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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***

**** DX INFORMATION ****

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3B6 - The group of operators for the Agalega (AF-001) expedition [425DXN 811] includes Witek/SP9MRO, Danuta/SP9SX, Marek/SP9BQJ, Bogdan/SP3IQ, Wojtek/SP5BFX and Wojtek/SP9PT. They will operate on 160-10 metres as 3B6/SP9MRO (QSL via SP9SX) and 3B6/SP9PT (QSL via SP9PT) for about 11 days starting on 22 March. Further information and details on how contribute to help defray the significant costs of this DXpedition can be found at http://3B6.godx.eu.

4S - Joel, F5PAC will active again as 4S7PAG from Sri Lanka on 2-22 February. Expect activity on 17 and 20 metres. He will operate from the main island (AS-003) with a side trip to AS-171 on 10 and 11 February. QSL via F5PAC. [TNX F6AJA and Les Nouvelles DX]

5B - The Nicosia Amateur Radio Club (5B4NC) will operate from Agios Georgios (AS-120) at the end of July, IOTA Contest included. Further information is expected in due course. [TNX 5B4MF]

6W - Jacques, F6HMJ will operate as 6W/F6HMJ from Senegal from 9 February to 13 March. He will be active on 10-80 metres CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via F6HMJ. [TNX F6AJA and Les Nouvelles DX]

8Q - Noel, F6BGC will be active as 8Q7NC from Angaga Island, Maldives (AS-013) from 30 January to 5 February. It will be a "suitcase dxpedition" with 75 watts and a multi-dipole, and he plans to operate on 40, 20 and 15 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX F6BGC]

C6 - Bob, N4BP (C6AKQ) and Pete, N8PR (C6AHR) will be active on all bands from the Bahamas on 12-19 February, while Kevin, K4PG (C6APG) will join them on the 15th. They will participate in the ARRL DX Contest (CW): Bob on 40 metres, Pete on 160 metres and Kevin on 80 metres (look for him on 6 metres before the contest and during the contest when 80m is closed). QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX N8PR]

C9 - Jose, CT1APE and Filipe, CT2GLO will operate SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK31 as C98APE and C98GLO respectively from Bazaruto Island (AF-072) on 18-24 February. QSL via home calls. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]

EA8 - Andrea, IK1PMR and Claudia, IZ1GLO (K2LEO) will be active (CW and RTTY) holiday style as EA8/IK1PMR and EA8/IZ1GLO from the Canary Islands (AF-004) from 8 February to 8 March. They might take part in a few contests (low power). QSL via IK1PMR direct or bureau. [TNX IK1PMR]

G - GB6OTR with be used from 1 February through 31 December to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the Torbay Amateur Radio Society (http://www.tars.org.uk). On the anniversary day (24 February) GB6OTR will be active all day from the Society's HQ in Newton Abbot, Devon; the remaining time it will be used from the QTHs of various members. QSL via bureau or via G3LHJ. [TNX G3LHJ]

J2 - Announced frequencies are for the 1-15 February J20M & J20R

operation from Moucha Island (AF-053), Djibouti [425DXN 819] are as follows:

BAND	SSB	CW	RTTY
10m	28450	28025	-
12m	24925	24895	-
15m	21295	21025	-
17m	18130	18080	18105
20m	14190	14025	14085
30m	-	10105	10140
40m	7050	7005	-
80m	3795	3505	-
160m	1840	1823	-

The website for the expedition is at http://www.i2ysb.com/j2; QSL via I2YSB, direct or bureau.

J5 - Jack, F6BUM will be active as J5BI from Bubaque Island (AF-020), Guinea Bissau on 14-27 March. He plans to operate with 100 watts and dipoles on 40-10 metres SSB (other modes availabe on request). Further information at ttp://www.f6bum.net (click on "Guinee-Bissau" on the left). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX F6BUM]

JT - Nicola/I0SNY, Giampiero/I5NOC and Pino/I8YGZ will be active from Mongolia from 14 April until 3 May. They will operate as JT1Y from Ulanbaatar and will also be visiting call areas 8, 9 and 0 along with members of the JT1KAA radio club. Expect activity on 160-10 metres CW, SSB, PSK31 and RTTY. QSL via I0SNY. [TNX I0SNY]

OX - Johan, PA3EXX will operate from Rathbone Island in the Greenland's Coastal Islands North East group (NA-243, new one for IOTA) on 21-24 August. Johan has applied for a callsign in the new XP prefix block (see "Denmark" in the Good To Know section) Further information is expected in due course. QSL via PA3EXX.

PJ - Joeke, PA0VDV reports he plans to active as PJ4/PA0VDV from Bonaire (SA-006) on 1-18 February. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

PY - Maia, PY5CA reports he will be using "super special call" ZY5100SCOUT from 1 February through the end of the year to celebrate the 100th anneiversary of the scouting movement. QSL via home call.

