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**** DX INFORMATION ****
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5H - Ferdy, HB9DSP will be active holiday style as 5H3FM from Zanzibar Island (AF-032), Tanzania from 25 November to 13 December. He will operate SSB and some FT8 on 20, 15 and 10 metres. QSL via LoTW (preferred), or via home call (direct or bureau).

5W - Sigfrido, HB9FFN (IW9FMD), an agronomist who works for the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), is now based in Apia, Samoa (OC-097) for the foreseeable future. In his spare time he is QRV as 5W0RS on 40, 20 and 10 metres SSB. QSL direct to IT9VYO. Over the years Sigfrido operated from Malawi (7Q7RS), Tanzania (5H0RS), Afghanistan (T6AB), and more recently from South Sudan (Z81S).

8Q - Sergey, RX3APM will be active again as 8Q7BB from the Maldives (AS-013) on 4-17 December. He will be QRV on 80-10m, and plans to participate in the ARRL 10-Meter Contest (10-11 December). QSL via home call. [TNX DX World]

9M2 - Rich, PA0RRS will be active again as 9M2MRS from Penang Island (AS-015), West Malaysia from 1 January until 29 March. He will operate CW (most of the time "no split") and digital modes (RTTY, FT8 and FT4) on 40-10m. On FT8, he says, if there are too many callers he will switch to F/H on 7056, 10131, 14084, 18095, 21084, 24911, 28091 kHz. QSL via Club Log's OQRS (preferred), LoTW, or via PA0RRS. [TNX PA0RRS]

CN - Special station CN22JIM will be active on 5-18 December from Imlil in the High Atlas mountain range of Morocco. The callsign's suffix stands for Journee Internationale de la Montagne (International Mountain Day). QSL via RW6HS.

DX0 - Owing to recent "security issues", the DX0NE DXpedition to the Spratly Islands [425DXN 1646] has been cancelled. Hopefully it will be rescheduled sometime "during the first half of 2023". [TNX The Daily DX]

EA - Celebrating Christmas, the HamRadioDX group will be active as EG3HAM on 1-25 December, with certificates, "cash prizes" and a Christmas Draw (see qrz.com for complete information). Activity will be on 80-10 metres CW, SSB and FT8.

F - TM35FIST is the special callsign for Jean, F6JOE to celebrate the 35th anniversary of the FISTS CW Club (International Morse Preservation Society) on 5-11 December. Previous activities were on 2-15 May and 7-13 November. The Club (https://fists.co.uk/) was founded in 1987 by the late George Longden (G3ZQS), after recognising a need for a club in which veteran operators would help newcomers and less experienced operators learn and improve CW proficiency. QSL via F6JOE.

F - Michel, F8GGZ and Serge F6HFI will be active as TM200LP on 10-21

and 27-29 December to commemorate the 200th anniversary since the birth of Louis Pasteur (27 December 1822), the French scientist renowned for his discoveries of the principles of vaccination, microbial fermentation, and pasteurization. QSL via F8GGZ (bureau preferred).

I - Bruno, IK1VHX will be active as II1MM between 1 and 31 December. The special callsign memorializes the 150th anniversary of the Istituto Idrografico della Marina Militare, the Hydrographic Institute that has been the official nautical charting agency of the Italian Navy since its establishment in 1872.

PA - Celebrating Christmas and the New Year, special callsigns PA22XMAS and PD22SANTA will be active on 1-31 December, while PD23HNY will be QRV from 1 December until mid-January. QSL cards will not be issued, but a certificate will be available for download (see https://www.qrz.com/db/PA22XMAS).

SV - SX338M is the special callsign for members of the Radio Amateur Association of Western Peloponnese to celebrate the 70th anniversary of the Hellenic Air Force's 338 Squadron on 1-31 December. QSL via LoTW and eQSL.

VU - AU5LARC is the special callsign for the Lamakaan Amateur Radio Club of Hyderabad (VU2LCH) to mark the 5th edition of the Lamakaan Annual Radio Convention, which will be held on 10-11 December (https://www.larc.in/larc5/). QSL via the bureau.

XE - A team of six (Ismael XE1AY, Javier XE1JKW, Javier XE1JR, Paty XE1SPM, Ricardo XE1SY and Enrique XE2AA) will be active as XF1S from Tiburon Island in the rare NA-167 IOTA Group on 4-9 December. They will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 160-6 metres and via satellite. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, or via IT9EJW. [TNX IT9EJW]

YJ - Chris, VK2YUS will be active again as YJ0CA from Efate (OC-035), Vanuatu on 1-9 December. He will operate SSB on 40-10 metres. QSL direct to VK2YUS. [TNX The Daily DX]

YOTA MONTH ---> The Youngsters On The Air group will be active again during the entire month of December. The idea for this event is to show the amateur radio hobby to youth and to encourage youngsters to be active on the ham radio waves. So far announced participants include stations from

