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3W - The website for the 3W3MD DXpedition to Vietnam [425DXN 1251] is now up and running at www.mdxc.org/3w3md/. A very large multi-national team will be active on all bands and modes from 31 October to 10 November. QSL via IK2VUC, direct or bureau, and eventually LoTW.

5B - 5B70VE is the special callsign that members of Pafos Radio Club (5B4PRC) will use in May to celebrate the 70th anniversary of VE Day and the end of World War II. QSL via 5B4AHO. [TNX 5B4AHJ]

5U - Christian, F4WBN will be active again as 5U5U from Niger from 30 May to 16 June. In his spare time he will operate SSB and some RTTY on 40-6 metres. QSL via home call (direct). [TNX DX World]

5Z - The Italian DXpedition Team (Silvano I2YSB, Vinicio IK2CIO, Angelo IK2CKR, Marcello IK2DIA and Stefano IK2HKT) will be active as 5Z0L on 21-31 May. They will operate CW (3530, 7025, 10115, 14030, 18068, 21030, 24893 and 28030 kHz), SSB (14270, 18155, 21310, 24975 and 28420 kHz) and RTTY (14083 kHz) with three stations; a special emphasis will be put on 6 metres (50102 CW and 50123 SSB), as this band was opened to amateur radio just a few weeks ago. The team will leave their 5-element antenna to Daniel, 5Z4/EA4ATI for him to continue activity on 6 metres after the end of the expedition. QSL via I2YSB. Further information, logsearch, QSLling details and OQRS for direct cards at www.i2ysb.com/idt. The pilot stations are IK7JWY and (for 6m) IK0FTA; a dedicated forum is on www.hamradioweb.org. [TNX IK7JWY]

9A - Once again Jan, PA4JJ will be active holiday style as 9A/PA4JJ from Croatia beyween 30 May and 30 June. Expect him to operate mainly digital modes. QSL via home call, direct or bureau (OQRS on Club Log), and LoTW. [TNX PA4JJ]

9N - BA4TB and BD4TR are members of the Chinese rescue team deployed in Nepal after the earthquake. In their spare time they are active as 9N7TB and 9N7TR on the HF bands. QSL via home calls. [TNX DX World]

C5 - Alan, G3XAQ will be active holiday style as C56XA from The Gambia from 16 May to 4 June. He will operate CW on the HF bands, and will participate in the CQ WW WPX CW Contest. QSL via G3SWH. [TNX NG3K]

CX - Celebrating the 150th anniversary of the International Telecommunication Union, two special callsigns will be active from Uruguay on 15-30 May: CW150ITU by Radio Club Uruguayo (QSL via CX1AA, direct or bureau), and CX150ITU by Radiogrupo Sur (QSL via CX2ABC, direct only).

D4 - Jos, PA3FYC will be active holiday style as D44TCA from Boa Vista (AF-086), Cape Verde on 10-22 May. QSL via PA3FYC. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

DL - Mario, DJ7MH will be active as DJ7MH/p from Baltrum Island (EU-047) on 22-24 May. He will operate QRP CW on 40, 30 and 20 metres. QSL via home call, eQSL and LoTW. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

E5 - Doug, W6HB as E51DLD and Brad, W0VFT as E51VFT will be active from Rarotonga (OC-013), South Cook Islands on 17-23 May. They will be QRV on 160-10 metres from the shacks of E51AND and E51JD. QSL via homecalls. [TNX DX World]

E6 - E6NK (op. JA2AAU), E6SS (op. JA2LSS), E6TE (op. JA2ATE) and E6ZS (op. JA2ZS) will be active from Niue (OC-040) on 15-25 May. They will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 160-6 metres. QSL via operator's instructions. [TNX The Daily DX]

FG - Iain, G4SGX will be active as FG/G4SGX from Guadeloupe (NA-11102) on 13-19 May. He will operate mainly CW and possibly some digital mode on 40, 30 and 20 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, and LoTW. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]

FM - Martin, OK1FUA (OL5Y) will be active as TO5Y from Martinique (NA-107) from 22 May to 1 June, including an entry in the CQ WW WPX CW Contest. [TNX NG3K]

GJ - Look for MJ/ON1CH, MJ/ON6EF and MJ/ON6VJ to be active from Jersey (EU-013) on 14-18 May. They will operate SSB on the HF bands and 6 metres. Eddy, ON6EF also expects to be QRV as MU/ON6EF/p from Sark Island (EU-114), Guernsey for one day. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX NG3K]

I - Look for IH9/IK4ALM and IH9/IZ4WJA to be active from Pantelleria (AF-018) on 9-15 May. They will operate SSB, CW (QRS), RTTY and PSK 63 on 40-10 metres. QSL via home calls.

