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**** DX INFORMATION ****

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4S - DK7TF and DH6ICE will be active again as 4S7DLG from Sri Lanka (AS-003) from 22 November to 6 December. They will operate mainly SSB and FT8. QSL via LoTW, or via DK8ZZ (direct or bureau). [TNX The Daily DX]

4W - Look for 4W/HL1AHS and 4W/DS3EXX to be active from Timor Leste (OC-148) 26 November to 3 December. They will operate SSB, CW and FT8 on 160-10 metres. QSL via LoTW or direct to home calls. [TNX DX World]

7Q - Karl, DK2WV will be QRV as 7Q7W from Malawi on 13-28 November. Expect activity on 40-6 metres SSB, CW and FT8. QSL via DK2WV.

7Q - Susan, W7KFI (7Q7M) and Don, K6ZO (7Q6M) will be active from Embangweni, Malawi on 21-27 November. Main activity will be on 20 and 40 metres (14036 and 7036 kHz). [TNX The Daily DX]

8Q - Masa, JR3RIU will be active as 8Q7JX from the Maldives (AS-013) on 23-25 November, including participation in the CQ WW DX CW Contest on 40-10 metres. QSL direct to JR3RIU; he will upload his log to LoTW, eQSL and Club Log.

C6 - Starting this weekend, KN4EEI and AA7JV will be active as C6AGU from Water Cay (NA-001), Bahamas until 3 December. They will operate CW and FT8 mainly on 160, 80 and 40 metres; their plans include activity during the CQ WW DX CW and the ARRL 160 Meter (30 November-2 December) Contests. [TNX The Daiily DX]

C6 - Brian, ND3F will be active as C6AQQ from Nassau (NA-001), Bahamas from 24 November to 1 December. He will participate in the CQ WW DX CW Contest, and will operate "some FT8" outside the contest. QSL via N3IQ. [TNX NG3K]

CT8 - Hermann, HB9CRV (http://www.to-mk.com/ct3fn/) will operate again FT8 as CU8FN from Flores Island (EU-089), Azores from 19 November to 1 December. During the CQ WW DX CW Contest, look for CU8FN on 40-10 metres, and for Antonio, CU8AS on 160 and 80 metres. QSL for both callsigns via HB9CRV and LoTW.

EA - Celebrating the International Day of the Basque Language (Euskara), special callsign EH2EUS will be active on all bands and modes from 27 November to 3 December. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW, eQSL or via EA2TP. [TNX EA2CW]

F - The Radio Club de Nice (F4KJQ) will be active as TM8AB between 24 November and 12 December to commemorate the 95th anniversary of the first Transatlantic amateur two-way contact between Leon Deloy F8AB and Fred Schnell 1MO (28 November 1923).

F - F4ESV, F5LPY and F8EFU will be active as TM18EHF from 29 November to 13 December for the European Women's Handball Championship. They will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 160-10 metres. QSL via F4ESV, direct or bureau. [TNX F8REF]

FM - Oliver, W6NV will be active as TO5A from Martinique (NA-107) on 20-28 November, including participation in the CQ WW DX CW Contest. QSL via LoTW. [TNX NG3K]

FS - Look for Paul FS/K9NU, John FS/W9ILY, Mike FS/W9MK, John FS/K9EL as well as Marco FS4WBS to be active from St. Martin (NA-105) from 28 November to 8 December. They will operate CW, SSB, FT8 (Fox & Hound mode on 3567, 7056, 10131, 14090, 18095, 21091, 24911 and 28091 kHz) and some RTTY on 160-6 metres with three stations and a focus on 80 and 160m during hours of darkness. QSL FS4WBS via LoTW or IZ1MHY; QSL others via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS, or via home calls.

HA - Established as Magyar Rovidhullamu Amator Egyesulet (Hungarian Shortwave Amateur Union) in 1928, the Hungarian Radioamateur Society (MRASZ) celebrates its 90th anniversary and commemorates its founding fathers. Look for special event stations HG90MRASZ, HG90MRAE, HA90AM (Anzerberger Mihaly), HA90HL (Horvath Laszlo), HG90BD (Bibo Denes), HG90BJ (Brisky Jozsef), HG90FI (Fodor Istvan), HG90HL (Hollos Lajos), HG90KI (Kemeny Istvan), HG90MF (Mayer Ferenc), HG90NK (Nekolny Kurt) and HG90NS (Nagy Sandor) to be active from 15 November to 15 December. QSLs via the HA bureau and LoTW. Logsearch and downloadable awards can be found at http://www.mrasz.org/onlinelog-award-download-90.

