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**** DX INFORMATION ****
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7P - Look for G8APB (7P8CP), HB9OCR (7P8OC), K5LBU (7P8CF), K5YY (7P8YY), K9APW (7P8AP), N5JR (7P8JR) and ZS6RJ (7P8RJ) to be active from Lesotho from 22 April to 1 May. QSL via home calls. Check qrz.com for QSLling instructions. [TNX Mediterraneo DX Club]

A3 - Masa, JA0RQV will be active as A35JP/p from Niuatoputapu (OC-191), Tonga from 28 May to 3 June. He plans to be QRV on 80-6 metres CW and SSB, but his operations are likely to be limited "and much depending on the availability of electric power". If the flight is cancelled, he will operate from Vava'u (OC-064) or Tongatapu (OC-049) instead. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, and LoTW. Updates will be posted to http://blog.goo.ne.jp/rqv

BY - A group of Chinese operators (BA7CK, BA7IO, BA7JA, BA7NQ, BD7YC and BI7IOB) will be active as B7CRA from the rare Paracel/Xisha Islands (AS-143) for about one week sometime between 21 April and 10 May. QSL via BA4EG. Logsearch on Club Log. This IOTA group was activated only once back in September 1999. [TNX NG3K]

D4 - Joerg, DL3LUM will be active holiday style as D44TXU from Ilha do Sal (AF-086), Cape Verde on 19-25 April. He will operate CW QRP on 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10 metres. QSL via DL3LUM, direct or bureau.

FK - Cezar, VE3LYC and Johan, PA3EXX are planning an operation to take place as TX4A from the remote Matthew Island (OC-218), New Caledonia for a period of four days during the first part of September. Further information is expected in due course. "This will be not only a very difficult, but also very expensive project. The team is actively looking for financial support from groups and individuals who wish to assist in defraying some of the project costs. Donations can be sent to Cezar by PayPal at ve3lyc[@]hotmail.com or by mail". IOTA group OC-218 was activated only once, by FK5M, back in December 1996. [TNX VE3LYC]

G - Christian EA3NT, Vincent F4BKV, Gil F4FET and Col MM0NDX will be active as MX0INT from Longstone, Farne Islands (EU-109) on 10-11 May. They plan to operate CW and SSB with 3 or four stations on the HF bands and 6 metres. "At this stage it is likely the activation will be during local daylight hours only", they say, "however we will strive for a longer activation period when actually there, working with island representatives. Please be aware that weather and sea conditions will determine this whole activation". Logsearch and further information can be found at http://www.invokerteam.com/mx0int/index.htm; QSL via F5CWU, direct or bureau (OQRS on http://f5cwu.net/oqrs/). Follow them on Twitter (@Invoker_Team).

GM - A team from the Kilmarnock and Loudoun Amateur Radio Club will be active as MM0KLR from the Isle of Canna (EU-008) on 21-25 April. They will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 160-2 metres. QSL

via MM0KLR (bureau) or MM0GHM (direct). [TNX rsgbiota.org]

GM - The Camb-Hams (http://dx.camb-hams.com) will be active as GS3PYE/p from the Isle of Lewis (EU-010) from 26 April to 3 May. A large group of operators will be QRV with five stations on 80-10 metres, as well as on 6m, 4m, 2m & 70cm for Satellites and 2m & 23cm for EME. QSL via M0VFC; logsearch and OQRS on Club Log.

GM - 2E1BVS, G3WFK, G6HFF and G6MML will be active as GB2SOH from Isle of Scalpay (EU-010) from 27 April to 9 May. QSL via G6MML, direct or bureau.

HI - Juergen, DL4SDW will be active as HI3/DL4SDW from Villa Gonzalez, Dominican Republic (NA-096) from 18 April to 15 May. He will operate mainly CW on the HF bands. QSL via home call, bureau preferred. [TNX DX Newsletter]

SM - Fred, SM7DAY will be active as SM7DAY/p from Senoren Island (EU-138) on 21-27 April. He will operate CW, SSB and PSK on the HF bands. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX SM7DAY]

TK - Alex, IW5ELA will be active holiday style as TK/IW5ELA from Calvi, Corsica (EU-014) from 25 April to 1 May. He will operate mainly CW on 40-10 metres (maybe also 6m). QSL via home call. [TNX NG3K]

VK - The Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia (VK2CL) will be active as AX2CL (www.ax2cl.blogspot.com.au) from Bare Island (OC-001), New South Wales for ANZAC Day on 25-26 April. QSL direct to HAROA, P.O. Box 13, Sans Souci NSW 2219, Australia.