UA - Look for UE3YAR to be aired on 23-25 February to celebrate the Russian Army Day for the AFARU (Armed Forces Amateur Radio Union) activity programme. QSL via RV3YR. [TNX RV3YR]

VK - Nick, VK1AA reports he will be active as VK1AA/2 from Broughton Island (OC-212) on 25-28 February. He plans to operate CW and SSB on 40, 20 and 15 metres. QSL via home call (Nick Hacko, P.O. Box 900, Spit Junction 2088, NSW, Australia).

VP2M - Budd/W3FF (VP2MFF), Chris/W6HFP (VP2MHF), Scott/NE1RD (VP2MRD), Mike/KC4VG (VP2MVG), Paul/KB9AVO (VP2MVO), Tom/W4OKW (VP2MTC) and Bob/AB7ST (VP2MST) will operate 160-6 metres CW, SSB and digital modes from Montserrat (NA-103) from 29 January to 6 February. This DXpedition will focus on lightweight gear and portable operations from beaches, hilltops, and the Montserrat Volcano Observatory. QSL for all via NE1RD, direct or bureau. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW. The web site for the expedition is at http://www.dxpedition-vp2m.com/

T32 - T32MO - operated by Mike, KM9D (CW) and Jan, KF4TUG (SSB) [425DXN 820] - is expected go QRT from from Fanning Island (OC-084) after

the first week in February. Mike and Jan will then sail back to Christamas Island. QSL via OM2SA.

W - Dennis, WA2USA will be active as WA2USA/5 from Grand Isle (NA-168) on 8-19 February. He will operate CW and SSB on 80-20 metres and will participate in the ARRL International DX Contest (CW) on 80-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]

XE - On 30 July 2006 XE2WWW/XF2 and XE2K/XF2 operated for a few hours from Larga Island in the Tamaulipas State group (NA-246). This was a reconnaissance trip in view of a large scale operation that it has been now announced to take place on 23-25 February. Expect a group of operators from Mexico and the US to operate CW and SSB as XF2K with three stations. QSL via N6AWD. [TNX XE2K]

XU - John/9M6XRO (XU7XRO, QSL via M5AAV), Steve/9M6DXX (XU7DXX, QSL via M5AAV) and Pete/SM5GMZ (XU7ADI, QSL via home call) will be active from Cambodia from 31 January to 10 February. They plan to operate on 160-10 metres CW, SSB and RTTY. [TNX M5AAV]

YV0 - Announced frequencies for the YW0DX DXpedition to Aves Island (NA-020), which is due to start on 8 February [425DXN 820], are as follows:

BAND	CW	SSB	RTTY	PSK	SSTV
160m	1822-1825	1842	-	-	-
80m	3523	3790	-	-	-
40m	7020	7055	7040	7038	-
30m	10103	-	10140	10137	-
20m	14020	14190,14260	14090	14071	14232
17m	18075	18145	18100	-	-
15m	21020	21190,21295	21080	21070	-
12m	24893	24950	24920	-	-
10m	28020	28490	28090	28120	-
6m	50110	50110	50290	50290	-

QSL via IT9DAA, direct or bureau. The web site for the expedition is at http://yw0dx.4m5dx.org/

CQ WW 160-METER DX CONTEST (CW) ---> Object of the contest is for amateurs worldwide to work as many US States, Canadian provinces and countries as possible on 160 metres CW (full rules cand be found at http://cq-amateur-radio.com/160%20Meter%20link.html). The following stations have announced their partecipation in this year's event (from 00.00 UTC on 27 January through 23.59 UTC on the 28th):

- Eddy, XV1X and Stan, 3W9JR as 3W3W from Vietnam. QSL via OK1DOT.
- YU1XX, YZ1BX, YT1XX and YU1EW as 4O1A from Serbia. QSL via YU1EXY. Please note that Serbian amateurs are now allowed to operate from 1810 to 2000 kHz.
- RV2FW, UA2FB and UA2FF as CN2A from Morocco. QSL via DK4VW.
- CT3FN, DJ8VC and HB9CQL as CT3FN from Madeira. QSL via HB9CRV.
- Martti, OH2BH as CU2A from the Azores. QSL via home call.
- UR5FEO as ER0FEO from Moldova. QSL via UU0JM.
- ES5TV and ES5RY as ES5Q from Estonia. QSL via ES5RY.
- Nodir, EY8MM from Tajikistan. QSL via K1BV.
- Rich, K2WR as GJ2A from Jersey. QSL via K2WR (USA) or GJ3DVC.
- DL4SDW, DL8SCG and LX2A as LX7I from Luxembourg. QSL via LX2A.
- G3NKC, G4MJS and G4XUM as MD4K from the Isle of Man. QSL via G3NKC.
- Juha/OH1JT, Jouko/OH1RX, Mika/OH2JA and Ari/OH5DX as OH0Z from the Aland

