4X - 4Z70ARNON (8-18 September) and 4X70EXODUS (17-18 September) are two special call signs commemorating the 70th anniversary of the voyage of the "Exodus", the ship carrying thousands of Holocaust survivors who sought to illegally immigrate into British Mandatory Palestine. 4X70EXODUS will be operated from a ship cruising in the Mediterranean during a commemorative voyage, while 4Z70ARNON will be based in Tel Aviv. QSL via LoTW and eQSL. See qrz.com for more information on the event. [TNX 4Z4DX]

8Q - Philip, G4PWO will be active as 8Q7PW from the Maldives (AS-013) for two weeks starting on 18 July. He is likely to concentrate on 40, 20, 17 and 15 metres - "SSB if conditions are good, digimodes if bad". QSL via home call (bureau), LoTW and eQSL; logsearch on Club Log.

9M2 - The Kuala Lumpur DX Team will be active as 9M4IOTA from Pangkor Island (AS-072), West Malaysia on 22-24 July. They will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 80-10 metres. QSL direct to 9M2OOO. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

A3 - Masa, JA0RQV (http://blog.goo.ne.jp/rqv) plans to be active again as A35JP/p from Niutoputapu (OC-191) on 17-22 August. He will operate CW and SSB on 80-6 metres. "Success rate will fully depend on the probability of domestic flight to OC-191 which is scheduled once a week", he says. QSL via home call (direct or bureau), and LoTW. Logsearch and OQRS on Club Log. [TNX JA0RQV]

BY - A large team from the Ji Nan Amateur Radio Association will be active as BY4JN from Lingshan Island (AS-150) on 28-31 July. QSL via BI4IIZ. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

DL - Sven, DO3BST will be active as DO3BST/p from Ruegen Island (EU-057) on 1-8 July. He will operate SSB and JT65 on 15, 10 and 2 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX DX Newsletter]

DL - Special callsign DL0SOP will be activated again on 1-31 July for the Sea Of Peace Award (details on http://dl0sop.darc.de/). All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau; direct cards via DL4SCVA. [TNX DX Newsletter]

DL - DB1WA, DL1MRD, DM4DL and DM5HF will be active as DR0F from Newerwerk Island (EU-127) on 28-31 July, including participation in the IOTA Contest. QSL via DM4DL, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

E6 - Grant, VK5GR will be active holiday style as E6AG from Niue (OC-040) on 14-25 September. He will be QRV on 40-6 metres, and will concentrate on digital modes (including activity during the CQ WW RTTY Contest on 23-24 September), with some SSB and "some CW contacts by arrangement". QSL via M0O XO's OQRS. A website is under construction (www.e6ag.net). [TNX M0O XO]

EA8 - Seven operators from Grupo DX Teide will be active as AM8TID (http://am8tid.blogspot.com/) from Teide volcano (3,555m a.s.l.)
from 30 June to 2 July. The Teide National Park (Tenerife, Canary Islands) was inscribed to UNESCO World Heritage List ten years ago. QSL via LoTW and eQSL; direct cards to EA8NQ.

**EI** - Jeremy, EI5GM and Col, MM0NDX will be active as EJ3HB from Bere Island (EU-121) during the IOTA Contest. QSL via M0OXYO's OQRS. [TNX DX World]

**GD** - Noel, ON4APU will operate SSB and CW as MD/0040 from the Isle of Man (EU-116) on 29-30 July for the IOTA Contest. QSL via Club Log's OQRS and LoTW, or via the bureau to ON4APU. [TNX ON4APU]

**GM** - Weather permitting, Gert/ON4GC and Jan/ON4CO (OS5A) will be active MM/ON4GS and MM/OS5A from Hirta, the largest island in the St Kilda Archipelago (EU-059) on 10-14 July. The Outer Hebrides (EU-010) might be activated as well as an alternative or during travel to and from the archipelago. They will operate SSB and CW ("digital modes optionally") on the HF bands. QSL via home calls (bureau preferred) and LoTW. [TNX NG3K]

**HS** - E21IZC, E27EK and HS7UCQ will be active as E29AU from Chang Island (AS-125) from 28 July to 1 August. They will operate CW only, and will participate in the IOTA Contest as E2T. QSLs direct to E21IZC. [TNX NG3K]

**I** - Representing Associazione Radioamatori Italiani (ARI) in the IARU HF World Championship (8-9 July) will be II1HQ (80m and 20m CW), II2HQ (160m CW), II5HQ (80m SSB and 40m CW), II6HQ (160m and 40m SSB), II8HQ (15m SSB) and II9HQ (20m SSB, 15m CW, 10m CW and SSB). QSL via the bureau, LoTW and eQSL.

