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**** DX INFORMATION ****
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DL - Markus, DJ4EL will be active as DJ4EL/p from Juist Island (EU-047) on 10-13 July. He will operate SSB on 40-10 metres. QSL via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS, or via home call. [TNX DX World]

HS - Look for E20WXA/p (QSL direct to home call), HS0YNM/p (QSL via home call, direct or bureau, and LoTW), HS1OLQ/p (QSL via home call) and HS2JQC/p (QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW, or direct to home call) to be active from Si Chang Island (AS-107) between around 6 UTC on 11 July until around 8 UTC on the 12th. They will operate SSB, CW, FT8 and FT4 on 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres.

I - Michele, IU2NKC will be active as IA5/IU2NKC from Isola del Giglio (EU-028) on 12-25 July. QSL via home call (bureau), LoTW and eQSL.

LZ - During the IARU HF World Championship, LZ0AA will be the Bulgarian Federation of Radio Amateurs' HQ station on 80 metres. It will use the tallest antenna (215 metres) at the Vakarel Transmitter broadcasting facility, inaugurated in 1937 and shut down on 31 December 2014. The antenna will be taken down shortly after the contest. QSL via the bureau to LZ1BJ. The other BFRA HQ stations are likely to use LZ0HQ.

PZ - Markus, DJ4EL expects to be active as PZ5G from Papegaaien Island (SA-092) on 16-19 October. He will operate CW and SSB on 80-10 metres. Before and after that, between 11 and 25 October, he will be active as PZ5GE from Houttuin (mainland Suriname) on 40-10m SSB. QSLs via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS, or via home call, direct or bureau. Follow him on Twitter (https://twitter.com/rapanuiman) for the latest news.

SM - Kjell, SM4DDS will be active again as 7S5A from Stora Alo/Boko Island (EU-177) on 19-24 July. He will operate CW, SSB and FT8 on 80-6 metres. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW, or via home call (direct or bureau). [TNX SM4DDS]

SV - Markus, DJ4EL, will be active as SV8/DJ4EL from Kythira Island (EU-113) on 26-30 July. He will operate SSB on 40-10 metres. QSL via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS, or via home call. [TNX DX World]

UA - Look for Mikhail R1MJ/p, Yuliya R1CBL/p and Vitaly RA1AGJ/p to be active from Gogland Island (EU-133) on 23-28 July. They plan to operate mainly SSB on 160-15m. QSL via home calls. [TNX qrz.ru]

VE - Len, VE9MY/p and Linda, VE9GLF/p will be active from Grand Manan Island (NA-014) on 12-18 July. They plan to operate from six World Wide Flora & Fauna references on 80, 40, 20 and 17 metres SSB. QSL via home calls, bureau preferred.

VK - Andy, VK5MAV will be active as VK5MAV/p from Granite Island (OC-228) on 12 July between 1 and 6 UTC. He will operate CW on 20 and 15 metres with 100 watts (battery powered) and a ground plane. This is intended to be a "test visit", as he expects to be QRV again on

25 and 26 July [425DXN 1522]. Access is limited to daytime hours only, and he will not be able to overnight on the island. QSL via Club Log's OQRS.

VK - "Preparations are almost complete for the VK5KI mini DXpedition to Kangaroo Island (OC-139)" [425DXN 1518], Grant VK5GR posted to https://vk5gr-iota.net/ on 5 July. He and Andrew VK5AKH will operate SSB, CW and "multiple digital modes" using a HexBeam on 20-10m, a dedicated 40m vertical and a multi-band vertical for 160-10m. They expect to have the station operational by 7 UTC on 13 July and to QRT most likely before 22 UTC on the 17th. QSL via M0OXO's OQRS; the logs will be available for Club Log and LoTW IOTA matching once the direct QSL cards have been posted.

W - Joe, K5KUA will participate in the IOTA Contest from his home QTH on Galveston Island (NA-143). He will operate mainly CW with some SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, and LoTW. [TNX NG3K]

IARU HF WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP ---> The object of the contest is to contact other amateurs around the world - especially member-society HQ stations and IARU officials - in as many ITU zones as possible on 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10m CW and SSB. This year's event will run from 12 UTC on 11 July until 11.59 UTC on the 12th (see https://contests.arrl.org/iaruhf/). The following is a selection of IARU Member Society HQ stations that are expected to be QRV:

Call	Mult	Call	Mult
7A1HQ	ORARI	IO8HQ	ARI
8N1HQ	JARL	IO9HQ	ARI
8N2HQ	JARL	LN2HQ	NRRL
8N6HQ	JARL	LR4HQ	RCA
8N8HQ	JARL	LX8HQ	RL
9A0HQ	HRS	LY0HQ	LRMD
B0HQ	CRAC	LZ0AA	BFRA
B3HQ	CRAC	LZ0HQ	BFRA
B7HQ	CRAC	NU1AW	IARU
B8HQ	CRAC	OH2HQ	SRAL
B9HQ	CRAC	OL0HQ	CRC
BV0HQ	CTARL	OP0HQ	UBA
CR5HQ	REP	OZ1HQ	EDR
CX1AA	RCU	PA6HQ	VERON
DA0HQ	DARC	PW2HQ	LABRE
E2HQ	RAST	PW7HQ	LABRE
E7HQ	ARABH	R0HQ	SRR
EF4HQ	URE	S50HQ	ZRS
EI0HQ	IRTS	SK9HQ	SSA
EM5HQ	UARL	SN0HQ	PZK
GR2HQ	RSGB	TM0HQ	REF
HB9HQ	USKA	W1AW/4	ARRL
IO1HQ	ARI	XE1LM	FMRE
IO2HQ	ARI	YR0HQ	FRR
IO4HQ	ARI	YT0HQ	SRS
IO5HQ	ARI	ZS95SARL	SARL
IO6HQ	ARI		

Members of the IARU Administrative Council and the three IARU regional

executive committees will send a signal report plus AC, R1, R2 or R3, as appropriate.

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425 DX NEWS MAGAZINE ---> The June 2020 issue is now available for download at http://www.425dxn.org/index.php. [TNX IZ3EBA]

FT8DMC ANNIVERSARY ---> Further special callsigns celebrating the 3rd anniversary of the FT8 Digital Mode Club until 31 July [425DXN 1521] include CB3DMC, XR3DMC and XR3FT8 from Chile (QSL direct to CE3GCA); GB8DMC from England (operated by G8LIY, QSL via qrz.com and possibly LoTW), and OZ8FTDM from Denmark (operated by OZ1KZX, QSL via LoTW and eQSL). Information about the FTDMC Anniversary Award can be found on https://www.ft8dmc.eu.

KH6VV/KH4 ---> The DXpedition to Midway Island [425DXN #1476] has been postponed. "We've all seen the latest pandemic news. It's not progressing in a good direction, or anything like the earlier predictions", Ron KH6DV posted to qrz.com on 9 July. "We have encountered a strong and understandable pushback related to the original operation date of October 2020. Once there was the possibility of moving the operation to the second half of February 2021 the conversation turned more positive. The application for the Special Use Permit for Midway has now been edited, and now proposes a period of the second half of February and will be submitted this week. Two things now need to happen: (1) we need more operator interest, and (2) we need more donations to the expedition PayPal page(KH6VV[@]outlook.com)".

QSO TODAY VIRTUAL HAM EXPO ---> The first QSO Today Virtual Ham Expo (8-9 August) [425DXN 1519] has now confirmed a packed lineup of over 70 speakers for the event. After each speaker finishes his talk, there will be a virtual live Q&A so participants can get immediate answers to their questions. For more information and to register, go to https://www.qsotodayhamexpo.com/. Attendance is free and there are early bird prize incentives (donated by sponsors) for registering by 24 July. The QSO Today Virtual Ham Expo will run for 48 hours as a live event, then will be available as an on-demand event for another 30 days.

WWFF SUMMER TOUR ---> Timo, OH1NOA (http://thehamradio.com/) is going on a "WWFF Summer Tour" to Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania. He plans to operate CW and SSB as ES1NOA/# (12-13 and 22-26 July), YL/OH1NOA (14-17 and 21 July) and LY/OH1NOA (17-20 July) from 25-30 different protected areas. Updates will be posted to the World Wide Flora & Fauna programme's website: http://wwff.co/agenda/. QSL via the bureau and LOTW.

YASME SUPPORTING GRANT TO RBN ---> The Yasme Foundation has allocated funds

to purchase equipment needed to add 15 nodes to the Reverse Beacon Network. These new nodes will be added in regions where there is a need for reception reports to support amateur radio operation and where those reports will also have scientific value for geophysical research.
Yasme was assisted in this effort by supporting grants from the Amateur Radio Digital Communications team (https://www.ampr.org/), and by scientific advice from the HamSCI (https://hamsci.org/) researchers. Information on the node locations will be available after a final list of hosts is available. [TNX K4ZW]

QSLs received direct or through managers: 4U1UN, 5B60AIX, 5I4ZZ (AF-032), 5I5TT (AF-032), 6F3A (NA-153), 6W1/EA4ATI, 9G5W, 9J2LA, 9X2S, A71AE, CB0Z (SA-101), CP4BT, E44RU, EA7/DJ4EL (EU-143), F4FCE/P (EU-039), FG8NY, FS/VA7XW (NA-105), HL4HPK, HU1DL, JA8COE/0, KL7SB, KP4/AA7CH (NA-249), OR95WARD, OX3LX (NA-018 and NA-134), OX80HM, RI0B (AS-068), S53A, TA0/R7AL (AS-115), TA0/RK8A (AS-115), TC0X (AS-099), TG9ADM, TI9A, TM8C (EU-159), VP2VB, VP8PJ (AN-008), XF3PAS (NA-090), XP2I, XR8RRC (SA-032), YE7SPN, ZL3CW.

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