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**** DX INFORMATION ****
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3W - Jun, JH4RHF (OE1ZKC) will be active as XV9RH from Hanoi, Vietnam on 10-16 October. In his limited spare time he will operate mainly CW on the HF bands. QSL via OE1ZKC. [TNX The Daily DX]

6O - Ali, EP3CQ has been permitted to operate as 6O1OO from Mogadishu while he works for the United Nations in the African Union Mission to Somalia. Once set up, he plans to operate SSB on 20 and 15 metres (15-17 UTC during the week, 11-15 UTC on Friday-Saturday). QSL information and updates will be posted to qrz.com's 6O1OO page. [TNX The Daily DX]

8Q - Shinji, JF2SDR will be active holiday style as 8Q7SD from the Maldives (AS-013) on 20-25 September. He will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 30-10 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX DX World]

DU - Brian, AI6US will be active as DU7/AI6US from the city of Dumaguete on Negros Island (OC-129), Philippines from 23 September to 21 October. He will be QRV on 80-10 and 2 metres. QSL via LoTW, eQSL or direct to home call.

F - Fabien, F4GYM will be active as F4GYM/p from Sein Island (EU-068) on 2-5 October. He will operate SSB and digital modes on 80-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX F6AJA]

FH - Willi, DJ7RJ will be active as FH/DL7RJ from Mayotte (AF-027) from 29 October to 6 November. He will operate CW and SSB on 160-10m, with a focus on 160m. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. He will not use Club Log or LoTW. [TNX The Daily DX]

FR - Willi, DJ7RJ will be active as FR/DJ7RJ from Reunion Island (AF-016) on 9-27 October. He will operate CW and SSB on 160-10m, with a focus on 160m. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. He will not use Club Log or LoTW. [TNX The Daily DX]

GM - Celebrating the 150th anniversary of the Royal National Institute of Blind People (RNIB), Terry, GM3WUX will be active as GR150NIB on 1-28 October. He will operate CW and some SSB on the HF bands (60m excluded), plus some activity on 4 and 6 metres. QSL via G3SWH's OQRS (http://www.g3swh.org.uk/decision.html) and LoTW; logsearch on Club Log and G3SWH's website. [TNX G3SWH]

GW - Marking the centenary of the first wireless transmission between The United Kingdom and Australia, the Dragon Amateur Radio Club will be active as GB2VK on 22-23 September. The special event transmissions will take place from the site of the old Long Wave Transmitting Station at Waunfawr in north west Wales. QSL via the bureau to GW4TTA.

JA - Kenji, JA4GXS will be active as JA4GXS/6 from Tanega Island (AS-032) on 13-15 October. He will operate CW, SSB and FT8 on 40, 20 and 17 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX DX World]

JT - Josef, OK1SC and David, OK1DBS are active as JT1XC/3 and JT1DBS/3

from the Mongolian District of Batshireet until 30 September. They operate mainly CW on 40, 30, 20, 17 and 15 metres. QSL via home calls.

JW - Look for JW7XK (QSL via LA7XK, LoTW, eQSL and Club Log's OQRS), JW9DL (QSL via LA9DL) and JW6VM (QSL via LA6VM) to be active from Longyearbyen (EU-026), Svalbard on 10-15 October. They will participate in the SSB leg of the Scandinavian Activity Contest (SAC) as JW5X (QSL via LA5X, LoTW, eQSL and Club Log's OQRS). Outside the contest they will operate CW, SSB and digital modes. [TNX NG3K]

KG4 - Bill W4WV (KG4WV) and Al, W6HGF (KG4HF) will be active again from Guantanamo Bay (NA-015) on 10-24 October. They will operate SSB, FT8, some CW, PSK and RTTY, and will try "to spend more time on 80m and 160m". QSL via home calls; KG4HF will upload his log to LoTW. [TNX The Daily DX]

OJ0 - Pasi, OH3WS will be active again as OJ0W from Market Reef (EU-053) on 22-29 September. In his spare time he will operate CW and some SSB on 60-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX The Daily DX]

OM - Czech special callsigns OL100A, OL100C, OL100E, OL100N, OL100R, OL100S, OL100T and OL100Y will be active on 1-31 October to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the establishment of the Czechoslovak Republic (CSR). See https://ol100.okdxf.eu/ for information on the "Czechoslovakia Centenary Award" offered free of charge by the OK DX Foundation.

