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**** DX INFORMATION ****

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3B8 - Willi, DJ7RJ will be active again as 3B8/DJ7RJ from Mauritius Island (AF-049) from 9 November to 6 December. He will operate CW and SSB on 160-10 metres, with a focus on the low bands. QSL via home call. [TNX DX World]

3W - Mike, N0ODK [425DXN 1323] now expects to be active from Vung Tau, Vietnam starting on 22-23 October until 4 November. During the first part of his trip "the callsign will be something like 3W2DK/3W2LI", until his 3W2DK licence arrives in Vung Tau. QSL via N0ODK, direct or bureau, and LoTW. [TNX N0ODK]

5H - Yan, RZ3FW and Sergei, R4WAA will be active as 5H1WW from Zanzibar Island (AF-032), Tanzania on 19-28 November. They will operate CW, with some SSB and RTTY, on 160-10 metres and will participate in the CQ WW DX CW Contest. QSL via Club Log's OQRS or via RZ3FW.

6W - 6W1SU is Ronald (VE3REV), who has moved to Dakar, Senegal since August and will remain there for two or three years. He plans to be active on 80-6 metres, "currently operating phone only but hoping to tackle CW later". QSL via M0URX's OQRS (www.m0urx.com/oqrs/) for direct and bureau cards. See www.qrz.com/db/6W1SU for more information.

6Y - Steve AA4V (6Y4V), Jim N4SF (6Y4F), Dave K8AJA (K8AJA/6Y5) and Rick W4GE (W4GE/6Y5) will be active from Jamaica (NA-097) from 21 October to 1 November. They will participate in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest as 6Y4V (QSL via LoTW or direct to AA4V). [TNX DX World]

7P - 7P8EUDXF is the callsign issued to Pista, HA5AO (7P8AO) for his current activity from Lesotho [425DXN #1321]. The special callsign celebrates the 30th anniversary of the European DX Foundation. Pista is QRV until around 29 October in his spare time, as the primary purpose of this trip is to deliver humanitarian aid and support to an orphanage. QSL via HA5AO; see www.ha5ao.com for logsearch and OQRS. [TNX K5GS]

9Q - Fernando, EA4BB has been in Goma, Democratic Republic of the Congo for a few months and has now received his 9Q6BB licence. He expects to remain there for two or three years, and to operate CW and other modes on all bands. QSL via W3HNK, LoTW and eQSL; logsearch on Club Log. [TNX The Daily DX]

A7 - Members of the Qatar Amateur Radio Society and the Danish Contest Academy, and other operators will participate in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest as A73A (Multi-Multi) from the Disaster Mangement Camp compound in Al Khor. At the same time they will "use the opportunity to display Radio Sport to visitors". Expect them to be QRV before the contest, while setting up the stations. QSL via A71A. [TNX OZ1ADL]

CE0Y - Ignacy, NO9E will be active as CE0Y/NO9E from Easter Island (SA-001) from 28 October to 3 November. He will be QRV on 40-10

metres, and will be active also in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest. QSL via home call. [TNX NG3K]

DL - Preceded by DL0WRTC (2014-15) and DK0WRTC (2015-16), DF0WRTC is the new special callsign that is being used until 12 October 2017 to promote the 2018 World Radio Team Championship to be held in Germany (www.wrtc2018.de). QSL via DJ9MH, bureau or direct, and LoTW; logsearch on Club Log.

EA8 - Andy, DK5ON will be active as EA8/DK5ON from Tenerife, Canary Islands (AF-004) from 26 October to 5 November. This will be a "SOTA and WWFF expedition" and he will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 40-6 metres. QSL via DK5ON, direct or bureau, and LoTW. [TNX NG3K]

F - TM8VG will be another special callsign celebrating the the eighth Vendee Globe, the round-the-world single-handed yacht race that is sailed non-stop and without assistance. Activity will be on all bands CW, SSB and digital modes from 29 October to 7 November, 11-13 November and 19-20 November. QSL via F8KFL. [TNX F8REF]

FH - Pierre, HB9AMO (www.hb9amo.net) will be active holiday style as FH/HB9AMO from Mayotte (AF-027) from 23 November to 4 December, including an entry in the CQ WW DX CW Contest. He will operate CW and possibly some RTTY on 80-10 metres. QSL via M0URX's OQRS and LoTW; logsearch on Club Log.

