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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.

8Q - Tom, OE1TRI will be active holiday style as 8Q7TR from the Maldives (AS-013) from 28 December to 3 January. He will run 20 watts on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres SSB and FT8. QSL via OE1TRI; he does not use Club Log or LoTW. [TNX The Daily DX]

G - During the month of December, the Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society will be running special callsigns GB1XMS, GB2XMS, GB5XMS and GB9XMS to celebrate Christmas and say farewell to 2021. QSL via operator's instructions.

GU - Bob, GU4YOX will be operating MU5A for the Stew Perry 160m Contest on 18-19 December (https://www.kkn.net/stew/). He will be using a top loaded 160m vertical antenna especially installed for the "Big Stew". QSL via LoTW, paper QSL cards will not be available.

HA - Special callsign HA21XMAS is being activated on 14-26 December on various bands CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via LoTW and eQSL; a downloadable certificate for two QSOs on two different modes is available on http://qrz.com/db/ha21xmas.

HS - Champ, E21EIC and others will be active as E20AX/p from Koh Chang (AS-125) on 18-20 December. They plan to operate SSB, CW and FT8 on 80-10 metres (also 160 metres, if space permits) with two or three stations. QSL via LoTW and E21EIC (all QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau); logsearch on Club Log.

OE - The 12-31 December 4U1XMAS "Santa Claus HF Activity" from the Vienna International Centre [425DXN 1595] has been postponed to December 2022 "due to the difficult situation with the COVID pandemic".

ON - Celebrating the 75th anniversary of UBA (Belgium's national IARU society, established on 25 January 1947), 64 special event stations scattered all over the country will be active from 1 January until 28 February: ON75AAA, ON75ACC, ON75ALT, ON75ARA, ON75AST, ON75ATH, ON75ATO, ON75BDX, ON75BTS, ON75BXE, ON75CDZ, ON75CLR, ON75CRD, ON75DIG, ON75DST, ON75EKO, ON75GBN, ON75GBX, ON75GDV, ON75GNT, ON75GTM, ON75HCC, ON75IPR, ON75KSD, ON75KTK, ON75LGE, ON75LIR, ON75LLV, ON75LUS, ON75LVN, ON75MCL, ON75MLB, ON75MWV, ON75NBT, ON75NNV, ON75NOK, ON75NOL, ON75ODE, ON75ONZ, ON75ORA, ON75OSA, ON75OSB, ON75OST, ON75PHI, ON75RAF, ON75RAM, ON75RAT, ON75RCA, ON75RCN, ON75REM, ON75RST, ON75RSX, ON75SNW, ON75TLS, ON75TRA, ON75TRC, ON75TWS, ON75UBA , ON75WLD, ON75WRA, ON75WRC, ON75WTO, ON75YLC and ON75ZTM. QSL via Club Log's OQRS (direct or bureau; requests must be sent within 31 March); those who do not use Club Log must go direct to ON9TT (Marc Domen, Ferdinand Coosemansstraat

32, 2600 Antwerpen, Belgium), or request bureau cards by email to uba75qsl@uba.be (uba75swl@uba.be for SWLs). Two series of awards will be available for download, details will be published on https://hamlog.online when the event starts. [TNX ON4CAS]

PY - Felipe, PU2OYT will be active as PU2OYT/p from Ilha do Algodao (SA-029) on 23-24 December. He will be QRV mostly on 10 metres SSB and 15 metres FT8. QSL via home call. [TNX DX World]

TA - Simon Luttrell (ex-XW0LP) expected to temporarily relocate to the territory of the Turkish Republic of North Cyprus [425DXN 1592], but "the licencing authorities in north Cyprus have failed so far to issue a licence (failed, not refused)". So he has moved to the "sunny Turkish coast of Fethiye" instead, where he will be QRV as TA4/G6JFY, while waiting for a TA callsign to be allocated.

UA - Special callsigns R2022NY, R22HNY, RA22NY, RG22NY, RJ22NY, RK22NY, RL22NY, RM22NY, RO22NY, RQ22NY, RT22NY, RW22NY, RX22NY and RY22NY will be active from 25 December to 14 January for the "Russian New Year 2022" radio marathon organized for the sixth year in a row by the Miller DX Club. QSLs via RQ7L. A number of certificates will be available, see https://hamlog.online/club/mdxc.

