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## **** DX INFORMATION ****

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5V - Members of the EIDX Group (namely EI2II, EI2JD, EI4CF, EI4HH, EI5GM, EI9FBB, EI9HQ, EI9HX, DJ7JC, DJ9RR,F5JTV, F5VHQ and YO8WW) will be active as 5V7EI from Togo on 14-26 March. They will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 160-10 metres with up to five stations. Logsearch on Club Log and QSL via M0OXO's OQRS, LoTW or direct to M0OXO. Bookmark https://5v7ei.com for more information and updates. [TNX EI9FBB]

DL - Special callsigns DM70GER and DL70BRD are active until 31 December to mark the 70th anniversary of the Federal Republic of Germany (Bundesrepublik Deutschland), formally established on 23 May 1949. QSL DM70GER via Club Log's OQRS, or direct to M0SDV. QSL DL70BRD via DK1YH (direct or bureau), Club Log's OQRS and eQSL; see https://www.qrz.com/db/DL70BRD for information on the award.

HP - JN1RVS, HP3AK, HP3SS, and HP3/WA6YJW will be active as H33J from Volcan, in the Chiriqui Province of Panama on 13-31 January. They will operate CW, SSB, RTTY and FT8 on 160-10 meres, with a focus on the low bands FT8. QSL via LOTW, Club Log's OQRS or via JA1HGY.

I - ARI Fidenza will use a series of special callsigns throughout 2019 to honour twelve "Italian pioneers in radio engineering": II4CAL (Temistocle Calzecchi-Onesti) in January, II4RGH (Augusto Righi) in February, II4MRC (Guglielmo Marconi) in March, II4SLR (Luigi Solari) in April, II4TSB (Alessandro Tosi & Ettore Bellini) in May, II4ART (Alessandro Artom) in June, II4MJR (Quirino Majorana) in July, II4BRD (Cesare Bardeloni) in August, II4GRM (Gruppo Radiotecnico Milanese) in September, II4MNU (Ernesto Montu') in October, II4VAL (Giancarlo Vallauri) in November and II4TIB (Ugo Tiberio) in December. See http://www.arifidenza.it/ for complete information on the award. QSLs via IQ4FE, bureau or direct. [TNX IK4CIE]

J2 - Col, MM0NDX and Jonathan, MM0OKG will be active from Djibouti between 14 and 20 April. They will operate as J20DX/p from the rare Sept-Freres Islands (AF-059) indicatively on 15-17 April, and maybe from Moucha Island (AF-053) for about 24 hours on 18-19 April. Their main target is AF-059, and actual dates might change sligthly. Bookmark https://j20dx.com/ for updates. They will also be QRV as J20DX/mm while at sea, and as J20DX from the mainland. QSL via Club Log's OQRS and LoTW; direct cards via M0SDV. [TNX DX World]

LZ - Once again Radio Club Blagovestnik (LZ1KCP) will use twelve special callsigns throughout 2019 to honour as many different Orthodox saints: LZ1354PM (January), LZ391MW (February), LZ818PT (March), LZ117ML (April), LZ497OM (May), LZ815NI (June), LZ1809PNS (July), LZ304AE (August), LZ304EW (September), LZ311HI (October), LZ365BM

(November) and LZ4408SPA (December). QSL via bureau or direct to P.O. Box 36, 4300 Karlovo, Bulgaria. Details on the "All Saints 2019" award can be found at http://www.lz1kcp.com/.

SM - Celebrating its 50th anniversary, Sweden's National Society for the Active Visually Impaired (SK5CG) will be active as SF50CG throughout 2019. QSL via SM0BYD.

V3 - Art, NN7A will be active again as V31JZ/p from South Water Caye (NA-180), Belize from 31 January to 6 February. He will operate mainly CW on 80-10 metres. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, or via NN7A (direct or bureau). [TNX NN7A]

V4 - Bernie, W3UR will be active again as V47UR from St. Kitts (NA-104) on 8-20 January. He will be QRV holiday style on 160-6 metres CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS or via home call. [TNX The Daily DX]

ZK3 - ZK3X is the callsign for the DXpedition to Tokelau [425DXN #1441] that will take place for ten days between between 1 and 15 October. Current team members include YT1AD (Team Leader), UT5UY (Co-Leader), UR0MC (Co-Leader), KO8SCA, R7KW, RW7K, SV2BFN, US0KW, UT7QF, UT8IO, UX0LL, VK3FN, VK3FY, WD5COV and ZL3WW. Up to six stations will operate CW, SSB, RTTY and FT8 on 160-6 metres, with a focus on the low bands and 6m EME. More information will be available in February, after YT1AD visits Fiji and Samoa. The website for the DXpedition is under construction at https://tokelau2019.com/.