HR - LZ5VV/HR9, N2WQ/HR9 and SP4Z/HR9 will be active from Roatan Island (NA-057) on 17-25 November. They will operate CW, SSB, RTTY and FT8, and will participate in the CQ WW CW Contest as HQ9X (QSL via KQ1F). [TNX NG3K]

OH - Santa's Radio Club (https://oh9s.fi) will be active as OH9S on 1-8 December from Finnish Lapland, some 200km above the Arctic circle. Activity will be mainly on 80m-6m on all modes, FT8 included. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau and LoTW; direct cards via Club Log's OQRS (preferred) or via OH9MM.

OX - Bo, OZ1DJJ (http://geronne.dk/index.php/ox3lx/ox3lx-dxped) will be active again as OX3LX from Tasiilaq, Ammassalik Island (NA-151) from 21 November to 4 December. Bo is QRV in his spare time, typically "around lunch and after dinner". QSL via OZ0J, Club Log's OQRS and LoTW.

P2 - ZL1BQD, Roly will be active as P29RR from Lae, Papua New Guinea (OC-034) from 20 November to 4 December, with a focus on FT8. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, or direct to ZL1BQD. [TNX The Daily DX]

PA - Wino, PA0ABM and Rich, PA0RRS will participate in the CQ WW DX CW Contest (24-25 November) as PE75W. The special callsign is in Celebration of their 75th birthdays. QSL via LoTW only. [TNX PA0RRS]

PJ4 - Jeff, KU8E and John, K4BAI will be active as PJ4/KU8E and PJ4/K4BAI from Bonaire (SA-006) on 18-27 November. QSL both callsigns via K4BAI. They will participate in the CQ WW DX CW Contest as PJ4A (QSL via LoTW or K4BAI) as Multi-Single or two single band entries. [TNX NG3K]

PJ7 - Oleh, UR5BCP (KD7WPJ) will be active as PJ7/UR5BCP from Sint Maarten (NA-105) on 17-21 November. He will operate mainly CW and FT8 on 20 and 15 metres. QSL via KD7WPJ. [TNX UR5BCP]

PY - Ronaldo, PS8RV and Aristides Carlos, PS8ACM will be active as ZV7FF from the Ubajara National Park, in the Brazilian State of Ceara, from 29 November to 2 December. They will operate SSB and FT8 on

80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres. QSL via PS8RV.

T32 - Nobu, JA0JHQ (http://pandasan.jimdo.com/) will be active as T32NH from Kiritimati (Christmas Island, OC-024), East Kiribati on 5-11 December. He will operate mostly CW and FT8 on 160-6 metres, and will participate in the ARRL 10 Meter Contest. QSL via LoTW (preferred) or direct to JA0JHQ.

TK - A large team from Slovenia (S53CC, S53F, S53MM, S53RM, S53WW, S55OO, S57C, S57K, S57L and S57VW) will be active as TK0C from Corsica (EU-014) on 19-26 November, including participation in the CQ WW DX CW Contest. Outside the contest they will operate SSB, CW and FT8. QSL TK0C via LoTW, eQSL or via S50C. [TNX The Daily DX]

TT - The dates for the announced DXpedition to Chad [425DXN 1436] are from 22 February to 7 March 2019. Silvano, I2YSB and the Italian DXpedition Team will be active as TT8RR (CW, SSB and RTTY) and TT8XX (FT8).

VP2V - Look for VP2V/K6NAO to be active from the British Virgin Islands (NA-023) on 17-23 November. QSL via Club Log's OQRS or via JA1HGY.

XT - Harald, DF2WO will be active again as XT2AW from Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso from 17 November until the end of the month. Plans are to focuns on 160, 80 and 60 metres. QSL via M0OXO's OQRS. [TNX The Daily DX]

YN - Yuri RM0F, Sergey R4WAA, Yan RZ3FW, Yuri N3QQ and Elena RC5A will be active as H7/homecall and YN4RRC from Big Corn Island (Isla del Gran Maiz, NA-013), Nicaragua from 26 November to 7 December. They will operate C W and SSB on 160-10 metres. QSL YN4RRC via RZ3FW. [TNX DX World]

ZA - Rumen, LZ1MS will be active as ZA/LZ1MS from Albania on 23-27 November, including a SOSB (40m) entry in the CQ WW DX CW Contest. QSL via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS, or via home call.

