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\*\*\* DX INFORMATION \*\*\*\*

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- 7P Peter, EI7CC will be active as 7P8PB from Lesotho on 9-23 March. This will be mainly a family holiday, but he will be QRV from his brother-in-law's (7P8CC) station when circumstances permit. QSL via EI7CC, direct or bureau, and LoTW.
- 7P Frosty, K5LBU and Wayne, W5KDJ will be active as 7P8CF and 7P8KDJ from Lesotho on 11-20 March. They plan to have two full time stations on the air for the entire period, on 10-160m SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK. QSL 7P8CF via K5LBU (direct and LoTW), QSL 7P8KDJ via W5KDJ (direct, LoTW and eQSL). Logsearch will be available at www.tdxs.net/lesotho2011.html after the expedition.
- 9K 9K2F has been active from Faylakah Island (AS-118) since 2 March. The group will leave the island on the 7th. QSL via 9K2HN. [TNX The Golist]
- The new dates for the 9L5MS operation from Sierra Leone [425DXN 1025] are 28 March-18 April. Arie PA3A, Arie PA3AN, Ad PA8AD, Bas PD0CAV and Dickson EL2DT will operate on 160-6 metres metres CW, SSB and RTTY, using three stations with amplifers and several beam and vertical antennas. They will also give 6m EME a try between 16 and 20 March. The team will provide support and raise funds for a Mercy Ships Charity Project. QSL via PA3AWW, direct or bureau (plus LoTW six months after the expedition). An OQRS for direct cards is available on the expedition's website. Further information on the project can be found at www.sierraleone2011.com
- BV A group of eight operators will participate in the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest as BV100 from Liuchiu Island (AS-155). This special callsign has been used since October 2010 to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Republic of China, and will be active until 31 December. QSL via BV2KI. [TNX NG3K]
- Look for Roger, CT8/G3SXW and Lionel, CT8/G5LP to be active from Sao Miguel Island (EU-003), Azores on 16-17 March. They expect to operate CW only "for several hours each day". QSL via home calls and LoTW. [TNX G3SXW]
- The Sable Island DXpedition team was informed that the weather forecast for the scheduled date is not promising, and they will attempt to reach the island earlier than planned. They should be able to fly to Sable on 5 March and hopefully be QRV around 19-21 UTC. Bookmark www.cy0dxpedition.com for updates.
- F The Council of Europe Radio Amateur Club (TP2CE, ewwa.free.fr) will be active as TP50CE on 11-13 and 18 March to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the European Social Charter. QSL via F5LGF. CERAC will attend Ham Radio in Friedrichshafen, Germany (24-25 June) for checking logs for TP2CE, TP20CE, 3A0CE, 400CE, TP60CE and TP50CE. [TNX F6FOK]
- FG Jean-Pierre, F6ITD will be active as FG/F6ITD from Guadeloupe

