- 9K During the month of February, in celebration of the 60th anniversary of the country's independence, the Kuwait Amateur Radio Society (KARS) will activate special callsign 9K60NLD (QSL via 9K2RA), and all 9K amateur radio operators will be allowed to use the special prefix 9K60 - e.g. 9K2GS will be signing 9K60GS.
- F Special callsign TM1CCA will be used during the weekends between 30 January and 20 March to draw attention to a French charity supporting research on pediatric cancers. Look for activity on the HF bands CW, SSB, RTTY, FT8 and FT4. QSL via LoTW and eQSL.
- GM Gareth, MOMOL will be active as MMOMOL/p from the main island of Shetland (EU-012) in February and March. He will operate QRP "with a typical portable setup" and be QRV mainly in the evenings after work.
- HL Kang, DS4DRE will be active as DS4DRE/4 from Komun Island (AS-060) from 1 February until 31 January 2022. He plans to operate SSB and CW on 80-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX DS4DRE]
- LU Special event station L21RCA will be active throughout 2021 to celebrate the 100th anniversary of Radio Club Argentino, the national IARU member society, which was founded on 21 October 1921. QSL via LoTW or via LU4AA (direct and bureau).
- LX Celebrating his 40th anniversary in amateur radio, Andy, LX1DA will be active as LX40DA from 1 February to 31 March, and again from 1 September to 31 December. QSL via LX1DA; the log will be uploaded to Club Log and (after the end of the year) to LoTW.
- LZ Once again Radio Club Blagovestnik (LZ1KCP) will use twelve special callsigns throughout 2021 to honour as many different Orthodox saints: LZ21RH (January), LZ544SG (February), LZ250KG (March), LZ1612EN (April), LZ1072BG (May), LZ308WK (June), LZ950TM (July), LZ363ER (August), LZ305AI (September), LZ1337KM (October), LZ1470IN (November) and LZ14MP (December). QSL via the bureau or direct to P.O. Box 36, 4300 Karlovo, Bulgaria. Details on the "All Saints 2021" award can be found at <u>http://www.lz1kcp.com/</u>.
- OH0 Celebrating the Finnish Amateur Radio League's (SRAL) 100th anniversary, OHOW will be active from the Aland Islands (EU-002) between 29 January and 3 February, including an entry in the CQ WW 160-Meter CW Contest. After the contest OHOW will specifically do some FT8 toward Japan & USA on 80 metres. QSL via LoTW, or via OH2BH.
- OZ Special callsign OV0JUTLANDIA will be active from 1 February to 31 March to commemorate hospital ship Jutlandia's humanitarian expedition (1951-1953) and Denmark's contribution to the United Nations during the Korean War. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW and

eQSL. See <u>https://www.qrz.com/db/OV0JUTLANDIA</u> for more information.
Sergey, UAIATD plans to be active as UAIATD/p from Kotlin Island (EU-133) for a few hours (indicatively 7-13 UTC) sometime this coming week, The Daily DX reports. "Most likely he'll be running 100 watts to a vertical dipole for activity on CW and SSB on 20 meters". On 25 January he logged 350 QSOs during a brief operation from Verperluda Island (EU-133). All QSOs will be uploaded to Club Log by 31 March. See <u>http://kosinsky.info/ualatd/log.php</u> for a list of his operations.

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- ΥI - Tony, IOIJ reports that Giorgio, YI9WS (IU5HWS) is still operating from the base camp located some 40 miles away from Baghdad, Iraq until March. He is a member of the Italian military peacekeeping mission as a paratrooper in the airborne brigade "Folgore". After thousands of QSOs with Europe and Russia, he is now mainly working stations outside Europe in need of Iraq as an all time new one. He is QRV daily in his spare time, sometimes being forced to interrupt his radio activity according to the sudden demands of his military mission. Look for him on or around 21.282 kHz (6-9 UTC), 18.142 kHz (9-12 UTC), 14.242 kHz (12-17 UTC), 7.132 and 3.799 kHz (17-5 UTC; QRV for Japan, Pacific, Indian Ocean and Africa at 20-22 UTC). QSL via LoTW, or direct to home call (Giorgio Toma, Via Settembrini 5, 57128 Livorno LI, Italy; the requests will processed when Giorgio returns home). [TNX Mediterraneo DX Club]
- ZS_ant Oleg, ZS1ANF (UA1PBA) is on his way to Wolf's Fang Runway, Queen Maud Land, Antarctica (AN-016) and hopes to be active again as ZS7ANF starting early February. QSL via RK1PWA. [TNX DX World]

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CTU PROPAGATION SUMMIT --- > The presentations and videos of the "2021 Propagation Summit" can be found on <u>https://www.contestuniversity.com/</u> (Files and Videos pages). The event was hosted by Contest University on 23 January.

EURASIA HF CHAMPIONSHIP ---> After a successful first edition last year, the Eurasia HF Championship will return on 6 February (8-17 UTC, CW and SSB on 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres). Complete details can be found on https://eurasia-contest.com/.

