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* TO ALL OUR READERS *
* WARMEST THOUGHTS AND BEST WISHES *
* FOR A WONDERFUL HOLIDAY *
* AND A VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR *
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7X - Please note that the correct URL for the web page on Mirek's (SP5IXI/9V1XE) activity from Algeria [425DXN 555] is http://www.7x0.sp5zcc.waw.pl [TNX SP5UAF]

8Q - Ian, G3TMA will be active (mainly on CW) as 8Q7IJ from the Maldives (AS-013) from 31 December through 7 January. QSL via home call. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]

8Q - Giovanni, I5JHW will be active as 8Q7CG from the Maldives starting on 6 January for one week. QSL via home call. [TNX I5JHW]

HL - Special event station D902WSF (Delta Nine Zero Two WSF) will be activated (on 80, 40, 15 and 10 metres CW and SSB) by the KARL Branch in Pohang, South Korea between 31 December and 4 January to celebrate the World Cup Sun Rising Festival. QSL via DS5UCP either direct or through the bureau. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]

HL - Celebrating the 17th FIFA World Football (soccer) Cup, the Korean Amateur Radio League (KARL) will operate special event call HL17FWC from 1 January through 30 May. During the championship, from 31 May through 30 June, ten special DT#FWC (DT0, DT1 etc through DT9) calls will be aired to hnour the ten host cities in Korea. QSL via HL0HQ (Korean Amateur Radio League, C.P.O. Box 162, Seoul, Korea). [TNX DS1BHE]

KH2 - Testu, JF2UED and Mack, JJ2QXI will be active from Guam (OC-026) on 3-5 January. They plan to operate on 160-6 metres SSB, CW and RTTY. QSL via home calls. [TNX JJ2QXI]

P5 - Toma, YU1AB reports that Hrane/YT1AD and Voja/YU7AV returned from North Korea on 26 December with "a written permission" whose "call sign is known". Hrane, Voja and two others are expected to conduct a DXpedition starting on 5 March 2002. According to Toma, the

activity will include the training of twenty local amateur radio operators. Further information is expected in due course.

S7 - Luca, I5IHE will be active (mainly on SSB and RTTY, with some CW and SSTV) as S79LC from Praslin Island (AF-024), Seychelles between 31 December and 11 January QSL via I5JZP. [TNX VK2SG RTTY DX Notes]

TI9 - According to the information posted on the new web site (http://www.qsl.net/ti9m/), the TI9M DXpedition team to Cocos Island [425DXN 555] includes TI2HMG, AD6E, AK0A, F5CWU, KA0KKO, KI7WO, N4CD, N6KT, N7DF, PA3EWP, PA5ET, RA9CO, RN3BZ, WS4Y and IZ7ATN, and the QSL manager will be AK0A (Bill Boeckenhaupt, 8904 Westbrooke Dr, Overland Park, KS 66212, USA).

VK - Steve, VK6VZ will participate in the Stew Perry Topband Distance Challenge (29-30 December) from Australia's first lighthouse at Cape Leeuwin. Look for VK6VZ/6 around 1810-1815 kHz. Special QSL via VK6VZ. [TNX The Daily DX]

VK - Tony, VK3TZ reports he will be active (on the usual 10, 15 and 20 metres IOTA fequencies) sporadically from Phillip Island (OC-136) between 29 December and 26 January. QSL via CBA.

VU - Deepak/VU2DPM, Sked/VU2SKD, Kitchu/VU2KFR, Horey/VU2HFR and Joy/VU2JSH will be the Calcutta VHF Amateur Radio Society's members who willoperate on HF bands from Sagar Island (AS-153) on 10-16 January [425DXN 555].They will be using their personal callsigns as no special call has beenassigned for this operation. Look for them between 1-3.30 UTC and 12-19 UTCon SSB (+/- 14260, 21260 and 28460 MHz), CW (14040, 21040 and 28040 MHz) andpossibly on PSK31 (14.070 MHz), with an emphasis on 20m SSB and CW. Pleaseremember thatthe CVARS operates upon request from the districtadministration to assist them in maintaining an emergency communicationnetwork and handling missing persons traffic during the Ganga Sagar Melaannual festival. This means that the HF schedule might change, particularlyon 13 and 14 January, when the crowd on the island peaks toaround half amillion. The Mediterraneo DX Club will sponsor the QSLcards; the QSL manager for all of the five operators will be IZ8CCW (Antonio Cannataro,P.O. Box 360, 87100 Cosenza - CS, Italy). Any money surplus topostage costs received with incoming QSLs will be given to CVARS, whose resources are extremely limited. A web site is under construction at http://www.mdxc.org/as-153

W - Look for Howie, K1VSJ to operate from Martha's Vineyard (NA-046) from 29 December until 1 January. [TNX The Daily DX]

XE - Ken, G3OCA provides official information on the March 2002 operation from a few rare IOTA Mexican groups [425DXN 555]. Ken and Les, G4CWD will be leaving the UK on 2 March, destination the QTH of XE2MX where they will establish their expedition HQ. Depending on local conditions, they intend to activate four out of the five following IOTA groups: NA-162, NA-163, NA-164, NA-165 and NA-167 (no dates for each island are currently available). The same call (hopefully a special call, which is being requested) will be used from all of the islands. Ken and Les will leave Mexico on 24 March. QSL via G3OCA either direct or through the RSGB bureau. Any queries regarding the operation should be sent to ken@g3oca.fsnet.co.uk

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EU SPRINT ---> Rules, full results, past scores and all time records for the European Sprint contests are available at http://loja.kkn.net/~i2uiy/ (the free EU Sprint software can be downloaded at this same address). In 2002 the EU Sprint contests (two in spring and two in autumn) will take place on 13 April and 5 October (SSB) and on 20 April and 12 October (CW). The Contest runs from 15 UTC through 18.59 UTC on 20, 40 and 80 metres.

