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**** DX INFORMATION ****

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5H - Borut, S53BV is active holiday style as 5H3BV from Shamiani (Kiweni), a satellite island of Pemba's (AF-063) on 10-24 February. He operates low power CW and SSB on 40-15m. QSL direct to home call.

7Q - Starting on 15 February, Don, K6ZO expects to be QRV again as 7Q6M in his spare time while working at the Embangweni Mission Hospital in Malawi. Activity will include the ARRL DX CW Contest (19-20 February), the CQ WW 160 Meter SSB Contest (25-27 February), and the ARRL DX SSB Contest (5-6 March). QSL direct to home call. [TNX The Daily DX]

BY - BY1CRA/WO22 is the special event station for the Beijing 2022 Winter Olympic and Paralympic Games. It will be active until 13 March on 160-10 metres CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via Club Log's OQRS. A certificate will be available; see https://www.qrz.com/db/by1cra/wo22 for the details.

CT8 - Henning, OZ2I will be active as CQ8EE from Sao Miguel Island (EU-003), Azores during the ARRL DX CW Contest (19-20 February) "and maybe a day or two more". QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW, or via OZ2I.

D4 - Oliver, DJ5QW will be active again as D4CW and D44DX from Sal Island (AF-086), Cape Verde from 19 February to 2 March. He will be QRV on Digital Mobile Radio (DMR), as well as on 80-10m CW and SSB. QSL via DJ5QW, bureau preferred.

F - The Radioamateurs de Lot-et-Garonne will operate special callsign TM6CXJ from 26 February to 6 March, and again on 1-6 June to honour the memory of their friend Pierre Marge, F6CXJ, who passed away on 28 January 2021. QSL via LoTW (preferred), or via F2FZ.
Also activated in remembrance of Silent Keys are TM3ZZ (in memory of Michel Pelhate, F3ZZ) during a few weekends between 26 February and 3 July, and TM9AP (in memory of Andre Pettelat, F9AP) during five weekends between 12 February and 20 March. QSL TM3ZZ via F4HIK; QSL TM9AP via F6GYH.

G - GB1002MT is the special callsign for the Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society to commemorate through February the centenary of 2MT, the first British radio station to make regular entertainment broadcasts (14 February 1922). QSL via LoTW and eQSL, no paper QSLs.

I - Celebrating World Radio Day, ARI Torino will set up a station at RAI Radio and Television Museum (https://www.rai.it/museoradiotv/) and be QRV as IQ1TO between 10 and 18 UTC on 12-13 February.

OE - Celebrating World Radio Day, the VIC Amateur Radio Contest DX Club (4U1A, https://4u1a.club/) is expected to be active as 4UNR on 13-28 February. This activity counts for Austria for DXCC, and for the Vienna International Centre for the CQ DX Marathon. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, or via UA3DX.

PA - Established on 6 May 1947, VERON's section of Mid and North Limburg is celebrating its 75th anniversary during 2022 with special call-sign PI75LIM. QSL via the bureau or direct to PE1NCP.

PA - Scout station PB22BP (the suffix stands for Baden-Powell, the founder of the Scout and Guide movements) will be active on 18-28 February, including Thinking Day On The Air. QSL via PA3EFR.

PJ2 - Andy, W9NJY will be active as PJ2/W9NJY from Curacao (SA-099) on 16-21 February. He will participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest as PJ2T (Multi-Multi); outside the contest he will operate CW mainly on 30, 17 and 12 metres. QSL PJ2/W9NJY via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS, or via WD9DZV; QSL PJ2T via LoTW or W3HNK. [TNX The Daily DX]

SP - 3Z200IL is the special callsign for radio club SP8KJX to commemorate the 200th anniversary since the birth of Ignacy Lukasiewicz, an oil industry pioneer whose many achievements included the invention of the modern kerosene lamp. Look for activity through 29 December on 160-10 metres SSB and digital modes. QSL via the bureau.

UR_ant - In his spare time, Sergiy, UT9UX will be active as EM1U from the Ukrainian Antarctic Station "Akademik Vernadsky" on Galindez Island (AN-006), Antarctica until around mid-April. QSL via UT7UA. [TNX DX World]

V3 - Walt, W0CP as V31DJ (CW) and his wife Mary, K0ZV as V31DK (SSB) are active from Placencia, Belize from 8 February until 4 March. QSLs via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS, or via home calls. [TNX The Daily DX]

V3 - Robert K5PI (V31AT, QSL via LoTW and home call), Madison W5MJ (V31IT, QSL via M0URX's OQRS), John WC0W (V31TP, QSL via home call) and Keith VE7KW (V31WK) - as well as Karl AD0KH, Nancie NM0C, Leigh WC0T and Steve WW0G - will be active from Cahal Pech, Belize on 15-22 February. They will participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest as V3T (QSL via LoTW and WC0W; outside the contest they will be QRV on 160-10 metres mainly CW. [TNX The Daily DX]

V7 - Jeff "JT", KD7ADI has been on Kwajalein (OC-028), Marshall Islands since 5 January, and will be stationed there "for the foreseeable future". In his spare time he is QRV as V7/KD7ADI. He uploads his log to LoTW and Club Log.

