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3DA - Roger, ZS6RJ and others will be active as 3DA0ET from Swaziland on 18-27 November, including and M/2 entry in the CQ WW CW Contest. There will be three stations active on 160-6 metres CW and SSB, and a fourth station entirely dedicated to RTTY and PSK. Complete details will be given in due course, a website is currently under construction. [TNX ZS6RJ]

5B - Look for Tamer 5B4AHE/p, Pavlos 5B4AMF/p, Spyros 5B4MF/p and Philip 5B4ZN/p to be active with two stations from Agios Georgios Island (AS-120) from about 18 UTC on 19 July until around 3 UTC on the 21st. They plan to be QRV mainly on 20 and 17 metres SSB, with some QRS CW on 30 metres. QSL via home calls. "We will try to focus on DX stations needing AS-120 for an all-time new one", 5B4MF says. "If you work one of us please do not duplicate the QSO with another one of us!". [TNX 5B4AHJ]

9M6 - Steve, 9M6DXX will be active again as 9M8Z (OC-088) on 24-29 July, including an entry in the IOTA Contest. QSL via M0URX (OQRS preferred: http://m0urx.com/oqrs/). Logs will be uploaded to LoTW as soon as possible after the operation. [TNX 9M6DXX]

BV - A large multi-national team will participate in the IOTA Contest as BP0A from Peng Hu Island (AS-103). QSL to Amateur Radio Taipei, see http://www.art.org.tw/en/qsl_en.aspx for instructions.

C3 - Special callsign C37UN will be activated on 26-28 July to celebrate Andorra's 20th anniversary as a full member of the United Nations. QSL via C37URA, direct or bureau.

CN - Once again Richard, F8FGU will be active as CN2RN from the Middle Atlas range from 24 July to 20 August. He will operate SSB and CW on the HF bands. QSL via home call, bureau preferred. [TNX F8REF]

DL - Mike, DG5LAC will be active as DG5LAC/p from the island of Juist (EU-047) from 27 July to 9 August. He will be QRV on 40-10 metres SSB, with part time participation in the IOTA Contest. QSL via home call, bureau or direct, plus LoTW and eQSL. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

EA8 - Andrew, G7COD will be active as EA8/G7COD from Gran Canaria (AF-004, WWL IL27dt) on 9-31 August. He will operate SSB and CW on 30-6 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, plus eQSL and LoTW. [TNX G7COD]

EI - The Papa Lima DX Group will participate in the IOTA Contest using their brand new contest call, EJ1Y. The team (EI3KG, EI4GK, EI5GM, EI5JQ, EI7KD, EI9FBB, EI9KC, SP7IDX and SP9NWN) will be on Inishmore, Aran Islands (EU-009) on 23-29 July [425DXN 1153], and will still be QRV as EJ0PL outside the contest. QSL via EI5JQ. [TNX NG3K]

ES - Juri, ES5GP will be active as ES5GP/8 from Kihnu Island (EU-178) on 24-29 July, including and entry in the IOTA Contest. [TNX ES1QD]

G - G0FDZ, G0PZA, G0UKN, G0VJG, G7GLW and M0UAT will be active from St

Mary's Island (EU-011) on 25-30 July. They will participate in the IOTA Contest as M8C (QSL via G4DFI). [TNX M0UAT]

GM - A team from the Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club will participate in the IOTA Contest as GM2T from the island of Tiree (EU-008). Before the contest they will be using MM0CPS/p. QSL via GM4UYZ. [TNX NG3K]

GM - Gordon, MM0GPZ will be active from the Orkeny Islands (EU-009) on 24-29 July. He will participate in the IOTA Contest as MM2N, outside the IOTA event he will operate holiday style. QSL via home call. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

GM - Graham, M6GCS will be active as MM6GCS/p from the Outer Hebrides (EU-010) on 24-31 July, including an entry in the IOTA Contest. QSL via M6GCS, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

GM - Paul, M3KBU will be active as MM3KBU/p from the Outer Hebrides (EU-010) between 26 July and 2 August. He will participate in the IOTA Contest from South Uist. QSL via M3KBU, direct only. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

GM - Lanarkshire Contest Group's members GM0ELP and M0GBK will be active as MM3T from the Isle of Bute (EU-123) on 27-28 July for the IOTA Contest. QSL via eQSL only, as 'we do not have paper QSL cards' (but IOTA chasers will be able to claim credit online once the contest logs are uploaded to www.rsgbiota.org).

HR - Dan, HQ8D went QRT from Vivorillos Cay (NA-223) around 8 UTC on 18 July, after being QRV for some 48 hours. He will return to the island this coming week, for the last time. As always, his plans depend on the Honduran Navy's schedule. After NA-223, Dan expects to be QRV for the IOTA contest from NA-160 as HQ3W. QSL via KD4POJ. Bookmark http://hriotas.com/ for updates.

