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3A - Members of the Council of Europe Radio Amateur Club (CERAC) and the Amateur Radio Association of Monaco (ARAM) will operate as 3A0CE on 4-8 May. The activity celebrates the Council of Europe anniversary as well as the admission of Monaco as the 46th member State. QSL via F5LGF. [TNX F6FQK]

3B8 - Mart, DL6UAA will be active again as 3B8MM from Mauritius (AF-049) starting on 19-20 April until 10 May at least. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. Information and pictures of Mart's past activities can be found at http://www.dl6uaa.com [TNX DL6UAA]

4X - Look for Jac, 4X/PA3AJW and Ron, 4X/PA3BMQ to operate on all bands CW and SSB from various locations in the Golan Heights, Israel on 11-21 April. They will participate in the Holyland DX Contest as 4X2C from Ramot. [TNX PA3AJW]

4X - Dov, 4Z4DX plans to be active from Jaffa Lighthouse on 16-17 April. QSL direct to home call. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW. [TNX The Daily DX]

7X - 7V2SI will be the callsign for the 1-5 May expedition to the Sandja Islands (AF-NEW) [425DXN 725]. Team members so far include 7X2RO, 7X2RF, 7X0AD and OM3CGN. There will be no 160m activity. [TNX The Daily DX]

9A - Gianfranco, I6GFX and others will be active as 9A/I6GFX from a few EU-170 Croatian islands on 10-13 June. They plan to operate from Ugljan (CI-134), Sestrunj (CI-104), Rivanj (CI-102), Jidula (CI-273) and Paranak Veli (CI-386). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. Logs will be vailable at http://www.gianfrancogervasi.it/search.html [TNX I6GFX]

9G - Sigi, DL7DF will be active from Ghana on 18-25 April. He plans to operate CW with some SSTV on 160-10 metres. QSL via DL7DF, direct (Sigi Presch, Wilhelmsmuehlenweg 123, D-12621 Berlin, Germany) or through the DARC bureau. [TNX NG3K]

9K - A group of operators from Kuwait plans to be active as 9K2F from Faylakah Island (AS-118) from 27 July and 3 August, IOTA Contest included. QSL via 9K2RA, direct (KARS, P.O. Box 5240, 13053, Safat, Kuwait) or bureau. [TNX The Daily DX]

C5 - Gerben, PG5M will be active as C56M from The Gambia until 11 April. This is a CW operation on 40-10 metres. QSL via home call. Direct cards should be sent to Gerben A. Menting, Waezenburglaan 104, 9351 HG Leek, The Netherlands. Information on Gerben's past operations can be found at http://www.dx.to/ [TNX PG5M]

CY0 - CY0AA is the call to be used by Joe/W8GEX, Wayne/K8LEE and Phil/W9IXX during their operation from Sable Island (NA-063)

[425DXN 721]. which is now scheduled to take place from 27 July to 3 August. They plan to operate on 6-160 metres CW, SSB, PSK and RTTY and to participate in the IOTA Contest. QSL via K8LEE. This is a very expensive trip and the crew is seeking donations to help offset the cost. The web page for the operation is at http://www.wb8xx.com/sable/

FR/G - The expedition to the Glorioso Islands has been postponed until October or November. According to Dany, F5CW the Indian Ocean French military authorities have discouraged the team from landing in late May owing to security reasons. Further updates will be posted to http://glorieuses2005.free.fr/: "we are a bit upset with this situation", Dany says,"but we never give up!"

G - The Royal Signals Amateur Radio Association has announced the following activities to take place between May and August

* GB6VIE (Victory In Europe), operated by G0SWY, M0BTY and G4OHX from 8 May to 4 June.
* GB5AWR, operated by G0SWY on 20-27 June to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Army Wireless Reserve Amateur Radio Society.
* GB4ON (Operation Neptune), operated by GW4XKE on 1-28 July
* GB4VJD (Victory Japan Day), operated by GW4XKE on 1-28 August
* GB6VIJ (Victory In Japan), operated by G0SWY on 1-28 August
* GB6VJD (Victory Japan Day), operated by G4OHX on 1-28 August

QSLs to the Royal Signals Amateur Radio Association, "Greenacre", Stones Green Road, Stones Green, Harwich, Essex CO12 5BS, England, UK. Further information is available on the RSARA's web site at http://www.rsars.org.uk/ [TNX F5NQL]

HB0 - Four members of the Radio Club Tivadar Puskas (HA5KHC) - namely Laci/HA5MA, Pisti/HA5OJ, Ed/HA5BWW and Karl/HA7PC - will operate on 160-10 metres as HB0/homecall from Masescha (1350m asl), Liechtenstein on 14-21 May. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX HA0HW]

I - Giuseppe, IZ7EQT has been active as II7JP in memory of the late Pope John Paul II (1920-2005). QSL via IQ7MU. [TNX Info Radio by I1SCL]

I - Massimo, IZ5BTC reports he will operate on 10, 15, 20, 40 and 6 metres as IA5/IQ5KG/P from Elba Island (EU-028, IIA LI-001) on 23-25 April. QSL via IZ5BTC.