W - W7P is the callsign for the Northern Arizona DX Association to conduct a 10-year special event countdown to the 100th anniversary of the discovery of Pluto by Clyde Tombaugh at Lowell Observatory in Flagstaff, Arizona (18 February 1930). The inaugural event was held on 13-21 February 2021; this year's Pluto Anniversary Countdown will run on 12-20 February. Also, Doug Tombaugh (N3PDT), Clyde Tombaugh's nephew, will be operating during the event as W7P/0. QSL direct, see https://www.nadxa.com/w7p_pluto_2030.html for information.

W - Bodo, DF8DX will be active again as KT3Q/4 from Cedar Key (NA-076) and Santa Rosa Island (NA-142) between 21 and 23 February, and from Key Biscayne (NA-141) on 1-4 March. On 18-20 and 24-28 February he will be signing KT3Q from Florida (ARRL DX CW Contest) and Alabama, respectively. QSL via Club Log's OQRS (preferred), LoTW, or via DF8DX

YB - Special event station 8C9MGP will be active from Lombok Island (OC-150), Indonesia on 19-21 February, and again on 11-13 March. QSL direct to HA3JB (OQRS on http://www.ha3jb.com/oqrs.html).

ZF - Bob, K4UEE (ZF2UE), Bill, W5SJ (ZF2EZ) and Stan, K5GO (ZF9CW) will

participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest (19-20 February) as ZF5T from the Cayman Islands (NA-016). Before the contest they will be active with their own ZF callsigns.

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3Y0J: LATEST NEWS ---> "Today we can confirm that the departure date for the 3Y0J DXpedition will be 6 January 2023", the team announced on 8 February. "We can confirm the scheduled duration of the DXpedition is 44 days and that we have reserved a week additional contingency at the end giving us more flexibility. We have contracted 22 days at Bouvet Island, and it means we will spend more than 3 weeks at Bouvet. As we have the flexibility to still decide the port of departure Ushuaia or Port Stanley this will be done at a later stage".
In order to achieve the goal of 200,000 QSOs from Bouvet, 3Y0J will deploy twelve stations (eight CW/SSB stations and four FT8 stations), which can be run simultaneously during peak time. "We plan for minimum downtime on the radios", the team says, "and to achieve this we will setup the 4 FT8 stations to run 24/7, so that these can either be run by one operator separately or be run by any other operator in a simplified SO2R setup. This will be done so that each operator can log into the FT8 machine from his operator position and run CW/SSB and FT8 simultaneously. Running several radios by a single operator this way has shown to be very efficient".
A DXpedition to Bouvet is "a huge undertaking financially and it would simply not be possible without the support from the vendors and our sponsors. If you want to have the opportunity to work the rare #2 DXCC Bouvet Island, please consider supporting us by donating upfront". Read the complete Press Release #8 on the DXpedition's website: https://www.3y0j.no/.
Also, Ken, LA7GIA emphasizes that the DXpedition will have "a pronounced focus on human modes", and that "there will be no FT8 robots running unattended at Bouvet, all FT8 QSOs will be initiated by a human operator clicking on the deserving callers".

ARRL DIGITAL CONTEST ---> The ARRL International Digital Contest will debut at 18 UTC UTC on 4 June, ending at 23.59 UTC on 6 June. All non-RTTY modes are permitted. The event will take place on 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 and 6m, with single-operator and multi-single entry categories. TX power categories will be QRP (5 watts or less) and low-power (maximum 100 watts). The exchange will be a station's four-character grid square. Stations may work each other once per band, regardless of digital mode. Participants will earn 1 point for each contact, plus 1 point for each 500 kilometers between stations. The total score is total contact points. Complete details on this new operating event are on http://arrl.org/arrl-digital-contest.

LIGHTHOUSE WEEKEND ---> The 14th American Lighthouses Weekend will be held

on 18-20 February. Details, including a listing of participating stations, can be found on http://www.grupodxbb.com.ar/.

+ SILENT KEY + Bob Bruninga, WB4APR passed away on 7 February, aged 73. A retired senior research engineer at the United States Naval Academy, he was the inventor of the Automatic Packet Reporting System (http://www.aprs.org/) and published the APRS paper at the ARRL 11th Computer Networking Conference in 1992. He also had "an abiding interest in alternative power sources", the ARRL recalls, and he authored 'Energy Choices for the Radio Amateur', published by ARRL in 2018, "which explores developing changes in the area of power and energy, and examines the choices radio amateurs and others can make regarding home solar power, heat pumps, and hybrid and electric vehicles".
Also reported SK is Jim Elliott, KA3UNQ, who passed away on 1 February aged 78. First licenced in 1989, he enjoyed island activating along the East Coast for both IOTA and the US-Island Award programmes, but for the past twenty years his primary operating interest was the activation of lighthouses for the Amateur Radio Lighthouse Society.

