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**** DX INFORMATION ****
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CE0Y - Luis, CE2ML and Mathias, CE2LR will be active as XR0Y from Easter Island (SA-001) on 22-29 October, including an entry in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest as 3G0Y. They will operate CW, SSB and some FT8 on the HF bands. QSL both callsigns via CE2ML. [TNX DX World]

CT9 - Helmut, DF7EE will be active again as CT9/DF7EE from Madeira (AF-014) on 22-31 October, including an entry in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest as CQ3W. Before and after the contest he will focus on 60, 30, 17 and 12 metres SSB and FT8. QSL both callsigns via LoTW and Club Log's OQRS.

FG - Once again Philippe, F1DUZ will be active as FG4KH from Guadeloupe (NA-102) from 17 October to 7 November, including participation in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, or via F1DUZ.

JA - Take, JI3DST will be active from the Miyako Islands (AS-079) from 6 October to 19 December. He will operate SSB and CW as JS6RRR, JI3DST/6, JJ5RBH/6 and JR8YLY/6, as well as JI3DST/p, JJ5RBH/p and JR8YLY/p on FT8. The QSOs will be made available for Club Log and LoTW Matching on the IOTA website.

LX - Once again HB9S (the Geneva based World Scout Bureau Global Support Centre) has been invited to take part in the JOTA-JOTI weekend (20-22 October) in Luxembourg. Look for LX9S to be active with several stations on the HF bands SSB, CW, FT8 and SSTV, and also via QO-100. QSL via LoTW (preferred), or via HB9AOF.

V6 - Miki, JJ2CJB will be active as V63CB from Pohnpei (OC-010), Micronesia on 27-31 October. He will operate mainly SSB, with some CW and FT8, on 40-10 metres, and will participate in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest. QSL via LoTW, or direct to JJ2CJB.

VK9L - Al, K7AR and Bob, W7YAQ were due to QRT from Lord Howe on 3 October. Their return flight, however, was cancelled, and the DXpedition has been extended. Look for VK9LAA to be active with one station on 40-10 metres until 8 October. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW or via W7YAQ.

VP8_ant- Serhiy, UW5EHR is a member of the XXVIII Ukrainian Antarctic Expedition (2023-24) at the Akademik Vernadskyi station on Galindez Island (AN-006), Antarctica. In his spare time he is active as VP8/UW5EHR on the HF bands (so far on 20 metres FT8). QSL via LoTW.

VU - Look for AT30IIH to be active until 31 December to celebrate the 30th anniversary of the Indian Institute of Hams, whose focus is to train and bring young people into the amateur radio community (https://www.indianhams.com/). QSL via the bureau or direct, or via eQSL.

YJ - Team YJ0TT (NC7M and other five operators) will be active from Efate (OC-035), Vanuatu from 26 October to 3 November. They will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 160-10 metres. Individual callsigns include YJ0SR (N7JI), YJ0ET (NG7E), YJ0NA (K6VHF, who is

planning to operate via satellites), YJ0UC (W6UC) & YJ0EE (NJ6P), who plan to be QRV on 6 metres EME ("for the very first three days to take advantage of low degradation") and terrestrial. QSL via operator's instructions. See https://www.dxobsessed.org/home for more information.

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RI0SP ---> This is the new callsign for Oleg, RD1A, who was previously QRV as RI41POL. He is participating in the North Pole-41 expedition to the Arctic onboard the "North Pole", a large self-propelled drifting research vessel replacing the drifting ice stations built on ice floes. QSL via RN3RQ

SAC ---> The SSB leg of the 64th Scandinavian Activity Contest will take place on 14-15 October, from 12 UTC on Saturday to 11:59 UTC on Sunday. Scandinavian stations (Aland Islands, Denmark, Faroe Islands, Finland, Greenland, Iceland, Jan Mayen, Market Reef, Norway, Svalbard & Bear Island, Sweden) will try to work as many non-Scandinavian stations as possible and vice versa. See https://www.sactest.net/ for complete information.

SOLAR ECLIPSE QSO PARTY ---> The Solar Eclipse QSO Party is an opportunity for radio amateurs to operate before, during and after the October 2023 and April 2024 eclipses pass over North America. Using various modes (CW, voice, and digital), two-way QSOs made during the SEQP will contribute to scientific studies focusing on the ionosphere's reaction to the eclipse. Although the researchers are most interested in the participation of operators in North America, amateurs from all over the world are welcome to operate and enter the SEQP. The events will take place on 14 October 2023 (1200-2200 UTC) and 8 April 2024 (1400-2400 UTC), on 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 and 6m. See https://www.hamsci.org/contest-info for information, including FAQs and Rules.

T2C ---> "We are in contact with Dom T22T, who is currently staying at our planned QTH, the Funafuti Lagoon Hotel", the team posted on 1 October to their website (https://t2c.mydx.de/). "There is a lot of unexpected traffic around the hotel, as well as electrical and acoustic noise due to large land claim activities including heavy construction machinery and overseas workers". The team will carefully consider viable solutions and possibly look for a second QTH (probably with only part of the team and equipment). Plans are for T2C to focus on the higher bands, including 6 metres. On 23 October the 160 and 80m antennas will be dismantled, and the following day half of the team will fly back home with half of the equipment. The rest of the team will operate three stations on 40-6 metres until the end of the expedition. Updates will be posted to the DXpedition's website, as well as to https://twitter.com/T2C_2023 and https://mastodon.radio/@dh5fs.

