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**** DX INFORMATION ****
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9H - Br. John Cassar, OFMCap, 9H1CJ (ex 5Z4JC) is a Franciscan friar operating from the Capuchin friary in Floriana, Malta (EU-023). From 1 April to 30 June he will be active as 9H6CAP, a special callsign commemorating the 80th anniversary of the destruction of the historic friary and adjacent church during World War II (4-5 April 1942). QSL direct to home call.

9M2 - Alex, SQ9UM is active as 9M2/SQ9UM from from Kuala Lumpur, West Malaysia on 23-31 March. He operates CW, SSB and FT8/FT4 on 40-10m. QSL via home call and LoTW.

9N - Matjaz, S57MK will be active as 9N7MK on 2-23 April. He will be QRV for three or four days from Kathmandu, and then from other locations while trekking in the Mount Everest region of Nepal. He will run 10-15 watts mainly on 40, 20, 17 and 15 metres SSB, CW and digital modes. [TNX The Daily DX]

CP - Once again Antonio, EA5RM will be working on a non-governmental Organization's project in the Bolivian rainforest from 31 March to 22 April. In his spare time he will operate SSB, CW and FT8 as CP1XRM. QSL via home call. [TNX The Daily DX]

F - TM40AMRA is the special callsign for members of the Association Mosellane des RadioAmateurs to celebrate their club's 40th anniversary on 2-16 April. QSL via F8EFU.

G - The Medway Amateur Receiving and Transmitting Society will operate special callsign GB5MW on 3-30 April to celebrate the society's centenary year. QSL via eQSL.

I - Commemorating the 150th anniversary since the death of Samuel F.B. Morse (2 April 1872), ARI Vigevano will operate special callsign IR2SM from 26 March to 10 April. QSL via I2MYF, bureau or direct.

JA - JI3DST/5, JJ5RBH, JS6RRR/5 and JS6RRR/p (for FT8) will be active from Shodo Island (AS-200) between 25 March and 12 April. Look for activity on 80-2 metres CW, SSB and digital modes. See qrz.com for QSLling instructions. [TNX DX World]

JX - Rune, LA7QY and Helge, LB4MI will be stationed on Jan Mayen (EU-022, https://jan.mayen.no/) from late March to early October. They plan to be QRV as JX7QY and JX/LB4MI, respectively, in their spare time. [TNX DX World]

OH0 - Wies, SP1EG and others will be active as OH0EG from the Aland Islands (EU-002) on 1-9 April (160-10m CW, SSB and digital modes), and again on 22-29 April (80-15m FT4, FT8 and RTTY, with a focus on 30, 17 and 12m). QSL via SP1EG. [TNX The Daily DX]

PA - Special stations PA01MIL, PA02MIL, PA03MIL, PA04MIL, PA05MIL, PA06MIL, PA07MIL and PA08MIL from eight different locations will be activated on 1 April for 12 hours (7-19 UTC) by eight teams consisting of one amateur and two military radio operators. They will

use military equipment only and be QRV on the HF bands SSB and 6m FM. The main goals are to introduce the military to the world of amateur radio, and to train them in view of an operation from the Suriname jungle (PZ5JT). QSL direct to: 11 Luchtmobiele Brigade/ Radio-groep, PO Box 9208, 6800 HK Arnhem, The Netherlands.

PA - Peter, PD1EDS will be active as PD146EU from Schouwen Duiveland (EU-146) between 1 April and 30 October. He will operate SSB and FT8 on 40, 20 and 10 metres.

VE - Darrell, VY2OM and others will participate in this weekend's CQ WW WPX SSB Contest as XO2O from Prince Edward Island (NA-029). The special callsign has been issued in celebration of the 25th anniversary of the Confederation Bridge, Canada's longest bridge.

V7 - Jeff "JT", KD7ADI has been on Kwajalein (OC-028), Marshall Islands since early January [425DXN 1606], and will be stationed there until 23 April. He is QRV as V7/KD7ADI when work and other activities permit, but operating time is expected to increase during the last weeks of his stay. He uploads his log to LoTW and Club Log.

