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5Z - Thomas, OZ1AA is active as 5Z4/OZ1AA from Kenya until 15 June. He plans to visit Lamu Island (AF-040) between 25 and 29 May. QSL via Club Log's OQRS and LoTW, or via OZ1ACB.

9X - Alan, KE4TA is moving to Kigali, Rwanda for two years. He departs on 26 May, but it will take a while for him to get his 9X licence and have his station up and running. He will be QRV on 80-6 metres ("primarily on 20m and 17m") SSB, digital modes and CW "when my skills are better". QSL via N4GNR and LoTW. Updates will be posted to http://www.rwandadx.com/.

CT9 - Look for Serge, CT9/R7KW and Oleg, CT9/YL3JM to be active from Madeira Island (AF-014) on 25-28 May, including a Multi-Single entry in the CQ WW WPX CW Contest as CT9/R7KW. QSL for both callsigns via Club Log's OQRS, or direct to K2PF. [TNX NG3K]

F - Special callsign TM500LH will be active on 25-31 May and again on 5-10 July to celebrate the 500th anniversary of the foundation of the city and port of Le Havre. QSL via F6KOH.

FO - Jean-Pierre, F6CTF will be active as TX5X (also /mm) from the Leeward Islands and the Windward Islands, French Polynesia between late May and early August. He will be QRV on 80-10 metres SSB, CW and JT65. [TNX F8REF]

GU - Look for MU/ON6EF and MU/ON4AFW to be active from Guernsey (EU-114) on 23-27 May. They also plan to visit and be QRV from the nearby islands of Sark and Herm. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

HB0 - Max, ON5UR will be active holiday style as HB0/ON5UR from Liechtenstein from 27 May to 3 June. QSL via home call. [TNX DX World]

LX - PD7YY, PG8M and PH0NO will be active as LX44FF from at least six different nature reserves in Luxembourg on 20 and 21 May. They plan to operate SSB and CW on 80 metres and up with two stations. QSL via Club Log's OQRS.

OY - Martin, DF3MC and Emil, DL8JJ will be active as OY/DF3MC and OY/DL8JJ from the Faroe Islands (EU-018) on 20-25 May. This will be a SOTA expedition, and they will try and be active from as many summits as possible. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX DX World]

OZ - Dieter, DF2SD will be active as OZ/DF2SD from Fano Island (EU-125) from 23 July to 4 August, including participation in the IOTA Contest. He will operate SSB and digital modes on 80-6 metres. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW and eQSL, or via home call (direct or bureau). [TNX rsgbiota.org]

P4 - DF4XX, DL4HG, DL7AT and DL8UD will be active as P40X from Aruba (SA-036) from 22 July to 5 August. They will participate in the IOTA Contest. QSL via DL8UD, direct or bureau; the log will be

uploaded to Club Log. [TNX DL8UD]

UA - Vlad, UA0LCZ will be active again as R66IOTA from Popov Island (AS-066) on 25-30 July. Look for him on or around 3507, 7007, 10107, 14017, 18077, 21017, 24897 and 28017 kHz; during the IOTA Contest he will operate also SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

UR - Special callsign EO25P will be active from 1 June to 31 December to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the Volyn Amateur Radio League. See https://www.qrz.com/db/EO25P for information on the certificate available for contacts made with EO25P and other EO25 stations. [TNX UT1PG]

VE - The Frontenac Amateur Radio Club will operate special event station XM3CARF from 3 June to 3 July to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the founding of the Canadian Amateur Radio Federation. QSL via operator's instructions. Canada's first successful national amateur radio society, CARF existed between 1967 and 1993, when it was amalgamated with the Canadian Radio Relay League to form the Radio Amateurs of Canada.

VK - Andy, VK5MAV [425DXN 1353] now expects to be active as VK9MAV from Marion Reef (OC-267) for 5-6 days between 8 and 18 June. QSL via Club Log's OQRS; traditional cards should be sent to VK5MAV (direct only) or RN3RQ (bureau). This IOTA group was activated only once back in 2004; DXCC wise it counts for Australia, not Mellish Reef.

VK9X - Kun, HL1AHS will be active as VK9AA from Christmas Island (OC-002) from 24 June to 1 July. He will operate CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31 on 80-10 metres. QSL via HL2UVH.

