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**** DX INFORMATION ****

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A4 - A group from the Royal Omani ARS will operate SSB, CW and digital modes as A43MI from Masirah Island (AS-014) on 7-11 August. QSL via A47RS. [TNX DX World]

CE0_ei - Cristian, CE2WTF and Manuel, CE2NTT will be active as XR0YH and XR0YG respectively from Easter Island (SA-001) on 2-3 August. They plan to be QRV on 40-6 metres SSB. QSL via home calls.

EA - Guillermo, EA5MON (www.ea5mon.com) will be active from the Columbretes Islands (EU-069) on 6-9 August. QSL via home call (bureau preferred) and LoTW. [TNX DX World]

EA8 - Celebrating the fifth anniversary of the opening of the Gran Telescopio Canarias, the largest optical telescope in the world, special event callsign AN8GTC will be used from the observatory at Roque de los Muchachos on La Palma, Canary Islands (AF-004) on 9-10 August. Several stations will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on all bands. QSL via EA8RCP. [TNX EA8AB]

G - Special callsign GB100ZZ will be in use on 3-30 August from the Marconi Centre in Poldhu to honour the wireless operators who gave their lives in the Great War on both sides of the conflict. ZZ was the call sign used by the Marconi Company's station in Poldhu to send news, weather, danger and safety bulletins to merchant ships, including the Admiralty message that on the night between 4 and 5 August 1914 announced that war had been declared. QSL via eQSL or direct to G3PLE. Further information at www.500kcs.org [TNX Southgate ARC]

GI - G0RCI, G6SSN, G7DEH, M0GUU and M0USY will be active as GN0GRC from Rathlin Island (EU-122) on 14-20 August. They also plan to operate from three lighthouses while there. QSL via G0RCI, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

GJ - Paul, F6EXV as MJ0EXV and Jan, DJ8NK as GJ0VNK will be active from Jersey (EU-013) on 8-12 August. They will be QRV with two stations on 160-6 metres CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via home calls (OQRS on Club Log) and LoTW. [TNX The Daily DX]

HI - A large group of operators from the Dominican Republic and the US will be active as HI2DX from Isla Saona (NA-122) on 19-23 November. They will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 160-6 metres. QSL via M0URX (preferably through his OQRS at http://m0urx.com/oqrs/) and LoTW "at the earliest opportunity". Website at http://saonadxpedition2014.com/.

HR - Dan, HR2DMR has been active as HQ8D from Vivorillo Cays (NA-223) since 31 July, with activity planned for 2-3 days. After the weekend, he hopes to operate as HQ8S from the Swan Islands (NA-035). QSL both calls via KD4POJ. [TNX DX World]

JA - Hiro, JS3CTQ plans to be active as JA6TBE/5 from either Tonosho-cho (JCG 36005C) or Shodoshima-cho (JCG 36005D) on 13-16

August. These towns are both located on Shodo Island, which is expected to count for AS-200 (one of the newly created IOTA groups). On 12-15 September he will be active as JA6TBE/4 from Ama-cho (JCG 32006D) on Nakano-shima, Oki Islands (AS-041). QSL via bureau to JA6TBE, or direct to JS3CTQ (email him for PayPal details). [TNX DX World]

KH0 - Kuny, 7L1FPU (AH0BT) and his 14-year-old son Yoshiki JF1UCV (KH0UA) are active from Saipan (OC-086), Mariana Islands until 4 August. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau (AH0BT also via LoTW). [TNX NG3K]

KH0 - Once again Yutaka, JQ2GYU and his wife Miho, JJ2VLY will be active as NH0J from Tinian Island (OC-086) on 10-15 August. They will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 80-10 metres. QSL via JJ2VLY and LoTW. [TNX NG3K]

OD - Special event station OD5ARMY will be active on 1-3 August to commemorate the 69th Lebanese Army Day. QSL via KK4OK (direct only).

ON - The Brussels-East Radio Club (ON5UB) will be active as OP14B on 4 August for one month to commemorate the 100th anniversary of "Radio Laeken" and the 1914-18 war. They will operate from near the site of that broadcast station, set up in October 1913 and dismantled in August 1914. QSL via the UBA bureau.

SV - Laci, HA0NAR will be active holiday style as SV8/HG0R from Thassos Island (EU-174) on 2-8 August. He will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on the HF bands and 6 metres. QSL via HA0NAR. [TNX DX World]

SV - Diego, IZ1JFT will be active as SV8/IZ1JFT/p from the island of Agkistri (EU-075) on 7-22 August. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

SV - Max, IZ2ZTQ will be QRV as SV8/IZ2ZTQ from his sailing yacht "Y2K" while island hopping in Greece between 10 and 20 August. He will operate mainly during his evening hours on 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres SSB and digital modes. QSL via home call. As per IOTA rules, "contacts with maritime mobile stations near islands, whether or not they operate with a /MM callsign, will not be accepted. This applies also to stations on board boat in harbour or anchored close to shore".

VE - Mike, VY0BRR (www.vy0brr.jimdo.com) will be active from Nottingham Island (NA-156, not NA-007) on 1-4 August. Look for him around 14160 kHz at 22 UTC; if band conditions are poor, he says, he will try 18140 kHz. QSL via VE2XB.

VE - Larry, K4KGG will be active holiday style as K4KGG/VO1 from Fogo Island (NA-198) on 2-5 August. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, and LoTW; logsearch on Club Log. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

VE - Robert, VY2XDK (VE3RHE) will be active as XO2C from Prince Edward Island (NA-029) on 20-25 August. QSL via bureau, or direct to VE3RHE. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

VP9 - Eric, K9GY will be active as K9GY/VP9 from Bermuda (NA-005) on 6-11 August, including participation in the Worked All Europe CW Contest. QSL via K9GY (direct) or LoTW (preferred). [TNX NG3K]

VQ9 - Bob, N7XR (www.n7xr.net) will be active as VQ9XR [425DXN 1183] from Diego Garcia (AF-006), Chagos Archipelago "on or about 25 August for three weeks". He will operate CW, RTTY and SSB on 160-10 metres. QSL via N7XR, direct only; neither bureau nor LoTW.

