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**** DX INFORMATION ****
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CE0Y - Ben DL6FBL, Win DK9IP and Lutz DM6EE will be active from Easter Island (SA-001) from 18 April to 6 May. They had requested CD0Y, but, "due to some local incompatibilities in Chile, we probably have to change our callsign", they say. Updates will be posted to https://www.qrz.com/db/CD0Y. They will operate SSB, FT8 and CW on 160-6 metres. On FT8 they will be using MSHV software ("stay above 1000 Hz when calling/working us"). QSL via Club Log's OQRS (preferred), or via DJ4MX. Plans are to enable Club Log's Live Stream feature.

HB9 - Celebrating the 150th anniversary of the birth of Guglielmo Marconi, members of the USKA's Valais/Wallis Section will be active as HB150GM between April and December. QSL via the bureau to HB9Y.

HR - John, AD8J has been active holiday style as HR9/AD8J from Roatan Island (NA-057) since 6 April, and he will remain there until 28 April. He operates CW, FT4, FT8 and maybe SSB on 80-6 metres. QSL via LoTW, or direct to home call. [TNX The Daily DX]

I - Celebrating the 150th anniversary of the birth of Guglielmo Marconi, members of ARI Montegrappa (IQ3RP) will be active as II3GM from 15 April to 15 May. QSL via operator's instructions.

I - Celebrating the 150th anniversary of the birth of Guglielmo Marconi, special station II5OX will be active on 20 April (7-15 UTC) from the Ximenian Observatory in Florence. A radiotelegraphic station, which was visited by Marconi, was set up at the observatory as early as 1912. QSL via IW5DPF, direct or bureau.

I - Claudio, IU6RVC and Marcello, IW6PLZ will be active as IL7/IU6RVC and IL7/IW6PLZ from San Domino Island (EU-050) on 19-21 April. QSLs direct to IU6RVC.

JW - Kaare, LA8EKA will be active as JW8EKA from the Svalbard Amatorradioklubb in Longyearbyen (EU-026) on 18-21 April. He will operate SSB and digital modes (FT8, PSK31, RTTY) on 80-10m. QSL direct to home call.

KH0 - Look for KH0/JA6REX, KH0/W6HZH home call JH6HZH) and WH0B (home call JA6VQA) to be active from Saipan (OC-086), Mariana Islands on 25-30 April. They will operate FT8/FT4 with some CW and SSB on 160-6 metres. Cards for KH0/W6HZH and KH0/JA6REX will not be available, but they will upload their logs to LoTW, Club Log and eQSL; QSL WH0B via LoTW, eQSL or direct to JA6VQA. [TNX JA6VQA]

KH9 - Tom, NL7RR will be back to Wake Island (OC-053) from 15 April to 15 May. Look for KH9/NL7RR to be QRV daily at about 7 UTC on or around 14200 kHz. QSL via LoTW, or direct to home call; QSOs will also be uploaded to Club Log. [TNX The Daily DX]

OJ0 - Bjorn LA1UW, Tor LA3WAA, Kristoffer LB0VG, and Stian LB5SH will be active from Market Reef (EU-053) from 27 April to 4 May. OJ0T will

be their main callsign, but they will also use OJ0/LA1UW, OJ0/LA3WAA, OJ0/LB0VG and OJ0/LB5SH from time to time. They will Operate SSB, CW and FT8 on 160-6 metres with up to four stations. QSLs via EA5GL and LoTW. See https://oj0.no/ for more information.

ON - OT2024EPIC is the special callsign for the Antwerp Port Contest Club (ON8APC) to promote the seventh edition of the Antwerp Port Epic cycling race. Look for activity between 19 April and 19 May (the actual day the race will be held on).

