
9A - Frane/9A5V, Fredi/9A5KV, Matko/9A3VM and possibly Tom/9A2AA plan to operate from the following Croatian islands between 22 and 25 June: Missjak (EU-136, CI-066 for the Islands Of Croatia Award), Pag (IOCA CI-082), Veliki i Mali Sikavac (EU-136, IOCA CI-136), Vir (IOCA CI-141) and Zecevo (EU-136, IOCA CI-147). Please note that, according to the newly published IOTA Directory 2000, the islands of Pag and Vir will count for the new *** currently unnumbered *** "Dalmatia North" group. QSL via home calls. [TNX 9A3ZG]

9M2 - Keith, 9M2/GM4YXI now plans to operate (on 10, 12, 15 and 20 metres SSB and CW) from Tioman Island (AS-046) between 17 or 18 and 25 June. QSL via GM4YXI (Keith Kerr, East Loanhead, Auchnagatt, Ellon, Aberdeenshire AB41 8YH, Scotland). [TNX The Daily DX]

EA - EA-DX reports that the EA1GA/p operation from Isla de Noro (EU-077, DIE 0-053), originally scheduled on 8-9 July [425DXN 473], will now take place on 16-18 June, DIE Contest included. QSL via EA1GA. The web page is at http://www.geocities.com/ea1ga_es [TNX EA5OL]

I - Special event station II1ARI will be active (on all bands, 6 metres included) on 17-18 June during the annual amateur radio meeting at Superga (Torino). QSL via I1JQJ (contacts will be confirmed automatically through the bureau).

I - IZ2DPX will be active (on HF and 6 metres) as IA5/IZ2DPX from Capraia Island (EU-028, IIA LI-020) between 18 and 24 June. He also plans to operate from the lighthouse at Punta del Ferraione (WAIL TO-004). QSL via home call. [TNX Crazy DX Group]

I - Giuseppe, IZ4CCO will be signing ID9/IZ4CCO (on 10-80 metres) from the island of Vulcano (EU-017, IIA ME-018) on 19-29 June. [TNX Crazy DX Group]

I - Mediterraneo DX Team members IZ8CCW, IZ8BGY and possibly IZ8BRI plan to operate from Cirella Island (EU-144, IIA CS-001) on 25 June. QSL via IZ8CCW (P.O. Box 360, 87100 Cosenza - CS, Italy). [TNX IZ8CCW]
ISO - Look for Mario, IS0LYN/IM0 to operate from Stella Maris (EU-024, IIA SS-127) during the weekend.

JA - Zen, JA7DLE will be active (on 10, 15, 20, 40 and 80 metres, CW only) as JP6JKK and JA7YCE/6 from Amami Island (AS-023) between now and 24 June. He will participate in the All Asia CW Contest (17-18 June). QSL preferably through the JARL bureau or direct to JP6JKK (Akira Sano, 5-12 Takamatsu Hanamaki-city, Iwate 025-0014, Japan) or JA7YCE (Morioka Club, 3-34-14 Mitake Morioka-city, Iwate 020-0122, Japan). [TNX JG7LQU]

JA - Look for JI3EQW/JR6, JA3MCA/JR6 and JA0KNM/JR6 to operate (on 20-6 metres SSB and CW) from Taketomi-jima (AS-024) between 12 UTC on 23 June and 23 UTC on the 25th. QSL via home calls. [TNX JA1ELY]

KH0 - Look for JA6AGA and JA6CNL to be signing KH0/AF4IN and KH0N respectively from the Northern Marianas (OC-086) between 16 and 20 June. They plan to operate on all bands mostly CW. QSL via home calls or to the Northern Kyushu DX Club (P.O. Box 11, Yawata, 805-8691 Japan). [TNX The Daily DX]

KH5 - Mike, KH6ND is now active from Palmyra Atoll as KH6ND/KH5. He has replaced Dave, WB4JTT, who has returned to Hawaii. Mike will be active until approximately 21 June, mostly on CW, and will be looking for Europe. QSL to K4TSJ. [TNX NI6T & N4XP]

KL - The OPDX Bulletin reports that Don, NL7QT will be active as a QRP station (mostly on 40 metres) from Wrangell Island between 26 June and 1 August. QSL via the bureau. Please note that, according to the new IOTA Directory, Wrangell does NOT count for NA-041.