I - Look for Marco IV3/IZ3GNG and Joris IV3/IZ3QHA to be active from Grado Island (EU-130) on 20-21 July. They will operate SSB and digital modes on 40-6 metres. QSL via home calls. [TNX IZ3GNG]

I - ARI Verona DX Team's members Walter I3VJW, Silverio IK3IUL and Ampelio IK3JBP will participate in the IOTA Contest as II3VR/IV3 (CW and SSB) from the island of Santa Maria di Barbana (EU-130). For a few hours before and after the contest they will operate on 30, 17 and 12 metres. QSL via IQ3VO (e-mail requests for bureau cards can be sent to veronadxteam[@]ari.verona.it). [TNX I3VJW]

IS0 - Massimo, I0PNM will be active as IM0/I0PNM from San Pietro Island (EU-165) from 20 July to 20 August. He will be QRV on 20-10 metres SSB, RTTY and PSK31, and will participate in the IOTA Contest. QSL via home call (direct).

OH - Jari, OH1JO and Juha, OH1LEG will be active as OH1K from Kaunissaari Island (EU-140) on 25-31 July, IOTA Contest included. They will be QRV on 80-6 metres SSB and digital modes, with 20m as the main band. QSL via OH1JO, direct or bureau.

ON - King Albert II of the Belgians will formally end his twenty-year reign on 21 July and leave monarchy to Prince Philippe. To celebrate this event, Belgian amateur radio operators may replace their ordinary ON prefix with OO (Oscar Oscar) from 21 July until 20 September. [TNX ON4CAS]

ON - Special event station OQ4CLM will be active from between 16 October and 15 November. The suffix stands for Canadian Liberation March, the annual event that celebrates the liberation of the

Belgian town of Knokke on 1 November 1944. QSL via ON3AIM, direct or bureau. Further information on the activity and the relevant award can be found on qrz.com. [TNX ON4RO]

OY - Ulf, DL3UB will be active holiday style as OY/DL3UB from the Faroe Islands (EU-018) from 29 July to 9 August. He will operate mainly CW on 30, 17 and 12 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX NG3K]

OZ - Olaf, DL7CX will be active as OZ/DL7CX from Mors Island (EU-171) from 20 July to 1 August, including an entry in the IOTA Contest. QSL via home call. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

OZ - Olaf, DL4HG and Andy, DL7AT will be active as OZ0TX from Mando Island (EU-125) on 26-28 July, including an entry in the IOTA Contest. QSL via DL7AT. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

OZ - Look for OZ7BQ/p to be active from Fur Island (EU-171) on 26-29 July. QSL via home call (bureau preferred) and LoTW. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

OZ - Lars, OZ1IVA will be active holiday style from Laeso Island (EU-088) from 27 July to 4 August. Main activity will be during the IOTA Contest. QSL via bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

PA - Ron, ON6CQ will participate the IOTA Contest as PA/ON6CQ from Schouwen-Duiveland (EU-146). QSL via home call (bureau preferred) and LoTW. [TNX ON4TO]

PA - Special callsign PA6SAIL will be active between 19 August and 10 September for the Sail de Ruyter, the annual gathering of historic ships in Vlissingen. Look for activity on the HF bands CW, SSB, PSK and RTTY, plus 6m and 2m. QSL via PA3GEO, direct or bureau. [TNX PA7XG]

PY - Celebrating the World Youth Day to be held in Rio de Janeiro, special event station ZX1WYD is active until 31 July on the HF bands CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL VIA PY1AA and LoTW.

SV - Rich, M5RIC will be active as SW8CC from the island of Zakynthos (EU-052) on 23-30 July. He will operate SSB and RTTY on 80-10 metres, and will participate in the IOTA Contest. QSL via home call (direct).

SV9 - Gordon, MM0GOR will be active as SW9GG from Crete (EU-015) on 23-30 July, including an entry in the IOTA Contest. QSL via home call, bureau preferred.

TN - The TN2MS expedition to the Republic of the Congo [425DXN 1157] has been rescheduled, and is now expected to take place on 12-24 October. Bookmark www.tn2ms.nl for further information and updates.

