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>>> 1500 AND COUNTING <<<

It all started back in May 1991. After nearly twenty-nine years, 425 DX News celebrates today its issue #1500 - that's 1500 weeks of uninterrupted service to the DX community. Heartfelt thanks to all our readers worldwide!

3W - Wolfgang, DL5MAE will be active again in his spare time as 3W2MAE from Vietnam approximately between 13 and 20 February. He has antennas for 80-10 metres, but the QRM at his QTH, especially on the low bands, is very high and "sometimes it needs lots of patience to complete a QSO". QSL via DL5MAE (bureau preferred).

C2 - Look for C21AA (QSL via JH3QFL), C21GW (QSL via JR3GWZ), C21MB (QSL via JH3AZC), C21PF (QSL via JA1PFP) and C21VA (QSL via JH3VAA) to be active from Nauru (OC-031) on 4-10 February. C21MB is expected to do 2m EME, while the others will operate mainly FT8 with some CW on the HF bands. [TNX The Daily DX]

DL - Club station DF0CHE will be active as DA2025C from 1 February to 31 January 2021 to support the candidacy of the city of Chemnitz as European Capital of Culture 2025. All QSOs will be confirmed via the bureau and eQSL.

DL - Heiko, DK3DM and others are active as DL2020R until the end of the year to celebrate the 30th anniversary of the German reunification process. QSL via Club Log's OQRS (bureau or direct), or direct only to M0SDV.

DL - DL250BEETH is another special callsign commemorating Ludwig van Beethoven's 250th anniversary. It will be used by the Kerpen local branch of DARC from 8 February to 31 December. QSL via DJ6SI.

HR - Dave, VE3VSM will be active again as VE3VSM/HR9 from Roatan Island (NA-057) on 11-23 February. The primary purpose of his trip is Scuba diving. He will be QRV on 20 and 15 metres CW, including activity in the ARRL DX CW Contest. QSL via LoTW, or direct to VE3VSM.

KL - Henry, NL0H is working on plans for some more activity as NL0H/p from St. Lawrence Island (NA-040) "sometime between February and March". In his spare time he will operate SSB and possibly FT8/FT4 on 40, 20 and possibly 30 metres. Last year Henry was active from NA-040 on 17-20 May, 7 and 9 June. QSL direct to home call.

PY0F - Andre, PP6ZZ will be active as PY0FF from Fernando de Noronha (SA-003) on 5-18 February. He plans to operate all modes, including FT8 and FT4, in his spare time. QSL via LoTW, or via W9VA. [TNX The Daily DX]

UA_ant - RI1ANC, the club station at Vostok Station (Antarctica), will be active again starting on 10 February. Look for activity on the HF bands, mainly FT8 with some CW and SSB. QSL via RN1ON. [TNX DX

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V3 - Uwe, DL8UD will be active as V31KO from Belize on 11-20 February. He will operate SSB, CW and FT8 on 160-6 metres, and will take part in the ARRL DX CW Contest as V3O. QSLs via home call (direct or bureau) and logsearch on Club Log.

VP2M - Ed, K1EP will be active as VP2MEP from Montserrat (NA-103) on 11-17 February. He will operate CW, SSB and some FT8. QSL via LoTW, or direct to K1EP. He will join the VP2MSS team for the ARRL DX CW Contest (QSL VP2MSS via LoTW only). [TNX The Daily DX]

VP5 - Bill, AC0W and Pat, K0PC will be active as VP5/AC0W and VP5/K0PC from Providenciales (NA-002), Turks and Caicos Islands on 12-17 February. QSL via home calls. They will operate mainly CW on 160-10 metres, and will participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest as VP5K (QSL via K0PC). The logs will be uploaded to LoTW and Club Log. [TNX The Daily DX]

ZC4 - Rob, G4WXJ will be active as ZC4RH from the UK Sovereign Base Areas on Cyprus between 4 and 13 February. He expects to operate SSB, CW and FT8 on 40, 30, 20, 15 and 10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. He does not use LoTW or Club Log. [TNX The Daily DX]

