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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 cut short, postponed, cancelled or even extended at any time and without notice.

- 4X - Jan, 4X1VF and Ruben, 4Z5FI will be active as 4X73T during the Holyland Contest on 16-17 April. They will operate from the rare Holyland square L19BL on the the Dead Sea area. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau.
- A9 - The Bahrain Amateur Radio Society will operate A91WARD on 14-18 April to celebrate World Amateur Radio Day 2021. QSL via EC6DX.
- F - Celebrating the 60th anniversary of the first human flight in space by Yuri Gagarin, members of the ISS Fan Club will be active as TM60YURI on 10-25 April. QSL via F1UJT, direct or bureau.
- F - Celebrating World Amateur Radio Day, John, F4GDO will be active as TM96WARD on 17-25 April. QSL via eQSL; paper QSLs will not be issued.
- GM - Col MM0NDX, Ross MM0OBT and Jonathan MM0OKG will be active as MS0INT from the Bass Rock (EU-123) on 17 April, and possibly also on the 18th. They are watching closely weather and sea forecasts, as even a small swell would prevent them from landing. Plans are to operate probably CW and SSB only on 20, 30 and/or 40 metres; they will also have a VHF station. QSL via EB7DX. [TNX DX World]
- HC - Celebrating World Amateur Radio Day 2021, Ecuador DX Club members will be active as HD1DX and HD2DX on 17-18 April. QSLs via LoTW. A certificate will be available: <https://ecuadordxclub.org/radioday/>.
- KC4 - Mark, W5MED is stationed at McMurdo Station on Ross Island (AN-011), Antarctica until October. He will be QRV as KC4USV on 17 April at 23.30 UTC until 2.30 UTC on the 18th, and again on 18 April at 6-8 UTC and from 21 UTC until midnight. Look for him on 14243 kHz SSB and 14070 kHz FT8. QSL direct to K7MT and LoTW.
- KL - The Russian Robinson Club's IOTA DXpedition to Alaska [425DXN 1521] has been postponed until July. Their schedule is still subject to any travel restriction changes, but now plans are for Yuri N300, Rob N7QT, Tim NL8F, Sandro VE7NY and possibly a fifth operator to be active as KL7RRC/p from Kiska Island (NA-070) on 7-12 July, and as KL7RRC from Adak Island (NA-039) on 14-16 July. They will operate CW, SSB and FT8 (Fox & Hound) with three stations. QSLs via N7RO. Bookmark <https://www.na-234.com/> for updates.
- ON - Belgian individual operators and radio clubs are authorized to replace their ON prefix with OS between 18 April and 12 December. This is to celebrate World Amateur Radio Day (18 April) and the 120th anniversary since Guglielmo Marconi's first reception of transatlantic radio signals (12 December 1901).

- S7 - Celebrating World Amateur Radio Day, S79KW, S79RP and S79VU will be active as S77SARA on 18 April for a couple of hours (11-13 UTC). S77SARA is the callsign of the Seychelles Amateur Radio Society's club station (<https://www.sara.sc/>), located on Mahe Island (AF-024). [TNX The Daily DX]
- UA - In celebration of the 60th anniversary of Yuri Gagarin's first manned flight into outer space (12 April 1961), the Miller DX Club (<https://mdxc.ru/>) will operate several special callsigns on 12-25 April: R60CTC, R60MCC, R60YAG, RA60YG, RC60YG, RD60YG, RG60YG, RJ60YG, RK60YG, RL60YG, RM60YG, RN61YG, RO60YG, RQ60YG, RT60YG, RU60YG, RV60YG, RW60YG, RX60YG, RY60YG, RZ60YG. QSLs via RQ7L. Certificates will be available on <https://hamlog.online/club/mdxc>.
- VE - Radio Amateurs of Canada is once again holding a "Get on the Air on World Amateur Radio Day" special event in which it encourages as many amateurs as possible to contact as many RAC stations as possible. Operating across Canada from 00.00 UTC to 23.59 UTC on 18 April, the RAC official stations will be VA2RAC, VA3RAC, VE1RAC, VE4RAC, VE5RAC, VE6RAC, VE7RAC, VE8RAC, VE9RAC, VO1RAC, VO2RAC, VY0RAC, VY1RAC and VY2RAC. QSL via LoTW or via the bureau. Those contacting one or more of these stations, on any band and mode, will be eligible for a special commemorative certificate: <https://www.rac.ca/certificates/>.

