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**** DX INFORMATION ****

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9M - Fifteen special event stations located in various Malaysian states and federal territories are expected to celebrate the 63rd anniversary of Malaysia's independence (31 August 1957) on 30-31 August. Active from West Malaysia will be 9M63MA, 9M63MB, 9M63MC, 9M63MD, 9M63MJ, 9M63MK, 9M63MM, 9M63MN, 9M63MP, 9M63MR, 9M63MT, 9M63MW and 9M63MY. Active from East Malaysia will be 9M63MQ (Sarawak) and 9M63MS (Sabah). QSL via operator's instructions.

DL - DJ1JB, DJ4EL and DJ5TM will be active from IOTA Group EU-042 between 27 August and 3 September. Their main QTH will be on Pellworm Island, with side trips to as many nearby islands as possible. They will be using three different callsigns on different islands at the same time.

EA - Special event callsigns EG1SDC-EG9SDC and EH1SDC-EH9SDC will be activated on 1-13 September to commemorate Day of Asturias and the principality's patron saint, popularly known as the Santina de Covadonga. This is the 36th edition of the 'SDC' special event. QSL for all callsigns via EA1AUM (direct or bureau), LoTW and eQSL. See http://santina.dxfun.com/ for more information.

F - Patrice, F6GCP will be active as F6GCP/p from Noirmoutier Island (EU-064) from 23 August to 5 September. He will operate mainly CW on 40, 30 and 20 metres. QSL via the bureau to home call. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]

F - Members of the Radio Club Atlantique 17 (F4KKY), in the French Department of La Charente-Maritime, will be active as TM17TDF between 31 August and 15 September for this year's Tour de France. QSL via F8FZC. [TNX F8REF]

HB0 - Look for Tina, HB0/DL5YL and Fred, HB0/DL5YM to be active once again from Masescha, Liechtenstein from 8 September to 3 October. They will operate CW, RTTY (especially HB0/DL5YM during the CQ WW DX RTTY Contest) and maybe some SSB on 160-6 metres. They will be looking for North America on the low bands during their early morning hours, and for Asia and Oceania on the long path, as the short path is blocked by the mountains. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX DL5YM]

JA - Taka, JA8COE will be active as JA8COE/8 from Yagishiri Island (AS-147) on 21-23 August. He will operate CW, SSB and FT8 on the HF bands. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, or via home call.

OX - Bo, OZ1DJJ will be active again in his spare time as OX3LX from Aasiaat Island (NA-134) and possibly a couple of other islands (Upernavik and Uummannaq) in the same IOTA Group between 24 August and 20 September. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW, or via OZ0J.

OZ - Uwe OZ/DL1UWE, Vinny OZ/DL6II and Uli OZ/DL7UB will be active as OZ0IL from the Kegnaes Lighthouse on Als Island (EU-172) during the

International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend (22-23 August). They will operate SSB, CW and digital modes mainly on 80, 40 and 20 metres. QSL via DL1UWE (bureau preferred)

PJ4 - Bonaire is one of the four new DXCC Entities born out of the dissolution of the Netherlands Antilles on 10 October 2010. To commemorate the 10th anniversary of "10/10/10", special event station PJ4TEN will be active on 1-31 October. QSL via M0URX's OQRS and LoTW. An award will be available to those who achieve 10 points by making contacts with PJ4 stations during October, complete information can be found on https://www.qrz.com/db/PJ4TEN.

SV - SX300ML is a special callsign commemorating the 2500th anniversary of the epic Battle of Thermopylae (480 BC), when King Leonidas of Sparta and a small force of Greek warriors, including 300 Spartans, resisted the much larger invading Persian army led by Xerxes the Great. The callsign's suffix stands for "molon labe" ("come and take them!"), the laconic phrase attributed to Leonidas in reply to Xerxes' demand that the Spartans surrender their weapons. Activity is expected to start in on the island of Agios Efstratios (EU-049), and to continue at the Science Center & Technology Museum in Thessaloniki between 5 and 19 September. QSL via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS, or direct to SV2GWY. See https://www.qrz.com/db/SX300ML for more information.

IOTA TOUR ---> Gaby, DF9TM and Frank, DL2SWW have been active as LA/DF9TM and LA/DL2SWW from several Norwegian island groups since 24 July:

EU-055	Mjomna	24-26 July
EU-079	Gurskoy	28-30 July
EU-056	Godoya	31 July-04 August
EU-036	Hitra	05-06 August
EU-062	Vega	09-12 August
EU-076	Vestvagoy	14-17 August
EU-033	Hinnoya	17-20 August

They are currently QRV from Senja Island (EU-046), and have plans to operate also from EU-044 and EU-141 over the next couple of weeks. All QSOs will be uploaded to Club Log and confirmed automatically via the bureau. Direct cards (via home calls) "will be answered until November".

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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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FP/KV1J ---> Eric has had to cancel his trip to Miquelon Island [425DXN 1516] because of travel restrictions. He now plans to be QRV next year (29 June-12 July).

MADAGASCAR ---> Fancy being QRV from Madagascar? Michele, 5R8UI (IK5ZUI) can help you get a Malagasy lifetime licence and a "customized callsign suffix"

(if available) "in less than 20 days". Write to dxholidayinfo[@]gmail.com for detailed information.

+ SILENT KEY + Leszek Fabjanski, SP3DOI died on 15 August when his light-sport aircraft (SP-SLES) crashed near the Polish village of Kikity. Over the years Les participated in quite a number of DXpeditions, notably TJ3FR & TJ3SP in 2004; FS/DL7DF & PJ7/DL7DF and VU4AN/VU3NZC in 2006; VU7RG and 9U0A in 2007; VP6DX (Ducie Island) and A25/DL7DF in 2008; E44M and TX5SPM & TX5SPA (Marquesas and Austral Islands) in 2009; TY1KS and 3XY1D in 2011; T70DXC, A35YZ, E51EWP & E51M (South Cooks and North Cooks 2012), 1A0C and D64K in 2012; H44G & H40T (Solomon Islands and Temotu Province) and XR0ZR in 2013; 4S7DFG, 4S7FRG & 4S7LXG in 2014; T31T in 2016; VP2MDL in 2017; Z23MD in 2018.

QSLs received direct or through managers: 4U1UN, 5B60AIF, 5C1WTIS, 5H4WZ (AF-063), 9H1ET, 9H5JY, 9Q1C, AA5JF/4 (NA-058), C31CT, CN20SH, D2EB, E44RU, EK6TA, EK7DX, EM30UCC, EP2MKO, EQ0QR, EY8MM, FG8OJ, GU3HFN, GU8FBO, H44MS, HH2AA, HV0A, J73WA, LS2D, LY100LY, OH0Z, OY1CT, R6AF/p (EU-185), RI0B (AS-068), RM9A, SV9RKU, TI9A (NA-012), TR8CR, TZ4AM, VK3/UA4WHX, VK9NK, VP2VEM, VP8PJ, XE2X, XR8RRC (SA-032), YJ0NC (OC-035), Z37CXY, Z81D, ZB2GI.

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