LA - Hans, SM3TLG will be active (CW and SSB) as LA/SM3TLG from Helligvaer Island (EU-062) on 17-20 June. An operation from the Lofoten Islands (EU-076) is possible on 21-23 June. QSL via SM3TLG either direct or through the bureau. [TNX SM3TLG]

PJ7 - Andy, WA6WXD will be active as PJ7/WA6WXD from Sint Maarten (NA-105) between 17 and 24 June. Look for him on 10, 15, 17 and 20 metres SSB. QSL via home call. [TNX The Daily DX]

PY - EA-DX reports that PVIOTA (Papa Victor India Zero Tango Alpha) will be aired from Mel Island (SA-047) on 22-25 June. [TNX EA5OL]

PY0_spp - Randy, WX5L reports that Karl (PS7KM) and Tino's (PT7AA) trip to St.Peter and Paul Archipelago might take place during the second week of July. Final word from their transportation will be on 23 June. KYFC. [TNX VK2SG RTTY DX NOTES]

SM - Martin SM0DTK will be active from Gotland Island (EU-020) between 17 June and 6 July. Skeds are welcome at sm0dtk@hem.passagen.se [TNX SM0DTK]

TA - Simon, I27ATN will be active (mainly on 15, 20 and 40 metres, SSB only) from Bozcaada Island (AS-099) for a couple of days between 20 and 25 June.

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UA - UA1NDX, RN1NP, RK4HM, UA4HUR, UA6LP and UR3IFD will be active from several islands (not IOTA) located in Onega Lake between 23 and 30 June. They plan to use UE1NIB from Bolshoy Klimetskiy (RR 20-02) and UE1NIB/p or UE1NIB/a from nearby islands such as Kizhi (RR 20-01), Sujsar (RR 20-03), Ivanovskie (RR 20-04), P. Guby (RR 20-05). QSL via UA4HUR. [TNX UR3IFD]

UA - Look for UE1WPI to be active from Kamenca Island in Pskov Lake (not IOTA, new one for the Russian Robinson Award) on 24-25 June. QSL via RA1WZ either direct or through the bureau. [TNX RA1WZ]

VE - Andre, GM3VLB planned to operate as VE7/GM3VLB from Campbell Island (NA-061) until 15 June in the morning (local time) and from Denny Island (NA-061) until 16 June in the morning (local time). His next plans include Vancouver Island (NA-036) on 16 June, Malcolm Island (NA-091) on the 17th and Quadra Island (NA-091) on the 18th. [TNX VE7IU]

VE - Peter, VE7QRZ is active from Salt Spring Island (NA-075) between now and 18 June. [TNX VE7QRZ and Islands On The Web]

VU_ant - Victor, RA1AND is expected to operate from Indian Antarctic base Maitri on 21-22 June. He plans to operate on CW (14010, 18090, 21010, 24910 and 28010 kHz) and SSB (14160, 18140, 21250, 24950 and 28450 kHz). A web page with log search for Victor is available at http://www.qsl.net/ru3uj/r1and.htm [TNX RU3UJ]

W - Special event call K1D will be aired (on 28380, 21380, 14280, 7230 kHz) between 17 and 26 June to celebrate Kid's Day (17 June) and Amateur Radio Awareness week. The operators will be Peter (W1DAD) and Jeanne (W1MOM) Schipelliti, 7 Dearborn Ridge Rd, Atkinson, NH 03811, USA. [TNX W1DAD]

<<< MOST NEEDED DXCC ENTITIES >>>
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The following survey is taken from the newly published ARRL DXCC Yearbook 1999 and includes the top 50 entities needed by DXers who participate in the DXCC programme. It reflects the positions as they were prior to the addition of E4 (Palestine) to the DXCC List. Part 2/2 (positions from 51 to 100) will be published in 425 DX News # 478. Last year's survey can be found in 425DXN 414 and 416. [TNX The Daily DX]

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DXCC is pleased to announce the addition of a 15 meter single band DXCC award. Beginning June 1, 2000, DXCC printouts have been set to reflect credits on 15 meters. The start date for the new 15 meter DXCC award will be July 1, 2000. 15 Meter DXCC certificates will be dated but not numbered. Deleted entities do not count towards this award.

Those who have an active 5 Band DXCC which was processed prior to DXCC computerization and do not have 100 entities in the computer (on 15 meters) will be allowed to submit enough credits on that band to bring the computerized record to the first 100 needed for this award with no per QSO fee. Simply include postage and the award fee. The award fee is $10. Please note your 5 Band DXCC award number and original issue date on the application form in the block specified.

If you do not know what credits you have on 15 meters, you should contact DXCC for an updated report, prior to submitting further credits. This will help both you and DXCC in that it will avoid duplicates and additional costs, since QSL costs over the limits noted in DXCC Rule #15 are $0.15 per QSO. If you have web access and can handle ADOBE (.pdf) files, contact DXCC at dxcc@arrl.org for a copy of your record. If you do not have web access, please send a note to DXCC along with $1.50 for postage or an SASE with $1.50 in postage. If you have not submitted since the later portion of 1991, your records are not in the computer, and an SASE with valid postage is required for a hard copy.

