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**** DX INFORMATION ****
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- 5B - Special callsign 5B50CARS and 5B100IARU celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Cyprus Amateur Radio Society (<https://www.cyhams.org>) and the centenary of the International Amateur Radio Union, respectively. Look for activity on 15 April (the official registration date of CARS), 18 April (World Amateur Radio Day), and 25-26 April (100th anniversary of IARU and 75th anniversary of IARU Region 1). QSOs will be uploaded to QRZ.com and Club Log. Four certificates will be available for contacts made with any of the special call-signs; see their relevant QRZ.com pages for more information.
- A2 - Luke, ZS6LUK will be active as A25LUK while visiting Botswana between 6 and 30 April. He will operate SSB and digital modes (FT8 and JS8Call) on 40, 30, 20 and 10 metres. QSOs will be uploaded to QRZ Logbook. [TNX The Daily DX]
- I - Markus, DJ4EL will be active holiday style as IF9/DJ4EL from the Egadi Islands (EU-054) on 13-23 April. He will operate SSB on 40-10 metres from SOTA and POTA sites on the islands of Favignana, Levanzo and Marettimo. QSL via home call, Club Log's OQRS and LoTW. Updates will be posted to <https://bsky.app/profile/dj4el.bsky.social>.
- JA - Moto, JA1GZV will be active again as JS6UKY/6 from the Okinawa Islands (AS-017) on 6-12 April. He will operate CW on 40-15 metres. QSL via JS6UKY (bureau), eQSL, or direct to JA1GZV. [TNX DX World]
- T8 - Nobu, JA0JHQ will be active again as T88PB from Koror (OC-009), Palau on 11-13 April, with main activity during the CW leg of the Japan International DX Contest (from 7 UTC on 12 April to 13 UTC on 13 April, <http://jidx.org/>). QSL via LoTW (preferred), or direct to JA0JHQ.
- TA - HA8LLH and Y050ED are active holiday style as TC0/HA8LLH (QSL via home call), TC0/Y050ED (QSL via home call) and TC0G (QSL via HA8LLH) from Gokceada (EU-186) until 10 April. QSOs are uploaded to Club Log.
- ZA - Giovanni, IZ2DPX and Angelo, IZ1CTE will be active as ZA/IZ2DPX and ZA/IZ1CTE, respectively, from Saranda, Albania, on 8-13 April. They will be QRV on the HF bands and 6 metres. QSL via home calls, LoTW and Club Log's OQRS.
- ZD7 - Paul, GW0NGA will be active holiday style as ZD7PG from St. Helena (AF-022) on 12-19 April. "I'm not active on eQSL.cc or LoTW", he says, "but I do like real cards".

IARU 100 --- > More special event stations/callsigns from IARU societies celebrating the 100th anniversary of the International Amateur Radio Union include:

- * 3A100A by the Association des Radioamateurs de Monaco (ARM). QRV from 15 April to 30 June.

- * 9K100IARU by the Kuwait Amateur Radio Society (KARS).
- * HB100IARU by the Union Schweizerischer Kurzwellen-Amateure (USKA). QRV on 1-30 April. QSL via LoTW. A certificate will be available, see <https://www.grz.com/db/HB100IARU> for information.
- * LZ100IARU by the Bulgarian Federation of Radioamateurs (BFRA). QRV on 1-30 April. QSL via the bureau. A certificate will be available, see <https://www.grz.com/db/LZ100IARU> for information.
- * OH100IARU by the Finnish Amateur Radio League (SRAL) on 1-30 April. QSL via the bureau or direct to OH3JR; QSO are uploaded to LoTW and Club Log.
- * OM100IARU by the Slovak Amateur Radio Association (SZR). QRV on 1-30 April. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, Club Log's OQRS, or via OM2FY.
- * YL100IARU by the Latvian Amateur Radio League (LRAL). QRV on 1-30 April. QSL via LoTW and <https://qsl.services/>; paper cards will not be issued.
- * YO100IARU, YP100IARU, YQ100IARU and YR100IARU by the Romanian Amateur Radio Federation (FRR) QRV on 1-30 April. A series of commemorative certificates is available for download on <https://hamlog.online>.