I - A group of operators from ARI Genova will be active as II1PV from the lighthouse at Punta Vagno (WAIL LI-006, ARLHS ITA-151) on 11-12 June. QSL via bureau. [TNX IZ1DFL]

JD1_oga - JH1WCD and JR1AGC will operate as JD1BLW and JD1BLZ respectively from Ogasawara on 5-8 May. Activity will be on 80-6 metres mainly SSB. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX JK1FNL]

LA - Trond/LA9VDA, Bjorn/LA5UKA and Andreas/LA8AJA will be active from Gossen Island (EU-056) on 15-18 April. They will operate on 15-80 metres CW, SSB and RTTY. [TNX LA9VDA]

OZ - Special call OZ200HCA has replaced OZ5HCA [425DXN 725] for Hans Christian Andersen's 200th anniversary celebrations until 30 April. QSL via OZ3FYN.

PA - Will/PE1OPM and Jeroen/NL12339 will be active as PA6WAD from Ameland Island (EU-038) on 7-14 May. They plan to operate on the HF bands, as well as on 6 and 2 metres and 70 cm. On 11 May expect activity from the lighthouse (ARLHS NET-001). QSL via the Dutch

bureau or direct to P.O. Box 42, 4724 ZG Wouw, The Netherlands. The web site for the operation can be found at http://qsy.to/eu-038 [TNX PE1OPM]

S9 - Tono, EA9CP/1 will be active (on 10, 15 and 20 metres SSB) from Sao Tome & Principe on 10-17 April. He also plans to operate from Sao Sebastiao Lighthouse (ARLHS SAO-002) during that time frame. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX EA5KY]

ST - Dane, S57CQ/ST2T [425DXN 714] is still in Sudan and he is likely to be working there until June at least. Owing to his job commitments, his amateur radio activity is limited to participation in contests. QSL via S57DX, direct (Slavko Celarc, Ob Igriscu 8, 1360 Vrhnika, Slovenia) or bureau. [TNX S57DX]

SV9 - Rosel, DL3KWR and Hardy, DL3KWF will be active as SV9/DL3KWR and SV9/DL3KWF from Crete (EU-015) on 16-29 April. They plan to operate mostly on the WARC bands, 80 metres and CW in their evenings. QSL via home calls. E-mail requests for bureau cards can be sent to dl3kwr@darc.de or dl3kwf@darc.de respectively. [TNX DL3KWF]

TZ - JA1UT and the International Amateur Radio Volunteers (IARV) will be active as TZ6U fom Mali until 13 April. QSL via JA1UT, [TNX The Daily DX]

VP5 - Bob, K7LAY and his son Harry, K7LAZ will be active as VP5/homecall from the Caicos Islands (NA-002) on 12-24 June. They plan to operate mainly CW on 10-160 metres. QSL via home calls. [TNX K7LAY]

YL - YL740C, YL740M and YL740T are the calls that Karlis/YL2MD, Serge/YL2MU and Andris/YL2GQT are using until 28 June to celebrate the 740th anniversary of the Latvian city of Jelgava (former Mitaw, the Capital of the Kurland Duchy in XVII century). QSL via home calls. [TNX YL2MU]

ZK2 - Aki, JA1KAJ reports he will be active (callsign not known so far) from Niue (OC-040) from 23 April to 8 May. He plans to operate on 10-80 metres SSB, CW, RTTY and SSTV. QSL via JA1KAJ.

ZL5_ant - Ed, ZL5KX is currently active from Scott Base (ZL-02 for the Antarctica Award) on Ross Island (AN-011). Look for him around 8-9 UTC on 20 metres (long path in Europe). The web site (with web cam) of Scott Base is at http: http://www.antarcticanz.govt.nz/ [TNX ZL4PW & IZ8CGS]

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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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425 DX NEWS MAGAZINE ---> The latest issue (March 2005) is now available in .pdf format only at http://www.425dxn.org/monthly/. It includes an article by Sarath Babu Rayaprolu, VU3RSB on the tsunami emergency on Andaman, "The Way We Were" (a selection of information published by 425DXN ten years ago), as

well as the usual features and several images. Articles and pictures should be sent to Nicola Baldresca, IZ3EBA (iz3eba@libero.it).