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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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3Y0I ---> "Atlantic Tuna" is the name of the ship that is expected to take the 3Y0I team to Bouvet Island. She is currently "being refurbished from her very bottom to her top", the team reported on 2 January, and added that "getting the ship ready is a time and money consuming process that requires a lot of patience and flexibility from us". While there still are "some technical obstacles keeping the 'Atlantic Tuna' in the shipyard", the team members "are aware we start to face a situation [where] the most suitable and safe weather permitting season to reach Bouvet Island is about to slip away". See https://www.rebeldxgroup.com/meet-the-atlantic-tuna/ for the complete release and pictures of the ship.

DAYTON TOPBAND AND CONTEST DINNERS ---> The 30th Top Band Dinner will be held on 17 May, followed by the 27th Contest Dinner on the 18th. Both the events will take place at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in downtown Dayton, Ohio. See https://www.topbanddinner.com/ and https://www.contestdinner.com/ for tickets and other information.

DX SOUND CLIPS ---> Tom's (K8CX) DX sound clips for 2018 can be found at

http://hamgallery.com/dx2018/. The collection of 118 clips (MP3 format) covers the major DXpeditions, plus rare and semi-rare DX. This makes 21 full years of sound clips available.

IOTA DXPEDITIONER OF THE YEAR AWARD ---> The first year of the Island Radio Expedition Foundation's (IREF) "IOTA DXPeditioner of the Year" award [425DXN 1392] has come to a close and the calculations are being made to determine the winners. "While IREF has been monitoring activations all year long, we want to be certain that all expeditioners who activated new, rare or multiple IOTA islands during the year to make sure that IREF has your expedition results. There may have been individuals who have been a part of multiple expeditions that might have been missed. Please send an email to ab5ebdxer[@]gmail.com with your expedition information. The rules for the Award can be found at https://irefradio.com/activator-award/".

MOST WANTED LIST ---> The "Most Wanted 100 Countries Archive" maintained by Tom, K8CX (http://hamgallery.com/countries/) covers the years 1993-2018 and counting. The charts show the Top 100 DXCC Entities moving up and down the list from year to year; data come from The DX Magazine (2014 and before) and Club Log (since 2015).
Club Log's latest Most Wanted List, generated on 28 December 2018, can be found at https://secure.clublog.org/mostwanted.php. The information is derived from QSOs uploaded to Club Log (currently 542.3 million log entries available for analysis) and, to improve quality, only QSOs that have QSLs confirmed are considered to be worked. The most wanted charts are rebuilt once per month, on average.

RST SPECIAL EVENT ---> Members of the North Country DX Association (NCDXA) will be active between 15 January to 28 February from different locations in Alaska, Yukon, Northwest Territories, Nunavut and Greenland using all NCDXA "RST" callsigns (KL7RST, VY1RST, VE8RST, VY0RST and OX7RST) plus N1RAC/KL7, which will be QRV from Fairbanks, Alaska. QSLs direct to K7ICE.

QSL GALLERY ---> The large collection of QSL cards on Les Nouvelles DX's website has been updated. Sixteen different galleries include 16,457 cards for the ten Most Wanted DXCC Entities (2008-17), the 62 deleted DXCC Entities, obsolete prefixes, stations from Maghreb from 1945 to 1962, Allied Forces stations in Germany (1945-70), special stations commemorating ITU and IARU, stations using the United Nations prefix (4U), Antarctic bases and TAAF (Terres Australes and Antarctiques Francaises), the various French DXCC island Entities in the Pacific Ocean, the Indian Ocean and the Americas (from 1945 to 1969), pre-1945 countries, French Departments and CONUS, plus a gallery for cards not accepted by DXCC. Your participation is encouraged: http://www.lesnouvellesdx.fr/galeriegsl.php. [TNX F6AJA].

WRTC 2022 ---> The initial Qualification Rules for the World Radiosport Team Championship 2022 are now available for review and discussion at http://wrtc2022.it/en/. The final Qualification Rules will be published on 31 January, and the first qualifying event will be the ARRL International DX CW Contest (16-17 February).

