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**** DX INFORMATION ****
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3D2/R - The 3D2RRR DXpedition team has been active from Rotuma (OC-060) since 24 May, and plans to remain QRV until 5 June "depending on weather forecast for return voyage to Fiji". As of 27 May at 6 UTC the team had reached the 20,000 QSOs mark. QSL via Club Log's OQRS. See https://www.facebook.com/rebeldxgroup for updates.

9M2 - Special callsign 9M22DX will be activated from West Malaysia throughout June. A SOTA operation will be conducted from Bukit Perangin on 3-5 June. QSL direct to 9M2CDX; the log will be uploaded to Club Log on a daily basis.

9X - Harald, DF2WO will be active again as 9X2AW from Rwanda (KI48xe) on 1-22 June. Hoping to be QRV on all bands and satellite QO-100, he will operate FT8, CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via M0OXO's OQRS.

EA - Georgette ON6AK/EA5HZC, Jean ON5JV/EA5HZB and Paco ON6LP/EA5GVJ will be active as EH5SUB during the Museum Ships Weekend (4-5 June). Activity will take place from the "Delfin", a submarine formerly in service with the Spanish Navy, and now moored in Torrevieja. QSL via EA5GVJ. [TNX ON5JV]

EA8 - The Union de Radioaficionados de Las Palmas (EA8URL) will operate special callsign EG8CID on 27-30 May. Look for activity on 40, 20, 17, 15, 10, 6 and 2 metres SSB, CW and digital modes. QSL via LoTW and EA8URL. Celebrating the anniversary of the local autonomous Parliament's first session in 1983, the Canary Islands Day (Dia de Canarias) is observed annually on 30 May.

F - Mehdi, F5PFP will be active as F5PFP/p on 30 May-5 June from the five beaches (Sword, Juno, Gold, Utah and Omaha) where the Normandy landings took place on D-Day (6 June 1944). More information can be found on https://www.qrz.com/db/F5PFP.

FG - Reiner, DL2AAZ will be active holiday style as TO2AZ from Basse-Terre, Guadeloupe (NA-102) from 27 May to 10 June. He will operate CW and SSB on 40-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

G - Having acceded to the throne in 1952, Queen Elizabeth II is the first British monarch to celebrate a platinum jubilee. To mark this historic milestone, seven special event stations will be activated from the United Kingdom's Home Nations and Crown Dependencies on 1-28 June, particularly over the long Jubilee Bank Holiday weekend (2-5 June): GB70E (England), GB70M (Scotland), GB70W (Wales), GB70I (Northern Ireland), GB70J (Jersey), GB70U (Guernsey) and GB70D (Isle of Man). QSLs via M0OXO's OQRS and LoTW. More information about the GB70 special event project can be found on https://gb70.co.uk/.

G - Due to the postponement of the expedition to Rockall until June next year [425DXN 1618], five team members will conduct a "pre-expedition training" from Goose Rock (EU-005), an uninhabited rocky

islet off the coast of Newquay in Cornwall, on 6-9 June. Nobby, G0VJG will be testing his radio equipment and be QRV as G0VJG/p.

HA - The Hungarian Amateur Radio Society (MRASZ) will run special event station HA5SPORT on 27-28 May during this year's edition of the "Choose Your Sport" event in Budapest. QSL via the bureau. See https://www.qrz.com/db/HA5SPORT for the certificate.

HS - Special event station E2WRTC will be active from 1 June to 30 September, on 160-10 metres CW and SSB, to promote Thailand's participation in the World Radiosport Team Championship 2022 to be held in Bologna, Italy, in July 2023. QSL via LoTW and E21EIC (all QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau); logsearch and OQRS on Club Log. For the very first time Thailand has managed to qualify as a full team at WRTC: the Team Leader will be Champ C. Muangamphun (E21EIC), who has chosen Weerapat Mew Tangkleang (E29TGW) as his Team Mate.

I - Special callsign IR4DX will be in use between 1 June and 30 September for various activities, including participation in the International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend (20-21 August) from Goro Lighthouse. QSL via eQSL and LoTW.

I - Launched in 1904, the "Elettra" was a two-masted steam yacht that Guglielmo Marconi used as a floating laboratory for many experiments. Part of her keel stands in the grounds of Villa Griffone, at Pontecchio near Bologna, from where ARI Fidenza will be active as IY4ELE during the Museum Ships Weekend on 4-5 June. QSL via IQ4FE.