T22T & T32TT ---> Owing to an outbreak of Influenza Like Illness in Tuvalu, team T22T decided to QRT on 4 October, earlier than planned. According to Club Log's latest statistics, 102,248 QSOs were made on FT8 (80,179), FT4 (18,677), CW (2,290) and SSB (1,102). QSL via Club Log's OQRS (direct only). The Rebel DX Group's next plan is to be active as T32TT (requested callsign) from Kiritimati/Christmas Island (OC-024), East Kiribati sometime before December. Bookmark https://www.facebook.com/rebeldxgroup/ for updates.

TX5S ---> The Perseverance DX Group's DXpedition to Clipperton Island (18 January - 1 February 2024) [425DXN 1684] will have two operating camps: one for CW/Digital/Satellite/EME and one for SSB/Digital. The equipment plan (transceivers, amplifiers, antennas) for 8 operating positions + a satellite position has been finalized, as well as the information for satellite, 6m EME and 23cm operations.
The fundraising campaign is underway: "the long standing DXpedition funding model is to split the DXpedition cost equally between the expedition team and the DX community, i.e. organizations and individuals. TX5S donations are only at about 40% of the goal. No doubt a sign of today's inflationary impact. But the fact remains - DXpeditions are expensive and the teams need your help. The cash flow challenge is real, we must pay the bills before we sail", the team's Press Release #6 states. "We ask those of you who have not yet processed a donation to consider supporting the project before we sail on 11 January 2024": see https://clip.pdxg.net/donate/. You can also follow TX5S on Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/tx5s2024.

W8S ---> The "Manu'atela" left Pago Pago (American Samoa) on 5 October at 9 UTC with the W8S Swains Team onboard. The initial schedule was slightly delayed by the inclement weather and due to other commitments of the Government operated vessel, serving the local island communities. The voyage to Swains Island will take some 30 hours. Upon arrival at Swains, the team and support crew will offload the ship at high tide and go ashore with a landing craft, sailing up and down several times to offload all the cargo. After the landing, the team will start working to set up two operating camps and a Starlink Internet connection to keep the DX community updated. W8S is expected to kick off with a limited setup on 7 October at 6 UTC.

WRTC 2026: SELECTION CRITERIA UPDATE ---> Following the publication of the WRTC 2026 Selection Criteria, the Organising Committee has received feedback and suggestions for rule amendments from the contesting community. After review some suggestions were not considered viable or did not align with real world data, but others gave potential to improve the competition. Following approval from the WRTC Sanctioning Committee, a few changes have been announced: https://www.wrtc2026.org/2023/10/05/selection-criteria-update/. With the first qualifying event approaching imminently, the Selection Criteria are now finalised, and no further suggestions can be considered.

XW0LP ---> Simon has moved to a new QTH in Luang Prabang, Laos which has a large garden and much clearer path to Europe. He is active on 160, 40, 20, 15, 17, 12, 10 and 6 metres ("I am authorised to use 6m because I am a resident in Laos, not a visiting tourist"). QSL via M0OXO's OQRS. "To avoid my measly signal being drowned out on the 'standard' FT8 frequencies", he says, "I will usually operate on the 'alternative' FT8 frequencies. To save

you the trouble of listening out for me on these less-common frequencies, I have written a small php file on my server that informs you if I am online or QRT, and provides you with the frequency that I am listening on: https://onlinescienceteacher.com/xw0lp.php".

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******* QSL ROUTES *******
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CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER
3DA0AQ	EA5GL	E77DX	E73Y	RO80OK	RN7A
4L8A	M0OXO	EG5NDO	EA5URV	SN100AXL	SP5KAB
4O1OK/p	OK1VEI	EG7BSP	EA7URF	SO84PPP	SP3PDO
5W0LM	9A3MR	EG7DMT	EA7RCM	SO84PSZ	SP3PDO
5X1S	OZ2HC	FG8OJ	M0OXO	SP84PPP	SP3PDO
5X3K	OK6DJ	FS4WBS	IZ1MHY	SP84PSZ	SP3PDO
5X7W	M0OXO	G6ZZ	M0OXO	SU1SK	N2OO
6M23VGC	HL4CAF	GM2V	N3SL	T32AN	EB7DX
6W/IV3FSG	IK2DUW	HB9SPACE	HB9ACA	TF3XO	EA5GL
7Q7CT	EA7FTR	HS0ZOA	EB7DX	TM20KGN	F8KGN
9G5AF	EA5GL	HZ9WSW	HZ1SAR	TM400BPA	F5KDC
9N1CA	EA5ZD	II3RDV	IV3EHH	TM9C	F5OHM
AM23SF	EA1CW	II4SML	IQ4FE	TX6D	DL7DF
AM25UPCT	EA5K	IR1VKTR	IQ1EE	VK5KI	M0OXO
AO6MTPH	EA6SB	MD7C	M0OXO	VP8BTR	M0OXO
AP2FLY	IK2DUW	MJ0X	M0RTI	VP8KCA	G5KC
AT50JOS	VU2JOS	OE40WO	OE8XDX	XU7AKU	JA1DXA
C91CCY	K3IRV	OK8CX/p	DL7CX	XW0LP	M0OXO
CN2JA	DL2EAD	OY1OF	M0URX	ZD9W	YL2GN
D2EB	IZ3ZLT	PA100ETM	PE1RDP	ZF1EJ	K6AM
D44PM	IZ4DPV	PA44WFF/p	PA9CW	ZF2MJ	N6MJ
DL100RADIO	DF2NU	PA5150EVH	PF1SCT	ZF2MS	W5LAC
DL60KIRN	DF1WR	PF99MILL	PF9W	ZL7DX	M0OXO
DP0GVN	DL5EBE	PJ2CF	EA5GL	ZP5TDX	EA5GL
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