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**** DX INFORMATION ****

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3A - All ARM members are allowed to use the special callsign 3A70ARM during October to celebrate the 70th anniversary of the formation of the Association des Radioamateurs de Monaco. [TNX The Daily DX]

4O - Members of Radio Club OK1OMG will be active as 4O1OK/p from various locations in Montenegro from 29 September to 8 October. They will be QRV on 40, 30, 20, 15 and 10 metres SSB and CW, possibly with some FT8. QSL via Club Log's OQRS (preferred), or via OK1VEI. See https://amaterskeradio.cz/call4o1ok/ for more information.

5X - Anders, SM0HPL is active again as 5X7W from Uganda until 27 October. He operates QRP with "weak but hopefully readable signals. Patience is needed on both sides!". QSL via M0OXO's OQRS; QSOs will be uploaded also to Club Log, LoTW and eQSL.

F - Once again the Radio Club de Nice will be active as TM8AB to commemorate the anniversary of the first transatlantic amateur two-way contact between Leon Deloy, F8AB and Fred Schnell, 1MO (28 November 1923). Look for activity on 80-10 metres SSB, CW, FT8 and SSTV during the weekends between 28 October and 10 December. QSL via F4KJQ.

HR - Yuri, VE3DZ will be active as HQ9A from Roatan Island (NA-057), Honduras on 19-31 October, including an entry in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest. Outside the contest he will operate CW, SSB and FT8 on the HF bands. QSL via home call; plans are to upload the log to LoTW and Club Log. [TNX DX World]

I - Luca, IK5AEQ will be active on 40-6 metres as IF9/IK5AEQ from the Egadi Islands (EU-054) on 5-10 October. His main QTH will be on Favignana, with possible one day side trips to Levanzo and Marettimo. QSL via home call (direct or bureau), LoTW and Club Log.

I - Markus, DJ4EL will be active as ID9/DJ4EL from Filicudi Island (EU-017) on 9-14 October, with side trips to Alicudi (11 October), Salina (12 October) and Vulcano (13 October) in the same IOTA group. QSL via Club Log's OQRS. Check https://twitter.com/rapanuiman for updates.

JA - Look for JE1HXZ/6 to be active from Kohama, Yaeyama Islands (AS-024) on 5-13 October. He will operate CW, SSB, RTTY, FT8 and FT4 on the HF bands and 6 metres. QSL via LoTW. [TNX DX World]

JW - Look for JW7XK (QSL via LA7XK and LoTW), JW9DL (QSL via LA9DL and LoTW) and JW6VM (QSL via LA6VM) to be active from the Svalbard Amatorradioklubb in Longyearbyen (EU-026) on 11-16 October. They will participate in the Scandinavian Activity Contest as JW5X (QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW, eQSL, or via LA5X). Outside the contest JW6VM will operate mainly CW, JW7XK will be on satellites, while JW9DL will operate SSB and FT8.

ON - The ONZ Oostkust Radioclub (ON6HC) will be active on all bands and modes as OR79CLM between 13 October and 12 November, with main operations taking place on 3-5 November. The special callsign's

suffix stands for Canadian Liberation March, the annual event that celebrates the liberation of the Belgian town of Knokke on 1 November 1944. QSL via the bureau. A certificate will be available: https://www.onz.be/or79clm-award-request/.

SV - Frank, PH2M will be active holiday style as SV8/PH2M from Santorini Island (EU-067) on 13-20 October. He will operate FT8 on 80-10m. QSL via LoTW, or via home call; he will also use Club Log.

V6 - Cezar, VE3LYC has bought the plane tickets and updated the schedule for his upcoming operation from Micronesia [425DXN 1690]. He now plans to be active as V62P from Pulap Atoll (OC-155) on 1-7 November, and as V62S from Satawal Atoll (OC-299) on 9-16 November. Dates might change due to weather conditions and/or unforeseen circumstances, check https://v6iota.weebly.com/ regularly for updates.

V7 - Lisa, KJ6GHN will be stationed on Kwajalein (OC-028), Marshall Islands for the next 3 to 4 years while she is on a permanent work assignment there. She will operate mainly SSB as V73ML in her spare time, mostly on Sundays and Mondays. QSL direct to Lisa M. Marks, PSC 701 Box 958, APO AP 96555, USA; she will also upload his log to LoTW and Club Log.