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3Y0I: BOUVET 2021 ---> "First of all, we would like to wish the recently announced 3Y0J Bouvet DXpedition all the best for a successful activity in 2023", the Rebel DX Group posted to their Facebook page on 5 April (<https://www.facebook.com/rebeldxgroup/>). "There is enough space for even 3 more activities from 3Y0 land. We know how much detailed planning goes into a project like this and cross fingers for them.

From a Rebel perspective, the 3Y0J announcement does not change our plans. December 15, 2021 is when we plan to leave Cape Town and again head south into the Roaring Forties and Furious Fifties before attempting a Bouvet landing. We absolutely know from experience how volatile the seas around this most remote island are.

Our team of 8 operators aim to spend up to 30 days on Bouvet. Depending on weather, we will likely spend 7-10 days each way on the high seas getting there and returning. Once on the island and our camp is set up, we will run 8 stations covering 160-6m. Modes include CW, SSB, FT4/FT8, RTTY and OQ100. The total budget for our Bouvet DXpedition is considerably less than that of 3Y0J. We also have had no backing from any of the DX foundations. Nonetheless, we are now missing only \$32,000 from our final cost of \$267,000. We absolutely hope between now and December we can accrue this missing amount, and appeal to all generous donors to help us with our final push to meet

target". Bookmark <https://www.facebook.com/rebeldxgroup/> as "more info will be posted soon".

3Y0J: BOUVET 2023 ---> The Intrepid DX Group has announced plans to be active as 3Y0J from Bouvet Island (#2 Most Wanted DXCC Entity) in January-February 2023. The group has been planning this major DXpedition since the successful 2016 operations from the South Sandwich Islands (VP8STI) and South Georgia (VP8SGI).

In January 2023, a team of fourteen skilled and seasoned operators (team co-leaders N6PSE and LA7GIA; AB5EB, DL6KVA, HA0NAR, JH4RHF, K6TD, KO8SCA, LA7THA, LB1QI, N2WB, N7QT, W1SRD, WD5COV) will depart Cape Town on the RV "Braveheart" and embark on a 42-day voyage to Bouvet Island and back.

Plans are to make a shore landing and an arduous climb up onto the edge of the glacier, to stay at Bouvet for twenty days (weather permitting) and to operate CW, SSB and digital modes (FT8/FT4 and RTTY) on 160-10 metres for 14-16 days.

"Each team member will contribute a minimum of \$20,000 each and your donation will be spent on securing the budget of \$ \$764,000". More information, including QSLling policy, can be found on <https://3y0j.com/>. Updates will be posted also to Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/901378553769436/>.

CQMM DX CONTEST ---> The CQ MM DX Contest, organized by the Juiz de Fora CW Group, will be held on 17-18 April. It will run from 9 UTC on Saturday through 23.59 UTC on Sunday, on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres CW. Complete details can be found at <http://www.cqmmcx.com>.

FT4 SPRINT CONTEST ---> The Strange Radio Team (www.strangeradioteam.it) organizes the second edition of the "FT4 Sprint Contest Italia 40m" that will run on 18 April from 8 to 14 UTC. Only contacts made by Italian stations with Italian stations can count for this short duration event. [TNX IZ8EDJ]

JAPAN INTERNATIONAL DX CW CONTEST ---> Object of the contest is for amateurs in Japan to work as many stations stations in as many DXCC Entities and CQ Zones as possible on 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, and 10 metres, while DX stations work as many JA amateurs in as many Prefectures and JD1 islands as possible. This year's event will be held on 10-11 April (07.00-13.00 UTC). Complete information can be found on <http://jidx.org/jidxrul-e.html>.

