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**** DX INFORMATION ****

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1A0 - A group of operators has been active as 1A0KM, the Sovereign Military Order of Malta, since 27 January. They will operate SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK31 on 80-10 metres with three stations until aroun 15 UTC on 30 January. QSL direct to IK0FTA, and LoTW. [TNX I0JBL]

4X - Special callsigns 4X20HC and 4Z20HC will be in use from Israel between 1 February to 30 April to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the Holyland Contest. QSL via 4Z4TL. This year's contest will be held on 15-16 April; rules can be found on the Israel Amateur Radio Club's website (www.iarc.org).

8Q - Andy, G7COD will be active again as 8Q7AK from the Maldives (AS-013) from 5 to approximately 18 February. He will operate CW and SSB on 80-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX G7COD]

C6 - Randy, W6SJ will be active as C6AWS from Grand Bahama (NA-001) on 3-9 February. He will operate holiday style "when not fishing", with a focus on 30, 17 and 12 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX NG3K]

D4 - John/IK5BCM, Beppe/IK5CBE and Giovanni/IK5CRH will be active as D44TBE from Sal Island (AF-086), Cabo Verde on 2-9 February. They will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 80-10 metres, with 160m depending on the space available to them. QSL via IK5CBE, direct or bureau, and LoTW. They have a website at http://d44tbe.xoom.it/ [TNX I5NXH]

FS - George, W4LW and Fred, K4FMD will be active as FS/K4UP from St. Martin (NA-105) from 28 January to 5 February. They will operate SSB on 20, 15, 12 and 10 metres. QSL direct to K4UP. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]

HA - Special event stations HG2011A, HG2011E, HG2011EU, HG2011I, HG2011N, HG2011O, HG2011P, HG2011R and HG2011U are active until 30 June to celebrate the Hungarian Presidency of the Council of the European Union. All of the QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau. Information on the relevant award (free of charge) can be found at qrz.com and www.mrasz.hu

HI - The Radio Club Dominicano will celebrate the Homeland Month between 26 January (birthday of Juan Pablo Duarte, one of the founding fathers of the Dominican Republic) and 27 February (167th anniversary of the declaration of indipendence). Look for HI1RCD, HI2RCD, HI3RCD, HI4RCD, HI5RCD, HI6RCD, HI7RCD, HI8RCD, HI9RCD and HI0RCD to be active on 160-10 metres SSB, CW and digital modes. QSL via bureau.

I - Celebrating the club's 65th anniversary, as well as the 150th anniversary of the unification of Italy, operators from ARI Torino use special callsign II1TO until 31 December. QSL via bureau. [TNX IK1MTX]

J7 - J79AT (QSL via WG0AT), J79AVO (QSL via KB9AVO), J79EA (QSL via

K8EAB), J79FF (QSL via W3FF), J79HFP (QSL via W6HFP), J79UN (QSL via N7UN), J79VG (QSL via KC4VG) and J79ZP (QSL via WZ1P) are the callsigns issued to the Buddies in the Caribbean DXpedition group for their 1-9 February activity from Dominica [425DXN 1027]. The group specializes in 100 watt or less low power radios and the Buddipole portable antenna systems. 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.

JW - Look for Jon LA8HGA and Andreas LA8AJA to be active as JW8HGA (QSL via LA8HGA, direct or bureau) and JW8AJA (QSL via LA9VDA, direct or bureau, and LoTW) from the JW5E club station at Longyearbyen (EU-026), Svalbard on 4-8 February. They plan to be QRV as conditions and time permit on 160-10 metres mainly CW, with some RTTY and "very little SSB". Logsearch and QSLling instructions at http://la8aja.com/expeditions/jw2011/

LA - Special callsign LM11SKI will be used between 1 February and 31 March, in conjunction with the Nordic World Ski Championships to be held in Holmenkollen, Oslo (23 February-6 March). QSL via LA4O. [TNX QRZ-DX]