**ISO** - Once again Massimo, I0PNM will be active as IM0/I0PNM from San Pietro Island (EU-165) from 20 July to 20 August. He will operate SSB and RTTY on 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres, and will participate in the IOTA Contest. QSL via home call. [TNX I0PNM]

**LX** - "As a preparation for future DXpeditions", Johannes PA5X and Gerben PG5M will be testing their two-station setup and be active as LX/home calls from Luxembourg on 6-9 July. They will operate CW, SSB and JT65 on 160-10 metres, and "a certain amount of station automation will also be set up and tested". QSL via home calls. More information and logsearch on http://www.dx.to/. [TNX PG5M]

**OH** - Celebrating Finland's 100th anniversary as an independent state, OF100HQ will be the Finnish Amateur Radio League (SRAL) HQ station during the IARU HF World Championship (8-9 July). The first 100 stations capturing the highest number of the twelve available band slots, will be awarded the "Happy Finland 100 Award". QSL OF100HQ via OH2BH. [TNX OH2BH]

**PA** - Petro, PH9GFB will be active as PA38EU from Terschelling Island (EU-038) from 22 July to 12 August, including activity during the IOTA Contest. QSL via PH9GFB, bureau preferred. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

**PY** - PS8AB and PS8RV will be active as ZY8D from Ilha das Canarias (SA-072) on 28-30 July, IOTA Contest included. They will operate SSB on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres. QSL direct to PS8RV.

**PY** - A team from the Para DX group (https://para-dx-group.com) will be active as PX8I from Ilha Itarana (SA-060) on 28-31 July. They will be QRV on 40-10 metres and will participate in the IOTA Contest. QSL via Club Log's OQRS or PY8WW.

**RI1F** - Evgenij, UA4RX expects to be active again as RI1FJ while stationed at the Ernst Krenkel Observatory on Heiss Island (EU-019), Franz
Josef Land starting sometime in July or August for one year. See RI1FJ’s qrz.com page for updates. QSL via LoTW or direct to UA2FM; logsearch and OQRS on Club Log in due course. [TNX DX World]

SV  - Tony, PY2DY will be active as SY8APQ from Lesvos Island (EU-049) between 4 July and 2 August. QSL via PY2DY (direct) and LoTW. [TNX NG3K]

UA  - DL5EBE, R1NU, RD3MX, RN1ON, UA1OC and UA1PBA will be active as RI1ON and UE8OFAR from Solovetskiy Island (EU-066) on 4-9 July. Plans are to operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 40-10 metres. They might also be QRV as RI1ON/p from other nearby islands. QSL via Club Log's OQRS or RN1ON.

UA  - The RI0Z team (R6LGT, R6MG, RX3F, RZ3K, RZ5D and UA3EDQ) expects to arrive at Petropavlovsk-Kamchatsky on 30 June. The planned dates for the team to be QRV from Beringa, one of the Komandorskiye Islands (AS-039) were 5-13 July [425DXN 1344], but they are likely to change slightly. Bookmark http://www.ri0z.com/en/plans/ for updates.

UA  - The RI0LI team (R7AA, RA7E and UA6EX) now expects to be QRV from Leont'yeva, one of the Medvezh'i Islands (AS-022) [425DXN 1346] on 23-30 July, IOTA Contest included. On their way back they will stop and be active as RA70AA from GUSMP Island (AS-070) on 1-2 August. QSLs via Club Log's OQRS, or via R7AA (direct or bureau). Bookmark http://www.ri0li.com for updates.

V6  - Once again the ship taking the Japanese operators to Mwokil Island (OC-226) [425DXN 1364] has been delayed. The V6J team now expects to be QRV from Mwokil on 2-6 July. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, or direct only to JP3AYQ.

