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**** DX INFORMATION ****

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3W - 3W3MD, the Mediterraneo DX Club's DXpedition to Vietnam which is scheduled to take place from 31 October to 10 November [425DXN 1253], will also activate Cham Island (AS-162). While the main team will continue operating from Da Nang, a few operators will go and be QRV as 3W3MD/p from the island, with two stations and "a couple of antennas". QSL via IK2VUC, direct or bureau. Further information, including logsearch and OQRS, on www.mdxc.org/3w3md/. [TNX IZ8CCW]

5T - Jean, 5T0JL reports that Ahmad, 9K2AI is now stationed in Nouakchott, Mauritania "for some years". He has applied for a licence, and will operate SSB only.

CT8 - Forthcoming operations from the Azores, with participation in the WAE DX SSB Contest, include CR1IZ by W3IZ from Sao Miguel (EU-003, 9-15 September), CU4DX by IV3VSC and K0BJ from Giacosa (EU-175, 11-14 September) and CU7CRA by KI1U and N5ZGT from Faial (EU-174, 11-14 September). QSL for all callsigns via KI1U. [TNX NG3K]

F - Once again a team from radio clubs F5KLJ and F6KDQ will be active as TM1MAD from Ile Madame (not IOTA, DIFM AT-024) on 3-7 September. They will operate SSB, CW, RTTY and BPSK31 on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres, and SSB on VHF and UHF. QSL via F5KLJ. [TNX F8REF]

I - Giovanni IK3JLV and Calogero, IW3ILP will be active as IA5/IK3JLV and IA5/IW3ILP from Capraia Island (EU-028) and the lighthouse at Punta del Ferraione on 1-4 October. They will operate CW only. [TNX IK3JLV]

J6 - Steve, WF2S and Ralph, K1ZZI will be active holiday style as J6/WF2S and J6/K1ZZI from St. Lucia (NA-108) on 7-18 October. Activity will be on CW, SSB, RTTY plus some JT65 and JT9 "on whatever band is open". QSLs via home calls (OQRS of direct and bureau cards will be available) and LoTW. [TNX WB2YQH]

JD1_oga- Tac, JA1NEJ will be active as JD1BOH from Chichijima (AS-031), Ogasawara on 4-7 September, All Asian DX SSB Contest included. He will operate SSB. CW and JT65 on 80-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX The Daily DX]

JD1_mt - Take, JG8NQJ expects to be back to the weather station on Minami Torishima (OC-073) in mid-September. He operates CW only as JG8NQJ/JD1 in his spare time, and usually he remains on the island for three months. QSL via JA8CJY (direct) or JG8NQJ (bureau).

KH2 - Tak, JR1EFG, will be active as KH2/KU0Q from Guam (OC-026) on 24-28 September. He will operate CW and SSB on 40-10 metres. QSL via JR1EFG, direct only. [TNX JR1EFG]

LX - PE1RZU, PE2J, PG3VA and PH1JB will be active as LX/PE2J from Greisch, Luxembourg from 26 September to 3 October. They plan to

be QRV with two statins mainly on 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres SSB, plus 6m if conditions allow. QSL via PE2J, bureau preferred. Logsearch on Club Log.

OJ0 - DL3DXX, DL5LYM, SP5XVY and US5WDX will be active as OJ0DX from Market Reef (EU-053) on 18-28 September. They will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 160-6 metres, and will participate in the SAC CW and CQ WW DX RTTY contests. QSL via DL3DXX. [TNX DX World]

OZ - Rosel, DL3KWR will be active as OZ6SYL (the Scandinavian YL Radio Amateurs' club call) on 6-25 September, SAC CW Contest included. The QTH will be near Faxe, Sjaelland (EU-029). QSL via bureau to OZ7AGR. [TNX NG3K]

PJ6 - K5AC, NM1Y and WB0TEV will participate in the CQ WW DX RTTY Contest as PJ6A from Saba (NA-145). See www.pj6a.com/qsls.htm for QSL information. Before and after the contest, from 22 September to 1 October, they will operate as PJ6/homecall on 80-10 metres all modes. [TNX NG3K]

PY - Look for PX70FEB to be active on SSB, CW and digital modes on 1-30 September. This is the ninth of a series of twelve special callsigns; the suffix stands for Forca Expedicionaria Brasileira, the Brazilian Expeditionary Force that fought alongside the Allied powers in Italy during World War II. QSL via PS7AB (direct or bureau), LoTW and eQSL.