I - Francesco, IK6QON will be active holiday style as ID9/IK6QON from Lipari Island (EU-017) on 4-10 June. He will operate CW and SSB on 80-6 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

I - Italian DXpedition Team members I2PJA, I2YSB, IK2CKR and IK2HKT will be active as IF9IDT from Favignana Island (EU-054) on 10-16 June. They will operate SSB, CW, and FT8 (F/H mode) on 80-6 metres. QSL via I2YSB. See http://www.i2ysb.com/idt/ for more information, band plan and OQRS for direct cards included.

JD1_oga- Nobu, JA0JHQ (https://pandasan.jimdofree.com/) will be active again as JD1BOW from Chichijima (AS-031), Ogasawara from 27 May to 19 June. He will operate CW, SSB and some FT8 (especially on 6 and 2m) and will participate in the All Asian DX CW Contest (18-19 June). His plans also include some mobile SOTA activity as JA0JHQ/JD1 from Mount Chuo, Mount Mikazukiyama and/or Mount Chibusa. QSL via LoTW, via the bureau to JD1BOW, or direct to JA0JHQ.

JY - Stations from Jordan (e.g. JY76CI, JY76HX, JY76IB, JY76MM, JY76FA, JY76JB) are using the special prefix JY76 on 25-29 May in celebration of Independence Day and the Kingdom of Jordan's 76th anniversary (25 May 1946). QSL via operator's instructions.

OX - Bo, OZ1DJJ will be active again as OX3LX from Kangerlussuaq on the main island of Greenland (NA-018) on 27-30 May. He will be QRV in his spare time, typically around lunch time and after dinner (local time is UTC-2), also at night and in the morning hours during the weekends. He might also go to Simiutaq Island (NA-220) for a few days after mainland activity. QSL via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS, or direct to OZ0J. [TNX DX World]

OZ - Stefan, DL7AOS will be active holiday style as 5P5K from Romo Island (EU-125) on 4-18 June. He will operate mainly SSB and digital

modes on 80-6 metres. QSL via DL7AOS (direct or bureau), and LoTW. The phone QSOs will be posted to https://qsorder.hamradiomap.com/. [TNX NG3K]

PA - PA22ARDF is a Dutch special event station promoting Amateur Radio Direction Finding (aka radio-orienteering or fox-hunting). Look for activity from 26 May until 7 June. All QSOs will be confirmed via the bureau; direct cards should be requested via Club Log's OQRS.

SM - Lars, SM6CUK will be active holiday style as SA6G/7 from Ven Island (EU-137) on 6-12 June. He will operate CW and some SSB on 40-10m. QSL via SM6CUK and LoTW; logsearch on Club Log. [TNX The Daily DX]

SP - SN35FISTS is the special callsign for Adam, SQ9S to celebrate the 35th anniversary of the FISTS CW Club (International Morse Preservation Society, https://fists.co.uk/) from 24 May until 30 June. All QSOs will be confirmed via the bureau, LoTW and eQSL.

UA - Special callsigns R19UGRA, R19JHM, R19JIG, R19JKG, R19JMG, R19JNV, R19JRA and R19JSV will be active between 27 May and 10 June from the Khanty-Mansi Autonomous Okrug-Yugra (Tyumen Oblast) in support of the XIX International Environmental Action "To Save and Preserve". QSL via Club Log's OQRS.

VP9 - Yuri, VE3DZ will be active from Bermuda (NA-005) as VP9/VE3DZ on 23-26 May and 31 May-2 June. He will also be using the "support Ukraine" callsign VP9UKR on 27-30 May, including an entry in the CQ WW WPX CW Contest. He will operate mainly CW, with some FT8 and SSB. QSL both calls via VE3DZ.

YB - Look for YB9GV/p, YC9KNX/p and YD9GHS/p to be active from Mount Rinjani, the second highest volcano in Indonesia, on Lombok Island (OC-150) on 3-5 June. They will be QRV on 40 and 15 metres mainly SSB, possibly with some FT8, RTTY and CW. QSL direct to HA3JB (OQRS on https://www.ha3jb.com/oqrs.html).

YB - The new dates for the IOTA operation from Pulau Sapuka Besar (OC-247) [425DXN 1620] are 25-29 June. Plans are for YB8HZ, YB8DKL, YC8AQY, YC8BNZ and YC8ES to be QRV on the HF bands and 6 metres. [TNX JN6RZM]

CQ WW WPX CW CONTEST ---> The following stations have announced their participation in this year's event (28-29 May):

