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**** DX INFORMATION ****

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3DA - The website for the 18-27 November 3DA0ET DXpedition to Swaziland [425DXN 1159] is now up and runnig at www.swazidx.org. A survey (link on the homepage at the top on the right) is being run asking DXers some questions about where they need 3DA0ET the most. The organizers are looking for more team members, and "would like to have some great RTTY operators along". If interested please contact Roger ZS6RJ (roger.jones[@]vodamail.com) or Frosty (3da0cf[@]gmail.com).

4O - Look for 4O/YT4RA and 4O/YT7AW to be active from Montenegro on 6-15 August. Focusing on 30, 17 and 12 metres and digital modes, they will operate from the Durmitor National Park, "followed by seaside activity, with possible stopover on IOTA group EU-163". QSL via home calls. [TNX DX World]

4O - Jacek, SP5OXJ will be active holiday style as 4O/SP5OXJ from Budva, Montenegro on 13-20 August. He will be QRV on 40-20 metres CW and digital modes. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, and LoTW. [TNX SP5OXJ]

9M2 - A team of ten operators from the Melaka DX Club will be active as 9M2MI from Undan Island (AS-097) and lighthouse on 16-18 August. They will be QRV on 40, 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10 metres SSB and CW. QSL via 9M2YOT (direct only).

9M2 - Once again Rich, PA0RRS will be active as 9M2MRS from Penang Island (AS-015) from 31 December until 23 February 2014. He will operate CW, RTTY and PSK on 40-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, as well as LoTW and eQSL. [TNX PA0RRS]

9M6 - Dave, G4BUO will be active as 9M6/G4BUO from Gaya Island (OC-133) on 4-6 August. He will operate CW only, "fitting in with holiday arrangements". QSL via home call. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

CN - The Council of Europe Radio Amateur Club (CERAC) in partnership with the Association Royale des Radio-Amateurs du Maroc (ARRAM) will be active as 5C0CE on 19-21 August. QSL via F5LGF, logsearch on www.tp2ce.eu [TNX F6FQK]

DL - Ben, DL7BY will be active holiday style as SM6/DL7BY/p from Orust Island (EU-043) on 4-16 August. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX DX Newsletter]

E5_sc - Fabio, IZ0YIV will be active holiday style as E51YIV from the South Cook Islands in October. He will operate SSB and digital modes mainly on 20, 17 and 15 metres from Rarotonga (OC-013, 9-13 October) and Aitutaki (OC-083, 13-17 October). QSL via home call, direct or bureau, LoTW and eQSL. [TNX IZ0YIV]

F - Celebrating the 20th anniversary of the twinning between the Radio Club de Neuville et du Haut Poitou (F5KFL) and the Amateur Radio Club of Ronse/Renaix (ON4RSX), special event station TM20RSX will be active on 10-17 August on all bands and modes. QSL via F5KFL

and eQSL. [TNX VA3RJ]

GM - GM8SRS/p is the callsign to be used from the Isle of Coll, (EU-008) on 4-10 August [425DXN 1160]. Mike 2E0MPC, Andy M1LOL and Ray M1REK will be active on 80-10 metres CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via M1REK, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

JD1_mt - Once again Take, JG8NQJ is active in his spare time as JG8NQJ/JD1 from Minami Torishima (OC-073) until mid-September. He operates CW mainly on 17 metres, with some activity on 15, 12 and 10 metres. QSL via JA8CJY (direct) or JG8NQJ (bureau).

ON - Kurt, ON4CB and others will be active on 80-10 metres as OR9W/p from lighthisp "West-Hinder I" on 17-18 August for the International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend. QSL via ON4CB. [TNX ON4CB]

OX - Bo, OZ1DJJ will be active again as OX3LX from Greenland in August. According to the tentative schedule published on on his website (http://geronne.dk/index.php/ox3lx/ox3lx-dxped), he plans to be QRV from Kangerlussuaq (NA-018) on 4-5 August (HF bands and 6 metres) and from Aasiaat Island (NA-134) on 5-9 August (HF bands and maybe some 6m), while from around the 15th until the 23rd he plans to plans to operate from either NA-018 (main island) and/or NA-243, with a focus on 2m EME and MS. QSL via OZ1PIF.

OX - A group of YL operators (HL1KDW, JR3MVF, LA6RHA, SM6KAT and WA0WOF) will be active as OX5YL from Kangerlussuaq (NA-018), Greenland on 16-20 August. QSL via PA5YL, direct or bureau. Please visit http://home.online.no/~la6rha/greenland2013.htm for further information.

