QSL via A61BK); A60SH/5 (operated by A61DD, QSL via A92AA); A60SH/6 (operated by A61QQ, QSL via A61BK); A60SH/7 (operated by A61FJ, QSL via LZ1YE); A60SH/8 (operated by A61K, QSL via A61BK); A60SH/9 (operated by A61AY, QSL via A61AY); A60SH/10 (operated by A61FK, QSL via A61BK). A61BK's OQRS can be found on <http://bkqslmanager.com/>.

CE0Y - Hans-Martin, DK2HM plans to be active holiday style as XROYHM from Easter Island (SA-001) from 27 August to 7 September. He will operate SSB and digital modes on 80-10 metres. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW, eQSL, or via DK2HM (direct or bureau). Updates will be posted to Twitter (@xr0yhm).



CT8 - Celebrating his 82nd birthday, Antonio, CU8AS will be active as CQ82AS on 1-7 May. He is a resident on Flores Island (EU-089), Azores. [TNX CT4NH]

E6 - Stan, LZ1GC and Ivan, LZ1PM will be active as E6AM from Niue (OC-040) from 28 September to 17 October. They will operate CW, SSB, RTTY and FT8 on 160-6 metres with two stations. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW, or via LZ1GC (direct or bureau). QSLing policy and other information can be found on



<http://www.c21qc.com/>.

EA - EE1MGY is a special callsign for EB1LO to commemorate throughout April the sinking of the RMS Titanic during her maiden voyage (15 April 1912). He will operate CW, FT8 and WSPR on 160 metres - see why on qrz.com. QSL via EB1LO, direct or bureau.



EA - Celebrating World Amateur Day and IARU's 95th anniversary, ten special callsigns will be active on 15-30 April: AM95WARD, AM1WARD, AM2WARD, AM3WARD, AM4WARD, AM5WARD, AM6WARD (Balearic Islands), AM7WARD, AM8WARD (Canary Islands) and AM9WARD (Ceuta & Melilla). QSL via EA4URE (bureau preferred). See <https://iaru95.ure.es> for the OQRS and the IARU 95th Anniversary Award.

In addition, all Spanish radio amateurs are allowed to use special prefixes during the same time frame:

EA stations can use AO + call area + 95 + suffix: e.g. AO395PP = EA3PP

EB stations can use AM + call area + 95 + suffix: e.g. AM795R = EB7R

EC stations can use AN + call area + 95 + suffix: e.g. AN595AHA = EC5AHA

EU - Commemorating the end of World War II, special callsigns EV75M, EV75F, EV75K, EV75P, EV75GA, EV75GK and EV75PP are expected to be active from Belarus on 2-9 May. They will participate in the Memorial Pobeda-75 (see below). QSL via operator's instructions.

F - The Association Promotion Radio Amateur du 62 (F4KLR) will be active as TM18JUIN in May (8-9, 23-24 and 30-31) and June (6-7, 13-14, 18-21 and 27) to commemorate the 80th anniversary of the "Appeal of 18 June" made by Charles de Gaulle from the BBC in London. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau and eQSL; direct requests via F4AHN. Often regarded as the origin of the French Resistance against the occupation during World War II, the appeal is one of the most remarkable pieces in the history of radio broadcasting, and as such it has been inscribed to the UNESCO's Memory of the World Register.

G - GB0NHS is a special callsign for United Kingdom stations to use in appreciation of the National Health Service (NHS), the publicly funded healthcare system which is "at the forefront of saving lives in the war against COVID-19". Operating schedules and QSL information will be posted to <https://www.qrz.com/db/GB0NHS>. Also active with the same intent are GB8NHS (see qrz.com for QSL information) and GB5NHS (QSL via LoTW only) from Northern Ireland.

G - Peter, G4XEX will be active as GB4SAH (Stay At Home) on 8-30 April to help amateurs "pass the time during the lockdown".

G - Members of the Bury Radio Society (G3BRS) will operate as GB9WYH From 13 April until 11 May. The special



callsign, whose suffix stands for Wash Your Hands, is being activated to raise awareness and reinforce the message that washing hands will save lives during the COVID-19 pandemic. Moreover, the UK regulator (Of-

com) is "happy for radio amateurs to add /NHS to the end of their call signs" if they want to show their support for the National Health Service.

G - Members of the RAF Amateur Radio Society (<https://www.rafars.org/>) will be active as GB75VED on 1-28 May to commemorate the 75th anniversary of VE Day. QSL direct to 2E0NDZ.



G - RSGB Contest Club's members will be active as GB1945PE, GB1945PJ and GB75PEACE on 1-31 May and again on 1-31 August as part of the VE Day and VJ Day celebrations. Look for activity on the HF bands and 6 metres SSB, CW and digital modes. QSLs via LoTW and eQSL only; five awards will be available, see <https://www.rsgb.org/ve-vj-marathon> for information.

G - This year the Poldhu Amateur Radio Club (GB2GM) will be unable

to operate from the Marconi Centre on 25 April. Another special callsign, however, will celebrate Marconi's birthday: GB1GM, operated by Cliff, G3UYN (Chairman of PARC). "No QSL", he says.

G - Even though this year's International Marconi Day has been cancelled, three IMD stations will be active from England on 25 April to celebrate the birth of Guglielmo Marconi: GB5IMD (on 2m FM), GB6IMD (on the HF bands SSB) and GB8IMD (on the HF bands FT8). QSLs via eQSL only, but certificates will be available: see "2020 Innovation Awards" on the Quantum

Amateur Radio & Technology Society's website (<https://quantumtech.club/>).

