The Pacific DX Group has announced plans for a DXpedition to Kure Atoll (KH7K), from mid to late October. Kimo Chun (KH7U) and Patrick Guerin (NH6UY), team leaders, will be joined by an experienced international team of operators, including a number of participants in the K5K DXpedition to Kingman Reef in 2000. The team (about 15 operators) will be on the island for a planned 10 to 11 days of operation. The primary target will be Europe and operations will take place from 160-6 metres SSB, CW, RTTY and some PSK31. A website is under construction, but there will be no online logs. Further information is expected in due course. Questions regarding funding can be sent to funds-kure@inix.com; general inquiries may be made to kh7u@arrl.net

5X - Jay, K4ZLE will operate as time permits as 5X2A from Uganda on 3-21 August. Some effort will be made to operate on the lower bands this year, mostly on CW. Activity is also planned for PSK31. QSL direct via K4ZLE. [TNX K4ZLE]

C5 - Josep, EA3BT (C56BT) and Nuria, EA3WL (C56WL) will operate as C50I from Bijol Island (AF-060) [425DXN 690] on 31 July. They will be on the island during their morning and evening hours. QSL via EA3BT. [TNX EA5KY]

C6 - Gill, NN4CW will be active as NN4CW/C6A 20, 30 and 40 metres (QRP) from Abaco Island (NA-080), Bahamas from 30 July to 6 August. [TNX The Daily DX]

C9 - C91DA and C91NK will be the call signs used by Dave, K4SV and Neil, VA7DX during their 12-17 August activity from Mozambique [425DXN 680]. QSL for both via K4YL.

CU - Look for Uwe, CU7/DH9YAT to be active on 40, 20 and 15 metres CW QRP from the Azores on 3-20 August. QSL via bureau. [TNX DL2VFR]

F - Jerome, F5ASD reports his operation from Noirmoutiers Island (EU-064) [425DXN 689] will now take place from 31 July to 7 August. Look for F5ASD/p on 40-6 metres. On 8-15 August he will be active from the lighthouse at Cap Frehel (PB-087). QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

F - Special call TM5JIM will be aired on 1-15 August for the 27th edition of the "Jazz in Marciac" Festival. QSL via F6DJB, direct or bureau. [TNX F5NQL]

F - Brian, M0ARK will be active F/M0ARK/P from Oleron Island (EU-032) on 1-14 August and from Re Island (EU-032) on 14-24 August. He will operate SSB on the HF bands, but will concentrate on 6 metres when the band is open. [TNX G0SNV]
**FO** - Nando/IT9YRE, Claudio/I1SNW and Alfio/IT9EJW will go back to French Polynesia on 16 September for their second attempt to operate from Hereheretue, Duke of Gloucester Islands (OC-052: the most Most Wanted IOTA group in Oceania). Sea conditions permitting, they expect to be active from around 12 UTC on 18 September until 24 UTC on the 20th. QSL direct only via home calls. Donations to help offset the high costs of the expedition will be gratefully accepted. [TNX IT9YRE]

**GD** - A large group of operators from the Wrexham and District ARS will be active as GB4IOM and GB4SPT from Scarlett Point, a disused Coast Guard look out tower on the Isle of Man (EU-116) on 1-8 September. Operation will be on all HF bands, 50Mhz, 70Mhz and 144Mhz; the team expects to be active on at least two or three HF bands simultaneously and to operate CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK and some SSTV. QSL via the RSGB bureau or direct (address TBA). A wide range of certificates and awards will be available for contacting the stations. Details can be found on the web site for the operation at http://www.gb4iom.co.uk [TNX M1LCR]

**GM** - Weather permitting, Andre, GM3VLB will operate from Ailsa Craig (EU-123) from 30 July to 2 August and from Lady Isle (EU-123) on 2 or 3 August for about 24 hours. QSL direct only to Andre Saunders, 6 Douglas Crescent, Kelso, TD5 8BB, Scotland, UK. [TNX GM3VLB]

**GM** - Peter, GM3OFT expects to operate on 20 and 40 metres from Barra Island (EU-010) during a family visit on 9-10 August. [TNX GM3VLB]

**HB9** - Special call HE5IBC will be aired during August to celebrate the 10 GHZ ATV world record of 1564 km made on 1 July 2004 between I8/HE5IBC (JM89AD) and EA7/F4CXQ (IM97CP). QSL via HB9MM. [TNX HB9AFI]

