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**** DX INFORMATION ****
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3DA - Pista, HA5AO [425DXN 1457] will be active as 3DA0AO from eSwatini (Swaziland) between 16 September and 1 October. He will operate mainly CW and FT8 on 80-10 metres, and will participate in the All Africa DX Contest (21-22 September). See https://www.ha5ao.com for QSL policy, logsearch and OQRS. [TNX HA5AO]

4L - David, DL7ZM (AD0PY) will be active as 4L/DL7ZM from Georgia on 13-21 July. He will be QRV on 6 metres CW, SSB and FT8, and will participate in the CQ WW VHF Contest. QSL direct only to AD0PY; he does not use LoTW. [TNX NG3K]

7P - Pista, HA5AO [425DXN 1457] will be active again as 7P8AO from Lesotho between 1 and 19 October. Owing to other commitments, he will be QRV in his spare time only, and will operate mainly CW and FT8 on 80-10 metres. See https://www.ha5ao.com for QSL policy, logsearch and OQRS. [TNX HA5AO]

9A - Sergio, IZ3NXC and Fabio, IK3GIG will be active as 9A8NXC from Lastovo Island (EU-016) on 2-4 July. They will operate SSB and FT8 on 60, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, or via IK3GES. [TNX IZ3NXC]

9G - Members of the Slovenia Contest Club (S50A, S50R, S51DS, S51TC, S51ZJ, S54W and S57UN) will be active as 9G5W from Ghana on 16-27 November, including a multi-single effort in the CQ WW DX CW Contest. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, or via S54W (direct or bureau), and LoTW "later". See https://ghana.si/ for more information.

9Y - Karel, OK2ZI will be active as 9Y4/OK2ZI from Trinidad (SA-011) from 28 June to 6 July. He will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 40-10 metres. QSL via Club Log's OQRS (preferred), or via home call; the log will be uploaded to LoTW six months after the expedition. [TNX DX World]

DL - Special callsign DL0SOP will be active on 1-31 July for the 61st edition of the Sea Of Peace Award (see http://dl0sop.darc.de/ for full details). All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau; direct cards via DL4SVA. [TNX DX Newsletter]

F - Wil F4ESV, Bernard F5LPY and Phil F8EFU will be active as TM19MAB from 21 July to 4 August for the Grand Est Mondial Air Ballons event. They will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on all bands. QSL via F4ESV; the log will be uploaded to Club Log and LoTW.

F - Bastien, F4EYQ and Fabien, F4GYM will be active as F4EYQ/p and F4GYM/p from Sein Island (EU-068) on 26-29 July. Main activity will be during the IOTA Contest as TM5S (QSL via F5MFV). [TNX Les Nouvelles DX]

FP - DD5ZZ, DJ6GI, DM4IM and VO1IDX will be active as TO5M from Ile aux Marins, Saint Pierre & Miquelon (NA-032) on 10-18 August. They plan to be QRV on 160-6 metres CW, SSB and FT8 (possibly some RTTY and

FM satellites as well) with four stations. QSL via LotW, logsearch on Club Log. A website is under construction at http://fp2019.net/ [TNX NG3K]

G - GB13COL is the special callsign for the Durham District and Amateur Radio Society to participate in the "13 Colonies Special Event" (from 13 UTC on 1 July until 4 UTC on 8 July) as a "bonus station". QSL via eQSL, or direct to G0VLF.

G - Commemorating the 50th anniversary of the first manned lunar landing, the Leicester Radio Society will be active as GB5EHL on 1-28 July, with main activity taking place on 20-21 July. They will operate SSB, CW, RTTY, SSTV, PSK and FT8 on the HF and VHF bands. The special callsign's suffix stands for "[the] Eagle Has Landed", the words that announced that the Lunar Module had touched down on the Moon's surface.