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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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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 2024 edition are on <https://dxmarathon.com/results/2024/>.

PZ5IP ---> After an initial setback due to tidal conditions, operations from Papegaaen Island commenced at around 19.30 UTC on 1 April, "with PY8WW handling a massive pile-up on 21 MHz SSB, Rico [PZ5JW] operating on 18 MHz SSB, and Klaus [DL8TG] running FT8 on 28 MHz. However, at 10 PM, a powerful storm hit us with strong winds and heavy waves. We had to scramble to protect our equipment and laptops, while also securing our tents from being blown away. For safety reasons, we decided to pause operations. The night continued with relentless rain and strong winds.

By the morning of April 2nd, the rain had eased, and the sun appeared, allowing us to rebuild our station. The day proceeded with good weather and favorable openings toward Europe and North America. During the greyline period, we logged many stations from Asia and the South Pacific. However, our relief was short-lived. The weather suddenly deteriorated again, bringing strong winds, torrential rain, and high waves due to the coinciding high tide. Another dreadful night followed as we struggled against the harsh conditions.

On the morning of April 3rd, we woke up to heavy rain. Given the forecast predicting two more days of severe weather, our team convened and decided to end the expedition for our safety. We logged a total of 2,000 QSOs - a lower number than we had hoped for, considering that many IOTA chasers needed SA-092. However, we left knowing we had done our best. The expedition

provided us with valuable experience for future operations. Unfortunately, the weather forecast had deceived us, initially predicting good conditions throughout our stay. The rapid and unexpected weather changes proved to be our greatest challenge". [Source: <https://paradxgroup.wordpress.com>]

SV1GA DXCC PROCESS ---> "We apologize for the long delay of the accreditation process of our recent SV1GA/A Mt. Athos operation. Unfortunately, this process will still encounter some further delays but we would like to state the following.

It should be noted that it has been more than 35 years since an outside group was able to transmit from Mt. Athos. The paperwork we presented is in a way unique and as such ARRL is probably looking into it diligently to ensure compliance.

Quite recently, Monk Iakovos, SV2RSG was suffering similar pains, during the ARRL process of getting his activation approved for DXCC. Although with a long delay, ultimately everything was settled. SV1GA is now in a similar process.

To speed up the process, the SV1GA team has approached a former and seasoned ARRL DXCC expert and approached legal advice to help the ARRL DXCC Desk build a complete picture of this somewhat challenging situation.

It is known to us that the ARRL accreditation represents climbing a larger mountain than the mountain itself, for a DXpedition to a rare location, such as Mt. Athos.

The late Roger Wester, G3SXW used to say that 'the country is rare for a reason'! We think that his saying fits well with the Mt. Athos situation today.

With kindest regards,

Adrian Ciuperca, K08SCA and Martti Laine, OH2BH"

SWODXA DX DINNER ---> The 40th DX Dinner, sponsored again by the SouthWest Ohio DX Association (SWODXA) and held in conjunction with the 2025 Dayton Hamvention, will be on Friday, 16 May at the Marriott at the University of Dayton. Hal Turley, W8HC, a veteran of many DXpeditions, will be the keynote speaker. The "DXpedition of the Year" and the inductees into the CQ DX Hall of Fame will be announced during the event: see <https://swodxaevents.org> for the tickets and the list of DX Dinner prizes. [TNX AJ8B]

+ SILENT KEY + Vladimir V. Shishko, 4K9W (ex UD6DKW) passed away on 3 April. "Being an invalid, after the loss of his mother, Vlad needs to arrange a continued care by his own to keep having a more or less normal life and to enjoy our great hobby on air", Axel, DL6KVA wrote back in late 2008. He organised a fundraising campaign (<https://4k9w.blogspot.com>) that involved the amateur radio community around the world to provide Vlad with a 24/7 caregiver.

