- E4 Michal, OM2DX has announced plans for a DXpedition to the West Bank, Palestine sometime this year. The callsign will be E44OM.
 "Dates set, Team forming, License in hands, Preparations ongoing... need to wait till the situation gets stabilized", he posted to https://www.facebook.com/e44om/ on 12 June.
- EZ David, DL7ZM (OE6NZM) has been active again as EZ/DL7ZM from Turkmenistan since 14-15 June, and expects to remain QRV sporadically until 21 June. He has been granted permission to operate CW and SSB on 6 and 10 metres (50110, 28020, 28550 +/- 5 kHz). This not a DXpedition, but a research and education project on propagation. "I assume, this activity will finally be accepted by ARRL", he says, "as I have a full licence with call sign, frequencies, etc". QSL to David Pommerenke, Paul Anton Keller Weg 30/2, 8075 Hart bei Graz, Austria. See <u>https://www.grz.com/db/DL7ZM</u> for updates.
- HI HI99RCD is the special callsign for Radio Club Dominicano (HI8RCD, officially founded on 12 June 1926) to celebrate its 99th anniversary from 31 May to 30 June. QSOs will be confirmed by email and via QRZ Logbook.
- J7 Laurent, FM5BH will be active as J79BH from Dominica (NA-101) on 25-29 June. He will operate SSB and CW on 80-10 metres. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, or direct to FM5BH. [TNX NG3K]
- JD1_oga- Once again Harry, JG7PSJ will be active as JD1BMH from Chichijima (AS-031), Ogasawara from 26 June to 4 July. He will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 40-10m. QSL via JD1BMH (bureau), or direct to JG7PSJ. Logsearch on <u>https://ss381094.stars.ne.jp/jd1bmh/</u>; he does not use LoTW or PayPal. [TNX The Daily DX]
- KP4 NP4AD, KP3JAC, WP3B, and maybe others will be active as KP4NET from Vieques Island aka Isla Nena (NA-249) on 27-29 June. The will operate outdoors on batteries and solar panels, with main activity on 40, 20 and 10 metres SSB and CW. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, and QRZ Logbook. [TNX The Daily DX]
- OH0 Kimmo, OH3DJP, will be active holiday style as OH0/OH3DJP from the Aland Islands (EU-002) from 24 June to 1 July. Activity will be on various bands, possibly including 6 metres, using 50 watts or less. QSL via the bureau; QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW and Club Log. [TNX The Daily DX]
- OK Martin, OL5Y (OK1FUA) and Vaclav, OL9R (OK6RA) are "very happy to have made it to WRTC 2026", and will be using the special callsign OL26WRTC during 2025 and 2026 " as a celebration and promotion" of that event. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, or direct to OK6RA. The 10th World Radio Sport Team Championship (<u>https://www.wrtc2026.org</u>) will take place in England on 8-13 July 2026.

- SP Special callsign SN92LOT will be active on 1-31 July to commemorate the 92nd anniversary of the ill fated flight of Lithuanian pilots Steponas Darius and Stasys Girenas. On 15 July 1933 they attempted a nonstop flight from New York City to Kaunas in a small airplane named "Lituanica". After crossing the Atlantic Ocean, they crashed on 17 July when they were only 650km short of their final destination. QSL via SP1PMY.
- VE Pierre, VK3KTB will be active again as VY0ERC from the Eureka Amateur Radio Club station on Ellesmere Island (NA-008) between 26 June and 24 July. He operates SSB, CW and FT8 on various bands when time permits. He plans to operate as VY0RAC during the RAC Canada Day Contest (1 July). QSL via M00XO's OQRS and LoTW.
- W - The following stations will be active during the 17th annual "13 Colonies Special Event", which will be held from 13 UTC on 1 July until 4 UTC on 8 July: K2A (New York), K2B (Virginia), K2C (Rhode Island), K2D (Connecticut), K2E (Delaware), K2F (Maryland), K2G (Georgia), K2H (Massachusetts), K2I (New Jersey), K2J (North Carolina), K2K (New Hampshire), K2L (South Carolina), and K2M (Pennsylvania), plus 'bonus stations' WM3PEN from Philadelphia (the city where the US independence was declared), GB13COL from England (QSL direct, see qrz.com for instructions) and TM13COL from France (QSL via F50GL). Information about the award programme can be found on http://www.13colonies.us/.
 - J "Due to my haste when changing bands to 60m at sunset, the PA has been damaged and 6m EME is cancelled", Bob, YJORS (ZLIRS) says. He will leave Vanuatu one week earlier than planned [425DXN 1779], and will be QRV "barefoot" on 6m FT8 (50313 kHz) and 10m FT8 (28074 kHz) until 22 June.