**HL** - Look for DS1NMA/2, DS1PWW/2, DS2BVY/P and D70IY/2 to be active on 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres SSB from Tokchok Island (AS-090) from around 3 UTC on 2 August until around 3 UTC on the 4th. [TNX DS1NMA]

**I** - Scout station IU1J will be activated from Genua on 4-12 August. QSL via bureau. [TNX IZ1BZS]

**I** - Look for IU1L to be aired again from La Lanterna (ARLHS ITA-177, WAIL LI-005) during this year’s International Lighthouse & Lightship Weekend on 21-22 August. QSL via bureau or direct to ARI Genova, P.O. Box 1117, 16121 Genova - GE, Italy. [TNX IZ1BZS]

**JA** - Weather permitting, expect JP0BPT/0 to be active from Tobishima (AS-117, JIIA AS-117-088) on 3-5 August. QSL via bureau. [TNX JI6KVR]

**J7** - Florida DXPedition Group members Bill/W4WX (J75WX), Clarence/W9AAZ (J79AA), Larry/W1LR (J79LR), Cory/N1WON (requested call J79CM) and Vance/N5VL (requested call J79VL) will operate on all bands and modes from Dominica (NA-101) from 26 October to 2 November. QSL via home calls. They will participate in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest as J75J (QSL via KR4DA). [TNX W4WX]

**KG4** - Bill, W4WX will operate as KG4DX from Guantanamo Bay, Cuba (NA-015) on 10-14 August. Look for him on SSB, RTTY, and PSK-31 on most bands. QSL via home call. [TNX W4WX]

**LX** - Look for LX/ON6QX, LX/ON4LO and LX/ON6UM to operate on all bands except 6 metres from Luxemburg on 18-21 September. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX ON6UM]

**OE** - Falk/DK7YY, Hajo/DJ9MH and Rolf/DL7VEE expect to operate on all
bands CW, SSB and RTTY from the Vienna International Centre station, 4U1VIC, on 13-15 August. They plan to use two stations (one of them will participate in the WAE CW Contest) with amplifiers and vertical antennas nearly around the clock. QSL via CBA or bureau to OE1ZKC. [TNX DL7VEE]

SV5 - Goran, SM0CMH will be active as SV5/SM8C from Kalymnos (EU-001) from 7 August to 4 September. He will operate mainly CW on 10-80 metres (and on 160 metres if he can find a place for the antenna). QSL via SM0CMH, either direct (Goran Lundell, Algovagen 11, SE-133 36 Saltsjobaden, Sweden) or through the bureau. [TNX SM0CMH]

UA - Look for R3ARC/p to be QRV on 29-31 July from Russian Districts MO-42 and MO-92. QSL route at www.qrz.com [TNX RA3AKF]

UA - RA0CS, UA0AOZ/0 and UA0CB will operate as RA0C from Ustritsa Island (RR-14-04) on 7-11 August. [TNX RA0CS]

UA - V1ad, UA0FZ reports he is active as UB40FSU to celebrate his 40th anniversary on the amateur radio bands. He was first licensed in 1964 as UB5FSU. QSL via UA0FZ.

UR - Alex, UT3UZ and other ten operators will operate on 160-6 metres CW and SSB as EM0U/p from Chernobyyl on 6-8 August. QSL via UT3UZ (P.O. Box 240, Kiev-232, 02232 Ukraine). [TNX UT3UZ]

V4 - Larry, KJ4UY will be vacationing on Nevis Island (NA-104) on 20-28 August. He plans to operate as V47UY on all bands, 6 metres included, and different modes. QSL direct to home call. [TNX KJ4UY]

V7 - Aki, JA1KAJ will operate (on 80-10 metres SSB, CW and RTTY) as V73V from Majuro (OC-029), Marshall Islands on 11-16 August. QSL via home call. [TNX JA1KAJ]

VE - VE3RGG plans to operate from Cabot Head Lighthouse (ARLHS CAN-067) on 7-8 August. [TNX VE3NQK]

VU - Arasu, VU2UR reports that a team of 13 operators will be active as ATORI from Rameswaram, Pamban Island in the Tamil Nadu State (AS-???) on 23-31 August. Hopefully they will have a 3-element beam along with wire antennas. More details are expected in due course. [TNX VU2RS & JI6KVR]

