Special event station CS25ARVM will be active on 20-26 May to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the Associaçao de Radioamadores da Vila de Moscovide/Radioamadores do Concelho de Loures. Activity will be on 10, 15, 20, 40 and 80 metres SSB and CW. QSL via CT1RVM. [TNX ARVM]

DL8LAS, DL9EE and DK9IP will participate in the CQ WW WPX CW Contest as CR3L (www.cr3l.de) from Madeira Island (AF-014). Look for them to be active (also on RTTY) as CT9/homecall two days before the contest. [TNX DK9IP]

Sebastian, DL1AXX will be active as DL1AXX/p from Baltrum Island (EU-047) on 20-26 May. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

Harald, DJ2II will be active as DJ2II/p from Langeness Island (EU-042) on 21-29 May. He plans to operate SSB and CW on 80-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, and LoTW. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

Seven Belgians (ON4ACP, ON4ANN, ON4CAU, ON4CCV, ON8CW, ON4CKM and ON6MI) will be active as MJ/ON6NB from Jersey on 24-30 May. They will operate SSB, CW and PSK on 160-2 metres with an emphasis on the higher bands. QSL via ON4ANN, direct or bureau. Further information at http://users.telenet.be/on4ann/MJ/index.html [TNX NG3K]

Look for DS4DRE/4 to be QRV from Hajo Island (AS-060) until the end of the year. He operates SSB and CW on 80-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

Special event station II9SUB will be active on 20-26 May for the 50th Convention of the International Community of Submariners to be held in Catania. QSL via IT9MRM.

Look for Hans OH0/PA0VHA, Steve OH0/PA2A, Wim OH0/PA2AM, Martin OH0/PA2VMA, Wil OH0/PA3ALK and Jack OH0/PA3BAG to be active from Eckero, Aland Islands (EU-002) from 25 May to 7 June. They will operate SSB, CW and RTTY on the HF bands, and will also give 2m a try. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

John K4BAI, Roger N4RR and David NA2AA will participate in the CQ WW WPX CW Contest from Bonaire (SA-006). They will be signing PJ4A (SOAB 40m), PJ4R (SOAB 15m) and PJ4G (SOAB 10 or 20m) respectively. Before the contest they will use PJ4/homecall on all bands. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]

Boyko, LZ1QN and others will be active as SV8/homecalls from Zakynthos Island (EU-052) on 19-27 May. They will participate in the CQ WW WPX CW Contest as SW8LZ (QSL via LZ1QN). [TNX NG3K]

Ron, VA3RVK has been granted the special callsign XL3T to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of the Canadian Arctic Expedition (1913-1916). Look for him to be QRV on all bands and
modes between 24 May and 23 June, including an entry in the CQWW WPX CW Contest. QSL via VA3RVK. [TNX VA3RJ]

VK - Special event call VI103WIA will be active on 23-27 May for the Wireless Institute of Australia AGM and National Conference (http://conference.vk6.net) that will be held in Freemantle (Western Australia). [TNX Southgate ARC]

YB - The 22-26 May YE8P operation from the Togian Islands [425DXN 1148] has been cancelled. [TNX JN6RZM]

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CQ 2013 HALL OF FAMERS ---> CQ Magazine announced on 17 May the 2013 Hall of Fame inductees. The CQ Amateur Radio Hall of Fame was established in January 2001 to recognize individuals - radio amateurs or not - who significantly affected the course of Amateur Radio, as well as radio amateurs who have made significant contributions either to amateur radio, to their professional careers or to some other aspect of life on our planet. This year's inductees are: Evelyn Garrison (WS7A, SK), Joel Kleinman (N1BKE, SK), Laurie Margolis (G3UML/GPC3L), Michael Owen (VK3KI, SK), Harry Rubinstein (ex-9EEV, SK), Walker Tompkins (K6ATX), Joe Walsh (WB6ACU) and William G. (Bill) Welsh (W6DDB, SK).

The CQ Contest Hall of Fame (established in 1986) and the CQ DX Hall of Fame (established in 1967) honour those amateurs who not only excel in personal performance in these major areas of amateur radio, but who also "give back" to the hobby in outstanding ways. This year's inductees in the CQ Contest HoF are Dale Green (VE7SV) and Charles "Chas" Fulp (K3WW). The 2013 inductees to the CQ DX HoF are Vladimir Bykov (UA4WHX/AC4LN) and Robert "Gary" Dixon (K4MQG).