YOTA CONTEST 2021 ---> Organized by the IARU R1 Youth Working Group in cooperation with the Hungarian Amateur Radio Society (MRASZ), the newly born YOTA Contest's aim is to increase youngsters activity on the air, strengthen the reputation of the YOTA programme and demonstrate support for youngsters across the world. This year's YOTA Contest will be held on 22 May (0800-1959 UTC), 17 July (1000-2159 UTC) and 30 December (1200-2359 UTC), on the five classic bands CW and SSB. Everyone can work everyone. The complete rules can be found on <https://ham-yota.com/contest>. [TNX IARU Region 1]

+ SILENT KEY + Waldemar "Waldi" Polit, SP7IDX passed away on 4 April. A well known Hexbeam antenna manufacturer and IOTA activator, he died of a heart attack while recovering from contracting Covid-19. [TNX DX World]

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***** QSL ROUTES *****

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CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER
3D2TS	M0OXO	E7DX	E77E	OL70DG	OK1DG
3DA0AQ	EA5GL	ED2C	EA2RCF	OM77PA	OM4MM
3E3E	AC2OV	ED3D	EA3RCB	OZ75BO	OZ1ACB
3V8SS	LX1NO	ED7N	EA7KHB	OZ75MAY	OZ1ACB
3Z0WARD	SP6IEQ	ED8B	EA8TR	PA96WARD	PA1AW
3Z0X	SP5MXZ	EE1MGY	EB1LO	PB00T	PA2TMS
3Z1K	SP1KRF	EF8I	EA8TK	PB96WARD	PA1AW
4A5E	EA5ZD	EF8K	EA8DET	PG96WARD	PG1R
4K6MAR	DC9RI	EG1PEA	EA1RKA	PI4COM	PA1AW
4L0G	EA7FTR	EG7MSP	EA7RCM	PJ2ND	K8ND
4M8E	YV8ER	EM2G	UR7GO	PJ2T	W3HNK
4U1GSC	9A2AA	EM60LKG	UT5LA	PJ4DX	M0URX
4X0A	4X1VF	EO50FF	UX0FF	PJ4G	K4BAI
4X7R	4X6OM	EP2HAM	M0OXO	PR4T	EA7FTR
5Z4VJ	M0URX	EP2LSH	EA5GL	PS2T	K3IRV
7A1A	EA7FTR	FG4NO	EA5GL	R41WCMB	R1II
7D5RI	EA5GL	FM5BH	W3HNK	R75RAA	RN3RQ
7X2HF	EA5GL	HC1HN	EA5GL	R800ANP	RA1WU
7X2GK	IK2DUW	HF1J	SP1NEN	SN2B	SP3CGK
7Z1AL	EC6DX	HF66KAO	SP9KAO	SN7Q	SP7GIQ
8P1W	KU9C	HG7T	HA7TM	SO4R	SP4PND
8Q7MS	EA5GL	HG8R	HA8JV	SO9I	SQ9ORQ
8S0C	SM0MPV	HH2AA	EB7DX	SX200AOK	SV2AOK
9A0BR	9A4W	HI6LT	W2CCW	SX200COL	SV9COL
9A10FF	9A2MF	HL1IWD/5	EA5GL	SX200DCY	SV8DCY
9A165T	9A1ZDR	HP8DPD	EA7FTR	TG9ANF	VE7BV
9A25RBM	9A4J	HS0ZOA	EB7DX	TI7W	M0URX
9A64AA	9A2AA	HZ1SK	IZ8CLM	TM0R	F5GGL
9A88A	9A1UN	HZ1TT	A61BK	TM100SHT	F6KOH
9G5FI	DL1RTL	II2S	IZ2FOS	TM3Z	F4DSK
9H6A	9H1BT	II4DNZ	IQ4FE	TM6BZF	F6KTM
9J2MM	N4GNR	II5LDV	IQ5LV	TM77SM	F4GYM
9K9C	EC6DX	II8K	IZ8EPX	TM8A	F8DVD
9V1YC	W5UE	IO7T	IZ7ECL	UK8ZC	RW6HS
A42K	EA5GL	IR2X	IK2WAD	UP0L	DL8KAC
A60A	EA7FTR	IR6T	IK6VXO	V73NS	W3HNK
A61DD	EA7FTR	IR8W	IK8YFU	V85AHV	EB7DX
A61QQ	A61BK	IR9Z	IT9VCE	VB3E	VE3AT
A71AE	EC6DX	J73ESL	EA5GL	VC3T	VE3DZ
A71AM	M0OXO	J79WTA	HB9MFM	VC3VACCINE	VE3ES
A71CT	EA7FTR	JG8NQJ/JD1	JA8CJY [d]	VK0PD	EB7DX
A71OK	EA5GL	JG8NQJ/JD1	JG8NQJ [b]	VK4KW	N3SL
AL1G	W2GR	KL7RA	N4GNR	VP2ETE	W3HNK
AP2AJM	IK2DUW	KP2B	EB7DX	VP5M	K4QPL

