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CT3 - Antonio/CT1EPV, Luis/CT1AGF, Hermann/CT3FN (HB9CRV), Jose/CT3MD, Toni/HB9EBV and maybe Juergen/DJ2VO will be active as CT9P from the lighthouse (LH 0830, FMA01) on Ilheu de Cima (AF-014) on 16-19 July. They will operate on 10-40 metres CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31 with two stations. QSL to Kim Larson via N3SL. [TNX CT1END]

CT3 - Luis/CT1AGF, Antonio/CT1EPV, Luis/CT3EE, Hermann/CT3FN (HB9CRV), Jose/CT3MD, Juergen/DJ2VO, Derek/G3KHZ, Toni/HB9EBV and Rejean/VA2AM will participate in the IOTA Contest (24-25 July) as CT9X from Porto Santo (AF-014). QSL to Kim Larson via N3SL. [TNX CT1END]

DL - Only one out of the five announced operations from German islands [425DXN 677] will take place actually. Look for Norby, DL/LX9EG/p to operate from Neuwerk Island (EU-127) and lighthouse on 20-23 May. Norby says there will be an emphasis on working stations from outside Europe; during local night hours operations will be on CW only.

EA6 - Peter, DL8YR will be active on all bands CW, SSB and maybe RTTY as EA6/DL8YR/p from Mallorca, Balearic Islands (EU-004) on 12-26 May. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX DL8YR]

EA8 - Look for Steve, EA8/G0SGB/p to be active from various lighthouses on Lanzarote Island (DIE S-007), Canary Islands (AF-004) starting on 10 May for two weeks. QSL via home call. [TNX VA3RJ]

ER - Special event station ER9V will be active until 9 May from Moldova to celebrate the 59th anniversary of the end of World War II. Look also for ER0ITU to be aired on 13-17 May to celebrate the World Telecommunications Day. QSLs via ER1DA, direct (Valery Metaxa, P.O. Box 3000, Chisinau, MD 2071, Moldova) or through the bureau. [TNX ER1DA]

F - Special event station TM8MAI will be active on 8-9 May (from the Maginot Line) and again on the 16th (from Mai Lorrain d'Ugny) to celebrate the end of Wordl War II. QSL via F6KWP. [TNX La Gazette du DX]

F - Leon, ON4ZD will be active as F/ON4ZD/p from Fort Boyard (EU-032, DIFM AT-026) from around 10 UTC on 14 May to around 13 UTC on the 15th. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX ON4ZD]

F - Francois, F5JNE will be active on 20 and 40 metres SSB as F5JNE/p from Belle Ile en Mer (EU-048, DIFM AT-015) on 15-25 May. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX VA3RJ]

F - The South Flanders DX Activity Group will operate as F/ON6JUN/P (http://www.qsl.net/on6jun) on 4-7 June to commemorate the 60th anniversary of D-Day. QSL via ON5SD. [TNX ON4LBV]

F - Bordeaux DX Group members F2VX, F5OZF, F5RXL, F5SSG, F6EXV and F8BBL will operate (on 40-10 metres CW and SSB) as TM7BDX from the

lighthouse (WLH 271) on Cordouan Island (EU-159) for about 8 hours on 12 June. QSL via F8BBL, bureau or direct. [TNX F8BBL]

G - A group of CVRS (Cray Valley Radio Society, http://www.cvrs.org) members (namely G0VJG, M3CVN, G4BUO, G0FDZ, 2E0ATY and G7GLW) will operate on all bands SSB and CW as either G3RCV/p or homecalls/p from St Mary's, Isles of Scilly (EU-011) on 21-25 July, including an entry in the IOTA Contest as M8C. QSL via G4DFI, bureau or direct. [TNX G0VJG]

GM - Look for Jeff, G3LWM to operate as GM0PNS from Pabay (EU-008) on 9-14 May. He will be QRV mainly on 20 and 40 metres during his limited spare time. [TNX GM3VLB]

GM - Andre, GM3VLB and Alex, GM0DHZ will operate from three islands in Inner Hebrides (EU-008) as follows: 17-19 May from Coll, 19-21 May from Tiree, 21-23 May from Gunna, 23-24 May agains from Tiree. Full details on the islands and the Scottish Islands Award (SCOTIA) programme are available at http://www.gm3vlb.com. QSL via home calls. [TNX GM3VLB]

HI - Dave, G4WFQ will be active (on 80-10 metres CW, with some RTTY and SSB) as G4WFQ/HI9 from the Dominican Republic (NA-096) on 12-24 June. QSL via G3SWH. [TNX G4WFQ]

HK - Pablo, HK8RQS has been active as HK8RQS/p from Morro Island (SA-081), length of stay unknown. QSL via EA5KB.

