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**** DX INFORMATION ****

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E5_sc - Magnus, SM6WET will be active as E51WET from the South Cook Islands between mid-December and early January 2016. He will be on Rarotonga (OC-013) on 14-16 December and 4-9 January, and on Aitutaki (OC-083) from 17 December to 4 January. He will operate SSB, CW, RTTY and JT65HF on 160-6 metres. QSL via SM6WET (direct only). [TNX NG3K]

FT - Gildas, TU5KG has left on a new fishing campaign in the Southern Indian Ocean. Usually he is QRV as /mm when in the Crozet (FT5WQ) and Kerguelen (FT5XT) waters, but "for a period of time in early 2016 he will be on Kerguelen Island". QSL via F4DXW, direct only. [TNX DX World]

GI - GB5OMU is the special callsign the Mid-Ulster Amateur Radio Club (www.muarc.com) will be using throughout the month of December to celebrate their 50th anniversary. QSL via MN0VFW.

H4 - Tom, WL7HP and his wife Maggie, H44MK are in Guadalcanal (OC-047), Solomon Islands until 16 February 2016. Tom will operate mainly SSB as H44TM on 40, 20, 17 and 15 metres. They also have plans to go and be QRV from "three of the outer islands". QSL H44TM via WL7HP. [TNX The Daily DX]

HR - Tom, N9EAW is active as HR9/N9EAW from Roatan Island (NA-057) until 20 December. He operates SSB on 20 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX DX World]

KH5 - There has been a change of plans due to unforeseen events, and only nine operators out of the twelve announced will participate in the K5P DXpedition to Palmyra [425DXN 1275]. "The air charter is provided by our host, The Nature Conservancy", the organizers explain. "Earlier this year, the air strip was decertified and as a result the aircraft type had to be changed to allow access to the Palmyra. The aircraft selected will only seat 9 persons, which is a major change of plans for the DXpedition. Several alternate options were examined but were unsuccessful. It was with great pain that three of the operators stepped back from the Team to allow the DXpedition to proceed". The Team plans o n leaving Hawaii for Palmyra on 11 January, and being active from 12 through 25 January. Bookmark the K5P web site (http://palmyra2016.org/) for future updates, propagation predictions and donation page. [TNX N2TU]

OH - Once again the OF9X station (Old Father Nine Xmas) will be active on 10-28 December to "beam the message of Christmas and help Santa Claus, OH9SCL start his journey". QSL OF9X via OH2BH and Club Log's OQRS, QSL OH9SCL via OH9AB. All proceeds and donations will be forwarded to the Finnish Red Cross for their Disaster Relief Emergency Fund. [TNX OH2BH]

ON_ant - Karel, ON5TN is active again as OP0LE from the Princess Elisabeth Station, Antarctica until late February or early March 2016. Look for him between 20 and 23 UTC on 30 and 40 metres CW. QSL via ON7TK. [TNX waponline.it]

PY - Apparently the ZY2QG operation from Ilha da Queimada Grande (SA-071) [1281] has been postponed. The new dates will be accounced on www.qrz.com/db/zy2qg

S5 - Special event station S508PMC is active until 4 January to promote the PMC Contest, sponsored by the Radio Club Slovenj Gradec (S59DCD). All of the QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau and eQSL; direct card should be sent to S50X. The International Association of Peace Messenger Cities was established in 1988 to recognize and encourage the role and responsibility cities have in creating a culture of peace. The PMC Contest, promoting contacts between stations located in the Peace Messenger Cities and the rest of the world, will be held from 12 UTC on 2 January 2016 until 12 UTC on the 3rd. Complete details can be found at www.s59dcd.si/en10/.