I - Special event station IR6ANA will be active from L'Aquila on 15-17 May for the 88th national reunion of the Italian Army's Alpine troops. QSL via IK6DEN. Also active will be IZ1BWB as IZ1CCK/6 from the Alpine Brigade 'Taurinense' station.

I - Lucky, IZ7EVZ will be active as IL7/IZ7EVZ from the Tremiti Islands (EU-050) from 28 May to 1 June. He will be QRV on 40-6 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX IZ7EVZ]

KC4 - Mike, KD5GLX is now at Palmer Station on Anvers Island (AN-012), Antarctica and plans "to be quite active on the bands" as KC4AAC until late October. QSL direct to K1IED. [TNX DX World]

OX - Michael, OZ1KZX has plans to be active as OX/5P1KZX from Nuuk, Greenland (NA-018) on 15 May for about ten days. In his spare time he will operate digital modes on 40, 20 and 15 metres. QSL via LoTW and eQSL; paper cards will not be available. Updates will be posted to http://www.qrz.com/db/OX/5P1KZX.

OZ - EDR, Denmark's IARU society, will use special callsign OZ150ITU on 17 May to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the International Telecommunication Union. Activity on 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres CW, SSB and digital modes will take place from several different locations around Denmark; each station will have "a unique secondary suffix" and be QRV as OZ150ITU/##, with the number ranging from 10 to 99. All of the QSOs will be uploaded WITHOUT the /## to LoTW, eQSL and Club Log. Paper QSL cards via OZ0J, direct or bureau (please use the OQRS provided by Club Log). See http://www.qrz.com/db/oz150itu for information on the award.

OZ - Thomas, DL7UZO will be active as 5P9Z/p from Romo Island (EU-125) on 23-31 May. He will operate mainly RTTY and CW. QSL via home

call, direct or bureau (OQRS on Club Log). [TNX rsgbiota.org]

P4 - Peter (VK3FN) as P40FN, Chris (VK3FY) as P40FY and David (K3LP) as P40DC will be active from Aruba (SA-036) on 19-26 May. They will be QRV on the HF bands from the late Carl Cook's (P49V) QTH. QSL via M0OXO, preferably through his OQRS on www.m0oxo.com.

PY0F - Ville, PY2ZEA (OH1MM) will be active again as PW0F from Fernando de Noronha (SA-003) on 12-20 May. He will operate CW and SSB on 40-10 metres ("80 and 160 not certain due to limited space and high noise level"). QSL via OH2BH (OQRS on Club Log) and LoTW. [TNX NG3K]

SV - Laci, HA0HW will be active as SW8WW from Thasos Island (EU-174) from 29 May to 8 June. QSL via HA0HW, direct or bureau, preferably through the OQRS provided by Club Log. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

UA - On 7 May 1895 radio pioneer Aleksandr S. Popov gave a public demonstration of the receiving apparatus he had developed. Celebrating the 120th anniversary of Popov's accomplishments, special callsigns R120A, R120D, R120E, R120K, R120L, R120N, R120O, R120P, R120R, R120S, R120V and R120AP are active until 31 May. QSL routes and details on the award programme can be found at http://hambook.ru/en/.

UA - Special callsign UE110L will be used on 11-31 May to celebrate the 110th anniversary of the birth of Russian novelist Mikhail A. Sholokhov, winner of the 1965 Nobel Prize in Literature. QSL via RQ7L, direct or bureau. [TNX R7NB]

YB - Din, YB8RW is continuing his IOTA DXpedition Tour. So far YB8RW/p operated from the islands of Geser (OC-070) on 19 April, Watubela (OC-273) on 20-23 April, Bingkudu (Penyu Islands, OC-274) on 29 April-2 May and Babar (OC-271) on 6-8 May. His next stop will be Moa Island (OC-246), reportedly starting on 9 May during the local morning hours. QSL via YB8RW; see qrz.com for the direct links to Club Log's OQRS.