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***** QSL ROUTES *****
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CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER
3B9DJ	OK6DJ	HA100B	HA2NA	OY10F	M0URX
4I2I	VE3GJP	HA100C	HA2NA	P40L	WA3FRP
4L50	N3SL	HA100E	HA2NA	PA40MARAC	PA3CNI
4X7R	4X60M	HA100I	HA2NA	PH25EASTER	PC1K
5Z4A	M0URX	HA100IARU	HA2NA	PI35COM	PA1AW
6Y1A	6Y5PW	HA100L	HA2NA	PI4DX	PD1DX
7Q5MLV	M0URX	HA100N	HA2NA	PJ2T	KU9C
8A100IARU	N200	HA100O	HA2NA	PJ4DX	M0URX
8P5A	HA1AG	HA100R	HA2NA	PT5J	PP5JR
8Q7EF	IK2DUW	HA100T	HA2NA	PV2K	EA5GL
9A73A	9A2RD	HA100Y	HA2NA	PZ5IP	PY8WW
9G5AF	EA5GL	HC2GRC	LY5CA	PZ5TG	DL8TG
A2NEW	EA7FTR	HC8M	M00X0	S01000PBH	SP3PDO
A42K	M00X0	HD8CW	M00X0	S04R	SP4CUF
A60WAAD/21	EA7FTR	HG100IARU	HA2NA	SP1000PBH	SP3PDO
A60WAAD/5	EA7FTR	HG7T	HA7TM	SU9VB	UA4WHX
AM1000MM	EA3URC	HH2AA	EB7DX	SX5P	ON4P0
AN14RDLF	EA5K	HK3C	M0URX	TC0G	HA8LLH
AY7J	EA7FTR	II2AUT	IK2WAD	TI1I	EC6DX
AY9W	LU9WT	II2S	IZ2F0S	TI1K	EA5GL
AZ1D	EC6DX	II3MIRS	IQ3MV	TI1T	EA7FTR
B4S	BA4EG	II4GHPR	IQ4FE	TI7W	M0URX
C21TS	M00X0	II8K	IZ8EPX	TI8/N7ZG	EA5GL
C37N	C37URA	I00A	IK0XBX	T01P	SP9FIH
CN3A	IK20HG	J45P0	ON4P0	T01Q	F1ULQ
CQ7X	CT1ILT	JA1YVT/JD1	7L3KJV	TY5FR	DL1BUG
CR3DX	OM2VL	KP2M	NZ4DX	UN3J	RW6HS
CX100IARU	CX1AA	KP3J	EB7DX	UN9L	LZ1YE
CX1T	IK2DUW	LP1H	EA5GL	UP0L	DL8KAC
D450ICV	IK2NCJ	LY0UKR	LY7M	V26K	AA3B
D4DX	E73Y	LY2025A	LY5A	V31MA	M00X0
D68Z	IK2WAD	LY425KS	LY2NZ	V55Y	DK2WH
DA0BCC	DL2JRM	LZ372SG	LZ1KCP	VC7A	VE7LFN
DL100DM	DL8FA	MJ0PLX	M0PLX	VC7BC	VE7BC
E2A	E21EIC	OE2S	OE2GEN	VE2CSI	M0URX
E2M	E21LLR	OF60AP	OH2AP	VK4A	M00X0
EP4HR	IZ2RZQ	OH100IARU	OH3JR	VL4A	VK4BLE
ER100IARU	ER1FF	OK5Z	OK2ZI	VL4R	VK4ZD
EX9A	EX7CQ	OL5G	OK7GU	VP5E	EB7DX
FK8HA	K3IRV	OL730PLZ	OK1DRQ	VP6MR	DM5MR
FM4TI	EA5GL	OM100IARU	OM2FY	VP6RD	DK7RD
GB0IARU	M00X0	OM25ISS	OM8ATE	WP2Z	KU9C
H44MS	DL2GAC	OM7M	OM4MM	WP3C	M00X0
HA100A	HA2NA	OX3LX	OZ0J	ZF2CI	KI4SP0

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