Bosnia & Herzegovina	E71YOTA
Cyprus	5B4YOTA
Czech republic	OL22YOTA
Egypt	SU8YOTA
El Salvador	YS1YOTA
Estonia	ES9YOTA
Finland	OH2YOTA
France	TM22YOTA, TM4YOTA
Germany	DQ0YOTA
Honduras	HQ2YOTA
Hungary	HA6YOTA, HG0YOTA
Ireland	EI0YOTA
Italy	II3YOTA, II5YOTA
Japan	8N2YOTA, 8N4YOTA
Namibia	V55YOTA
Poland	SN0YOTA
Portugal	CQ7YOTA

Republic of Korea	HL0YOTA
Russia	R22YOTA
Serbia	YT22YOTA
Slovakia	OM22YOTA
Sweden	SH9YOTA, SK8YOTA
Switzerland	HB9YOTA
The Netherlands	PA6YOTA, PD6YOTA
United Kingdom	GB22YOTA

QSLs via Club Log's OQRS (direct or bureau). Information about the event and the awards can be found on https://events.ham-yota.com/.

CQ WW DX CW CONTEST ---> The following stations have announced their participation in this year's event (26-27 November):

ZONE	CALL	CATEGORY	COUNTRY	QSL VIA
02	VA2VT	SOAB LP	Canada	LoTW
02	VE2IM	SOAB	Canada	LoTW/VE3DZ
07	HO2T	SOAB HP	Panama	LoTW/KU9C
07	HQ9X	M/2	Honduras	LoTW/KQ1F
08	C6AGU	M/2	Bahamas	LoTW/HA7RY
08	C6AQQ	SOSB LP	Bahamas	LoTW
08	FG/VE3RSA	SOAB QRP	Guadeloupe	LoTW
08	FS/K0CD	SOSB QRP	St Martin	K0CD
08	KP2B	SOAB HP	U.S. Virgin Isls	LoTW/EB7DX
08	KP3DX	SOAB HP	Puerto Rico	N4AO
08	PJ7PL	SO	Sint Maarten	N2HX
08	TO5Z	SOAB HP	Martinique	LoTW/N6GQ
08	V26K	SOAB LP	Antigua & Barbuda	LoTW/AA3B
08	V47T	SOAB HP	St. Kitts & Nevis	LoTW/W2RQ
08	VP2MJA	SO	Montserrat	LoTW
08	VP5Y	M/2	Turks & Caicos Isls	LoTW/M0URX
08	WP3C	M/S LP	Puerto Rico	LoTW/M0OXO
08	ZF1A	M/S	Cayman Isls	LoTW/K7ZO
08	ZF2SS	SO	Cayman Isls	LoTW
09	P44W	SOAB HP	Aruba	LoTW/N2MM
09	P44X	M/2	Aruba	LoTW/DJ4MX
09	PJ2T	M/M	Curacao	LoTW/W3HNK
09	PJ4A	M/S	Bonaire	LoTW/K4BAI
09	PJ4K	M/2	Bonaire	KU9C
10	HC1DW	SO LP	Ecuador	LoTW/W0OR
11	PT4A	M/S	Brazil	LoTW
12	XR2K	SOSB 10m	Chile	LoTW/CE2ML
14	EF6T	SOAB HP	Balearic Isls	LoTW
14	GJ2A	SO LP	Jersey	LoTW
14	GU4CHY	SOSB	Guernsey	GU4CHY
14	LN8W	M/M	Norway	LA6YEA
14	MW5B	SOSB 80m	Wales	LoTW
14	OT7T	M/M	Belgium	ON4DS
15	9H6WW	M/S LP	Malta	LoTW
15	ES9UKR	M/S	Estonia	ES5RY
15	IS0/OM2TW	SOSB 80m	Sardinia	OM2FY
15	LY4A	M/?	Lithuania	LoTW
15	SP8R	M/S	Poland	SP8R

