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**** DX INFORMATION ****
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9A - Weather permitting, 9A/IZ7ECL and 9A/IZ7CAH will be active from Palagruza Island (EU-090) on 6 July. They will operate SSB on 40 and 20 metres during the local daytime hours. [TNX DX World]

E5_sc - Steve, ZL2KE will be active as E51KEE from Rarotonga (OC-013) on 20 July-2 August (including an entry in the IOTA Contest), and from Aitutaki (OC-083) on 3-6 August. He will operate CW and SSB. QSL direct to IK2DUW; QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW, QRZ Logbook, eQSL, Club Log.
Steve, ZL4CZ will be active as E51CZZ from Rarotonga on 27-31 July and from Aitutaki on 1-6 August. He will operate SSB. QSL direct to IK2DUW. The two Steves will be staying at the same beach house on Rarotonga, and at adjacent bungalows on Aitutaki. They will be QRV mainly on 20, 15 and 10 metres (also possible are 40, 30, 17 and 12 metres, 160 and 80m "depending on QRN and interest from DXers").

BY - Members of the Ji Nan Amateur Radio Association (namely BA4KR, BA4MY, BG4NMT, BH4IQZ, BH4KRH, BI4KKC, BI4KKF and BI4LBR) will be active as BY4JN from Lingshan Island (AS-150) on 27-29 July. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, eQSL, LoTW, or direct to BA4MY.

F - Fabien, F4GYM will be active as F4GYM/p from Belle Ile (EU-048) on 26-28 July, including an entry in the IOTA Contest. QSL via LoTW, or via home call (direct and bureau). [TNX F6AJA]

GD - Eddy, ON6EF and Christiaan, ON1BN will be active as GD6EFW from the Isle of Man (EU-116) on 26-29 July. Main activity will be during the IOTA Contest. QSL via ON6EF.

HR - Alex, K6VHF will be active again as K6VHF/HR9 from Roatan Island (NA-057), Honduras on 13-22 July. He will operate mainly digital modes on various bands, 6 metres included. QSl via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW, or direct to home call. [TNX The Daily DX]

HS - HS72KING is the special callsign for the Radio Amateur Society of Thailand (RAST) to celebrate the 72nd birthday of His Majesty King Maha Vajiralongkorn (HS10A) between 1 and 29 July. "By endorsing and participating in this special event, His Majesty continues to inspire and encourage the growth and development of amateur radio in the country". QSL via LoTW and Club Log's OQRS.

I - Giorgio, IU2EBO will operate QRP as IA5/IU2EBO from Isola d'Elba (EU-028) on 10-27 July, including a 12-hour effort during the IOTA Contest. QSL via the bureau and eQSL.

I - Team IP1X (Claudio I1NVU, Gabriele IK1NEG, Tony IK1QBT, Flavio IK1YDB, Maury IU1JCZ and Andrea IU1LCU) will be active from Gallinara Island (EU-083) on 27-28 July for the IOTA Contest. They will operate CW and SSB on 80-10 metres. QSL via Club Log's OQRS.

JA - Take, JI3DST will be active as JI3DST/1 from Shikine Island (AS-008) on 25-29 July, including an entry in the IOTA Contest. Other

callsigns to be used outside the contest are JJ5RBH/1, JR8YLY/1 and JS6RRR/1 on CW and SSB, as well as JJ5RBH/p, JR8YLY/p and JS6RRR/p on FT8. QSOs will be made available for Club Log and LoTW Matching on the IOTA website.

LA - Carlos, LA9PJA expects to be active as LA9PJA/p from Hadseloya, Vesteralen Islands (EU-033) between 15 and 26 July. QSL via eQSL; cards will not be available, but QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW and Club Log for IOTA matching.

OE - Celebrating the 60th anniversary of the Rhein Ruhr DX Association (https://rrdxa.org/), Tom,OE4EIE is active as OE4RRDXA from 1 July to 30 September. QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW and Club Log; paper QSL cards will not be available.

PY - Fabio PY4YY, Marcio PU4MDO and Cardoso PU2LJH will be active as PV2IC from Ilha das Couves (SA-071) during the IOTA Contest's week-end (27-28 July). They will operate SSB and FT8 on 80-10 metres. QSL via EA7FTR; QSOs will be uploaded to Club Log.

SV - Members of the Deep Blue DX Team will be active as J48FT from Tinos Island (EU-067) from 26 July to 9 August, including an entry in the IOTA Contest. QSL cards will not be available, but QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW, Club Log and eQSL.

UA - Yaroslav, R1BET and Mike, R1MJ will be active as RI1K from Bol'shoy Zhuzhmuy Island (EU-147) on 20-28 July. QSL via R1BET, direct or bureau. QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW and Club Log.

UA9 - Vasily R7AA, Vladimir RK8A, Yuri RM0F and Alex RW3RN will be active as RI0F from Paramushir Island (AS-204) from 28 July to 3 August. See https://dxpedition.wixsite.com/ri0f for more information. QSL via Club Log's OQRS (preferred), or via R7AA.