GM - Euan, MM0VIK is active as GB1COR from his home QTH on Mainland, Shetland Islands (EU-012) for the month of April in recognition and support for "the health professionals and essential key workers" during the coronavirus emergency. Apparently QSL cards will not be available for this special callsign.

H4 - Bernhard, DL2GAC has been active as H44MS from Malaita (OC-047), Solomon Islands since 7 February [425DXN 1499]. He expected to leave the country on 23 April, but all of his flights have been cancelled. H44MS will be QRV "for some more time" on 17 and 40 metres SSB and FT8. [TNX DX World]

HA - The Hungarian Amateur Radio Society (MRASZ) has joined the Stay at Home campaign with five special callsigns whose suffixes form the popular motto: HG20ST, HG20AY, HG20AT, HG20HO and HG20ME. Look for activity on 160-10 metres CW, SSB and digital modes from 15 April until 15 May. QSLs via LoTW or via the bureau. An award will be available for working each callsign on two different modes: see <http://www.mrasz.org/stay-at-home/award-rules>.



HL - Special callsigns HL40GDM and D73M will be active on 1-31 May to commemorate the 40th anniversary of the Gwangju Uprising (18-27 May 1980), aka the Gwangju Democratization Movement. QSLs via HL4CCM, direct or bureau. In 2011, the Archives for the May 18th Democratic Uprising against Military Regime were inscribed to the UNESCO Memory of the World Register.



HR - Gerard, HR5/F2JD expected to remain in Honduras until 4 April [425DXN 1491], but the COVID-19 situation is causing him to stay longer. Unless he can catch a "flight opportunity", he is likely to be there until early June. QSL via F6AJA. [TNX F6AJA]

I - I15MPI is the special callsign for the Mediterraneo DX Club's Pisa District to celebrate its 10th anniversary on 1-30 April. QSL via LoTW. See qrz.com for more information.

JA - Special callsign 8J17CALL will be activated from 23 April until 22 April 2021 by the 7-CALL Amateur Radio Club (JS1YEY), a Tokyo based club station that gathers operators with callsigns in the 7K-7N prefix series - "a symbol of the golden age of Japanese amateur radio history". The first 7K call (7K1AAA) was issued on 23 April 1990, the last 7-Call was issued on 20 June 2003 (7N4XZZ). Over the years some 95% of the 7K-7N stations lost interest in the hobby, and nowadays the 7-Callers are only 17,583 out of the 402,180 Japanese amateurs. See <https://7-call.com/en> for more information. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau, eQSL and LoTW.

JA_ant - The 61st Japanese Antarctic Research Expedition's overwintering team at the Syowa Station on East Ongul Island (AN-015), Antarctica includes Taka, JA1AGS and Hiro, JH7JCX. In their spare time they are QRV from the 8J1RL club station, with activity on 40, 30, 20, 17 and 15 metres mainly FT8. They will be there until Janu-



ary 2021. QSL via the bureau to 8J1RL, or direct to JG2MLI.

LA - The Norwegian National Guard's Radio Amateur Club (LA1V) has been granted permission to use the special callsign LN1V throughout 2020 to mark the 75th anniversary of the liberation of Norway at the end of World War II (8 May 1945). QSL direct to LA4LN. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]

LZ - Special callsign LZ50BFRA will be active from 26 April until the end of the year to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Bulgarian Federation of Radio Amateurs. Founded on 26 April 1970, BFRA is the national IARU member society. QSL via LZ1BJ (bureau).



OE - Austrian special event station OE20M will be active on 24-26 April to commemorate the anniversary of Guglielmo Marconi's birth (25 April 1874). QSL via OE1WHC (bureau) or direct to DokuFunk, OE20M, An den Steinfeldern 4A, 1230 Wien, Austria.



OE - 4U2STAYHOME is the special callsign for the VIC Amateur Radio Contest DX Club (4U1A, <http://www.cqdx.ru/4u1a/>) to join the Stay Home /Stay Safe campaign. This activity counts for Austria for DXCC, and for the Vienna International Centre for the CQ DX Marathon. QSL via UA3DX,

direct or bureau.

OE - Jo, OE4VIE will be active as OE50MHZ (WWL JN87dc) from 1 May to 30 June. He will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 6 metres, to mark the 30th anniversary of the allocation - initially subject to severe restrictions - of the Magic Band to Austrian amateurs. QSL via LoTW and eQSL; paper QSLs will be sent automatically via the bureau.



OH - "Pysy kotona" means "stay at home" in Finnish. Ten OH#PYSYKOTONA special callsigns with OH0 to OH9 prefixes are active from 4 April until 3 July to raise awareness for social distancing and remaining at home during the COVID-19 pandemic. The activity is coordinated by the Lahti Amateur Radio Club (<http://www.oh3ac.fi/>). QSL via LoTW, eQSL, or via OH3AC.

OH - The Finnish Amateur Radio League (SRAL) is responsible for another series of ten special callsigns, from OH0STAYHOME to OH9STAYHOME. SRAL encourages to use a temporary Q-code (QSH, for Stay Happy & Healthy) during contacts made during this "Stay Home Project", to be run from 8 April through 8 July. QSL via OH2BAD. A number of awards will be available. Information on the project can be found on <https://www.sral.fi/2020/04/07/finland-stay-home/>.