VE  - Pierre, VE3KTB hopes to be active again as VY0ERC between 7 and 22 July. This is the Eureka Amateur Radio Club station located in the environs of the weather station on Ellesmere Island (NA-008). He expects to participate in the IARU HF Championship (ITU Zone 75). QSL via M0OXX's OQRS. [TNX rsgebota.org]

VP9  - Bob, N20O and Steve, KU9C will be active as N20O/VP9 and KU9C/VP9 from Bermuda (NA-005) on 6-11 July. They will operate on the HF bands, 6 metres and satellites. QSL via home calls. They will participate in the IARU HF Championship as VP9HQ (QSL via KU9C for this year only). [TNX The Daily DX]

XW  - Bruce, 3W3B will be active again as XW4XR from Laos on 3-14 July. He will operate CW, RTTY and JT65 on 40-10 metres, hopefully also on 6m. QSL via E21EIC and LoTW. [TNX The Daily DX]

YN  - Rafael, NN3RP will be active again as YN2RP from Nicaragua from 8 July to 4 August. He will operate Satellite as well as CW, PSK31, RTTY and SSB on 40-10 metres. QSL via NN3RP, LoTW and eQSL. [TNX The Daily DX]

ZF  - Max, N5NHJ (I8NHJ) will be active holiday style as ZF2NH from Grand Cayman (NA-016) on 8-15 July. He will operate mainly CW with some RTTY and PSK31 on 20-6 metres. QSL via LoTW, or direct to N5NHJ; logsearch on Club Log. [TNX N5NHJ]

SOUTH AMERICA TRIP ---> Andy, M0VVA will be visiting Peru, Ecuador and the Galapagos Islands (SA-004) on 8-21 July. He will be QRV as M0VVA/OA4 (Lima), M0VVA/OA7 (Cuzco), HC1/M0VVA (Quito), HC2/M0VVA (Guayaquil) and HC8/M0VVA (Galapagos), with QRP CW activity on 40, 30, 20, 17 and 15 metres. [TNX DX
3Y0Z: BOUVET 2018 --- > "In consultation with our new transportation partner Aerovias DAP", the 3Y0Z team reported on 27 June, "we continue to refine our plans for our Bouvet DXpedition". They expect to depart from King George Island (South Shetlands) on 13 January 2018, and to reach Bouvet after 9-11 days, depending on weather and sea conditions. Plans are to be at Bouvet for 21 days, and to be QRV for 14-16 days. Then they will return to either King George Island or Punta Arenas (Chile).

Fund-raising continues. "We are pleased with our progress toward our goal of 740,500 USD. The team has committed 400,000 USD cash as well as paying for their own transportation, food and hotel expenses. DX Clubs have stepped up and some have added additional contributions as have many individual DXers. However, we are still about 200,000 USD short. Please help if you can. We have a large payment due for the vessel and helicopters in several months". See http://www.bouvetdx.org for Press Release #6 and other information.

DXCC NEWS ---> The ARRL Awards Branch has approved the recent E31A operation (Eritrea, May 2017) for DXCC credit.

MARCONI MEMORIAL CW CONTEST ---> The 21st edition of the Marconi Memorial CW Contest will be held on from 14 UTC on 1 July until 13.59 UTC on 2 July. See http://www.arifano.it/contest_marconi.html for complete information. [TNX IK6BAK]


QSLs received direct or through managers: 5K0N, 5V7P, 524/OZ1AA (AF-040), 6W2SC, 9Y4SF, A25UK, A35JP/p (OC-123), CO8LY, DL1YAF/VK9, DU9/SP5APW (OC-235), E31A, EA9/DL7DF, EA9EU, FR4OO, H44MS (OC-047), HI1UD (NA-122), HP3S, ISO/OM8A, J5UAP, JD1BMH, JY9PC, LX44PF, M0DCE, M10SAI, OY1CT, RT9K/9 (AS-005), RW2F, S21ZED, S21ZEE, T2AQ, T2AR, TA0/DL7UCX (AS-201), TL8TT, TU7C, V51WH, VK5CE/7 (OC-233), VP5/K4QPL, YW6X (SA-090).
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