CQ WW WPX SSB CONTEST ---> The following stations have announced their participation in this year's event (26-27 March):

Call	Category	Country	QSL
3A/IK1TTD	SOAB	Monaco	IK1TTD
3Z6V	SOAB LP	Poland	LoTW/SP6DVP
8P1W	SOAB LP	Barbados	KU9C
9H/TA1HZ	SO LP	Malta	LoTW
9K2K	SO HP	Kuwait	LoTW/EC6DX
A44A	M/?	Oman	LoTW
CF2Z		Canada	LoTW
CR3DX	SOSB 15m	Madeira	OM2VL
D60AB	SO	Comoro Isls	K6ZO
ED8W	SOAB	Canary Isls	LoTW
GT0SP	M/S	Isle of Man	LoTW
HD1A	M/M	Ecuador	LoTW/HD1A
IH9YMC	SOSB	AF Italy	LoTW
KP2B	SOSB 10m HP	US Virgin Isls	EB7DX
LN2T	MO	Norway	LoTW/LA2T
LN8W	M/M	Norway	LoTW/LA6YEA
NH7T	M/M	Hawaii	KH6SH
OA7/DD5ZZ	SOAB	Peru	LoTW/DD5ZZ
PJ2T	M/M	Curacao	LoTW/W3HNK
PJ4R	SO	Bonaire	LoTW/WD9DZV
PJ5/SP9FIH	SOSB	St Eustatius	SP9FIH
T70A	M/?	San Marino	LoTW/T70A
TM0R	MO	France	LoTW
TM9C	SO	France	F5OHM
TO3Z		Guadeloupe	F6HMQ
TX5AQ	SO	Austral Isls	LoTW/SP7DQR
V47T	M/S	St. Kitts and Nevis	LoTW/W2RQ
VP5P		Turks & Caicos Isls	LoTW/N2OO
WP3C	SOAB	Puerto Rico	M0OXO
WX3B	M/M	USA	LoTW
XO2O	M/?	Canada	

YB2DX	SOAB	Indonesia	LoTW
ZB2BU	M/S LP	Gibraltar	ZB2BU
ZF2PG	SO	Cayman Isls	LoTW/K8PGJ
ZS2PE	M/D	South Africa	LoTW

Do not forget to give a look at the Announced Operations listing maintained by Bill, NG3K at https://www.ng3k.com/Misc/wpxs2022.html - good contest to you all!

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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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8D7DXP ---> This was a special callsign used on 19-23 March from six Regencies of the South Kalimantan province (Kalimantan Selatan). All locations were on the main island of Borneo (OC-088). Registered users can have their QSOs confirmed on https://ipota.dxportable.com/, the website for the Indonesian Parks On The Air.

CASS AWARDS ---> The Cass Awards honour the wisdom and spirit of Cass WA6AUD (SK), and encourage DXpeditions to maximize the number of DXers worked with a Plaque for the single-operator DXpedition that works the most unique callsigns within 2 weeks or less, and a Plaque for the "unlimited" DXpedition that works the most unique callsigns.
Janusz Wegrzyn, SP9FIH has won (for the fifth year in a row!) the 2021 Single-Operator Cass Award by working 9,684 unique stations during his one-man operation from Sint Maarten as PJ7P.
The 3DA0RU team (Vasily Pinchuk R7AL, Vasily Sukhanov RA1ZZ, Mike Alekseev RU3UR, Leo Berezhnoy RW9JZ, Slav Rodin OK8AU, Nick Tolkunov R5EC, Wlodek Herej SP6EQZ and Vladimir Vassiljev R9LR) worked 24,985 unique stations from Eswatini, setting a new record to win the 2021 Unlimited Cass Award (and after that, they went on to work 24,856 unique stations from Lesotho as 7P8RU).
Presented annually, the Cass Awards are issued in March for DXpeditions during the preceding year. See http://www.cassaward.com/ for complete information.

CEPT SUSPENSION OF RUSSIA AND BELARUS ---> Based on a request from a number of CEPT members, the European Conference of Postal and Telecommunications Administrations has suspended indefinitely the Russian Federation and Belarus from CEPT membership effective 18 March. Any future readmission would follow the usual rules established in the CEPT Arrangement, notably the need for a two-thirds majority of members of the CEPT to endorse such a decision.

