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**** DX INFORMATION ****
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5N - Tom, PA3TG will be active as A65TG from Sharjah, United Arab Emirates on 2-5 January. Then he expects to return to Lagos, Nigeria and operate SSB and CW as 5N40TG. QSLs via PA3TG, direct or bureau.

6W - Michel, F6AFH will be active again as 6W7SS from La Somone, Senegal between early January and April. [TNX Les Nouvelles DX]

9A - Both Josip, 9A5AX and Tom, 9A2AA begun their adventure in amateur radio sixty years ago, in 1957. Look for them to be signing 9A57AX and 9A1957AA from 1 January until 31 December to celebrate their "diamond jubilee". [TNX 9A2AA]

9G - Bob 5B4AGN, Steve G3VMW, Alan G3XAQ, Fred G4BWP, Neil G6MC and Iain M0PCB will be active as 9G5X from Ghana on 7-21 March. They will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 160-10 metres with three stations. QSL via M0OXO's OQRS (direct or bureau) and LoTW (logs to be uploaded during the expedition on a daily basis); traditional cards should go direct only to M0OXO. Logsearch on Club Log (hopefully updated at least twice a day), where the Leaderboard function will be turned on. [TNX G3VMW]

E5 - Erik, K7ADD has extended his trip to the Cook Islands [425DXN 1326], and E51AMF will now be active also from Rarotonga (OC-013), South Cooks on 5-9 January and again on 8-18 February. From 11 January to 6 February activity will be from Manihiki (OC-014), North Cooks. He will operate SSB a nd RTTY on 80-10 metres ("160m possible, not guaranteed)". QSL via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS and eQSL; traditional cards via K7ADD, direct or bureau. Further information at https://e51amf.amateurfoundation.org/. [TNX NG3K]

F - The Association Mosellane des Radio Amateurs will be active as TM57H, TM57A, TM57N and TM57D on 15-29 January for the 25th World Men's Handball Championship that will be held in France. QSL via F-11734. [TNX F1NGP]

GM - GB2KW will be active from near Inverness, Scotland between 1 and 28 January, using a variety of different vintage transceivers and Transmitters manufactured by KW Electronics Ltd during the 1960s and 1970s. Activity will be mainly on 80, 40 and 20 SSB and CW, with some AM operation and some 160m operation possible. See qrz.com for more information. All QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW, eQSL and Club Log. Paper QSL cards will not be available.

HA - The MTTOSZ Gyor Varosi Radioklub will use special callsign HG17EYOF until 31 August to celebrate the European Youth Olympic Festival (a biennial multi-sport event for youth athletes from the 48 member countries of the association of European Olympic Committees) which will be held in Gyor on 23-29 July. QSL direct only to MTTOSZ Gyor Varosi Radioklub, Gyor, Nagysandor Jozsef u. 27, 9027, Hungary. See

http://hg17eyof.hg1s.hu/ for more information. [TNX HA1DAE]

HK - Liga Radio Manizales (HK6RM) will be active as 5K6RM on 1-9 January for the annual Manizales Fair. Activity will be on 80, 40, 30, 20, 15, 10, 6 and 2 metres using SSB, CW, RTTY and SSTV. QSL direct or bureau, or via eQSL.

HR - Gerard, F2JD will be active again as HR5/F2JD from Copan, Honduras from 27 January to 24 April. He will operate CW, SSB and digimodes on all bands. QSL via F6AJA; logsearch on www.LesNouvellesDX.fr (click on "Logs en ligne"). [TNX Les Nouvelles DX]

I - Once again the Extreme DX & Contest Group will use special callsign II3CV on 11-28 February to celebrate the Carnival of Venice. QSL via IK3HHX, direct or bureau; logsearch on Club Log. Details on the award at www.extremegroup.org/English/attivazioni.html.[TNX IZ3EBA]

JW - Erik, LA2US has been back to Hopen Island (EU-063), Svalbard since early December and will remain there for six months. In his spare time he operates CW as JW2US around the IOTA frequencies or on the lower band edges. QSL via LoTW, eQSL and Club Log's OQRS (the bureau request service will be open while Erik is on the island, the direct request service will be available when he returns home in June).

LZ - Once again Radio Club Blagovestnik (LZ1KCP) will use twelve special callsigns throughout 2017 to honour as many different Bulgarian saints: LZ552SGO (January), LZ235SIR (February), LZ303MA (March), LZ303SA (April), LZ395SG (May), LZ121SBS (June), LZ284SKD (July), LZ55UPB (August), LZ100SK (September), LZ251MKP (October), LZ307MU (November) and LZ710SG (December). QSL via bureau or direct to P.O. Box 36, 4300 Karlovo, Bulgaria. Details on the "All Saints 2017" award can be found at www.lz1kcp.com.

OH - OH100FIN is the special callsign for club station OH2AP members to use during 2017 to celebrate Finland's 100th anniversary as an independent state. All QSOs will be confirmed via the bureau.