UA - Vasily R7AA, Alexei RN1ON, Igor UA3EDQ and Aliy UA6YW will be active as R20RRC/1 from the Morzhovets Islands (EU-119) [425DXN 1158] on 24-28 July. They will participate in the IOTA Contest as RT6A/1. A side trip to Sosnovets Island (EU-161) is planned for 25 July, if the weather is fine. QSL R20RRC/1 via RZ3EC, QSL RT6A/1 via R7AA. [TNX RN1ON]

UA - RA1ZZ/p, RA3AV/1, RK3AW/1, RW3QNZ/1, RZ1ZZ/p and UA1ZZ/p will be active from Glov Island (EU-162) on 24-29 July. They will participate in the IOTA Contest as R20RRC/1 [425DXN 1158]. [TNX NG3K]

UR - UR3GO, UR4QTP, UR8GX, US0GM, UT7GV, UV5QAW and UV5QQ will operate as homecall/p from the Kalanchakskiye Islands (EU-179) on 24-31 July, with activity during the IOTA Contest. [TNX UR5GDX]

V2 - Tim, VE6SH will be active as V29SH from Antigua (NA-100) from 26

July to 3 August. QSL via LoTW or direct to VE6SH.

VK - Miles, VK6MAB will be active holiday style as VK6MAB/p from Rottnest Island (OC-164) on 26-28 July. He will be QRV on 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

W - Jon, WB8YJF will be active again as WB8YJF/4 from Ocracoke Island (NA-067) on 21-28 July. He will operate mainly CW on 80-10 metres, and will participate in the IOTA Contest. QSL via home call. [TNX NG3K]

XE - Andrea, IZ2LSC will be active as XF3/IZ2LSC from Isla Mujeres (NA-045) on 24-31 July. Activity as XE3/IZ2LSC between 16 and 23 July is from mainland Mexico. He will operate CW (QRS), SSB and digital modes on 30-6 metres. QSL via EB7DX (direct) or IZ2LSC (bureau), and LoTW. Further information via Twitter (@iz2lsc) and at http://www.timpy.it/xf3/. [TNX IZ2LSC]

XW - Steve, 9M6DXX, and James, 9V1YC will be active as XW8XZ and XW1YC from Laos on 5-10 September. They will use two stations, with XW8XZ operating SSB and XW1YC operating mainly CW with some SSB. QSL XW8XZ via M0URX, QSL XW1YC via W5UE. [TNX 9M6DXX]

YO - YO4AR, YO4HAB, YO4HAI, YO5OHO, YO8AXP, YO8SGZ and YO8SS will be active as YP13S from Sacalinu Mare (EU-183) on 24-29 July. They will be QRV on 80-10 metres CW and SSB, including an entry in the IOTA Contest. QSL via YO8AXP (direct only). Logsearch and further information at www.amatoradio.ro [TNX YO5OHO]

SCANDINAVIA TOUR ---> Mec, SP7VC and Kasia, SQ7OYL will be travelling through northern Europe between 26 July and 27 August. Their first stop will be in Lithuania, followed by Latvia, Estonia, Finland, Norway, Sweden, Denmark and Germany. They plan to operate from several islands and locators on the HF bands, plus 50, 70, 144 MHz and microvawes. Tentative dates for island operations are:

30-31 July	OH/SP7VC	Orslandet	EU-097
2 August	OH/SP7VC	Anttoora	EU-173
3 August	OH/SP7VC	Borsskar	EU-101
4 August	OH/SP7VC	Hailuoto	EU-184
6-7 August	LA/SP7VC	Vardo	EU-141
8-10 August	LA/SP7VC	Mageroya	EU-044
11-15 August	LA/SP7VC	Loppa	EU-044
16 August	LA/SP7VC	Senja	EU-046
17-18 August	LA/SP7VC	Lofoten	EU-076
19 August	LA/SP7VC	Hitra / Froya	EU-036
20-21 August	LA/SP7VC	Vigra	EU-056
22 August	LA/SP7VC	Gurskoy	EU-079
23 August	LA/SP7VC	Stord	EU-055
24 August	SM/SP7VC	Tjorn / Hono	EU-043
25 August	OZ/SP7VC	Sjaelland	EU-029
26 August	OZ/SP7VC	Fyn	EU-172

Further information at www.qrz.com/db/SP7VC

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CLUB LOG OQRS AND BUREAU CARDS ---> Club Log is conducting a survey about bureau cards requested through its Online QSL Request System. At present, two important rules apply to all users who wish to use CL OQRS: (1) Bureau cards must be offered, and (2) No-one may charge for a bureau card in CL OQRS. Club Log is now considering allowing users to choose to charge for bureau cards, or choose not to offer bureau cards. Please complete the survey at https://cdxc.wufoo.eu/forms/bureau-cards-via-oqrs/ and let them know what you would prefer.

H44IOTA (OC-168) ---> This note was published on qrz.com on 16 July: "We regret to inform all those stations that made contact with us on OC-168, that a validation for this IOTA may not be possible due to computer hardware failure and human error. We are seeking your understanding while we do the best we can to retrive what is possible. In the meanwhile, please wait with sending cards".