TZ - Chris, F4WBN and Rene F5DUX have been active as TZ9A from Mali since 7 December, and will remain there until the 19th. They are QRV on the HF bands all modes, with a focus on RTTY. QSL via F4WBN. [TNX DX World]

V5 - Dietmar, DL3DXX will once again be active as V5/DL3DXX from Namibia on 17-28 December. He will operate mostly CW with a focus on the low bands. QSL via home call, preferably through Club Log's OQRS. [TNX NG3K]

VK - Chris, VK6BP has been active as VK6BP/p from Koolan Island (OC-071) [425DXN 1273] for a couple of days a week on a more or less regular basis for the last several weeks. This is due to stop soon, as the mine on Koolan is winding down in late January, and even further in February-March with only a few caretakers on the island. "I will still be flying in and out", Chris says, "but a lot less and will just drop off and pick up, so no radio probably from mid February".

VK - After operating as VK2IAY/9 from Lord Howe Island on 16-23 December [425DXN 1243], Steve, G0UIH will visit and be active as VK2IAY/3 from Phillip Island (OC-136) from 29 December to 1 January. He will be QRV on 20 and 17 metres SSB only. There may also be some activity as VK2IAY/5 from Moonta (South Australia) on 4-8 January, and as VK2IAY/6 from Monkey Mia (Western Australia) on 10-17 January, with - if time allows- a side trip to nearby Dirk Hartog Island (OC-206). QSL via G0UIH, direct or bureau.

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ARRL 10-METER CONTEST ---> Object of the contest is for operators worldwide to work as many stations as possible on the 10m band, CW and SSB. The contest will run from 00.00 UTC on 12 December until 23.59 on the 13th. See

www.arrl.org/10-meter for complete details.

E44Y ---> Back in November 2014 [425DXN 1230] it was announced that a multi-national team would be active as E44Y from Palestine in March 2016. The operation has been cancelled and donations are being refunded by Fred, ON4LG. See DX-World.net for the details.

INDEXA NEWSLETTER ---> The Fall 2015 Special Edition of the International DX Association's (INDEXA) Newsletter is now available for download at www.indexa.org/newsletters.html. This issue includes a report of LZ1GC's recent DXpedition to Nauru (C21GC) and an article by K9LA on "Disappearing Sunspots". [TNX W3OA]

SHRAK JOINS IARU ---> On 10 December the secretariat of the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) released a note to their member societies announcing that The Kosovo Amateur Radio Association (SHRAK, Shoqata e Radio Amatoreve te Kosoves) has been voted into IARU membership. SHRAK represents the Amateur Radio community of the Republic of Kosovo. With a long history dating back to the days of the former Yugoslavia, SHRAK was reconstituted on 12 September 2012, when an Amateur Radio service was launched by the Kosovo government. The SHRAK President is Ms. Vjollca Caka (Z61VB). [TNX N7NG]

YF1AR/8 ---> Budi, YF1AR is returning home after the "Moluccas IOTA Tour" that started in mid-October [425DXN 1280], He was active as YF1AR/8 from ten different islands in four IOTA groups as follows (YF1AR/8_OCxxx_XX is the callsign to search for on Club Log):

15-20 Oct	Kisar	OC-272	YF1AR/8_OC272_KS
21-28 Oct	Wetar	OC-272	YF1AR/8_OC272_WT
30 Oct-6 Nov	Lirang	OC-272	YF1AR/8_OC272_LR
8-12 Nov	Leti	OC-246	YF1AR/8_OC246_LT
14-18 Nov	Sermata	OC-246	YF1AR/8_OC246_SM
19-24 Nov	Luang	OC-246	YF1AR/8_OC246_LA
25-28 Nov	Babar	OC-271	YF1AR/8_OC271_BB
1-3 Dec	Marsela	OC-271	YF1AR/8_OC271_MS
8-10 Dec	Banda Besar	OC-157	YF1AR/8_OC157_BB
10 Dec	Banda Api	OC-157	YF1AR/8_OC157_BA

A second Moluccas IOTA Tour is expected in the months to come. QSL via Club Log's OQRS (preferred); paper cards via N2OO.

ZL9A ---> The ZL9A team is expected to be QRV from the Antipodes Islands (OC-286, new one for IOTA) on 7-11 January 2016 [425DXN 1283]. Inquiries, suggestions and comments during the island operations should be sent to the Pilot Station (Johan, PA3EXX); requests posted on the DX clusters will not be taken into consideration. The team will try to upload their log daily to Club Log during the expedition. QSL via VE3LYC, preferably through the OQRS provided by Club Log for both direct and bureau cards. Bookmark http://iotahunter.org/news for updates.