VP2M - K2DM will be active again as VP2MDG from Montserrat (NA-103) on 25-29 May. He will participate in the CQ WW WPX CW Contest on 40-10 metres. QSL via LoTW or direct only to K2DM. [TNX The Daily DX]

VP2V - Kevin, K6TOP will be active again VP2V/K6TOP from Tortola, British Virgin Islands (NA-023) from 28 May to 5 June. He operates almost exclusively CW on 40, 30, 20, 17, 15 and 10 metres. QSL via LoTW or direct to NR6M. [TNX The Daily DX]

W - KV4T and KS4YT will be active from Grand Isle (NA-168) on 27-29 May. QSL via home calls. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

W - Bruce, K5TEN will be active as K4D from Dog Island (NA-085) on 3-11 June. He will operate SSB and CW on 40-6 metres. QSL via home call, see qrz.com for instructions. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

XE - XF2L [425DXN 1351] is expected to be active from Isla de Lobos (NA-221) on 26-28 May. QSL direct to XE1SOV (or use PayPal: ricardoorozcoc[@]hotmail.com); logsearch on the Grupo Puebla DX's website: http://puebladx.org/spcall/XF2L_log.php.

Z2 - Tom, KC0W had to cancel his 8R1/KC0W operation from Guyana [425DXN 1357] owing to problems in getting a licence. His new destination is Zimbabwe, where he will be active as Z25DX from 23 May to 18 June. He will operate CW only on 80-6 metres. QSL via KC0W (direct only) and logsearch on Club Log. He does not use LoTW.

ZA - Martti, OH2BH and Pekka, OH2TA (OG1N) will be active from their recently built DX-station at Durres, Albania on 23-30 May. Look for ZA/OG1N to participate in the CQ WW WPX CW Contest as a Single-Operator All Band entry. Outside the contest they will operate mainly SSB. Martti will then travel to Kosovo and be active as Z68BH. QSLs via home calls. [TNX OH2BH]

ZA - Henning, OZ1BII will operate CW only as ZA/OU2I from Albania on 25-29 May, including an entry in the CQ WW WPX CW Contest. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW and eQSL. [TNX NG3K]

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CASS AWARDS ---> Club Log and DXLab are happy to welcome the Northern California DX Club as a sponsor of the Cass Award (http://www.cassaward.com). Beginning in 2018, there will be two award categories: the Single-Operator Cass Award (awarded to the single-operator DXpedition that works the most unique callsigns during a 2-week interval) and the new Unlimited Cass Award, awarded to the DXpedition that works the most unique callsigns, with no limit on the number of operators or the duration of the activity. Both awards are issued in March for DXpeditions during the preceding year. Past recipients of the Cass Award include Rob Chipperfield M0VFC (ZD9UW, 2012), Peri Monioudis HB9IQB (E44PM, 2013), Nigel Cawthorne G3TXF (ZD9XF, 2014), Jose Luis Murano LU1FM (5J0B, 2015) and Jeff Martin, K5WE (XR0YS, 2016, see 425DXN 1354). [TNX AA6YQ]

CQ AMATEUR RADIO HALL OF FAME ---> 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:

- King Bhumibol Adulyadej of Thailand, HS1A (SK)
- John Brosnahan, W0UN (SK): President of Alpha Power, NOAA physicist and instrumental in design and construction of the HAARP facility in Alaska.
- Garrett Brown, W3AFF: Inventor of the Steadicam, which earned him both Oscar and Emmy awards for filmmaking technology
- Britton Chance, W2IBK (SK): Pioneer in magnetic imaging; MIT professor, team leader in MIT Radiation Lab developing WWII radar; US Olympic gold medalist (sailing, 1952)
- John Crockett, W3KH: Repeater coordination pioneer; developed Southeastern Repeater Assn (SERA) Universal Coordination System; managed SCHEART system of linked repeaters in hospitals; VP Engineering for SC Educational TV network
- Julius T. Freeman, KB2OFY (SK): Tuskegee Airman and Congressional Gold Medal recipient; frequent speaker at schools and civic organizations
- Limor Fried, AC2SN: Founder of Adafruit Industries, major supplier of open-source electronics to the Maker community; honored by President Obama in 2016 as a "Champion of Change" and by the Internet of Things Institute as one of the 25 most influential women in the IoT industry
- Robin Haighton, VE3FRH (SK): Founding member of Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS), former president of AMSAT-NA
- David Honess, M6DNT: Developed AstroPi project, which sent two Raspberry Pi computers to the International Space Station as platforms for students on Earth to write and run their own computer code in space; honored for