OZ - Dieter, DF2SD will be active holiday style as OZ/DF2SD from the island of Fano (EU-125) on 17-30 August. He will operate RTTY on 30, 17 and 12 metres only (possibly with some SSB). QSL via home call, direct or bureau, LoTW and eQSL. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

P2 - JA1NLX, Akira, will be active as P29VNX from Lissenung Island, Bismarck Archipelago (OC-008) on 8-13 September. He will operate CW, RTTY and PSK31 on 30-10 metres. QSL via JA1NLX (direct only) and LoTW. An OQRS for direct and bureau cards will be available at Club Log (bureau cards will be sent through Global QSL). He has a webpage on www.asahi-net.or.jp/~yy7a-ysd/P29VNX-2013.htm

SM - Ric, DL2VFR will operate CW with some SSB as SD7V from Oland Island (EU-037) on 10-23 August. Some activity during the International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend is possible, most likely from Tokenas Udde. QSL via DL2VFR, direct or bureau, plus LoTW and eQSL. [TNX DL2VFR]

UA - Special event station UE80RWW will be active until 15 September to commemorate the 80th anniversary of the beginning of broadcasting in Volgograd (formerly Stalingrad). QSL via R4AAS. Logsearch and further information can be found at http://ue80rww.cqvlz.ru/en/

UA - Valery RG8K, Victor RW0BG and Igor UA9KDF will be active from Zhuravlinyy Island (AS-109) on 5-11 August, using two callsigns: RT9K/p (5-8 August, QSL via RX9KM) and R20RRC/8 (9-11 August, QSL via RZ3EC). They plan to be QRV on 80-10 metres CW, SSB and digital modes. Follow them on www.aprs.fi (search for ua9kdf-2 while moving and rt9k-14 while on the island). [TNX DX World]

W - Members of the Old Barney ARC (www.obarc.org) will be operating as N2OB from "Old Barney", the Barnegat Lighthouse on Long Beach

Island (NA-111) on 3 August from about 13 UTC to 21 UTC. Expect main activity on 20 and 40 metres SSB, QSL via N2OB. [TNX The Daily DX]

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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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AMSTERDAM 2014 ---> Since their last Press Release in early May, the FT5ZM DXpedition team has made significant progress. They have begun receiving supplies and equipment at their Atlanta staging area, the networking framework for the two station sites has been completed, as well as the plans for several low band receiving systems ("we will be hearing and being heard very well from FT5ZM on the low bands"), and the "on island" procedures are progressing well. As for fundraising, "at this time we are about 2/3 of the way to our goal. Taking into account what we expect from direct QSL requests and OQRS, we are about $75,000 short. This is of some concern". More information on the DXpedition budget can be found at http://www.amsterdamdx.org/why-does-this-dxpedition-cost-so-much/ [TNX K0IR]

CO2WF & T40C ---> "I have relinquished my position as QSL manager for CO2WF and T40C", Phil N1KI says. "Please send QSLs via operator's instructions".

DXCC NEWS ---> The following operations have been approved for DXCC credit:

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| 4S7NZG | Sri Lanka (renewal, 2013 operation) |
| 6O0LA | Somalia (2013 operation) |
| 9M4SLL | Spratly Islands (2012 and 2013 operations) |
| 9Q6CC | Democratic People's Republic of the Congo (2010-11 operation) |
| 9X0EME | Rwanda (2013 operation) |
| T6JM | Afghanistan (2012 operation) |
| XW0YJY | Laos (2013 operation) |
| XW4XR | Laos (current operation) |
| Z80ID | South Sudan (special operation for Independence day celebration, 9 July 2013) |

If you have had any of these rejected in a prior application, send a note to bmoore[@]arrl.org to be placed on the list for an update to your record. Also, please note the submission date and/or reference number where the rejection was noted to expedite the search for any rejected QSOs. [TNX NC1L]

FOCUS75 ---> During the month of May 2013 the First Class CW Operators' Club hosted a CW QSO Party, FOC75, to help celebrate the Club's 75th Anniversary. Over 60 stations around the world signed with the *FOC prefix, making over 200,000 CW QSOs and leading to over 1,600 applications for the commemorative certificate. FOC publishes a quarterly magazine for its members called "FOCUS", edited by Gabor, S57WJ. But this FOC75 event met with such huge success that we have decided to publish an extra edition, called "FOCUS75", which is available to all: just go to www.g4foc.org to download it. You can also download a poster with pictures of some of the operators who used the special *FOC calls. [TNX G3SXW]

IOTA NEWS ---> The following operations in the period June/July 2013 have provided acceptable validation and are therefore approved for IOTA credit: FO/UT6UD (OC-027 & OC-050), H44IND (OC-158), HQ8D (NA-223), HQ8S (NA-035), K6VVA/KL7 (NA-152), T46C (NA-204), YB3MM/7 (OC-166) and YP13S (EU-183). [TNX G3KMA]

OO AWARD ---> The Belgian Amateur Radio Society (UBA) sponsors a commemorative award for contacts made with ON stations using special prefix OO from 21 July to 20 September 2013 [425DXN 1159]. Only OO callsigns with 2 or 3 letters in their suffix count towards this award. Belgian amateurs/SWLs need 25 different stations with at least 5 different OO prefixes, amateurs/SWLs in the rest of Europe need 15 different stations with at least 3 different OO prefixes, amateurs/SWLs in the rest of the world need 7 different stations with at least 2 different OO prefixes. The award will be issued in electronic (PDF) format and it will be free of charge. Log extracts should be mailed before the end of 2013 to the UBA Award Manager, Egbert Hertsen ON4CAS (Egbert.hertsen[@]telenet.be). [TNX ON4CAS]