+ SILENT KEY + Robert G. Ferrero, W6RJ (ex K6AHV), the founder of the Ham Radio Outlet chain of stores, passed away on 4 December at 78 years of age. He participated in several DXpeditions, notably KP6KR in June 1974 (the first DXpedition to Kingman Reef), HK0AA in June 1976 (from both Bajo Nuevo

and Serrana Bank), and FO0FI and FO0FR in April 1998 (from the brand new DXCC Entities of the Austral and Marquesas Islands). Bob was inducted into the CQ DX Hall of Fame in 1997 and into the CQ Amateur Radio Hall of Fame in 2005.

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******* QSL ROUTES *******
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CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER
3D2HC	DL9HCU	EI7M	EI6HB	PD6YOTA	OM2FY
3D2RJ	N7RO	ER18KDR	ER3GS	PJ2T	W3HNK
3G3O	CE3OP	ER4A	ER1FF	PJ4A	K4BAI
3V8SS	LX1NO	ES9C	ES5RY	PJ4DX	M0URX
3V8YOTA	OM2FY	ES9YOTA	OM2FY	PJ4Q	W4PA
3Z15XMS	SP6IEQ	ET3AA	N2OO	PJ7/G4JEC	N0UK
4K6FO	DC9RI	EV90IARU	EW1I	PJ7TM	K2GSJ
4L2M	EA7FTR	FM1HN	W3HNK	PR2F	PY2NDX
4L3T	ON4RU	FM5FJ	KU9C	PW2D	M0OXO
4L8A	K1BV	FR4PV	F5OZK	PX2V	PY2KJ
4S90IARU	4S7RS	FW5JJ	F5RXL	PX5Z	PP5BI
4U0WFP	S57DX	G15YOTA	OM2FY	PY90IARU	OZ1HHH
4U20B	9A2AA	G2F	G8HDK	R18KDR/0	RQ7L
4U70VIC	4U1VIC	G4R	G4POF	R18KDR/1	RQ7L
4X2M	4X4DZ	GI15YOTA	OM2FY	R18KDR/3	RQ7L
4X7R	4X6OM	GM15YOTA	OM2FY	R18KDR/4	RQ7L
5B4AAB	G8CLY	GM3X	GM3POI	R18KDR/6	RQ7L
5B4AMM	UT5UDX	GS8VL	GM4FDM	R18KDR/7	RQ7L
5H3EE	DL4ME	GW15YOTA	OM2FY	R18KDR/8	RQ7L
5J1E	OH2MM	GW5R	GW3YDX	R18KDR/9	RQ7L
5P8VW	DJ8VW	H44TM	WL7HP	R1941MB	R2DX
5R8SV	G3SWH	HA8YOTA	OM2FY	R1941OM	RV3AGB
6V7A	F6BEE	HB9ATMA	HB9FAX	R2015ES	RV3AMV
7X2JV	SM4VPZ	HB9YOTA	OM2FY	R25MDC	RQ7L
7Z1HL	DJ9ZB	HC2AO	RC5A	RC85MP	UA3AGY
7Z1SJ	EA7FTR	HD90IARU	HC2AQ	RI1ANR	RK1PWA
8Q7JC	VE2FDJ	HF40MKK	SP5KVW	S01WS	EA2JG
8T2BH	I1HYW	HG0IDPD	HA5MA	S508PMC	S50X
9A0YOTA	OM2FY	HG0YOTA	OM2FY	S9TM	NR6M
9A15YOTA	OM2FY	HG30CW	HA3NU	SH9YOTA	OM2FY
9H6A	9H1XT	HG7T	HA7TM	SJ2W	SM2LIY
9H90IARU	9H1SP	HG90IARU	HA5MA	SN0WFF	SP5X
9J2HN	JR2KDN	HH2/KL7JR	K7ICE	SN3A	SP3GEM
9M2CNC	G4ZFE	HH2AA	NR6M	SN6O	SP6PAZ
9M2MRS	PA0RRS	HH90IARU	W3HNK	SN7Q	SP7GIQ
9M2YAA	JA7LMU	HI3K	KB2MS	SN8B	SP8CUR
9M4CHM	9W2XKM	HI3TT	W2CCW	SO4R	SP4PND
9M4DX	JA6IDJ	HI3Y	RW6HS	SP3YOTA	OM2FY