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3Y0I ---> The 3Y0I team (3Z9DX, CT1DSV, JE1CKA, SP3CMX, SP5ES, SP8S and YU4DX) have assembled in Cape Town, South Africa in anticipation of their upcoming DXpedition to Bouvet Island (dates TBA). "Our cruise will take 12 days one way", they say. "If we are lucky with weather, our stay at the island will last for 2 weeks". We assume the entire journey will take approximately 1.5 months". Plans are to operate CW, SSB and FT8 (Fox & Hound mode on all bands except 160m) as follows:

CW	1822	3502	7002	10106	14002	18072	21002	24892	28002	50105
SSB	-	3785	7090	-	14190	18140	21200	24940	28440	50140
FT8	1840	3567	7056	10131	14090	18095	21091	24911	28091	-

QSL via Club Log's OQRS (preferred), LoTW or via 3Z9DX. The website for the DXpedition is at https://bouvetoya.org/.

EP6RRC ---> Announced FT8 (Fox & Hound mode) frequencies for the 17-23 November DXpedition to Shif Island (AS-189, new one for IOTA), Iran [425DXN 1431] are 3567, 7056, 10131, 14090, 18095 and 21091 kHz. Eight operators expect to be QRV on 160-10 metres CW and SSB with two stations, with a third station devoted to FT8. The pilots will be JA8COE (Far East and Oceania), UA3AKO (Europe, Russia, and ex USSR countries), VE3LYC (East Coast NA) and WC6DX (West Coast NA). QSL via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS, or via R7AL. See https://dxpedition.wixsite.com/ep6rrc for more information.

SM3CER ---> Jan-Eric Rehn, SM3CER's popular "Contest Service" website (http://www.sk3bg.se/contest/) has not been updated for a while. "Jan-Eric fell in his apartment in early September and could not get up or call for help for several days", N0AX reports. "After being rescued and a stay in the hospital, he is back home but pretty much unable to move around and faces a long convalescence". His friend SM3DMP says that Jan-Eric "would appreciate receiving emails and QSLs, even though it is very unlikely he will be able to respond". His email address is jan-eric.rehn[@]telia.com, and his postal address is on qrz.com.

WSJT-X 2.0 ---> A fourth candidate release ("RC4") of WSJT-X 2.0 has been available for download and use by beta testers since 13 November. The "Quick-Start Guide to WSJT-X 2.0" has been revised and extended, and must be read thoroughly before using RC4:
http://physics.princeton.edu/pulsar/k1jt/Quick_Start_WSJT-X_2.0.pdf
The version of FT8 (and of MSK144 as well) in the new release is not backward-compatible with the original protocol. This means that anyone using an earlier version of the software will be unable to decode transmissions from users of v2.0.0-rc4, and vice-versa. "To minimize this cross-protocol interference we suggest initially using the RC4 release at audio TX frequencies 2000 Hz and higher. As more users upgrade their software to RC4 or later, activity can gradually move downward in audio frequency. By December 10 or very soon afterward, everyone should upgrade to the full WSJT-X 2.0 general availability (GA) release".
Download links for RC4 on Windows, Linux, and macOS can be found on the WSJT-X web page: http://physics.princeton.edu/pulsar/k1jt/wsjtx.html.

QSLs received direct or through managers: 4B4B (NA-030), 5H3EE, 5P2C, 5Z4/LZ4NM, 7T9A (AF-094 & AF-104), 7V9A (AF-094), 8Q7DV, 9A70A, 9X0T, 9X0Y, A61QQ, BW9W (AS-155), BY4JN (AS-150), C21GJ, C21VE,CN2MA, CO8LY, D44TWO, DA2018LH, DQ800HRO, DU3LA, DU6GG, ES0VB/5, ET3AA, EZ8BO, FY1LE, H40D (OC-179), H44R (OC-168), H44R/p (OC-158), HP3AK, JW/DJ2AX, JW6VDA, JW9DL, K9AJ/VY0 (NA-207), KD6WW/VY0 (NA-207), KH1/KH7Z (OC-089), KH9/N7NVK (OC-053), OJ0C, OY9JD, PJ5/SP2FUD, PJ7PL, PS1S (SA-077), PW7I (SA-046), RI1ANL, RT65KI (AS-065), SV2ASP/A, TN5R, V6J (OC-254), XR0YD (SA-001), YJ0CA, Z61DX, Z68M, ZB2EO, ZB2FK, ZB2LGT, ZG2BK, ZS9V (AF-064).

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