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3C - Yuris, YL2GM and Kaspars, YL3AIW were due to return home on 23 October, but the flight from Annobon to Malabo (3C1) was repeatedly postponed. Eventually 3C0L went QRT around 05.30 UTC on 25 October with 30,000 QSOs in the log. On 26 October Yuris and Kaspars were not active yet, but "looking for proper QTH" in order to operate again as 3C1L from Malabo (Bioko Island, AF-010), Equatorial Guinea. See http://www.lral.lv/3c0l_3c1l/index.html for updates.

8P - Mac, WT4BT as 8P9MT (QSL via home call, direct or bureau, and LoTW) and Joe, N7BF (QSL via home call, direct) as 8P9BT will be active holiday style from Barbados (NA-021) on 4-11 November. QSL via WT4BT (direct or bureau) and LoTW.

9A - Sergio, IZ3NXC and Stefano, IZ3QAN will be active as 9A/IZ3NXC from Pag Island (EU-170) on 7-9 November. They will operate SSB and digital modes on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres. QSL via Club Log's OQRS or via IK3GES. [TNX IZ3NXC]

A5 - A5A will be activated again from 27 October to 3 November by Zorro JH1AJT, Jin JF1IST, Franz DJ9ZB and Champ E21EIC. The main purpose of this trip is to support the launch of the Paralympic Committee with the Bhutan Olympic Committee. The team will participate in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest; outside the contest they will operate CW, SSB, RTTY and maybe FT8 on 160-10 metres. QSL via JH1AJT; logsearch and OQRS on Club Log. [TNX DX World]

C2 - Kuni JA8VE (C21VE), Mat JA1JQY (C21JY) and Kaoru JA3MCA (C21MA) will be active from Nauru (OC-031) on 8-14 November. They will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 80-10 metres. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX DX World]

EL - "It's our best estimate that we could be on air from the island as early as 30 October (late afternoon local time)", the 5L3BI team reported a few days ago. "However, it could be next day", as they "must also take into account local weather and sea conditions". The operators (MM0NDX, EI9FBB, EI5GM, EL2DT and EL2BG) plan to be QRV for 72 hours max, and to run up to three stations (SSB and CW). They will be located on Baiyah Island (AF-111, new one for IOTA), and will have no internet or email access whatsoever. QSL via M0OXO's OQRS and LoTW. See https://af111new.com/.

FG - Bill, K2HVN will be active holiday style as TO2E from Guadeloupe (NA-102) on 5-10 November. He will operate CW and some SSB on 40-10 meters. QSL via K2HVN. [TNX The Daily DX]

HK - LU9EFO (SSB) and HK3TU (CW) plan to be active as HK1/LU9EFO and HK3TU/1 from the Rosario Islands (SA-040), and as HK4/LU9EFO and HK3TU/4 from the Titumate Islands (SA-093) sometime in November. QSL direct to F4BHW. [TNX DX World]

HK - Josep, EA3BT and his wife Nuria, EA3WL will be active as 5K1B from Mucura, one of the San Bernardo Islands (SA-078) on 21-28 November.

They will operate SSB, CW, RTTY on 40-6 metres, and will also give 80m a try. Realtime logsearch on http://www.qsodirector.com/; QSL via Club Log's OQRS, or via EA3BT.

I - The United Nations Global Service Center ARC (4U1GSC) in Brindisi will be active as 4U24OCT until 31 December. The special callsign marks United Nations Day (24 October). DXCC wise, it counts for Italy. QSL via 9A2AA.

LU - Special event station LU4AAO/D will be active from 13 UTC on 4 November until 3 UTC on 5 November from the premises of the Museo Antartico de Villa Adelina, near Buenos Aires. Activity will take place on 80 and 40 metres SSB, as well as on 20 metres CW, JT and QSL via LU4AAO (direct or bureau) or eQSL. More information can be found at http://lu4aao.org/Activacion_Museo_Antartico.htm. [TNX LU4AAO]

OE - Special callsign OE500ML will be active on 31 October to commemorate the 500th anniversary of the Protestant Reformation initiated by Martin Luther (31 October 1517). All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau.

TA - Nuri, TA3X will be active as TC630MECCA from Izmir, Turkey from 1 November to 14 January 2018. He will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 160-10 metres. QSL via TA3X, direct or bureau. [TNX The Daily DX]

V4 - Gary, G0FWX will be active as V47FWX (not V4/G0FWX as previously announced) from St Kitts (NA-104) on 8-15 November. QSL via M0URX's OQRS.