OZ - Special callsigns 5P0WARD and 5P0WHD will be active on 18 April in celebration of World Amateur Radio Day. A special award will be available for contacts made

with 5P0WARD/xx and 5P0WHD/xx stations with different suffix extensions; see <https://www.qrz.com/db/5p0ward> for complete information. QSLs via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW and eQSL, or via OZ1ACB.

PA - Vincent, PE2V will be active as PE75BORNE until 4 April 2021 to celebrate both the 75th anniversary of the liberation of the city of Borne during World War II (3 April 1945) and the 75th anniversary of the VERON, the Dutch IARU society which was founded on 21 October 1945. He will operate SSB, FT8 and FT4 on 80, 40, 20, 10 and 2 metres. QSL via PE2V.

PY - PT2ADM will be active as ZW75FEB from 1 April to 31 May to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the end of World War II, and as a tribute to the Forca Expedicionaria Brasileira, the Brazilian Expeditionary Force that fought alongside the Allied powers in Italy during the conflict. QSL via PT2ADM, direct or bureau.

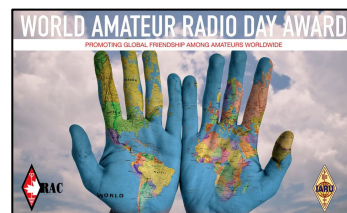
SP - SN0KURP is a special callsign for Radio Club Baza (SP5KVV) to promote the Polish ethnic region of Kurpie from 5 April to 31 May. QSL via the bureau.

TA - The Turkey Radio Amateur Club's branch of Subesi (YM3KB) will be active as TC100KIDS on 1-30 April to mark the National Sovereignty and Children's Day (23 April).

UA - A very large number of Russian stations using special prefix RP75 (where the letter P stands for 'pobeda', i.e. 'victory') will be active on 2-9 May to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the end of World War II. See <https://pobeda.srr.ru/stations/> for the list of participating stations and their QSL routes.



VE - Radio Amateurs of Canada (RAC, Canada's IARU member society) will hold a special on-air event to celebrate World Amateur Radio Day on 18 April, from 12.00 UTC to 23.59 UTC. The event is to encourage as many amateurs as possible to get on the air and contact as many RAC stations as possible. The RAC official stations that will operate across Canada are VA2RAC, VA3RAC, VE1RAC, VE4RAC, VE5RAC, VE6RAC, VE7RAC, VE8RAC, VE9RAC, VO1RAC, VO2RAC, VY0RAC, VY1RAC and VY2RAC. A special commemorative certificate will be available. See <https://www.rac.ca/operating/world-amateur-radio-day-april-18/> for more information.



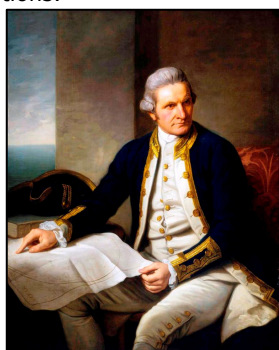
VE - The Grassroots Amateur Radio Club (VO1GRC) will be active as XN1BOA between 25 April and 25 May to commemorate the 75th anniversary of the end of the Battle of the Atlantic. QSL via operator's instructions

VE - Canadian licensees are allowed to use "special event" prefixes from 20 April to 20 June as a reminder to stay at home and help contain and limit the spread of COVID-19: VA stations can use CF, VE stations can use CG, VO stations can use CH, and VY stations can use CI.

VK - The Wireless Institute of Australia will celebrate World Amateur Radio Day and the society's 110th anniversary for six months starting on 17 April at 14 UTC. WIA official stations that will operate across Australia are VI110WIA, VK1WIA, VK2WIA, VK3WIA, VK4WIA,



VK5WIA, VK6WIA, VK7WIA and VK8WIA. QSL via LoTW and eQSL; a commemorative certificate will be available for contacting one or more of these special event stations.



VK - VI250COOK is a special event callsign granted to the Cairns Amateur Radio Club (VK4CNS) for use from 1 May to 31 August. It commemorates the 250th anniversary since Captain James Cook and the HMS Endeavour charted the East Coast of Australia, sailing from what is now Sydney to what is now Cooktown.

W - The Great South Bay Amateur Radio Club of Babylon, NY is looking for amateurs in each of New York State's 62 counties to operate their home stations under the special event callsign K2H (H for Heroes) between 1 and 31 May. All operators will be signing K2H/ along with the county abbreviation as used in the New York QSO Party (e.g. K2H/SUF for Suffolk, K2H/NAS for Nassau, etc). This special operation is intended to express gratitude to the men and women on the front lines of the

COVID-19 pandemic. "Confirmation certificates" will be available, but QSL cards will not be issued. See <https://www.grz.com/db/k2h> for more information.

YB - ORARI Daerah Jawa Tengah will join the Stay Home campaign and be active as 8C2WFH from 20 April to 19 May. The special callsign's suffix stands for Work From Home. Look for activity on 80, 40, 20,



15 and 10 metres CW, SSB and digital modes. See <https://oraridaerahjateng.or.id/8c2wfh/> for more information

YO - Members of the Federatia Romana de Radioamatorism will use special callsign YO19STAYHOME from 15 April to 15 September. QSL via LoTW and eQSL. See <http://www.hamradio.ro/yo19stayhome/en/index.php> for information about the certificate.

ZL - The New Zealand Association of Radio Transmitters (NZART) has been granted approval by Radio Spectrum Management to treat the COVID-19 lockdown period as a "special event." This means that, for the duration of the lockdown, New Zealand amateur radio operators are allowed to replace their ZL prefix with ZM.

