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**** DX INFORMATION ****

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5W - Tom, KC0W (currently active as KH8/KC0W from American Samoa) expects to continue his "Worldwide DXpedition" [425DXN 1289] and go to Samoa (OC-097) around 15 June. Length of stay is not known. Look for 5W0COW to operate CW only on 160-6 metres. Refrain from working him twice on the same band, as "any station trying to dupe QSO me will have all past QSOs deleted & will be blacklisted". QSL via KC0W, direct only ("all QSL cards sent to my PO Box while I'm on this DXpedition will be answered by an assistant"); logsearch on Club Log. He will not use LoTW.

CT - Special callsign CR60P will be active on 17-23 May to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the Portuguese Paratroopers. On 20-23 May activity will take place from their base at Tancos. QSL via CT1EHX and logsearch on Club Log. A certificate will be available; see qrz.com for the details. [TNX CT1IUA]

CT9 - Martti, OH2BH will be active as CT3BH from Madeira on 20-23 May. He "has decided to bring back and treasure those great people and locations that once introduced him to joy, provided learning, and urged him to look at the world from a missionary DXing perspective". His 70th anniversary journey in 2016 "will take him to many of those original locations, allowing you to refresh your memories at the other end of the radio circuit. Use the password 'QBH70' to put the pileup on hold and share one of your memories right on the spot. This mode of DXing is called RETRO DXpeditioning". After CT3BH, there will be more. "Dotting the world is the greatest pastime of DXers, even though returning to one's sweet home tends to beat such dotting. Qualifying for the BH-SH (Back Home-Sweet Home) Award is a 14-dot mission: each country with OH2BH operating alone and/or as part of a group during 2016 gives you 1 point, whereas working Martti at his home gives you 5 points - you need 10 countries to qualify". Activities so far in 2016 include CU2KG/CR2X, Z68BH/Z60A, and ZA/OH2BH. [TNX N7NG]

DL - Stefan, DF8HS will be active from Fehmarn Island (EU-128) from 6 June to 4 July. QSL via bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

DU - The DX1HAM team will be active as DX25MP on 10-12 June for the 25th anniversary of the eruption of Mount Pinatubo on Luzon Island. QSL direct (Ham Radio Emergency Communication Group, P.O. Box 1035 Makati Central Post Office, 1200 Makati, Philippines) or bureau.

F - Gil, F4FET will be active as F4FET/p from Fort Brescou (EU-148) on 3-5 June. He will operate SSB on 40-6 metres, with a focus to North America and Asia. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX DX World]

FS - Look for Gene, FS/N0MHJ to be active holiday style from St. Martin (NA-105) on 20-30 May. He will be QRV for 3-4 hours a day on 30-17 metres SSB and CW. QSL direct ot home call. [TNX QRZ DX]

FS - Once again John, K9EL will be active as FS/K9EL from St. Martin (NA-105) on 5-23 June. He will be QRV on 80-6 metres CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via home call, direct or bureau (OQRS on Club Log), LoTW and eQSL. Follow his activities on Twitter (@FSK9EL).

GM - Iain, MM0TFU will be active holiday style as MM0TFU/p from Blackwaterfoot, Isle of Arran (EU-123) on 1-14 June, and again from 28 July to 2 August, IOTA Contest included. QSL via LoTW or direct to home call. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

HB0 - Andy RW3AH, Vasily RW3DR, Oleg HB9RB, Pavel R2AD and Tony RC3C will be active as HB0/RC3C from Liechtenstein on 8-14 July, including participation in the IARU HF World Championship. QSL via RC3C (bureau preferred), eQSL and LoTW. More information can be found at www.RC3C.ru/hb0/. [TNX RC3C]

HS - The Thailand DX Association (HSDXA) will be active as E2X from Chang Island (AS-125) on 3-5 June. This activity will be in anticipation of the operation that will take place from 29 July to 3 August, IOTA Contest included. QSL via E20GMY and LoTW. [TNX NG3K]

I - IA5C is the callsign that Giuseppe, IK5WWA will use during his 23-27 May activity [425DXN 1306] from Capraia Island (EU-028). He will be QRV on 80, 40, 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

JA - Look for JH1LMD/1 to be active from Hachijo Island (AS-043) on 19-21 May. He will operate CW (QRS) and RTTY on 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX Mediterraneo DX Club]

KH2 - Look for AB2ST/KH2, AG6SL/KH2, KB3LTB/KH2 and KG6WTW/KH2 to be active holiday style from Guam (OC-026) on 26-30 May. They will be QRV mainly on 40m 20 and 15 metres SSB. QSL via JF1TEU and LoTW. [TNX DX World]

LA - Rene, DL2JRM will be active as LA/DL2JRM from Spjaeroy (EU-061) on 20-22 May. He will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 80-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

LA - Waldi, SP7IDX will be active holiday style as LA/SP7IDX from Vannoya (EU-046) on 1-10 June. He will operate SSB and RTTY on 40-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, and LoTW.