P2 - Allan, VK2GR and his wife Josette, VK2FXGR will be active again as P29CW from Kiunga, in the Western Province of Papua New Guinea (OC-034), from early February to early September. This will be a low power operation on 80-10 metres CW, RTTY and SSB conducted on spare time basis while doing volunteer medical work for Australian Doctors International. QSL via VK2IR and eQSL; logs will be available on http://www.p29cw.blogspot.com/. [TNX NG3K]

TJ - TJ9PF is the callsign issued to the 10-20 February expedition to Cameroon [425DXN 1027]. Eighteen operators (F1HRE, F1NGP, F2JD, F4AJQ, F5EOT, F5PED, F5UFX, F5VHQ, F6BIV, F6ENO, F8BJI, FM5CD, I2VGW, K4SV, N2WB, N6OX, ON7RN and DJ7JC, who has replaced F2VX) expect to be active with six stations around the clock and a focus on 160-30 metres and the digital modes. QSL via F5OGL. [TNX F5NQL]

V5 - A team from the Lufthansa Amateur Radio Club in Frankfurt (http://wp.larc.ws/) will be active as V55DLH from Omaruru, Namibia on 5-12 February. Seven operators (namely Georg/DD8ZX, Bernd/DF1FF, Juergen/DH0RAK, Juergen/DH6ICE, Frank/DJ3FK, Rudi/DK7PE and Bernhard/DK7TF) plan to operate SSB, CW and digital modes on 160-10 metres. QSL via DK8ZZ. [TNX DK8ZZ]

VE - Amateur radio operators in the Provice of Nova Scotia will be permitted to use special prefixes CJ1 and CK1 during the entire month of February to celebrate the 2011 Canada Games to be held in Halifax. VA1 stations will be allowed to use the special prefix CJ1, while VE1 stations will use the special prefix CK1. [TNX VA3RJ]

VP5 - Karol, G0UNU will be active holiday style as VP5/G0UNU from Grand Turk (NA-003) between 31 January and 6 February. He plans to be QRV around 12-14 UTC, and at other times depending on conditions. QSL via home call. [TNX DX World]

W - Dennis, WA2USA plans to be active as WA2USA/4 from St. George Island (NA-085) between 3 February and 3 March. He will be QRV on 160-10 metres RTTY, CW and SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

W - Two special event stations willbe active from California to commemorate the centennial of former US president Ronald Reagan (1911-2004): the Ventura County ARS will operate N6R (QSL direct to N6ZE) between 5 and 8 February, while the Santa Barbara ARC will operate W6R on 4-7 February (QSL to SBARC, P.O. Box 3907, Santa Barbara CA 93130-3907, USA). [TNX WorldRadio]

AFRICAN TOUR ---> Laci, HA0NAR will be active from Senegal (6W/HA0NAR)and Guinea-Bissau (J5NAR) between 5 and 26 February, with side trips to IOTA groups AF-078 (6W/HA0NAR/p) and AF-093 (J5NAR/p). He plans to concentrate on 160-30 metres, with a special focus on 160m from J5. QSL via home call. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]

PACIFIC TRIP ---> Bob, 5B4AGN will be active as T88ZM from Palau (OC-009) on 2-8 February and as KH0/G3ZEM from Saipan (OC-086) on 9-16 February. He will operate CW only. QSL via M0URX. [TNX DX World]

CQ WW 160-METER DX CONTEST (CW) ---> Object of the contest is for amateurs around the world to work as many US States, Canadian provinces and countries as possible on 160 metres CW (http://cq160.com/rules.htm). The following stations have announced their partecipation in this year's event (from 22.00 UTC on 28 January through 22.00 UTC on the 30th):

