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*** DX INFORMATION ****

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- 9V Celebrating the 60th anniversary since Singapore became an independent republic (9 August 1965), Singapore Amateur Radio Transmitting Society's members are allowed to replace their normal prefix (9V1) with the special prefix S60 from 1 January through 9 August. For instance, SARTS President 9V1SA will be using S60SA.
- The Czech DXpedition Group (OK1BOA, OK1CRM, OK1FCJ, OK1GK, OK2ZA, OK2ZC, OK2ZI and OK6DJ will be active as C8K from Mozambique between 17 January and 2 February. They will operate SSB, CW, FT8 and RTTY with several stations on 160-6 metres with a focus on the low bands, and via satellite (QO-100). Subject to Internet availability, they will use Club Log's Livestream. QSL via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS, or via OK6DJ. See https://www.cdxp.cz/ and bookmark https://www.facebook.com/groups/1472348776313779 for more information and updates.
- CT Celebrating the New Year, special callsign CS2025HNY will be active from Portugal on 1-7 January. QSL via CT1REP. [TNX CT1END]
- DL The Deutsches Museum in Munich, one of the largest science and technology museums in the world (https://www.deutsches-museum.de), celebrates its 100th anniversary in 2025. DL100DM is the special callsign to be used throughout the year by the amateur radio station which is part of and regularly active from the museum's "Electronics" permanent exhibition. QSL via DL8FA.
- FO/M A large multi-national team will be active as TX7N from Hiva Oa, Marquesas Islands (OC-027) on 12-27 January. They will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 160-6 metres with five stations. In addition to TX7N, other three special callsigns will be used:

TX7MAS to be used for EME and satellite;

TX7WW to be used on 24-26 January during the CQ WW 160-Meter CW Contest;

TX100REF in celebration of the 100th anniversary of the Reseau des Emetteurs Français, to be used during the French HF Championship CW (26-27 January)

QSL exclusively via Club Log's OQRS (direct and bureau cards) and LoTW. See $\frac{\text{https://tx7n.com/}}{\text{tormore information and updates.}}$ for more information and updates.

- GM Terry, GM3WUX will be active as GB200LB on 4-31 January to celebrate the bicentenary of the invention of the Braille code. He will operate mainly CW. QSL via M00XO's OQRS.
- Kev, GWOPUH will be active as GB9KW on 1-28 January using vintage equipment manufactured by KW Electronics Ltd during the 1960s and 1970s. Main activity will be over the "KW Weekend" (4-5 January). Other special callsigns are expected to be on the air, notably GB2KW from Scotland, GB5KWD and GB6KW from England, and possibly

- others. QSL via operator's instructions.
- LA LA100A is the special callsign for NRRL's Midt-Troms Gruppen (LA6M, https://www.la6m.no/) to use throughout 2025 to mark the 100th anniversary of the first amateur radio two-way contact between Norway and the US, made by Johannes Diesen, LA1A from Moen in Malselv municipality and UlYB at Dartmouth College, Hanover, New Hampshire (25 November 1925). QSL via the bureau, QRZ Logbook, or direct.
- PA PC80TT is the special callsign for members of VERON Leiden (PI4LDN) to celebrate the 80th anniversary of the liberation of the Netherlands during World War II (5 May 1945). Look for activity between 1 January and 1 June. QSL via the bureau to PI4LDN. The special callsign honours the memory of Rudolf Tappenbeck (PCTT), a pioneer of Dutch amateur radio who died in Neuengamme concentration camp on 21 December 1944.
- The Straight Key Century Club's annual on-air event, commemorating the club's founding in 2006 and celebrating the original instruments of early radiotelegraphy (straight key, bug and cootie keys), will run on 2-31 January. Look for K3Y to be aired from the ten US call areas (K3Y/0 through K3Y/9), plus /KH6, /KL7 and /KP4. Information on the event and QSLing instructions can be found on https://skccgroup.com/k3y/k3y.php.
- On 20 May 2025, the South African Radio League will celebrate its 100th anniversary. The SARL Centenary Marathon QSO Party is set to kick off for a year-long operating event starting from 00:00 UTC on 1 January and ending at 23:59 UTC on 31 December 2025. Throughout the year, the SARL, with the aid of its members and associated clubs, will be on the air with a special event callsign ZS100SARL, as well as the permanent callsigns ZS6SRL and ZS9HQ, and possibly other special event callsigns. A number of awards will be available, see https://mysarl.org.za/centenary-marathon/ for more information.

CARIBBEAN TOUR ---> Jeff, VA3QSL will be active holiday style as FG/VA3QSL from Guadeloupe (NA-102) on 9-26 January, as PJ7/VA3QSL from Sint Maarten (NA-105) between 27 January and 16 February, and as FS/VA3QSL from St. Martin (NA-105) between 16 February and 4 March. He will operate SSB, CW and digital modes on 40-6 metres. QSLs via LoTW, or via home call (direct and bureau).