OZ - Rene, DL2JRM will be active as OZ/DL2JRM from the island of Hjarno (EU-172) on 30-31 July for the IOTA Contest. He will operate CW on 80-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

PY - A team of eight (PQ8SL, PU8WHJ, PU8WTJ, PY7RP, PY8AZT, PY8FML, PY8WW and PY8ZE) will be active as PX8K from Caviana de Dentro (SA-042) on 26-31 July, including an entry in the IOTA Contest. QSL via PY8WW; logsearch and OQRS on Club Log.

PZ - Olli, OH0XX will be active as PZ50X from Suriname from 23 May to 1 June. He will operate mainly CW on 160-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, and LoTW; OQRS on Club Log. [TNX The Daily DX]

T31 - The Perseverance DX Group commenced planning next year's DXpedition to Kanton Island (OC-043), Central Kiribati [425DXN

1298]. The callsign T31W was issued for team use. Planning to participate are DJ9RR, HA0NAR, HA5AO, K5GS, K6TD, KE4KY, N6HC, PY2PT, W1SRD, W2LK and WA6O. The "Evohe" will provide transportation and logistical support to the project. The team will gather in Apia (Samoa) for the estimated 4-day sail to Kanton Island. Plans are for an October 2017 expedition, but exact dates have not been selected as yet. Fundraising activities will soon begin. The DXpedition's website is up and running at www.t31w.com. [TNX K5GS]

TA - Members of the TRAK Radio Club (YM1KD) will be active as TC0TC from Sivriada (AS-201) on 23-25 May. They will be QRV on the HF bands. QSL via YM1KD.

TF - Look for Dave, EI9FBB and Col, MM0NDX to be active holiday style from Iceland on 26-30 May. They will be QRV mostly on 20 and 17 metres SSB, and will operate from the three IOTA groups allocated to Iceland: EU-021, EU-071 and EU-168. QSL TF/EI9FBB via EI9FBB ; QSL TF/MM0NDX via M0OXO (OQRS on Club Log). Follow them on Twitter: @TF_IOTA_TOUR_2016 [TNX DX World]

VP2V - Kevin, K6TOP will again be active as VP2V/K6TOP from the British Virgin Islands (NA-023) from 27 May to 15 June. He will operate CW on 40-10 metres. QSL via LoTW or direct to home call. During the CQ WPX CW Contest he will operate as VP2VGG (QSL via LoTW or direct to W6RWC). [TNX The Daily DX]

VQ9 - Randy, WW6RG will be active as VQ9RA from Diego Garcia (AF-006), Chagos for a few hours in late May. Plans are to operate QRP SSB on 20, 17 and 15 metres on 25 May (12.00-16.30 UTC), 26 May (04.00-09.00 UTC) and 30 May (15.00-17.30 UTC). QSL via home call, direct only. [TNX The Daily DX]

W - Once again Joe, K5KUA will be active as K5KUA/5 from Galveston Island (NA-143) from 27 May to 1 June. Usually he operates CW only on 40-10 metres as time permits. QSL via bureau to home call, direct to his address on the island (Joe Gibson, 9220 Jamaica Beach, Galveston TX 77554, USA), or LoTW. Logsearch on Club Log. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

XW - Champ, E21EIC will be active again as XW1IC from Laos from 27 May to 1 June, including participation in the CQ WPX CW Contest. QSL via LoTW or E21EIC; logsearch and OQRS on Club Log. [TNX NG3K]

YB - Arfan, YC8UTI will be active as YC8UTI/p from Miangas Island (OC-209) on 20-22 May. He will operate SSB and CW on 40, 20 and 15 metres. QSL via YB3MM and LoTW; logsearch and OQRS on Club Log. [TNX YB3MM]

ZL7 - The "6G" group (G3BJ, G3SVL, G3TXF, G3WPH, G3XTT, G4JKS and G4TSH) will be active as ZL7G from the Chatham Islands (OC-038) from 26 October to 9 November. They will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 160-10 metres, with three or four high power stations operational at all times and a focus on Europe. "We will make a special effort on the LF bands, even if this affects our QSO totals for the expedition", they say, "and will ensure we are available for grey line openings as they occur". QSL via G3TXF and LoTW; logsearch and OQRS on Club Log. See www.6gs.org.uk for more information.