CARIBBEAN TOUR ---> Hans, PB2T is active as PJ2/PB2T from Curacao until 2 February. Then he will go and be QRV as FJ/PB2T from St. Barthelemy on 3-5 February, as PJ6/PB2T from Saba on 6-7 February, and as either PJ7/PB2T from Sint Maarten (PJ7) or FS/PB2T from St. Martin on 8-11 February. QSLs via LoTW. [TNX The Daily DX]

SOUTH PACIFIC TRIP ---> Will, AA4NC and Ron, AA4VK (https://aa4vk.com/) will be active on a holiday style DXpedition to the South Pacific as follows:

12-16 February	TX4N and TX4VK from Tahiti, French Polynesia
18-20 February	ZL/AA4NC and ZL/AA4VK from New Zealand
21-23 February	VK9NR and VK9NN from Norfolk Island
24-27 February	VK/AA4NC and VK/AA4VK from Australia
28-29 February	P29NC and P29VK (requested callsigns) from Papua New Guinea
1-2 March	H44NC and H44VK (requested callsigns) from Guadalcanal, Solomon Islands
3-5 March	YJ0NC and YJ0VK from Vanuatu
6-10 March	3D2AA and 3D2VK from Fiji

Plans are to operate CW, FT8, FT4 and SSB on all bands. Look for TX4N and 3D2AA to participate in the ARRL DX CW and SSB Contests, respectively. QSL AA4NC calls via EA5GL, QSL AA4VK calls direct to AA4VK.

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ARRL NEW ONLINE FORUMS ---> Three three new online discussion forums, hosted By Groups.io (https://groups.arrl.org/g/ARRL-Groups/subgroups), have been

opened as part of ARRL's "ongoing efforts to enhance and improve communication between ARRL leadership and members or prospective members". The new forums focus on antenna law, regulatory issues, and support for new amateur radio licensees. They join an ARRL discussion forum lineup that already includes ARRL-Contesting, ARRL-Awards, ARRL-IARU and ARRL-LOTW, all open to the amateur radio community. For more information see "ARRL Expands its Roster of Online Discussion Groups" on http://www.arrl.org/news.

FT4 SPRINT CONTEST ---> The Strange Radio Team organizes the "FT4 Sprint Contest Italia 40m" that will run on 2 February from 8 to 16 UTC. Only contacts made by Italian stations with Italian stations can count for this short duration event.

NEW IARU WEBSITES ---> "For some time, all parts of IARU have been working to bring together the very different website styles of the three regions and the global site into one single global identity and brand for all four sites. At the same time, new material has been added to broaden appeal of the sites", Don Beattie, G3BJ (President, IARU Region 1) reported on 30 January. The new IARU Global and Region 1 websites are now up and running, the others will go live over the next several days. The three regional sites can be accessed direct from the IARU Global homepage: https://iaru.org/.

TI9A ---> The TI9A team was due to depart Puntarenas aboard the "Okeanos Aggressor I" on 30 January in the late afternoon (local time). They expect to reach Cocos Island after about 36 hours, indicatively around 12 UTC on 1 February. See https://dx-world.net/ti9a-cocos-island/ for updates.

YOUTH CONTEST PROGRAM 2020 ---> Applications are now open for YOTA's Youth Contest Program 2020. Young operators (aged under 26 years) from IARU R1 member societies are invited to take part in a contest from "Top Gun" stations. They will "learn how to operate the contest station, improve their contest skills, and will aim for the best results together as a team". See https://www.ham-yota.com/youth-contesting-program/ for complete information.

