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**** DX INFORMATION ****
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DL - Members of DARC Ortsverein Hohenasperg will be active on all bands and modes as DQ1200ASP from 1 January until 31 December to mark the 1200th anniversary of the city of Asperg. QSL via LoTW, the bureau (preferred), or direct to DK1AX. "We collect QSLs!", they say.

G - Celebrating the New Year 2019, special event stations GB0HNY, GB0HNY, GB1HNY, GB2HNY, GB4HNY, GB5HNY, GB6HNY, GB8HNY and GB9HNY will be active from 28 December until 24 January. They are being run by members of Denby Dale ARS: "whilst we are not issuing any QSL cards", they say, "you can claim a special commemorative certificate for working 4 stations by sending your list of contacts via email only to Darran, G0BWB (g0bwb[@]g0bwb.com)".

G - Celebrating the anniversary of the founding of KW Electronics by Rowley Shears, G8KW (5 January 1953), special event station GB8KW will be active from Eltham, England on 5-6 January using vintage equipment. QSL via G0UKN.

GM - Special event station GB2KW will be active on 1-28 January from near Inverness, Scotland using a variety of different vintage transceivers, transmitters and receivers manufactured by KW Electronics Ltd during the 1960s and 1970s. Logsearch on Club Log and QSL via LoTW only.

HB9 - To celebrate the 90th anniversary of Switzerland's IARU member Society (USKA), HB9 and HB3 stations are allowed to change their prefixes to HB90 and HB30 respectively from 1 January to 31 December 2019. The Union Schweizerischer Kurzwellen Amateure (https://www.uska.ch/) was founded on 4 August 1929.

HC8 - Gerhard, OE3GEA will be active as HC8GET from the Galapagos Islands (SA-004) on 13-25 January. He will be QRV on 30-10 meters. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX The Daily DX]

HK - Once again Colombian special event station 5K6RM will be active during the annual Feria (Fair) de Manizales on 5-12 January. Operations will be on 160-2 metres SSB, CW and digital modes. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, bureau, or direct.

I - Slovenian operators S50X, S52P, S54W, S56DX, S57DX and S59A will be active on all bands and modes as IG9/homecalls from Lampedusa Island (AF-019) on 21-31 January. They will participate in the CQ WW 160-Meter CW Contest as IG9/S59A. QSL via home calls. [TNX S57DX]

I - LZ1UQ and LZ1PM will be active as IH9/LZ1UQ and IH9/LZ1PM from Pantelleria Island (AF-018) on 24-31 January. They will be QRV on 160-10 metres CW and SSB, and will participate in the UBA DX SSB Contest (26-27 January) and in the CQ WW 160-Meter CW Contest. QSL via home calls. [TNX LZ1PM]

OZ - Mirko, DJ1AA will be active holiday style from Denmark between 29

December and 5 January. He will operate as OZ/DJ1AA/p from the mainland, and as OZ/DJ1AA/m from Mors Island (EU-171). QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

PY - PP2OK, PY6DQ, PY6TV and PY6ZK will be active as ZY6C from Itaparica Island (SA-023) on 18-20 January. They will operate SSB and CW on the five traditional bands. QSL direct to PY6TV.

UA - Special callsigns RA19NY, RC19NY, RK19NY, RM19NY, RO19NY, RT19NY, RU19NY, RW19NY and RZ19NY will be active from 30 December to 8 January for the "Russian New Year 2019" radio marathon organized by the Miller DX Club. QSL via Club Log's OQRS. A number of certificates will be available, see http://mdxc.hamlog.ru.

V8 - Krassy, K1LZ and a large multi-national team (9M6JC, 9M6KOM, 9M6ZAE, 9M6ZIM, JT1CO, K1ZM, KK1ZM, KO8SCA, LZ1NK, LZ2HM, PY5EG, RA9USU, RN5M, S55M, VK3FY, YT1AD, V85TL and V85AN) will be active as V84SAA from Brunei (OC-088) on 6-18 February. Activity will be on 160-10 metres with a focus on the low bands. On FT8 they will be using WSJT-X 2.0.0 with "a mix of straight FT8 and Fox/Hound mode". QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW or via LZ1JZ. More information can be found at http://v84saa.ko8sca.com/.

VK - Special event station VI25AJI will be active during the 25th Australian Jamboree, to be held on 4-14 January at Tailem Bend, South Australia.

ZF - Pete, K8PGJ will be active again as ZF2PG from the Cayman Islands (NA-016) on 12-20 January. He will operate SSB on the HF bands, with holiday style activity except during the North American QSO Party (from 18 UTC on 19 January to 6 UTC on the 20th). QSL via LoTW or direct to home call.

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CNPOTA ---> Supported by Radio Amateurs of Canada and Parks Canada, the "Canadian National Parks On The Air" (CNPOTA) event will run from 1 January until 31 December 2019. Complete information, including the list of CNPOTA Units (National Parks and National Historic Sites) eligible for the event, can be found at https://cnpota.ca/.

CQ DX MARATHON ---> The CQ DX Marathon is a year-long DX hunt, with participants competing to see who can work the greatest number of countries ("entities") and CQ zones during the calendar year. The 2019 edition will start at 00.00 UTC on 1 January and will end at 23.59 UTC on 31 December. Complete details can be found at http://www.dxmarathon.com/.

INTREPID SPIRIT AWARD ---> The Intrepid DX Group is seeking nominations for their annual Intrepid Spirit Award and Humanitarian Award. The Intrepid Spirit Award (http://www.intrepid-dx.com/awards.php) is made in memory of

James McLaughlin, WA2EWE/T6AF (killed in Kabul, Afghanistan, on 27 April 2011). The award is given to the individual or group that most displayed their "intrepid spirit" in 2018, by expressing "an unshakable commitment to the Amateur Radio DX Community". The Humanitarian Award is given to the individual or group that most serves their fellow man via Amateur Radio. Nominations may be submitted via email to intrepiddxgroup[@]gmail.com and must be received by 15 January. The Board of Directors of the Intrepid DX Group will evaluate the nominations and the awards will be presented at the International DX Convention in Visalia on 13 April.

WAB GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY ---> 2019 marks the 50th anniversary of the Worked All Britain Awards Group. To mark the occasion, three new awards will be introduced for 2019 only. In conjunction with the new awards, GB50WAB will run throughout the year, along with a number of other regional special event stations. This commences on 1 January, with GB50WAB for two weeks from C62 in Northern Ireland, and GB9WAB for four weeks from SK51 in Leicestershire (England). For details of the special Golden Anniversary Awards, please visit http://worked-all-britain.org.uk. [TNX GB2RS]

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