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**** DX INFORMATION ****

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3B8 - Josep, EA3BT and Nuria, EA3WL will be active as 3B8/EA3BT and 3B8/EA3WL from Mauritius Island (AF-049) on 23-29 January. They will operate SSB and digital modes, plus some CW, on 40-10 metres. QSL via EA3BT. A web page including log search is under construction at http://ea3bt.ure.es. [TNX EA3BT]

5H - Maurizio, IK2GZU will be active from Ilembula, Tanzania (callsign TBA) from 2 February to 8 March, while doing volunteer work for the local mission. He will operate CW, SSB and RTTY using the mission's 3-element tribander fixed to Europe, plus verticals or dipoles "for the other bands" (160m and 80m are unlikely). QSL via IK2GZU (bureau preferred) and LoTW. Log search and an on-line QSL request form will be avilable at www.buffoli-pm.it/ [TNX IK2GZU]

8P - "The Daily DX" Editor, Bernie McClenny (W3UR) and his father Tony (N3ME) will be active from Barbados (NA-021) in late January. Bernie will operate as 8P9UR (26 January-2 February) and Tony will operate as 8P9ME (26 January-14 February); both will be QRV in their spare time on 80-10 metres CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, and LoTW. [TNX The Daily DX]

8Q - Andy, G7COD is active again as 8Q7AK from North Male Atoll, Maldives (AS-013) until 16 January. He is QRV in his spare time on 80-10 metres SSB and CW. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX G7COD]

9M8 - John, 9M6XRO, and Steve, 9M6DXX, will operate as 9M6XRO/8 (CW) and 9M8Z/p (SSB) respectively from Pulau Satang Besar (OC-165), East Malaysia from 25 February until early UTC on the 28th. They will run two stations with linear amplifiers to a Hexbeam and verticals located on the ocean. QSL for both callsigns via M0URX (direct or bureau), and LoTW. Alternatively, QSLs may be requested using M0URX's OQRS form at www.m0urx.com/qsl-request-form [TNX 9M6DXX]

A6 - Gerry, VE6LB will operate as A6/VE6LB from Dubai from 12 January to 9 February. It will be a "part time holiday style operation", mainly CW with some digital, running 100 watts and a 40-10 G5RV. QSL via home call (direct or bureau) and LoTW. [TNX VE6LB]

CE - Didier, F6DXE is travelling through Chilean call areas CE7, CE6, CE4, CE5 and CE3 until 20 January. He is QRV daily for one hour or so, especially when the propagation favours Europe; look for him on CW (7025 and 14025 kHz) and SSB (7140, 14205, 21250 and 28450 kHz). QSL via home call. [TNX F6AJA and Les Nouvelles DX]

CN - Mounaim CN8QY, Leopoldo I8LWL (5C2L), Ruggero IK2PZC (5C2P), Alfredo IK7JWX (5C2J) and Simon IZ7ATN (5C2SG) will be active as CN2LWL (QSL via I8LWL) from Herne Island (AF-068) between 1 and 5 February. Some team members might also go and operate from the National Park of Dakhla using their 5C callsigns (QSL via home call). Look for updates to be posted to www.i8lwl.it [TNX IK7JWX]

D2 - Laci, OM5AM will be active as D2AM from Luanda, Angola until 17 March. So far he has been QRV on 20 metres RTTY and SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX The Daily DX]

DU_spr - The DX0DX team is still stuck in Palawan, Philippines. Hopefully they will be able to depart for Thitu Island (Pagasa) on Saturday or Sunday, with "activity potentially delayed until Monday, January 10th". In the meanwhile, some team members have withdrawn from the expedition. [TNX DX World]

DU - After participating in the DX0DX DXpedition to the Spratly Islands, Christian EA3NT and Bjorn SM0MDG will be active as DU1/EA3NT and DU1/SM0MDG from Tablas Island (OC-244) on 17-21 January. They will operate CW and SSB on 40, 20 and 17 metres. QSL for both via EA3NT. [TNX DX World]

F - Francois, F8DVD will be active as TM8AAW on 12-28 February, including the 8th Antarctic Activity Week (21-27 February). He will operate on 40-10 metres mostly CW from his home QTH in Macon, France. QSL via home call, direct or bureau . Further information at http://tm8aaw.monsite-orange.fr [TNX F8DVD]

