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**** DX INFORMATION ****
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3B8 - Karel, OK2ZI will be active as 3B8/OK2ZI from Mauritius Island (AF-049) from 26 July to 4 August. He will operate CW, SSB and digital modes (FT8 included) on 80-10 metres. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, via home call (direct or bureau) or via LoTW (six months after the operation).

7X - Special callsign 7V5ID will be active on 1-31 July to celebrate the 56th anniversary of Algeria's Independence. Four operators (7X2JV, 7X2VB, 7X2DE and 7X4CZ) will be active on the HF bands and 6 metres SSB, CW and FT8. QSL direct to 7X4CZ; the logs will be uploaded to Club Log and to LoTW (after six months). [TNX The Daily DX]

CO - Special event station CO0SCU will be active on 2-4 July to commemorate the 120th anniversary of the naval Battle of Santiago de Cuba, fought on 3 July 1898 during the Spanish-American War. Operations will be on all bands using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via the bureau or direct to P.O. Box 5, CP 90100 Santiago de Cuba, Cuba. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]

DL - Mario, DJ7MH will be active as DJ7MH/p from Baltrum Island (EU-047) on 1-8 July. He will operate CW on 40, 30 and 20 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX DX Newsletter]

DL - Special callsign DL60SOP will be active on 1-31 July for the 60th edition of the Sea Of Peace Award (see http://dl0sop.darc.de/ for) full details. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau; direct cards via DL4SVA. [TNX DX Newsletter]

EA - Six operators (EA1AOQ, EA1BNF, EA1CBX, EA1IQM, EB1ADD, EC1DD) will be active as AN1WHC from the Cies Islands (EU-080, a UNESCO World Heritage Candidate) from 29 June to 1 July. They will operate SSB, CW and digital modes on the HF bands and 6 metres. QSL via EC1DD, logsearch on Club Log. [TNX NG3K]

F - The Radio Club Vendeen (F6KUF) will be active as TM85TF on 6-20 July for the 105th Tour de France. QSL via F6KUF (bureau) or F5OEV (direct). [TNX Les Nouvelles DX]

G - GB13COL is the special callsign for the Durham District and Amateur Radio Society to participate in the 13 Colonies Special Event (from 13 UTC on 1 July until 4 UTC on 8 July) as a "bonus station". QSL via eQSL, or direct to G0VLF.

G - GB0GKA (4-31 July, QSL via G3ZRJ), GB0GKB (1-28 July, QSL via G4HLN) and GB0GKC (1-28 July, QSL via G3TJE) are three special callsigns commemorating the 90th anniversary of the founding of Portishead Radio, which provided worldwide maritime communications and long-range aeronautical communications from 1928 until 2000.

IS0 - 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 on 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres, and will participate in the IOTA

Contest. QSL via home call. [TNX I0PNM]

OH - Radioclub Riihimaen Kolmoset (OH3AD) will be active as OH3AD/5 from Kirkonmaa Island (EU-140) from 17 July until mid August. Bands used will be 80-6 metres on CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK and FT8. Plans are to participate in the IOTA Contest as OH3D/5. QSL via the bureau. The logs will be uploaded to Club Log, LoTW and eQSL. [TNX DX World]

OJ0 - The Finnish Lighthouse Society and the Amateur Radio League of Finland (SRAL), in conjunction with the OH-DX-Foundation and the DX University, are organizing the first-ever International Youth at Sea (IYAS), a "cultural exchange based radio activity" to take place on Market Reef (EU-053) on 21-28 July and 18-25 August. The youth team members, all 16 to 25 years of age (Nuuti OH1UBO, Elias OH2EP, Otava OH3OT, Mikael OH3UAF, Pieter ON3DI, Florian OE3FTA and Ilie YO3IMD), and their instructors (Martti OH2BH, Henri OH3JR and Pasi OH3WS) will be active as OJ0C. QSL via OH3JR.

OZ - Look for OZ9V/p to be active from Laesoe Island (EU-088) from 28 July to 4 August, including an entry in the IOTA Contest. QSL via OZ9V.

PY - Scout station PW2J will be active on 15-22 July for the 7th Brazilian National Jamboree and the 1st Portuguese Speaking Countries Jamboree to be held at Barretos (Sao Paulo). Activity will be on the HF bands SSB, CW and digital modes. QSL via PY2OP. [TNX PY2OP]

SM - Look for Ric, DL2VFR (http://www.iota-expedition.com/) to operate mainly CW as SD7V from Oland Island (EU-037) on 1-3 July, as SD7V/1 from Gotland Island (EU-020) on 4-9 July, and as SD7V/5 from Musko Island (EU-084) sometime between 10 and 13 July. QSL via home call, bureau preferred.