YU - From 1 July through 31 August amateur radio operators from Montenegro are allowed to add "100" in their prefix (e.g. YT6A = YT6100A, YU6RKB = YU6100RKB) to celebrate the 100th anniversary of Guglielmo Marconi's first contact between Bari (Italy) and Bar (Montenegro). The official commemorative station is 4O6100BB. QSL route for all of the special prefixes is via YT6A; he is also the award manager for the "Marconi Montenegro 100 Award" which is available for working these stations. [TNX YT6A, http://www.yt6a.com]

YV0 - The operation from Aves Island [425DXN 690] will start later then originally planned as the team's departure for the island was delayed until 22.39 UTC on 29 July, with a targeted landing scheduled for local sunrise on the 31st. The DXpedition team led by YV1DIG consists of nine YV operators and three foreign operators (K6MYC, OH2BH and OH0XX), as the fourth guest operator (K4UEE) had to return to the United States for family reasons. Look for YV0D to hit the airwaves on several bands and modes until 8 August. QSL via KB6NAN, direct or bureau. [TNX OH2BN]
ITALIAN DX CONVENTION --- The XX Italian HF-DX Convention will take place in Bologna and Pontecchio Marconi on 25-26 September. Presentations will include "V8PMB & 9M8PSB - Borneo 2004" by Maurizio Bertolino (I21CRR/I121171); "T33C - Banaba 2004" by Andrea Panati (I1PMR), Claudia Fava (K2LEO) and Joe Blackwell (AA4NN); "425 DX News" by Mauro Pregliasco (I1JQJ), Leonardo Lastrucci (I25FZS) and Francesco Giacola (I27AUH); "40 Years of IOTA" by Mauro Pregliasco (I1JQJ); "Contest 40 & 80" by Maurizio Bertolino (I21CRR/I121171); "IA0PS - The Italian Expedition to Antarctica" by Filippo Corbelli (IKA0AI); "3B9C- Rodrigues Island DXpedition" by Bob Beebe (GU4YOX); "The New ARI Contest Team" by Stefano Casari (IKA2HKT). The US licence exam session will take place at 10 local time on 25 September. For further information please contact Anton Salmi, IK4UPU (ik4upu@amsat.org).

NOT THE MANAGER --- Chris, KG6AR reports that effective 27 July, he is no longer the QSL manager for EM3J, E010J, E055JM, E056JM, E057JM, E058JM and UU2JZ. [TNX K1XN and The Golist]

OPERATOR NEEDED (VP5X) --- The VP5X contest group will participate in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest from North Caicos Island and they are sponsoring again one young amateur radio operator (21 or under) to receive an all expense paid trip to join the team. Young operators worldwide can apply for the Young Ham Contest Program by sending a 500+ word essay describing how he/she got started in amateur radio, naming his/her Elmer (mentor) and telling why he/she should be selected for this year's contest operation. Please visit http://www.vp5x.com/contests.htm for complete information. [TNX N0VD]

QSL CS0RCL/P --- Toze, CT1GFK reports that the first direct cards for the 11-13 June operation from Pessegueiro Island (EU-167) [425DXN 683] will be mailed on Monday. Check http://www.qsl.net/ct1gfk/cs0rcl.htm for on-line logs and further details.

QSL TO4E & TO4WW --- Some 13,200 direct requests have been received and Didier, F5OGL is currently processing them in his spare time. It takes time, as the QSL cards are handwritten, so please be patient and do not send second requests. [TNX F5OGL]

QSL VIA EA5KB --- EA5KB (Jose F. Ardid Arlandis, P.O. Box 5013, 46080 Valencia, Spain) is the QSL manager for the following stations:

3W5KVR  CO2VQ  CV1Z  HI8CNT  LU2HC  UN0F
6J1YJD  CO3JR  CV5Y  HJ0KPG  LU2HI  UN3F
7X3WDK  CO3ME  CW0Z  HJ1RRL  LU2HNP  UN7DA
LOTW: Toni, EA5RM reports that the logs for either S05X and T26RD have been uploaded to Logbook Of The World.

MDXC: The web site for the Mediterraneo DX Club (www.mdxc.org) is currently off-line as it is under reconstruction.
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