WARD 2020

Every 18 April, radio amateurs worldwide take to the airwaves in celebration of World Amateur Radio Day. It was on this day in 1925 that the International Amateur Radio Union was formed in Paris. World Amateur Radio Day 2020 stations include:

Callsign	DXCC	QSL
3Z0WARD	Poland	SP6IEQ
5P0WARD	Denmark	OZ1ACB
5P0WHD	Denmark	OZ1ACB
8A95IARU	Indonesia	Downloadable QSL: https://ordakb.blogspot.com/2020/03/anniversary-95th-iaru.html
9K2WARD	Kuwait	9K2RA
A60WARD/1	UAE	A61BK (direct)
A60WARD/10	UAE	A65GC (direct)
A60WARD/2	UAE	EA7FTR (direct)
A60WARD/3	UAE	A61NN (direct)
A60WARD/4	UAE	A61BK (direct)
A60WARD/5	UAE	A92AA (direct)
A60WARD/6	UAE	A61BK (direct)
A60WARD/7	UAE	LZ1YE (direct)
A60WARD/8	UAE	A61RJ (direct)
A60WARD/9	UAE	A61BK (direct)
A91WARD	Bahrain	A92AA (direct)
AU20ARD	India	VU2FI (direct)
CS20RADIODAY	Portugal	Not available
EG5DMR	Spain	EA5RKB
EG5WRD	Spain	LoTW/eQSL only
GB0ARD	England	digital QSL by email: ward@m0xtg.uk
GB1ARD	England	digital QSL by email: ward@m0xtg.uk
GB2ARD	England	eQSL only
GB4ARD	England	M0KPW
GB4WRD	England	eQSL only
HZ1WARD	Saudi Arabia	HZ1SAR
LX5WARD	Luxembourg	LX1JH
OR95WARD	Belgium	ON4CRD (bureau) or ON4LBI (direct)
TF3WARD	Iceland	TF3MH
TM95WARD	France	F6BEE
YO20ZMR	Romania	LoTW/eQSL

STAY AT HOME!



Special callsign joining the Stay Home/Stay Safe campaign, raising awareness for social distancing and good hygienic practices, spreading a message of hope and encouragement, as well as paying a tribute to health care professionals and other key workers during the COVID-19 crisis include:

Callsign	DXCC	QSL
3G2HOME	Chile	LoTW only
4J0STAYHOME	Azerbaijan	DC9RI
4K0STAYHOME	Azerbaijan	DC9RI
4U2STAYHOME	Austria	UA3DX
4X2BESAFE	Israel	4Z1TL
5B4STAYHOME	Cyprus	Not available
5W19STAYS SAFE	Samoa	LoTW only
8A1HOME	Indonesia	LoTW/YB1LZ; downloadable QSL: http://olkb.or.id/event/stay-at-home-campaign
8C2WFH	Indonesia	downloadable QSL: https://oraridaerahjateng.or.id/8c2wfh/
9K9STAYHOME	Kuwait	LoTW
A60SH/1	UAE	A61BK (direct)
A60SH/2	UAE	EA7FTR (direct)
A60SH/3	UAE	A61NN (direct)
A60SH/4	UAE	A61BK (direct)
A60SH/5	UAE	A92AA (direct)
A60SH/6	UAE	A61BK (direct)
A60SH/7	UAE	LZ1YE (direct)
A60SH/8	UAE	A61BK (direct)
A60SH/9	UAE	A61AY (direct)
A60SH/10	UAE	A61BK (direct)
A60SH/11	UAE	A65MM (direct)
A60SH/12	UAE	A61BK (direct)
A60SH/13	UAE	A61RJ (direct)
A60SH/14	UAE	A65GC (direct)
CB3SH	Chile	digital QSL by email: covid19.special.event@gmail.com
CB3STAYHOME	Chile	LoTW/EA5GL (direct)
CN20SH	Morocco	RW6HS (direct)
CQ8STAYHOME	Azores	Club Log's OQRS
CR2STAYHOME	Azores	LoTW only
CT1STAYHOME	Portugal	LoTW/CT1EQQ (direct)
CV7STAYHOME	Uruguay	LoTW/eQSL only
DX0STAYHOME	Philippines	DX1PAR
E7STAYHOME	Bosnia & Hercegovina	E73Y
GB0CCW	England	LoTW/M0LXD
GB0EDH Operated by G0NQZ	England	TBA
GB0GIG	Wales	bureau
GB0KYD Operated by GB0KYD	England	TBA
GB0NHS	Various in the UK	LoTW only
GB1COR	Scotland	Not available
GB1HSC	Northern Ireland	LoTW/GI7SBF
GB2SAH Operated by M0WMB	England	TBA
GB2SH	England	eQSL only
GB4KW	England	eQSL only
GB4NHS Operated by MI0LPO	Northern Ireland	TBA
GB4SAH	England	LoTW/G4XEX
GB5KW	England	eQSL
GB5NHS	Northern Ireland	LoTW only
GB6NHS	England	eQSL
GB6SAH	England	eQSL only