HAMCATION QSO PARTY ---> Nine special event stations that will spell out HAMCATION will be active during the HamCation QSO Party from 15 UTC on 13 February until 3 UTC on 14 February: K4H, W4A, K4M, W4C, N4A, K4T, W4I, K4O and W4N. The QSO Party has been organized to create a fun way for amateurs to celebrate the Orlando HamCation experience over the air: complete information can be found on <u>https://www.hamcation.com/special-event-station</u>. The Orlando HamCation Special Edition online event will take the place of what would have been the HamCation 2021 in-person show: read the details on <u>https://www.hamcation.com/forums-speakers</u>. INTREPID SPIRIT AWARD ---> The Intrepid DX Group is seeking nominations for their annual Intrepid Spirit Award (<u>http://www.intrepid-dx.com/awards.php</u>) made in memory of James McLaughlin, WA2EWE/T6AF (killed in Afghanistan on 27 April 2011). The award is given to the individual or group that most displayed their "intrepid spirit" in 2020, by expressing "an unshakable commitment to the Amateur Radio DX Community". Nominations may be submitted via email to intrepiddxgroup[@]gmail.com and must be received by 15 February. The Board of Directors of the Intrepid DX Group will evaluate the nominations and the award will be presented in May.

SOLAR INDICES ---> For those who might have missed Carl Luetzelschwab's (K9LA) presentation "Understanding and Applying Solar Indices", the complete video recording is now available on the Madison DX Club's YouTube channel: https://www.youTube.com/channel/UCbOR4kFlf2JqMuGVx5pKNYq. Also, to understand the scientific basis of solar cycle predictions, watch the excellent presentation from NOAA's Space Prediction Center Chief, Dr. Doug Biesecker at the same YouTube channel. [TNX W9EWZ]

+ SILENT KEY + Wim Elbers, XU7TZG (ON6TZ) passed away on 21 January. Over the years he operated repeatedly from IOTA group AS-133 using the callsigns XU7POS, XU7TAS and XU7KOH.

CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER		
3Z5WOSP	SP5PAT	HC2AO	RC5A	OD5YA	IZ8CLM		
3Z6M	SP6IEQ	HC3RJ	EC5R	OE100CEN	OE4CEN		
4K1AZI	DC9RI	HC5DX	W3HNK	OE100EIE	OE4EIE		
4L50	N3SL	HC5F	HC5VF	OE100GTU	OE1GTU		
4L6DL	LZ1OT	HC5LM	HC5VF	OE100LHP	OE1LHP		
4X6FR	4X6OM	HF100CH	SP2LQP	OL70KRT	OK2UYU		
5B4AMM	UT5UDX	HF100LEM	SP9PKZ	PJ2SM	EC5AHA		
5Z4BU	EA5GL	HGOM	HAOML	R1991A	RA3ATT		
7X2HF	EA5GL	HGOR	HAONAR	R900BL	UF1M		
7X4LV	F6FZG	HG1A	HA1ZN	R900DM	RC1C		
9A64AA	9A2AA	HG1G	HA1YI	R900DV	UA1CEI		
9K2OF	EC6DX	HG1Z	HA1XY	RC30KR	RZ3R		
9N1CA	EA5ZD	HG3A	HA3MRK	RG78ML	RQ7L		
AG6AU	W1RH	HG3X	HA3IN	RT78ML	RQ7L		
AP2FLY	EA7FTR	HG4I	HA5LN	RW30KR	R90Y		
AX5GR	MOOXO	HG5A	HA5KDQ	RW78ML	RQ7L		
AX5IR	W3HNK	HG5C	HA5MA	RZ30KR	R2ZCA		
C31CT	EA3QS	HG5D	HA8QZ	SD400SU	SM3NXS		
CE2SV	N7RO	HG5R	HA8JP	SX5A	SV2GWY		
CM2IU	RW6HS	HG6C	HAGIAM	TG9ADQ	VE7BV		
CO6XE	EA7FTR	HG60	НАбОА	V51DM	DK3ZL		

CP4BT	IK2DUW	HG6R	НАБІНА	V51HZ	N4GNR
CP4MG	EA5KB	НСбҮ	НАБОІ	V51WH	DK2WH
CP6CL	W3HNK	HG7T	HA7TM	VP9IN	EC6DX
DPOGVN	DL5EBE	HG8C	HA8EK	VR2CC	VR2XRW
DP1POL	DL1ZBO	HG8W	HA8ZO	VR2HK90	VR2HK
EG7HSE	EA7RCM	HG8X	HA8RC	WP3TT	W2VQ
EH5COV	EA5AG	HI3AA	EB7DX	XE1EE	EA5ZD
EN100LT	UT5LU	HI3CC	W2CCW	YBOAR	EB7DX
ER2OZ	EA5ZD	HK1MW	N200	YB0ECT	W2FB
FM4RU	F1LNS	HZ1SK	IZ8CLM	YB1RKT	EA5ZD
FM5DN	KU9C	J73HA	W2GBX	YB5QZ	W3HNK
FM8QR	F5EAN	JY5MM	IK2DUW	YB9KA	HA3JB
GB75ISWL	G6XOU	LU1ZG	LU4DXU	YJ8RN	NZ4DX
GS8VL	MOOXO	LZ2021HNY	LZ2VP	Z81B	IZOEGA
HC1HC	NE8Z	OC200P	OA40	ZD8HZ	TA1HZ
HC1M	EC5R	OD5PY	KU9C	ZF2LC	W2SM
HC1Y	EC5R	OD5VB	EA5GL	ZL1A	ZL3CW

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