VK - Mike AB5EB, Mike AD5A and Craig VK5CE expect to arrive at Ashmore Reef (OC-216) [425DXN 1370] around 5 UTC on 7 November, and to depart by 1 UTC on 11 November. They will operate CW and SSB as VK9AR with up to three stations on 40, 30, 20, 17 and 15 metres. They are only allowed to be on the island from dawn to dusk, i.e. from 21 UTC to 10 UTC. This means for Europe and North America the best times to work VK9AR are 21.00-00.00 UTC and 07.00-01.00 UTC. At these times VK9AR will be calling for Europe only or North America only and operating with three stations to maximise QSOs. See the "Propagation" page on https://ashmorereef.wordpress.com/ for more information on their operating plans. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, or via VK5CE.

VK - After operating from Ashmore Reef (OC-216), AB5EB, AD5A and VK5CE will be active as VK9AR/6 from Browse Island (OC-234). The maximum time they are allowed to stay on the island goes from 20:00 UTC on 11 November until 01:00 UTC on 12 November, with 4 hours of expected QRV time. They plan to operate two stations (CW and SSB) "on the bands that give Europe and North America a chance". QSL via Club Log's OQRS (search for VK9ar/6), or via VK5CE.

YJ - Chris, VK2YUS (YJ0CA) and Mike, VK2BXE (YJ0MB) will be active from Efate (OC-035), Vanuatu on 1-7 November. They will operate SSB on 40 and 20 metres. QSL direct to home calls. [TNX The Daily DX]

CQ WW DX SSB CONTEST ---> The following stations have announced their participation in this year's event (28-29 October):

ZONE	CALL	CATEGORY	COUNTRY	QSL VIA

02	VA2ZM	M/S	Canada	VA2ZM
02	VE2IDX	SOAB	Canada	VE3ZF
02	VY0ERC	M/?	Canada	M0OXO
07	V31VP	SOAB HP	Belize	WB0TEV
08	6Y1LZ	M/S	Jamaica	K1LZ
08	6Y4T	M/2	Jamaica	LoTW/W4GE
08	8P1W	SOAB	Barbados	KU9C
08	8P50B	SOSB 20m LP	Barbados	LoTW/KU9C
08	8P5A	SOAB HP	Barbados	LoTW/HA1AG
08	C6ARW	SOAB LP	Bahamas	LoTW/N0HJZ
08	FG4KH	SO	Guadeloupe	F1DUZ
08	J68GD		St. Lucia	LoTW/K9AW
08	TO5A	M/2	Martinique	LoTW/F5VHJ
08	V26B	M/M	Antigua & Barbuda	LoTW/KA2AEV
08	V43Z	SOAB	St Kitts	NP4Z
08	V47JA	SOAB	St. Kitts	LoTW/W5JON
08	VP2MDG	M/S	Montserrat	LoTW/K2DM
08	VP5W	M/? LP	Turks & Caicos	LoTW/KD3TB
08	ZF2ZE	SO	Cayman Isls	LoTW/NE8Z
08	ZF9CW	SOAB	Cayman Isls	LoTW/K5GO
09	9Y4D	SOSB 15m LP	Trinidad & Tobago	LoTW/9Y4D
09	9Y4W	M/S	Trinidad & Tobago	DL4MDO
09	FY5KE	M/S HP	French Guiana	LoTW
09	P40T	SOAB HP	Aruba	VE3DZ
09	P40W	SOAB	Aruba	LoTW/N2MM
09	P49Y	SOAB	Aruba	LoTW/AE6Y
09	PJ2T	M/S	Curacao	LoTW/W3HNK
09	PJ4G	M/?	Bonaire	LoTW/WA2NHA
09	PJ4K	M/2	Bonaire	
09	PJ4Q	M/2	Bonaire	W4PA
09	PZ5K	M/?	Suriname	LoTW/G3NKC
10	HC0E	M/M	Ecuador	HC1QRC
11	PX2A	M/2	Brazil	LoTW
14	CR5SSB	M/S	Portugal	CT1EOU
14	DA0WRTC	M/S	Germany	DJ9MH
14	DL/4X1DX	M/?	Germany	4X6OM
14	EE5T	M/?	Spain	LoTW/EA5URT
14	EF7T	M/S	Spain	EC7AKV
14	EI1A	SOAB LP	Ireland	LoTW/PA3249
14	GJ2A	M/2	Jersey	LoTW
14	GU3HFN	SOAB LP	Guernsey	bureau
14	MM1E	SOAB LP	Scotland	MM0GOR
14	OP4K	M/?	Belgium	LotW/OP4K
14	SI9AM	M/?	Sweden	SM3TIR
14	ZB2TT	SOAB LP	Gibraltar	LoTW/M0URX
15	4U1A	SOAB HP	UN Vienna Int'l Center	UA3DX
15	ES9C	M/2	Estonia	ES5RY
15	IO5O	M/S	Italy	IK5RLP
15	OF5Z	M/S	Finland	LotW
15	OH0X	SOAB HP	Aland Isls	OH2TA
15	TK9R	SOAB	Corsica	IK8UND
20	C4A	M/2	Cyprus	LoTW/5B4KH
20	E44WE	SOSB 15m LP	Palestine	SP9FIH