Call	Category	Country	QSL
3V8SS	SOAB	Tunisia	LoTW/LX1NO
4L8A	SOSB 15m	Georgia	LoTW/M0OXO
4T4T	SOSB	Peru	OA4DX
7A2A	M/S	Indonesia	LoTW
9K2K	SO HP	Kuwait	LoTW/EC6DX
CG2Z		Canada	LoTW
D4Z	M/S	Cape Verde	LoTW/IK2NCJ
KP2B	SOAB	US Virgin Isls	EB7DX
NH7T	M/M	Hawaii	NH7T
OZ5W	M/2	Denmark	LoTW
P44W	SOAB	Aruba	LoTW/N2MM
PJ2T	M/?	Curacao	LoTW/W3HNK
TM9C	SO	France	F5OHM
TO3F	SO	Martinique	ON4RU
V48A	SOAB HP	St Kitts & Nevis	LoTW/WX4G

VP5M	M/S LP	Turks & Caicos Isls	LoTW/K4QPL
VP9UKR	SOAB	Bermuda	VE3DZ
WP3C	SOAB	Puerto Rico	LoTW/M0OXO
XK1AAA		Canada	LoTW
XR2K	SOSB 10m	Chile	LoTW/CE2ML
Z66BCC	M/?	Kosovo	DL2JRM
ZF2SS	SO	Cayman Isls	LoTW
ZL3X	M/S	New Zealand	LoTW

Do not forget to give a look at the Announced Operations listing maintained by Bill, NG3K at https://www.ng3k.com/Misc/wpxc2022.html - good contest to you all!

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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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CQ AMATEUR RADIO HALL OF FAME ---> The CQ Amateur Radio Hall of Fame was established in January 2001 to recognize individuals - radio amateurs or not - who significantly affected the course of Amateur Radio, as well as radio amateurs who have made significant contributions either to amateur radio, to their professional careers or to some other aspect of life on our planet. The 2022 inductees are:

* Franklin P. Antonio, N6NKF (SK), co-founder of Qualcomm, whose chips underlie much of our modern technology. Antonio was particularly involved in the company's satellite work and was a philanthropist as well, donating $30 million to the University of California at San Diego as seed money for a new engineering building.
* Wolf Harranth, OE1WHC/OE3WHC (SK), journalist and broadcaster on Radio Austria International; founder of Austria's radio documentary archive (DokuFunk), now the world's largest archive on the history of radio, including the YASME/Colvin collection; literary translator and 2017 recipient of the IARU Region 1 Roy Stevens memorial award for his work on DokuFunk.
* Les Kramer, WA3SGZ, inventor of lower-limb prosthetic devices used by some 3000 people worldwide, including two survivors of the Boston Marathon bombing; as well as multiple other inventions in the fields of electric power generation, IED detection, optical coatings for industrial processes and more.
* Roy Lewallan, W7EL, author of EZNEC antenna modeling software that has become the standard platform for designing and modifying amateur radio antennas.
* Peter Marks, AB3XC, physician and head of the U.S. Food and Drug Administration's "Operation Warp Speed" program to combat COVID-19. Dr. Marks leads the team at FDA that reviewed and approved all of the available vaccines for COVID-19 as well as all intravenous therapeutics such as convalescent plasma, monoclonal antibodies and diagnostic testing.
* Bob Ringwald, K6YBV (SK), well-known blind jazz musician in Sacramento;

co-founder of the Sacramento Jazz Festival; known locally as "the emperor of jazz" and, last but not least, father of actress and singer Molly Ringwald.
* R. Scott Wright, K0MD, physician and leader of Mayo Clinic team developing the use of convalescent plasma as one of the first treatments for Covid-19; DXer, contester, former editor of the National Contest Journal.

CQ CONTEST HALL OF FAME ---> Established in 1986, the CQ Contest Hall of Fame honours those amateurs who have made major contributions to the art of radio contesting. The 2022 inductees are:
* David Pascoe, KM3T, a highly-accomplished multi-op and single-op contester with many championships and record scores to his credit, who is also responsible for much of the "back room" infrastructure behind the administration of many major contests. He is the infrastructure and IT security "departments" for all of the contests supported by the World Wide Radio Operators Foundation (WWROF), including all CQ contests, several ARRL contests and others. He also maintains the e-mail lists on the Contesting.com system, including CQ-Contest, 3830 and more. He is also a pioneer in live contest audio streaming, and is a volunteer pilot for two organizations that provide free medical-related air travel.
* Craig Thompson, K9CT, a world-class contester and promoter of youth in contesting. He developed the North American Collegiate Championship (NACC) program, in which college amateur radio clubs compete against each other in the context of the larger competition of the North American QSO Party. Craig also worked closely with Tim Duffy, K3LR, to develop a version of the Contest University (CTU) program specifically designed to integrate with each year's W9DXCC Convention. He is also involved in several amateur radio organizations, serving as treasurer of CWops, a board member of the Northern California DX Foundation (NCDXF), past president of the Society of Midwest Contesters and is currently chairman of the ARRL Contest Advisory Committee.

