5B - Once again Alessandro, IZ4AMS (www.iz4ams.com) will be active holiday style as 5B/IZ4AMS from Cyprus on 15-25 June. He plans to pay "special attention" to 12, 10 and 6 metres. QSL via home call. Log search and QQRS on Club Log. [TNX IZ4AMS]

E5_sc - According to his qrz.com page, Andy, E51AND expects to be active from the islands of Mauke on 10-13 June and Mitiaro on 15-18 July. Both are in the South Cooks and count for IOTA group OC-083. When portable, E51AND runs 100 watts to a 43-foot vertical with 30 radials. He operates SSB and slow CW. QSL to E51AND, direct only.

FK - The website for the TX4A DXpedition to Matthew Island (OC-218) [425DXN 1198] is now up and running at http://tx4a.yolasite.com. Cezar (VE3LYC) will be joined by Bob (KD1CT), as PA3EXX is no longer available for the trip. They plan to be active from the island for four days between 1 and 9 September, and to maintain one station on the air around the clock, operating on 40-10 metres CW and SSB. The team will meet in Noumea two days before leaving to the island. Sailing is supposed to take 2-3 days each way, depending on wind and currents. Dan, W4DKS (dan.sullivan[@]verizon.net) will be the pilot station for the operation. QSL via VE3LYC, direct or bureau; logsearch and QQRS on Club Log. This will a very difficult and very expensive project. The team is looking for financial support from groups and individuals who wish to assist in defraying some of the costs. PayPal donations can be made through the website.

Michel, FK8IK will be sailing with some non-ham friends between 1 and 30 November, with planned visits to the Chesterfield Islands and two New Caledonian IOTA groups. His tentative schedule is as follows:
5-9 November    TX5C  Chesterfield Islands (OC-176)
14-17 November  TX5E  d'Entrecasteaux Reefs (OC-058)
21-24 November  TX5B  Belep Islands (OC-079)
Michel will sign FK8IK/mm when sailing. While on the islands he will operate CW and SSB on 40-10 metres running 100 watts into a vertical antenna. [TNX F6AJA and Les Nouvelles DX]

GJ - Freddy, F4HEC will be active as MJ/F4HEC from Jersey on 6-8 June. He will be QRV on 80-10 metres SSB, possibly also on 6 metres. QSL via home call, direct only. [TNX NG3K]

GM - Geoffrey, M5GAC will be active as MM5GAC/p from Islay (EU-008) on 15-27 June. He will be QRV in his early mornings and evenings, mainly on 80, 40 and 20 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgb iota.org]

HL - Kei, HL2UVH and other 17 operators will be active again as 6M6M between 16 June and 31 July. They will be QRV on 6 metres only, with high power stations. They will operate from the Korean
mainland and from Cheju Island (AS-026, between 20 June and 23 July). QSL via HL2UVH.

I - The Extreme DX & Contest Group (www.extremegroup.org) will be active as IL3A from the island of Mazzorbo (EU-131) on 7 June. QSL via IK3HHX, direct or bureau (email requests for bureau cards can be sent to marichhx[@]tiscali.it). [TNX IZ3NVR]

I - ARI Vinci will be active as II5LDV from the birthplace of Leonardo da Vinci in Anchiano on 7-8 June. They will be QRV on the HF bands and 6 metres. QSL via bureau (preferred); direct cards should be sent to I5KZUB. [TNX I5YOJ]

KH2 - Look for KH2/AC2LI (QSL via JA2QNV), KH2/K2IO (QSL via JA2JWH), KH2/JA2CCV (QSL via home call) and KH2/JG2VLL (QSL via home call) to be active from Guam (OC-026) on 7-8 June. They will operate SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK on 40-6 metres.

