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**** DX INFORMATION ****
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4S - Peter, 4S7KKG (DC0KK) and Wolfgang, 4S7DRG (DK9DR) will visit the former Deutsche Welle relay station near Trincomalee on 2-9 March. "The station is now operated by the Sri Lanka Broadcasting Corporation (SLBC)", Peter says, and "we will have the unique opportunity to use the large shortwave antennas between 7 and 21 Mhz for amateur radio during transmission breaks". They will also have "a 104m high mast medium wave antenna for testing on the low bands". Plans are to focus on SSB and FT8.

8Q - Nobby, G0VJG will be active again as 8Q7CQ from the Maldives (AS-013) on 4-18 March. He will operate SSB and digital modes on 80-10 metres, including activity in the ARRL DX SSB Contest. QSL via M0OXO's OQRS.

CT9 - Klaus, DJ9KM and Georg, DD8ZX will be active holiday style as CT9/DJ9KM and CT9/DD8ZX from Madeira Island (AF-014) 5-12 March. They will operate mainly FT8 and RTTY. QSLs via LoTW.

DL - The DARC Team SES will activate special callsign DA22WARD from 1 March until 30 April in celebration of World Amateur Radio Day (18 April). QSL via the bureau, or direct to DL2VFR.

DL - Special callsigns DF90TJU, DK90TJU, DL90TJU, DM90TJU, DP90TJU, DQ90TJU and DR90TJU, plus HB90JU from Switzerland, will be activated from 1 March to 30 June for the 90th anniversary of the maiden flight (7 March 1932) of the Ju52/3m transport aircraft designed and manufactured by German aviation company Junkers. An award will be available, see https://90tju.de/ for information and the OQRS for bureau cards.

G - Special callsign GB80LAN (1-28 March), as well as VE80LAN (1-31 March) from Canada and VK80LAN (1-31 March) from Australia, will mark the 80th anniversary of the first operational sortie (2 March 1942) of the Avro Lancaster, the mainstay of the Royal Air Force Bomber Command that was flown by British, Canadian and Australian pilots during World War II. QSL via operators' instructions.

P4 - Tony, N2TK will be active as P40F from Aruba (SA-036) on 2-9 March, ARRL DX SSB Contest included. QSL via LoTW. [TNX DX World]

PJ2 - Andy, DK5ON will be active again as PJ2/DK5ON from Curacao (SA-099) on 1-17 March. He will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 160-6 metres, and will participate in the ARRL DX SSB Contest. QSL via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS, or via home call (direct or bureau).

PJ5 - Frank, K3TRM will be active as PJ5/K3TRM from Sint Eustatius (NA-145) on 6-12 March. He will be QRV on 40-10 metres SSB and digital modes (RTTY and FT8), and satellite. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW or via home call (direct or bureau).

PJ7 - Ed, N2HX will be active again as PJ7PL from Sint Maarten (NA-105) during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (5-6 March); for a few days before

and after the event he will be QRV holiday style typically on 30-10 metres SSB, RTTY, FT4 and FT8. QSL via N2HX. [TNX The Daily DX]

PY - Special callsign ZZ165IBI will be activated on 1-31 March for the 165th anniversary of the Brazilian city of Ibiuna. QSL via PU2SWB.

TL - 27 March-9 April are the dates for the Italian DX Team's operation from the Central African Republic [425DXN 1582]. Six operators (Tony I2PJA, Silvano I2YSB, Angelo IK2CKR, Stefano IK2HKT, Gino IK2RZP and Maurizio IV3ZXQ) will be active as TL8AA (CW, SSB and RTTY) and TL8ZZ (FT8) with four stations on 80-10 metres. QSL via I2YSB (OQRS for direct cards on http://win.i2ysb.com/logonline/). See http://www.i2ysb.com/idt/ for more information, band plan included. [TNX I2YSB]

V2 - Bud, AA3B will be active as V26K from Antigua (NA-100) on 3-10 March, including an entry in the ARRL DX SSB Contest. QSL via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS, or via AA3B (direct or bureau). [TNX NG3K]

V3 - Bob, W0BNC will be active as V31BN from Belize on 5-10 March. He will operate QRP on various bands SSB, CW and FT8, and "will be doing at least one POTA activation from the Altun Ha Archeological Reserve, one of the many Mayan ruins in the country". QSL via home call and eQSL.

VP5 - Dave, K0KQ will be active as VP5/K0KQ from Grand Turk Island (NA-003), Turks & Caicos on 7-21 March. He will operate FT8. QSL via LoTW, paper QSLs will not be available.

W - Bodo, DF8DX now expects to be active as KT3Q/4 [425DXN 1606] from Santa Rosa Island (NA-142) on 26-28 February, and from Key Biscayne (NA-141) on 2-4 March. QSL via Club Log's OQRS (preferred), LoTW, or via DF8DX.