RRC ---> Rolf Rahne, DL6ZFG reports he will be no longer Checkpoint and Coordinator for the Russian Robinson Club (http://rrc.sc.ru).

QSL 3B9FR ---> Robert, 3B9RF reports that several direct cards got lost in the mail, apparently due to incomplete address. QSLs should be sent direct only to Robert Felicite, P.O. Box 31, Rodriguez Island, via Mauritius Island, Indian Ocean. [TNX ON4LAC]

QSL 5R8O ---> Phil Whitchurch, G3SWH reports he has now received the logs from Albert, 5R8O for his activities between May 2000 and May 2001.

QSL LU5DX ---> Ron, AC7DX reports he is now the new QSL manager for LU5DX starting December 2001.

QSL LX9SW ---> QSL manager Bert van Holst, PA1KW reports that he expects to send the QSLs for the 15-22 September LX9SW operation in late January.

QSL TG9AJR ---> Cards can be sent either to Juan Carlos Munoz, P.O. Box 61 Periferico, Guatemala 01011, Guatenala or to his QSL manager (WA1ECA). [TNX TG9AJR]

QSL VC7GM ---> Nenad, VE3EXY (RAC QSL Bureau Manager) says he is not the QSL manager for this Marconi special event station. Direct cards already received by Nenad will be sent directly to the Maple Ridge ARC (VA7CMR, P.O. Box 292, Maple Ridge, B.C. V2X 7G2, Canada) who will process them. Further direct cards Nenad will receive in the future will be forwarded to the VE7 QSL bureau.

QSL XV3FT ---> Mac, W3HC (w3hcw@suscom.net) has been receiving a lot of requests for cards for XV3FT. He does not know who this guy is, but Mac does handle cards for EU3FT. His name is Henry and XV3FT is using that name. If anybody knows of this operation, please let Mac know and he will have new cards printed up. "I sent mail to Henry", Mac says, "but it will take a few months to get an answer if he is at home".

QSL VIA VK2GJH ---> QRZ-DX reports that Jack, VK2GJH is retiring from amateur radio for the time being due to work and family committments. In March 2002 the following logs will be closed: 3D2JH (1997), T33JH (1997), C21JH (1998-2000) and T30JH (1997-2000). QSL direct only.

UK LICENCES ---> The Radiocommunications Agency announced in September 2001 a series of changes to the radio amateur licensing regime, designed to make it more attractive as a technical hobby. The changes include lowering the Morse Code speed requirement from 12 to 5 wpm for full licensees, amalgamating some licence categories, allowing trainees to operate while supervised before passing an examination and the introduction of a new Foundation Class licence which will come into effect on 1 January 2002. Holders will be issued M3 (MM3 for Scotland, MW3 for Wales etc) callsigns and will be allowed to operate with 10 watts on most of the amateur bands. Detailed information is available at http://www.rsgb.org/licensing/newlicencestructure.htm

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3W2XK	W9XK	HR3J	JA6VU	TI5N	W3HNK
3XY6A	VE2XO	HS0ZDJ	W2YR	TM0AFH/p	F6LDW
3XY8A	VE2XO	II3GM	IK3RIY	TM2E	F6KLO
4K5CW	UT3UY	IM0R	IS0AGY	TM4AMD	F6IGF
5W0VK	OH3JR	IR7GM	IK7JWX	TT8DX	F5OGL
8R1USA	8R1AK	IU0M	I0YKN	UA6JD	K0KG
9J2BO	W6ORD	IY4W	I4JED	UE3DDX	RZ3FR
9Q0AR	F2YT	JA6WFM/HR3	JA6VU	UK8BQ	RW6HS
9U5D	SM5BFJ	JI3DST/6	JI3DST	UQ10AB	DL8KAC
AH8A	AC7DX	JX7DFA	LA7DFA	V73GT	WF5T
C56YT	VK4AO	JX9LAA	LA9LAA	VK9AA/9	DL8YR
CE7AOY/8	CE7ZK	JY9NX	JH7FQK	VP5/KN4UG	KN4UG
CO3ET	WD4OIN	K1D	W1DAD	WV2B/CY9	KC6AWX
CQ3T	CT3KN	K1M	K3PD	XF3IC	XE3OYJ
CQ9T	CT3KN	KG4PK	W4WX	XK0XN/p	VE3XN
CT3KN/CT1	CT3KN	LP5F	LU1FZR	XU7ABF	XW2A
CT7A	CT1GFK	LU1ZA	LU2CN	XU7ABW	F6BFH
CT9KN	CT3KN	OH0Z	OH1EH	XU7ABY	F5TYY
DU6/G0SHN	F6AJA	P49MR	VE3MR	XU7ABZ	F9IE
DU9/N0NM	W4DR	P5/HA0HW	pirate	XU7ACA	F6EGG
EM1HO	I2PJA	P5/YT1AD	pirate	YV1DIG	EA7JX
EM75W	UT1WL	PT2ZAW	OK1FWQ	Z33F	NN6C
EY8MM	K1BV	T88DX	JI3DLI	ZA1E	I2MQP
FY5FU/P	F5AEG	T88HA	JK1FNN	ZC4DW	G0DEZ
HG02HNY	HG4I	T88MY	JK1FNN	ZY5A	PY1KN

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