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# *** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
## **** DX INFORMATION ****

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4X - Special callsigns 4Z64EURO, 4X64S, 4X64O, 4X64N and 4X64G will be active from 18 April to 18 May for the 64th Eurovision Song Contest that this year will take place in Tel Aviv, Israel (14-18 May). QSLs via LoTW and eQSL; certificates will be available for download at https://www.iarc.org/livelog/ (see 4Z64EURO on qrz.com for the rules).

5T - Evert, PA2KW will be active as 5T2KW from Nouadhibou, Mauritania on 5-19 April. Guest operating from 5T5PA's QTH, he will use CW and maybe some SSB. QSL via Club Log's OQRS (preferred) and LoTW.

5W - Uruguay DX Group's members Gus CX2AM, Bert CX3AN and Rainer CX8FB will be active holiday style from Upolu, Samoa (OC-097) on 1-10 June. They will operate mainly CW and SSB on 80-6 metres. Callsign and QSL route to be annouced in due course. [TNX CX3AN]

6O - Ali, EP3CQ will be active again as 6O1OO from Somalia starting on 15 April for one month. Usually he operates FT8 mostly on 20 and 40 metres; his activity on the bands is limited to his spare time. QSL direct to Ali Solhjoo, Schnackenburgstr. 3, 12159 Berlin, Germany.

9G - Matteo, IZ4YGS will be active again as 9G5GS from Sanzule, Ghana starting on 13 April. In his spare time, typically between 21 and 00 UTC, he will operate mainly FT8 on 160-20 metres (Fox & Hound mode on 3567, 7056, 10131 and 14090 kHz). QSL via eQSL, or direct to home call; logsearch on Club Log.

DU - Chris, VK3FY and Dindo, DU1UD will be active as 4E8T from Tawi Tawi Island (OC-174) on 19-23 April. They will operate CW, SSB and FT8 on 40-20 metres. QSL via M0OXO's OQRS. [TNX M0OXO]

EA - Celebrating the 70th anniversary of the Union de Radioaficionados Espanoles (Spain's IARU member society), fourteen special callsigns will be active from 1 April to 9 June: AM70URE (plus AM70URE/6 from the Balearic Islands, AM70URE/8 from the Canary Islands and AM70URE/9 from Ceuta & Melilla), AM70A, AM70C, AM70D, AM70E, AM70F, AM70I, AM70L, AM70N, AM70O, AM70P, AM70R, AM70S and AM70U. Detailed information on the award programme (including leaderboard and OQRS) can be found at https://70aniversario.ure.es/. Traditional QSL cards via the bureau to EA4URE for all callsigns.

G - The RSGB National Radio Centre will run special event station GB2DAY on 10-14 April. This is to celebrate a new exhibition at Bletchley Park (https://bletchleypark.org.uk/) entitled "D-Day: Interception, Intelligence, Invasion" which explores Bletchley Park's top secret impact on the planning and implementation of D-Day 75 years ago.

G - GB0GKA (operated by Tony, G3ZRJ) and GB0GKB (operated by Larry, G4HLN) will be representing Portishead Radio during this year's Maritime Radio Day. The event will run from 12 UTC on 14 April

until 22 UTC on 15 April. Portishead Radio (callsign GKA), the world's largest and busiest radiotelephony station, provided worldwide maritime communications and long-range aeronautical communications from 1928 until 2000. The Maritime Radio Day is being held annually to remember the nearly 100 years of wireless service for seafarers (see http://www.trafficlist.net/mrd/ for more information).

GJ - Look for MJ0ILB (home call OK1BIL), MJ0IKL (home call OK1DOL), MJ/OK1FIK, MJ/OK1FWM, MJ/OK1NP and MJ/OK3RM to be active from Jersey (EU-013) on 19-28 July. They will operate SSB, CW and digital modes on the HF bands, with some activity on 6 and 2m. They will participate in the IOTA Contest as MJ0ICD (QSL via OK1DOL, direct or bureau).