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KH7AL/KH9 ---> Allen, has announced his operating schedule for the next few Days (https://kh7al.site/kh9-upcoming-activity/): 22 June 16:30-19:00 UTC 17m FT8 Super Fox, 18095 kHz if available 23 June 01:30-05:00 UTC 15m CW 25 June 16:30-19:00 UTC 20m FT8 Super Fox, 14091 kHz if available 30 June 07:00-09:00 UTC 30m CW 03 July 07:00-11:00 UTC 20m SSB 04 July 07:00-09:00 UTC 17m SSB Allen will continue his spare time operations from Wake Island until the end of July. He expects to return to KH9 in early September.

YASME: THE FRYING PAN TOWER PROJECT ---> The Board of Directors of the Yasme Foundation has announced a grant to Kees Van Oosbree, WOAAE and Nathan Wood, K4NHW, "to support the establishment of a remote-control HF station on the

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Frying Pan Tower platform in North Carolina (<u>https://fptower.org</u>).

The intent of establishing the station is to encourage young amateurs to operate from an interesting location with good propagation. The platform is also located in FM13 which is mostly water and highly sought-after for gridbased operating awards.

While Yasme's grant will help establish the station, additional support will be needed from the ham community to perform maintenance in the salt environment and keep the station on the air. The operators have established a GoFundMe account for individual donations:

https://www.gofundme.com/f/frying-pan-tower-remote-hf-project".

ZS8W ---> The website for the ZS8W DXpediton to Marion Island is back up: <u>https://www.lral.lv/zs8w/index.html</u>. The operation has been approved for DXCC credit, and the LoTW certificate has been obtained. A full LoTW upload will be on 15 August.

+ SILENT KEYS + Marek Kraszula, SP3GVX died on 11 June, aged 70. Back in 1996-97, 1999-2000, 2004-05 and 2007-08 he was a wintering crew member at the Henryk Arctowski Station on King George Island (South Shetlands), and was active as HF0POL. In 2002-03 he wintered at the Polish Polar Station in Hornsund, Spitsbergen (Svalbard), where he operated as JW0HU.

One day later, on 12 June, another Antarctic veteran passed away: Pavlo P. Budanov, UX2HO, aged 65. In 1997-98, 2001-02 and 2004-05, while wintering at the Akademik Vernadsky Station on Galindez Island (AN-006), he was active as EM1HO and distributed nearly 115,000 QSOs.

Wolfgang Hadel, DK2OM passed away on 17 June at the age of 79. "He was one of the most dedicated and distinguished guardians of the amateur radio frequency spectrum, championing the protection of amateur radio bands with expertise, perseverance and passion for decades", Tom Kamp, DF5JL writes. "With technical sensitivity and an almost detective-like intuition, he identified sources of interference, such as over-the-horizon radars, military data links, illegal stations and poorly suppressed switching power supplies. His well-founded reports were feared not by radio amateurs, but by those responsible for unauthorised transmissions, which he documented and reported with meticulous precision. He stopped numerous international disturbances on his own initiative, often within a few days". [https://www.iaru-r1.org]

QSLs received direct or through managers: 4S7SPG, 7Z1VD, 8Q7EF, 8Q7PR, D84C (AS-084), DT0IP (AS-080 and AS-148), E51BQ, E6RS, E17M, FK4UJ, GB80MAN, HD8G, HV5PUL, ID9/IQ9BF (EU-017), JT1CO, KH0/EA8DBM, KH2/EA8DBM, KP2B, LY2025A, LY425KS, OY/4X6TT, OY1OF, PJ2ND, PZ5IP (SA-092), RI1K (EU-147), S01WS, S21ABK, T31TT, T32TT, T88UM, T88UW, TT8SN, TY5FR, V73WW, VK80MAN, VP2VI, VP5E, VP6MR,VP6RD, XV9T, XW4KV, Z61DX, ZL/VE6TC, ZS8BB, ZS8W.

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