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AFRICAN TOUR ---> Don, K6ZO has had to postpone his trip to Malawi [425DXN 1607], and is now expected to be active as 7Q6M on 2-15 March. He will then move to the Comoro Islands and be QRV as D60AB between 16 and 29 March, with a side trip to Mayotte (FH/K6ZO) on 18-23 March. QSLs direct to home call. [TNX The Daily DX]

IOTA HONOUR ROLL ---> The 2022 Honour Roll and Annual Listings have been posted on the IOTA website https://iota-world.org/: click on PERFORMANCE LISTINGS in the dropdown menu under PROGRAMME INFORMATION. They show the position as at 31 January 2022.
The Honour Roll lists the stations with a checked score equalling or exceeding 50% of the total of numbered IOTA groups, excluding those with provisional numbers, at the time of preparation. The Annual Listing lists the stations with a checked score of 100 or more IOTA groups but less than the qualifying threshold for entry into the Honour Roll.

IOTA rules limit inclusion in the listings to those participants who have updated their scores at least once in the preceding five years (i.e. since February 2017) and have opted to have their scores published.
"Covid-19 travel restrictions have resulted over the past year in a reduced number of DXpeditions", Roger, G3KMA and Cezar, VE3LYC observe. "The Honour Roll and Annual Listing with a total of 1558 entries show a decrease of 109 or 6.5% over the same listings in 2021. Some 241 record-holders now have scores of 1000 or more IOTA groups, a decrease of 6.6% on last year, and 570 or a decrease of 3.4% with scores of at least 750 groups, the number required for the IOTA Plaque of Excellence. Scores at the top continue to close with 67 record-holders breaking through the 1100 mark and 20 of them within 10 of the top score. Congratulations to leader 9A2AA on 1132 groups out of a possible 1136 that have seen activity, to I2YDX and I1JQJ who follow close behind and indeed to all who have joined the IOTA family or updated in the last year".

QSL VIA EA5GL ---> Pedro, EA5GL has picked up the QSLing for XF1F from Isla San Francisco (NA-124, October 2012), XF1P from Isla Partida (NA-124, November 2013), and XF1IM from Isla Magdalena (NA-078, November-December 2017). See https://www.qrz.com/db/EA5GL for instructions.

UKRAINE: AMATEUR RADIO SUSPENDED ---> Owing to the current military crisis, the Ukrainian government has first declared a state of emergency, and then introduced martial law starting on 24 February for a period of 30 days. Restrictions include the ban on the operation of amateur radio stations.

YOTA CONTEST 2022 ---> Organized by the IARU R1 Youth Working Group in cooperation with the Hungarian Amateur Radio Society (MRASZ), the aim of the YOTA Contest is to increase youngsters activity on the air, strengthen the reputation of the YOTA programme, and demonstrate support for youngsters across the world. The three sessions of this year's YOTA Contest will be held on 21 May (0800-1959 UTC), 23 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.

+ SILENT KEY + Steve Lund, K6UM passed away on 4 February "after an extended battle with cancer. An active and strong supporter of the NCDXF/IARU DX Beacon program, he served many years as an Appointed Position for the Northern California DX Foundation on the IARU Beacon Technical Support staff". [TNX W0GJ]

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******* QSL ROUTES *******
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CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER
3B9FR	M0OXO	HC1FIT	N9EAJ	PI4COM	PA1AW
3D2TS	M0OXO	HC2GRC	RC5A	PI4FL	PA3HEB