9M6NA	JE1JKL	HK1MW	N2OO	SP500YFF	SP9WAN
9M6XRO	M0URX	HK1R	K6IPM	SU90IARU	OM3CGN
9M8K	JR3WXA	HP3/VY2SS	AC2OV	SW3JH	DJ5JH
A43SI	A47RS	HS0ZAR	K3ZO	SW9AA	LZ1PM
A61EK	IZ8CLM	HS90IARU	E21EIC	T2XX	N7RO
A65DR	N4GNR	HT7C	TI4SU	T88AB	JR1UBR
A71EM	EA7FTR	HZ1TT	A61BK	T88IK	JF1LUT
A91IM	A92AA	IB9T	IT9TQH	TF2CW	LX1NO
A93JA	KE5JA	IH9R	IZ1GAR	TF3W	TF3MHN
AH2R	JH7QXJ	II0IEM	IQ0RM	TI5W	N3YIM
AL1G	AC7DX	II2YOTA	OM2FY	TI90IARU	TI3VLM
AU2JCB	VU2DSI	II3VVF	9A8ARS	TK0C	S56ZZZ
AU2MTT	VU2NRO	II5YOTA	OM2FY	TM21COP	F8DVD
B1Z	EA7FTR	II90IARU	IW3RUA	TM350XWB	F1EOY
B4T	BA4TB	II9P	IT9CHU	TM4Q	F4SGU
B7P	BA4EG	II9W	IT9ESW	TM4TLT	F4KIP
B7Q	BA1DU	IR2CSN	IQ2CU	TM6M	F4DXW
B90IARU	BA4EG	IR4M	I4IFL	TM900HAG	F8CRS
BV90IARU	BV2FP	IR4X	I4EAT	TO4GU	DL7VOG
BY5CD	BD4HF	J42CPMV	SV2HXV	TO8M	LA8OM
C44C	M0URX	J6/W2LNX	KC3EYZ	TR8CA	F6CBC
C4W	5B4WN	J68FF	W3FF	TX8D	NI5DX
C4Z	G3SWH	J68HF	W6HFP	TX90IARU	NI5DX
C5YK	ON6EG	J68RL	AA4W	TY2CD	N4GNR
C6AJB	KG4LJB	J79WTA	HB9MFM	TZ9A	F4WBN
C6AKQ	N4BP	JT90IARU	JT1KAA	UN3M	EA7FTR
C6ARU	N4UM	JY9FC	E73Y	UN9GD	DL8KAC
C6ATS	M0OXO	KG4EM	KB7GJ	UP0L	DL8KAC
C6AUM	K4RUM	KH6LC	WA6WPG	UP10ARL	UN0GL
CE0Y/R4WAA	R4WAA	KL7KY	S56ZZZ	UP2L	UA9AB
CE0Y/RZ3FW	RZ3FW	KP2M	AI4U	UP9L	RW6HS
CE3CT	EA5KB	KP3Z	N4AO	V25VYC	W5VY
CJ3A	VE3AT	L33M	LU3MAM	V44KAI	W5TFW
CN2AA	UA2FM	L77D	LU6DC	V47T	W2RQ
CN2R	W7EJ	LO5D	LU8EOT	V63DX	JA7HMZ
CN2TR	EA7FTR	LP1H	EA5KB	V6A	JA7HMZ
CN8KD	EA5XX	LT1F	AC7DX	V73NS	W3HNK
CN90IARU	EB7DX	LT7H	EA5GL	V890IARU	V85TL
CO2AME	RW6HS	LU8YE	IK2DUW	VC1E	VE1ZA]
CO2JD	AD4Z	LX4YOTA	OM2FY	VC7O	VE7JH
CO7EH	AD4C	LX7I	LX2A	VE2IM	VE3DZ
CO8DM	KU9C	LY5YOTA	OM2FY	VK4EI/p	NR6M
CO8LY	EA7ADH	LZ2015YOTA	OM2FY	VP5CW	W5CW
CO8ZZ	DK1WI	LZ362MT	LZ1KCP	VP9/N3AD	W3HNK
CQ8CQ	CU3AA	LZ5R	LZ1YQ	VY1JA	N3SL
CR2X	OH2BH	M6T	G4PIQ	VY2ZM	EA7HBC
CR3L	DJ6QT	MW5R	MW0EDX	W1Q	WJ1B
CR3OO	W3HNK	NP3A	WD8CW	XE2B	EA5OL
CR5A	CT1FFU	NP4A	W3HNK	XR1ANF	CA1VKO
CR5U	CR7AJL	NP4Z	N4AO	XR2K	W4/CX1EK
CR6K	CT1ILT	OA4SS	KB6J	XR90IARU	CE3AA
CS2C	OK1RF	OA85O	OA4O	XV9NPS	JA2NPS [b]
CX5UA	EA5KB	OD5/IZ1CCK	IZ1BWB	XV9NPS	JA2ODB [d]

