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**** DX INFORMATION ****
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4X - The Holy Land DX Group will be active as 4X8MG at the UNESCO World Heritage site of Tel Megiddo on 30-31 May. Look for activity on 40-10 metres "all modes". QSL via 4Z5FI. [TNX The Daily DX]

A9 - A91GCC is the special callsign for the Bahrain Amateur Radio Society to celebrate the 44th anniversary of the Gulf Cooperation Council on 19-25 May. QSL via EC6DX; QSOs will be uploaded to Club Log and LoTW. Established on 25 May 1981, GCC is a regional intergovernmental political and economic union that consists of Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates.

C9 - In July, members of the Russian DXpedition Team will attempt to operate from two IOTA groups in Mozambique. They are unable to make any promises at this time as the project is quite challenging and risky, and its success will depend on a number of variables, including road conditions and the availability of local assistance. The approximate schedule is as follows:

5-11 July C94RRC Inhacamba Island (AF-103)
13-19 July C93RRC Chiloane Island (AF-098)

Hopefully, they will be able to run at least two high-power stations 24/7 on 40-6 metres CW, SSB and FT8. QSLs via Club Log's OQRS. See https://dxpedition.wixsite.com/mozambique2025 for more information.

For the record, AF-098 was only activated once (C93DY, July-August 2005), whereas AF-103 was activated twice (C94KF, August 2006, and C91VB/4, December 2006).

CE - Cezar VE3LYC, Felipe XQ7IR, and Johan PA3EXX will attempt to operate as 3G1P from the Islotes Pajaros (SA-100, new one for IOTA) between 18 and 23 August. Depending on the available space, they intend to operate 2 or 3 stations, as much as possible around the clock, on 40-10 metres. They will prioritize CW and SSB, but they will also be active on FT8 (F/H). QSL via Club Log's OQRS (direct or bureau), or direct to VE3LYC.

"One of these two rocks has a round shape with a diameter of just under 60 m, while the second one is oval in shape, about 60 by 30m. Both rocks are very rugged, and landing can only be attempted by swimming to them and pacing against the waves. They also have very steep slopes, and host colonies of sea lions and cormorants. This is a daring project, involving a number of hazards and risks , and the team hopes that island chasers and DXers at large will support their effort": see https://3g1psa-100.weebly.com/ for more information.

CE0X - Felipe, XQ7IR is planning a "DX activity" from San Ambrosio Island (SA-013) sometime "between October-November 2025". Plans are for two stations - one operated locally (SSB and FT8) and one operated

remotely (CW and FT8) - to be active as 3G0XQ on 160-10 metres. This DXCC Entity (San Felix & San Ambrosio) is the #3 Most Wanted, and has been silent since the XR0X DXpedition in 2002. Bookmark https://www.sanambrosio-project.com for updates.

DU - Ed, 4F1OZ will be active as DX0WPS from Lubang Island (OC-126) on 27-31 May. QSL via home call.

F - Commemorating the 85th anniversary of Operation Dynamo, the Radio Club Jean Bart of Dunkerque (F6KMB) is active as TM85DYN from 17 to 31 May. QSL via eQSL only. Operation Dynamo was the epic evacuation of more than 338,000 Allied soldiers from the beaches and harbour of Dunkerque between 26 May and 4 June 1940.

F - Members of the F4KIS radio club will be active as TM41GM from 27 May to 10 June. The suffix stands for "greve des mineurs", the strike of 100,000 miners of Nord-Pas-de-Calais in 1941 which was one of the earliest acts of collective resistance to Nazi occupation in France. Electronic QSLs will be available for download on https://log-et-qsl.associations-radioamateurs.org/wp/boutique/

FJ - Otis, NP4G will be active as FJ/NP4G from St. Barthelemy (NA-146) from 27 May to 2 June. QSL via LoTW only.

HI - HI99RCD is the special callsign for Radio Club Dominicano (HI8RCD, officially founded on 12 June 1926) to celebrate its 99th anniversary from 31 May to 15 June. QSOs will be confirmed by email and via QRZ Logbook.

HS - HS30DXA is a special callsign commemorating the 30th anniversary of the Thailand DX Association (E28AC and E2X). Look for activity between 23 May and 21 June, on all HF bands and the 2m band, including the amateur radio satellites. QSL via HS6MYW.

I - IK8VRH and IW8BVN will be active from Ventotene Island (EU-045) from 30 May to 2 June. They will operate SSB and digital as IB0DX on 40-10 metres, and as IR0DX on 6 metres. QSLs via IK8VRH; QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW and Club Log.

OJ0 - Diego, IZ0EWJ will be active as OJ0L from Market Reef (EU-053) from 31 May to 7 June (https://www.qsohunter.net/en/Rules/358). He will operate SSB and digital modes on the HF bands and 6 metres. QSL via I8KHC and LoTW.