SM - Fred, SM7DAY will be active again as SM7DAY/p from Senoren Island (EU-138) on 5-12 September. He operates mainly CW, but will also be QRV on SSB and PSK. QSL via home call, direct or bureau (OQRS on Club Log). [TNX SM7DAY]

SV - Max, IZ4JMA will be active holiday style as SV8/IZ4JMA from Elafonisos Island (EU-113) on 1-11 September. He will operate SSB, CW and digital modes on 40-6 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX IZ4JMA]

SV - Once again Laci, HA0HW will be active as SW8WW from Thassos Island (EU-174) on 6-14 September. He will operate mainly CW, with some SSB and RTTY, on the HF bands and 6 metres. QSL via HA0HW, direct or bureau (OQRS on Club Log). [TNX HA0HW]

UA - Vlado, UA0LCZ and others will be active as RI0F from Moneron Island (AS-149) on 2-10 September. Look for activity on 80-10 metres, mainly CW. [TNX DX World]

V4 - Al, W6HGF will be active as V4/W6HGF from St. Kitts (NA-104) from 24 September to 4 October, CQ WW DX RTTY Contest included. As ususal he will emphasize the digital modes, with RTTY being his favourite. His son Ed, KK4PHP will operate as V4/KK4PHP. QSL via home calls and LoTW. [TNX NG3K]

VK9C - Nobuaki, JA0JHQ (http://pandasan.jimdo.com/) will be active as JA0JHQ/VK9 from from the Cocos (Keeling) Islands (OC-003) on 19-25 September. He will operate CW and SSB on 80-6 metres. QSL via JA0JHQ, bureau (preferred) or direct, and possibly LoTW.

VP5 - Adrian, KO8SCA will operate SSB and CW as VP5/KO8SCA on 3-8 September. During the All Asian DX SSB Contest he will signing VP5SCA. QSL via home call (direct) and LoTW. [TNX NG3K]

W - The Playground Amateru Radio Club, W4ZBB will be active from Santa Rosa Island (NA-142) on 29-30 August for the W/VE Islands QSO Party (see www.usislands.org for information on this event). They will operate CW and SSB on 80-6 metres. QSL direct. [TNX

rsgbiota.org]

W - Once again Joe, K5KUA will be active as K5KUA/5 from Galveston Island (NA-143) on 19-21 September. He will operate CW only on 40-12 metres as time permits. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, and LoTW. Logsearch on Club Log. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

YB - Budi, YF1AR (www.yf1ar.com) will be active as YF1AR/0 from Untung, one of the Seribu Islands (OC-177), on 29-30 August and 5-6 September. Plans are to operate mainly SSB on 80-10 metres QSL via the OQRS on Club Log (preferred, direct link on qrz.com) or N2OO. [TNX YF1AR]

YB - In September Din, YB8RW will be leaving on another extensive island hopping tour. Plans are to be QRV as YB8RW/5 from IOTA groups OC-075, OC-106, OC-107, OC-108, OC-109 and OC-122, and as YB8RW/4 from OC-144. [TNX YF1AR]

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CHESTERFIELD 2015 ---> The equipment for TX3X, the 2-10 October DXpedition to the Chesterfield Islands [425DXN 1257], is on the way to New Zealand, and scheduled for delivery on the 26th. The Advance Team will travel to Auckland and transfer the equipment from storage to the Evohe, which is due to sail for Noumea (New Caledonia) on 16 September and then to the Chesterfields on the 28th. The team expects to land on 1 October and begin setting up the operating camps. Read the latest press release (#6, 22 August) on www.tx3x.com. [TNX K5GS]

CLUB LOG ---> Club Log now offers a way to review the OQRS requests you have created: log in, click on OQRS (now in the top menu of Club Log near 'Upload') and then click on the 'Outbound OQRS' tab to reach the records. "I hope this helps keep your QSLs under control and helps you identify any problematic or late cards", Michael, G7VJR says.

HEARD ISLAND 2016 ---> THE VK0EK team is now complete and includes Bill Mitchell (AE0EE), Hans-Peter Blattler (HB9BXE), Adam Brown (K2ARB), David Lloyd (K3EL), Robert Schmieder (KK6EK), Fred Belton (KM4MXD), Jim Colletto (N6TQ), Kenneth Karr (NG2H), Carlos Nasciemento (NP4IW), Vaydm Ivliev (UT6UD), Gavin Marshall (VK2BAX), Alan Cheshire (VK6CQ), Arliss Thompson (W7XU) and Dave Farnsworth (WJ2O). The "Braveheart" will depart from Cape Town (South Africa) in early March and return to Fremantle (Australia) in the second half of April, with a nominal 21-day stay at Heard Island (16 March-8 April). See www.vk0ek.org and www.heardisland.org.