P2 - Next year Derek G3KHZ, Hans SM6CVX and Eddy K5WQG will be active again from Papua New Guinea as follows:

31 January-5 February	P29VCX	Manus Island	OC-025
6-11 February	P29NI	Daru Island	OC-153

"Flight tickets paid and all locations booked", Derek says, "so there should not be any changes". They will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 40-15 metres, and "if possible" some activity on 80 and 160 metres. QSL P29VCX via SM6CVX (direct to via Club Log's OQRS), QSL P29NI via G3KHZ (direct to via Club Log's OQRS). [TNX G3KHZ]

SV - Sigi, DL7DF will be active as SV8/DL7DF from the island of Zakynthos (EU-052) on 1-15 October. He will operate CW, SBB, RTTY on 80-10 metres. QSL via DL7DF, direct or bureau, and LoTW. Logsearch on http://www.dl7df.com/.

SV - I7PHH, IK8BYP, IK8TNG and IZ8CKY will be active as SW8DX from Meganisi Island (EU-052) on 6-13 October. They will operate SSB and CW on 80-10 metres. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW or via IK8JAI.

T8 - Ichy, JH7IPR will be active again as T88UW from Koror (OC-009), Palau on 4-9 October. He will operate mainly FT8, with CW and SSB if conditions are good. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW or via home call (direct or bureau). Also active during the same time frame will be T88HS (QSL direct only to JA6KYU) and T88WM (QSL via JQ6FQI, direct or bureau, and eQSL).

VK9N - Takao, JO7GVC and Hirokazu, JK7LXU will be active holiday style as VK9/JO7GVC and VK9/JK7LXU from Norfolk Island (OC-005) on 9-14 October. They will operate mainly CW, FT8 and PSK on 40-10 metres. JK7LXU will upload his log to Club Log, eQSL and LoTW, and will confirm all QSOs automtically via the JARL bureau. [TNX DX World]

XW - Champ, E21EIC will be active again as XW1IC from Vientiane, Laos on

12-16 October. He will be QRV on 40-6 metres. QSL via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS or via home call. [TNX DX World]

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425 DX NEWS MAGAZINE ---> The August 2018 issue is now available for Download at http://www.425dxn.org/index.php. [TNX IZ3EBA]

3DA0AO ---> Owing to "circumstances beyond his control", Pista (HA5AO) is returning to Hungary sooner than planned. "Unfortunately, he is not able to get on the air or participate in his planned humanitarian projects", K5GS reported on 17 September. Pista was expected to be QRV as 3DA0AO on 16-28 September [425DXN 1428]. He "will leave his equipment in the country and return at a future date. Donors to his project will receive a refund".

5A0YL ---> On 16 September a new YL operator from Libya showed up on 20m SSB. DX World "checked with Abubaker, 5A1AL and he confirmed her name is Elham from Tripoli and she is still learning to operate". More information will be posted to qrz.com.

KH1/KH7Z ---> "The KH1/KH7Z Baker Island Story", written by Don Greenbaum (N1DG), can be found on the Mediterraneo DX Club's website at http://www.mdxc.org/the-kh1-kh7z-baker-island-story/.

RI0B ---> The team was QRV from Nansen Island (AS-104) for about 43 hours on 16-18 September. Their main generator failed, and they were limited to 100 watts during the second day. They set sail to the Arkticheskogo Instituta Islands (AS-087) afterwards, and started operations around 12 UTC on 20 September. This is fourth and last island stop of the trip. Plans are to remain QRV until Saturday morning (local time), then head to Dikson and Arkhangelsk. The yacht must be back in Sankt-Peterburg by mid-October, and there is not time for the team to go and operate from the Scott-Hansen Islands (AS-068) and Sibirjakov (AS-005).