YB - Din, YB8RW will be active as YB8RW/p from Pulau Tahulandang (OC-210) on 23-28 April. QSL via YB9BU. Other team members include YB8RXA, YB8SFE, YB8UMX, YD8SVX, YD8TWV and YD8UFD. [TNX JN6RZM]

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4K9W: APPEAL FOR HELP ---> "Being an invalid, after the loss of his mother, Vlad needs to arrange a continued care by his own to keep having a more or less normal life and to enjoy our great hobby on air", Axel DL6KVA (Vlad's QSL manager) wrote back in late 2008.
"With all this help from over 700 people and more than EUR 30,000 spent for this", DL6KVA says new, "we got here into 2014". The vital 24/7 care is assured until the end of June, after that "only about 25% of the monthly needed EUR 490,00 are assured". While appreciating one time donations, DL6KVA says that "what really would help is to find about 15 people or so who are able and would like to support Vlad with about EUR 20,00 each on a monthly basis". Full information about this ongoing project can be found at http://4k9w.blogspot.de/. Axel's e-mail address (also used for PayPal donations) is dl6kva[@]darc.de. [TNX DL6KVA]

BEST COMMUNICATION AWARD ---> The "Best Communication Award" by DX Coffee takes into account the Public Relations side of a DXpedition, i.e. the information (daily reports, pictures, videos, forums, propagation hints, on line logs, operating advice, etc) provided to the amateur radio community through the DXpedition website and other channels. The first award will be

presented during the DX Coffee Party on 17-18 May. See http://www.dxcoffee.com/eng/ for further information. [TNX IZ8IYX]

DXCC NEWS ---> VK9MT (Mellish Reef, 2014 operation) has been approved for DXCC credit. [TNX NC1L]

FT4TA ---> The pilot stations for the FT4TA DXpedition to Tromelin Island (30 October-10 November) are: Col MM0NDX (Chief Pilot), Harumi JR4OZR (Asia/Japan), Bjorn ON9CFG (Europe/Africa), Al ZL2AL (Oceania), Don N1DG (North America East Coast/South America) and Rich KY6R (North America West Coast). The Mississippi River will be considered as the boundary between NA East and West Coasts. The pilots will not have access to the logs; inquiries about that must go to the QSL manager. Detailed information on the pilot stations can be found at www.tromelin2014.com/pilotes

J8 ---> Ark, J8/UA4CC and Arunas, J8/LY2IJ made 20,000 QSOs (almost 1000 on 160 metres) during their recent operation from Bequia Island (NA-025). Logsearch and OQRS are available for both callsigns on Club Log; the logs have bee uploaded to LoTW. [TNX UA4CC]

QSL ARRL CENTENNIAL STATIONS ---> QSL cards for contacts made with W100AW, W1AW/x and W1HQ during 2014 will be sent automatically to stations outside the USA via the ARRL QSL Bureau as normal. Arrangements for US stations to have those QSLs delivered via the bureau (a one-time only use of the QSL Bureau for this purpose) can be found at http://www.arrl.org/AW-BureauQSLs.

VK9MT ---> VK9MT Mellish Reef was activated on 30 March at 04:34 UTC with ZL4PW first in the log and went QRT on 4 April at 13:53 UTC with JL1MTY closing the log. "Our decision to leave the island didn't come easily", the team reports. The weather had grown progressively worse each day, and "just as the last QSO was made, it became clear we could not remain on the island another day. It was 01:00 (local) when the rain began. The wind was blowing at about 35-40 knots; we had water infiltrating the operating tents and the antennas were taking a severe beating". The operators decided to QRT and spent the next several hours packing equipment using head and hand torches; antennas and tents were taken down at dawn. "Once the storm was officially declared Cyclone Ita there was no question we made the correct decision". The team's goal was 80,000 QSOs in ten days; "in five days we made 40,000 QSOs (61% CW, 30.5% SSB and 8.6% RTTY) which put us on track for the original target". Read the Final Press Release (issued on 17 April) on http://vk9mt.com/ [TNX K5GS]

W1AW WAS ---> Look for ARRL Centennial stations W1AW/2 from New Jersey and W1AW/1 from New Hampshire to be on the air starting at 00.00 UTC on 23 April until 23.59 UTC on the 29th. Complete information on the ARRL Centennial QSO Party can be found at www.arrl.org/centennial-qso-party.