J2 - Chris, EA3NT will be active as J20NT from mainland Djibouti on 13-14 April [425DXN 1456], while waiting for the rest of the J20DX team to arrive. In order to avoid clashing with the KH8 expedition FT8 frequencies, he will operate Fox & Hound mode on 3577, 7061, 10141, 14085, 18104 and 21090 kHz (usual frequencies for 12, 10 and 6m). J20DX is expected to be operational from Kadda Dabali Island (AF-059) by 16 April for up to three days [425DXN 1455]. After that they will be active as J20DX/p from Moucha Island (AF-053 ) for about 24 hours. The team will have a SPOT Trace tracker which will be activated once they get underway - see https://j20dx.com/ for the link. [TNX DX World]

JD1_oga- Once again Harry, JG7PSJ will be active as JD1BMH from Chichijima (AS-031), Ogasawara from 28 April to 4 May. He will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 40-10m. QSL via JD1BMH (bureau) or JG7PSJ (direct). See http://jd1bmh.webcrow.jp/ for logsearch and other information. He does not use LoTW.

KH0 - Tom, KC0W is moving to Saipan on a permanent basis for the foreseeable future, and expects to be QRV as KH0/KC0W starting around 15 April. "I'm primarily a CW operator, but from my research KH0 is really needed on FT8", he says. "I just might have to do something about that, even though FT8 is my least favorite mode to operate".

OH0 - Mart, DL6UAA will be active as OH0UA from the Aland Islands (EU-002) on 8-19 April. He will operate CW and digistal modes. QSL via DL6UAA and LoTW. [TNX The Daily DX]

OJ0 - Pasi, OH3WS will be active again as OJ0W from Market Reef (EU-053) on 13-14 April. In his spare time he will operate CW and some SSB on 60-10m. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX The Daily DX]

OZ - Special callsigns 5P0WARD and 5P0WHD will be active on 18 April in celebration of the 94th World Amateur Radio Day. A special award will be available for working 5P0WARD/xx and 5P0WHD/xx stations with different suffix extensions; further information can be found at https://www.qrz.com/db/5p0ward. QSLs via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW and eQSL.

PA - VERON Amersfoort (PI4AMF) will be active as PA52KDA on 13-30 April for King's Day 2019. Celebrated on 27 April, the date marks the birth of King Willem-Alexander. The special callsign's prefix represents the king's age, and the suffix stands for KoningsDag Amersfoort. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau, and will be uploaded to LotW, Club Log and eQSL. Direct

cards should be sent to PA0RSM.

T32 - Ken, KH6QJ will be active again as T32AZ from Kiritimati (Christmas Island, OC-024), East Kiribati on 16-23 April. QSL via home call. [TNX The Daily DX]

T8 - Look for T88IB and T88UW to be active from Koror (OC-009), Palau on 10-16 April. They will operate CW, SSB, FT8 and other digital modes. QSL T88IB via JA1JEJ (direct or bureau); QSL T88UW via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW, eQSL, or via JH7IPR (direct or bureau). [TNX The Daily DX]

TF - Xavier, EB3GCP will be active as TF/EB3GCP from Iceland (EU-021) on 14-22 April. He will operate mainly FT8 during the local evenings. QSL via home call.

VE - Mike, VE7ACN will be active as VE7ACN/CK9 (not /VE9 as previously announced) from White Head Island (NA-014) on 5-11 April. The special prefix celebrates the 50th anniversary of the Official Languages Act of Canada [425DXN 1456]. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, or via home call (direct or bureau). [TNX qrz.ru]

VE - Richard VE2DX, Jim WA4YIZ and Becky KA2BEC will be active as VX2A11 from Grosse-Ile (Iles de la Madeleine, NA-038) on 23-30 July, including participation in the IOTA Contest. They will operate mainly SSB and FT8 with two stations. The special callsign commemorates the 50th anniversary of Apollo 11, the spaceflight that landed the first two people on the Moon (20 July 1969). QSL via VE2STN. See https://www.facebook.com/vx2a11/ for updates.

