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**** DX INFORMATION ****

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ET - Ken, K4ZW and Bob, W9XY will return to ET3AA, the Ethiopian Amateur Radio Society's club station at the Addis Ababa University, Institute of Technology, on 19-29 June. They will operate CW, SSB and FT8 on the HF bands (neither 160 nor 80 metres) and 6 metres. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, or via N2OO.

F - Members of Radio Club F5KDC will be active as TM400BPA on 17-20 June and again on 6-16 October. Look for activity on 80, 40 and 20m SSB and CW. The special callsign memorializes the 400th anniversary since the birth of Blaise Pascal, the French mathematician, physicist, inventor, philosopher and writer (19 June 1623). [TNX F8REF]

G - GB0ECA and GB0WCA are two special callsigns used from various locations (castles, forts, stately homes, etc) across England. QSL via eQSL. Established in January 2021 and managed by Bob Saunders (M0MJA), the English Castles Awards (ECA) is an awards programme for chasers and activators of Castles On The Air (COTA), and it is an integral part of WCA (World Castles Awards). Complete information can be found on https://englishcastlesawards.uk/.

GI - Paul, G4PVM will be active holiday style as GI4PVM from Rathlin Island (EU-122) on 25-29 June. He will operate CW and SSB on 40-10 metres, possibly also on 80 and 6m. QSL via LoTW and eQSL; he will also upload his log to Club Log for QSO matching on the IOTA website.[TNX DX World]

JA - Masa, JF3ELH will be active as JF3ELH/6 (CW and SSB) and JF3ELH/p (FT8) from Okino Erabu, Amami Islands (AS-023) on 23-26 June. He will be QRV on 80-6 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX JI3DST]

KH2 - Yas, JA1QQU will be active as KH2/JA1QQU from Guam (OC-026) from 29 June to 4 July. He plans to be QRV between 23-2 UTC, and 10-14 UTC. QSL via LoTW and eQSL (after 7 July), or via home call.

KH8 - Yuri N3QQ, Hal W8HC and James KB2FMH will be active as KH8RRC from Tutuila (OC-045), American Samoa on 4-18 July. They plan to operate CW, SSB and FT8/FT4 on 80-6 metres from a mountaintop location within the American Samoa National Park. This will be the first ever POTA activity on the island. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, or direct to KB2FMH, "LoTW afterwards".

LU - Radio Club QRM Belgrano (LU4AAO) will be active on 17-25 June to celebrate Argentine Flag Day. Look for activity on all bands SSB, FT8, CW and SSTV. Special award and QSL will be available, see http://lu4aao.org/cert_dia_de_la_bandera.htm for information. [TNX LU4AAO]

VP2V - Dave, W9DR will be active as VP2V/W9DR from Anegada (FK78tr), British Virgin Islands (NA-023) on 23-29 June. He will operate FT8, Q65, SSB and CW on 6m only. QSL direct to home call. [TNX NG3K]

VP6 - VP6A started operations from Ducie Island (OC-182) [425DXN 1675] on 12 June around 23 UTC. Activity is now expected to continue until

26 June. See https://www.qrz.com/db/VP6A for the band plan. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, or via HA7RY; logs will also be uploaded to LoTW as QSLs are ordered, and full log when the flow of direct requests decreases.

"VP6A is on the air with four stations", George, AA7JV reported on 16 June. "We have started with two remotely operated FT8 stations, and one locally operated CW/SSB station . The remote FT8 operation is going well with over 20,000 QSOs in the log. The local CW and SSB operation has been seriously curtailed by the difficult conditions we are operating under.

When we arrived at Ducie, the entrance to the lagoon, where it is easy and safe to land - and where past DXpeditions were operating from - was completely blocked by huge crashing waves. We have established a very precarious hold for the boat on the exposed north shore and landed the RIB boat across the rocky bars and surf.

The three of us (KN4EEI, W6IZT and AA7JV) have been working hard to keep the boat safe and to keep the stations operating. We have only a limited time to operate the local SSB/CW station. We understand that demand for CW and SSB is high. We have just brought on the air the fourth station, which is a remotely operated CW station. We hope this will be able to satisfy the demand for more CW operations.

We continue hanging on under difficult conditions. Forecasts indicate favorable weather for the next two days, followed by some very strong NW winds and the passage of a cold front. This will require us to relocate for one or two days. Once the front has passed, we will be able to return to the north shore, hopefully for the rest of the operation.

This is an entirely self-funded DXpedition, mainly to prove that remote operation is possible with a small support team and a minimal footprint. As environmental restrictions increase, this may be the only future way to activate many much wanted entities. We appreciate the support of the Amateur Radio community in our efforts".