6O0JT ---> Joe, 6O0JT (VA6JWT) expected to leave Somalia on 7 April. Once at home, he will start working on the QSL cards. [TNX The Daily DX]

COOK ISLANDS DXCC STATUS CHANGED ---> The following release, dated 2 April, comes from the ARRL's web site:
Issuance of a call sign prefix block for the Cook Islands has made them a DXCC political entity. "It has come to our attention that the International Telecommunication Union Table of International Callsign Series now contains an entry for the Cook Islands," said ARRL Membership Services Manager Wayne Mills, N7NG. "New Zealand has been issued the E5A-E5Z call sign prefix block for the exclusive use of the Cook Islands. As a result, the Cooks become a political entity for DXCC purposes." Mills says the impact on the DXCC List will be minimal, however. "In reviewing the distances, it appears that the first 'separation' from the South Cooks likely will be Palmerston Island, which is just over 350 km northwest of Raratonga," he explained. "The remainder of what has been known as the North Cooks is not sufficiently distant from Palmerston to become an additional DXCC entity." Mills says the main effect of the change will be for Palmerston to count for North Cooks instead of South Cooks. The change also may clarify a situation with the North Cooks. "Since the addition of the Manihiki Islands (North Cooks) in January 1959 was not based on a specific distance, Palmerston has counted as South Cooks," he said. "DXCC Rule 5a comes into play now, keeping both North and South Cooks on the list, but moving Palmerston to the North Cooks because it is more than 350 km from the South islands and becomes the first separation." Under the circumstances, Mills said, it might now be appropriate to rename the entity "Palmerston and the North Cooks."

FT5XO ---> The 2005 Microlite DXpedition to The Kerguelen Islands is now history. In an effort to equitably cover the variety of openings, bands, and modes available, the team actively reviewed the QSO stats each day and adjusted the operating plan accordingly. The first QSOs began at about 07.00 UTC on 20 March, the last QSO was made at approximately 02.00 UTC on the 31st. 11.5 days of operating netted 67,954 QSOs as follows:

Band	CW	SSB	RTTY	TOTAL
160m:	1173	16	0	1189
80m:	3578	957	0	4535
40m:	9643	2774	160	12577
30m:	9683	0	616	10299
20m:	4012	4640	327	8979
17m:	5144	2168	497	7809
15m:	4485	3964	758	9207
12m:	4411	3499	0	7910
10m:	3558	1885	0	5443
6m EME:	6			

The full wrap-up press release will be published in the April issue of the 425 DX News Magazine. [TNX K5TR]

ILLW ---> This year the International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend, organised and co-ordinated by Mike Dalrymple, GM4SUC, will take place from from 00.01

UTC on 20 August until 23.59 UTC on the 21st. Full information on this popular event can be found at http://illw.net/index.html. If you decide to take part in this year's event, please register on-line at http://illw.net/phpform/forms/form1.html. Announced operations are listed at http://illw.net/2005_list.htm

LOTW ---> The Five Star DXers Association is pleased to announce that all 9M0C, D68C and 3B9C logs are now on LoTW. To date, we they have confirmed 80,413 3B9C QSOs direct and via the bureau, including electronic requests made via their Web page. [TNX G3XTT]

QSL 4L4KK ---> SV2AEL is no longer the QSL manager for Amiran, 4L4KK. The new QSL route is via RN6ACI/6 (Archil Barabadze, P.O. Box 1453, Sochi, Krasnodarsky kr., Russia). [TNX RZ6HDX]

QSL 5X1GS ---> Bob Nadolny, WB2YQH reports that he is able to confirm contacts made with Graham, 5X1GS until 12 September 2004. Bob has not received any log update after that date and has been unable to contact Graham by e-mail. "The last time logs were delayed was due to Graham's work schedule out in the bush away from his Kampala location", Bob says. "One other time his telephone wire connection was stolen and he could not e-mail until it was replaced. Please be patient". All logs are available for Graham's other calls (5Z4GS and VP2MGG).

QSL 7Q7PF ---> Cato de Savigny, 7Q7PF reports that his QSL route is not via LA9PF (home call) any longer. Cards should be sent to Private Bag 22, Lilongwe, Malawi.

QSL VIA CE6TBN ---> Marco, CE6TBN reports that he handles the QSL cards for CE6TBN/7, CE6TBN/8 and CE6TBN/P (SA-018, SA-032, SA-043, SA-061 and SA-091), as well as for CE0Z (2000 and 2002). QSL direct (Marco A. Quijada, P.O. Box 1234, Temuco, Chile) or bureau.

QSL VIA JA1VOK ---> Hatsuo, JA1VOK reports that Peter, PY5CC has closed his logs for PY0FM and PY0F/PY5CC operations is 1992-94. The QSL route for PY0FM in 1995 or later remains unchanged, i.e. via JA1VOK.

+ SILENT KEY + Stuart "Stu" P. Greene, WA2MOE passed away a few days ago. A long tome DXer, he was also a DXpeditioner "when there weren't as many safe ways of tranportation to the many places he went to" (W2CE). Some of the places he operated from include KP1, KP5, KH5 and KH5K.

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*** NEWS FROM THE WEB ***
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DX SPOTS: Rod Elliott, VE3UW has collected the DX spots from the OH2AQ Web

Cluster since January 1997. The collection - from January 1997 up to March 2005 - is available at www.425dxn.org/dxspots/, as well the software (DXINFO v2.0) which will enable you to handle the files (instructions at the URL above).

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