Callsign	DXCC	QSL
GB8NHS	Northern Ireland	digital QSL by email: mi0mod@aol.com
GB8SAH Operated by G4ISN	England	TBA
GB9CLD Operated by G7RZU	England	TBA
GB9KW	England	eQSL only
GB9NHS	England	eQSL only
GB9WYH Operated by G3BRS	England	TBA
HA0HOME	Hungary	HA0DX
HA0STAY	Hungary	HA0DX
HA127STAY	Hungary	HA9BA
HG20AT	Hungary	LoTW/bureau
HG20AY	Hungary	LoTW/bureau
HG20HO	Hungary	LoTW/bureau
HG20ME	Hungary	LoTW/bureau
HG20ST	Hungary	LoTW/bureau
HZ1STAYHOME	Saudi Arabia	HZ1SAR
II9SH	Italy	TBA
IO6STAY	Italy	IK6QON (direct)
K2H/xxx	USA	downloadable QSL: https://www.elemcoshopfloor.com/qsbarc_cert/
OD50SH	Lebanon	IZ8CLM
OD5STAYHOME	Lebanon	IZ8CLM
OE1STAYHOME	Austria	LoTW/eQSL only
OH0PYSYKOTONA	Aland Islands	OH3AC
OH1PYSYKOTONA	Finland	OH3AC
OH2PYSYKOTONA	Finland	OH3AC
OH3PYSYKOTONA	Finland	OH3AC
OH4PYSYKOTONA	Finland	OH3AC
OH5PYSYKOTONA	Finland	OH3AC
OH6PYSYKOTONA	Finland	OH3AC
OH7PYSYKOTONA	Finland	OH3AC
OH8PYSYKOTONA	Finland	OH3AC
OH9PYSYKOTONA	Finland	OH3AC
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OH7STAYHOME	Finland	OH2BAD
OH8STAYHOME	Finland	OH2BAD
OH9STAYHOME	Finland	OH2BAD
ON4HEROES	Belgium	ON5UR
ON4STAYSTRONG	Belgium	ON4RCN
OO7STAYHOME	Belgium	ON7SS
OP2STAYHOME	Belgium	ON6NB
OP6STAYHOME	Belgium	ON4IPR
OQ1HOPE	Belgium	ON4ON
OQ4ANGELS	Belgium	ON4CHT
OR20STAYHOME	Belgium	ON4RSX
OR2STAYHOME	Belgium	eQSL only
OR4LIFE	Belgium	ON6YX
OR4STAYHOME	Belgium	ON4CP (bureau) or ON3AR (direct)
OR7LIFE	Belgium	ON4OB
OR8STAYHOME	Belgium	ON4ATH
OS0STAYHOME	Belgium	eQSL only
OT20LIFE	Belgium	ON5AV

Callsign	DXCC	QSL
OT20STAYHOME	Belgium	Club Log's OQRS
OT2STAYHOME	Belgium	ON7LU
OT4HOPE	Belgium	ON6SI
OT4LIFE	Belgium	eQSL only
OT6STAYSAFE	Belgium	ON5YL
OT7STAYSAFE	Belgium	eQSL/ON6MS
PC6STAYHOME	Netherlands	PC4AD
PE6STAYHOME Operated by PE1EVX	Netherlands	TBA
PR2STAYHOME	Brazil	LoTW/eQSL only
R3STAYHOME	Russia	R3KEE
SZ3STAYHOME	Greece	LoTW/eQSL only
TC19MED	Turkey	TA2BZ
TC1STAYHOME	Turkey	YM1KE
TC3STAYHOME	Turkey	TA3X
VC2STAYHOM	Canada	LoTW/VE2MXU (direct)
VC3STAYHOM	Canada	TBA
VE9HOME	Canada	LoTW only
VI2020STAYHOME	Canada	LoTW only
XR3STAYHOME	Chile	eQSL only
YO19STAYHOME	Romania	LoTW/eQSL; downloadable QSL: http://www.hamradio.ro/yo19stayhome/en/qso.php
Z30STAYHOME	North Macedonia	Club Log's OQRS
Z39STAYHOME	North Macedonia	Club Log's OQRS
Z60STAYHOME	Kosovo	TBA
ZW5STAYHOME	Brazil	PY5EG
ZW8THANKS	Brazil	LoTW/eQSL only



GOOD TO KNOW

Access to the main functions of www.425dxn.org is provided by the 425DXN App for Android. It is available on Google Play - free of charge, no ads. Enjoy!

425 DX NEWS MAGAZINE • The March 2020 issue is now available for download at <http://www.425dxn.org/index.php>. [TNX IZ3EBA]



The Dayton event has been cancelled, but Contest University 2020 will still take place on 14 May. It will be held online free of charge via Zoom, starting at 12.45 UTC (08.45 EDT). The link for registration will be available on <https://www.contestuniversity.com/>, where the Course Outline page is already up and running. CTU 2020 will end at 22 UTC (18 EDT) with the presentation of this year's CQ Contest Hall of Fame.

CQMM DX CONTEST • The CQ MM DX Contest, organized by the Juiz de Fora CW Group, will be held on 18-19 April. It will run from 9 UTC on Saturday through 23.59 UTC on Sunday, on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres CW. Complete details can be found at <http://www.cqmmcx.com>.

HAM RADIO FRIEDRICHSHAFEN CANCELLED • As large-scale public events will remain banned in Germany until 31 August owing to the COVID-19 crisis, the 45th Ham Radio Friedrichshafen will not take place on 26-28 June as planned. The 2020 event has been cancelled, and Ham Radio will return on 25-27

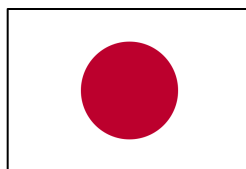


June 2021. For the time being, "exhibitors will be presenting product innovations in the form of a virtual trade fair" and DARC "will be offering presentations" on the Ham Radio website: <http://www.hamradio-friedrichshafen.de/>.



