3W - Sven, HB9DXB expects to be active as XV9DXB from Nha Trang, Vietnam starting around 2 June. Plans are to operate SSB and CW on 80, 40, 20 and 10 metres. QSL via EB7DX.

9N - Yuki, JH1NBN expects to be QRV in his spare time as 9N7BN from Nepal between 22 May and 4 June. Plans are to operate SSB and possibly FT8 on 80-6 metres. QSL direct to home call. [TNX The Daily DX]

DU - Audie, DU1ZDR and Gazelle, DU1ZDQ will be active as DZ1A from Kalanggaman Island (OC-129) on 3 June. They will operate QRP on or around 14260 and 7055 kHz. [TNX DX World]

EA - Members of Radio Club Torrevieja (EC5RKT) will be active as EH5SUB from the submarine "Delfin" during the Museum Ships Weekend on 1-2 June. QSL via EA5GVJ. [TNX ON5JV/EA5HZB]

F - Commemorating the 75th anniversary of D-Day, F/ON6JUN/p will be active from Ranville, Normandy between 31 May and 7 June. QSL via ON5SD (bureau). [TNX UBA]

FG - Didier, F6BCW has been active as FG/F6BCW from Les Saintes (NA-114) since 22 May, and will remain there until the 26th. He operates CW on 20 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

G - Special callsign GB5OOL will be active (SSB and CW) during the first two weeks of June to commemorate the 75th anniversary of Operation Overlord, launched on 6 June 1944 with the D-Day landings. QSL via the bureau, or direct to G0VCW.

G - Commemorating the 75th anniversary of the D-Day landings, five special event stations will be active on 6 June covering all of the allied embarkation ports destined for one of the Normandy landing beaches: GB75GF (Gold Force), GB75JF (Juno Force), GB75OF (Omaha Force), GB75SF (Sword Force) and GB75UF (Utah Force). QSL via operators' instructions.

SM - Rick/SM6U, Bengt/SM6UQL and Tomas/SM6XMY will be active again as 7S6WX from the "Weather Islands" (Vaderoarna, EU-043) from 30 May to 2 June. They will operate SSB on 80-10 metres. QSL via the bureau or via LoTW. [TNX SM6U]

SV - Look for Oliver, SV8/DK7TX to be active from IOTA group EU-052 (Antipaxos, Paxos and Kerkyra) on 2-9 June. He will operate SSB on 40, 20, 17 and 15 metres. QSL via DK7TX, direct or bureau. [TNX The Daily DX]

UA9 - After operating as R26RRC from Paramushir Island (AS-204) [425DXN 1461], Vasily R7AL, Vladimir RK8A and Albert UB9WLJ will be active as R205NEW from Yoanna Bogoslova Island in the Bering Sea Coast North Group (AS-205, new one for IOTA). Plans are to be QRV for four days, indicatively around 14-18 June, and to operate CW and SSB on 40, 30, 20 and 17 metres. QSL via Club Log's OQRS;
traditional direct cards should be sent to EU7A (maildrop: Andrey N. Teterukov, P.O. Box 13, 212030 Mogilev-30, Belarus). They also plan to be active as RI0ZK from the Komandorskie Islands (AS-039) on their way back; length of stay will depend on sea and weather conditions, and might vary "from few hours only to two days". See https://rv6ali.wixsite.com/as205new for more information.

VE - Celebrating its 100th anniversary, the Winnipeg Amateur Radio Club (VE4BB) will be active as VX4WARC for the entire month of June. QSL via the bureau, direct, or LoTW.

CQ WW WPX CW CONTEST ---> The following stations have announced their participation in this year's event (25-26 May):

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CQ CONTEST & CQ DX HALL OF FAMERS ---> The CQ Contest Hall of Fame (established in 1986) and the CQ DX Hall of Fame (established in 1967) honour those amateurs who not only excel in personal performance in these major areas of amateur radio, but who also "give back" to the hobby in outstanding ways.

The 2019 inductees to the CQ CONTEST HALL OF FAME are:
* Bruce Horn, WA7BNM, provides a great service to the contesting community via web-based resources for many popular contests. He maintains the most comprehensive contest calendar on the web, and he developed the popular 3830Scores website (https://3830scores.com/) where contesters go to post raw scores after an event ends, to compare notes and search past contest logs. He is also manager of the North American QSO Party and developed the current National Contest Journal website.
* Dean Straw, N6BV, is an outstanding contester, a talented writer, editor, presenter and educator, and has advanced the state of the art in antennas, computer modeling, propagation and contest planning and preparation. As an ARRL staff member for 15 years, he edited multiple editions of The ARRL Antenna Book and several other publications. He also developed the High Frequency Terrain Analysis (HFTA) software, which revolutionized antenna system planning by linking antenna design, installation height, tower location, surrounding terrain, and the expected angles of propagation to target regions. His work with the propagation prediction program VOACAP revolutionized the way we plan for contests, allowing specific band opening predictions dependent on solar conditions to indicate when band changes and operations should be planned.
* Kresimir "Chris" Kovarik, 9A5K (SK), developed the DXLog and Klog programs, competed in the World Radiosport Team Championship (WRTC) and served the broader amateur radio community in Europe as past president of the Croatian Amateur Radio Association and as vice-chairman of the IARU Region 1 HF Committee. He became a Silent Key earlier this year.

CQ Contesting Editor David Siddall, K3ZJ, presented Hall of Fame plaques at an induction ceremony held at the annual Dayton Contest Dinner on 18 May. This year's inductions bring the total number of members of the CQ Contest Hall of Fame to 74.