Call	Country	QSL via
3V8SS	Tunisia	LoTW
4L0A	Georgia	EA7FTR
4L8A	Georgia	K1BV
4S7LRG	Sri Lanka	SM6LRR
C6ANM	Bahamas	LoTW
CE1/K7CA	Chile	NW7O
CR2X	Azores	OH2BH
EE1R	Spain	EA4RCH
EF8M	Canary Islands	UA3DX
ER4A	Moldova	RA4LW
HS8JYX	Thailand	HS8JYX
IT9/LY5W	Sicily	LY5W
JT5DX	Mongolia	JT1CO
LS1D	Argentina	LW9EOC
LX7I	Luxembourg	LX2A
OH1VR/VP9	Bermuda	OH1VR
OH5Z	Finland	LoTW
PJ2T	Curacao	N9AG
RW2F	Kaliningrad	DK4VW
SV5DKL	Dodecanese	SV5DKL
T70A	San Marino	T70A
TF4X	Iceland	G3SWH
UA2FW	Kaliningrad	UA2FW
UT5A	Ukraine	UR5AS
UU7J	Ukraine	UU0JM
V31YN	Belize	DJ4KW
WP3C	Puerto Rico	W3HNK
XT2RJA	Burkina Faso	K3QF
YE1C	Indonesia	YE1C

Do not forget to give a look at the Announced Operations listing maintained by Bill, NG3K at www.ng3k.com/Misc/cq160c2011.html - good contest to you all!

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BLACK SEA CUP ---> The Black Sea Contest Club sponsors the Black Sea Cup International Contest, which will be held from 12 UTC on 5 February through 11.59 UTC on the 6th. For further information please visit http://bscc.in/ [TNX UR5EAW]

MOST WANTED SURVEY ---> The DX Magazine's annual Most Wanted Survey was conducted in September-October 2010 [425DXN 1010]. The top 10 DXCC Entities are North Korea (P5), Navassa (KP1), Bouvet (3Y), Yemen (7O), Heard Island (VK0), Amsterdam & St. Paul (FT5Z), Marion Island (ZS8), South Sandwich Islands (VP8), Crozet (FT5W) and Scarborough Reef (BS7). Give a look at the 100 Most Wanted listing, which also shows the results of the 2009 survey for comparison, at www.dxpub.com/dx_news.html. The complete breakdown by continent is available in the January/February 2011 issue of "The DX Magazine"; a breakdown by mode will be published in the March/April issue.

QSL A25XX ---> Lorenzo, IK1MDF says that the A25XX cards arrived from the printer on 21 January. Owing to the recent major postal rates increase [425DXN 1027], 2 USD do not cover return postage any longer to the vast majority of international destinations. At all events, he says, all of the QSOs will be confirmed through the bureau and will be uploaded to LoTW as soon as possible.

QSL HH2/PA5M ---> The QSL cards have arrived from the printer, after the first batch got lost in the mail. Direct requests with sufficient return postage will be processed "soon", PA5N says, while "all buro cards will be answered soon after".

QSL ZL8X ---> Hopefully the QSL cards will be ready by early March: "as we will have a special QSL card, the design also takes a little bit more time than usual", DL1MGB says. "Please be patient, it is worth waiting!". QSLling policy, including LoTW, is detailed at www.kermadec.de

SPFF ---> The website for the Polish Flora and Fauna Award (SPFF) can be found at http://spff.eham.pl/ [TNX SP2FAP]

+ SILENT KEYS + Recently reported Silent Keys include W.P. "Paddy" Gunasekera (4S7PB, past president of the Radio Society of Sri Lanka), Drago Grabner (E73F, ex YU4VGD and T94GB), Willy Fiallo (HI8MWF), Alberto Di Pietra (IW9FC) and William B. "Bill" Wilson (WA8YTM).