WORLD CASTLES WEEKEND ---> Organized by the World Castles Activity Group, it will be held on 14-15 June. Several stations are expected to operate from fortresses and castles around Europe. Information on the event can be found at www.wcagroup.org. [TNX RN1CW]

+ SILENT KEYS + Klaus Behrndt (DJ4SO) passed away on 13 April. A former

radio officer in the merchant navy and an active DXer, he operated from various countries (including Antarctica as DP0GVN and several visits to Namibia as V5/DJ4SO). Other recently reported Silent Keys include Angelo Lo Re (I1PYS) and Mike Baker (NL7G).

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******* QSL ROUTES *******
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CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER
3D2SE	ZL3TE	EI1Y	EI5JQ	NL8F	K8NA
3Z0WARD	SP6IEQ	EI30T	EI3CTB	OD5RW	K8NA
3Z14EASTER	SP6IEQ	EI6DX	RX3RC	OK8WW	OM2FY
3Z150OSP	SP3PKA	EN0U	UT7UT	OS11M	ON5UK
3Z6QRO	SP6JIU	ER80KEDR	ER1FF	OS14M	ON4MCL
4L8A	K1BV	EV5SL	EV1P	OS16M	ON1DX
7X2BDX	IK2DUW	EV80KEDR	EW7WW	OS19M	ON5JE
9A1WFF/p	9A2MF	GB4T	M0DOL	PA530ROT	PA0ABM
9K2F	9K2HN	HB0/PA2HGJ	PE1FLO	PH38EU	PD7YY or PE1GNP
9K2UU	EA5ZD	HB0/PA2RDK	PE1FLO	PJ4H	DK7AN
9M2TO	JA0DMV	HB0/PA3CNO	PE1FLO	R70KRC	R7AA
9M6/NR1J	JF1SJT	HB0/PA3HK	PE1FLO	R80KEDR	R3AS
A35V	N3SL	HB0/PE0MGB	PE1FLO	RW80SV	RV9CQ
A35X	N3SL	HB0/PE1FLO	PE1FLO	S21R	N4VA
A91WARD	IZ8CLM	HF0JP2S	SP8PZI	S79SD	F5JSD
A92AA	IZ8CLM	HG100ATOM	HA3KNA	S79WK	OE1MWW
AH0J	JA1NVF	HG140JLO	HA8KW	SK89WARD	SM6JSM
C5WP	ON7WP	HG45HS	HA5HS	SN150SZ	SP7PCA
CE0Y/UA4WHX	UA4WHX	HP1A	HP1RCP	SN2014JPII	SP4ZHX
CN2CA	PA9M	HT5T	TI4SU	SV0XAF/8	HB9EBC
CN8KD	EA5XX	HZ14WARD	HZ7C	T88QX	DF8DX
CO4LS	EA7FTR	HZ1DG	EA7FTR	TM02REF	F5BBD
CO8LY	EA7ADH	II0SPQR	IZ0YCB	TM22TSF	F6HRO
CR500TB	CS5NRA	II1SWL	IW1EHL	TM25CFT	F5KMY
CW4R	CX1AA	J42AGM	SV2DGH	TM29UFT	F6ICG
D8A	6K5YPD	J88PI	GW4DVB	TM8BIRD	F5INJ
DQ0HARZ	DF7AA	JD1AAI	JA2NQG	V26MN	DF8AN
E20HHK/p	E21EIC	JW7QIA	LA7QIA	V47GIW	W4GIW
EG7MSP	EA7RCM	JY4CI	K2AX	VI2ATZ50	VK2ATZ
EG7SCM	EA7URM	JY9ET	M0OXO	VP2MMN	DF8AN
EH1ARD	EA1AST	KG4ZD	AF5PM	XU7TZG	ON7PP
EH4GT	EA4TE	KH8/DL2AWG	DL2AWG	YF1AR/0	N2OO
EH6ARD	EA6QY	KH8/DL6JGN	DL2AWG	ZD9M	ZS1A
EI0PL	EI5JQ	KH8/PA3EWP	DL2AWG	ZT1T	ZS1AFS

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