H44 - Once again Bernhard, DL2GAC (H44MS) will spend three months in the Solomon Islands, between 13 January and 12 April. He will operate SSB from Honiara, Guadalcanal (OC-047) with a 2-element beam for 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10m, dipoles for 40 and 80m and maybe a vertical for 160m. QSL via DL2GAC. [TNX The Daily DX]

HH - The Radio Club d'Haiti will activate special callsign 4V1 in remembrance of those who lost their lives during the earthquake that stroke Haiti on 12 January 2010. Activity will take place from different locations at various times between 10 and 20 January. QSL via N3OS. [TNX Southgate ARC]

J7 - The Buddies in the Caribbean DXpedition group, which specializes in 100 watt or less low power radios and the Buddipole portable antenna systems, will be active from Dominica on 1-9 February. The operators will be K8EAB, KB9AVO, KC4VG, N7UN, W3FF, W6HFP, WG0AT and WZ1P. J7 license applications are currently being processed. There will be three fixed stations active "at various times" on 160-10 metres CW, SSB, and RTTY. During the day, several teams will be battery-only, field portable from either Dominica beaches or mountain tops. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, or direct to the operator's home callsign. A webpage is under development for this operation. [TNX N7UN]

LY - Several LY13 stations will be active on 12-27 January in remembrance of the tragic events occurred in Vilnius on 13 January 1991 (see www.lrmd.lt/index_en.htm): LY13A (op. LY5A), LY13B (op. LY3BY), LY13E (op. LY3NX), LY13G (op. LY1G), LY13H (op. LY2H), LY13J (op. LY3J), LY13M (op. LY3M), LY13O (op. LY8O), LY13Q (op. LY4Q), LY13T (op. LY2QT), LY13V (op. LY3V), LY13W (op. LY3W), LY13X (op. LY3X) and LY13Z (op. LY2GV). [TNX LY8O]

P2 - CT1AGF, G3JKX, G3KHZ, G3UKV and SM6CVX will be active from three IOTA groups in Papua New Guinea as follows:

2-7 April	P29VCX	Feni Islands	(OC-101)	QSL via SM6CVX
8-14 April	P29NI	Nuguria Islands	(OC-257)	QSL via G3KHZ
15-18 April	P29VLR	Green Islands	(OC-231)	QSL via SM6CVX

They plan to operate CW, SSB and RTTY on all bands, 6m included, with at least four stations. After the three-island tour, SM6CVX

will continue the trip as follows:
22-25 April P29VCX Misima Island (OC-117) QSL via SM6CVX
25-27 April P29VCX Loloata Island (OC-240) QSL via SM6CVX
The website for the expedition is at www.p29ni.weebly.com [TNX SM6CVX]

PJ2 - Karl, OE3JAG will be active holiday style as PJ2/OE3JAG from Curacao (SA-099) from 30 January to 11 February. He will operate mainly CW on 40, 30, 20, 17 and 12 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, and LoTW. [TNX NG3K]

SM_ant - Mika, OH2FFP (OJ1ABOA) [425DXN 1021] is on his way to Swedish Station Svea (Antarctica). He should get there during the weekend and hopefully be active on the amateur radio bands for a few days. [TNX DX World]

T30 - Bill, N7OU and Bob, W7YAQ will be teaming up for another DXpedition to the Pacific. This time they will be active (callsigns TBA) from Tarawa (OC-017), Western Kiribati on 8-22 February, including a Multi-Single entry in the ARRL DX CW Contest. They plan to operate mostly CW with some RTTY and SSB on 160-10 metres, using 100w and verticals. QSL via home calls. [TNX N7OU]

T7 - DxCoffee (www.dxcoffee.com) invites amateur radio operators and their families to join its first anniversary celebrations to be held in San Marino. The Birthday Party weekend will include activity under the special callsign T70DXC, which will be in use on the HF bands and 6 metres between 00.01 UTC on 12 February and 20 UTC on the 13th. Plans are to have at least three stations active with a focus on 30, 17 and 12 metres, as well as on the low bands and digital modes. QSL via IZ8IYX (direct or bureau) and LoTW. Detailed information on the event can be found at www.dxcoffee.com/happybirthday/

T8 - Tack, JE1RXJ will be active as T88RX from Palau on 21-26 January. He plans to be QRV on 160-6 metres (beacon on 50.119 MHz) CW and SSB, with a focus on the low bands CW. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX JE1RXJ]