CQ WW DX Contest Director and former CQ Contesting Editor John Dorr, K1AR, presented Hall of Fame plaques at an induction ceremony held at the annual Dayton Contest Dinner on 21 May.

CQ DX HALL OF FAME ---> Established in 1967, the CQ DX Hall of Fame honours those amateurs who have made major contributions to DXing and DXpeditioning. There will be no inductees for 2022, as the judging committee determined that none of the nominees met the high standard required for selection.

MUSEUM SHIPS WEEKEND ---> Sponsored by the Battleship New Jersey Amateur Radio Station (NJ2BB), this year's Museum Ships Weekend will be held from 00.00 UTC on 4 June until 23.59 UTC on the 5th. Information on the event, including the listing of expected participating ships, can be found at https://www.nj2bb.org/museum/.

QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE AWARDS ---> The RSGB is offering a short-term operating awards series for QSOs made between 1 and 30 June with (a) UK stations using the Q regional identifier, (b) stations using the /70 suffix, (c) stations in the British Commonwealth of Nations, (d) the seven GB70 stations: https://rsgb.org/main/activity/hm-queen-elizabeth-platinum-jubilee/award-70/

QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE SPECIAL PREFIXES ---> Amateur radio operators in

the United Kingdom may use special prefixes throughout June to celebrate the 70th anniversary of Queen Elizabeth II's accession to the throne.
The Regional Secondary Locator, i.e. the second letter in the existing call-sign (D, I, J, M, U and W, plus E for Intermediate licences) may be replaced by the letter 'Q'; where no RSL exists, the letter 'Q' may be added. It means that

G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW prefix callsigns will all use GQ
M, MD, MI, MJ, MM, MU, MW prefix callsigns will all use MQ
2D, 2E, 2G, 2I, 2J, 2M, 2U, 2W prefix callsigns will all use 2Q

Club Log will map all the GQ/MQ/2Q callsigns to England, unless a callsign exception exists for the station.
The British regulator has also agreed that stations wishing to retain their usual Regional Secondary Locator to identify their DXCC Entity may use the suffix /70. It is also permitted to use the /70 suffix with the GQ/MQ/2Q prefix if desired.
In addition, stations from Gibraltar (ZB) are authorised to use the ZQ prefix, in the same period.

SWODXA DX ACHIEVEMENT AWARD ---> "In addition to acknowledging exemplary DXpeditions, the Southwest Ohio DX Association recognizes individuals or groups who have advanced the art of and made a significant impact on DXing. The 2022 SWODXA DX Achievement Award goes to Dr. Joseph H. Taylor Jr., K1JT, for creating digital communication modes that have totally revolutionized DXing. The WSJT-X digital modes have changed how we do digital DXing, literally overnight.
These new digital modes provide weak signal decoding capabilities not only on HF, but also terrestrial, meteor scatter and moonbounce on the V/UHF bands. HF Bands are open at times that traditional wisdom said were not capable of long-distance communication, especially at the bottom of the sunspot cycle. And, FT8 has helped level the playing field for 'little pistol' DXers. Plus, the WSPR tool delivers propagation insights that will benefit DXers for a long time to come".

+ SILENT KEY + Kurt "Conny" Schips, DL1DA passed away on 21 May, two weeks after his 95th birthday. A pioneer of amateur radio in Germany, he was first licensed as DE7213, and then as D3KNN in 1942. Through a creative means of pressuring the legislative authority to pass the law, Conny was one of initiators of the German amateur radio regulations after World War II. In January 1949 he took part in the fabled "Brick Action" (Backsteinaktion), when hundreds of German amateurs mailed a genuine brick to the authority "to provide a good foundation for the law". As a result, the new Amateur Radio Act (Amateurfunkgesetz) came into force a couple of months later. As early as 1954 he was awarded DARC's Golden Badge of Honour in recognition of his services to amateur radio in Germany. Conny was also very active on the bands; he operated from over 100 countries and was on the DXCC Honor Roll with 338/367 (current/total) Entities confirmed in the Mixed standings.

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3DA0RU, 3DA0VV, 4S6NCH, 4U1UN, 6W1TG, 7P8RU, 8Q7DX, 9J2RD, A60XPO, BY1CRA/WO22, CP1XRM, FJ/KP4DO, FO/SP5EAQ (OC-050), FR4OM, FR4OO, HS0ZNV, JT5DX, OH0Z, P29LL, PJ5/SP9FIH, SV5AZP, T77C, TO6S (NA-114), TT8SN, TZ1CE, TZ4AM, UK8LA, V31XX, V3X, VP2V/N2IEN,

VR2CC, VR2XYL, XV1X, ZD7BG, ZD7MY.

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