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**** DX INFORMATION ****

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Owing to the ongoing and fluid nature of the COVID-19 situation globally, announced activities might be postponed or cancelled at any time and without notice.

7Q - Originally expected to QRT on 19 November, the 7Q7RU team is now QRV until 24 November at least. QSL via Club Log'OQRS (preferred) and LoTW, or via R7AL. [TNX DX World]

9M6 - Saty, JE1JKL will be active again as 9M6NA (East Malaysia) during the CQ WW DX CW. He will be QRV on 40-10 metres; the station will be remotely operated, thus this activity will not be eligible for IOTA credit. QSL via LoTW and Club Log's OQRS. [TNX NG3K]

CN - In celebration of the 65th anniversary of Morocco's independence (18 November 1955), CN amateur radio operators are allowed to use the CN65 prefix on 17-22 November.

CO - The Radio Club de Caibarien (https://cqcaibarien.cubava.cu/) will be active again as T46W on 26-29 November to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the first transmissions of Manuel 'Manolin' Alvarez Alvarez (1891-1986), a pioneer of radio in Cuba and an amateur radio operator (CO6MA) for seventy years. Look for activity on 160-10 metres CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via LoTW.

D6 - Don, K6ZO (7Q6M) has been active as D60AB from the Comoro Islands (AF-007) since 17 November. He is allowed to operate on 160, 80, 40, 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10 metres. Don expects to remain there until 24 November, and to return to Malawi on the 26th and back to the US on 5 December. QSL direct to K6ZO. [TNX The Daily DX]

F - Members of the Radio Club du Val d'Issole (F8KGH) will be active again as TM1SAFE between 20 November and 4 December. QSL via eQSL, LoTW, Club Log, or via F4GPB. [TNX F8REF]

OH - Celebrating the Christmas Holiday Season, the Market Reef DX Association (OH9A) will be active on all bands and modes as OG1XMAS between 29 November and 26 December. QSL via LoTW and Club Log.

ON - Members of Club Radio Durnal (ON4CRD) are active as OP19MSF until 13 December "to put the spotlight on Medecins Sans Frontieres for its active role during this tragic period of pandemic". QSL via the bureau or direct. Founded in 1971, MSF ((Doctors Without Borders) received the 1999 Nobel Peace Prize in recognition of its members' continued efforts to provide medical assistance to people affected by conflict, epidemics, disasters, or exclusion from healthcare.

P4 - Depending on travel restrictions, John, W2GD will be active again as P40W from Aruba (SA-036) from 24 November to 1 December. Main activity will be during the CQ WW DX CW Contest; outside the contest he will be QRV on 30, 17 and 12 metres as time permits. QSL via LoTW, or direct only to N2MM. [TNX NG3K]

SM - Lars, SM3EAE and Goran, SM5SIC will participate in the CQ WW DX CW Contest as SI9AM. QSL via SM3FJF, direct or bureau. This will be the last activity from the King Chulalongkorn Memorial Amateur Radio Society Visitor's station (https://www.si9am.com), which is to permanently close down on 1 December.

SP - Special callsigns 3Z20ARISS, HF20ISS, HF7ISS, HF8ISS, HF9ISS, SN20ISS, SN3ISS and SO1SS will be active between 13 November and 21 December to celebrate the 20th anniversary of continuous operations of the ARISS amateur radio system on the International Space Station. QSL via operator's instructions. A certificate will be available; see https://ariss.pzk.org.pl/20yHAMonISS/ for more information. Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (https://www.ariss.org/) inspires students worldwide to pursue interests and careers in science, technology, engineering and math through amateur radio communications opportunities with the ISS on-orbit crew.

VE - Yuri, VE3DZ will be active again as VE2IM from CQ Zone 2 on 24-30 November, including a SOAB HP entry in the CQ WW DX CW Contest. QSL via LoTW, or direct to VE3DZ. [TNX NG3K]

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CQ WW WPX CONTESTS: NEW RULES ---> A new "Multi-Transmitter Distributed" category is being added to the CQ World Wide WPX RTTY, SSB and CW contests to better accommodate operators who wish to compete as a team without all being in the same physical location. The new category w ill permit up to six separate stations in different locations to operate as a single contest entry. All equipment, including remotely-controlled equipment, must be located in same DXCC Entity and CQ Zone. Although inspired by innovations being made in response to the Coronavirus pandemic, this new, stand-alone category will be permanent. It is not intended to replace, or compete with, other multi-operator categories.