TJ - Frank F4AJQ, Seb F5UFX and a large team of operators (namely F1HRE, F1NGP, F2JD, F2VX, F5EOT, F5PED, F5VHQ, F6BIV, F6ENO, F8BJI, FM5CD, I2VGW, K4SV N2WB, N6OX and ON7RN) from the Radio Club de Provins (F6KOP) will be active from Kribi, Cameroon on 10-20 February. Requested call is TJ3C. They plan to operate SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK on 160-10 metres, with six stations active around the clock and a focus on 160-30 metres and the digital modes. QSL via F5OGL. A dedicated website is under construction. [TNX F5NQL]

UN - A number of special event callsigns, each of them denoting a different sport, will be active on all bands and modes from Kazakhstan between 30 January and 6 February to celebrate the 7th Asian Winter Games that will be held in Astana and Almaty: UP2011AS (QSL via UN8GU), UP2011BN (QSL via UN7QCC), UP2011CS (QSL via UN6GAE), UP2011FG (QSL via UN8GZ), UP2011HB (QSL via UN6GT), UP2011IH (QSL via UN2G), UP2011SJ (QSL via UN6QC) and UP2011SO (QSL via UN8GC). The Almaty Amateur Radio League's club station will be active as UN2011G (QSL via UN0GL). Further information at www.un-dx.ucoz.com [TNX UN6QC]

V3 - Gerd, DJ4KW (V31YN) and Gisela, DK9GG (V31GW) will be active from

Consejo Shores, Belize from 7 January to 27 February, including a number of contests (CQ WW 160m DX CW and SSB, FOC Marathon, CQ WW WPX RTTY, ARRL DX CW). On 2-8 February look for V31YN/p to be active from Southwater Caye (NA-180). QSL via home calls (direct or bureau) and LoTW. [TNX DX World]

V8 - John, 9M6XRO, and Steve, 9M6DXX will operate from Brunei (OC-088) for two days (22 February and 2 March), while travelling to and from OC-165 (see 9M8 above). Callsigns are yet to be confirmed, but may be V85/GD3OOK and V85/G4JVG or V85/9M6XRO and V85/9M8Z. QSL for both callsigns via M0URX (direct or bureau), and LoTW. Alternatively, QSLs may be requested using M0URX's OQRS form at www.m0urx.com/qsl-request-form [TNX 9M6DXX]

VK9X - JA1CJA (VK9XXY), JA3AVO (VK9XO), JA3BZO (VK9XA), JA3UJR (VK9XJR), JH3PBL (VK9XL), JI3DNN (VK9XN), JA3ARJ (callsign TBA) and JA3HJI (VK9XJ) will be active from Christmas Island (OC-002) on 14-20 January. Expect them to operate SSB, CW and digital modes on 160-6 metres. QSL via home calls. [TNX DX World]

XU - Wim, XU7TZG will be active as XU7KOH from Koh Russei (Bamboo Island, AS-133) until around 2 UTC on 10 January. He operates SSB and PSK31 on 80-10 metres. QSL via ON7PP. [TNX DX World]

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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 2011 editionstarted at 00.00 UTC on 1 January and will end at 23.59 UTC on 31 December. Complete rules and submission information can be found at www.dxmarathon.com - and do not forget to submit your 2010 scores by 31 January 2011. High claimed scores will be posted on the website after the submission deadline. Winners for 2010 will be announced mid-year 2011 in CQ Magazine. [TNX K9EL]

DX SOUND CLIPS ---> Tom's (K8CX) DX sound clips for 2010 can be found at http://hamgallery.com/dx2010/; the collection of 131 clips covers all the major DXpeditions, plus rare and semi-rare DX. This makes 13 full years of sound clips available. There are also some clips from the Sixties and the Seventies available from the homepage: "If anyone has any old HF recordings" Tom says, "I would be interested in hearing from them".

ITALY: POSTAL RATES ---> Italian postal rates for standard letter items (up to 20g) mailed abroad have increased since 1 January:

0.75 EUR Europe and countries in the Mediterranean basin (3V, 4X, 5A, 5B, 7X, CN, JY, OD, SU, YK)
1.60 EUR rest of Africa and Asia, Americas
2.00 EUR Oceania

LOTW MANAGER SERVICE ---> Would you like to use LoTW, but you think that

the account creation is too complicated? Frank, W6BBS offers "to set up and manage a Logbook of The World account for you", and "will gladly work with any DXpeditions as well". Visit http://home.comcast.net/~w6bbs/lotw.htm for complete details. [TNX K4XL]