- (NA-102) in March. He will operate SSB and digital modes from either La Desirade (9-16 March) and Basse-Terre (16-31 March). QSL via home call. [TNX F6AJA and Les Novelles DX]
- G Kevan, 2EOWMG (SSB) and Jonathan, GODVJ (SSB and CW) will be active from Lundy Island (EU-120) on 21-26 March. They will be QRV on 80-10 metres. [TNX Pete's-DX-Newsdesk]
- GJ Kazu, JK3GAD (MOCFW) will be active as MJ0CFW from Jersey (EU-013) on 18-21 March. He will be QRV on 160-10 metres and will participate in the Russian DX Contest. QSL via MOCFW and LoTW. [TNX NG3K]
- HR Gerard, F2JD will be active as HR5/F2JD from Copna, Honduras for a couple of months between mid-March and mid-May. He will operate CW and SSB on the HF bands. QSL via F6AJA. [TNX F6AJA]
- P4 Tim, WD9DZV will be active as P40D from Aruba (SA-036) on 8-13 March. He plans to operate holiday style on most bands and modes. QSL via WD9DZV. [TNX NG3K]
- PJ2 Jim/N5HZ, Don/W5FKX, David/W5XU and Mike/W5ZPA will be active as PJ2/homecall from Curacao (SA-099) on 10-17 March. They will operate CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK on 160-10 metres from the Caribbean Contesting Consortium's Signal Point station. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau, and LoTW. Further information and log search at www.deltadx.net/Activities/PJ2/PJ2-DDXA.htm
- PY Look for PY2XB/1 to be active holiday style from Ilha Grande (SA-029) on 5-9 March. He will operate mainly CW on 40-10 metres. QSL via PT7WA, direct or bureau. [TNX PT7WA]
- V2 Bob, W4OWY (V25WY) and Mark, W9OP (V25OP) will be active from Antigua (NA-100) will be active from Antigua on 8-18 March. QSL via home calls, plus LoTW and eQSL. [TNX NG3K]
- V4 Jeff, K5MV will be active holiday style as V4/K5MV from St. Kitts (NA-104) on 10-17 March. He will operate SSB and CW on 160-6 metres. QSL via K5MV, direct and LoTW. [TNX NG3K]
- V5 Gert, ZS6AYU will be active as V5/ZS6AYU from various locations in Namibia on 6-16 March. He will operate holidy style on 30-15 metres CW. QSL via home call, direct only. [TNX NG3K]
- VK VK3ADO, VK3DQ, VK3EI, VK3FMGF, VK3HJ and VK3MLM will be leaving Yaringa (Victoria) on 20 March on a 40-hour voyage to Deal Island (OC-195). They plan to operate from the island as VK7DI for four days, using CW, SSB and SSTV on the HF bands. QSL via VK3DQ. [TNX DX World]
- VP2V Peter G3PHO will be active as VP2V/G3PHO from Tortola, British Virgin Islands (NA-023) on 11-18 March. Main activity will be concentrated during the RSGB Commonwealth Contest, outside the contest he will operate holiday style on 80-10 metres CW. QSL via G3PHO, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
- XE Ismael, XE1AY and other eleven operators will be active as XF2P from Isla de Lobos (NA-221) from 29 April to 1 May. They will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on the HF bands, 6 metres and satellite (AO27, AO51 and SO50). QSL via XE1AY. [TNX DX World]
- ZA I2GPT, IK2PGM, IW2HKW, IW2JOP, IZ2BKP and IZ2QCP will be active as ZA/I2GPT from Albania on 9-13 March. They will operate CW and SSB on 17, 20, 30 and 40 metres. QSL via I2GPT, direct or bureau.

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ARRL INTERNATIONAL DX CONTEST (SSB) ---> Object of the contest is for W/VE amateurs to work as many stations in as many DXCC countries as possible on 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, and 10 metre bands, while foreign amateurs (also including KH6, KL7, CY9 and CY0) work as many W/VE stations in as many of the 48 contiguous states and provinces as possible (full rules can be found at www.arrl.org/arrl-dx). This year's event will run from from 00.00 UTC on 5 March through 23.59 UTC on the 6th. Do not forget to give a look at the Announced Operations listing maintained by Bill, NG3K at www.ng3k.com/Misc/adxs2011.html

CQ MM DX CONTEST ---> The first edition of the CQ Manchester Mineira DX Contest, sponsored by the the Juiz de Fora CW Group, will be held on 16-17 April. It is a continuation of the Manchester Mineira All America CW Contest, initially limited to Brazil (1993-1996), then expanded first to South America (1997-2006) and finally to the Americas (2007-2010). Il will run from 12 UTC on Saturday through 23.59 on Sunday, on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres CW. Details can be found at www.cwjf.com.br [TNX PY4WAS]

DX0DX ---> After the failed attempt in January, the DX0DX expedition to the Spratly Islands (www.dx0dx.net) [425DXN 1028] has been postponed until next year. The Team Leader (Chris Dimitrijevic, VK3FY) says to be "determined to recover as much of the costs as possible to put things right for all the Team members, Sponsors, organisations and individuals involved", and "to put DX0DX off until next year will allow me time to clean up the situation from the first attempt". The new target date is April 2012. [TNX VK3PC]