In addition, QSO alerting systems will now be permitted in all CQ WW WPX SSB and CW Single Operator categories, except the Single Operator Classic Overlay categories. There will no longer be separate listings or recognition for "Assisted" vs. "Unassisted" categories, and all Classic overlay entries must be unassisted. This step further aligns CQ WW WPX SSB and CW contests with CQ WW WPX RTTY, where the use of QSO alerting systems has been permitted since the mid-nineties.

Also, the maximum operating time for Single Operator Classic Overlay participants has been reduced from 36 to 24 hours.

Finally, the Multi-Operator Single Transmitter High and Low Power Classic Overlay categories have been removed from the rules.

The rule changes take effect with the 2021 running of the WPX contests (RTTY on 13-14 February, SSB on 27-28 March and CW on 29-30 May). These changes do

not apply to the CQ World Wide (CQWW) DX contests. The full rules for CQ WW WPX SSB and CW 2021 will be posted on https://www.cqwpx.com/ in early 2021.

YASME EXCELLENCE AWARDS ---> In 2008 The Yasme Foundation (www.yasme.org) established the Yasme Excellence Award, to be presented to individuals and groups who, through their own service, creativity, effort and dedication, have made a significant contribution to amateur radio. The contribution may be in recognition of technical, operating or organizational achievement, as all three are necessary for amateur radio to grow and prosper. The Yasme Excellence Award is in the form of a cash grant and an individually-engraved crystal globe. The latest recipients, announced on 19 November, are:

- Brett Ruiz, PJ2BR and Helena Ruiz, PJ2ZZ
  Brett and Helena have been active leaders of VERONA for more than twenty years, including technical activities, disaster preparedness and relief, as well as training potential licensees. They act as liaisons to government and international organizations, as well as contributing to important events such as GAREC and IARU assemblies and meetings. Brett is also active in pursuing long-distance VHF propagation and digital communications.
- Bob Wilson, N6TV
  Yasme recognizes Bob's technical support to literally hundreds of hams through various radio manufacturer's user groups, to logging software communities, and the detailed assistance he provides to Reverse Beacon Network hosts, keeping their equipment configured and running. Bob also provides invaluable support to traveling hams worldwide when they most need help. Along with being technically talented he is exceptionally selfless in using that talent to help others, quick to encourage others in many areas.
- Jari Perkiomaki, OH6BG
  Jari has supported the online VOACAP software and website (www.voacap.com) for almost twenty years, without compensation, making world-class HF propagation prediction and modeling services available to any radio amateur. He believes in team work, acknowledging the contributions and ideas from all of the ham community for further development of the service, but especially from James Watson (M0DNS/HZ1JW) and Juho Juopperi (OH8GLV). He estimates that today VOACAP Online serves thousands of users, with visits from more than 100 countries every month, including integration with the DX Summit and Club Log services. He is part of the Radio Arcala, OH8X team and acts as a propagation specialist, assisting the WRTC community, RSGB and others.
- Jim Brown K9YC
  Amateurs worldwide have benefited from his extensive contributions to amateur radio regarding ferrite materials and their use in combating RF interference, feed line applications, and transformers. His efforts to improve transmitter performance and operating practices are also greatly appreciated, as are the extensive set of personal publications available to the public and performing reviews of technical material for amateur radio publishers.

+ SILENT KEYS + Both Mike Mills, G3TEV and Emir Mahmutovic, 9A6AA passed away on 13 November.
Aged 87, Mike was the QSL manager for Brian, 9J2BO: "I can't thank enough for the excellent job he did for me putting in many hours of work to ensure

that QSLs are answered as promptly as possible. We had a daily sched for this purpose", he says. Brian asks to refrain from sending QSL cards until further notice.
An active DXer, contestman and enthusiastic island activator, Emir was a founding member of the Croatian Flora & Fauna Programme, and President of the Radioklub Hrvatska Flora Fauna. In 2019 he was one of the operators of the D68CCC DXpedition to the Comoros.

