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 **** DX INFORMATION ****
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- EA8 - The Radio Club Laurilsiva (EA8RKL) from Gran Canaria (AF-004) will be active again as EH8DDC on 24-31 May. QSL via eQSL and logsearch on Club Log. Celebrating the anniversary of the local autonomous Parliament's first session back in 1983, the Canary Islands Day (Dia de Canarias) is held annually on 30 May.
- F - TM1SAFE is the special callsign for the Radio Club du Val d'Issole (F8KGH) to participate in the "Stay Home" campaign. QSL via eQSL, LoTW, Club Log, or via F4GPB.
- FP - Eric, KV1J has had to postpone his trip to Miquelon Island [425DXN 1501] because of travel restrictions. He now plans to be QRV as FP/KV1J from 22 September to 6 October, "subject to restrictions at that time". He will operate SSB, RTTY, FT8, FT4 and some CW on 80-6 metres, with a focus on 60, 12, 10 and 6 metres. Activity on 160 metres will be limited. He will participate in the CQ WW RTTY DX Contest. QSL via home call (direct or bureau), LoTW and eQSL; log-search on Club Log. Bookmark <http://www.kv1j.com/fp/July20.html> for updates.
- JT - Special event station JU85UIA will be active through the end of the year in celebration of the 85th anniversary of the University of Internal Affairs in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia. QSL direct to JT1CH.
- KL - Brayden, KC1KUG will be active as KL7/KC1KUG from Fire Island (NA-158) on 2-27 June. He will operate SSB and CW ("although I may have to resort to FT8", he adds) on 40 and 20 metres; he might be QRV also on 30 and 17 metres, while the time frame he will be on the island "probably won't be great for 80". QSL direct to home call. [TNX NG3K]
- LY - LY56BC has been active since 14 May and will remain QRV until the 31st to promote and participate in the 56th edition of the Baltic Contest. Organized by the Lithuanian Radio Sports Federation, the contest will be held on 80 metres SSB and CW starting at 21 UTC on 23 May and ending at 2 UTC on 24 May. Complete information can be found on <http://www.lrsf.lt/en/balticcontestrules/>.
- VU - A couple of other COVID-19 special callsigns from India are AT2SON ("Save Our Nation") operated by VU3ZIG, and AT0II ("Improve Immunity") operated by VU2DCT until 18 August. QSL via home calls.
- W - Bruce, K5TEN now expects to be active as K4D from Dog Island (NA-085) on 9-18 September. He will operate SSB and FT8 on 40 and 20 metres. QSL direct to home call; he will upload his log to LoTW and eQSL.

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7Q7AO ---> Owing to the COVID-19 pandemic and travel restrictions, Pista, HA5AO has had to postpone until further notice his trip to Malawi, which was planned during the second half of September/early October [425DXN 1503].

COVID-19 RADIO COMMUNICATION EVENT ---> The Finnish Amateur Radio League (SRAL), in cooperation with the Araucaria DX Group (ADXG) of Brazil and Radio Arcala (OH8X) invite you to join them into a global special event featuring their STAYHOME radio campaign. The "COVID-19 Radio Communication Event" will be conducted in a contest-like framework on 6-7 June (from 10 UTC on Saturday until 09.59 UTC on Sunday), on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres CW, SSB and digital modes (FT4/FT8 only). The direct link to the complete Rules can be found on <https://www.grz.com/db/OH2STAYHOME>.

CQ AMATEUR RADIO HALL OF FAME ---> The CQ Amateur Radio Hall of Fame was established in January 2001 to recognize individuals - radio amateurs or not - who significantly affected the course of Amateur Radio, as well as radio amateurs who have made significant contributions either to amateur radio, to their professional careers or to some other aspect of life on our planet. This year's inductees, which bring the total number of members of the CQ Amateur Radio Hall of Fame to 333, are:

- * Chet Atkins, W4CGP (SK), legendary musician known as "Mister Guitar", and music producer; ushered in "the Nashville sound" on RCA Records. (Note: Chet's call has subsequently been re-issued).
- * Les Barclay, G3HTF (SK), propagation expert, leader of International Telecommunication Union propagation study groups and Chairman of the ITU's first Radiocommunication Assembly in 1993; top official in the UK's telecommunication regulatory agency.
- * George Laurer, K4HZE (SK), developer of the UPC (Universal Product Code) or "bar code" on merchandise, permitting items purchased at stores to be scanned on checkout rather than manually rung up.
- * Yasuo "Zorro" Miyazawa, JH1AJT, whose Foundation for Global Children helps fund educational and medical programs for children around the world; FGC also works with several countries to help them organize and train teams for the Olympic Games and Paralympic Games.
- * Champ Muangamphun, E21EIC, is a DXer and DXpeditioner who has been a sparkplug for growing interest in ham radio in Thailand and throughout Southeast Asia; Champ also accompanies JH1AJT on many of his humanitarian missions and operates DXpedition-style ham stations while Zorro works with government officials and non-governmental organizations on behalf of the Foundation for Global Children.
- * Sultan Qaboos bin Said, A41AA (SK), Sultan of Oman from 1970-2020; transformed impoverished country into a modern and prosperous state with influence throughout the Middle East.
- * Tom Roscoe, K8CX, a champion of amateur radio history who collects and makes available online his "Ham Gallery" of old QSL cards and other historic photos.

CQ DX HALL OF FAME ---> Established in 1967, the CQ DX Hall of Fame honours those DXers who not only excel in personal performance, but who also "give back" to the hobby in outstanding ways. CQ DX Editor Bob Schenck, N200, made a virtual presentation on the Ham Nation podcast on 20 May. The 2020 inductees to the CQ DX Hall of Fame are:

- * Tony Gonzalez, EA5RM - has been an active DXpeditioner for 20 years, often organizing and leading teams to operate from difficult and challenging locations. Tony and his teams have also helped establish or re-establish amateur radio activities in several countries, including Rwanda (where it had been banned for a decade due to civil war) and the newly-independent country of South Sudan. In addition, Tony has made ten trips to Bolivia to establish and maintain HF communication links between medical facilities and remote villages in the Amazon rain forest, and has operated as CP1XRM during his free time. Tony's work in South America earned him the ARRL International Humanitarian Award in 2015.
- * Edward "Ned" Stearns, AA7A - is an accomplished DXer, DXpeditioner (he's been on 32 of them and led 8) and technical innovator. He introduced the use of switchable vertical dipole array antennas on island DXpeditions and designed "dual-band discone" antennas for use with the Northern California DX Foundation's worldwide beacon network. Ned also worked with 2019 DX Hall of Fame inductee Joe Taylor, K1JT, on developing the "Fox/Hound" mode for FT8 used by DXpeditions. Ned also maintains two remote stations in Arizona, has made presentations at many technical conferences and has served in a variety of leadership roles in the hobby. On the air, he is at the Top of the Honor Roll for DXCC Phone and Mixed, was the first recipient of 11-band DXCC and has worked over 160 countries via EME (Earth-Moon-Earth).

IOTA AND LOTW QSO MATCHING ---> Islands On The Air (IOTA) Ltd has announced "the implementation of the ARRL application which allows the use of QSO matching via LoTW. This will allow IOTA chasers to obtain credits by matching their logs with those at LoTW in addition to those at Club Log. We have a lot of work ahead of us to identify the time windows of past IOTA operations and this will be phased in over the next few months. An initial list of operations arising from the link-up with LoTW has been added to the database and these will become available for QSO matching from 21 May. Further additions will be made on an ongoing basis". Instructions for LoTW QSO Matching are on https://iota-world.org/info/lotw_qso_matching-en.pdf, and notes on "Accepted Activations for QSO Matching" can be found on https://iota-world.org/info/accepted_activations-en.pdf.

QSL VP8PJ ---> Tim, M0URX reports that all VP8PJ QQRS requests and direct mailed QSL cards received by 20 May were posted from the UK on 21 May. Depending on your country's COVID-19 situation, please allow 10-14 days for the cards to arrive, in some cases possibly longer. Bureau cards will be shipped directly to the worldwide bureaux early next year.

TQSL: NEW VERSION ---> A new version (v2.5.4) of LoTW's Trusted QSL (TQSL) has been released: <http://www.arrl.org/tqsl-download>. This version has new features as well as corrections for defects found since TQSL 2.5.3 was released. This release also includes an update to the most recent TQSL configuration file. TQSL 2.5.4 can be installed to upgrade any older version.

On all three supported platforms (Windows, MacOS and Linux), installing TQSL 2.5.4 will replace older versions of Trusted QSL while preserving your Callsign Certificates, Station Locations, and preferences.