Logsearch and OQRS on Club Log.

VU - VU2UR and VU2LX (CW), VU2LU, VU2GGM and VU2JHM (SSB and digital modes) will be active as AT5RP from Pamban Island (AS-173) on 13-17 August. This IOTA group for was activated only once, by AT0RI back in 2004. AT5RP's two stations will be QRV from both the lighthouses on the island (Pamban Channel and Rameswaram), and the operation will also count for the Gulf of Mannar Marine National Park. QSL via VU2LU. Further information on QSLling will be available on qrz.com. [TNX VU2UR]

YB - Din, YB8RW and others (YB8SX, YC8RLM, YC8ROP and YC8TDK) will be active as homecall/p from Karakitang Island (OC-210) on 5-8 August. QSL via YB9BU. [TNX JN6RZM]

YV - Celebrating the Venezuelan Navy Day, Grupo DX Caracas will be active on all bands and modes as YW5D from Isla La Tortuga (SA-044) on 26-31 August. QSL via DM4TI.

ZD8 - Steve, G3ZVW will be active as ZD8N from Ascension Island (AF-003) on 21-29 August. He will be QRV on 40-10 metres mainly CW, probably with some SSB and digital modes. "This will be a work trip", he says, "so activity will be mainly during the evenings and early mornings". QSL via G3ZVW, direct or bureau. [TNX G3ZVW]

CARIBBEAN TRIP ---> Look for Rick, AI5P to be active holiday style as J3/AI5P from Grenada on 12-22 August, and as 9Y4/AI5P from Tobago (SA-009) from 23 August to 1 September. He will operate mainly CW on 40-10 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX The Daily DX]

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BALTIC WAY 25 ---> Celebrating the 25th anniversary of the Baltic Way (www.balticway.net), amateur radio operators from Estonia, Lithuania and Latvia will use the prefixes ES25, LY25 and YL25 on 1-31 August. Details on Baltic Way-25 Trophy can be found at http://qrz.com/db/LY25W [TNX LY5W]

CUBA ON 60M ---> Pavel, CO7WT has been granted permission to operate on 60 metres. Being on vacation until 19 August, he intends to be QRV around his local sunset (23.30-01.00 UTC), "TX on the Cuba segment from 5418 to 5430 kHz (most of the time on 5425 kHz USB) listening on one of the USA channels per my instructions". He accepts schedules by email (co7wt[@]frcuba.co.cu).

ERTC 2014 ---> The European Radiosport Team Championship, the youth version of WRTC 2014, was held in Virrat, Finland one week after the Boston WRTC event with 15 three-person youth teams seated in one room in front of their computers and connected to the global Amateur Radio simulator over the Internet, all in Virtual Reality. The gold medalist was the team from the Czech Republic (OK2SVA, OK1NOR and OK1JD), the silver medal went to Italy (IZ6TSA, IT9RGY and IT9DBF) and the bronze medal went to Estonia (ES1XQ, ES5HTA and 18). ERTC 2014 was part of a European wide youth gathering known as Youngsters On The Air (YOTA) which is held every year in different

European Union countries under EU and International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) sponsorship. The complete press release is on www.qrz.com/db/of3ertc. [TNX OH2BH]

VK0EK: HEARD ISLAND 2016 ---> Wayne Mills, N7NG and Martti Laine, OH2BH will be the new Radio Team leaders for the VK0EK expedition (http://vk0ek.org) to Heard Island [425DXN 1207]. "They will have complete authority and responsibility to build the team, interface with the DXing community, manage radio operations on Heard Island, and other matters relating to the radio part of the expedition. Matters that concern the entire expedition such as safety, schedule, vessel, logistics, communications, facilities, and finances remain the responsibility of the Expedition Leader, Robert Schmieder". [TNX KY6R]

W1AW WAS ---> Look for ARRL Centennial stations W1AW/1 from Vermont and W1AW/2 from New Jersey to be on the air starting at 00.00 UTC on 6 August until 23.59 UTC on the 12th. Complete information on the ARRL Centennial QSO Party can be found at www.arrl.org/centennial-qso-party.

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3B8MM, 3B9EME, 4W/HB9FLX, 4X266POPE, 5J0R, 5U5U, 6V7D, 7Q7GIA, 7Q7VW, 9M2TO, 9M6LZY, A43MI, A65BP, A92HK, BY5HB, CU7MD, CY0P, E20PFE, EA6UN, ED5URL, EJ/IW3FWT, EP3HF, ER1LW, FK8HA, FT5ZM, FW5JJ, FY/F5UOW, GS6PYE/p (EU-112), HI3/N3SY, HS0ZCW, KL7HBK, KP2/K3TEJ, MD/DL9BBE, MS0WRC (EU-092), MX0INT (EU-109), OX3LX, PZ5RA, RI1ANR, S01WS, SU9AF, SX5LA, TA2ES, TM1INT (EU-159), TM2NOI (EU-064), TX6G, UK/R1ZY, V21ZG, V650XG, V85TL, VP2MLL, XV2E, XX9LT, XZ1Z, YB3MM/8 (OC-209), YB3MM/8 (OC-219), YB4IR/5 (OC-109), YB8RW/p (OC-209), YB8RW/p (OC-210), YB8RW/p (OC-236), YC1RIF, YC6UAX, YC8UTI/p (OC-209), YV5ANF/p (SA-089), ZF2ZH, ZF35EJ.

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