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

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CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER
1A0KM	IK0FTA	CR2X	OH2BH	OY4TN	M0URX
3B8/EA3BT	EA3BT	CR5WFF	CT1EJB	OY6FRA	OY1JD
3B8/EA3WL	EA3BT	CR6A	CT1GFK	P29CS	M0URX
4J8VHF	RW6HS	CU2KG	OH2BH	P40CG	W2CG
4L5O	N3SL	CU6NS	EA5KB	P40YL	AI6YL
4S7BRG	LZ3HI	CX7OV	EA5KB	PJ2/DF7DQ	EA5GVH
4S7KKG	DC0KK	DQ1175E	DL5DCL	PP5EG	K3IRV
4S7LRG	SM6LRR	E51KJD	KE6KJD	PR150PLM	PR7AYE
5B4AIF	EB7DX	E51SC	G4KIU	PR5S	PR7JP
5B4AJC	UA3DX	E76MB	E77E	PY7ZBK	HB9BEI
5H1Z	F6AML	E79D	E77E	RI1ANC	RN1ON
5H3EE	DL4ME	EA8OM	DJ1OJ	RI1ANR	RK1PWA
5N7M	OM3CGN	EK6LP	RN4LP	RI1FJ	UA2FM
5R8FL	G3SWH	EK6TA	DJ0MCZ	RL3A	W3HNK
5R8HL	SM1ALH	EM44U	UT7UT	SI9AM	SM3CVM
5R8PR	IK2QPR	EP3PK	IK2DUW	SP9YFF	SQ9IDG
5R8UI	IZ8CCW	ER4KAA	RA4LW	SV0XCA/5	LZ1WL
5W8A	YT1AD	EX8VZ	RW6HS	T30HC	DL9HCU
7P8JW	N6JW	FH/DH1BL	DL7BC	T88ME	7N1RTO
8P9ME	N3ME	FM4LV	W3HNK	T88RX	JE1RXJ
8P9UR	W3UR	FM5WD	W3HNK	T88TF	JA1VND
8Q7VR	UR9IDX	FO8RZ	F8BPN	TG9NX	N4FKZ
9A3BSL	N2RIT	GB0LB	G0BRC	TT8FC	EA4AHK
9J2KK	JK1NSR	GB2HLS	M0HFC	TY5ZR	IK2IQD
9K50UU	9K2UU	GX4KPT	M0DOL	V31BD	K5WW
9M2/R6AF	R6AF	H2E	5B4AGE	V44KAI	W5TFW
9M2ADX	JH8PHT	H44DX	VK4FEAT	V85AVE	EA7FTR
9M6RHM	NI5DX	H44MS	DL2GAC	V85RY	EA7FTR
9M6TMT	NI5DX	HG3DX	HA1DAE	VK6ANC	VK6IR
9M6XRO	M0URX	HI0UD	ON4IQ	VK8NSB	M0URX
A41OF	NI5DX	HK1MW	K4AMW	VK9XA	JA3BZO
A61Q	EA7FTR	HK3JCL	DK8LRF	VK9XL	JH3PBL
A73A	EA7FTR	HP3AK	W4JS	VP8ORK	VE3XN
AX6IR	VK6IR	HV0A	IK0FVC	VU3DJQ	EA7FTR
C6AGN	W1DIG	HZ1ZH	EA7FTR	VY2NU	YT6W
C6AGU	HA7RY	JW7QIA	LA7QIA	XT2RJA	K3QF
C6AKQ	N4BP	JY4NE	K3IRV	XU7KOH	ON7PP
C6ANM	WA2IYO	KH0WW	JP1IOF	XX9LT	XX9AH
CN2DJ	F8AEJ	KL5DX	N5XZ	YB0AKM	EA7FTR
CN8KD	EA5XX	KP2M	AI4U	YI1RZ	IK2DUW
CN8NK	EA5XX	KP4BD	EA7FTR	YS3CW	I2JIN
CN8QN	EA7FTR	LZ12EYAC	LZ1BJ	ZF2LC	W2SM
CO6WD	8P9NX	NP3CW	EB7DX	ZL9BI	pirate
CO8LY	EA7ADH	NP4A	W3HNK	ZL9BS	pirate

CP4BT EA5KB OY1OF M0URX ZP5KO PY4KL

4S7NE Nelson Ranasinghe, 140 Armitage Drive, Glendenning NSW 2761, Australia
7X4AN Mohamed Boukhiar, P.O. Box 30133, 08080 Barcelona, Spain
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