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9N7AA ---> "We have now moved to the new residence and a couple of vertical dipoles were strung from a Spiderbeam pole on the upper terrace of our top floor apartment", Robert, 9N7AA (S53R) posted to his qrz.com page on 11 December. "I mostly run on 17m as other bands sound rather empty. A new antenna mast was manufactured locally and delivered today, while the Ultra Beam/WIMO 2el Yagi (40-6m) is still at the customs. If all stars align, I will be able to install it before the end of the year. 160/80 will have to wait for a while, though. I have an idea how to install quarter-wave slopers but this will need some negotiations with the neighbors, as the wires will go over two adjacent land plots. Kathmandu is veeery densely populated. And, for those constantly asking: 60m band is not permitted in Nepal.
Equipment from my previous operation is still stuck in Kabul and we are trying hard to bring it to Kathmandu. As of very recently, single-airline commercial flights have finally resumed to Dubai, so there is a little tiny light at the end of the tunnel". QSL via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS, or direct only to S57DX.

QSL FG8OJ ---> Burt, FG8OJ has joined the M0OXO QSL Service from his home in Sainte-Anne, Guadeloupe (NA-102), where he has been resident since 2012. He has been in the hobby since 1990 and is very active on VHF/UHF using satellite and Moon Bounce. New QSL cards are being printed, and the OQRS is open: https://www.m0oxo.com/oqrs/.

QSL T6AA & T6A ---> Effective immediately, Pedro, EA5GL has picked up the direct and bureau QSLing for Robert Kasca's operations from Afghanistan. Between September 2019 and July 2021, Robert (S53R, currently active as 9N7AA from Nepal) was active as T6AA and T6A, and made an overall total of nearly 124,000 QSOs. "I will still respond to the QSL requests received directly or via PayPal for the period up to December 2021", he says.

RAEM CONTEST ---> This year's RAEM Contest (https://raem.srr.ru/) will be held on 26 December, from 00.00 UTC until 11.59 UTC, on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres CW. Organized by the Russian Amateur Radio Union (SRR), the annual event memorializes Ernst T. Krenkel (1903-1971), the legendary Arctic explorer and radioman (callsign RAEM) on various polar stations and on the first drifting ice station North Pole-1.

SV2RSG/A ---> Monk Iakovos, SV2RSG/A was active from 30 November to 3 December, and has been QRV again since 14 December. A pirate station - "whose signal", according to the Hellenic Radio Amateur Team, "comes from a specific geographical area of Greece" - has been on the air too, causing much confusion. The genuine SV2RSG/A is now posting the log to Club Log every two hours: check https://clublog.org/logsearch/SV2RSG/A if you suspect you have worked a pirate. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, or direct to SV1RP.

THE 2022 DX ULTRA-MARATHON ---> The True Blue DXers Club announces the 2022 DX Ultra-Marathon, a year-long operating event to be run from 1 January through 31 December 2022. Intended to promote everyday activity on CW and SSB, this initiative's aim is to get people on the air and contact as many different stations as possible, on as many bands as possible, in as many DXCC Entities and WAZ Zones as possible over the duration of a full year. Participation is open to all amateurs: see https://www.tbdxc.net/marathon for detailed information.

VP8/SQ1SGB ---> The Falkland Islands Communications Regulator has directed Seba, VP8/SQ1SGB to cease his amateur radio operation from Halley Research Station, Antarctica forthwith. A formal complaint has been raised by Chris, VP8WOS and Alan, VP8PJ, acting on Seba's behalf. The details can be found on https://www.openfalklands.com/.

