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DL - Volker, DL1WH will be active holiday style as DL1WH/p from Sylt Island (EU-042) on 7-19 June. He will operate mainly CW with some SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX DL1WH]

F - The Radio Club "Jean Bart" of Dunkirk (F6KMB) will be active as TM80DYN from 25 May to 8 June. QSL via F6KMB. The special callsign commemorates the 80th anniversary of Operation Dynamo, the evacuation of 338,000 Allied soldiers from the beaches and harbour of Dunkirk during World War II.

F - Michel, F8GGZ will be active as TM50PSG on 3-6 and 16-20 June, and again on 23-28 July. The special callsign is in celebration of the 50th anniversary of Paris Saint-Germain F.C., the most successful French professional football (soccer) club in history.

F - Mado, F1EOY and others will be active as TM5ISY on 5 and 13 June, and at various other times until 14 October. The special callsign is in memory of Carine Dubois, F5ISY, who passed away on 3 November 2019. QSL via F1EOY.

G - Look for GB2CDK to be active on 1-12 June to mark the 150th anniversary since the death of Charles Dickens (9 June 1870), the greatest novelist of the Victorian era whose works are still widely read today. QSL via operator's instructions.

KG4 - Miguel, W1SRR will be stationed at Guantanamo Bay "for a minimum of 9 months from June 2020 to March 2021", and in his spare time will be QRV as KG4MA. He will operate SSB and digital modes on the HF bands and especially 6 metres; he is learning CW and plans to give that mode a try. QSL route to be announced. [TNX The Daily DX]

VE - Although the Formula 1 Grand Prix in Montreal has been cancelled, Jean, VE2JCW will be active as VE2SPEED between 1 and 30 June. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, or direct to VE2JCW.

W - The Amateur Radio Club of the National Electronics Museum in Baltimore (MD) (http://www.k3nem.org/) will be active as W2W in commmemoration of the anniversary of D-Day and the role of electronics in World War 2. Primary operation will be on 6-7 June, with additional operation possible on 3-5 and 8-10 June as operator a vailability permits. QSL direct to K3NEM.

W - Oleh, KD7WPJ, will be active from Santa Rosa Island (NA-144) on 12-14 June. He will operate FT8, FT4, MSK144, CW and SSB on 40m-70cm. QSL via home call. [TNX KD7WPJ]

CQ WW WPX CW CONTEST ---> The following stations have announced their participation in this year's event (30-31 May):

Call	Category	Country	QSL
3G2M		Chile	LoTW

3V8SS	SOAB LP	Tunisia	LoTW/LX1NO
4A7T		Mexico	XE2T
4L2M	SOSB 80m	Georgia	EA7FTR
4L8A	SOSB 20m HP	Georgia	LoTW/M0OXO
5Q6EE	SOAB LP	Denmark	LoTW/OZ2I
8P1W	SOAB LP	Barbados	KU9C
BI4WXD	M/2	China	BI4SCC
CF2T	SO	Canada	LoTW
CG3T		Canada	LoTW/VE3DZ
DA2C	SOSB 20m	Germany	bureau
E2A	SOAB HP	Thailand	LoTW
F6KOP	SOSB 20m HP	France	LoTW/F5GSJ
HH2AA	SO LP	Haiti	LoTW
HI3Y	M/S LP	Dominican Republic	LoTW
KH0W	SO	Mariana Isls	KC0W
KP4EJ	M/S	Puerto Rico	LoTW/KP4EJ
LX20I		Luxembourg	LX2A
LY88A	SOSB 160m HP	Lithuania	LY5AA
OH0Z	M/S	Aland Islands	LoTW/W0MM
OY1CT	SOAB	Faroe Islands	OY1CT
TI7W	SOAB HP	Costa Rica	LoTW/W4FS
VX3X	SOAB LP	Canada	VE3IKV
WP2DX	SO LP	Virgin Islands	LoTW
XL2Z	SOAB LP	Canada	LoTW
ZM1A	SOAB HP	New Zealand	LoTW
ZM4T	SOAB HP	New Zealand	LoTW
ZP9MCE	SOSB 160m	Paraguay	LoTW

Do not forget to give a look at the Announced Operations listing maintained by Bill, NG3K at https://www.ng3k.com/Misc/wpxc2020.html - good contest to you all!