G - On 25-26 July 1939 Polish, French and British cryptanalysts met outside Warsaw to share what they knew about Enigma. Three English special callsigns will be used to commemorate the 80th anniversary of that history-changing meeting: GB80ENI (1 July-28 August), GB2ENI (15 July-11 August) and GB4ENI (29 July-25 August). The activity is organized by Wojtek G0IDA, Karol G0UNU and Krzysztof M0AXH.

GD - Dave, WJ2O will be active as MD/WJ2O from the Isle of Man (EU-116) on 11-17 July, including an entry in the IARU HF World Champi-onship. QSL via N2ZN. [TNX NG3K]

I - Ignazio, IT9AGZ will be active again as IF9/IT9AGZ from Levanzo Island (EU-054) on 16-28 July. QSL via home call. [TNX IK2RLS]

JA - Shigeru, JI3CEY will be active holiday style as JI3CEY/0 from the island of Sado (AS-206, new one for IOTA) on 20-22 July. Plans are to operate SSB and CW on the HF bands. QSL via home call. [TNX JI3CEY]

KL - Rick, K6VVA now plans to be active as K6VVA/KL7 from Endicott Island (NA-004) [425DXN 1467] from about 22 UTC on 16 July until about 16 UTC on 19 July. He will operate CW and some SSB on 40, 30 and 20 metres. IOTA credit for this operation will be obtained only via the Club Log Matching function on the IOTA website. See http://www.k6vva.com/iota/na-004 for more information.

LX - Members of the Luxembourg Amateur Radio Union (LARU) will be active as LX50MOON in July to mark the 50th anniversary of the first manned mission to land on the Moon. QSL via LoTW; paper QSL cards will be sent automatically to the worldwide QSL bureaux.

OH - On 24-29 July the Radio Arcala OH8X group (OH1MA, OH2BH, OH2GEK, OH2MM, OH8NC, OH9RJ and OH9VC) will be active as OJ9A (QSL via OH2BH) from IOTA group EU-192, and as OH9A (QSL via OH1NOA) from IOTA group EU-126. Activity will include participation in the IOTA Contest from both Locations. [TNX OH2BH]

P4 - John, W2GD will be active again as P44W from Aruba (SA-036) on 11-16 July. He will operate primarily CW, with main activity during the IARU HF World Championship. QSL via LoTW, or direct to N2MM. [TNX NG3K]

TK - Once again Frans, DJ0TP will be active holiday style as TK/DJ0TP from Corsica (EU-014) between 10 July and 8 August. QSL via LoTW, or via home call (direct or bureau). [TNX DJ0TP]

UA - Alexei RN1ON, Alex UA1OJL, Yuri UA1OC and Oleg UA1PBA will be

active as RI1OM from the Morzhovets Islands (EU-119) on 1-5 July. They plan to operate CW, SSB and FT8 on 40-10 metres. During the voyage to/from the island they will be signing RK1O/mm. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, or via RN1ON.

VK - The Tablelands Radio & Electronics Club will operate special event station VI50ML on 13-21 July to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the first manned lunar landing. A commemorative QSL card will be available for download at https://www.silvertrain.com.au/. Do not send QSL cards via the bureau.

W - The following stations will be active during the 11th annual "13 Colonies Special Event", which will be held from 13 UTC on 1 July until 4 UTC on 8 July: K2A (New York), K2B (Virginia), K2C (Rhode Island), K2D (Connecticut), K2E (Delaware), K2F (Maryland), K2G (Georgia), K2H (Massachusetts), K2I (New Jersey), K2J (North Carolina), K2K (New Hampshire), K2L (South Carolina), and K2M (Pennsylvania), plus the "bonus station" WM3PEN (operating from Philadelphia, the city where the US independence was declared). See http://www.13colonies.net/ for information on the award programme.

XE - Look for special callsign XF3LL to be activated on 17-18 August from the lighthouse at Punta Celerain on Cozumel Island (NA-090). Activity will be on 40-10m SSB and digital modes. QSL via XE3N.