DXCC NEWS ---> Over the years some applicants have had TI9CCC for Cocos Island rejected in their DXCC application mostly due to "Incorrect Date Period". The issue with the dates for this operation have been resolved. If you had this operation rejected, and your confirmation falls between 15-28 February 1984, send an e-mail to bmoore[@]arrl.org to be placed on the list for an update to your record. Also approved for DXCC is 9G5EME (Ghana, 2013 operation). [TNX NC1L]

HEARD ISLAND 2015 ---> The expedition to Heard Island has been rescheduled for January 2015. "The primary reason for this decision was the cost of using the preferred vessel, the Marion Dufresne to put the team on Heard Island for the required time. In spite of extensive negotiations and rescheduling of the cruise, it became clear that the cost of using this vessel will exceed $1 million, and therefore the total cost for the project would be about $1.5 million, as we noted earlier. In spite of our plan to increase the team size to 50 (which the M-D can accommodate) to partially cover this cost, we reluctantly concluded that sponsorship at this level would be impossible. We have therefore decided to delay the expedition to January 2015, to allow more time to restructure the project, locate a more
suitable vessel, and bring the cost more in line with projected available resources". One of the benefits of this rescheduling/restructuring is that "we will plan for amateur radio operations to be carried out over a longer time, up to 30 or more days". A new radio team will be assembled: "the budget for the restructured project will likely be significantly less than $500k. We plan for a total team of 12-15 persons, and we will solicit team members with experience, motivation, and multiple skills". Read the complete announcement on www.heardisland.org.

LOTW SOFTWARE ---> The ARRL will release a new version of Trusted QSL, the open-source development project responsible for developing and maintaining the three Logbook of the World (LoTW) client-side applications: TQSL, TQSLCert and the TrustedQSL library. After six weeks of public beta testing, version 1.14 is ready for official release and will be available for download from the ARRL website beginning Monday, May 20. Version 1.14 includes these new features:
- Log files can be signed and uploaded over the internet to LoTW in one operation.
- Errors in Station Locations are reported (for example, incorrect CQ and ITU zones).
- QSOs that need not be re-submitted ("duplicates") are brought to the user's attention.
- Error reporting has been improved.
- Installation on Windows has been improved.
- Users are notified when a new version becomes available.
- Documentation has been improved.
Upgrading to version 1.14 is not mandatory, but is encouraged. Users who choose not to upgrade will not be able to access the new features in version 1.14, but they will still be able to upload logs into the LoTW system.

QSL OJ0W ---> All of the outstanding QSOs (August-September 2012) have been confirmed automatically via the bureau. If a direct card is still needed, send it to Pasi, OH3WS. [TNX OH3WS]

WRTC 2014 ---> "We have implemented a new WRTC2014 volunteer and contact management database. We will use this to find people with skills/interests that match our needs": www.wrtc2014.org/wrtc2014-organization/volunteer/ [TNX K5ZD]

XZ1K ---> Simon, HS0ZIB is active as XZ1K [425DXN 1148] on 20 metres PSK-31 from Kawthaung, Myanmar during the weekends. QSOs can be checked and direct cards can be requested at http://www.myradioclub.org/xz1k/. "LOTW is not yet available", he says. "I submitted documents to the ARRL for DXCC approval on 30 April, but although the package is shown as delivered to the ARRL I have had no feedback". Check his qrz.com page for updates.

Z81X ---> "As Amateur Radio is only provisionally regulated in South Sudan, the Radio Arcala Fellowship Group of Finland (OH8X) was granted a provisional license (Z81X) to facilitate operating events during visits by the project representatives. We expect that Z81X will be activated several times during the course of this project, notably on low bands and in CQWW
Contests.
The initial Z81X activity, with one radio only, was concluded on 15 May with more than 20,000 QSOs (Europe 43%, North America 29% and Asia 26%). Olli, OH0XX and Martti, OH2BH have now returned home. "As the entire project is carried out on a voluntary basis, the group will accept donations to be used solely for offsetting direct project expenses incurred in South Sudan. Club Log OQRS is now active for QSL requests (bureau or direct) and project support". Read the complete "Project Goodwill South Sudan Interim Report" at [http://www.qrz.com/db/Z81X](http://www.qrz.com/db/Z81X).

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