VK - Andy, VK5MAV [425DXN 1452] plans to be QRV as VK5MAV/6 from Rat Island, Houtman Abrolhos (OC-211) on 14 April in his evening and to return to the mainland around his midday on 19 April (local time is UTC +8). Activity from Favorite Island (OC-183) will start on 20 April "as soon as tent, antennas installed and station ready", and finish on the 23rd in his "very early morning" hours (i.e. in the UTC evening hours on 22 April). If local conditions allow, he will upload his log to Club Log on a daily basis, otherwise "as soon as possible". QSL via Club Log's OQRS, or via RN3RQ. More information can be found on http://vk5mav.wixsite.com/dxpedition. [TNX VK5MAV]

VK9N - Rob, VK2FBBB will be active again as VK2FBBB/VK9 from Norfolk Island (OC-005) on 14-27 April. He will be QRV mainly on 40 metres starting around 7 UTC on a daily basis. QSL via the bureau to home call. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]

VP2E - Chris, PA2CHR and Jos, PA3FYC will be active as VP2EMB from Anguilla (NA-022) on 12-21 April. They will operate EME on 144, 432 and 1296 Mhz, with some activity on the HF bands. QSL via PA3FYC.

YJ - Yan, RZ3FW and Sergei, R4WAA will be active from three different Vanuatu IOTA groups in November:

04-07 November YJ0RRC Gaua Island (Banks Islands, OC-104)
08-13 November YJ0RRC Tongoa Island (Sheperd Islands, OC-111)
14-20 November YJ0FWA Efate Island (OC-035)

YJ0RRC will operate CW, SSB, RTTY, FT8 on 40-17m with two stations; YJ0FWA will also be QRV on 160 and 80 metres. More information and Updates on https://r4waa9.wixsite.com/yj0rrc. [TNX qrz.ru]

Z6 - Thomas, OZ1AA and Alex, OZ7AM will be active as Z66Z from Novoberde, Kosovo on 18-22 April. They will operate CW, SSB and FT8 on 80-10 metres with two stations. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW or via OZ1ACB.

AFRICA TOUR ---> Pista, HA5AO will be active as 3DA0AO from eSwatini (Swaziland) for 14 days during the second half of September, and as 7P8AO from Lesotho for 14-16 days during the first half of October. He will operate CW, RTTY, FT8 on 80-10 metres from both locations. The actual dates will be announced in due course. Logsearch and OQRS will be available at https://www.ha5ao.com/. [TNX HA5AO]


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3Y0I ---> "After an exceptionally difficult, demanding and unlucky attempt to reach Bouvet Island", the 3Y0I DXpedition team arrived back in Cape Town on 2 April. "The expedition is set for another attempt", whose "time-frames and details will be announced later this month". In the meanwhile, read "The official statement of Mr. Anthony Burke - the MV Atlantic Tuna's captain" on https://bouvetoya.org/blog/

MISSISSIPPI QSO PARTY ---> The Mississippi QSO Party will run from 14 UTC on 6 April until 02 UTC on the 7th (12 hours), and county hunters around the world will be looking to add to their MS county totals. Rules, a county abbreviation & checklist and planned activations can be found on the ARRL's Mississippi Section website (http://arrlmiss.org). [TNX W5UE]

QSL VIA SM6CVX ---> Hans, SM6CVX reports that all QSL requests for the most recent P29VCX operation from Manus Island (OC-025) have been processed and sent out. This includes direct, PayPal and bureau requests received as of 3 April. Hans still has logs for A52CVX (2015), P29NI (2008 only), P29VCX (2006, 2007, 2009, 2011, 2012 and 2014), P29VLR (2007, 2009, 2011) and S21ZAS (2017), as well as for YV5OIE. Multiple QSLs can be requested in the same envelope or PayPal payment; direct requests need to have SAE and USD 3.00, or USD 4.00 via PayPal. See https://www.qrz.com/db/sm6cvx for Hans' mailing and email/PayPal addresses. [TNX SM6CVX]

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QSLs received direct or through managers: 4B4B, 4W/HL1AHS, 5C43MC, 5R8UM, 9M6NA (OC-133), A5A, C31CT, C6AGU, DJ80FOC, ES6RQ, ET3AA, ET3YOTA, FK8HA, H7/N3QQ (NA-013), HD8M, HP3/LD8F, J28PJ, LY782A, OH10X (EU-192), OK1DOL, OX/OZ1LXJ, P29VCX (OC-025), RI0B, TK/S53CC, TX0A (OC-113), TX0M (OC-297), V31YN, Z3B.

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