OZ - Special callsigns OZ90EDR, 5P90EDR and OX90EDR (from Greenland)will be in use on 11 February-15 May and again on 15 August-15 November (and maybe also at other times during 2017) to celebrate the 90th anniversary of the Danish IARU society, Eksperimenterende Danske Radioamatorer (EDR). Joining the celebrations during the year will also be OV90EDR and OZ7D (on JT modes only). All QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW and eQSL on a regular basis. QSLs via Club Log's OQRS (direct and bureau); traditional cards should be sent to OZ1ACB. See www.oz90edr.dk for the activity calendar and information on the award programme.

PJ4 - Peter, PA8A will be active again as PJ4B from Bonaire (SA-006) on 8-25 January. He will operate holiday style on 40-10 metres. QSL via PA8A, direct only. [TNX NG3K]

T8 - Look for T88HS, T88SM, T88TK, T88UW and T88WM (YL operator) to be active from Koror (OC-009), Palau on 12-18 January. QSL T88HS via JA6KYU (direct only). QSL T88SM direct only to Hakata Radio, P.O. Box 232, Hakata, 812-8799, Japan. QSL T88TK via JI6BFF (direct or bureau). QSL T88UW via JH7IPR (direct or bureau), LoTW, eQSL and Club Log's OQRS. QSL T88WM via JQ6FQI (direct or bureau).

V6 - Look for JA3ARJ (V63ARJ), JH3LSS (V63LSS), JA3AVO (V63AVO), JH3PBL (V63PBL) and W7AYA (V63AYA) to be active from Pohnpei (OC-010), Micronesia between 4 and 22 January. They will operate CW, SSB and

digital modes on 160-6 metres. QSL via operator's instructions. [TNX DX World]

VE - XK150YUKON is a special callsign for the Yukon CanAm Contest Club (VY1AAA) to celebrate the 150th anniversary of Canada's Confederation from 1 January to 1 March. QSL via KC1CWF or LoTW.

VK - Previously announced for 1-5 November [425DXN 1333], the VK5CE/8 DXpedition to North Island (OC-198) has been brought forward to 12-16 October to fit in with the scheduling and availability of the boat. Bookmark https://oc198.wordpress.com/ for further information and updates. [TNX VK5CE]

XE - Radio Club Queretaro (XE1RCQ) will be active as 6E0C from 1 January to 30 April to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Constitution of Mexico, drafted in Santiago de Queretaro by the Constitutional Congress and promulgated on 5 February 1917. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, or via XE1EE (direct or bureau).

YB - Leo, YC9MLL will be active from Flores Island (OC-151) on 21, 22 and 24 January, and again for a few days around 11-12 and/or 21-24 July. He will operate mainly SSB on 15 metres, but he might also give 20 and 40 metres a try. QSL via M0OXO's OQRS (www.m0oxo.com).

YJ - YJ0AA (home call JH2BNL), YJ0FM (home call JI2UAY) and YJ0WW (home call JA2NQG) will be active from Efate (OC-035), Vanuatu on 20-23 January. They will operate CW, SSB, RTTY and FM on 160-10 metres with three stations. QSL YJ0AA via LoTW, others via home calls. [TNX NG3K]

ZF - Pete, K8PGJ will be active again as ZF2PG from the Cayman Islands (NA-016) on 14-22 January. He will be QRV on 160-10 metres SSB, with holiday style activity except during the North American QSO Party (from 18 UTC on 21 January to 6 UTC on the 22nd). QSL via LoTW or direct to home call.

ZF - Also QRV from the Cayman Islands will be Stan, K5GO, who will be active again as ZF9CW from 22 January to 23 February. He will participate in the CQ WW 160-Meter CW Contest (27-29 January) and the ARRL DX CW Contest (18-19 February, low power). Outside the contests he will concentrate on 160m. QSL via LoTW or direct to K5GO; logsearch on Club Log.

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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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CQ DX MARATHON ---> The CQ DX Marathon is a year-long DX hunt, with participants competing to see who can work the greatest number of countries ("entities") and CQ zones during the calendar year. The 2017 edition will start at 00.00 UTC on 1 January and will end at 23.59 UTC on 31 December. The deadline for log submission for the 2016 DX Marathon is 10 January at 2359Z. Complete details can be found at www.dxmarathon.com.

VK IOTA ---> Craig, VK5CE has decided to operate from five IOTA groups in 2017. Already planned activities will include VK5CE/p from OC-228 (various short visits during the day in January and February), VK5CE/3 from OC-196

(31 January-1 February, see 425DXN 331] and VK5CE/8 from OC-198 (12-16 October). "That means I need your help to choose two more IOTAs in 2017", he says. So visit http://vkiota.blogspot.com.au/ and let Craig know what VK IOTA groups you still need. The poll closes at the end of January.

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3B9HA, 4S7AB, 8R1/AG6UT, A5A, AT2SL (AS-176), CY9C, D66D, FO5RH, J68GD, JT1CO, MD/DL1RTL, OJ0DX, PZ5V, R23RRC (AS-091), R3CA/0 (AS-038, AS-070, AS-152, AS-163, AS-164), R3CA/8, R3CA/9 (AS-005, AS-068, AS-104), S9YY, SV8/DJ4EL (EU-158), T30KJ, TL0A, TL8AO, UE23RRC (AS-142), V63YY, V6Z, VI6DH400 (OC-206), VK5CE/p (OC-228), VK9NZ, VP2ESM, VP6J, XT2AW, ZL7/W1XGI, ZL7G, ZV2016RIO.

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