OY - Bruce K3BAB, Carol K5TFL/G6TFL, John K4LT, Bill W2WCM, Krish W4VKU, Mike W9MK and Jim WB2REM will be active from the Faroe Islands (EU-018) on 1-10 June, including participation in the ARRL Digital Contest (7-8 June, https://www.arrl.org/arrl-digital-contest). Callsigns to be used are OY6FRA, OY/W9MK, OY/K4LT and OY6A (for the contest). Look for activity on 160-6 metres SSB, CW and FT8. QSL all callsigns (OY6A and OY6FRA for this operation only) via Club Log's OQRS or direct to WB2REM; full upload to LoTW 6 months after the expedition. Bureau cards will not be available.
See https://faroeis.com/ for more information

SM - Look for SM3/DG2RON, SM3/DH0JAE, SM3/DL2VFR, SM3/DL4BBH, and SM3/DL4SVA to be QRV from Enskar Island (EU-176) on 25-30 May. Activity will be on all HF bands SSB, CW and FT8 using two stations with dipoles and verticals. QSL via home calls, Club Log and LoTW.
Before and after the IOTA operation, DL4BBH and DL2VFR will try and operate SSB and CW from some Swedish Flora & Fauna (SMFF) areas in SM6 and SM4. [TNX DL2VFR]

UA - Commemorating the 120th anniversary since the birth of Mikhail A.

Sholokhov (the 1965 Nobel Prize in Literature), special callsigns R120MS and UE40MS will be active on 21-25 May during the 40th edition of the Sholokhov Spring Festival. A certificate will be available on https://hamlog.online/club/mdxc. QSLs via RQ7L.

VE - To celebrate the 65th anniversary of the Dobson Trail, Canada's longest volunteer-maintained trail, special event station VC9DT will be active throughout June. It will be operated by VE9ACC and friends from various locations along the 60-kilometre trail, including several WWFF (World Wide Flora & Fauna) sites. Operators will be QRV on multiple bands on SSB and FT8/FT4. QSL via VE9CF. See https://www.qrz.com/db/VC9DT for award information and further details. [TNX VE9CF]

VP0_sg - Amateur Radio DXpeditions (ARD) has announced plans for a DXpedition to South Georgia Island, set to take place in March 2027 under the callsign VP0SG. "After extensive negotiations and ongoing permitting discussions with the Government of South Georgia & the South Sandwich Islands (GSGSSI), ARD is optimistic about securing authorization for an onshore operation". ARD is currently seeking sponsorship and support from key organizations in the amateur radio community: see https://www.ardxpeditions.com/dxpeditions/vp0sg.

ZC4 - Martin, MW0BRO will be active again as ZC4GW from Dhekelia, UK Sovereign Base Areas on Cyprus from 28 May to 9 June. He will operate CW, some SSB and "definitely no digi modes" on 40-6 metres. QSL via M0URX's OQRS.

CARIBBEAN TRIP ---> Rick, W4IO will be active holiday style as V4/W4IO from St. Kitts (NA-104) between 29 May and 7 June. During a side trip to Sint Eustatius (NA-145), on 31 May-1 June, he will be QRV as PJ5/W4IO. He will operate mainly FT8 on 40-6 metres. QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW, QRZ Logbook, Club Log, and eQSL. [TNX The Daily DX]

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CONTEST HALL OF FAME ---> The Contest Hall of Fame was established by CQ Magazine in September 1986 to recognize those amateurs who have made major contributions to the art of radio competition. Today, the Contest Hall of Fame (https://contesthof.com/) is managed by the World Wide Radio Operators Foundation. This year's inductees, announced on 17 May during the annual Contest Dinner held in conjunction with the Dayton Hamvention, are Ulrich "Uli" Weiss (DJ2YA), Pat Barkey (N9RV), and John Laney (K4BAI).

CQ DX HALL OF FAME ---> Established in 1967, and now under the stewardship of the International DX Association (https://indexa.org/), this prestigious award honours those amateurs who have made exemplary contributions to DXing and DXpeditioning, including both on-air and off-air activities and accom-

plishments. This year's inductees, announced on 16 May during the annual SWODXA DX Dinner, are Robert Kasca, S53R and Nodir Tursen-Zade, EY8MM.

DXPEDITION OF THE YEAR ---> Presented annually at the DX Dinner by the Southwest Ohio DX Association, the DXpedition of the Year Award recognizes excellence in DXpedition planning and execution from Most Wanted entities. This year's award has gone to N5J, the August 2024 DXpedition to Jarvis Island.