3G1B HA1AG HC3RJ EC5R PJ2/W9NJY WD9DZV
3V8SS LX1NO HF200IL SP8ZBX PJ4KY M0URX
3Z200IL SP8KJX HF80AK SP9CJM PJ4NG K4BAI
4J7FM DC9RI HG3N HA3LN PV2K EA5GL
4JT0SFR 4K4K HG3R HA3NU PX5P PU5IKE
4KT6MAR DC9RI HG5D HA8QZ PZ5G DJ4EL
4KT7Z DC9RI HG8R HA8JV PZ5GE DJ4EL
4S7KKG DC0KK HK1MW N2OO R80IAS RZ5D
4U1UN HB9BOU HP2DFA EC6DX S79KW N4GNR
4U9A 9A2AA HS0ZME SM6NT S79VU N4GNR
5W1SA JA1DXA HZ1KWT HZ1SAR SC7DX SM7GIB
5Z4VJ M0URX HZ1WRD HZ1SAR SD7M/1 DF9TM
7Q7CT JH1AJT II0OGB IT9YBL SD7W/1 DL2SWW
7S6WRD SK6SAQ II2S IZ2FOS SK3W SM5CCT
7T22ANT IK2DUW II2V IK2AQZ SK50EI SK6EI
7X2TT EA5GL II5ANT IZ5BTC SN150JS SP9PTA
7X3WPL 7X3DL IO4T IZ4JMA SN2B SP3CGK
8C9MGP HA3JB IO5O IK5RLP SN5X SP5GRM
8P1W KU9C IO7T IZ7ECL SN70ETI SP2AYC
8P9DH VE3XZT IR1ANT I1HYW SN7Q SP7GIQ
8Q7BB RX3APM IR2Q IK2PFL SO200IL SP8KBZ
8Q7WM OK2WM IR2R IZ2EWR SO55K SP5FKW
8Q7WX OK2WX IR4B IK4AUY SO9I SQ9ORQ
9A655AX 9A5AX J643DS EB7DX SP1PSPAK SP3POB
9A70FAB 9A3UJ J643SJ J69SJ SP60ANT SP3POB
9K2GR EA5GL J643Z J69Z SP80AK SP3POB
9K2OW EC6DX KH2L W3HNK SP8R SP8PCF
A25SL N4GNR KJ0D/KP2 EB7DX SU9VB UA4WHX
A43KWT A47RS KP2B EB7DX SV2RSG/A SV1RP
A60KWT/2 EA7FTR KP2DX EB7DX T45FM RW6HS
A60SFD/2 EA7FTR KP3RE EA5GL TF1AM TF3MH
A61QQ A61BK LN8W LA6YEA TF3XO EA5GL
A65DR N4GNR LO5D LU8EOT TG9ADM EA5GL
A71AE EC6DX LO7H EA7FTR TG9ADQ VE7BV
A71MM EC6DX LP1D EA7HBC TG9ANF VE7BV
A91KWT EC6DX LQ3D EA7FTR TG9AOR EC6DX
A96A EC6DX LT6M LU8MHL TI7W M0URX
AO5DMR EA5URV LT7D EA5GL TM1D F6OBD
AP2HA JA1WIO LU1DX EC6DX TM3Z F4DSK
AP2TN DJ9ZB LV1F LU4FTA TM4Q F4SGU
C31CT EA3QS LW5DR EA5GL TM6X F5VHY
C37AC EA3QS LW5HR EA5GL TM7Y F8BDQ
C37N C37URA LX7I LX2A TM9AP F6GYH
C4I 5B4AIE LZ19ANT LZ3SM TO4A VE3DZ
CE3CT EA5KB LZ5R LZ1YQ V31AT K5PI
CM2IU RW6HS MD2C MD0CCE V31DK K0ZV
CO6LE RW6HS MD7C M0OXO V31TP WC0W
CQ8EE OZ2I MW9W GW0KRL V31WK VE7KW
CR3DX OM2VL NP2AR EB7DX V3T WC0W
CR5O CT7AJL NP2J K8RF V55Y DK2WH
CR6T CT1ESV NP3X EB7DX VK6T EA7FTR
CV7S CX7SS NP4DX M0OXO VP2MDX W2APF
CX2UI IK2DUW NP4TX EB7DX VP5M K4QPL

CX5A	CX2ABC	NP4Z	N4AO	XE2B	EA5OL
CX7CO	EA5GL	OE19AAW	OE3DMA	XR3W	XQ4CW
D2EB	IZ3ETU	OE2S	OE2GEN	YB0AR	EB7DX
D44AO	DM4AO	OG4W	OH4AB	YB0ECT	W2FB
D44PM	IZ4DPV	OG95AA	OH8AA	YR0UCRR	YO5KDV
DA0BCC	DL2JRM	OK2D	OK2KJT	Z60A	OH2BH
DK0FWS	DH7AMF	OK5Z	OK2ZI	Z60ID	Z62FB
DL75HES	DL4CR	OL1C	OK1DOY	Z66BCC	DL2JRM
DP44WCA	DF6EX	OL50RK	OK2ZR	Z68XX	DL2JRM
EA8AH	OH1RY	OL7D	OK1TD	ZC4GR	EB7DX
ED3D	EA3RCB	OL7R	OK3RM	ZF1A	K7ZO
ED4T	EA4R	OL9Z	OK2PVF	ZF1EJ	K6AM
ED7W	EC7WR	OM5M	OM4CX	ZF2EZ	W5SJ
ED8L	EA8DHH	OX7AKT	OZ1ACB	ZF2LZ	EA5GL
EF7N	EA7KHB	OX7AM	OZ1ACB	ZF2MJ	N6MJ
EG485FIM	EA7URF	OZ50DDXG	OZ1ACB	ZF2WF	W9KKN
EH2VE	EA2RCF	P44W	N2MM	ZM1A	ZL3CW
EH3ANT	EA3EYO	PA22CC	PA2TMS	ZP6RAI	IK2DUW
EH5AAW	EA5N	PA44WFF	PA9CW	ZS1OPB	N4GNR
EP2HAM	M0OXO	PA50PKZ	PA2PKZ	ZS4JAN	EA5GL
FK8CE	N4GNR	PB22BP	PA3EFR	ZS6CCY	K3IRV
GW0A	GW4SKA	PI4AMF	PA3EYC	ZV8L	PT2OP
GW5R	GW3YDX	PI4CG	PD2GSP	ZY1F	EA7FTR

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