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******* QSL ROUTES *******
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CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER
3B8BAP	N4GNR	EP4HR	IK2RZQ	P40AA	DL4MM
3B8CW	N4GNR	ET3AA	N2OO	P40LE	K2LE
3G3G	EA5GL	EW5A	EW6W	PB75A	PB2A
3V8SF	LX1NO	FM4RU	F1LNS	PJ2ND	K8ND
3Z50DVP	SP6DVP	GB1LBC	G2KS	PJ2T	W3HNK
4D2X	EA5GL	HC1MD/2	K8LJG	PJ4/KU8E	K4BAI
4J8VHF	RW6HS	HF100BY	SP2PBM	PJ4A	K4BAI
4L8A	M0OXO	HG8DX	HA8FT	PJ4KY	M0URX
4X2M	4X4DZ	HI3AA	NK4DX	PY2ZEA	OH2MM

5B4AMM	UT5UDX	HI3Y	RW6HS	R110WG	RA9LY
5B60AMT	5B4AMT	HR5/F2JD	F6AJA	R1943S	RZ4AWB
5P3KP	DL3KP	HS0ZJF	ON4AFU	R900DM	RC1C
5R8UI	IZ8CCW	HS0ZKE	HB9DUS	RA77SK	UC4A
6Y5HN	EA5GL	HS0ZME	SM6NT	SI9AM	SM3FJF
8J1RL	8J1RL [b]	HU1DL	DL4SVA	SN1920T	SP2TMT
8J1RL	JG2MLI [d]	JT5DX	JT1CO	SP4WOJTEK	SQ4AVD
8P2K	KU9C	JY5HX	E73Y	SP8R	SP8PCF
8P9CA	KB8YRX	KH2L	W3HNK	TC0X	HG5DX
9J2BO	G3TEV	KH7A	JA5DQH	TI2CDA	EA5GL
9K2BS	EC6DX	KL7J	N3SL	TI7W	W4FS
A35JP	JA0RQV	KL7SB	N4GNR	TM0DX	F8DHE
A75GR	M0OXO	KP2M	NZ4DX	TM13M	F6KRD
AE4JP/KH2	JE4JPQ	KP4/AA7CH	VE7ACN	TM39PVJ	F8GGZ
AX5GR	M0OXO	LX20I	LX2A	TM55M	F4ESV
AX5PAS	M0OXO	LZ5R	LZ1YQ	TM5G	F8TRL
C31CT	EA3QS	MD2C	MD0CCE	TM5NN	F5MXH
C5FUD	SP2GCJ	MU2K	GU8ITE	TM8SN	F5RQQ
C5GCJ	SP2GCJ	MX5A	G3TXF	TO10CWO	FG8NY
C5XW	G5XW	OD5ET	EB7DX	TT8FC	EA3GWK
C6AEI	WB4OMG	OD5TX	W4JS	UN9L	LZ1YE
CN8SG	EA7FTR	OD5VB	EA5GL	UP4L	UN7LZ
CO2RQ	EC6DX	OD5YA	IZ8CLM	V51WH	DK2WH
CO7DSR	RW6HS	OD5ZF	IZ8CLM	VO2AAA	VE9CB
CO7MLS	IK2DUW	OD5ZZ	N4GNR	VO2AC	VE3FU
CO8LY	EA7ADH	OE9TXF	G3TXF	VP2ETE	W3HNK
CP4BT	IK2DUW	OH0R	OH2PM	WP3R	W3HNK
CR3W	DL5AXX	OH0Z	W0MM	XZ2B	JH3SIF
CR6K	CT1ILT	OK7K	OK1BN	YP0C	YO3CZW
CT8/S51TA	S58N	OL4A	OK1DSX	YS1RR	W3HNK
D4C	HB9DUR [d]	OL725PLZ	OK1DRQ	ZF2BJ	K0BJ
D4C	IK2NCJ [b]	OM2Y	OM2IB	ZF2OL	KC3OL
E2X	E20GMY	OP3A	ON8AJ	ZF5T	K5GO
E7DX	E77E	OS8A	ON8VK	ZL3FRI	JA3FRI
EA6/OE6MBG	EB7DX	OT7D	ON7DM	ZP9MCE	EA5ZD
EH5MCB	EA5BX	OX3LX	OZ0J	ZS6J	N4GNR
EL2EF	N2OO	OZ5E	OZ1ACB	ZS7ANF	RK1PWA
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