The 2019 inductees to the CQ DX HALL OF FAME are:
* Joe Taylor, K1JT - Nobel Prize winning-astrophysicist who has revolutionized the face of DXing with his suite of WSJT weak-signal digital modes, including FT8, which is capable of decoding signals well below the noise level. The modes pioneered by Joe have kept the HF bands busy and the DXers active even during the current solar minimum. Other WSJT modes have
Also revolutionized VHF/UHF DXing via moonbounce and meteor scatter.

Taylor shared the 1993 Nobel Prize in physics for the discovery of binary pulsars.

* Silvano Borsa, I2YSB, and the Italian DXpedition Team - The Italian DXpedition Team has made more than 20 major DXpeditions in the past 20 years, mostly to Africa, where its members have activated more than a dozen rare countries, making nearly 1.4 million QSOs along the way. In addition, the team has arranged for the donation and delivery of two ambulances from Italy to Somalia, one of the many countries it has activated.

In addition to team leader Silvano Borsa (I2YSB), the Italian DXpedition Team members include Alfeo Caputo (I1HJT), Vincio Ravizza (IK2CIO), Angelo Selva (IK2CKR), Marcello Cassinelli (IK2DIA), Stefano Casari (IK2HKT), Angelo Gino Zambaiti (IK2RZP) and Mac Shimamoto (JA3USA).

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CRICKET WORLD CUP RADIO MARATHON ---> Special callsigns that will be activated from outside the United Kingdom as part of the Cricket World Cup Radio Marathon (30 May-14 July) [425DXN 1452] include 5B19CWC (Cyprus), 5P19CWC (Denmark), AP19CWC (Pakistan), CS2019CWC (Portugal), LX19CWC (Luxembourg), VK19AUS (Australia), VR2019CWC (Hong Kong) and ZS19CWC (South Africa). Check https://rsgb.org/cricket for complete details about the marathon, and track your progress towards the available awards on https://cricket2019.hamlogs.net/.

IOTA DXPEDITIONER OF THE YEAR ---> The inaugural Island Radio Expedition Foundation's (IREF) "IOTA DXpeditioner of the Year" Award was presented on 17 May at the 34th DX Dinner in Dayton. The three awardees are Cezar Trifu VE3LYC (1st place), Mikhail Zavarukhin VE7ACN (2nd) and David Deane EI9FBB (3rd). The award is for encouraging "expeditioners, through friendly competition, to activate islands that won't necessarily meet IREF funding guidelines but are needed by many of the newer chasers". Complete details can be found at https://irefradio.com/activator-award/.

MUSEUM SHIPS WEEKEND ---> Sponsored by the Battleship New Jersey Amateur Radio Station (NJ2BB), this year's Museum Ships Weekend will be held from 00.00 UTC on 1 June until 23.59 UTC on the 2nd. Information on the event, including the relevant certificate and the listing of participating ships, can be found at https://www.qsl.net/w/wa2tvs//museum/.

NA-211 ---> Yuri, N3QQ reports that permission has been received from the owner to operate from Tillamook Rock (NA-211). Subject to all restrictions and limitations imposed by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) and the US Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), a preliminary team including AD5A, N3QQ, N7QT and NW7M will try and be QRV from the rock around November-December. Further information is expected in due course.

REBELS ON THE MOVE ---> The Rebel DX Group announced on 18 May that "the Rebel catamaran is ready to set sail. Graham, Tack, Taddy and Dom are in 3D2 Fiji making last minute preparations with licenses and permissions in hand. Once the Rebel Team 'weigh anchor' we will make an announcement here
with the expected dates, operating frequencies and the location of our first stop! Stay tuned!". Their first destination is likely to be Conway Reef (3D2CR), possibly followed by Banaba Island (T33T).

WORLD CASTLES WEEKEND ---> The World Castles Award Programme's tenth anniversary will be celebrated during an extended activity weekend that will run on 1-30 June. A large number of special event stations (4X10WCA, 9A10WCA, DR10WCA, EM10UCF, EN10UCF, ES10WCA, EV10WCA, HB10WCA, HG10WCA, LY10WCA, LZ10WCA, OE10WCA, OH11WCA, OL10WCA, OR10WCA, OS10WCA, OT10WCA, PA10WCA, PB10WCA, PC10WCA, PD10WCA, PE10WCA, PF10WCA, PG10WCA, PH10WCA, RZ1CWC, S510WCA, SP10WCA, TM10WCA, YT10WCA, YU10WCA, Z310WCA and possibly others) are expected to participate in the celebrations. Complete details information on WCW-2019 can be found at http://wcagroup.org/. [TNX RN1CW]

YASME EXCELLENCE AWARDS & SUPPORTING GRANT ---> In 2008 The Yasme Foundation (http://www.yasme.org/) established the Yasme Excellence Award, to be presented to individuals and groups who, through their own service, creativity, effort and dedication, have made a significant contribution to amateur radio. The contribution may be in recognition of technical, operating or organizational achievement, as all three are necessary for amateur radio to grow and prosper. The Yasme Excellence Award is in the form of a cash grant and an individually-engraved crystal globe. The latest recipients, announced on 18 May, are:

* Angel Vazquez, WP3R - for his work in disaster relief, and as an outstanding ambassador for amateur radio.
* Nikola Percin, 9A5W - for his outstanding work in advancing amateur radio in Croatia and the surrounding region. He is a co-founder of 9A1A. Nikola started efforts to recruit young amateurs and established youth programs in coordination with local universities.

The Board of Directors of the Yasme Foundation has also made the following grants:

* $5,000 each to the Foundation for Amateur Radio (FAR) and ARRL scholarship programs for 2019.
* $5,000 to WRTC 2022 in Italy for general support, and a second grant to once again sponsor the Widow's Ball during WRTC 2022. [TNX K4ZW]

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