OH - OF60A is the special callsign celebrating the 60th anniversary of the OH6AA radio club. It will be used on 8 June from Bjorkon Island (EU-101) and again on 13-15 June from Hailuoto Island (EU-184). QSL via OH6GDX, direct or bureau. The callsign expires on 31 December 2014. [TNX The Daily DX]

PY - The National Telecommunications Agency has authorized Brazilian amateur radio operators to use special callsigns during the FIFA World Cup (12 June to 13 July). They will take the form of any individual callsign with a double prefix number, e.g. PY1AA = PY11AA, PP2ABC = PP22ABC, PY6XX = PY66XY, PT9MM = PT99MM.

SU - A team from the Egyptian Radio Amateurs Society for Development (ERASD) will again be active as SU8N from Jazirat Disuqi (Nelson's Island, AF-109) between 13 and 20 June. [TNX DX World]

UN - UN6GAO, UN6GDR, UN6QC, UN7GIT and possibly others will be active as UP44WFF on 6-8 June. They will operate SSB, PSK63, RTTY and maybe CW on 40, 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10 metres from the Kukansky nature reserve at the shore of Lake Balkhash. QSL via UN6QC (direct), LoTW and http://eqsl.kz/. Information on the Kazakhstan Flora and Fauna programme can be found at http://unff.kz/. [TNX UN6QC]

VK9 - JA3FVJ, JA3QWN, JA3TJA, JF3PLF and JH3FUK will be active as VK9EC from Cocos/Keeling Island (OC-003) from 29 July to 2 August and as VK9EX from Christmas Island (OC-002) on 2-8 August. They plan to be QRV on 160-6 metres SSB, CW, RTTY, PSK31 and FM; it will be a holiday style operation, but they "will make an effort to be QRV as long as possible". QSL via JF3PLF, direct or bureau (OQRS on Club Log), and LoTW. Website: http://vk9.nobody.jp [TNX JF3PLF]

VP5 - Georg, DK7LX and Phil, G3SWH will be active as VP5/G3SWH from Grand Turk Island (NA-003) on 1-9 October. They will have two stations with wire antennas and operate CW only on 80-10 metres (no activity on 160, 60 or 6 metres). QSL via G3SWH, direct or bureau (OQRS on Phil's website), and LoTW. Logsearch will be available at www.g3swh.org.uk/vp5-g3swh.html (to be updated daily, "subject to a decent Internet connection") and on Club Log. [TNX G3SWH]

W - Ron, AC7DX will be active as W7C from 15 June to 13 July for the 2014 FIFA World Cup. His motto is: "Radiosporting and Soccer Uniting the World". QSL direct only to Ron G. Lago, 1345 City View, Eugene OR 97402, USA.
W - Look for Dan, AK4PX/p to be active from Garden Key, Dry Tortugas (NA-079) on 14-16 June. He will operate SSB on 40-10 metres and especially on 6 metres during the ARRL June VHF Contest. QSL direct or LoTW. [TNX NG3K]

PACIFIC TOUR ---> Dmitry, RM2A will be active from the Fiji Islands and Samoa as follows:
1-2 July  3D2ML  Beachcomber Island  OC-121
3-7 July  5W0ML  Upolu, Samoa  OC-097
8-13 July  3D2ML  Nanuya Balavu Island  OC-156
13 July  3D2ML  Viti Levu Island  OC-016
He will operate CW and SSB on the HF bands. QSL via home call.

GOOD TO KNOW ...

20TH IOTA DINNER ---> The 20th annual IOTA Dinner at the Visalia International DX Convention will be held on 17 April 2015, and the organizers "would love to have as many IOTA Chasers & IOTA Expeditioners as possible" join them to celebrate the anniversary. "For our planning purposes, it would be very helpful to get an idea of how many plan to attend (or will be seriously thinking about attending). A short inquiry page is now up at: http://www.k6vva.com/iotadinner". Convention registration begins on 16 June; details at www.dxconvention.com. [TNX N6VR]