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******* QSL ROUTES *******
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CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER
3B8CW	N4GNR	EO35UC	UR4UC	PJ4DX	M0URX
3D2TS	M0OXO	EP2ABS	RW6HS	PJ7/NZ1C	EA5GL
3DA0AQ	EA5GL	EP5CZD	RW6HS	PR2E	PY2AA
3G3O	XQ3OP	FG4NO	EA5GL	PR5Y	PP5IP
3V8SF	LX1NO	FG8OJ	M0OXO	PT1K	EA7FTR
3W3B	E21EIC	FK8CE	N4GNR	PV2K	EA5GL

3Z100ZOSP	SP9PSJ	FK8GU	EA5GL	R104FSB	RK9DR
4C10M	EA5GL	FM1HM	ON6DP	R104KGB	R2AB
4L1FL	EA7FTR	FM5BH	W3HNK	R1941OM	R5CA
4L5P	UT7QF	FM8QR	F5EAN	R200NN	RC3M
4L6QL	RW6HS	FR4PJ	EB7DX	R60ANT	RZ3EC
4L8A	M0OXO	G6XX	M0OXO	RA60ANT	RZ3EC
4U1UN	HB9BOU	GB2ZE	M0OXO	RC60ANT	RZ3EC
4U1WB	KK4HD	GB5XMS	G4XEX	RG60ANT	RZ3EC
4Y1A	UA3DX	GB60ANT	GM0GAV	RJ60AN	RZ3EC
5T5PA	PA5X	GS2ZE	M0OXO	RK60ANT	RZ3EC
5Z4PA	M0URX	HF50FGP	SP7FGP	RL60ANT	RZ3EC
6W1TG	EA4R	HG100CF	HA1KSS	RN60ANT	RZ3EC
7Z1VD	EA5GL	HG83BTND	HA5GY	RT60ANT	RZ3EC
8P6ET	KU9C	HH2AA	EB7DX	RU60ANT	RZ3EC
9A10FF	9A2MF	HI3K	EB7DX	RZ60ANT	RZ3EC
9G1SD	AB0GC	HI3MRV	EA5GL	S21DX	EB7DX
9J2BO	EA5GL	HI8S	EA5GL	SN10PMY	SP1PMY
9J2BS	EA5GL	HP1KZ	EA7FTR	SN35KZE	SP1KZE
9K2BS	EC6DX	HR5/F2JD	F6AJA	SP60ANT	SP3POB
9K9BHR	9K2RA	HZ1BHR	HZ1SAR	SX200BXZ	SV2BXZ
9K9QATAR	9K2RA	HZ1QATAR	HZ1SAR	SX200COL	SV9COL
9N1CA	EA5ZD	II1RM	IQ1GE	SX200HXX	SV2HXX
A43BHR	A47R S	II4DTH	IQ4FE	SX200JAO	SV2JAO
A43QAT	A47RS	II6OANT	I1HYW	SX200ME	SV1ME
A52CC	N4GNR	J79WTA	HB9MFM	SX200MNE	SV1MNE
A60BHR/3	A61BK	KL7KY	S56ZZZ	SX200SQM	SV2SQM
A60EXPO	EA7FTR	L77D	LU6DC	TI2VVV	EC6DX
A60EXPO/2	EA7FTR	LO7H	EA7FTR	TM1B	F5TLN
A71QND	A71A	LQ3D	EA7FTR	TM1TLT	F8KFP
A721FAC	A71A	LS2D	EC6DX	TM4TLT	F4KIP
AP2FLY	EA7FTR	LT6M	LU8MHL	TM57MC	F11734
CB8E	CE8EIO	LV4V	LU4VZ	TM80BCRA	F5LHJ
CN0S	CN8YZ	LX40DA	LX1DA	TZ4AM	W0SA
CN8KD	EC5R	LY21XMAS	LY2QT	UE60ANT	RZ3EC
CO2WP	NA7L	LZ95MA	LZ1ZF	V55Y	DK2WH
CO2YQ	EC6DX	NP4EB	EA5GL	VE2CSI	M0URX
CX1VH	EA7FTR	OA4SS	KB6J	VJ4K	N3SL
CX2DK	EA5GL	OF9X	OH2BH	VJ4T	VK4QH
DP0GVN	DL5EBE	OG60IPA	OH4MDY	VP8VK	GM3ITN
DR60ANT	DL2VFR	OI3AX	OH2LGW	XT2AW	M0OXO
EA8OM	DJ1OJ	OL50DJ	OK6DJ	YB7KE/p	EA5GL
EA9KB	EA7FTR	OM700MHZ	OM2FY	YJ8RN	NZ4DX
ED5GRT	EC5R	ON75AF	ON6KL	YS1RR	DJ9ZB
EM7U	UR7UT	PF33MAX	PF1B	ZC4RH	G4WXJ
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