CY0/VA1AXC	JE1LET	OD5PY	KU9C	YE1R	HA3JB
D4C	HB9DUR [d]	OD5ZZ	NI5DX	YL90IARU	YL2GN
D4C	IK2NCJ [b]	OE0YOTA	OM2FY	YP90IARU	YO3KAA
DQ0YOTA	OM2FY	OE15YOTA	OM2FY	YQ90IARU	YO3KAA
DU1/JA3FJE	JN3VQM	OE3K	OE1DIA	YT15YOTA	OM2FY
DU1IST	JA1HGY	OF9X	OH2BH	YT90IARU	YU1SRS
DU1KA	NR6M	OH0X	OH2TA	YW90IARU	YV5AJ
E2X	E20GMY	OH0Z	W0MM	Z390IARU	Z37RSM
E51XGI	JA1XGI	OH1F	OH1AF	Z60A	OH2BH
E7DX	E77E	OH2YOTA	OM2FY	Z60WW	OH2BH
EA8/IK1PMR	HB9FKK	OH5Z	OH5LIZ	ZA1WW	OH2BH
EA8/PA3LEO	HB9FKK	OH8X	OH2UA	ZA90IARU	ZA1G
EA8CUU	OH6CS	OH9SCL	OH9AB	ZB2X	OH2KI
EA8RM	EB7DX	OK5W	OK1MJA	ZD8G	W6XD
EA9EU	EA5KB	OL3Z	OK1HMP	ZD8W	W6NV
EA9KB	EA7FTR	OL4A	OK1DSX	ZF2BR	AF2BR
ED1R	EC1KR	OM15YOTA	OM2FY	ZF2EA	N2GG
ED2C	EA2RCF	OM7M	OM3PA	ZF2ET	K5GO
ED8X	RN3RQ	OM9YOTA	OM2FY	ZM1A	ZL3CW
ED9U	EA5HPX	OU0POLIO	OZ1ACB	ZM2B	ZL2BR
EE9AA	EA7FKH	OX3LX	OZ1PIF	ZM4M	ZL4PW
EF2A	EA2OT	P29LL	EA7FTR	ZP9MCE	EA5ZD
EF6T	EA3AIR	P33P	5B4ZN	ZS9YOTA	OM2FY
EF8O	EA8OM	P33W	UA3DX	ZV25Q	PY1LU
EF8R	EB7DX	P3F	M0URX	ZW400BEL	PY8WW
EG5ERC	EA5HJY	P40L	WA3FRP	ZW5B	K3IRV
EG9YOTA	OM2FY	P40S	K9QVB	ZY70FEB	PS7AB
EI0YOTA	OM2FY	PA6YOTA	OM2FY	ZZ5T	PY3OZ
EI1Y	EI5JQ	PD15XMAS	PD7DX	ZZ90IARU	PY2DV

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