PACIFIC TRIP ---> Bert, CX3AN will be active holiday style from the Marshall Islands (V7), Micronesia (V6) and Palau (T8) during the first two

weeks of June. He will operate SSB and CW on 40-6 metres. Look for V73HA from Majuro (OC-029) on 2-7 June; V63AN from Chuuk (OC-011) on 7-9 June; T88AN from Koror (OC-009) on 9-14 June. QSL via EB7DX. [TNX CX3ZAN]

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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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CQ 2016 HALL OF FAMERS ---> CQ Magazine announced on 20 May the 2016 Hall of Fame inductees. The CQ AMATEUR RADIO HALL OF FAME was established in January 2001 to recognize individuals - radio amateurs or not - who significantly affected the course of Amateur Radio, as well as radio amateurs who have made significant contributions either to amateur radio, to their professional careers or to some other aspect of life on our planet. This year's inductees are:

- Bob Arnold, N2JEU (SK): co-developer (with Keith Lamonica, W7DXX, see below) of the first internet-controlled remote base
- Grant Bingeman, KM5RG (SK): developed "method of moments" antenna modeling software for AM broadcast stations and 160-meter amateur antennas
- Bob Carpenter, W3OTC (SK): pioneer of meteor scatter and FM stereo broadcast technology; longtime AMSAT volunteer
- David Dary, W5ZAX: journalist, author, journalism educator - former correspondent for CBS and NBC News, journalism professor at University of Kansas and University of Oklahoma, author of over 20 books on the American West
- Matt Ettus, N2MJI: software defined radio pioneer; developed first Universal Software Radio Peripheral (USRP) with GNU radio software support
- Terry Fox, WB4FJI: packet radio pioneer; primary developer of AX.25 amateur packet protocol
- Elmer "Bud" Frohardt, Jr., W9DY (SK): the original "Elmer" for whom ham radio mentors are named (courtesy of a 1971 QST "How's DX?" column by Rod Newkirk, W9BRD/VA3ZBB)
- Fred Gissoni, K4JLX (SK): adaptive technology pioneer; co-developer of the Porta-Braille and Pocket-Braille note-taking devices for the visually impaired, as well as many other devices
- Ken Kellerman, K2AOE: radioastronomer; pioneer of radio interferometry; co-developer of very long baseline interferometry (VLBI), which permits multiple telescopes to function as a single instrument
- Keith Lamonica, W7DXX: co-developer (with the late Bob Arnold, N2JEU) of the first internet-controlled remote base
- George Mitchell, K6ZE (SK): member of the Tuskegee Airmen in World War II and 2007 recipient of the Congressional Gold Medal for his wartime service
- Les Mitchell, G3BHK (SK): founder of Jamboree on the Air (JOTA), annual event to introduce amateur radio to scouts and guides around the world
- William Moerner, WN6I: co-recipient of the 2014 Nobel Prize in chemistry for his work in high-resolution microscopy
- Leigh Orf, KG4ULP: co-developer of tornado simulator using computer modeling to simulate conditions under which tornadoes form
- Joe Rudi, NK7U: former Major League baseball player; 3-time All-Star
- Wes Schum, W9DYV (SK): co-founder of Central Electronics, developed first

commercially-manufactured amateur radio SSB transmitter
- Garry Shandling, ex-KQ6KA/KD6OY (SK): well-known comedian, actor, writer and television personality
- Mason Southwirth, ex-W1VLH (SK): head of ARRL International Geophysical Year (IGY) Propagation Research Project in 1958-59; conducted additional propagation research at Stanford University
- Boris Stepanov, RU3AX (ex-UW3AX): leading Russian amateur, deputy editor of Russian Radio magazine; pioneer of computerized contest logging and log-checking; developed prototype for World Radiosport Team Championships (WRTC); first to propose "glass cockpit" for ham transceiver, combining frequency readout and spectrum scope on front panel display
- Rufus Turner, W3LF (SK): believed to be the first African-American radio amateur in the U.S.; helped develop 1N34A diode; wrote 1949 article in Radio-Electronics magazine on how to "Build a Transistor"
- Perry Williams, W1UED (SK): longtime ARRL Washington Coordinator and League archivist; convinced Congress to approve vanity call sign program and not to impose a license application fee on amateurs; persuaded FCC to retain large amateur microwave allocations and to create primary amateur allocation at 2.4 GHz

The CQ Contest Hall of Fame (established in 1986) and the CQ DX Hall of Fame (established in 1967) honour those amateurs who not only excel in personal performance in these major areas of amateur radio, but who also "give back" to the hobby in outstanding ways.