15	TK0C	M/2	Corsica	LoTW/S50C
15	Z68EE	SOAB LP	Kosovo	LoTW/OZ2I
19	RN1B/0	SOAB	AS Russia	RN1B
21	4L2M	SOSB 40m HP	Georgia	EA7FTR
21	4L8A	SOSB 10m	Georgia	LoTW/M0OXO
21	4L9M	SOSB 160m	Georgia	LoTW/R3XA
21	A44A	M/?	Oman	LoTW/EC6DX
22	9N7AA	SOAB HP	Nepal	LoTW/S57DX
23	B0A	SOAB	China	BA4TB
26	E2A	M/2	Thailand	LoTW/E21EIC
26	E2E	M/?	Thailand	E23NEZ
26	E2X	M/?	Thailand	LoTW/E20GMY
27	AH2R	M/S	Guam	LoTW
27	DX8H		Philippines	DX8H
27	T88PB	SO	Palau	LoTW/JA0JHQ
28	7A2A	M/?	Indonesia	LoTW/YB2DX
28	9M6NA	SOAB HP	East Malaysia	LoTW
28	V85RH	SOAB HP	Brunei	LoTW
29	VK6N	SOAB HP	Australia	LoTW
29	VK6T	SOAB	Australia	EA7FTR
31	KH7Q	SOSB 15m	Hawaii	AH6NF
32	K8H	M/S	American Samoa	LoTW/W7YAQ
32	ZL3X	M/2	New Zealand	LoTW
32	ZM1A	M/?	New Zealand	LoTW
32	ZM4T	M/?	New Zealand	LoTW
33	IH9R	SOAB HP	AF Italy	IZ1GAR
33	IH9YMC	SOSB	AF Italy	LoTW
35	C56DF	SOSB 40m LP	Gambia	LoTW/G3XTT
35	D4Z	M/?	Cape Verde	LoTW/IK2NCJ
35	TY5AF	M/S	Benin	LoTW
37	7Q6M	SOSB 10m	Malawi	LoTW/K6ZO
39	3B8M	M/M	Mauritius	LoTW/M0OXO
39	3B9KW	SO	Rodrigues	LoTW
40	JW7QIA	SO	Svalbard	LoTW/LA7QIA
40	OX7AM	SOAB	Greenland	LoTW/OZ1ACB
40	TF3SG	SOAB HP	Iceland	TF3SG

Do not forget to give a look at the Announced Operations listing maintained by Bill, NG3K at https://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cqc2022.html - good contest to you all!

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CROZET 2022-23 ---> The "Marion Dufresne" is now scheduled to leave Reunion Island on 12 December, and to reach Crozet on 20 December. Thierry, F6CUK reports that, "following the signing of the agreement with the TAAF", he has

been authorized to be QRV on the HF bands for three weeks only, between 20 December and 26 January. In addition, he will have to QRT for "at least 5 hours" each day, "to allow the French Polar Institute to take measurements". That being the case, Thierry intends to concentrate his activity on 2-3 bands - 20 and/or 17 metres, and 30 metres at night - in order to give an All Time New One to as many people as possible. "I have not chosen any frequencies either", he says, "this will be discussed with the scientists on site". At all events, he has already agreed with the Bouvet team that he will operate FT8 on 10131 kHz, and he is aware of the privileges granted to the General US licence class on 20m.
No constraints will be put on satellite activity, and Thierry will be able to operate via QO-100 for the entire duration of his stay on the island. Departure from Crozet will be around 25 March.
Thierry and his team are working to secure permission for a longer QRV period on the HF bands; he is in contact with the IPEV (the French Polar Institute Paul-Emile Victor), but to date he has no information about a possible extension.
As for the callsign, Thierry has applied for a special callsign to mark the 60th anniversary of the first amateur radio activity from Crozet, conducted by Roger Baudelot, FB8WW, between December 1961 and February 1962. Thierry's callsign will be announced only a few hours before he starts operations. Bookmark http://crozet2022.r-e-f.org/news.html for updates.

T33KC & T33KK ---> While waiting for his brand new callsign (T33KK) to be issued by the Kiribati licencing authority, operator Kaam has been QRV as T33KC (the Rebel DX Group's secondary callsign for Banaba). Kaam "is a local Banaba resident and emergency communication officer", and the T33T team has "set up two towers and two antennas for him for 20m and 40m. He will be everyday on 14.183 during the ANZA net, and monitoring 7.163 at the local, Banaba evening time". [Source: https://www.facebook.com/rebeldxgroup/]

THE DX BULLETIN ---> The Yasme Foundation has announced that the entire collection of "The DX Bulletin" (1979-1986) has been published on the Yasme website: https://www.yasme.org/dx-bulletin/. Edited by Jim Cain, K1TN, the newsletter focused on DX news and related information. Yasme founders, Lloyd and Iris Colvin, W6KG and W6QL, used TDXB for news and updates on their worldwide DXpeditions. TDXB comprised 325 issues published from 15 August 1979 to 28 February 1986, and had a circulation of more than 2000 subscribers all over the world.

YOUTH ON THE AIR SUMMER CAMP ---> The third Youth on the Air (YOTA) summer camp for young radio amateurs from the Americas will be held on 16-21 July 2023 at Carleton University in Ottawa, Ontario. Online applications will be accepted at https://youthontheair.org/ starting on 1 December. Applicants must be licensed amateur radio operators aged 15-25 and residing in North, Central, or South America.

QSLs received direct or through managers: 4L2M, 4O9KOM, 4S7AB, 7X4AN, 9V1ZV, A25VR, BU2EP, EP2C, FK8IK, FM/OQ3R, FR4OM, GB22GE, GB22HQ, HS0ZOA, KP2B, LY786A, ST2NH, VK0MQ, VP2V/N2IEN, YB0AR, Z68XX, ZF2OO, ZL7/K5WE.

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