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COVID-19 COMMUNICATION EVENT ---> The UN HQ station 4U1UN will be QRV on 6 and 7 June in support of the global STAYHOME movement. Also active will be its sister stations 4U1GSC from Italy (operated as 4U9STAYHOME) and 4U1A from Austria (operated as 4U2STAYHOME), as well as special event station W2I/STAYHOME (headed by N2RJ and W2IRT, and activated on SSB, CW and FT8 simultaneously). The COVID-19 Radio Communication Event [425DXN 1516] is endorsed by IARU President Tim Ellam (VE6SH), and under the patronage of Pekka Haavisto, Finland's Minister for Foreign Affairs. The rules for the event can be found on http://ko8sca.com/rules.pdf. Complete information about the associated award and certificate programme can be found on http://ko8sca.com/awards.pdf. [TNX OH2BH]

DXCC YEARBOOK ---> The 2019 ARRL DXCC Yearbook, which includes the Clinton B. DeSoto Challenge top scorers and the Annual Listing, is available for viewing and/or downloading on http://www.arrl.org/dxcc. The Annual Listing of DXCC membership contains the callsigns and credited totals for new awards and endorsements during the calendar year period from 1 January through 31 December 2019. The DXCC Honor Roll includes those who are within 9 Entities of the "current" Entity count for Mixed, Phone, CW and Digital modes. As of 31 December 2019, there were 340 Entities on the DXCC List, and entry level DXCC Honor Roll was achieved at 331. In order to appear in this Annual List, you must have made a submission during the 2019 calendar year, and an active award total must have increased by at least one point. All active Honor Roll members appear automatically, regardless of a submission.

INDEXA NEWSLETTER ---> The Spring 2020 issue (#129) of the International DX Association's Newsletter is now available for download on the INDEXA website (https://indexa.org/newsletters.html). This issue reports on the September 2019 DXpedition to Western Kiribati (T30L) and Nauru (C21WW) conducted by the Latvian team of YL2GM, YL1ZF, YL2KA and YL3JA.

IOTA DXPEDITIONER OF THE YEAR ---> The second Island Radio Expedition Foundation's (IREF) "IOTA DXpeditioner of the Year" Award was presented on the Ham Nation podcast on 27 May. The three awardees are Mikhail Zavarukhin VE7ACN (1st place), Vasily V. Pinchuk R7AL (2nd) and Vladimir P. Angeli RK8A (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/.

QSL E44CC ---> All direct OQRS and direct mail requests for E44CC (February 2020) have been processed, and the QSL cards will be mailed soon; bureau requests are yet to be done. There is no backlog for 7P8C, 9LY1JM, F6KOP, F6KOP/p, TM1A, TM9A and TY7C. [TNX F5NQL]

QSL EP6DSP ---> Russ, WA3FRP is the QSL manager for EP6DSP, a newly licenced operator from Dezful, Iran. Russ accepts direct and bureau cards for all QSOs from March 2020 onwards. [TNX WA3FRP]

SABLE ISLAND 2020 ---> "Many have asked about the impact COVID-19 could have to the Sable Island DXpedition scheduled for 17-26 October", the team posted on http://cy0dxpedition.net/. "We are routinely in contact with Parks Canada and cautiously optimistic for October at this time. Certainly, matters can change quickly. However, if the DXpedition schedule is delayed due to COVID-19 regulations, we have been assured by Parks Canada that they will work with us to reschedule the DXpedition. The team has been polled, and all agree that they will be able to comply to revised dates. Currently the border between Canada and USA is closed until 21 June. Shortly after that date, we hope to have a firm decision for October assuming no additional regulations for travel, etc are placed into effect". [TNX N0TG]

WSJT-X 2.2.0-RC3 ---> A third candidate release of WSJT-X 2.2.0 has been available for beta testing (not for long-term general use) since 29 May. The General Availability (GA) release will likely be made in the first week of June. A detailed list of program changes since the RC1 release can be found

here: https://physics.princeton.edu/pulsar/k1jt/Release_Notes.txt. Note that the WSJT-X development team - "on a trial basis, and in response to numerous suggestions from around the world" - has also added a second set of suggested dial frequencies for FT8 on 40, 30, 20 and 6 metres (7071, 10133, 14071 and 50310 kHz) to be used when the conventional sub-bands seem "too full".

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3B8/W6XD, 5H4WZ (AF-063), 5I4ZZ, 5I5TT, 9Q1C,A91ARS, A92AA, A92FF, C6AGU, CB0Z (SA-101), CO8LY, D2EB, D68CCC, EL2DT, FO/F6BCW, H33K, HU1DL, KC4USV, SV2JAO, T30GC, TG9ANF, TO7DL (AF-016), TU5PCT, UN9GD, V26B, V85T, V85TL, VP2VB, VP8PJ (AN-008).

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