I - Special event station IR7MD will be activated by ARI Bari on 30 May to celebrate the 1000th anniversary of Guglielmo Marconi's first contact between Bari (Italy) and Bar (Montenegro). A QSL-certificate will be issued upon request (details at http://utenti.lycos.it/aribari/). [TNX IK7XNF]

I - ARI Versilia will activate special event station II5MD on 11-13 June for the "Meucci Day", celebrating telephone pioneer Antonio Meucci. [TNX IK5ZPZ]

JA - Aru/JA0KNM, Jun/JJ1EQW and Kai/JE3NJZ will be active as homecall/JR6 from Yonaguni (AS-024, the westernmost Japanese island) on 4-7 June. They plan to operate on 40-2 metres CW, SSB, AM (6m), and RTTY. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX JE3NJZ]

JW - Look for JW5LJA (LA5LJA) and JW7FJA (LA7FJA) to be active from Spitsbergen (EU-026) from 28 May to 1 June. During the CQ WPX CW Contest they will sign JW3R. QSL via LA5LJA, LA7FJA and LA3R respectively, bureau or direct (see www.qrz.com). [TNX LA7FJA]

KH2 - Haru, JA1XGI will be active (on 40, 30, 20, 15 and 10 metres, also on digital modes) as W8XGI/KH2 from Guam (OC-026) on 27-31 May. QSL via home call. [TNX JA1XGI]

LA & SM - Rosel, DL3KWR and Hardy, DL3KWF will operate mostly CW on all bands as SJ9WL and LG5LG from the Morokulien station on the border between Sweden and Norway from 24 May to 2 June, CQ WPX CW Contest included. QSL for both calls via SM5DJZ. [TNX DL3KWF]

LU - Alberto/LU1DZ, Hector/LU6UO and Fernando/LW2DX will operate mostly CW as homecall/Q from Fortin El Patria, in the San Luis Province of Argentina, on 20-24 May. The operation is sponsored by the Grupo Argentino de CW (GACW). QSL LU1DZ/Q via EA3RE, others via home calls. [TNX LW2DX]

LY - Vilmantas, LY3BY reports that the following special event stations will be active in May to celebrate the accession of Lithuania to

the European Union:
LY2004E QSL via LY3BY (direct or bureau)
LY2004U QSL via LY1FW (direct or bureau)
LY2004R QSL via LY2ZZ (direct or bureau)
LY2004O QSL via LY2UF (direct or bureau)
LY2004P QSL via LY1XA (direct or bureau)
LY2004A QSL via LY1CM (direct or bureau)

OE - Special event station OE80XRW will be activated on all bands and modes from 1 June to 31 December to commemorate the 80th anniversary of the broadcasting service from Austria, started by RAVAG on 25 October 1924. The web page for the operation is at http://www.qsl.at/oe80/ [TNX OE1WHC]

OJ0 - SM5AJV, SM0GNS, SM5HJZ and SM0HPL will participate in the CQ WW WPX CW Contest (29-30 May) as OJ0SM (Multi-Single) from Market Reef (EU-053). QSL via SM5HJZ. [TNX NG3K]

OX - Amateur radio stations from Greenland can use the the special prefix OX25 followed by their own suffix from 1 to 30 June to celebrate the 25th anniversary of home rule/goverment in Greenland. [TNX OZ8ABE]

OZ - DF2EA, DH8BQA, DL1EJA, DL2BZE, DL3BQA and DL5YYM will operate as OZ0MS from Bornholm Island (EU-030) on 10-22 June. They will be active on 10-80 metres CW and SSB, as well as on VHF (6/2m) and UHF/SHF (70/23cm). The group will also operate as OZ/homecall from a few lighthouses on the island. All QSLs via DH8BQA. The web page for the operation is at http://www.necg.de/bornholm [TNX DH8BQA]

PY - Special event station ZW1I will be active until 31 May to celebrate the 437th anniversary of the town of Itaborai. QSL via PY1AMF, bureau or direct. [TNX PY1NEZ]

SM - Martin, SM0DTK will operate as SM0DTK/1 from Gotland Island (EU-020) on 14-23 May. Skeds are accepted at sm0dtk@passagen.se [TNX SM0DTK]

SV - Nine multi-operator special event stations - namely SX9A, SX8A, SX7A, SX6A, SX5A, SX4A, SX3A, SX2A and SX1A - will be activated from Greece from 6 May to 13 August for the "2004 Olympic Games Countdown On The Air" programme, sponsored by the Northern Greece Contest Team. All of the QSOs will be confirmed automatically through the bureau. The full Countdown calendar and other information can be found at http://www.qsl.net/sv2ngct/sx.htm [TNX SV2AEL]

