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**** DX INFORMATION ****
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8P - Willy, KB8YRX will be active as 8P9CA from Barbados (NA-021) from 15 January to 4 February. He will operate mainly FT8 on 20 metres. QSL via LoTW or via home call. [TNX The Daily DX]

9M6 - Saty, JE1JKL will be active again as 9M6NA from Labuan Island (OC-133), East Malaysia on 24-28 January. Main activity will be on 160 metres, including participation in the CQ WW CW 160-Meter Contest. QSL via LoTW and Club Log's OQRS. [TNX NG3K]

9X - Harald, DF2WO will be active again as 9X2AW from Rwanda between 18 January and 14 February. He will focus on 160-30 metres (60m included) CW and FT8. QSL via M0OXO's OQRS. On 23-30 January he will be joined by Dave, WJ2O (callsign TBA, but QSL via LoTW or direct to N2ZN). [TNX M0OXO]

CE0Z - Russian Robinson Club's members R7AL, RA1ZZ, RK8A, RL5F, RW9JZ and CE1TBN will be active as XR0ZRC from Robinson Crusoe Island, Juan Fernandez (SA-005) on 11-27 March. They will operate CW, SSB and FT8 on 160-10 metres with three stations. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW, or via R7AL. See https://dxpedition.wixsite.com/xr0zrc for more information.

F - Special callsign TM5CQ will be used in several contests between 26 January and 16 June in memory of Rafik Dandji, F5CQ (SK April 2018). Activity on the HF bands will be during the CW (26-27 January) and SSB (23-24 February) legs of the "Coupe du REF" (the French HF Championship), as well as during the CQ WPX RTTY (9-10 February), the ARRL DX CW (16-17 February) and the CQ WPX SSB (30-31 March) contests. QSL via F4FRG. [TNX Les Nouvelles DX]

HI - Tino, HI3CC and a group from the Loma del Toro DX Club (HI3LT) will be active as HI1LT from Isla Beata (NA-122) on 20-28 January. They will operate CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via W2CCW.

P4 - Mat, DL4MM will be active again as P4/DL4MM from Aruba (SA-036) on 22-30 January. He will operate CW, SSB and FT8 with a focus on the low bands and special attention for Europe and Asia. He will participate in the CQ WW 160-Meter CW Contest as P40AA. QSLs via Club Log's OQRS (preferred) or via DL4MM; LoTW after six months. [TNX NG3K]

PA - Theo, PA1TK will be active as PF6HPP from 10 January to 10 March in memory of his friend Laurent Griffart, F6HPP (SK November 2018). Main activity is expected during the Coup du REF CW (26-27 January) and SSB (23-24 February). QSL via PA1TK, direct or bureau.

PJ4 - Norbert DJ7JC, Heye DJ9RR and Emil DL8JJ will be active as PJ4P from Bonaire (SA-006) on 22-30 January. They will operate mainly CW and FT8 on 160-10m (see https://www.qrz.com/db/pj4p for the FT8 "Fox & Hound" frequencies), and will participate in the CQ WW 160-Meter CW Contest. QSL via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS, or direct to

DJ5BWD.

T8 - Nobu, JA0JHQ (http://pandasan.jimdo.com/) will be active again as T88PB from Koror (OC-009), Palau on 25-28 January. He will focus on 160 metres CW, including participation in the CQ WW 160-Meter Contest. QSL via LoTW (preferred) or direct to JA0JHQ.

T31 - "Our preparations are on schedule", the T31EU team [425DXN 1433] reported on 9 January, and they are "looking optimistically forward to a successful DXpedition". Six operators (DL2AWG, DL6JGN, DJ9RR, DM2AUJ, DK5WL and PA3EWP) will be active from Kanton Island, Central Kiribati (OC-043) from 16 February to 5 March. Activity will be on 160-10 metres CW, SSB and digital modes with three stations. "Subject to a reliable Internet connection", they say, "we will upload the log to Club Log on a daily basis. Otherwise the complete log will be uploaded upon our return". QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW or via DL2AWG (direct or bureau). The websiste for the DXpedition is on http://www.kanton2019.de.

VE - Sergey, UT3UA and Yuri, VE3DZ will be active as VE2/UT3UA and VE2IM from Zone 2 on 22-29 January. They will focus exclusively on 160 metres, with Asia and Oceania as their main targets. They will also participate in the CQ WW 160-Meter CW Contest as VE2IM. QSL VE2/UT3UA via home call; QSL VE2IM via LoTW or direct to VE3DZ. [TNX NG3K]

VE - VE3FU as VO2AC, VE9CB as VO2AAA and and VO1HP will be active from the Point Amour Lighthouse, Labrador (Zone 2) between 22 and 29 January. They will participate in the CQ WW 160-Meter CW Contest as VO2AC. Expect activity before the contest on 160m "as they get their wire vertical array and beverages working", and if time permits also on 80, 60 and 40 metres, as well as via satellite (AO-85, AO-91 and AO-92) from grid GO11. QSL VO2AC via LoTW or VE3FU (direct or bureau); QSL VO2AAA via VE9CB. [TNX NG3K]

VP6 - The operators for the DXpedition to Pitcairn Island [425DXN 1441] are AA7A, EY8MM, JR4OZR, K0IR, K0PC, K9CT, N2TU, N4GRN, N6HC, W0GJ, W0VTT, W6IZT, W8HC and WB9Z. They will arrive on 17 October, and will remain 14 days on the island. This will be an all band, all mode operation with transportation to and from the island provided by the RV Braveheart. Plans are for eight stations, with monoband Yagis for the high bands and verticals with good radial systems and directional receive antennas for the low bands. Updates and more information can be found at https://pitcairndx.com/.