IOTA SURVEY ---> The Korea Contest Club is conducting a survey to know the current demand for HL IOTA groups and organize their future activities accordingly: http://www.d9k.org/xe/vote_iota (the 'submit' button is the one on the right at the end of the page). The deadline is 30 June. [TNX DS2GOO]

QSL VK9MT ---> On 2 June a large batch of VK9MT (Mellish Reef) QSL cards were mailed from the United Kingdom. Included in the mailing are all (received to date) OQRS requests and all requests made directly to the QSL manager (a total of 2724 individual letters), plus bulk packages of outgoing cards to the Danish DX Group, DX-Italia, the German DX Foundation, the Mediterraneo DX Club and the Swiss DX Foundation. Additionally, requests for confirmation through the bureau system will be bulk mailed to the worldwide bureaux. LoTW was uploaded shortly after the DXpedition.

SEANET CONTEST & CONVENTION ---> This year's SEANET Contest will take place on 7-8 June (24 hours). The results will be announced at the 42nd SEANET Convention, to be held in Bali, Indonesia on 14-17 November. Full information on the Contest and the convention can be found at http://orari.or.id/seanet2014/

W1AW WAS ---> Look for ARRL Centennial stations W1AW/5 from Arkansas and W1AW/0 from Minnesota to be on the air starting at 00.00 UTC on 11 June until 23.59 UTC on the 17th Complete information on the ARRL Centennial QSO
QSLs received direct or through managers: 3A60ARM, 3C0BYP, 3D2RA, 3D2RA/p, 4J3M, 4L0A, 4S7DFG, 4S7FRG, 4S7LXG, 5B/RN3QO, 5B4AJC, 5W1SA, 6Y3M, 7Q7BP, 9H25Y, 9L1A, 9X0NH, A43MI (AS-014), A52JR, A71A, A71BO, A71EM, AH0K, AP/WA2WYR, AP2TN, AU2MQT (AS-153), BY4TC, C31CT, C0OSS, C06RD, CS2C, CU2AP, CW5F (SA-057), CX2BR, CY0/VA1AHC, DU7ET, E29BUQ, EA9/DL2RNS, EG5INT (EU-069), EP2MKO, EP3HF, EX2F, FK8CE, FO/K7ST, FR1LB, GB0MPA, GC3ZME, GM2V, GM5M, HA5JI, HG15IPA, HG3IPA, HH2/N5JC, HS0ZIN, HS0ZIQ, HV0A, J28NC, J52HF, J75KG, J75Z, J79VC, J8/LY2IJ, JD1YBT, JH10GT/6 (AS-047), JT1AA/3, JY9FC, K9W, KH2L, KH8/DL2AWG (OC-077), KH8/DL6JGN (OC-077), KH8/PA3EWP (OC-077), KL7IWC, LU1FAM, LU4ZS (AN-013), QA4/N7CW, OD5NJ/p (AS-108), OD70YY, OGOA, OJOX, PJ2/W5BOS, PJ5/K3TRM, PP5VB, PQ9M, PY0F/PP1CZ, S21ZBC, S9TF, SN110RAEM, SV2ASP/A, T33A, T46C (NA-204), T48K, TA1CR, TA3TTT, TK0INT (EU-100), TK1INT (EU-104), TK2INT (EU-164), TM200CF, TO4C, TO7CC, TX6G, TY2BP, T26BB, UK9AA, UN5J, UP0KEDR, UP1KEDR, UP4KEDR, UP6KEDR, V25A, V63PSK, V73NS, V85TL, VP2E2Z, VP2V/SP6CIK, VP2V/SP9F1H, VU4K, VU7AG, W8A, XV2RZ, XZ1J, YB3MM/4 (OC-262), YB3ZP, YB8HZ/p (OC-145), YF1AR/8 (OC-219), YF1AR/8 (OC-272), YF1AR/8 (OC-273), YW5B (SA-037), YW5PI (SA-048), 230U, 260WW, 263MED, ZL7/OE2SNL.

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