This year's inductees in the CQ CONTEST HALL OF FAME are
- Tod Olson, K0TO: Tod is the founding editor of the National Contest Journal and has served the general amateur radio community as an ARRL Section Manager, Vice Director, Division Director and International Affairs Vice President
- Richard Strand, KL7RA (SK): a radio astronomer taking advantage of the quiet of the northern latitudes for his research, Rich Strand built and maintained highly competitive contest stations in a very difficult environment and was, for many hams, their first (or only) CQ Zone 1 contact.

The 2016 inductees to the CQ DX HALL OF FAME are
- Nigel Jolly and the Crew of the RV Braveheart: Jolly and his crew (and ship) have provided transportation for - and assured the safety of - many of the major DXpeditions to southern islands in the past 15 years, DXpeditions that likely would not otherwise have taken place.
- Roger Balister, G3KMA: as manager of the Islands on the Air program since 1985, Roger has seen IOTA grow from a few hundred early participants to more than 10,000 today, making it one of the most popular award programs in amateur radio.

PDXG DONATION TO NC1L ---> "As you may recall, after a life altering automobile accident in July, 2014 Bill Moore NC1L stepped down as the ARRL Awards Manager.

Recently we learned that Bill was in need of a laptop computer. His current Windows laptop is quite old and very much out of date. He is using an iPhone and iPad but a Windows 10 laptop will be of great help in his recovery. Bill cannot use his fingers except in a very limited way and at that he has no strength. We hope this current technology laptop will be the foundation for development of an interface that allows Bill to use the Remote Ham Radio site with push buttons rather than mouse actions.

This particular laptop was used on the TX3X Chesterfield Island DXpedition. The machine was refurbished by the Perseverance DX Group (www.pdxg.net), loaded with Windows 10 and presented to Bill by Les Kalmus W2LK. PDXG is extremely happy to have been able to help Bill on his long road to recovery". [TNX K5GS]

PIRATE ---> 1A0KM was repeatedly pirated over the past few weeks. Genuine operations are publicized in advance and information is published on qrz.com, 1A0KM's QSL manager IK0FTA says. Do not waste your time and money working fakers and requesting direct cards for unannounced activities.

QSL YB8OUN/P ---> This activity took place on 14-15 May from was Poat island (OC-213). QSL via YB8RW, preferably through the OQRS on Club Log (search for YB8OUN/P_POAT).

WRTC 2018: SPONSORED TEAMS ---> "Sponsored teams are a long-standing tradition in WRTC and a substantial part for fundraising. It gives the chance to take part in the WRTC to dedicated contesters who cannot qualify because of serious commitments". The WRTC 2018 Organizing Committee is looking for applications for the first two sponsored teams beginning on 1 June - see the details on www.wrtc2018.de.

WWFF ---> The "World Wide Flora and Fauna in Amateur Radio" aims to draw attention to the importance of protecting nature. In this spirit amateur radio operators set up and operate their radio stations from designated nature parks and protected nature areas - generating attention for these areas whilst giving the ham radio community an interesting activity to contact. WWFF is an international and non-commercial program run by the coordinators of a large number of Flora and Fauna national programmes. See http://wwff.co/ for omplete information.

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3C7A, 3DA0TM, 3XY1T (AF-051), 3XY5M, 4J3DJ, 4S7AB, 4W/DJ2EH, 4Z5IW, 5J0P (NA-033), 5V7TH, 5W0XG, 7X4AN, 8R1/K9KX, 8R1A, 9K2YM/p (AS-118), 9M0O, 9M2AX, A25UK, BU2AQ, C35U, C35US, C5FUD, D3AA, D3AM, D44TBO, D67GIA, FT4XU, GU4CHY, H44MS, J8/UA4CC, JA0RQV/6Y5, JT1CO, JT1DN, JT5DX, JV5A, JW/DL7DF, K3IMD, K5P, P29LL, P4/WJ2O, PG16ANT, PJ7/WJ2O, PW0FN, R15CWC/4, RC70YC, RI0BV/p (AS-042), RI0KV (AS-027), RI0PV (EU-085), RI0QV (AS-028), RI0QV/p (AS-029), RI1PA (EU-085), RI44ANT, RW3RN/HI7, S01WS, S9BK, SM1IRS (EU-020), SN20BKGZ, ST100S, T88RF, TI5/JT1CO, TK/SP7VC, TO2EE, TX7EU, TY1AA, VE1AI/m (NA-068), VE3KTB/VY0 (NA-008), VE7ACN/7 (NA-051 and NA-061), VK5MAV/6 (OC-243), VK6NAX/p (OC-164 and OC-183), VK9CK, VP8SGI, VP8STI, VU2CPL, W100AW,XU7TZG, YB4IR/7, YC8ROP, YN/WJ2O, ZD7W, ZD8AA, ZF2LC, ZY2QG (SA-071).

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