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3Y0Z: REFUNDS ---> Refunds are now available to those who helped support the unfortunate 2018 DXpedition to Bouvet. "We now have returned our sea container to the US, paid our final bills, and sold equipment to raise

funds", K4UEE (3Y0Z Co-leader and Chief Financial Officer) posted on 7 January. "After all this, I am happy to report we have a balance in our accounts. I am able to offer you a 48% refund of your original contribution to 3Y0Z. All supporters of our DXpedition are offered the same percentage regardless of whether they are a DX Foundation, DX Club, Individual DXer or DXpedition team member. Many of you have contacted me and indicated that you do not want any refund. So, I want to give everyone several options:

OPTION 1: I WANT THE REFUND. PLEASE USE MY PAYPAL EMAIL ADDRESS
No checks or wire transfers please. I respectfully ask that you do do not take a refund IF your contribution was $30 USD or less.

OPTION 2: I DO NOT WANT THE REFUND; PLEASE DONATE MY REFUND TO THE 3Y0Z TEAM
Each member of the DXpedition team has invested considerable money, time and effort to try to make this DXpedition a success.

OPTION 3: I DO NOT WANT THE REFUND; PLEASE DONATE IT TO THE NORTHERN CALIFORNIA DX FOUNDATION (NCDXF) IN MY NAME
This will help fund future DXpeditions worldwide.

OPTION 4: I DO NOT WANT THE REFUND; PLEASE DONATE IT TO THE INTERNATIONAL DX FOUNDATION (INDEXA) IN MY NAME
This will help fund future DXpeditions worldwide.

DEFAULT OPTION: if you do not respond, we will divide your refund pro-rata (proportional) between the 3Y0Z team, NCDXF, INDEXA and German DX Foundation (these are our largest financial supporters)."

The deadline for requesting Option 1-4 is 15 March 2019, and the contact email address is dxped@comcast.net.

"If I do not hear from you by the deadline", Bob says, "I will assume the Default Option". [TNX K4UEE]

AI5P: CLOSING LOGS ---> On 1 July Rick, AI5P will close and discard the logs for the callsigns he used between 1993 and 2009: 3A/AI5P, 3D2PX, 5B4/AI5P, 5W0HR, A35PX, AI5P/6Y5, AI5P/CY9, AI5P/KH0, AI5P/KH2, AI5P/VK9N, E51APX, FG/AI5P, FK/AI5P, FP/AI5P, FS/AI5P, GD/AI5P, GJ/AI5P, GU/AI5P, M/AI5P, PJ7/AI5P, TI5/AI5P, V2/AI5P, V31PH, V47/AI5P, V73PX, VP2E/AI5P, VP5/AI5P, VP9/AI5P, XE2/AI5P, YJ0PX, ZF2XP, ZK1APX, ZK2PX, ZL/AI5P and ZL7/AI5P.

CLUB LOG: REAL-TIME QSOS ---> "Club Log has a new experimental feature, where you can include a widget on any web page (in an iFrame) which will display your last 10 QSOs. The display updates automatically whenever a new QSO is uploaded; there is no need to refresh the page". See https://g7vjr.org/ for instructions.

POSTAL RATES (CANADA) ---> Effective 14 January, the new base prices for standard letter items up to 30g are CAD 1.27 (for destinations in the US) and CAD 2.65 (international). Stamps are subject to taxes that can vary from Province to Province. Actual rates can be calculated through the Find a Rate on-line service provided by Canada Post (https://www.canadapost.ca/).

POSTAL RATES (FRANCE) ---> Effective 1 January, the rate for International Priority standard letters up to 20g mailed from Metropolitan France to all international destinations (except the French Overseas Departments, Andorra and Monaco) is EUR 1.30 apiece (about USD 1.49). The complete Price List can be found on https://www.laposte.fr/.

SWODXA DX DINNER ---> The 34th DX Dinner, sponsored again by the SouthWest

Ohio DX Association (SWODXA) and held in conjunction with the 2019 Dayton Hamvention, will be on Friday, 17 May at the Marriott Hotel in Dayton. Dinner tickets can be ordered on http://swodxaevents.org/; programme details and a list of the door prizes will be on the website as they become available. [TNX W8GEX]

+ SILENT KEY + Francisco "Tito" Burzi, LU3EAQ passed away on 5 January aged 81. An accomplished CW operator, he was active as LU3ZM from the South Orkney Islands during the Sixties. [TNX LU6EF]

QSLs received direct or through managers: 4O6AH, 5A1AL, 6V1A, 8P9AE, 8Q7DX, 9K2YM, 9X0T, 9X0Y,9Z4A, A52BH, AP2AM, BW9W (AS-155),C31CT, E44WE, E6Y, EF8R, EL2EL/4 (AF-111), FM/DL7VOG, HS3NBR/p (AS-145), J68GD, J68GU, JI3DST/1 (AS-008), JI3DST/6 (AS-047), K9AJ/VY0 (NA-207), KG4AS, KG4HF, KP4/EI9FBB (NA-249), LA5RIA (EU-036), LX1TI, OX3LX, OY9JD, P4/DL6RAI, PJ2/G4IRN, PW7I (SA-046), R750Z, RI1ANC, RT65KI (AS-065), TK0C, TT8KO, UN6LN, VA7XW/VE2 (NA-038), VE7ACN/VE2 (NA-084), VK9MA (OC-072), XT2BR, Z23MD, ZD9CW, ZL7X.

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