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 (333 QSLs), the 58 deleted DXCC entities (1216 QSLs), obsolete prefixes (3252 QSLs), stations from Magrebh from 1947 to 1962 (367 QSLs), D5 and DL5 stations from 1945 to 1962 (61 QSLs), Antarctic bases (824 QSLs) & TAAF (Terres Australes and Antarctiques Francaises, 264 QSLs), the various French DXCC island Entities in the Pacific Ocean (333 QSLs) & the Indian Ocean (97 QSLs), pre-1945 countries (1121 QSLs), French Departments (660 QSLs) and CONUS (166 QSLs), plus a gallery for cards not accepted by DXCC (123 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]

QSL PJ7E ---> "We are doing very well getting out QSLs but still have about 5 mailing trays to confirm yet. Tom, N4XP, our QSL manager, expects to complete those in the next three weeks. The OQSL will be shut down on March 4th. The OQSL service has been a huge success with certificates issued with the QSLs. All of the OQSLs received at this time have been mailed. ARRL has announced that they will soon be issuing the LOTW certificates to the new PJs [actually the PJ operations have already started obtaining their certificates, and the first logs were uploaded on 4 March, Ed.]. We are

ready to upload the logs at that time. The PJ7E team thanks everyone for their QSOs". [TNX W8GEX]

RSGB COMMONWEALTH CONTEST ---> The 74th edition of the Commonwealth (BERU) Contest (www.beru.org.uk) will be held on 12-13 March, from 10 UTC to 10 UTC, on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres CW. Only operators located within the Commonwealth or British Mandated Territories are eligible to enter, so please check the list at www.rsgbcc.org/hf/information/codes.shtml before calling.

RTTY MOST WANTED SURVEY ---> All RTTY operators are invited to participate in the RTTY Most Wanted Survey 2011, conducted by K8UT and AA5AU. The survey will be running until 20 March and can be found at <a href="http://rttysurvey2011.semdxa.org">http://rttysurvey2011.semdxa.org</a> (problems sould be reported directly to Larry at k8ut[@]k8ut.com). [TNX AA5AU]

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)

+ SILENT KEYS + Aisea Aisake, 3D2AA passed away on 26 February after a short illness, at 62 years of age. He was the on site reference and guide to those wishing to operate from Fiji and above all from his homeland island of Rotuma. Other recently reported Silent Keys include Tapir Cassiano Araujo Sepulveda (PY6TS) and Evgenij N. Petrov (RW9MD).

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QSLs received direct or through managers: 1A0KM, 3W6C, 4S7ULG, 5C5W, 5R8IC, 5R8UI, 5R8X, 5X0CW, 5X4X, 6W7SK, 7P8OK, 9H3TX, 9J2BO, 9L1X, 9L5VT, 9V1VV, 9X0SP, A25BI, A25CF, A25SL, A35AY, A61Q, A92GR, AT25RG, BT4EXPO, BV100, C31LJ, C50C, C56YK, C5A, C6ANM, CE1/K7CA, CK8G (NA-182), CN8KD, CP4BT, EP2MKO, ER4ER, ER4KAA, EW8A, FR5ZL, FY1FL, FY5HE, HH2/OH2TA, HI3/W1JNZ, HI3TEJ, IM0/OL5Y, J5V, J6/K8EAB, J6/W7ZT, JD1BMH, JY5HX, KH7Y, KL7RRC/P (NA-235), MU/F5CWU, MW0YVK, OH0X, OH3YI, (EU-126), OJOB, P29VLR, PJ2/N1ZZ, PJ2/OH1VR, PJ2A, PJ2T, PJ4D, PJ4I, PJ4X, PJ5/AH6HY, PJ5/SP6EQZ, PJ6A, PJ7E, PX8J (SA-041), PX8L (SA-016), PY2WO, RI1FJ, S21YX, S79GB, ST2AR, SU/HA3JB, SV1ASP/A, T32CI (OC-281), T32MI (0C-279), T32SI (OC-280), T32VI (OC-282), T6AF, T6MB, T70A, T88SM, TG9NX, TJ3AY, TL0A, TO5SM, TU2XZ, V31YY, V73QQ (OC-029), (OC-087), V73RCC (OC-278), VK0KEV, VK9XXY, VP2MSC, VP2MXO, VY2TT, XF1RCS (NA-171), XT2RJA, XU7KOH, YI9PSE, YJ0HA, YS1/HB9KNA, YV8AD, ZD9T, ZS6RJ.

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