FM - Look for FM/N7BF, FM/WT4BT, TO4OC (AA4OC) and TO6ABM (W6ABM) to be active holiday style from Martinique (NA-107) from 29 October to 4 November. They will operate SSB and digital modes on 80-10 metres. See qrz.com for QSL routes. [TNX NG3K]

GD - Paul, G4PVM will be active as GD4PVM from the Isle of Man (EU-116) on 24-26 October. He does not plan to have any QSL cards printed, so QSL will be via LoTW, eQSL and Club Log matching for IOTA credits. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

J5 - The J5T DXpedition to the Bijagos Archipelago (AF-020), Guinea-Bissau [425DXN 1306], which was scheduled to take place in mid-November, has been postponed "to the second half of 2017". [TNX IK7JWY]

JT - Ken, K4ZW will participate in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest with the JT5DX team. He will also operate as both JT1ZW and JT1ZW/5 "a few days prior and a few days after the contest". QSL via K4ZW and LoTW. [TNX The Daily DX]

OA - Daniel, DL5YWM will be active as OA4/DL5YWM, and possibly also as OA8/DL5YWM, from Peru between 22 October and 5 November. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX DX Newsletter]

OH - A large team will participate in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest as OH5NQ in the Multi-Multi category. This operation will celebrate OH5NQ's 80th birthday and the 65th anniversary since he got his licence. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau; direct cards to OH5CZ. [TNX NG3K]

OJ0 - Toivo/ES2RR, Martti/OH2BH and Pertti/OH2PM expected to be active as OJ0B from Market Reef (EU-053) starting on 23 October [425DXN 1327], but rough seas and high winds will prevent them from landing until 26 October at the earliest. The group is determined to activate OJ0 in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest; if the group fail in their attempt, they will settle in the Aland Islands and enter the contest as OH0B. [TNX OH2BH]

PJ4 - Roger, ON7TQ and Ief, ON6KX will be active as PJ4L from Bonaire (SA-006) on 1-11 November. They will operate SSB, CW and digital modes. QSL via ON3CQ, direct or bureau, and LoTW; logsearch and OQRS on Club Log. [TNX DX World]

PZ - G3NKC, G4BVY, GM4AFF and possibly others will participate in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest as PZ5K from Suriname. Expect some activity mainly CW before and after the contest. QSL via G3NKC. [TNX NG3K]

T8 - Junichi, JA3RAF will be active as T88AX from Palau on 21-27 October, with planned activity on 80-6 metres CW, SSB and JT65. QSL via JA3RAF, direct or bureau.

T8 - Kazuo, JR1UBR will be active as T88AB from Koror (OC-009), Palau on 2-8 November. He will operate SSB on 40-6 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. He does not use LoTW. [TNX The Daily DX]

V2 - Brian, N3OC (V26OC) and Rol, K3RA (V26RA) will be active holiday style from Antigua (NA-100) on 24-28 October before participating in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest with the V26B team. They will operate SSB and CW on 160-10 metres. [TNX The Daily DX]

VE - Igor, VE3ZF will be active as VE2IDX from Zone 2 from 24 October through the CQ WW DX SSB Contest. He will pay special attention to the low bands. QSL via VE3ZF (direct only). Also participating in the contest from Zone 2 will be Yuri, VE3DZ, who will be QRV as VE2IM on 25-31 October (QSL via LoTW or direct to VE3DZ). [TNX VE3ZF and NG3K]

PACIFIC TRIP ---> Mike, DF8AN will be active as V63AJ from Yap (OC-012), Micronesia on 6-16 November, and then as KH2/DF8AN from Guam (OC-026) until 20 November. He will operate CW, RTTY and PSK on the HF bands. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. He does not use LoTW. [TNX DX World]

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425 DX NEWS MAGAZINE ---> The September 2016 issue is now available for download at www.425dxn.org/monthly/index.html. [TNX IZ3EBA]

ARCTIC'S LEGENDS ---> A major IOTA DXpedition [425DXN 1310] is being planned to take in February-March 2017 to commemorate the 120th anniversary of Fridtjof Nansen's legendary expedition to the Arctic Ocean. Five operators expect to be active as RT9K/9 from the Firnley Islands (AS-054), Tyrtov Island (AS-121), Nansen Island (AS-104) and the Scott-Hansen Islands (AS-068). Plans are to spend 4-5 days on each island, and to operate CW, SSB and digital modes with three stations on 40-10 metres. QSL via RX9KM; four separate Club Log entries (RT9K/9/AS-054, RT9K/9/AS-121, RT9K/9/AS-104 and RT9K/9/AS-068) have been created and the OQRS will be enabled in due course. Bookmark www.qrz.com/db/RT9K/9 for updates; a presentation of the expedition can be found on https://yadi.sk/i/9ZxlEaf8x4SYz.