SV - Tomi/HA4DX, Laci/HA0HW and Geza/HA4XG have been issued the following calls to be used during a number of operations from Greece:
J45DX, J45HW and J45XG (Dodecanese),
J47DX, J47HW and J47XG (Thraki),
J49DX, J49HW and J49XG (Crete),
J48DX, J48HW and J48XG (other islands).
Their first activities will take place from Thassos (EU-174) on 21-27 May and from Thraki on 28-31 May, CQ WPX CW Contest included. They plan to have three stations and to operate on all bands CW and SSB, with some RTTY and PSK31. QSL via home calls, bureau or direct. [TNX HA0HW]

SV - Greek amateur radio operators can use special prefixes SX2004 or SY2004 from 1 June to 15 November to celebrate the Olympic Games

that will take place in Athens (http://www.athens2004.com). Foreign amateur radio operators visiting Greece from 1 August to 15 November are allowed to use special prefix J42004. Operators from Australia, Canada, Cyprus, Switzerland, USA or CEPT countries need not to submit any papers for a licence. Others must submit an application to the Greek Ministry of Telecommunications. [TNX SV2AEL]

UR - Special calls EO59JS, EO59JM and EO59G will be aired from Ukraine until 9 May to celebrate the 59th anniversary of the end of World War II. QSL EO59JS direct to KD5RBU (e-mail requests for bureau cards are welcome at uu9cw@mail.ru); QSL EO59JM via K2PF; QSL EO59G via UR5GAR, direct or bureau (e-mail requests for bureau cards are welcome at ur3gm@tlc.kherson.ua). [TNX UT5JDS, K2PF and UR3GM]

UR - Special call EO60FO will be aired from the Odessa region of Ukraine from 8 May to 27 August to celebrate the end of Wordl War II. QSL via bureau. [TNX UT5RP]

V6 - Sho, JA7HMZ will be active (on 40-10 metres CW and SSB) as V63DX from Pohnpei (OC-010), Micronesia on 24-27 May. QSL via home call. [TNX NG3K]

VE - Look for Christian, KH6/F5IDM to be active on 15 and 20 metres as VE7/F5IDM from Quadra Island (NA-091, CIsA BC-006) and Cape Mudge Lighthouse (ARLHS CAN-100) on 11-12 May. QSL via KH6/F5IDM (see www.qrz.com). [TN VA3RJ]

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DXCC NEWS ---> DXCC Manager Bill Moore, NC1L reports the following operations ahve been approved for DXCC credit:

9Q0AR	1 January - 31 March 2004	Democratic Republic of Congo
9Q1KS	1 January - 31 March 2004	Democratic Republic of Congo
9U5M	4 February - 17 March 2004	Burundi
HH2SJR	from 1 January 1998	Haiti
TT8XZ	4-19 December 2003	Chad
XF4IH	3-20 March 2004	Revillagigedo
YI/N3YPI	from 22 August 2003	Iraq
YI/AB8DY	from 2 July 2003	Iraq

EURA ---> The "European Union Regions Award", sponsored by ARI Busto Arsizio and available to either licensed amateurs and SWLs, has been updated with 48 new regions resulting from the accession of 10 new countries to the European Union. The EURA software is downloadable at http://www.ik6cac.com; information on the Award is available at http://www.aribusto.it or from the Award Manager (Pier Luigi Anzini, IK2UVR: e-mail ik2uvr@malpensa.it).

EUROPEAN CASTLES DAY ---> The third edition of the European Castles Day will take place on 16 May between 6 and 16 UTC. Several stations are expected to operate from fortresses and castles in France, Belgium, Italy, Spain and Portugal. Information about castles awards programmes can be found on Jean-Pierre's (F6FNA) web site at http://perso.club-internet.fr/f6fna/ [TNX F6FNA]

NEWS FROM ALBANIA ---> Many noticed ZA/OH2BH and ZA/OH2PM signals bouncing in from Albania last week (four pictures can be found at http://www.n4gn.com/za/). Indeed, some 6000 QSOs were made - not only to please the Deserving but also to remind us about our shared responsibility to help those in need.
This time, five stations were fully equipped: ZA1BH, ZA1BS, ZA1DC, ZA1DJ and ZA1S. These callsigns were launched into the battle and these fine people made their first radio contact to the world.
Radio equipment was donated by W3UR, K9MM, G3TXF, EA2NO and OH2PM, but many more recently licensed ZA hams are still in need of any gear to bring more ZA signals to the bands and make the Albanians welcome to this great passion of ours.
You are welcome to join this undertaking by making your old gear active from Albania. Your contacts are K7JA <c.margelli@vxstdusa.com>, N7NG <n7ng@arrl.org> and K9LA <k9la@arrl.net>. Or just meet personally ZA1B, OH2BH, OH2PM, G3LQP and the above U.S persons in Dayton to present your desire for support. [TNX N4GN]