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******* QSL ROUTES *******
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CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER
4A5E	EA5ZD	GM3X	GM3POI	PI75LIM	PE1NCP
4L2M	EA7FTR	GM6DX	M0OXO	PJ2T	W3HNK
4L9M	R3XA	H94IE	HP1MRA	PY2ZEA	OH2MM
4M1W	EB7DX	HC1BI	NE8Z	PY5EG	K3IRV
4U13FEB	9A2AA	HC2AO	RC5A	PZ5KV	DL6KVA
4U1A	UA3DX	HC5AI	HC5VF	R135YWI	RZ4Z
4X2M	4X4DZ	HC5DX	W3HNK	S79/4X6TT	N4GNR
4X6TT	N4GNR	HC5LM	HC5VF	SN100PSK	SQ8JLU
5B4AQC	DK6SP	HC6CR	EC5R	TF3T	TF3MH
5V7JA	KB9IJI	HF40MRD	SP8MRD	TI5/N3KS	M0URX
5Z4BU	EA5GL	HG1222BA	HA4KYB	TI5CDA	EA5GL
5Z4PA	M0URX	HG8DX	HA8FT	TM19AAW	F8DVD
6Y5HM	EA5GL	HK7AAG	EA5GL	TM20KFZ	F4FCE
7Z3FD	HZ1SAR	HZ1HZ	N7RO	TM2Y	F6BEE
8P9AN	CX3AN	HZ3FD	HZ1SAR	TM3ZZ	F4HIK
8Z3FD	HZ1SAR	IA0/IZ1KHY	I1URL	TM55M	F4ESV
9A0BB	9A3JB	II2IDT	I2YSB	TM5G	F8TRL
9A5ZTT	NX4TT	II8CAP	IC8ATA	TM5W	F4KLW
9K9NLD	EC6DX	IQ6JU	IK6QON	TU5PCT	OK6DJ
9V1ZV	EA5GL	J72IMS	EC6DX	UP0L	DL8KAC
A41NN	A61BK	JY4CI	K2AX	UP4L	UN7LZ
A60EXPO/2	EA7FTR	JY5MM	IK2DUW	UP7L	UN6LN
A60HF	EA7FTR	KL7SB	N4GNR	UR9IDX	EA5EL
A60HF/2	EA7FTR	KP2AD	OK1TN	V31DJ	W0CP

A91SD	EC6DX	KP3G	EB7DX	V31MA	M0OXO
AP2IN	IK2DUW	KP3V	EA5GL	V51WH	DK2WH
C4W	5B4WN	KP4JOC	RW6HS	VA2EBI	W1EBI
CE4SES	EA5KB	LC0X	LB3RE	VE2CSI	M0URX
CM2XN	EB7DX	LX5MF	LX1KQ	VP8ADR	M0OXO
CR3W	DL5AXX	LZ150GD	LZ1XM	VP8BTR	M0OXO
CT9ABP	OM3BH	LZ1GLASS	LZ1KAK	VP9HE	W2AF
DL0MFL	DL2JRM	LZ251MA	LZ1KCP	VY2ZM	EA7HBC
E730RS	E73E	LZ60KFZ	LZ1KFZ	XV9NPS	JA2NPS [b]
E7CW	E73ESP	MU5E	GU4YOX	XV9NPS	JA2ODB [d]
EL2EF	N2OO	OD5ET	EB7DX	YB0AZ	W4JS
EM1U	UT7UA	OD5KU	EB7DX	YB0JVZ	EB7DX
EP2ABS	RW6HS	OD5SK	IZ8CLM	YB1DNF	EB7DX
EP5CZD	RW6HS	OH0Z	W0MM	YE1AR/2	N2OO
EX0DX	HB9DUR	OL15SOTA	OK1CYC	YI1WWA	IK2DUW
EX2V	RW6HS	OL5GMA/p	OK3EQ	YJ8RN	NZ4DX
EY8MM	W0VTT	ON4BFS	ON4LDR	YR8D	YO8KRR
FK8GU	EA5GL	OX50HRH	OZ1ACB	Z21A	DJ6TF
FM1HN	W3HNK	OZ50HRH	OZ1ACB	Z22O	DJ6TF
FM5BH	W3HNK	P3AA	RW3RN	ZL1FOC	ZL3CW
FM5DN	KU9C	PA75DXCC	PA0ABM	ZP4KFX	IK2DUW
FR4PJ	EB7DX	PA75UBA	PA2TMS	ZP5DA	EB7DX
GM2V	N3SL	PF88ANT	PA0RDY	ZP6/N3BNA	KA2AEV

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