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**** DX INFORMATION ****

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5V - Jack, F8AEJ will be active holiday style as 5V7JD from Lome, Togo from 4 February to 15 March. QSL via home call and logsearch on Club Log.

9M2 - Taking part in the Chinese New Year Cultural and Heritage Celebration, special event callsign 9M4CNY will be active on 16 February from Penang Island (AS-015), West Malaysia. Expect operations on 40, 20 and 10 metres SSB, from 7 to 16 UTC. QSL direct to the qrz.com address.

C6 - Drew, N2RFA will be active as C6ABB from Nassau (NA-001), Bahamas on 10-21 February. He will be QRV on 80, 40, 20, 17 and 10 metres, with "some digital work" (PSK31, JT65, RTTY and possibly SSTV). QSL via N2RFA, eQSL and LoTW.

D4 - Mats, SM7GIB is currently active as D44TIB from Cape Verde until 7 February. He operates holiday style, typically during his early morning hours on the low bands. QSL via home call. [TNX QRZ DX]

FG - Oliver, F6ARC will be active as FG/F6ARC from Guadeloupe (NA-102) on 2-14 February. He will operate holiday style with a focus on 30 and 40 metres CW. QSL via bureau or direct (details on qrz.com). [TNX DX World]

H4 - Ralph, H44RK (currently active as 5W0W) is planning an extensive IOTA tour around the Solomon Islands, Temotu Province included, on his sailing boat "Hafskip". It is expected to start in late April-early May from Liapari, Vella Lavella (OC-149) and continue through other IOTA groups, with 2-4 days of radio activity from each of them, until they reach Honiara (Guadalcanal). Then the plan is to get "selected crew/operators on board" and reach the Stewart Islands (OC-285, new one for IOTA). Preliminary information cen be found at www.qrz.com/db/H40RK

HA - Special station HG66MALEV (for Hungary flag carrier Malev, which ceased flight activity in February 2012, after 66 years of continuous operation) will be active until 31 March on 80-10 metres CW, SSB, RTTY and possibly PSK31. QSL direct to HG4I. [TNX HA5LN]

HC - Elena, RC5A and Alex, RA1AGL will be active as HC2/homecall from Ecuador between 10 February and 9 March. They will operate SSB and CW on 160-6 metres, and Elena will participate in both the ARRL Contests CW and SSB. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX RC5A]

J3 - Roy, KE4TG will be active again as J38RF from Grenada (NA-024) from 6 February to 8 March. He will operate JT65HF, PSK31 and RTTY on 80-10 metres, with some activity (SSB, CW and digital modes) on 60 metres. QSL via KE4TG and LoTW. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

J5 - A group of operators from the Verona DX Team (namely IK3RBE, IK3VVD, IK3VZJ, IZ3BUR and IZ3STA) will be active again as J52HF

from Guinea-Bissau between 10 February and 2 March. In their spare time they will operate SSB only on the HF bands and 6 metres. QSL via I3LDP.

J8 - Dave, G3TBK will be active once again as J88DR from St Vincent (NA-109) from 14 February to 11 March, including participation in the ARRL DX CW and SSB Contests. He will be QRV on all bands CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via G3TBK, direct or bureau. [TNX NG3K]

LY - Celebrating the Act of Independence of Lithuania (16 February 1918), Sam, LY5W will be active as LY16W through February. QSL via home call. [TNX LY5W]

PJ2 - Joeke, PA0VDV will be active again as PJ2/PA0VDV from Curacao (SA-099) from 15 February to 22 March. He will operate CW only. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX PA0VDV]

T2 - Rob GM3YTS, Tom GM4FDM, Gavin GM0GAV and Clive GM3POI will be active as T2GM from Tuvalu (OC-015) on 12-23 March. They will operate stations with amplifers and vertical antennas placed either in or at the edge of the lagoon. QSL via GM4FDM, direct or bureau (OQRS on Club Log), and LoTW. The team will run a blog (http://t2gm.org/) courtesy MM0NDX before and during the expedition. [TNX DX World]