20	ZC4MK	SO	SBA on Cyprus	LoTW/G0KOM
21	4L0A	SOAB	Georgia	LoTW
21	4L2M	SOSB 20m	Georgia	EA7FTR
21	9K2HN	M/S	Kuwait	LoTW/9K2HN
21	9K2K	SOAB	Kuwait	LoTW
21	A44A	M/M	Oman	A47RS
22	4S7AYG	M/S	Sri Lanka	M0URX
22	4S7BHG		Sri Lanka	OH2BH
22	4S7KLG	SOAB HP	Sri Lanka	LoTW/EA5GL
22	A5A	M/?	Bhutan	JH1AJT
23	B9K	M/2	China	BA4EG
23	JT5DX	M/2	Mongolia	JT1CO
24	B1Z	M/?	China	EA7FTR
24	B4T		China	BA4TB
24	B7K		China	BA4EG
24	B7Q		China	BA1DU
24	BM0DX	M/S	Taiwan	BM2JCC
24	BV2A/3	M/?	Taiwan	BV2A
24	BW/JL3RDC	SOAB LP	Taiwan	JL3RDC
24	BW/JN3MXT	SOAB LP	Taiwan	JN3MXT
24	BW/JP3PZG	SOAB LP	Taiwan	JP3PZG
24	VR20FUN	M/S	Hong Kong	VR2FUN
24	VR2XAN	SOSB 160m	Hong Kong	VR2XAN
27	AC2AI/KH2	SOAB	Guam	LoTW/JJ2CJB
27	AH0K	M/2	Mariana Isls	LoTW/OH6GDX
27	AH2R	M/?	Guam	LoTW
27	T8ED	SOAB	Palau	LoTW
28	4W/OZ1AA	SOAB LP	Timor Leste	OZ1ACB
28	YB0NDT	SOSB 15m HP	Indonesia	LoTW
28	YE2A	M/?	Indonesia	LoTW
29	VK9CZ	M/2	Cocos-Keeling	LoTW/N3SL
31	KH7CW	M/S	Hawaii	LoTW/K2WR
31	KH7M	SOAB	Hawaii	KH6ZM
32	A31MM	SOAB	Tonga	LoTW/EA5GL
32	ZM4T	M/2	New Zealand	LoTW/ZL3IO
33	3V8SS	M/S LP	Tunisia	LotW/LX1NO
33	CN2AA	M/S	Morocco	LotW/UA2FM
33	CR3Z	M/S LP	Madeira	CT3AB
33	ED8W	SOSB	Canary Isls	EA8DO
33	EF9R	SO	Ceuta & Melilla	LoTW/EA5KB
35	3XY4D		Guinea	F5RAV
35	D4C	SOSB 20m HP	Cape Verde	LoTW
35	D4P	SO	Cape Verde	LoTW/HA5PP
35	D4Z	SOSB 15m HP	Cape Verde	LoTW
38	A25A	SO	Botswana	NJ0F
38	V51/TA1HZ	SO	Namibia	LZ3HI
40	TF3CW	SOSB 40m	Iceland	LX1NO
40	TF3JB	SOSB 80m	Iceland	LoTW/TF3JB

Do not forget to give a look at the Announced Operations listing maintained by Bill, NG3K at http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cqs2017.html - good contest to you all!