CY9C: CANCELLED ---> The 12-21 August DXpedition to St. Paul Island [425DXN 1594] has been cancelled. The same team still hopes to be QRV as CY0C from Sable island in October [425DXN 1611]: https://cy0dxpedition.net/index.html.

RI0B: CANCELLED ---> The R150WS team made some 5600 QSOs from Rykachev Island (AS-104, 19-22 March) and is heading home. The RI0B operation from Isachenko (AS-050) has been cancelled, as "large hummocks" prevented the team from reaching the island.

UX5UO ---> "Gennady, UX5UO and his family fled Kiev several days after the conflict started", Charles, M0OXO reported on 22 March. "His family have made it across to Germany and at this time Gennady and his wife are in the Ukraine countryside. They are safe and well and in good spirits under the circumstances". As for the QSL Print service, "I don't know the situation exactly", Charles reported on 24 March, "but Gennady informs me that UX5UO QSL Print is back up and running a full service".

+ SILENT KEY + Klaus-Dieter Poels, DL7UXG (ex-DM4XIG, Y51SL and Y28XL) passed away on 21 March. Born in 1957 and first lincenced in 1974, he joined DARC's DX Department in 2011 and supplied IOTA news to the DX-Mitteilungsblatt (DX-Newsletter, DXNL) until he took over as DXNL editor in August 2014. He was responsible for 397 weekly issues, the last one was distributed on 16 March. In addition, Klaus-Dieter was active from several WWFF areas and IOTA groups in Germany, Norway, Sweden (SD3G), Finland, Denmark and Iceland: https://dl7uxg.funkzentrum.de/.

+ SILENT KEY + Yasuo "Zorro" Miyazawa, JH1AJT passed away on 23 March, after a long battle with cancer. He was 72. "Our ham radio world has lost another beaming light", says Champ Muangamphun (E21EIC), who joined Zorro on many DXpeditions. "The founder of SEISA Group and Foundation for Global Children (http://www.fgc.or.jp/english/), he was deeply involved in humanitarian projects in Cambodia, Bangladesh, Japan, Myanmar, Eritrea and Bhutan, and was also the main driving force behind many DXpeditions".
Zorro was inducted into both the CQ DX Hall of Fame (2015) and the CQ Amateur Radio Hall of Fame (2020); he was also the recipient of the Intrepid Spirit Award in 2016 (for his "outstanding efforts to activate rare and often difficult entities"), the YASME Excellence Award in 2018 ("for his extensive promotion of amateur radio in developing countries"), and the Dayton Hamvention Amateur of the Year Award in 2020.
In 2015 he established and endowed the International DX Association's "Hams with Hearts" fund, which specifically supports humanitarian projects carried out by DXpeditions (https://www.indexa.org/hamswithaheart.html).
Over the past thirty years or so, he operated from many DX spots, including Bangladesh (S21YX and S21YZ), Bhutan (A50BOC, A51A, A5A), Cambodia (XU1A), Eritrea (E30FB and E31A), Ethiopia (9E2A & ET3DX), Laos (XW1, XW1A, XW30A) and Myanmar (XZ1A, XZ1J, XZ1Z), among others. "We of the DX community are deeply indebted to him", INDEXA Director Ralph Fedor (K0IR), says. "He contributed generously to DXpeditions and encouraged and mentored operators. Without Zorro's support our log books and our memories would be less than they are".