V6 - Bob, 5B4AGN will be active as KH2/G3ZEM from Guam on 9-13 February and as V63ZM from Micronesia on 13-23 February. He will be QRV on 80-10 metres, plus 160 metres "if useful antenna arrangements can be made". QSL via M0URX. [TNX NG3K]

VK_ant - Craig, VK6JJJ expects to arrive at the Australian Antarctic station Mawson around 7 February and to remain there for approximately twelve months. He plans to be QRV as VK0JJJ on 80-6 metres SSB and digital modes, with "a lot of priority given to 6m operation". His plans include the installing of a 6m beacon (VK0RTM) at 50w on 50.300 MHz to monitor openings. QSL via K7CO. Further details can be found at www.qrz.com/db/vk0jjj; he also has a blog at http://craighayhow.blogspot.com.au/

VK9N - A group of ten Oceania DX Group members (namely Allan VK2CA, Benton VK3CBV, Roy VK3GB, Lee VK3GK, Graeme VK3GL, Luke VK3HJ, Peter VK3IJ, Chris VK3QB, Catherine VK4GH and John VK4IO) will be active as VK9NT from Norfolk Island (OC-005) on 3-12 May. They plan to operate SSB, CW and RTTY on 80-10 metres, with four stations "as often as possibile" and "at least two stations on-air 18 hours per day". QSL via VK2CA, direct or bureau (please use the OQRS on Clublog). Logs will uploaded to LoTW "as soon as possible after the DXpedition". Further information can be found at http://vk9nt.odxg.org/

VP5 - Jeff, K0UU will be active as VP5/K0UU from Grand Turk Island (NA-003) on 13-21 February. He will operate CW with an emphasis on 30, 17 and 12 metres, and will participate in the ARRL DX W Contest as VQ5RP. QSL via K0UU, direct or bureau, and LoTW. [TNX The Daily DX]

W - Once again Joe, K5KUA will be active as K5KUA/5 from Galveston Island (NA-143) on 15-17 February. He usually operates CW only on 40-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [rsgbiota.org]

W - Dave, K3FT and Rob, N3RW will participate in the ARRL DX SSB Contest (LP Multi-Two) from the battleship "New Jersey" (NJ2BB)

moored at the Camden waterfront, in New Jersey. "We will be using all WW2 original antennas and late model commercial transceivers", they say, "maybe even a military HF transceiver as well". [TNX K3FT]

XT - XT2TT is the callsign for the Italian DXpediton Team to use during their activity from Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso [425DXN 1125] from 21 February to 6 March. Eight operators (namely I1HJT, I2YSB, IK2CIO, IK2CKR, IK2DIA, IK2HKT, IK2RZP and JA3USA) will be active on CW (1826.5, 3515, 7015, 10115, 14025, 18070, 21025, 24891, 28025 and 50105 kHz), SSB (3760, 7145, 14220, 18145, 21295, 24945, 28475 and 50125 kHz) and RTTY (14081 kHz) with four stations. The pilot stations will be IK7JWY and (for 6m) IK0FTA; a dedicated forum will be on www.hamradioweb.org. Further information, including real-time logsearch, QSLling details and OQRS for direct cards, can be found at www.i2ysb.com/idt

XU - John, XU7ACQ will be active from Cambodia from 10 February to 18 March. He will operate SSB, CW and digital modes on 80-10 metres. QSL via KF0RQ. [TNX DX World]

YB - YB6AR and several other operators will be active as homecall/p from Pulau Bunta (claimed for IOTA group OC-245) on 15-17 February. They plan to be QRV on 40, 30, 20, 15 and 10 metres SSB and RTTY. QSL via operator's instructions. [TNX Mediterraneo DX Club]

ZF - Dave, N4QS will be active as ZF2DP from the Cayman Islands (NA-016) on 8-12 February. He will participate in the CQ WPX RTTY Contest; before and after the contest he will also operate some CW and SSB primarily on 30, 17 and 12 metres. Logserach on Clublog; QSL via home call and LoTW.