VP6D ---> The DXpedition to Ducie Island will be QRV on 6m EME for the first time ever. Operation is planned for 50.200 MHz, with VP6D transmitting during the first period JT65A mode. If local QRM from the HF stations requires any change from this frequency, it will be announced on the ON4KST EME Chat page. VP6D intends to be active at Ducie moonrise on most days, and occasionally during moonset. Lance, W7GJ gives more information and instructions on https://vp6d.com/index.php/news/226-6m-eme.
The team has also announced that Bob Schmieder, KK6EK has offered the use of DXA (http://www.dxa3.org/vp6d/), which allows anyone with an ordinary browser anywhere to see updates about the expedition activities, particularly the radio log, in nearly real time. Within 60 seconds of your

contact with VP6D, the browser page is automatically updated to show your callsign, this confirms that your contact is in the log. This process (1) eliminates the need for duplicate contacts on the same band/mode, (2) minimizes the confusion caused by pirates or other DXpeditions operating at the same time, and (3) significantly reduces, or eliminates, the hundreds of e-mails asking for "log checks".
As for the traditional logsearch, VP6D will not use Club Log, but will upload the logs to the website (https://vp6d.com/index.php/logsearch-oqrs) on a daily basis.
The cost of the VP6D project is about USD 175,000. "To date, we are at 87% of our donation target", the team reported on 21 September. "Our goal is all donations plus OQRS income will cover 50% of the project cost, with the team members paying the remaining 50%. There's still time for you to join the hundreds of DXers, and many foundations, clubs and corporate entities already on the list".

WSJT-X 2.0 ---> "The first candidate release (WSJT-X 2.0-rc1) is now available for download and use by beta testers", Joe, K1JT announced on 17 September. WSJT-X 2.0 will be a major upgrade, whose many new features and enhancements since Version 1.9.1 are summarized here:
http://physics.princeton.edu/pulsar/k1jt/New_Features_WSJT-X_2.0.txt
If you plan to use the beta-test release candidate, you must read the "Quick Start Guide to WSJT-X 2.0" first:
http://physics.princeton.edu/pulsar/k1jt/Quick_Start_WSJT-X_2.0.pdf
Further details and a download link to the Windows installation package can be found on the WSJT-X web site:
http://physics.princeton.edu/pulsar/k1jt/wsjtx.html
This candidate release is your first chance to test the new features and provide feedback to the WSJT Development Group (the mailing list can be found at https://sourceforge.net/p/wsjt/mailman/wsjt-devel/).

+ SILENT KEYS + Sabit Zymberi, Z61AA (ex YU8AA) passed away on 9 September. He was the oldest amateur radio operator in Kosovo and past president of the Kosovo Amateur Radio Association. Recently reported Silent Keys also include Roberto Doro, IZ3CAN, who passed away on 15 September aged only 53.

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3C0W, 3C3W, 4K6/DL7ZM, 4U1ITU, 5B4AIF, A71BU, C6AGU, C8T, C96RRC (AF-088), C98RRC (AF-066), E7TT, EA9ABC, FK8CP, H40D (OC-179), H44R (OC-168), H44R/p (OC-158), HC8GR, IB0/IK4ALM, JW5X, JY9FC, K4G (NA-085), KH1/KH7Z (OC-089), LY80FOC, MU0FAL, MX5A (EU-011), OD5ZF, PY6RT, TN5R, V6J (OC-254), VE1FA/KL7 (NA-121), VK5CE/6 (OC-140, OC-164, OC-170, OC-193 and OC-199), VK5CE/p (OC-220), VU2GSM, XE2JS, XW3DT, YL2BJ, Z35T, Z68M, ZB2FK, ZM50GW.

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