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******* QSL ROUTES *******
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CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER
3B8CW	N4GNR	EJ8JB	EI8JB	LT7F	EA5KB
3DA0AQ	EA5GL	EP2LMA	EA5GL	LW3DG	EA7FTR
4L1BB	EA5GL	EP5CZD	RW6HS	LX5MF	LX1KQ
4L6DL	LZ1OT	EX0DX	HB9DUR	LZ144GO	LZ3GA
4M1W	EB7DX	EY8MM	W0VTT	OE6MBG	EB7DX
4Z5FW	RW6HS	FR5FC	EA7FTR	OG50YL	OH2YL
5B4AMX	LZ3SM	HC1MD/2	K8LJG	OH0JV	DL7RV
5R8AL	G3SWH	HC5F	HC5VF	OH0Z	W0MM
5Z4PA	M0URX	HC7AE/1	EA5GL	OH8SSAB	OH8DR
6Y5HM	EA5GL	HF21DKS	SP9CJM	OL15SOTA	OK1CYC
6Y5MS	EA5GL	HG1222BA	HA4KYB	PF01MAX	PC2F
7S5S	SM5CSS	HG8ARDF	HA8BE	PI4ZUT	PD0JMH
7Z1VD	EA5GL	HI3A	EB7DX	PJ4/KK9A	WD9DZV
8P2K	KU9C	HI3AA	EB7DX	PJ4K	KU9C
8P6DR	G3RWL	HI3K	EB7DX	PJ4RF	EA5GL
8Q7ZI	F8CZI	HI8DL	NK4Q	PJ5/SP9FIH	SP9FIH
9G1SD	AB0GC	HI8JSG	RW6HS	PJ5/SP9FOW	SP9FIH
9H6YI	G3VYI	HI8K	EB7DX	PJ5/SP9MQA	SP9MQA
9K2JJ	EA5GL	HI8MU	EA5ZD	R90BRZ	R9GM
9K2YD	EC6DX	HI8S	EA5GL	SN0RUN	SP5PPK
9K2YM	EA5KB	HK3JCL	DK8LRF	SN100PSK	SQ8JLU
9V1YC	W5UE	HL5KY	W3HNK	SP150JS	SP3POB
9V1ZV	EA5ZL	HP3AK	W4JS	SP21DKS	SP3POB
A41DX	M0OXO	HR5/F2JD	F6AJA	ST0HQ	ST2M
A41KJ	N4GNR	HS0ZJF	ON4AFU	TG9ADV	VE7BV
A61AS	YO3FRI	HS0ZOA	EB7DX	TG9AJR	M0URX
A61BG	EA7FTR	HZ1HZ	N7RO	TM0CR	F6FMT
A61FJ	LZ1YE	IF9A	IT9ATF	TM20KFZ	F4FCE
A61Q	EA7FTR	II0IDP	IM0SDX	TM24PVJ	F8GGZ
A61R	EC6DX	II0IDR	IZ0XZD	TM3ZZ	F4HIK
A71CT	EA7FTR	II0IGU	IW0BTN	TM55SNSM	F4GPB
A73A	M0OXO	II3ICZ	IQ3GA	TM5F	F5SDD
AM500TOR	EA7URF	II5IDK	IW5ELA	TM700CCAE	F6FMT
AP2IN	IK2DUW	II7ICE	IZ7LOW	UK8OK	EA7FTR
AP2MKS	EA5GL	II7ICT	IZ7AUH	UP0L	DL8KAC
AP2MS	EA5GL	II9ICF	IT9MRM	UP7L	UN6LN
BD9BI/0	M0OXO	II9IGA	IT9CKA	V31MA	M0OXO
CE2SV	N7RO	II9IGJ	IT9MRM	V51WH	DK2WH
CM6SQ	RW6HS	J20MR	EA5GL	VK80LAN	M0OXO
CN8LI	EA7FTR	J72IMS	EC6DX	VP5/AF3K	N2OO
CO2XN	EB7DX	J73ESL	EA5GL	VP5/W2TT	N2OO
CO8LY	CT1FMX	JG8NQJ/JD1	JA8CJY [d]	XV9K	DJ6TF
CT7AXB	EA5GL	JG8NQJ/JD1	JG8NQJ [b]	YJ8RN	NZ4DX
E730RS	E73E	JW7QIA	LA7GIA	YV4ZZ/5	EA5GL
EA8/IK1PMR	HB9FKK	JY5MM	IK2DUW	Z21ML	N4GNR
EA8/OG60BBM	EA4BQ	KC4AAA	K7MT	ZF2LC	W2SM
EH5VEF	EA5URV	KL7J	N3SL	ZL7DX	M0OXO
EH7FCM	EA7URM	KP4JOC	RW6HS	ZP6/N2GK	EA5GL

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