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***** QSL ROUTES *****
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3Z100KW      SP9ZKN      CN17PA      RW6HS      KG4NE      NM7H
4K75FO      DC9RI      CN17PG      EA7FTR     KL7SB      N4GNR
4K75K       4K4K      CN17QR      RW6HS      KP4EIT     EA5GL
4K75V      DC9RI      CN17SG      EA7FTR     KP4RV      EA5GL
4K9W       DL6KVA     CN17WW      RW6HS      LA7AWW     LA4O
4L5P       UT7QF     CN17XA      RW6HS      LT9X      LU9ESD
4L8A      M0OXO     CN17YR      CN8YR      NP2J      K8RF
4O4T      YU1FW     CN17ZG      RW6HS      NP3XF     EA5GL
4U1A      UA3DX     CN8KD      EA5XX      OA4/EA7TN EA5GL
4U1UN     HB9BOU    CN8LI      EA7FTR     OE60IPA   OE3DMA
4U9STAYHOME 9A2AA     CO2RQ      EC6DX      OE6MBG    EB7DX
5C1WTIS    RW6HS     CO6HLP     IZ1DSH     OH8SSAB   OH8DR
5Q0PI     OZ6PI     CO7KD      IK2DUW     OI8VK     OH8DR
7X4LV     F6FZG     CO8LY      EA7ADH     OL901AA   OK1DOM
7Z1ES     IZ8CLM    CO8ZZ      DK1WI     OL901AB   OK1DOM
8S0C      SM0MPV    CP5HK      EC6DX     OX3LX     OZ0J
9M4COVID19 9W2PD     CS2CMT     CT7ABF     PA75FREE  PA1WBU
9M4STAYHOME 9W2PD     D4VHF      IK2NCJ     PA75FREEDOM PA3FYG
9N1CA     EA5ZD     DU3LA      W3HNK     PB75FREE  PA2GB
9V1YC     W5UE     E2STAYHOME E21EIC     PC19STAYS SAFE PA7HPH
A25SL     N4GNR     EF0F      EA4URE     PC75FREE  PA9CW
A41CK     A61BK     EG1DLG     EA1RCI     PD75FREE  PD7YY
A41KB     ON7LX     EI0NMMI    EI6AL     PD75FREEDOM PD0RWL
A41KJ     N4GNR     EM65LR     UR2LM     PE75FREE  PE4BAS
A41NN     A61BK     EV500ZM    EW3W      PF75FREE  PB7Z
A60NMT/1  A61BK     EY8MM      W0VTT     PG75FREE  PE5TT
A60NMT/4  A61BK     GB0BWM     G3MDG     PH75FREE  PH0NO
A60NMT/5  A92AA     GB0ELR     M0LMN     PI30COM   PA1AW
A60WTIS/4 A61BK     GB2HLS     G3NWR     PI75ZUT   PA2PKZ
A60ZHD/1  A61BK     GB2HOM     M0TZX     PJ2DD     PF4T
A60ZHD/4  A61BK     GB5SAH     G4XEX     PJ4KY     M0URX
A60ZHD/5  A92AA     GB8OMQ     G7AEY     PJ4NX     M0URX
A61Q      EA7FTR     GM6XX      M0OXO     PY5ZHP    SP7CVW
A65DR     N4GNR     HA127STAY HA9BA     PZ5JW     EA5GL
A71AM     M0OXO     HA50KHW    HA0HW     R115MS    RQ7L
A71CT     EA7FTR     HB15SOTA   HB9DPR    R25AER    RV3YR
A71EM     M0OXO     HC5ARC     HC5VF     RM35MS    RQ7L
A71VV     M0OXO     HF100JPII SP3ZAC     SN100JPII SP3TYJ
A91WTIS    A92AA     HG0WFF     HA0HW     TC101ATA  TA4AEI

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A93LT	A92AA	HI3MRV	EA5GL	TM0BEE	F6KUQ
AT2SH	M0OXO	HI3SD	EC6DX	TM18JUIN	F4AHN
C31CT	EA3QS	HI7M	RW6HS	TM1SAFE	F4GPB
CN17AM	RW6HS	HI8DL	NK4Q	TM3CN	F4HIK
CN17ATM	RW6HS	HI8JSG	RW6HS	TT8SN	DL9USA
CN17AV	RW6HS	HI8K	W2CCW	UE35MS	RQ7L
CN17CZM	RW6HS	HI8S	EA5GL	UK75AL	EA5GL
CN17MAA	CN8MAA	HK1MW	N200	UK8IF	RW6HS
CN17MM	CN8MM	HZ1TT	A61BK	V31PS	M0SDV
CN17NOA	RW6HS	II3STAY	IN3ZWF	WP3R	W3HNK
CN17OY	CN8OY	J73CC	EA5GL	ZL1A	ZL3CW

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