XZ - Akio, JE2QIZ (AC7XZ), who has been active as XZ2B from Myanmar at various times since mid-January, is moving from Nay Pyi Taw to Yangon. He is authorized to operate as XZ2B on 15m (21000-21030 KHz), 12m (24890-24910 KHz), 10m (28000-28030 KHz) and 6m (50080-50100 KHz). QSL via Club Log's OQRS, or direct to JH3SIF. [TNX The Daily DX]

YJ - Geoff, ZL3GA will be active again as YJ0GA from Efate (OC-035), Vanuatu from 21 July to 3 August. He will operate CW, SSB and FT8, and will be QRV during the IOTA Contest. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW or via home call (direct or bureau).

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NEW IOTA GROUPS ---> "Following the decision to split the 5 yearly review of the IOTA list into two parts", IOTA General Manager Roger Balister, G3KMA wrote on 22 June, "we announced the first tranche of six new IOTA groups at the RSGB Convention, Milton Keynes on 14 October 2018 [see 425DXN 1433, Ed]. The plan mentioned at the time was to add th e second tranche at Ham Radio Friedrichshafen in June 2019. At the event's IOTA Forum on Saturday, 22 June this took place with the announcement of a further six new groups":

AS-206	JA0, 1, 2, 7	Honshu's Coastal Islands East (Japan)
AS-207	R0K	Chukchi Sea Coast Centre group, Chukotskiy Avtonomnyy Okrug (Asiatic Russia)
OC-298	FO	Tatakoto Atoll, Tuamotu Islands (French Polynesia)

OC-299 V6   Yap East group, State of Yap (Micronesia)
OC-300 T31   McKean and Nikumaroro Atolls, Phoenix Islands (Central Kiribati)
SA-101 CE0   Alejandro Selkirk Island, Juan Fernandez Archipelago
See https://iota-world.org/info/new_groups_2019.pdf for the full list.
"The review has now completed its work; the next one is scheduled for 2024. These new groups have provisional numbers. This means that they will need to be confirmed by an operation taking place after 22 June 2019 that meets the 1000 QSO and other normal validation requirements. Only after confirmation of the group number will credit for past operations be considered.
The addition of these six groups takes the total of groups that have confirmed or provisional IOTA numbers to 1172. Of these 1131 have seen activity, the remaining 41 have not. The number of unnumbered groups remains at 33. A number of these will be withdrawn in due course to keep within the programme cap of 1200 groups set long ago by the Management Team as a firm policy decision".

VP8/VP8DXU ---> The project planning for the 2020 South Orkney Islands DXpedition [425DXN 1465] continues on schedule, other companies have joined the corporate sponsors team, the "tent assembly project" is scheduled for 12-15 July, 80m SSB has been added to the operating plan and the fundraising campaign continues: "the next payment to 'Braveheart' is due in July and our shipping budget of USD 25,000 is tracking close to plan", the VP8/VP8DXU team reported on 27 June. "As of this writing, 30 clubs/foundations and 236 individuals have shown their support to the project. We have a long way to go in order to reach the goal of 50% team member funding of the estimated project cost of USD 325,000. If you need South Orkney for an ATNO, or plan to work us, we would appreciate your help, expenses must be paid before we sail". Please visit https://sorkney.com/ and consider making a donation. [TNX K5GS]

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3B8XF, 5B4AMX, 5T2KW, 5V7EI, 9G2DX, 9M2MSL, 9Q6BB, CP1GJ, CX6VM, DP0DVN/p, DX1CC (OC-128), E28AI, ES5QD, FO/JI1JKW, GB18YOTA, JH7IPR/6 (AS-047), KP3RE (NA-249), LM450C, OH3077F, RW1AI/9 (AS-042), S79AM, S79ANR, S79KW, SV2ASP/A, V84SAA, VA7XW/VE1 (NA-127), VE3LYC/KL7 (NA-150), VE7ACN/CK9 (NA-014), VE7ACN/VE1 (NA-081), VI9NI, VK5MAV/6 (OC-211 & OC-183), XT2AW, XV9JK (AS-157), XW0YO, ZW85LABRE.

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