SLOVAK QSL BUREAU ---> Effective 1 August, the Slovak Amateur Radio Association's QSL Bureau has a new postal address: Slovensky Zvaz Radioamaterov (SZR), P.O.Box 14, 900 31 Stupava, Slovakia. However, those who use courier services must not use the POB, but send the cards direct to the QSL Bureau Manager (OM3JW): Stefan Horecky, Mlynska 2, 900 31 Stupava, Slovakia. [TNX OM3JW]

THE END OF AN ERA ---> "The Voodoo Contest Group has taken part in CQ World-Wide CW Contest from West Africa each November for the past 19 years, operating in ten different countries. We have won the Multi-Operator contest six times. Thirty different operators have participated over the years, travelling from UK and USA.
In 2004 we published a book: 'Contesting in Africa: Multi-Multi on the Equator' describing the first ten years. It is now time to update the story. The timing of this is important because we have now come to the End of an Era, so to speak: we will no longer return to West Africa to take our large stock-pile of equipment out of storage for the 20th time. It has been donated to the Liberian Amateur Radio Association.
The modern form of 'book' is a web-site - so we have developed one. The group offers a huge vote of thanks to John Warburton G4IRN for investing so much skill, time and energy into this project. The site comprises offerings from many of the Contest group and tells, hopefully in detail but also in an entertaining way, the story of these past 19 years.
Visit http://voodoocontestgroup.com to join us on those amazing journeys, laugh with us, take part in our celebration of two decades, almost two sunspot cycles, of Contest Dxpeditioning". [TNX G3SXW]

YASME SUPPORTS DEVELOPER OF VIEWPROP ---> The Board of Directors of The Yasme Foundation (www.yasme.org) is pleased to announce that it has made a grant to support further development of ViewProp, a new utility for propagation visualization developed by Rick Kiessig, ZL2HAM.
ViewProp (http://zl2ham.wikispaces.com/) integrates information from the Reverse Beacon Network and worldwide spotting networks with station location information from QRZ.com and mapping through DXAtlas. The result is a real-

time, worldwide view of amateur radio signals and operation. [TNX W6SZN]

+ SILENT KEYS + "The Voice of Pitcairn" that over the years gave many DXers their first QSO with this DXCC Entity is no longer with us. Tom Christian, VP6TC/VR6TC, MBE passed away on 7 July at 78 years of age. First licensed in 1957, he was the President of the Pitcairn Island Amateur Radio Association when Ducie Island became eligible for DXCC credit (November 2001) as a result of a favourable vote to accept PIARA as an International Amateur Radio Union member-society. He also served for forty years on the Pitcairn Island Council as the Governor's Representative.

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QSLs received direct or through managers: 3D2RX, 4L1MA, 4O3A, 5B4AFM/p (AS-120), 5B4AHL, 5N7M, 5R8IC, 5T0SP, 5W0M, 6Y6T, 7T5OI/p, 7T9A, 7X5KBS, 8Q7KP, 9L1BTB, 9M2CNC, 9M4SLL, 9N7JO, 9Q6CC, 9U4U, A3EAQ, A41OO, A61Q, A73A, AH7G, BV1EK, C31CT, C4W, CE2/CX1EK, CR3L, CR5FC, CY9M, DU6/OE9MON, E21EJC, E21YDP, E51EWP, E51M, EA6SX, EE8X, EF8M, EP3SMH, ER1LW, ES1TU, ET3AA, EX2F, EY8MM, FJ/K5WE, FJ/N5WR, FR1LB, FS/K9EL, GD6IA, GH3IT, GS3PYE/P (EU-008), H40T, H44G, H44IOTA (OC-047), H44IOTA (OC-149), H44S (OC-285), HC2/RC5A, HC2IWM/8, HK1R, HS0ZEE, HT2N, IA5A (EU-028), J35X, J39BS, J49C, J69DS, J69MV, J75PX, KH2/N2NL, KH6MB, LY5A, NH8S, NP4Z, OA6TT, OH0B, OH0BCI, OH0R, OH1VR/VP9, P43A, PJ5/K3TRM, PT0S, PY0F/PP1CZ, R10RLHA (AS-149), RI1ANU, SU1IE, SU8N, SU9AF, SV2ASP/A, SV5BYR, T31A, T5TC, T6MO, TA3TTT, TF3ML, TG9AHM, TS8TI, TX5K, UK8OM, UK8OWW, V63YAH, V73TS, V85XD, VK9NT, VP2ME, VU2BGS, VU2PHD, VU7KV, XV3RZ, XW0ZJZ, XW3DT, YB3MM/7 (OC-237), YB8P (OC-208), YS1/NO7B, Z81X, ZA/UA4WHX, ZB2FK, ZD7DL.

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