NEW CHECKPOINT • The IOTA Management Team has announced the appointment with immediate effect of a new checkpoint to cover Ukraine, Belarus and Moldova. Andrei Plotkin, UT5URW (ut5urw[]@yahoo.com) has agreed to take on checkpoint duties, previously covered by Igor Zeldin, UR5LCV (SK).

R207RRC • The team made about 8,300 QSOs during their 4-11 April operation from Kosa Dvukh Pilotov (AS-207, new one for IOTA). The log has been uploaded to Club Log (<https://clublog.org/logsearch/R207RRC>) and the QORS has been enabled.



JAPAN: EXPANDED ACCESS TO 160 AND 80 METRES • As of 21 April, Japanese amateurs have gained new privileges on 160 and 80m. The current band plan, as summarized on the ARRL's website, is as follows:

160 metres 1800-1810 kHz All modes (new assignment)
1810-1825 kHz CW only
1825-1875 kHz All modes (as secondary service, new assignment)
1907.5-1912.5 kHz CW and data (F1B, F1D, G1B, G1D)

80 metres 3500-3520 kHz CW only
3520-3535 kHz CW and data (F1B, F1D, G1B, G1D)
3535-3575 kHz CW, phone, image; data only permitted for making contacts with non-JA amateurs
3575-3580 kHz All modes (as secondary service, new assignment)
3599-3612 kHz CW, phone, image, data
3662-3680 kHz All modes (as secondary service, new assignment)
3680-3687 kHz CW, phone, image
3702-3716 kHz CW, phone, image
3745-3770 kHz CW, phone, image
3791-3805 kHz CW, phone, image

PA5X/MM • On 6 April Johannes, PA5X (5T5PA) left Mauritania because of the COVID-19 pandemic. While sailing back to the Netherlands on the vessel "Dutch Power", he is QRV as PA5X/mm until around 18 April. He operates SSB and FT8 on 40 and 20 metres. QSL via Club Log's QORS, LoTW, or via PA5X. See <https://www.grz.com/db/pa5x/mm> for more information. Johannes will return to Mauritania as soon as the global situation improves and flights resume. "In the meantime I will try to operate 5T5PA remote", he says.



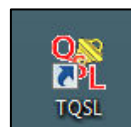
QSL 9J2LA • "The QSL card has now been prepared and was sent yesterday to UX5UO QSL Print", Charles (M0OXO) reported on 14 April. "I estimate the cards will be out in 3-4 weeks depending on the status of the postal service worldwide and any potential influence on it by the COVID-19 situation".

QSL EY8MM • Reportedly Ted, K1BV has been hospitalized since September and is unable to process QSL requests. Please refrain from mailing cards to him until further notice, and do not mail cards to EY8MM's home address. Nodir uploads his log to LoTW on a regular basis.

QSL H33K • The QSL route for the 2-13 March operation has changed "due to problems with the postal service in Panama during the Covid-19 lockdown". The new QSL manager is W4JS (direct only). The logs have been already uploaded to LoTW and Club Log; the QSL cards are expected to be available after 30 April.



RSGB HOPE QSO PARTY • This a series of 90-minute daytime contests that has been introduced on a temporary basis to help and support radio amateurs who are isolated at home and would appreciate contact with other people. The series runs from Monday through Friday for six weeks in a row, starting on 6 April and ending on 15 May. Each event will be limited to one mode (SSB, CW, RTTY or FT4) for QSOs made on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres on a "Anyone Works Anyone" basis. The Hope QSO Party is for Single Operator Fixed stations only. See <https://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2020/rhqp.shtml> for complete details, and the RSGB HF Contest Calendar (<https://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/>) for the dates.



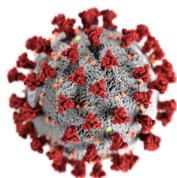
QSL: NEW VERSION • A new version (v2.5.3) of LoTW's Trusted QSL (TQSL) has been released: <http://www.arrrl.org/tqsl-download>. This version has new features as well as corrections for defects found since TQSL 2.5.1 and TQSL 2.5.2 were released. TQSL 2.5.3 can be installed to upgrade any older version. On all three supported platforms (Windows, MacOS and Linux), installing TQSL 2.5.3 will replace older versions of Trusted QSL while preserving your Callsign Certificates, Station Locations, and preferences.



CQ World Wide WPX Contest

NEW DIRECTOR • Joseph W. "Bud" Trench, AA3B is the new Director of the CQ WPX SSB and CW Contests. He succeeds Randy Thompson (K5ZD), who has been serving as Interim Director following the resignation of Terry Zivney, N4TZ. Licenced since 1970, Bud has a passion for contesting, and among his achievements are 15 first-place finishes in the CQ WW DX CW Contest as V26K in the SO LP category, including the current world record. He will start immediately to work with Randy on processing the results of last month's WPX SSB Contest, and will take the reins for next month's WPX CW Contest.

COVID-19 IMPACT



The COVID-19 situation is affecting postal systems worldwide. International mail from several countries is not operational right now, as airlines have suspended their postal deliveries. Think twice before mailing direct QSL card requests, and be patient if your coveted cards do not show up - the QSL managers are most likely waiting for the service to resume.

Also, several IARU member-societies have announced that they are unable to receive shipments of QSL cards for their bureaux during the current emergency. Before sending shipments of cards to a national QSL bureau, the IARU strongly recommends an inquiry to the member-society to confirm that the package can be accepted.