DXPEDITIONER OF THE YEAR AWARD ---> The Southwest Ohio DX Association's DXpeditioner of the Year award honours those who have gone above and beyond the norm to positively affect the DX community. This year's award has gone to Marek Lamachou, FH4VVK (F4VVJ), who single-handedly made over 61,000 QSOs during his FT4GL operation from Glorioso (May-June 2024).

MAKE DX HAPPEN ---> To encourage the activation of a Top 20 Entity listed on the Club Log DXCC Most Wanted List, the Northern California DX Foundation (NCDXF) is offering a cash incentive for DXpeditions taking place on or after July 1, 2025, that meet the following conditions:

1. Get permission and a license to operate from a Top 20 DXCC entity according to the Club Log DXCC Most Wanted List on the date the DXpedition operation begins. (NOTE: Bouvet, Peter 1, and St. Peter and Paul Rocks are excluded as previously announced in 2025).
2. Securing permission to operate and a license for the DXpedition operation must not violate any law or regulation. (For example: no bribes or payoffs are used to secure either the license or permission to operate).
3. The ARRL's DXCC Desk must approve the DXpedition for DXCC credit.
4. The DXpedition must have qualified for funding by NCDXF. (NOTE: this award is above and beyond any NCDXF funding for the DXpedition.)
5. The DXpedition must log over 50,000 QSOs.
6. Within 90 days of the completion of a DXpedition to an entity described above, an application for the award must be submitted to the NCDXF with all required documentation.

The application form for this award will be posted on the NCDXF website (https://www.ncdxf.org).
The NCDXF Board of Directors will decide on making an award at its next meeting after receiving the application and all required documentation.
All applications submitted will be maintained in confidence by the NCDXF Board.
Only one award will be made per DXCC entity.
No Officer, Director, or advisor of NCDXF shall be eligible to receive any benefit from this award.
This program may be terminated at the discretion of the NCDXF Board.
[TNX Craig Thompson, K9CT, on behalf of the NCDXF board]

NEXT GENERATION DXING PROGRAM ---> The ARRL has published an 8-video series about the Next Generation of DXing. The seminar was held on 11 April during the 76th International DX Convention. A group of panelists with deep knowledge of the current state of the art in the DXpedition world covered everything - from financing and planning of a DXpedition to getting permits, arranging logistics, planning out equipment, managing both remote and local operators, dealing with problems, and much more. The latest technology being used in DXpeditions was explained in detail. The content is available on the

ARRLHQ YouTube channel: https://www.youtube.com/@ARRLHQ/playlists.

YASME EXCELLENCE AWARD ---> Established in 2008 by the Yasme Foundation (https://www.yasme.org/), the Excellence Award is presented to individuals and groups who, through their own service, creativity, effort and dedication have made a significant contribution to amateur radio. The contribution may be in recognition of technical, operating or organizational achievement, as all three are necessary for amateur radio to grow and prosper. The latest recipients, announced on 19 May, are Tomek "Tom" Ciepielowski (SP5CCC), George Cutsogeorge (W2VJN), Eric Nichols (KL7AJ), and John Portune (W6NBC). [TNX K4ZW]

YASME FOUNDATION GRANT ---> The Yasme Foundation has announced that it has made a supporting grant to establish a Reverse Beacon Network (RBN) node on Tristan da Cunha, hosted by Andy Repetto (ZD9BV). The Yasme Foundation is a not-for-profit corporation organized to support scientific and educational projects related to amateur radio, including DXing and the introduction and promotion of amateur radio in developing countries. [TNX K4ZW]

YS3PY & HR4/PY8WW ---> Renato, PY8WW has posted the reports of his recent operations from IOTA groups NA-190 (YS3PY) and NA-060 (HR4/PY8WW) to the Para' DX Group's website: https://paradxgroup.wordpress.com.

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3B8/YU9DX, 4K3M, 5X4E, 6Y7EI, 7Q2MM, 7Q5BM, 7Q6M, 7Q6UJ, 8A146TI, 9J2FI, 9K100IARU, 9L5A, A25AO, A62A, A71YY, BI4VIP, C21MM, C5T, D2ACE, E51ANQ, E51JD, EU3A, FJ/SP9FIH, FP/F4HEC, HK0A, HL100IARU, HR5/F2JD, IG9/S58MU, IP4X, J62K, J75K, KL7SB, KP3V, MP7DX, OX/DO2YX, PA/DL1WH (EU-038), RI42SP, S01WS, S79KW, S9Z, T77LA, TI1RRC/p (NA-117), TO1P (NA-146), TR8CA, TU/TA2YGT, TX7N (NA-027), TY5FR, V51WH, V85NPV, VI100SIG, VK6APK, VK9CU, VK9XU, WP2Z, YI1RN, Z22AO, ZD7BG.

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