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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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NEW IOTA CHECKPOINTS APPOINTED ---> RSGB IOTA Management is pleased to announce the appointment with effect from 9 May 2015 of two new checkpoints to cover the central East European countries previously covered by Alex HA7UW (SK). George Szabadkay, HA5WA (geos[@]upcmail.hu) has agreed to take on checkpoint duties for Hungary, Czech Republic, Romania and Slovakia. Augustyn Wawrzynek, SP6BOW (sp6bow[@]poczta.onet.pl) has agreed to accept a similar task for Poland, Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania. Their mailing addresses are OK in QRZ.com. We welcome George and Augustyn to the team and look forward to an increase in IOTA awareness in their areas. IOTA Participants in these countries, please note your new checkpoint. [TNX G3KMA]

OQRS WEBSITE ---> Has developed "a very simple, easy and convenient" OQRS website for "small DXpeditions, holiday types, casual operations, etc" that

might like to offer an OQRS for direct cards "without some of the complications": www.QSLNOW.com. "You are invited to check this out, and if you're interested in more, contact me by email (rrowe61[@]sbcglobal.net)". [TNX N4AA]

PY0NY ---> This is Godoi, PY4NY, was granted special permission to operate as PY0NY from Fernando de Noronha on 2-9 May. QSL via home call (Janio de Souza Godoi, Rua Bom Jesus da Penha 659 BL 47 Ap. 1103, Santa Terezinha, Belo Horizonte - MG, 31365-190, Brazil), eQSL and LoTW.

QSL GALLERY ---> The large collection of QSL cards on Les Nouvelles DX's web site has been updated. Fifteen different galleries include 12,810 cards for the ten Most Wanted DXCC Entities (2004-14), the 61 deleted DXCC Entities, obsolete prefixes, stations from Maghreb from 1945 to 1962, Allied Forces stations in Germany (1945-70), special stations commemorating ITU and IARU, Antarctic bases & TAAF (Terres Australes and Antarctiques Francaises), the various French DXCC island Entities in the Pacific Ocean, the Indian Ocean and the Americas (from 1945 to 1970), pre-1945 countries, French Departments and CONUS, plus a gallery for cards not accepted by DXCC. Your participation is encouraged: www.LesNouvellesdx.fr. [TNX F6AJA]

US ISLANDS ---> "One-Day Getaway" [425DXN 1245] is a US Islands (USI) Awards Program's new operating activity that will take place on 9 May (from 00.00 UTC through 23.59 UTC). More than 70 islands have been registered for activation, including the following IOTA groups: NA-055 (N1QLL), NA-058 (K8CQ), NA-079 (KG4DRP), NA-083 (N3JS), NA-099 (WP4I), NA-106 (KP2XX), NA-112 (N2COP), NA-140 (KA3UNQ), NA-142 (KC4ERT) and NA-213 (KK4BJV). Complete information on the event and the US Islands Program can be found on www.usislands.org. [TNX NS4J]

QSLs received direct or through managers: 1A0C, 3B8CF, 3B9DX, 3B9FR, 3W2JK (AS-130), 3XM6JR, 4S7VG, 5H1ES, 5V7JH, 5W0JY, 5W0KJ, 5Z4/DF3FS, 7X3FG, 9Q0HQ, A45XR, BA7CK (AS-143), C31KC, C91RF, CE0Y/LA5UF, D44AC, DU3/YL3JM (OC-244), E20HHK/p (AS-145), E2X, EU1A, EX2V, FJ/NN2DX, FJ/WW2DX, FK8CP, FP/KV1J, FT4TA, FW5JJ, HB0/HA7JTR, HC2OGT/8, HC8/K7ST, HH2/PY3SB, HS1JNB, HS3XVP, HS7BHK, HZ1DG, J69DS, JG8NQJ/JD1, JI3DST/6 (AS-049), JY9FC, K1N (NA-098), KP2M, LA2S (EU-062), OX3LX (NA-220), P29VIM, P40CX, PY0F/PP1CZ, RI1ANT, S01WS, T6MB, TF2MSN, TG9AHM, TG9NX, TI5/KL9A, TY1AA, UK8FAI, UN6LN, UN7QX, V31AT, V73NS, VK7NSE (OC-195), VP2MEL, VP8DOZ (AN-007), VP8DXU (SA-002), VP8LP, VR2UU, VU2NKS, VU2UR, VU4CB, VU4KV, XF1M (NA-078), XW3DT, XW4XR, YB200T (OC-150), YB4IR/7 (OC-252 and OC-269), YB8RW/3 (OC-250), YC8ROP, YL2BJ, Z35T, Z81B, ZB2R, ZD8D, ZD8N, ZD9ZS.

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