this work with the Sir Arthur Clarke Award, presented by the Arthur C. Clarke Foundation and the British Interplanetary Society
- Pete Kemp, KZ1Z (SK): Author and educator, directly responsible for licensing over 700 new hams
- Kristen McIntyre, K6WX: Apple software engineer and inventor (her name is on 22 granted or pending patents), promoter of STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) subjects for girls through various talks and YouTube presentations
- Pat McPherson, WW9E (SK): Founder and longtime coordinator of SATERN (Salvation Army Team Emergency Radio Network)
- Andy Nguyen, VK3YT: Pico-ballooner, pioneered round-the-world micro-balloon flights carrying amateur radio
- Tim Peake, KG5BVI: UK astronaut very active in ARISS program during time on International Space Station; coordinated ISS end of the AstroPi project (see David Honess, above)
- Mike Santana, WB6TEB (SK): Two-way radio engineer, designed Clegg FM-76 220-MHz transceiver and President line of CB rigs, favorites for conversion to 10 meters
- Allan Steinfeld, W2TN, ex-KL7HIR (SK): Longtime Race Director of the New York City Marathon, considered one of the fathers of the modern running movement
- Gerald Youngblood, K5SDR: Pioneer of software defined radio (SDR) and founder of FlexRadio

Two new members each are also being inducted into the CQ DX and Contest Halls of Fame at the respective Dayton DX and Contest dinners. Their names will be announced separately.

E51LYC ---> Cezar, VE3LYC has been active as E51LYC from Pukapuka Atoll (OC-098), North Cook Islands since 12 May, and will be QRV until the UTC morning of 24 May. "Operating from Pukapuka is proving challenging as the temperature is around 35 in the shade with 90% humidity, and potable water and food are in short supply on the island", Andy, E51AND posted to http://e51lyc.weebly.com/ on 18 May. "Based on experiences so far", this is Cezar's operating plan for the next few days:

05.00 UTC to 06.00 UTC	20m to Europe
06.00 UTC to 06.30 UTC	30m (but if the band is completely dead, he will return to 20m)
06.30 UTC to 08.30 UTC	20m to Europe
08.30 UTC to 12.00 UTC	30m/40m
12.00 UTC to 14.00 UTC	sleep
14.00 UTC to 16.00 UTC	30m/40m

During the rest of his daylight hours, he will operate largely on 17 and 20 metres with occasional transitions to 15m if the band opens. He might adjust the schedule slightly according to conditions. Cezar does not have access to the Internet at his location, "so he cannot see spots and there is only a very faint possibility of uploading a log at some point from the slow internet connection at Telecom - but do not count on it". QSL via Club Log's OQRS (preferred), or via VE3LYC (direct or bureau).

QSL VIA DL2SBY ---> Kasimir will be unable to send his QSL cards (S79KB, 8Q7KB, HB0/DL2SBY and other activities - see https://www.qrz.com/db/DL2SBY) through the bureau after the end of September, as he will not renew his DARC membership. QSL requests for bureau cards via Club Log's OQRS will be

accepted only until the end of September.

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3B8CF, 5A1AL, 5U5R, 6W2SC, 8Q7DV, 9G5X, 9M4IOTA (AS-046), A41ZZ/p, A70X (AS-088), CN2JF, CV5A (SA-030), DU1UD/8 (OC-119), EK/RK3DJ, H40FN, H44MS (OC-047), J5B (AF-020), J5UAP, J5W (AF-020), J6/K1ZZI, J70BH, JA4GXS/5 (AS-200), JE1HXZ/6 (AS-024), JY9FC, KH2BY, OF9X, OX/DL7UFR (NA-151), RW2F, S21SM, S21ZED, S21ZEE, SU9IG, SV8/IZ4JMA (EU-075), SV9MBH, TM2H, TO3Z, UA2F, V26M, VE7ACN/7 (NA-061), VP6EU, XX9D (AS-075), XX9TGM (AS-075).

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