QSL Z81X ---> Some 400 OQRS envelopes were mailed on 16 July and the rest will be completed within the next few days. Direct QSLing has also started and several hundred envelopes are mailed out daily. Turnaround times for both OQRS and direct are just a day or two. OQRS bureau cards will be answered only after this initial phase. Traditional direct cards should be sent to OH0XX: Olli Rissanen, Salmelankuja 14, FI-90940 Jaali, Finland. It is also reported that plans for the upcoming South Sudan CQWW and low-band operations remain on track and the operator roster will be finalized this month. [TNX OH2BH]

QSL VIA G3SWH ---> With immediate effect, Phil G3SWH is the new QSL manager for G0ORH, M3I and MM3I (which will be QRV from the Isle of Arran, EU-123, during the IOTA Contest). There are already pages with log searches on Phil's website (www.g3swh.org.uk). OQRS is preferred, but traditional mail or RSGB bureau will also work. [TNX G3SWH]

YASME SUPPORTS EQUIPMENT ACQUISITION FOR NEW ETHIOPIAN AMATEURS ---> Ethiopia came back on the air May 30, 2011 with the re-opening of the Ethiopian Amateur Radio Society station ET3AA. To support the re-establishment of amateur radio in Ethiopia, the Yasme Foundation (www.yasme.org) made a grant to pay for the fees associated with the license examination for 25 club members. Many were successful but under Ethiopian regulations could not receive a license without proof of ownership of an amateur radio station.
To further support amateur radio in Ethiopia, the Board of Directors is pleased to announce that it has made an additional grant to be used to purchase amateur radio transceivers for three club members so that they can satisfy the requirements of the Ethiopian licensing process. The Board acknowledges with appreciation the substantial efforts of Ken Claerbout, K4ZW, in facilitating the acquisition of the equipment and mentoring the EARS members, as shown here with club member Adula at the microphone during the 2013 IARU HF Championship contest. [TNX W6SZN]

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3D2RX, 3D2XC, 3DA0VB, 4K9W, 5H1DX, 5H3VMB, 5N7M, 5N7Q, 5Q4B, 5R8VB, 5W0M, 5X1VB, 5X8C, 5Z4/UA4WHX, 7P8VB, 7P8ZM, 7Q7VB, 7T50ARA, 7Z1SJ, 8Q7DV, 8Q7EJ, 8Q7KP, 8Q7QX, 8R1AK, 9A17RBM, 9N7SZ, 9Z4M, A25RJ, A41KJ, A71AM, A73A, A92HK, AL7RT, AN7EUR, BX5AA, C31KC, C50C, C5A, C6AGN, C6AGU, C98RF, CE3SX, CQ7OA (EU-040), CT9/DL7JAN, CX1AA, CX6DZ, CY0/VE1AWW, D20VB, D60VB, D85C (OC-085), DU1/R6AF/p (OC-090), E51FOC, EA9IB, EH7ITU, EK5KE, EL2DT, EP3SMH, ET3AA, FJ/K5WE, FJ/N5WR, FO8WBB, FS/K9EL, FS/LY2IJ, FY/F5UII/p, GB75FOC, GT4FOC, H40T, H70ORO, HC2/RC5A, HC3/DL5YWM (SA-034), HP1/S54ZZ, HR1AGC, J20VB, J69DS, J69MV, J79WTA, J87GU, J88DR, J8DX, JD1BMH, JE8DVU/8 (AS-147), JT1AA/3, JT1CO, JW7XM, JX5O, JX9JKA, JY4CI, K5N, K6VVA/KL7, KH2L, KL7NO, LP5D, LT1F, LU1DMG (SA-055), LU7HF, LU8HH, LV6E, NP4A, OA6Q, OJ0R, OJ0UR, P43A, PJ4/SP6AXW, PJ4/WI9WI, PJ4NX, PJ5/SP6IXF, PT0S, RZ0AF, S21XV, SE6Y, ST2AR, ST2VB, SU8N (AF-109), SU9AF, SU9VB, SV2ASP/A, SV5/DJ7RJ, T46RRC, T48RRC, T6MO, TA4AU, TG7/NC2N, TG9AHM, TK0INT (EU-100), TK1INT (EU-104), TK2INT (EU-164), TK5JJ, TL0A, TN2T, TO7RJ, TX5K, TZ6BB, UA9FAR, V51AS, V51VV, V85TL, V85XD, VK9CZ, VK9NT, VP2ETE, VP5/W5CW, VP53V, VP9/W6PH, VR2XMT, VU7KV, VY0/VE3VID, XE1RBV, XR0Y, XX9THX, YB8P (OC-208), YS1/NO7B, YV1FPT, Z2/UA4WHX, Z81X, ZB54FK, ZD7FT,ZD7VC, ZK3N.

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