AP2TN	DJ9ZB	KP2M	NZ4DX	VR2CC	VR2XRW
AZ7H	EA5KB	L21RCA	LU4AA	WP2Z	KU9C
B4O	BA4MY	LC6C	LA6VQ	WP3C	M0OXO
B4T	BA4TB	LN8W	LA6YEA	XQ3WD	XQ4CW
B7M	BG7LHY	LO5D	LU8EOT	YB0AZ	W4JS
C37AC	EA3QS	LO7H	EA7FTR	YB0ECT	W2FB
C44C	M0URX	LQ5A	EA7FTR	YB1DNF	EB7DX
C92RU	R7AL	LR3D	EA7FTR	YB9GV	EA7FTR
CE1TT	N2OO	LS2D	EC6DX	YB9UA	IK2DUW
CN12FES	CN8ZG	LT5X	LU8XW	YI1WWA	IK2DUW
CN8YR	EA7FTR	LX5WARD	LX1JH	YJ8RN	NZ4DX
CP1XRM	EA5RM	LX7I	LX2A	YL6W	YL2GD
CQ750RSI	CT7AQD	LY7Z	LY9Y	YP0C	YO3CZW
CR5OIDH	EA4URE	LZ125LAZ	LZ1ZF	YQ6A	YO6BHN
CR6T	CT1ESV	LZ1612EN	LZ1KCP	YT5A	YT1AD
CV7S	CX7SS	LZ200GSR	LZ1XM	YU51ANO	YU1EA
CX2DK	EA5GL	LZ21DIG	LZ2VP	YV5NEA	EA7FTR
CX3AT	EA5GL	LZ5R	LZ1YQ	Z21ML	N4GNR
CX5UA	IK2DUW	LZ7G	LZ1NK	ZC4GR	EB7DX
D2EB	IZ3ETU	M5W	M0HMJ	ZF5T	K5GO
DB59FIRAC	DL8DWL	OA4SS	KB6J	ZP5FIA	EA5ZD
DC220GERKE	DJ6SI	OC200U	OA4O	ZP6RAI	IK2DUW
DP0POL/mm	DL5EBE	OD5ET	EB7DX	ZR6DX	EA7FTR
DR165TESLA	DK8ZZ	OD5YA	IZ8CLM	ZS1OPB	N4GNR
DT8A	DS5TOS	OD5ZZ	N4GNR	ZS4JAN	EA5GL
DY1T	DU1IVT	OE100LCR	OE3LCR	ZS6CCY	K3IRV
E2A	E21EIC	OE2S	OE2GEN	ZS6TVB	N4GNR
E2U	HS4WLA	OG30YL	OH2YL	ZW2W	PT2IC
E7CW	E73ESP	OG73X	OH8L	ZW61DF	PT2GTI

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