PALMYRA 2016 ---> "One key to the success of activation of a rare entity is a team of pilot stations", who "gather regional feedback, identify propagation trends and inform the on-island team of operational issues". The pilots for the 11-26 January 2016 DXpedition to Cooper Island, Palmyra Atoll [425DXN 1260] will be AA1V (Eastern USA/Caribbean), JA1WSX (Asia/Pacific), KE1B (Chief Pilot and Western USA), MM0NDX (Europe) and

V51B (Africa/South America). The callsign will be announced in due course; QSL via Club Log's OQRS (preferred, for either direct or bureau cards) or direct to Palmyra DXpedition, P.O. Box 73, Elmwood IL 61529, USA; logs will be posted to LoTW 3-6 months after the conclusion of the DXpedition. "There is a large payment due shortly and additional funds are needed to meet this obligation", the team reported on 27 August. Donations to support the effort to activate this rare entity are still required and gratefully accepted, see http://palmyra2016.org/ for information.

RI1PT ---> The RI1PT operation [425DXN 1264] has been approved by the IOTA Manager. The island is known locally as Bol'shoy Chaichiy, but its actual name is Otdel'ny Kamen' and it has been added as such to IOTA group EU-188. RI1PT - operated by R7AA, RA1ZZ, RA3AV and RW3QNZ - made 13,597 QSOs on 23-28 July; QSL via R7AA (OQRS on Club Log).

RT9K/0 ---> Departure was delayed by bad weather, but eventually the RT9K/0 team heading to Dobrzhanskogo Island (AS-203) [425DXN 1268] left Petropavlovsk-Kamchatsky on 25 August. They are travelling at 6 knots, and their current estimated day of arrival is 2 September. Updates are posted by the pilots to http://users.smartgb.com/g/g.php?a=s&i=g18-78161-55.

QSL KL7XK/P ---> Heinz, VA7AQ says he will handle the QSL cards for KL7XK's 25-26 July 2015 operation from Pleasant Island (NA-161). QSL direct to Heinz Georg Buhrig, 15684 102 Ave, Surrey BC V4N 2G4, Canada.

SAC ---> The 57th Scandinavian Activity Contest will be held on 19-20 September (CW) and 10-11 October (SSB), from 12 UTC on Saturady to 11:59:59 UTC on Sunday. Complete information of the SAC events can be found at www.sactest.net.

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3B8/EA5IDQ, 3B8HC, 4J20RO, 4L1MA, 4U5F, 5A4/DJ4EL (AF-040), 5U5U, 5W0KJ, 5Z4/DF3FS, 6K2CEW/4 (AS-093), 7P8LS, 9H1XT, 9J2BO, 9M2/R6AF/p (AS-073), 9V1XX, A52SV, AC4BT/6Y5, AT150ITU, BA7CK (AS-143), BV9A (AS-103), C6AUX (NA-113), CE7EEA, CX1DDO, DS2GOO/4 (AS-093), E51AGY, EA2EEK/7 (EU-143),EA9KB, ED9K, EX8BN, G5XV/p (EU-120), GB13COL, GB2LRS, GM2AS (EU-123), HR5/AA4NC, HS0ZLE, J28NC, J38A, J68HS, J79XE, JA6LCJ (AS-012), JX9JKA, JY4NE, K4P (NA-083), K9QJS (NA-065), LA9RY (EU-055), MU/PA9M, OG5A (EU-140), OJ0B, OY/N2IEN, P40FY, PQ0T, S79HN, T2RG, TG9AWS, TI9/3Z9DX, TM5U (EU-074), UE40SA, V5/DL9NDS, VK4SWE (OC-227), VO1MP, VP2VAZ, VP9/G3VYI, XT2AW, XW1IC, YB4IR/2 (OC-186), YB4IR/9 (OC-239 & OC-147), YC0BUS, YF1AR/2 (OC-186), YF1AR/4 (OC-204), YF1AR/7 (OC-166), ZL100ANZAC, ZS5IE, ZY8P (SA-072).

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