ON4UN ---> The digital farewell ceremony for John, ON4UN will be held on 21 November at 14 UTC: https://cmore.be/afscheid-john-devoldere/. For those who wish to be present but are unable to attend, the link will be accessible for a couple more days afterward. [TNX ON4WW]

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******* QSL ROUTES *******
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CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER
3B8BAP	N4GNR	HF40RY	SP1O	P3X	UT5UDX
3B8CW	N4GNR	HF7ISS	SP7POS	PA75KM	PA8KM
3D2TS	M0OXO	HF9ISS	SP9PKS	PA75N	PA7DA
3DA0AQ	EA5GL	HG120BAY	HA5GY	PA75UN	PA1UN
3G3G	EA5GL	HH2JR	W3HNK	PB75X	PA1AW
3V8SF	LX1NO	HP3SS	AC2OV	PD75F	PD3F
3Z150MPR	SP9KDU	HZ20G	HZ1SAR	PD75T	PD3AR
3Z20ARISS	SP3YOR	II3STAY	IN3ZWF	PI75VERON	PA1AW
3Z40RY	SP1DOZ	IQ0ID	HE9ERA	PI75ZUT	PA2PKZ
3Z65M72M	SP3GVX	IQ0NU	9A5URI	PJ4KY	M0URX
4D3X	W3HNK	IQ0OH	9A5URI	PQ7ZP	PP7DX
4J0SFR	4K4K	IQ0RU	9A5URI	R100UD	UB4W
4K6MAR	DC9RI	IQ2OQ	9A5URI	R110KWAU	R4AB
4L8A	M0OXO	IQ3QM	9A5URI	R120AN	RZ5D
4O4T	YU1FW	IQ3ZL	9A5URI	R2020DX	RQ7L
4U0WFP	S57DX	IQ5PJ	IW5AOT	R30MDXC	RQ7L
4U2STAYHOME	UA3DX	IQ9QV	9A5URI	RA30DX	RQ7L
4U75A	UA3DX	IQ9SZ	HE9ERA	RC30DX	RQ7L
4U75B	9A2AA	IQ9ZI	9A5URI	RD30DX	RQ7L
4U75UN	HB9BOU	IY5PIS	IW5AOT	RG30DX	RQ7L
4X0ARF	4X6ZM	J79WTA	HB9MFM	RJ30DX	RQ7L
5B4AOM	EA5ZD	JG8NQJ/JD1	JA8CJY [d]	RK30DX	RQ7L
5H3EE	DL4ME	JG8NQJ/JD1	JG8NQJ [b]	RL30DX	RQ7L
5J3B	HK3LRB	K1USN	K1RV	RM30DX	RQ7L
5P2A	OZ1HX	KC4AAA	K7MT	RN30DX	RQ7L
5P3KP	DL3KP	KC4AAC	K7MT	RO30DX	RQ7L
5P9X	OZ9GA	KC4USV	K7MT	RQ30DX	RQ7L
5R8AL	G3SWH	KH2L	W3HNK	RT30DX	RQ7L
5T5PA	PA5X	KP2B	EB7DX	RU30DX	RQ7L
5Z4PA	M0URX	KP2BH	EB7DX	RV30DX	RQ7L