VK9C - JA1COU, JA3GEP, JH6RTO and JI1LET will be active as VK9QO from the Cocos (Keeling) Islands (OC-003) on 3-7 November. Main activity will be via satellite (QO-100, IO-117, RS-44), but they will also be QRV on 80-6 metres CW, SSB, RTTY and FT8/FT4. QSL via JI1LET (HF QSOs) and JA3GEP (satellite QSOs).

W - Special event stations N0F, N1F, N2F, N3F, N4F, N5F, N6F, N7F, N8F and N9F, plus KF2IRE and VA3FIRE (Canada) will be active on 8-14 October for the Fire Prevention Week 2022. QSL cards for any of the FPW stations should be sent direct to Fire Prevention Week Special Event, c/o Siemens Fire Safety USA, 2 Gatehall Drive, Parsippany NJ 07054, USA, See https://hamfire.com/ for more information on the event.

YJ - Chris, VK2YUS will be active again as YJ0CA from Port Vila (OC-035) Vanuatu from 22 October to 5 November, including an entry in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest. He will operate SSB on 40-10 metres, mainly between 21 UTC and 10 UTC. QSL direct to home call. [TNX NG3K]

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Access to the main functions of www.425dxn.org is provided by the 425DXN App for Android. It is available on Google Play - free of charge, no ads. Enjoy!

IOTA NEWS ---> The logs for the IOTA Contest 2023 island stations have now been added to the IOTA database and are available for QSO matching. Record-holders who have made IOTA contacts in an IOTA contest after 2003, can claim credit for them without submitting QSLs, provided that the contact details match. Go to https://iota-world.org/, log in, select "Add Contest QSOs" under the "My IOTA" tab, and choose either "Upload Contest Log" or "Manual QSO Entry". The 2023 RSGB IOTA Contest complete results are available on

https://www.rsgbcc.org/cgi-bin/hfresults.pl?Contest=IOTA%20Contest&year=2023

W8S: PLANS ---> The team flew to Pago Pago, American Samoa on 28 September. They will stay there for a few days to buy the latest supplies, do a final check of all the equipment, configure the laptops and radios, and - if they have time - be QRV as KH8/homecall for a few hours. They expect to reach Swains Island on 4 October and spend the remaining daylight hours setting up as many antennas as possible in both camps. They hope to be QRV that same night, but everything depends on local conditions.
When the operation is running, logs will be sent daily to M0OXO, who will also update Club Log. Charles will take care of the QSL management for the DXpedition, see https://swains2020.lldxt.eu/qsl-policy/ for the details.

W8S: PROPAGATION ---> Jari, OH6BG of VOACAP fame has made up a default DX propagation chart for the DXpedition to Swains Island. The timeframe in October as well as the antennas and power that will be used on the island are set by default, so you only have to put your grid square and antenna situation in the designated boxes and the chart will show you the best bands and times to make it into our log. The direct link to access the prediction chart is https://www.voacap.com/dx/swains/.
In addition, Danny, KD5W has published a short video on how to read the VOACAP charts: https://swains2020.lldxt.eu/propagation/.

ZD9W ---> Yuris, YL2GM left Cape Town on 15 September. The voyage was delayed by two storms; the vessel reached Tristan da Cunha on 27 September but was unable to land passengers until 29 September at 8.30 UTC.

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3D2RRR, 3X1A, 5A1AL, 5K0YD, 5X2I, 9Q1AA, 9Q1ZZ, BA3KY, CE7VP, CY0S, DX0NE, E51CIK, E51WEG, FK8HA, FP/KV1J, FR4OO, HZ1TT, JW8EKA, KH8RRC, OX7AKT, OY1CT, PE55TEX, PJ5/PE6Q, PJ7AA, PR6T (SA-080), PT6D (SA-023), T88AQ, T88SM, V26DX, VP6A, VU2GSM, XF2C (NA-135), XF3H (NA-045), XF3M (NA-045), XF3O (NA-090), YI3MUT, ZD7BG, ZS9V (AF-064).

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