OZ - Dieter, DF2SD will be active as OV9R from Fano Island (EU-125) on 13-14 April for the IG-RY WW RTTY Contest. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, Club Log's OQRS. See https://www.ig-ry.de/ig-ry-ww-contest for the rules

OZ - A team of seven Belgian operators (ON1BN, ON4AWT, ON6EF, ON6VJ, ON7TA, ON7VM and ON9DJ) will be active as 5P5LI from Lolland Island (EU-029) from 29 April to 6 May. They will operate SSB, CW and digital modes on 160-6 metres. QSL via ON6EF, direct or bureau.

TT8 - Six operators of the Italian DXpedition Team (Franco I1FQH, Alfeo I1HJT, Tony I2PJA, Silvano I2YSB, Angelo IK2CKR and Stefano IK2HKT) will be active as TT8RR (SSB, CW and RTTY), TT8XX (FT8) and TT8TT (callsign for QSOs via QO-100) from Chad on 17-30 April. They will run four stations on 80-6 metres, plus one station dedicated to satellite. Operations will start on FT8 (F/H at first, and normal mode on standard frequencies when the pileup decreases), other modes will follow. The hottest period of the year approaches (temperatures expected to reach 43 degrees Celsius in the shade) and the team has already taken measures by procuring an additional backup power generator, as the on-site generator will not be able to run 24/7. QSL via I2YSB. See http://www.i2ysb.com/idt/ for more information, band plan and OQRS for direct cards included.

V6 - Kevin, N4DVR will be active as V6DVR from Chuuk (OC-011), Micronesia on 12-20 April. He will operate SSB on 20-10 metres. QSL via LoTW, eQSL and QRZ. [TNX The Daily DX]

VE - Radio Amateurs of Canada is once again holding a "Get on the Air on World Amateur Radio Day" special event in which it encourages as many amateurs as possible to contact as many RAC stations as possible. Operating across Canada from 00.00 UTC to 23.59 UTC on 18 April, the RAC official stations will be VA2RAC, VA3RAC, VE1RAC, VE4RAC, VE5RAC, VE6RAC, VE7RAC, VE8RAC, VE9RAC, VO1RAC, VO2RAC, VY0RAC, VY1RAC and VY2RAC. QSL via LoTW or via the bureau. Those contacting one or more RAC stations, on any band and mode, will be eligible for a certificate: https://www.rac.ca/certificates/.

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3Y0K: BOUVET ISLAND 2025 ---> "Donations have been temporarily suspended. Unfortunately, the financial risk for the small team is too high and we will

spend the next few weeks in April to assess the situation and decide what to do. We will explore all possible options and will return with more information once we have reached a conclusion. We will not collect donations in this period".

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 during a 2-week interval, and a Plaque for the "unlimited" DXPedition that works the most unique callsigns during a 4-week interval, with no limit on the number of operators of the activity.
Dmitry "Dima" Zhikharev, RA9USU has won the 2023 Single-Operator Cass Award by working 13,784 unique callsigns (a new record) during his 7O73T operation from Socotra Island in Yemen.
The 9X5RU team (Slav Rodin OK8AU, Nick Tolkunov R5EC, Vasily Pinchuk R7AL, Mike Alekseev RU3UR, Leo Berezhnoy RW9JZ and Victor Filimonov UA3QLC) worked 40,959 unique callsigns from Rwanda, setting a new record to win the 2023 Unlimited Cass Award.
Sponsored by Club Log, the Northern California DX Club and DXLab, the Cass Awards are presented annually and issued in March for DXpeditions during the preceding year. See http://www.cassaward.com/ for complete information.

CQ DX MARATHON ---> The CQ DX Marathon is a year-long DX hunt, with participants competing to see who can work the greatest number of countries ("entities") and CQ zones during the calendar year. Complete results of the 2023 edition are on https://dxmarathon.com/results/2023/.