5Z4VJ	M0URX	KP2M	NZ4DX	RW30DX	RQ7L
7Q7RU	R7AL	LZ50GU	LZ1GU	RX30DX	RQ7L
7X2TT	EA5GL	M0HAO	EA1DDO	RY30DX	RQ7L
7X3WPL	7X3DL	MU0MXF	RN3RQ	RZ30DX	RQ7L
7X4LV	F6FZG	NL0H	M0OXO	S50IPA	S55N
7Z20G	HZ1SAR	NL8F	N7RO	SI9YL	SM3LIV
8J1RL	8J1RL [b]	NP2AR	EB7DX	SN20ISS	SP2ZIE
8J1RL	JG2MLI [d]	NP4DX	W3HNK	SN2IW	SP2PBY
8P2K	KU9C	OD5KU	EB7DX	SN3ESH	SP2PBY
8P6ET	KU9C	OD5SB	EB7DX	SN3ISS	SP3POW
8Z20G	HZ1SAR	OD5VB	EA5GL	SN3IU	SP2PBY
9G1SD	AB0GC	OD5ZF	IZ8CLM	SN40RY	SP1EG
9G5FI	DL1RTL	OE1970WWL	OE1WWL	SO40RY	SP1KRF
9H4G	M0OXO	OE25BKC	OE3BKC	SP0AVA	SP3YOR
9K2OW	EC6DX	OE25MXL	OE5MXL	SP100LEM	SP3POB
9M6ZAE	W3HNK	OE25XGM	OE5XGM	SP120KSW	SP3POB
9V1YC	W5UE	OE25XWI	OE7XWI	SP40RY	SP1PBW
A42K	EA5GL	OH0Z	W0MM	SP60PRT	SP6PRT
A450CK	A47RS	OH6OKSA	OH6AD	SQ40RY	SP1PMY
A450JM	A47RS	OK1P	OK1FIG	SV9/SV0IG	IK0EFR
A450KB	A47RS	OK3X	OK1VK	SW9AA	LZ1PM
A450MS	A47RS	OK5D	OK1DTP	T88SS	EA5GL
A450NN	A47RS	OK5Z	OK2ZI	TC371B	TA7AOF
A450RR	A47RS	OL0W	OK1DSZ	TG9AKH	EA5ZD
A450ZZ	A47RS	OL2U	OK1KAO	TG9ANF	VE7BV
A61AS	YO3FRI	OL30DXC	OK2PXJ	TG9AOR	EC6DX
A61DD	A61BK	OL3Z	OK1HMP	TM30CDR	F6KUQ
A61DL	A61BK	OL5Y	OK1FUA	TM3Z	F4DSK
A61QQ	A61BK	OL725PLZ	OK1DRQ	TM50GDG	F8GGZ
A61R	EC6DX	OO4UZLEUVEN	ON3AR [d]	TM600CCAE	F6FMT
A62A	EA7FTR	OO4UZLEUVEN	ON4CP [b]	TM72WOW	F1IEH
A65DR	N4GNR	OO5CARE	ON4AOW	TT8SN	DL9USA
A91WTVD	EC6DX	OO7STAYHOME	ON7SS	TZ1CE	DK1CE
C31CT	EA3QS	OP0PEACE	ON6CK	UE30DX	RQ7L
CN65MC	CN8MC	OP19MSF	ON4CRD	UK7AL	EA5GL
CN8GC	RW6HS	OQ1HOPE	ON4ON	UW5Y	US2YW
CN8HAN	RW6HS	OQ20LIFE	ON4CAS	UZ4E	UR4EYN
CN8KD	EA5XX	OQ5BECLEVER	ON6GBN	V31MA	M0OXO
CN8SG	EA7FTR	OR1LIFE	ON6MS	V31PS	M0OXO
CO2VDD	RW6HS	OR20STAYHOME	ON4RSX	V73NS	W3HNK
CO8RCP	EA7FTR	OR20STAYSAFE	ON4RAT	VE2CSI	M0URX
DA0BCC	DL2JRM	OR6LIFE	ON6BS	VK4DX/P	VK4DX
DL250BEETH	DJ6SI	OR7LIFE	ON4OB	VK7XX	N2OO
DQ750KL	DL5KVV	OS2HOPE	ON4MCL	VP6MW	W0VTT
E77A	9A2AA	OT20LIFE	ON5AV	XQ3WD	XQ4CW
EA8OM	DJ1OJ	OT2CARE	ON6YX [d]	YB0ECT	W2FB
EM0I	UT2IZ	OT2CARE	ON6ZT [b]	YB5QZ	W3HNK
EP2LMA	EA5GL	OT4CARE	ON4WRA	YC9BHJ	EA7FTR
EY8MM	W0VTT	OT4HOPE	ON6SI	YT50SCWC	YU1MM
FM5FJ	KU9C	OT5ALIVE	ON7LR	YV6BTF	EA5GL
GB1LWF	MW0JWP	OT6SAFE	ON6HC	ZF2MJ	N6MJ
HB9IPA	HB9FND	OZ/KH6DXX	DF3XX	ZS1DX	M0OXO
HC3RJ	EA5GL	P29LL	EA7FTR	ZS4JAN	EA5GL

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