Travel restrictions, self-isolation and social distancing requirements as well as general health and safety issues arising from the coronavirus pandemic are affecting quite a number of operations and amateur radio events, which have been postponed or cancelled:

Z68AN	Kosovo	27/04-30/04	cancelled
Z68EC	Kosovo	27/04-30/04	cancelled
ZV1C	SA-029	01/05-03/05	postponed until later in 2020
8Q7KB	Maldives	04/05-12/05	cancelled
TM5IB	EU-105	16/05-23/05	cancelled
FM/OQ3R	Martinique	25/05-06/06	cancelled
TO3F	Martinique	CQ WW WPX CW	cancelled
Museum Ships Weekend		06/06-07/06	cancelled
VP2V/W9DR	British Virgin Isls	17/06-24/06	cancelled
ZA/HG2DX	Albania	21/06-03/07	cancelled
Ham Radio Friedrichshafen		26/06-28/06	postponed to 25/06-27/06/2021
4W	Timor Leste	11/10-08/11	postponed to 2021

VP8PJ



Ten photo albums are currently available on the DXpedition's Website (<https://sorkney.com/>): Part 1, Part 2, Punta Arenas, Aboard Braveheart, Arrive Signy Island, The Ladder, Campsite, Radio Operations, Images of Antarctica, Wildlife. Hover over "VP8PJ Photo Gallery" to see the dropdown menu.

"On 10 April the VP8PJ QSL card design was sent to ON5UR's QSL Print Service for review and setup", Gene (K5GS) announced on 12 April. "After our final review is complete the cards will be printed and shipped to M0URX for distribution. Thousands of QSO and mailing labels have already been processed and are ready for placement on QSL cards and direct mail envelopes. Bureau cards will be placed in the system in early 2021. There are no busted call requests in the work queue - to date, all 731 have been investigated and answered by M0URX. LoTW uploads for all donors and anyone who submitted an OQRS for a Direct Mail card have been processed. The upload process is run daily. The complete log will be uploaded to LoTW six months after the DXpedition". As the COVID-19 crisis is affecting postal systems, direct cards will be mailed as soon as practicable. Please be patient, "there is no need to send e-mails asking about the QSL cards".

QSL ROUTES

From 425 DX News # 1510

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CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER
3E3E	AC2OV	EI20C	EI3KD	OG73X	OH8L
3W3B	E21EIC	EM0I	UT2IZ	OH#PYSYKOTONA	OH3AC
3Z0WARD	SP6IEQ	EM2G	UR7GO	OH#STAYHOME	OH2BAD
3Z0X	SP5MXZ	EM65LR	UR2LM	OH70BH	OH2BH
3Z1K	SP1KRF	EN90LUR	UR6LF	OM0R	OM3GI
4E1A	9V1KG	ES7A	ES7GM	OT2STAYHOME	ON7LU
4H1T	DU1IVT	FK8GX	W3HNC	OZ2SPACE	OZ1ACB
4L2M	EA7FTR	FM1HM	ON6DP	P3X	UT5UDX
4M8E	YV8ER	FM1HN	W3HNC	PA40WM	PA4WM
4X0A	4X1VF	FM1II	KU9C	PA75ASN	PA0VCC
4X2M	4X4DZ	FR4PV	F1UIJ	PA75HGV	PA3JD

CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER
4X6FR	4X6OM	FR5FC	EA7FTR	PA75OV	PA3ETC
4Z0GAON	LY2QT	GM5X	N3SL	PD75HOLTEN	PD0RM
7X5NZ	EA7FTR	HB2K	HB9OCR	PE00T	PA2TMS
8A1HOME	YB1LZ	HB2U	HB9OCR	PJ2MAN	EC5AHA
9A0BR	9A9RR	HF10ZPM	SP2ZCI	PV2M	PT2ADM
9A0FF	9A2MF	HF6FIRAC	SP6IEQ	PZ5JW	EA5GL
9A5Y	9A7W	HG0R	HA0NAR	R125RM	R1AU
9K9STAYHOME	9K2OW	HG5A	HA5KDQ	R1994YU	RQ7L
9V1YC	W5UE	HG8R	HA8JV	R1996VK	RQ7L
A41KJ	N4GNR	HI3CC	W2CCW	R2014NC	RQ7L
A41NN	A61BK	HK1T	EA5KB	R207RRC	UA3AKO
A60SH/1	A61BK	HS0ZED	G4SQA	R3STAYHOME	R3KEE
A60SH/10	A61BK	HZ1STAYHOME	HZ1SAR	R50VAZ	R4IT
A60SH/2	EA7FTR	IB2A	I2PJA	RU20DS	RQ7L
A60SH/3	A61NN	IB4X	IZ4ORO	SE0X	SM0MDG
A60SH/4	A61BK	II4FTX	IQ4FE	SN100KW	SP3PGS
A60SH/5	A92AA	II5MPI	9A8MDC	SN8K	SQ8ERS
A60SH/6	A61BK	II8K	IZ8EPX	TC19MED	TA2BZ
A60SH/7	LZ1YE	II9L	IT9BUN	TC1STAYHOME	YM1KE
A60SH/8	A61BK	IO4C	IZ4DPV	TC3A	YM3KC
A61EK	IZ8CLM	IO6A	IZ6BRJ	TG9ANF	VE7BV
A61FK	A61BK	IO7T	IZ7ECL	TM22P	F4EUG
A61QQ	A61BK	IO8V	IK8ETM	TM3CN	F4HIK
A65BP	UA6MF	IQ2XZ	9A8MDC	TM3Z	F4DSK
A65DR	N4GNR	IQ9SY	IT9NVA	TM8A	F8DVD
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A73A	M0OXO	IR9Z	IT9VCE	UP4L	UN7LZ
BG4OP	BI4IIZ	J41J	SV1PMQ	V51DM	DK3ZL
BV0WPX	BV2KI	JY5MM	IK2DUW	V73NS	W3HNC
CP5HK	EC6DX	LC6C	LA6VQ	VC2STAYHOM	VE2MXU
CQ7F	CT1FOQ	LS2D	EC6DX	VE2CSI	M0URX
CS5SS	CT1REP	LU3DX	EA5FL	VR2CC	VR2XRW
CS8ABG	EA5GL	LU7YS	EA7HBC	VY2ZM	EA7HBC
CX2CC	EA5KB	LX5WARD	LX1JH	XM3T	VE3DZ
CX2TQ	IK2DUW	LY300GAON	LY2QT	XU7AKP	IW3SNW
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D41CV	IK2NCJ	LZ5R	LZ1YQ	YO70IPA	YO3AS
E7STAYHOME	E73Y	LZ603IL	LZ1KCP	YP0C	YO3CZW
EC6FK	RW6HS	LZ75ZZ	LZ1ZF	YS1RS	EB7DX
ED5R	EA5SR	M2L	M0OXO	YT50SCWC	YU1MM
ED7N	EA7KHB	OA4/EA7TN	EA5GL	ZP5DNB	IK2DUW
ED8M	EA8DIG	OA4SS	KB6J	ZP6ARO	IK2DUW
ED9Z	EA5KB	OE0WWL	OE1WWL	ZP9MCE	EA5ZD
EE1MGY	EB1LO	OE25HTL	OE5HTL	ZS0RR	PA2PGU
EF2A	EA2W	OE25LKG	OE6LKG	ZS6J	N4GNR
EF8I	EA8TK	OE25XFG	OE6WIG	ZS9Z	ZS1OIN
EF8K	EA8DET	OE3K	OE1DIA	ZV2K	PY2SHF
EG1SSV	EA1URV	OE60IPA	OE3DMA	ZW60DF	PT2GTI
EG7ONU	EB7R	OE6Z	OE6CLD	ZW75FEB	PT2ADM

CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER
3Z50DVP	SP6DVP	CO6ABP	RW6HS	OE25TWA	OE3TWA
4J0STAYHOME	DC9RI	CS5MAR	CT1REP	OE25XGM	OE5XGM
4K0STAYHOME	DC9RI	CT1STAYHOME	CT1EQQ	OE25XKJ	OE7XKJ
4L8A	M0OXO	D2EB	IZ3ETU	OE25YSC	OE3YSC
4O/E73A	9A2AA	DQ750KL	DL5KVV	OL1941FP	OK2CME

CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER
4U1A	UA3DX	DU9CA	IK2DUW	OL725PLZ	OK1DRQ
4U1UN	HB9BOU	DX0STAYHOME	DX1PAR	ON4HEROES	ON5UR
4X0T	4Z5FI	DZ1Z	DV1YAI	ON4STAYSTRONG	ON4RCN
4X9A	4Z4OQ	E76C	E77E	OO7STAYHOME	ON7SS
5B4AHL	M0URX	ED5URR	EA5URR	OP2STAYHOME	ON6NB
5P0WARD	OZ1ACB	EG5DMR	EA5RKB	OP6STAYHOME	ON4IPR
5P0WHD	OZ1ACB	EK1915KE	EK1KE	OQ1HOPE	ON4ON
7X2GK	IK2DUW	EK1915MG	EK6MG	OQ4ANGELS	ON4CHT
7X5JF	DJ8QP	EK1915RR	EK1RR	OR20STAYHOME	ON4RSX
8P2K	KU9C	EK1915SI	EK6SI	OR4STAYHOME	ON3AR [d]
8P6DR	G3RWL	EL2DT	EL2FM	OR4STAYHOME	ON4CP [b]
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9M2TO	JA0DMV	EU5C	EW1I	OR95WARD	ON4CRD [b]
9N1AA	N4GNR	FY4VA	DL7BC	OR95WARD	ON4LBI [d]
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AM8WARD	EA4URE	HZ1WARD	HZ1SAR	SK9WARD	SM6JSM
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AO395PP	EA3PP	JY5HX	E73Y	TI5/N3KS	W4FS
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AO495SE	EA4SE	KL7J	N3SL	TM35UFT	F6EEQ
AO595BY	EA5BY	KP3H	NP3LT	TM50IS/p	F5KRH
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AO795TV	EA7TV	OE25DMT	OE7DMT	VP2ETE	W3HNC
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CM8BD	RW6HS	OE25LCR	OE3LCR	ZT4T	EA5GL
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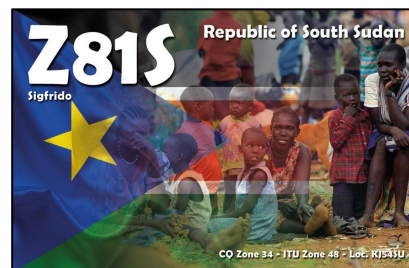
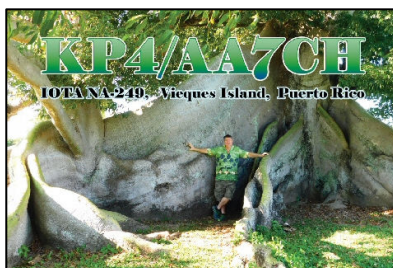
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