ZK3 - Dieter, DJ2EH is active as ZK3T from Tokelau (OC-048) until 20 February. He is QRV on 160-10 metres mainly CW with some RTTY. QSL via home call.

AFRICAN TOUR ---> Steve, HA0DU and Laci, HA0NAR will be active as 6V2R from Senegal and as J5NAR from Guinea Bissau starting around 9 February. They also plan to operate as 6V2R/p from Carabane Island (AF-078) and as J5NAR/p from Jeta Island (AF-093). QSL for both calls via HA0NAR, direct or bureau.

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BLACK SEA INTERNATIONAL HF CUP ---> The Black Sea International HF Cup, organized by the Black Sea Contest Club, will be held on 2-3 February, from 12 UTC on Saturady through 11.59 UTC on Sunday. Complete information at www.bscc.in/index/black_sea_cup_international_oficial_page/0-54 [TNX UV5EOZ]

DX ACROSS AFRICA ---> Jon, TF3ZA is part of a 15-man team travelling in an ex-military vehicle from Reykjavik, Iceland to Cape Town, South Africa. This 20,000 km trek will take about six months, with planned activity on 160-6 metres CW and SSB from CN, 5T, 6W, 3X, TU, 9G, 5V, TY, 5N, TJ, TR,

TN, 9Q, 9J, Z2, A2 and ZS. QSL via TF3ZA. Details can be found at www.dxacrossafrica.com

QSL 4W3DX & 4W6MM ---> Phil, G3SWH has been appointed as QSL manager for Thor's (TF4M) operations from Timor Leste between 2000 and 2003 as 4W3DX and 4W6MM. Logsearch for both calls at www.g3swh.org.uk [TNX G3SWH]

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QSLs received direct or through managers: 1A0C, 2O12L, 2O12W, 3B9SP, 3D2C, 4L1MA, 4L4WW, 4L8A, 4M5CW, 4O7VB, 4S7BRG, 4S7NE, 5C2P, 5K4T (SA-084), 5K8T (SA-081), 5N7M, 5T0SP, 5T5BV, 5U5U, 5V7TH, 5W0RK, 5W0W, 5W1SA, 5Z4/DL7UCX, 7P8D, 7X4AN, 7Z7AB (AS-190), 9Y4/DL7VOG, AH0/N0AT, AH0BT, BM0LF, BV7GC, BY1CQ/2 (AS-158), BY1WXD/0, C50C, C5A, C6AVA, C91JD, CY9M, D44TXR, D64K, E40V, E40VB, EA9UG, ED5RKB (EU-093), EK6TA, EK7DX, EY7AD, F4BKV/p (EU-107), FM5WD, GN0ADX/P (EU-122), H44RK, H44USMC, HB0/HB9LCW, HH2/9A7GAE, HH8/N3BNA, HI3/KL7JR, HL2DC, HS0ZEE, HT9H, IM0/F4BKV (EU-041), J75Z, J79IX, J79WE, JD1BLY, JD1BMH, JR1NHD, JY8VB, KL2HD/p (NA-039), LT0X, NH8S, OJ0R, P29NI, P29VCX, P29VPB, PJ5J, PJ7XK, RI0K (AS-061), RI0K/p (AS-092),RI1ANF, SU9VB, SV2ASP/A, T77C, T88UE, T8XX, TI4CF, TI8M, TO3R, TO8YY, TT8TT, TZ6VV, UA0ZC, UK8LA, UK8OWW, UP0L, UP4L, V26HS, V31WV, V84SMD, V85AVE, VK0TH, VK9/OH1VR, VK9/OH3JR, VK9XS, VP2MDG, VP2MMM, VP9/WW3S, VR2XMT, VU2GSM, XQ1KZ, XT2RJA, YB8Y (OC-221), YU9VB, YW5AS (SA-051), YW5F (SA-081), Z21HS, Z38VB, Z81D, ZD7VC, ZD9AH.

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