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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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Access to the main functions of www.425dxn.org is provided by the 425DXN App for Android. It is available on Google Play - free of charge, no ads. Enjoy!

7Q7EI ---> The website for the 7Q7EI DXpedition to Malawi (21 March-3 April 2018) [425DXN 1380] is now up and running at http://www.7q7ei.com/.

NEW IRC ---> The Universal Postal Union's newest model of the International Reply Coupon (IRC) is the 'Istanbul model', which features a pair of hands and a dove against an Arctic backdrop. It is valid for exchange until the end of 2021. The current 'Doha model' remains valid until 31 December 2017. Old out of date IRCs can be donated to M0OXO or M0URX, who will use expired coupons to fund their outgoing Bureau service ("just 300 old out of date International Reply Coupons is enough to post 20,000 Bureau cards to world IARU Bureaux", Tim says).

QSL V51Q & V55A ---> After waiting over a year for cards and logs, Dan N4GNR has removed V55A and V51Q from the list of stations he is the QSL manager for, as he is "unable to answer any request for these two DX stations".

S21ZAS ---> After many trials and tribulations, activity from St. Martin's Island (AS-127) started on 23 October around 08.30 UTC as S21ZAS. The team expects to remain QRV until around 18 UTC on 27 October. QSL via SM6CVX.

ST BRANDON (3B7) 2018 --- > Logistics planning for the April 2018 DXpedition to the Saint Brandon Islands (AF-015) [425DXN 1361] is being finalized. Eight experienced operators will be active for two weeks with seven stations on 160-6 metres CW, SSB and RTTY. "We already made important expenses and time has come to request assistance from the DX community", they said in their latest Press Release issued on 20 October. "As usual, we are extremely careful with each expenditure, but such project remains expensive. The team will provide more than 50% of the budget, but we need your assistance to balance it". See http://www.saintbrandondx.com for more information.

+ SILENT KEY + Carl Smith, N4AA passed away on 20 October. He was 77 years old and had been an amateur radio operator, DXer and contester for more than sixty years. He was the Editor and Publisher of the weekly "QRZ DX" newsletter and the bimonthly "DX Magazine", and for many years compiled the annual "Most Wanted Survey" of DXCC Entities needed by DXers around the world. He also was CQ Magazine's DX columnist for 13 years, and authored the "Year in Review" for the ARRL DXCC Yearbook. In 2012 Carl was inducted into the CQ DX Hall of Fame.