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******* QSL ROUTES *******

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| CALL | MANAGER | CALL | MANAGER | CALL | MANAGER |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 3B8CW | N4GNR | GB0XMS | M0TVU | OM777FL | OK1FML |
| 3V8SF | LX1NO | GB1WH | M0OXO | P49X | W0YK |
| 3W3B | E21EIC | GB8KW | G0UKN | PJ2ND | K8ND |
| 3W9ND | LZ1COM | GS8VL | M0OXO | PJ2SM | EC5AHA |
| 3Z100PW | SP3POW | HB30YCY | HB3YCY | RA19NY | RQ7L |
| 4K6AG | RW6HS | HB90EPE | HB9EPE | RC19NY | RQ7L |
| 4L8A | K1BV | HB90FVR | HB9FVR | RI1ANV | RN1ON |
| 4X0M | IK2DUW | HB90FXL | HB9FXL | RI1ANW | RN1ON |
| 5P9Z/P | DL7UZO | HB90TIA | HB9TIA | RK19NY | RQ7L |
| 8P0P | W0SA | HF100A | SP2ZFT | RM19NY | RQ7L |
| 8P9NX | W0SA | HF100K | SP1ZZW | RO19NY | RQ7L |
| 9A60KDE | 9A2VR | HF100L | SP8ZHY | RT19NY | RQ7L |
| 9H3YY | DL2JRM | HF100O | SP5ZHJ | RU19NY | RQ7L |
| 9M2MRS | PA0RRS | HF100P | SP7ZHP | RW19NY | RQ7L |
| A25DJ | DJ2HD | HF100S | SP2ZCI | RZ19NY | RQ7L |
| C5SP | SP3PS | HF100WW | SP3PWL | SF50CG | SM0BYD |
| C5YK | ON7YK | HF2019HNY | SP2PBM | SN100LAW | SP3KPH |
| C6ACL | VA7XZZ | HF80PGB | SP2TMT | SN100ZN | SP2KPD |
| CX2AQ | EA5KB | HI3Y | RW6HS | SN50CUG | SP3CUG |
| CX2DK | EA5GL | HI8S | EA5GL | SO100PW | SP3PGS |
| D41CV | HB9DUR [d] | HK1MW | N2OO | SO100PWJ | SP3J |
| D41CV | IK2NCJ [b] | HP1XT | KU9C | SP100PW | SP3KQV |
| DF13BLN | DM2TO | HS0ZIQ | ZB2JK | SQ100PW | SP3ZBY |
| DF13BUD | DL1RUN | HS0ZLS | HB9FIH | ST2ND | ST2M |
| DF13DEJU | DM2TO | HS0ZME | SM6NT | SU9VB | UA4WHX |
| DF13MUC | DL8UUF | HZ50SAT | HZ8SAR | TZ4AM | W0SA |
| DF13PAR | DM7MA | II2COMO | IK2AQZ | V5/ZS1AO | DJ2HD |
| DF13STO | DL1HZM | II4CAL | IQ4FE | V5/ZS1WO | DH3WO |
| DL70BRD | DK1YH | JW7QIA | LA7QIA | VY1JA | N3SL |
| DP0GVN | DL5EBE | JY5MM | IK2DUW | W2HRU | N2MUN |
| DP1POL | DL1ZBO | LX0RL | LX1KQ | XU7AMG | BD4HF |
| DQ600UNI | DL5KVV | LY2018XMAS | LY2QT | YF9CDL | IK2DUW |
| DS3EXX/4 | DS3EXX | LZ1354PM | LZ1KCP | YJ0AFU | VK4AFU |
| DS3HWS/4 | DS3EXX | LZ35PAR | LZ1ZF | YO14IPA | YO3AS |
| EG1PPE | EA1AUM | LZ50ZF | LZ2UW | YP2019HNY | YO3KPA |
| EM30N | UR4NWW | MT0IXD | M0OXO | YP6XMAS | YO2MSB |
| EP2LMA | EA5GL | OE120MF | OE6XMF | YV1KK | OH0XX |
| ER4DX | ER1FF | OF9X | OH2BH | ZP4KFX | IK2DUW |
| EX0DX | HB9DUR | OG95AA | OH8AA | ZP6TT | IK2DUW |
| G8BBC | G4BIP | OM777AD | OM0AD | ZZ5P | PY2GTA |

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