CQ9GXC ---> The 19-25 October activity by CT1GXC from the Selvagens Islands (AF-047) [425DXN #1328] has been postponed owing to reasons beyond the

operator's control. [TNX DX World]

FT4JA ---> The FT4JA Juan de Nova Island DXpedition video is now available on http://www.juandenovadx.com/ft4ja-la-video-disponible/.

IARU AC ---> The Administrative Council (AC) of the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) is responsible for the policy and management of the IARU and consists of the three IARU international officers and two representatives from each of the three IARU regional organizations. The AC held its annual in-person meeting on 7 and 8 October in Vina del Mar (Chile), immediately prior to the IARU Region 2 Conference. See http://www.iaru.org/news--events for the details.

IARU SECRETARY ---> "Rod Stafford, W6ROD, has retired as IARU Secretary after seven years of service in that position", IARU reported on 20 October. "The IARU Constitution provides that the member-society serving as the International Secretariat, i.e. the ARRL, shall designate the Secretary. The ARRL Board of Directors has designated David Sumner, K1ZZ, to replace Mr. Stafford as Secretary effective 15 October 2016.
Mr. Sumner has served in this capacity twice previously, from 1982 to 1989 and from 1999 to 2009, while employed by the ARRL to manage its headquarters. Now retired from employment, he joins the other IARU officers and Administrative Council members in serving as a volunteer.
IARU resident Tim Ellam, VE6SH, has appointed Mr. Stafford as Emergency Communications Special Advisor. In this capacity he will represent the interests of the IARU and the global amateur radio community in the Development Sector of the ITU and will offer advice and counsel on matters relating to emergency and disaster response communications".

QSL CY9C ---> The QSL cards for the recent DXpedition to St. Paul Island are expected to arrive from the printer in 3-4 weeks. The logs have been uploaded to LoTW, but "unfortunately, and mysteriously, some data did not upload. We will investigate that and see what can be done after we get finished with the distribution of QSL cards direct and bureau".

T31T ---> The team (3Z9DX, SP3DOI and SP7VC) left Kanton Island on 16 October around 6 UTC, much earlier than anticipated, "due to a typhoon approaching on the horizon". Reportedly they have made nearly 31,000 QSOs; the logs will be uploaded to Club Log and the OQRS will be activated when they get back to Samoa. "The local police officer and new Ham Radio op they're leaving the radio/antenna setup for (T31KNT) has been brought up to speed and will be stopping by the 20 Meter ANZA DX Net in the future. He has no plans to operate pileups for now". [TNX DX World]

VK IOTA POLL ---> Craig, VK5CE is "looking at planning future IOTA DXpeditions. The % claimed and activation history on the IOTA website and % claimed in the past 8 years as per the 2016 IOTA directory give a good indication. However I'm also keen to see what you as a dedicated IOTA hunter need. So please visit http://vkiota.blogspot.com.au/ and fill in the poll. This is a chance to make your voice heard and also send in a donation if you are able to".

WWQR AWARD ---> The WWQR Award series is an opportunity to join the World

Radio Team Championship community. The award is issued on a yearly basis (2015, 2016 and 2017) for working stations from the 29 WRTC Qualification Regions. Applications should be submitted through the DARC Community Logbook (DCL). See www.wrtc2018.de/index.php/en/activities/wwqr-award for detailed information, including a step-by-step guide.

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3B9FR, 5A1AL, 5J0JC (NA-049), 5W0COW, 7P8C, 9A6DJM, A35JP, B4R (AS-135), BA4WR, C21BN, EM5F (EU-191), EX8M, FR/OH2YL, HR4/DL5YWM (NA-060), JT5FW, KL7RRC/p (NA-158), MU0WLV, R70ASIA (AS-070), RI1FJ, RK1O/p (EU-161), S01WS, S79KB, S9BT, S9WL, SN966W, TY2AC, V85TL, VE2FDJ/p (NA-176), VK5CE/p (OC-228), W4FDX (NA-079), YB9KA, YS3/DL5YWM (NA-190).

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