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******* QSL ROUTES *******
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CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER
3B8/IW2NEF	IK2DUW	D41CV	IK2NCJ [b]	PJ2T	W3HNK
3C0L	YL2GN	D4Z	HB9DUR [d]	PZ5K	G3NKC
3V8CB	LX1NO	D4Z	IK2NCJ [b]	R17CWC	RD9CX
3XY3D/p	F5OZC	DT0HH	DS3DJX	R19FYS	RQ7L
3Z200T	SP9KLF	DU1/JA3FJE	JN3VQM	R80ORL	R2EA
4E1ADW	9V1KG	E44WE	SP9FIH	RA19WF	RQ7L
4L6QL	RW6HS	EG2SDA	EB2FRM	RC19WF	RQ7L
4S7AYG	M0URX	EG3ACS	EA3HSJ	RG19WF	RQ7L
4S7BHG	OH2BH	EG5IMP	EA5RKT	RI1ANO	RN1ON
4S7KLG	EA5GL	EG7TA	EA7URJ	RJ19WF	RQ7L
4U1A	UA3DX	EG8JAM	EA8HQ	RK19WF	RQ7L
4U24OCT	9A2AA	EG8SDC	EA8AJX	RL19WF	RQ7L
4U2U	UA3DX	EH4JAM	EA4RCU	RM19WF	RQ7L
4V1TL	W3HNK	EH8FA	EA8NQ	RN17CW	RD9CX
5H3EE	DL4ME	EI8GQB	PA3249	RO19WF	RQ7L
5P9X	OZ9GA	EM1325R	UZ1RR	S21ZAS	SM6CVX
5Q4X	DK5AX	ET3AA	N2OO	SC40VIC	SM6JSM
6Y1LZ	K1LZ	EY8MM	K1BV	SI9AM	SM3TIR
6Y4F	N4SF	F6KOP/p	F6KOP	SN61PW	SP3PGR
6Y4J	K8AJA	FG4KH	F1DUZ	ST60JOTA	ST2M
6Y4T	W4GE	FK8DD	NI5DX	SU3MB	IK2DUW
8P2K	KU9C	FK8GX	W3HNK	SU60J	SM5AQD
8P5A	HA1AG	FM5FJ	KU9C	SW44M	DK2PZ
8P9RN	WB2YQH	FR5FC	EA7FTR	T2AR	3D2AG
8P9SL	WF2S	GW0A	GW4SKA	T88CJ	JA7FKF
9G1SD	AB0GC	H44MS	DL2GAC	TC10A	TA5FA
9G5ZS	ZS6EGB	HB9S	HB9AOF	TC10E	TA5FA
9H9PSG	9H1PI	HF25WZS	SP9WZS	TC10F	TA5FA
9M4SJJ	9W2JMW	HF67CES	SP6CES	TC10K	TA5FA
9M4SJKP	9W2AOA	HG8ARDF	HA8BE	TC10L	TA5FA
A41KB	ON7LX	HH2MK	EB7DX	TC10M	TA5FA
A43JOTA	A47OS	HK3C	NR6M	TC10R	TA5FA
A43YL	A47RS	HK4L	EA5GL	TC10S	TA5FA
A52SJ	N6SJ	HL0S	HL2CFY	TC10T	TA5FA
A60JOTA	A61BK	HP3SS	AC2OV	TC10U	TA5FA
AH0K	OH6GDX	HZ1BL	IZ8CLM	TL8PRV	IN3EYY
AM8HIS	EA8RKL	HZ1FI	DL1RTL	TM17GSE	F5OWK
AO5CS	EA5RKD	HZ1SBS	HZ1HN	TM62GREF	F4HRI
AO5GSB	EA5RKD	HZ1SK	IZ8CLM	TM84S	F4KJK
AO5SB	EA5RKD	HZ1TT	A61BK	TM94JAM	F6KMX
BW0S	BX4AN	II2JOTA	IQ2MI	TR8CA	F6CBC
C6ARW	N0HJZ	IP0TRC	IQ0TE	TT8FC	EA3GWK
C91CCY	K3IRV	J68GD	K9AW	UE98WS	RK4CYW
C93PA	PA5X	KH0/AK4CE	HL1VAU	V26RA	K3RA
CM3EFM	RW6HS	KH0TG	JL1UTS	V31MA	M0OXO
CN2HK	HB9FUX	LM100UKA	LA1UKA	V31RJ	VE6RAJ
CN2NN	UA3DX	LY1SCOUT	LY2MK	V31WB	WB5TKI

CN2PM	UA2FM	LZ45YE	LZ1YE	V47JA	W5JON
CN3A	IK2OHG	LZ50BD	LZ1PM	V53DX	DO4DXA
CO0CB	CO8NDZ	MT0IXD	M0OXO	V73NS	W3HNK
CP4BT	DJ2BW	MX0YHC	M0SDV	VK8NSB	M0URX
CP4MG	EA5KB	NP2J	K8RF	VK9CZ	N3SL
CP6CL	W3HNK	OE55JOTA	OE3OPA	VP2MMX	N0SMX
CR3A	EA5GL	OH0B	OH2BH	VY0ERC	M0OXO
CR3AGP	CT3DL	OI8VK	OH8DR	WH7AA	N2NL
CR3EPM	CT1REP	OP36CLM	ON3AIM	XT2AW	M0OXO
CR3W	DL5AXX	OX/OZ1LXJ	OZ1LXJ	XU7ADI	SM5GMZ
CR5ACE	CT1REP	OZ0FR	DL2VFR	XW1IC	E21EIC
CR5EMG	CT2JTO	P29RR	ZL1BQD	YP0C	YO3CZW
CR5FNL	CT2GZE	P3X	5B4AMM	Z21MH	IZ0EGA
CR6CNE	CT1DJE	P40T	VE3DZ	ZD7BR	G3SWH
CS5RPT	CT1BNW	P40W	N2MM	ZF2AH	W6VNR
CX7CO	EA5GL	P49Y	AE6Y	ZF2ZE	NE8Z
D2AEA	CT1ITE	PJ2/K2NG	WA2NHA	ZF9CW	K5GO
D41CV	HB9DUR [d]	PJ2DD	PF4T	ZL1HLD	ZL1SLO

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