QSL MANAGER OFFERED ---> Petr, OK1DOT (the current QSL manager for Bob, 9V1GO) is willing to offer his services to a station in need. Please contact Petr at petr.gustab@seznam.cz; his web page is at http://www.qrz.com/ok1dot [TNX OK1DOT]

QSL JA6GXK/6 ---> Masa, JA6GXK/6 went QRT from Danjo Island (AS-056) on 30 January 2002 and logs will be closed in March 2005. Those who still need a QSL card should send their request as soon as possible (see www.qrz.com for the address). [TNX JI6KVR]

QSL T33CF ---> Claudia, K2LEO initially joined the T33C team as an accompanying YL, then she obtained her T33CF callsign and, once on Banaba, she was invited to operate SSB for a few hours (on different dates) to satisfy the many requests for a YL operator QSO. Claudia holds a US General class license, but this was her very first pile-up experience (assisted by IK1PMR) and, to the best of the team's knowledge, hers was the first YL operation from Banaba. Claudia also operated as 3D2CF from Fiji. QSL via IK1PMR. Further information and pictures are available at http://www.ik1pmr.com/k2leo/ [TNX IK1PMR]

QSL V31RG ---> Robin/K4VU and Lori/K0LAA have returned stateside after getting married and making 4300 QSOs (mostly with Europe and Japan) as V31RG. QSL to K4VU. Cards are expected to go out in mid-May.

QSL VIA IK1PMR ---> Andrea, IK1PMR (one of the T33C team members) was active as 3D2MR from Fiji (before and after T33C), focusing on Europe with a low power CW setup, and as T30MR from Western Kiribati (before T33C). On 16 April he also operated CW briefly from Banaba with his personal callsign (T33MR). QSL 3D2MR, T30MR and T33MR via IK1PMR; logs and pictures are available at http://www.ik1pmr.com/ [TNX IK1PMR]

VIDEO ---> A 38-minute documentary film "Kilimanjaro. The first height" on the Russian Robinson Club's mountain DXpedition in December 2003 [425DXN 656] is now available (VHS or DVD). For further information please contact UA9OBA (nsi@lvs.ru).

WWYC ---> The "World Wide Young Contesters" will hold an open meeting in Croatia on 21-25 July. Details can be found at http://www.wwyc.net/meeting2004/ [TNX LA6FJA]

QSLs received direct or through managers: 1A0KM, 3B8CF, 3D2CI, 3DA0SV, 4J6ZZ, 4M9YY, 4U1ITU, 4U1UN, 4W2KDN, 5B4AGC, 5H3RK, 5N6NDP, 5U7JB, 5V7BR, 5W0MW, 7P8DA, 8P2K, 8P6SH, 8Q7QQ, 8Q7VV, 8R1K, 8R1RPN, 9A6R, 9H4DX, 9M2TO, 9N7WE, 9Q0AR, 9U5M, 9V1YC, A35RE, A45WD, A52A, A52CQ, A71BX, AT0BI (AS-169), BQ9P, CP6XE, CS6T, CU4/G3TXF, D2PFN, D88S, EM1HO, ES5RW, ET3AA, EU6DX, FK8HN, FM5FJ, FM5GU, FM5WD, FO/SP9FIH, FO5PS, FY5FY, HC8A, HP100RCP, HV5PUL, IG9L (AF-019), IQ2VA, IQ7AF, IR7LH, IR8C, J37LR, J75KG, J7OJ, J88DR, JD1YBJ, K1B, KH0AC, KH2UZ, KH7X, KL7R, OM7M, PZ1AP, RD3A, RW2F, S79CQ, ST2NH, SU9ZZ, SV2ASP/A, T30M, T77C, TJ3G, TO4E, TO4WW, TO7T, UK/JI2MED, V26DX, V63ZT, V73T, VK7KPB (OC-195), VP51V, VP9/G3TXF, VQ9LA, VR2BG, VR2UW, XF1K, XQ6ET, XW1IC, YA8G, YB0ARA/9, YI1DZ, YI9ZF, ZD7CY, ZK3MW, ZW0S, ZX2B.

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