N5J: JARVIS ISLAND 2024 ---> "It is 84 days to our departure for Jarvis Island from American Samoa", AA7JV posted to the DXpedition's website on 7 April. "We are busy building and testing equipment. In addition to the RIBs, a lot of our gear is built by us, specifically designed for remote operation where reliability is key.
We have finalized the station configuration. We will have six stations on the island. Four of the stations are set up to be remotely operated and two will be locally operated, although we do have the flexibility to operate any station locally (from the boat) or remotely via Starlink and the Internet".
Website: https://jarvisisland2024.com/
Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/groups/1359664908071770/

NCDXF NEWSLETTER ---> The Spring 2024 issue of the Northern California DX Foundation's Newsletter is now available for download on the NCDXF website: http://www.ncdxf.org/pages/newsletter.html. Highlights include
* "Clipperton Island, TX5S" by Gene Spinelli, K5GS
* "Trindade and Martim Vaz Islands, PR0T" by Stephano Silva, PT2IC
* "DXpedition to 7O2WX Socotra Island, Yemen 2024" by Vladimir Zencak, OK2WX
* "W8S. An International DXpedition to Swains Island" by
  Adrian Ciuperca, KO8SCA
* "Tristan da Cunha, ZD9W" by Yuris Petersons, YL2GM
* "Marquesas Islands, TX7L" by Didier Cadot, F6BCW, and John Trummer, F5VHQ

WORLD AMATEUR RADIO DAY 2024 ---> Every 18 April, radio amateurs worldwide take to the airwaves in celebration of World Amateur Radio Day. It was on this day in 1925 that the International Amateur Radio Union was formed in

Paris. IARU has announced that the theme for this year's World Amateur Radio Day will be "A Century of Connections: Celebrating 100 years of Amateur Radio Innovation, Community, and Advocacy". Announced special callsigns participating in WARD 2024 include stations from Bahrain (A91WARD), Belgium (OP24WARD and OR24WARD), Croatia (9A24WARD), Cuba (T47R), Czech Republic (OL1WARD), Denmark (5P0WARD), France (TM99WARD), Germany (DA24WARD), Greece (SZ0WARD), Morocco (CN99HR), Netherlands (PA24WARD), Poland (3Z0WARD), Spain (EG5DMR, EG5WRD and EG7DMR), Switzerland (HB9WARD), Turkey (TC3WRD), UAE (A60WARD).

WORLDWIDE HOLYLAND DX CONTEST (WWHC) ---> The traditional Holyland Contest has become the Worldwide Holyland DX Contest since 2023. Any station anywhere can work any other station for points; contacts with 4X/4Z stations will attract more points. The contest will take place on 19-20 April, from 21.00 UTC on Friday until 20.59 UTC on Saturday (24 hours). See https://iarc.org/iarc/#HolylandContest for the rules and the results of last year's event. [TNX 4Z4KX]

WRTC 2026: TENT SPONSORSHIP PROGRAMME ---> Details have been announced of the opportunity to sponsor a tent at WRTC 2026 in the UK: "we have 50 teams and therefore 50 tents are available. Of the 50 total tents, 42 of these are by QA (Qualification Area), 4 for Youth, 1 for the returning Champions, 2 Sponsored and 1 Wildcard". Tent Sponsorship applications will be open at 00:00Z on 27 April. See https://www.wrtc2026.org/.

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3B9AT, 3C3CA, 3V8SS, 3W3B, 4J3DJ, 4O/DL2JRM, 4S7AB, 4W6RU, 4W8X, 5K1CB, 5X7O, 6Y1A, 7O2WX, 7O73T, 7P8AO, 7Q7JN, 7Z1VD, 9J2BS, 9K2NO, A71/ON5UR, BH4SCF, C6AWA, C91CCY, E20AX/p (AS-126), E2A, E6AM, EA9ACD, EA9KB, FG4KH, FY5KE, HH2AA, HI6M, HK3C, HZ1HZ, J52EC, KH9/N7NVK, LU5FF, NP3X, NP4TX, PJ4DX, PJ4K, PY0FR, S01WS, SU1SK, T2C, T77C, T77LA, UP0L, V51WW, VP8KCA, VU7A, VU7W, VY0/VE1RUS (NA-008), XF3RAM (NA-135), XV9T, XW4DX, YJ0CA, ZD9W, ZF2OO.

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