WORLD WIDE AWARD 2025 ---> The second World Wide Award chase that will take place on 1-31 January. The WWA combines CW, SSB and digital modes activity from special event stations around the world with real-time award tracking for the chasers: see https://hamaward.cloud/wwa for complete information. Special event callsigns include stations from

Argentina LR1WWA
Azores CQ8WWA
Balearic Islands EG6WWA
Bosnia-Herzegovina E7W
Canary Islands EG8WWA
Ceuta & Melilla EG9WWA
Colombia 5K4WWA
England GB2WWA

Germany DAOWWA Greece SXOW

Italy IIOWWA, II1WWA, II2WWA, II3WWA, II4WWA, II5WWA, II6WWA,

II7WWA, II8WWA, II9WWA, IR1WWA

Kazakhstan UP7WWA
Madeira CQ3WWA
Netherlands PA25WWA
Northern Ireland GB8WWA
Oman A43WWA

Poland 3Z7WWA, SN3WWA, SN4WWA, SN6WWA, SN7WWA

Portugal CQ7WWA, CR5WWA, CR6WWA

Puerto Rico W4I
Sardinia IROWWA
Saudi Arabia HZ1WWA
Scotland GB4WWA
Slovenia S53WWA

Spain EG1WWA, EG2WWA, EG3WWA, EG5WWA, EG7WWA

Switzerland HB9WWA

USA NOW, N1W, N5W, N9W

Venezuela YW25WWA Wales GB6WWA

Other participating stations include 3Z6I (Poland); 8E3R (Indonesia); 9M2D (West Malaysia); A71AE (Qatar); BA3RA, BA7CK, BG9MM, BY0AB, BY1RX, BY2AA, BY4DX, BY5HB, BY6SX, BY8GA (China); RW1F (European Russia); T77LA (San Marino); YU5EA (Serbia); ZW5B (Brazil).

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AU2K & AU2S ---> Club Log's OQRS for the recent IOTA operations of AU2K (AS-179) and AU2S (AS-153) has been enabled. Donors will be provided with automatic direct QSL cards, as well as LoTW uploads, as detailed on https://au2k.weebly.com/log--qsl.html.

QSO matching on the IOTA website will be enabled on 2 January for AU2K, and on 9 January for AU2S, so that donors will be able to claim their credits before the traditional deadline for the annual update.

CQ DX MARATHON ---> The CQ DX Marathon is a year-long DX hunt, with participants competing to see who can work the greatest number of countries ("entities") and CQ zones during the calendar year. The 2025 edition will start at 00.00 UTC on 1 January and will end at 23.59 UTC on 31 December. See https://dxmarathon.com/ for complete details. The DX Marathon is also on Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/61565429540333.

MARCONI CLUB'S QSO PARTY DAY ---> The 7th edition will be held on 4 January from 7 to 21 UTC, on 80, 40 and 20 metres CW. Complete rules can be found on

https://www.marconiclub.it/. ARI Loano Marconi Club, which has a membership
of around 1000 CW enthusiasts from all over the world, is a member of the
International CW Council (https://internationalcwcouncil.org/), which
"promotes and aids in the retention and growth of International Morse Code
as a mode of communication between amateur radio operators". [TNX IK1QBT]

YOTA CONTEST 2024 ---> The third session of this year's YOTA Contest, organized by the IARU R1 Youth Working Group in cooperation with the Hungarian Amateur Radio Society (MRASZ), will take place on 30 December (1000-2159 UTC) on the five classic bands CW and SSB. Everyone can work everyone. The complete rules can be found on https://ham-yota.com/contest.

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******* QSL ROUTES ******

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CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER
====== 4L8A	M00X0	FK8HM	======= F5MFV	RI1ANV	RN1ON
4U30B	9A2AA	HC1MD/2	K8LJG	S79VU	N4GNR
4050B 4X6TT	N4GNR	HH2JR	N200	SN55JP	SP2JP
4X7X	4X6ZM	HK1MW	N200	SP33WOSP	SP3PGX
4X8NER	4Z5MU	HS0ZOA	EB7DX	TJ/TK1CX	EA5ZD
4Z8NER	4Z5MU	HZ1WALD	HZ1SAR	TM2024MC	F4WBU
5P1J	DJ1AN	J73ESL	EA5GL	TM2025HNY	F4WBU
5W1SA	JA1DXA	J88BTI	EA5GL	TOOJ	OZ0J
5X4E	IQ3CO [b]	JD1BMH	JD1BMH [b]	TR8CR	F6AJA
5X4E	IZ3ZLG [d]	JD1BMH	JG7PSJ [d]	TX24HAID	OE3GEA
5Z4VJ	MOURX	КР2ВН	EB7DX	V31MA	MOOXO
8P6ET	KU9C	LZ311PA	LZ1KCP	V44KAI	W2ARP
9J2FI	DL1RTL	LZ55ZF	LZ1ZF	VK6GWX	M0OXO
9N7NQ	JA7NQQ	OF9X	ОН2ВН	VK6LW	EA7FTR
A43BHR	EC6DX	OL60FIRAC	OK2RAC	VP2VMM	KU9C
A43QAT	EC6DX	OM160MURGAS	OM1ARW	XU7AKU	JA1DXA
A61Q	EA7FTR	OO60FIR	OR4K	XV9B	E21EIC
A71QND	A71A	OR80USA	ON4GDV	YJ0GE	OE3GEA
AT2025	VU2UUU	OZ400POST	OZ1ACB	Z21ML	N4GNR
CN24JIM	RW6HS	PD2025HNY	PD5S	ZL7DX	M0OXO
DB60FIR	DL8DWL	PI45IPARC	PI4IPA	ZS4JAN	EA5GL
DU0A	KU9C	PJ2MAN	EC5AHA	ZS6CCY	K3IRV
ET3AA	N200	PY5ZHP	SP7CVW	ZS7ANF	DL5EBE
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