UA9 - The Artic Legends IOTA DXpedition [425DXN 1413] is set to start on 4 September from the city of Dudinka. Plans are for the team (R9LR, RW0BG, UA1QV, UA0BA, UA9KDF and UA9LDD) to be active as RI0B from the Firnley Islands (AS-054), Tyrtov Island (AS-121), Nansen Island (AS-104), the Scott-Hansen Islands (AS-068), the Arkticheskogo Instituta Islands (AS-087) and finally Sibirjakov Island (AS-005). Three stations are expected to operate CW, SSB, FT8 and PSK63 on 40-10 metres. QSL via Club Log's OQRS (six separate entries have been created: RI0B/AS-005, RI0B/AS-054, RI0B/AS-068, RI0B/AS-087, RI0B/AS-104 and RI0B/AS-121). Updates and other information, including the tracking tools to follow the DXpedition's progress, can be found on https://www.qrz.com/db/ri0b.

VK9X - Martin A65DC, Paul A65DR, Thomas SM0CXU and Delia VE7HDW will be active as VK9XT from Christmas Island (OC-002) from 29 September to 6 October. They will operate CW, SSB, RTTY and FT8 on 160-10 metres. Read the their FT8 Guidelines carefully before calling them on that mode: http://vk9xt.qsodirector.com/. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, Club Log's OQRS (direct or bureau), or direct only to N4GNR.

W - The following stations will be active during the 10th annual "13 Colonies Special Event", which will be held from 13 UTC on 1 July until 4 UTC on 8 July: K2A (New York), K2B (Virginia), K2C (Rhode Island), K2D (Connecticut), K2E (Delaware), K2F (Maryland), K2G (Georgia), K2H (Massachusetts), K2I (New Jersey), K2J (North Carolina), K2K (New Hampshire), K2L (South Carolina), and K2M (Pennsylvania), plus the "bonus station" WM3PEN (operating from

Philadelphia, the city where the US independence was declared). See http://www.13colonies.net/ for information on the award programme.

XW - Bruce, 3W3B will be active again as XW4XR from Laos on 11-22 July. He will operate CW, FT8 and RTTY on 40-6 metres. QSL via LoTW or via E21EIC. [TNX The Daily DX]

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KH1/KH7Z ---> The team arrived at Baker Island on 25 June around 18 UTC, and at 8 UTC on 27 June operations started. Island conditions are extremely hot, humid and difficult. "We did get 3 stations up and running last night one day ahead of schedule", the team reported on 28 June. "At midnight giant squalls came through knocking out one of our 3 antennas we worked so hard to get up. We worked through the morning and have 6 stations available for the scheduled startup tonight at 05:00 UTC". On 29 June all but one station were deployed, and KH1/KH7Z was running up to 7 stations on all bands: "we are now well over 10,000 QSOs, with great rates on CW, slightly slower rates on SSB, and FT8 has been effective". As for the logsearch, lamentably the "BGAN terminal system for log uploading refuses to link up with the bird. We have two BGAN terminals on island and neither are correctly connecting to the satellite. We will continue to work to sort this out, but right now we can't upload logs". Bookmark http://kh7z.net/ for updates.

WRTC 2018 ACTIVITY PROGRAMME ---> Five awards will be available for contacts made with the 63 competing stations in the World Radiosport Team Championship (14-15 July). The callsigns will be announced on 12 July during the opening ceremony.

- Worked All WRTC Stations (minimum one QSO with each WRTC station)
- WRTC Sprint (work all 63 WRTC stations as fast as possible)
- WRTC Most QSOs (work up to 630 QSOs with WRTC stations: 63 callsigns x 5 bands x 2 modes)
- WRTC 2018 Distance Challenge (the kilometers between you and the WRTC stations will be summed up for all QSOs)
- Assistant Judge (special prizes will be drawn among all those who send in their log until 18 UTC on 15 July)

See http://www.wrtc2018.de/index.php/en/activities/wrtc-2018-en for detailed information.

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3C0W, 3C3W,3D2EU, 4O4A, 4U13FEB, 4U29MAY, 7Q7EI, 9A22RBM, 9G1SD, 9M0W, 9X2AW, C93PA, ER1OO, FJ/N0KV, FK/5B4ALX, LU3XX (SA-008), LX1NO, OE17WCB, PJ5/AI5P, PJ8RV, PZ5XX, TJ2TT, TN5R, TY7C, V73NC, V85T, VA7XV/VE2 (NA-038), VE7ACN/VE2 (NA-084), VK5MAV/9 (OC-265), VU2BGS, XF1IM (NA-078), XU7XXX, XX9B, YB3MM/8 (OC-242), YB9/JJ1DQR

(OC-022), YJ0AG, Z60A, Z66D, ZF9CW.

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