Z6 - Tapani, OH5BM and Naim, Z62NS will be active as Z66X on 60 and 6 metres from 14 June until late on 18 June. QSL via OH2BH. The 5 Mhz frequency band has been recently approved for amateur radio services in Kosovo. [TNX OH2BH]

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DAYTON HAMVENTION PHOTO GALLERY ---> The 2023 Dayton Hamvention Photo Gallery is now up on Tom, K8CX's Ham Gallery. It includes 444 photos, which makes a total of 7,105 Dayton Hamvention photos, all searchable by callsign: http://hamgallery.com/dayton2023/.

W8S: PROPAGATION PREDICTION CHART ---> Jari, OH6BG has prepared a propagation prediction chart for W8S, the 4-17 October DXpedition to Swains Island [425DXN 1672]. "The timeframe in October as well as the antennas and power that will be used on Swains are set by default, so you only have to put your grid square and antenna situation in the designated boxes and the chart will show you the best bands and times to make it into our log": https://swains2020.lldxt.eu/propagation/.

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******* QSL ROUTES *******
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CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER
3B8CW	N4GNR	DP0POL	DL5EBE	R300PD	UF8F
3B8HK	N4GNR	EE3TDM	EA3DVP	R300PI	RV9FF
3Z8GSC	SP8GSC	EG5DATV	IU1BOT	R300PL	RC9F
4K6FO	DC9RI	EK6TA	DJ0MCZ	R300PS	UA9FFV
4K6MAR	DC9RI	EL2DT	N2OO	R320P	R1NU
5B4AAB	G8CLY	EP2LMA	EA5GL	RI1AND	RN1ON
5B4AMX	LZ3SM	EY8MM	W0VTT	SA6G/7	SM6CUK
5H6PJ	VU2BGC	FK8HM	F5MFV	SJ9WL	LA7TIA
5W1SA	JA1DXA	FS4WBS	IZ1MHY	SN0AA	SP3ZIR
6Y5HM	EA5GL	HF50HDA	SP7HDA	SN70ME	SP9KKA
7X2HF	EA5GL	HH2MK	EB7DX	SO100TRA	SP9CJM
7Z1VD	EA5GL	HI3MM	EB7DX	SP100JCH	SP3PDO
9A50RKP	9A6KX	HI3R	EB7DX	SP100TRA	SP3TYJ
9K2ES	EC6DX	HI8D	NK4Q	TF4ZQ	SA7AZQ
9K2GR	M0OXO	HS0ZJF	ON4AFU	TG9ADM	EA5GL
9K2GS	EC6DX	HZ1AM	EA7FTR	TG9AWS	N2OO
9K2NO	EC6DX	II1DCI	IK1GPG	TM016JNTO	F5MCC
9K2OF	EC6DX	II2BGBS	IW2NNZ	TM17LOTI	F8KIS
9K2YD	EC6DX	II2MM	IQ2CF	TM200TC	F5KOI
9K2YM	EA5KB	JY5HX	E73Y	TM28RT	F4KLW
9N1CA	EA5ZD	KH6BB	KH6DL	TM2TW	F5PTI
9V1YC	W5UE	KK2H/KH6	JL1UXH	TM400BP	F8GGZ
A47RS	EC6DX	LG5LG	LA7TIA	TM5CO	F4FRG
A71VV	M0OXO	LU1ZV	LU3IA	TM61TC	F4HAQ
A71XX	EC6DX	LU8DBS/Z	LU4DXU	TM62TLG	F4KLR
AP2HA	JA1WIO	LZ78KA	LZ1KCP	TM6J	F6KCZ
AP2IN	IK2DUW	NP3XF	EA5GL	TM80MAX	F8KLY
AP2SD	EA5ZD	NP4TT	KU9C	TR8CR	F6AJA
AP2TN	N4BAA	OD5ET	EB7DX	VC9FEMBOY	VE2TBR
CN2AWB/p	CT7AWB	OD5TX	IZ8CLM	VP6A	HA7RY
CQ8AOV	CT7AOV	OD5VB	IZ8CLM	VU7W	YL2GN
CS2CO	CS5CRE	OH0Z	W0MM	YI3MUT	IK2DUW
CT9/OM3RG	OM2FY	OL100R	OK1MP	YS1CH	EA5GL
CT9ABV	DL5AXX	OL750HOL	OK1MR	YS1ECB	EA7BO

CX4DI	EA5GL	OQ95RCL	ON3AR	Z66X	OH2BH
DL0NGCAT	DB4SCW	PA44WFF/p	PA9CW	ZA/OG1N	OH2TA
DP0GVN	DL5EBE	PS5M	PT2OP	ZC4RH	DK6SP

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