Please contact DXCC for any comments and/or questions relating to these new awards at dxcc@arrl.org [TNX Bill Moore, NC1L]

ALL ASIAN DX CONTEST (CW) ---> It will take place on 17-18 June. Some rules
have changed, so if you want to participate in the event please check http://www.jarl.or.jp/English/4_Library/A-4-3_Contests/2000/All_Asia.htm

**DIE CONTEST --->** The sixth edition will take place between 6 UTC and 12 UTC on 18 June. Stations outside Spain shall work different DIE references; they will score 2 points on 40-80 metres and 1 point on 10, 15 and 20 metres. For further information please visit the web site for DIE at http://members.es.tripod.de/die [TNX EA5OL]

**5H3US QRT --->** Dave Heil, K8MN/5H3US left Tanzania on 16 June. His QSL manager (Ken, WA8JOC) reports it might take several weeks before he receives the final logs. "I will process the cards that I have logs for", he says, "but strongly recommend that any QSLs for QSOs after 17 May 2000 should be held back for awhile". Until further notice, WA8JOC is still the QSL manager for all of Dave's operations (K8MN/OH2, K8MN/OH0, J52US, 9L1US, A22MN, OH2/K8MN, OH0/K8MN, 5H3US). [TNX WA8JOC]

**BOX 88 --->** "One of the most important recent events in our amateur radio life", W4KM has translated from a February 2000 issue of the Russian Patriot Magazine, "is the return to a single QSL bureau for Russia, attached to the Central Radio Club. The SRR (Union of Radioamateurs of Russia) Presidium has confirmed a set of rules for the QSL bureau, which now has the status of an executive organ of the SRR and is a structural subdivision of the CRC.". The address is P.O. Box 88, Moscow, 123459, Russia. Please note that "packages, wrappers, and letters arriving from abroad and not indicating an individual recipient are opened; enclosed money and IRCs are removed and credited to the CRC account. Envelopes showing the callsign of the addressee are not subject to being opened." [TNX The Daily DX]

**OY/DL2SWW & OY/DL2VFR --->** Ric, DL2VFR reports that over 8,000 QSOs (90% CW, with 150 contacts on 6 metres) were made during the recent activity from the Faroes. Cards will be ready in a couple of weeks. More information and log-search will be available soon at http://www.qsl.net/dl2vfr

**QSL 8S7M --->** QSL manager Mats Freden, SM7DXQ reports to be waiting for the cards from the printer. Please be patient and do not sed dupes. This call will be aired from time to time through the end of the year.

**QSL ZL8RI & ZL9CI --->** As from 25 April 2000 all direct QSL cards for both ZL8RI (May 1996) and ZL9CI (January 1999) should be addressed to Ken Holdom, Kermadec DX Association, P.O. Box 7, Clyde, Central Otago, New Zealand. Due to the New Zealand postal system rules, any reply to cards sent to any previous address cannot be guaranteed. [TNX ZL4HU/ZL2HU]

**QSL VIA KG6AR --->** Chris, KG6AR now KG6AR/4, is the QSL manager for EN5J, EO55JM, EM3J, UU2JZ, F08DX (1997 only), ZF2JI. His new address is Chris Williams, 220 Woods Landing Ln., Callaway, VA 24067, USA. [TNX KG6AR]

**QSL VIA OK1MG --->** Martin, OK1FUA/OL5Y reports the new QSL manager for his IH9/OL5Y and IH9/OK1FUA operations from Pantelleria is OK1MG.

**SEANET CONTEST --->** The Radio Amateur Society of Thailand (http://www.qsl.net/RAST) invites all radio amateurs world-wide to
participate in the SEANET 2000 Contest, which is associated with the 28th Annual SEANET Convention in Thailand (17-19 November). The format of the contest has been revised this year and it will be a single 24 hour contest incorporating CW, Voice (SSB or FM) and digital modes (RTTY, AMTOR, PACTOR-I/II, CLOVER, PSK31 etc.). The contest will start at 12 UTC on 19 August and finish at 12 UTC on the 20th. Full rules are available from Ray Gerrard, HSO/G3NOM (g3nom@ibm.net). The SEANET web site is at http://www.seanet2000.com [TNX HSO/G3NOM]

VIETNAM (NEW PREFIX NUMBERS) ---> Rolf, SM5MX reports that amateur radio district numbers in Vietnam have changed. For instance, Ho Chi Minh City is now district 2 and Hanoi is district 9. Rolf, XV7SW, and Torsten, XV7TH have just renewed their licences and on 13 June were informed that they are XV9SW and XV9TH from now on. "No map of the new districts was available at the Vietnamese PTT", Rolf says "which also reported that the district figure No. 1 is not in use at present".

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F5NOD: The new URL for Gil's web pages (which include the forthcoming DXpedition to Tromelin) is http://f5nod.waika9.com/
QSL ROUTES: QSL routes for the CQ WW WPX CW Contest 2000 are available at http://www.arrakis.es/~ea5eyj [TNX EA5EYJ]
XROZY: Pictures from the April 2000 XROZY operation can be found at http://www.om5tx.miesto.sk [TNX OM2SA]

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