TOP LISTS ---> The latest Topband, Topmode and Toplist listings are now available at www.425dxn.org/awards/toplist/index.html. QSOs confirmed through LoTW or included in on-line logs are eligible for listing. Send send your scores, as well as any request for further information, to Erminio Pandocchi, I2EOW (i2eow[@]fastwebnet.it)

QSL GALLERY ---> The large collection of QSL cards on Les Nouvelles DX's web site has been updated. Thirteen different galleries include cards for the ten Most Wanted DXCC Entities (331 QSLs), the 58 deleted DXCC entities (1168 QSLs), obsolete prefixes (3200 QSLs), stations from Magrebh from 1947 to 1962 (363 QSLs), D5 and DL5 stations from 1945 to 1962 (61 QSLs), Antarctic bases (821 QSLs) & TAAF (Terres Australes and Antarctiques Francaises, 262 QSLs), the various French DXCC island Entities in the Pacific Ocean (328 QSLs) & the Indian Ocean (96 QSLs), pre-1945 countries (1060 QSLs), French Departments (647 QSLs) and CONUS (136 QSLs), plus a gallery for cards not accepted by DXCC (122 QSLs). Several cards are still and your participation is encouraged - please visit www.LesNouvellesdx.fr and send your comments to lesnouvellesdx[@]free.fr [TNX F6AJA]

YASME EXCELLENCE AWARDS ---> In 2008 The Yasme Foundation (www.yasme.org) established the Yasme Excellence Awards, to be given "to individuals who through their own service, creativity, effort and dedication have made a significant contribution to amateur radio. The contribution may be in recognition of technical, operating or organizational achievement as all three are necessary for amateur radio to grow and prosper". The latest recipients, announced on 4 January, are: Ramon Santoyo V (XE1KK), Makoto "Mako" Mori (JE3HHT), Bruce Horn (WA7BNM), Rick Meuthing (KN6KB), Mikael Styrefors (SM2O), Alex Shovkoplyas (VE3NEA) and Pepe Ardid (EA5KB).

ZL DX HALL OF FAME ---> The New Zealand DX Hall of Fame was establihed in 2009 to honour those outstanding ZL DXers and contesters who have excelled in our radio sport hobby over many years. After much deliberation the judges (ZL1AIH, ZL3JT and ZL3NB were unanimous in their selection and have elected the next three ZL radio amateurs to the New Zealand DX Hall of Fame for 2011: John N. Shaw (ZL1BYZ), Bryan Anderson (ZL2AFT) and Peter W. Watson (ZL3GQ, SK). Details at www.nzart.org.nz/activities/dx-hall-of-fame/ [TNX ZL2AL]

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3B8CF, 3D2A, 3D2RR, 3DA0TM, 3W6C (AS-185), 5K5T, 5X1NH, 6W/HA0NAR/p (AF-078), 7Z1TT, 8R1RPN, 9J2KK, 9Q0AR, 9Q50ON, 9U0A, 9X0SP, AH0BT, AL7R, AO1DX/5, C91JR, C91KHN, C91WW, CE0Y/DK2ZF, CE4CT, CN2R, CY0X, E51NOU, E77DX, ER3ZZ, ES1QD, EX8AB, FJ/SM5FUG, FM1HN, GD6IA, H74LEON, HA25NAR, HC2SL, HL5FUA, HS0AC, HV4NAC, J88CF, JY5HX, KG4QW, KL7J, LU1ZA, LX1DA, LX8RTTY, LZ1ANA, MD0CCE, OD5NJ, OG5A, PJ2/DF7ZS, PJ2/DL5DRO, PJ2/K2NV, PJ2/K2TQC, PJ2/K8LEE, PJ2/N2MF, PJ2/W1NG, PJ2/W5MPC, PJ2/WI9WI, PJ2MI, PJ4A, PJ4B, PJ4D, PJ4LS, PJ5/AA4NC, PJ5/AH6HY, PJ5/K1XM, PJ5/SP6EQZ, PJ5/SP6IXF, PJ6A, PJ7E, PX8J, PX8L, R1ANH, RI1FJ, SN3A, SV1JGX, SV2GNC, TC03W (AS-154), TI9KK, TM5KD, TO3GA, TO7ZG,

TR50R, V31BD, V44KAI, V63CJB (OC-011), V73TM, VE7KDU/7 (NA-118), VE8EV/p, VP2ETN, VP2V/NY6X, VP5CW, VP8DMH, XU7ACY, XU7TZG, YI9PSE, YK1BA, YN4SU, ZD7FT, ZF2AH, ZL7A.

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