V4 - "BJ", WA7WJR will be active holiday style as V4/WA7WJR from St. Kitts (NA-104) on 8-12 July. He will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 80, 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10 metres. He also plans to be active from POTA sites during this trip. QSL direct to WA7WJR; all QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW, Club Log and QRZ Logbook within two months of his return home.

W - John, WB8YJF will be active again as WB8YJF/4 from Ocracoke Island (NA-067) on 13-22 July. Usually he operates CW, RTTY, FT8/FT4 and SSB. QSL via home call. [TNX DX World]

XW - Vincent, F4BKV will be active again as XW4KV from Laos between 10 and 24 July, with limited operation on the QO-100 satellite from 4-6 different locations. QSL via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS (direct and bureau), or direct only to home call. [TNX The Daily DX]

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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!

CY9C ---> The DXpedition to St. Paul Island [425DXN 1730] will run six stations on 160-10 metres, and one station for VHF/UHF/EME and satellite.

At any given time, a minimum of 3 stations will be using the new SuperFox FT8 mode.
All antennas will be monobanders, with the exception of 12/17 metres, which will use a duoband beam with a diplexer.
The team will assemble in Dingwall (Nova Scotia) on 24 August. Radio operations will commence on 26 August and conclude on 5 September (both dates are weather dependent).
Two helicopters will transport all gear and operators to/from the island, making this the most expensive St. Paul Island operation ever. As "getting permission for these sensitive areas is becoming increasingly more difficult each year", this could well be the last St. Paul Island operation for many years to come". Financial contributions are gratefully accepted: see https://t-rexsoftware.com/cy9c/ for information.

LOTW ---> Logbook of The World returned to service on 1 July. "We are taking steps to help manage what will likely be a huge influx of logs", the ARRL stated on 3 July. "We are requesting that if you have large uploads, perhaps from contests or from a DXpedition, please wait a week or two before uploading to give LoTW a chance to catch up.
We have also implemented a process to reject logs with excessive duplicates. Please do not upload your entire log to 'ensure' your contacts are in LoTW as they will be rejected.
Despite this request, we have seen several recent DXpeditions upload large log files, and many amateurs have uploaded logs with excessive duplicates. This negatively impacts the backlog time.
Lastly, please do not call ARRL Headquarters to report issues you are having with LoTW. You can contact support at LoTW-help@arrl.org.
Through the end of the year, you may experience planned times when LoTW will be unavailable. We are using this time to evaluate operational and infrastructure improvements we would like to make to LoTW. Those times will be announced.
We appreciate your patience as we worked through the challenges keeping LoTW from returning to service. We know the importance of LoTW to our members, and to the tens of thousands of LoTW users who are not ARRL members".

QSL GALLERY ---> The large collection of QSL cards on Les Nouvelles DX's website has been updated. Seventeen different galleries include 22,180 cards for the ten Most Wanted DXCC Entities (2014-23), the 62 deleted DXCC Entities, obsolete prefixes, stations from Maghreb from 1945 to 1962, Allied Forces stations in Germany (1945-80), special stations commemorating ITU and IARU, stations using the United Nations prefix (4U), Antarctic bases and TAAF (Terres Australes et Antarctiques Francaises), amateur radio "globetrotters", the various French DXCC island Entities in the Pacific Ocean, the Indian Ocean and the Americas (1945-1969), pre-1945 countries, French Departments and CONUS, plus a gallery for cards not accepted by DXCC. Your participation is welcome: http://www.lesnouvellesdx.fr/galerieqsl.php. [TNX F6AJA].

WSJT-X 2.7.0 ---> Release Candidate WSJT-X 2.7.0-rc5 is ready for download and use by beta testers: https://wsjt.sourceforge.io/wsjtx.html. This release introduces SuperFox mode [425DXN 1730], a powerful new tool designed to help DXpeditions make digital QSOs at very high rates. The SuperFox User Guide can be found on https://wsjt.sourceforge.io/SuperFox_User_Guide.pdf.

In anticipation of N5J (the 5-17 August DXpedition to Jarvis Island), K8R plans to operate as SuperFox from American Samoa on 8-25 July [425DXN 1728].

XT2MD ---> In anticipation of the 31 October-11 November DXpedition by the Mediterraneo DX Club [425DXN 1725], the team is conducting a survey of the bands and modes needed for Burkina Faso: https://www.mdxc.support/xt2md/.

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3G0YA, 3W9T, 4L4DX, 4L7T, 4U1UN, 4W6RU, 4W8X, 5W1SA, 5Z4VJ, 7P8EI, 7Q7EMH, 8Q7KB, 8Q7PR, 8R7X, A25R, A52CI, A52P, A8OK, AU2RS, D2EB, D4C, DS5DNO/p (AS-081), E51JD, E6SP, HP1XV, J79BH, JY7RW, LY34A, MP7DX, OX3XR, OY1DZ, PJ2ND, PJ5/SP9FIH, PU0FDN, S21AF, S79KW, T22T, T30UN, T31TT, T32TT, TM13JO, TR8CA, TT8RR, TT8XX, TX7W, V51MA, VP6G, WH7T, XU7GNY, XX9CM, YJ0CA, Z21ML, ZC4GW, ZD7FT, ZD7Z.

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