Islands. QSL via W0MM.
- OM2VL ,OM3BH, OM3GI, OM3NA and OM3RM as OM8A from Slovakia. QSL via OM2VL.
- RA3AUU as P33W from Cyprus. QSL via home call.
- Jeff, K8ND and Jim, W8WTS as PJ2T from Curacao, Netherlands Antilles. QSL via N9AG.
- Jovica/T98A (ST2A), Fernando/EA4BB (ST2BF) and Slavko/S57DX (ST2R) as ST2A (Multi-Single) from Sudan. QSL via T93Y. Expect ST2R (QSL via S57DX) to be on the top band on Friday before the contest, while ST2A and ST2BF (QSL via W3HNK) will do their best to be active on 160 metres for the rest of the low bands season during their weekends (Thu/Fri and Fri/Sat nights).
- Emir, OE1EMS as T93J from Bosnia-Hercegovina. QSL via OE1EMS.
- Mitko, LZ1UQ as VP8/LZ1UQ from the South Shetland Islands. QSL via home call.
- WA4PGM as VP9I from Bermuda. QSL via N1HRA.
- Peter, NO2R as XU7ACY from Cambodia. QSL via K2NJ.
- Andy, UA3AB as YT3B from Montenegro. QSL via home call.
- Bruce, K0BJ as ZF2BJ from the Cayman Islands. QSL via home call.
- ZL2BSJ and ZL1AZE as ZL6QH from New Zealand. Expect them around 1830-1835 kHz at their local sunset, and around 1810-1815 kHz or 1821-1825 kHz later in the evening, when the band opens to Japan. QSL via ZL2AOH or via the bureau.

Do not forget to give a look to the Announced Operation listing maintained by Bill, NG3K at http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cq160c2007.html

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*** 4 2 5 D X N E W S ***
**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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ARRL NEWS ---> Several organizational changes at ARRL Headquarters became effective on 22 January. A new department, tentatively called the Programs and Services Department, will combine most functions of the former Membership Services Department and Field and Educational Services. Dave Patton (NN1N) has been named manager of the combined department, and Norm Fusaro (W3IZ) will become assistant manager of the combined units.

DENMARK ---> The Danish IT and Telecom Agency has opened the possibility to apply for new prefix block callsigns. They should start being issued by mid-March, so don't be caught unawares if you hear OU, OV, 5P and 5Q stations from Denmark, as well as XP callsigns from Greenland and OW callsigns from the Faroe Islands.

DXCC HONOR ROLL ---> The deadline to be shown in the next DXCC Honor Roll listing is 31 March. Submissions must be postmarked 31 March 2007 for your submission to count for this listing. The DXCC Honor Roll list will appear in August 2007 QST. There are 337 entities on the DXCC list and you must be within the numerical top 10 DXCC entities to qualify. The current minimum requirement for Honor Roll is 328 current entities (deleted entities do not count towards this level). [TNX NC1L]

LU2ERA/Z ---> Henry (LU4DXU) says that he saw that Hugo was at the Orcadas

Base in the South Orkney Islands, he suggested him to operate on the amateur radio bands "without knowing that he never went to renew his LU2ERA license and lost it. This callsign has now been issued to another individual. As soon I received this information I spoke with him to cancel the operation. All QSL cards received will be returned to the sender. Mistakes happen and I hope that Hugo eventually renews his license and is able to activate such rare Bases in the near future". [TNX NE8Z]

NOT THE MANAGER ---> Graham, M5AAV says that with immediate effect he is no longer the QSL Manager for G6PZ, GX6PZ and GB6MD.

QSL EU-179 ---> As of 20 January, Alex (UX2IQ) had processed and mailed all of the direct requests for UT3IB/p, UT9IO/p & UX2IQ/p. Anyone still needing a card can apply for one either direct with adequate return postage and SAE, or via the UARL bureau. [TNX UT3IB]

QSL XF4DL ---> The cards for the latest Revillagigedo operation have been printed in Germany, and the QSL manager for the Americas (N6AWD) is still waiting for them to arrive. Hopefully he will receive them in the next 2-3 weeks, for the time being please be patient and do not resubmit. [TNX XE2K]

USA DROPS CW ---> The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) has modified the Amateur Radio Service rules and eliminated Morse code exam requirements for all amateur licence classes. The new rules become effective on 23 February. Full information can be found at http://www.arrl.org/fcc/morse/.

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*** NEWS FROM THE WEB ***
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LOG: Igor, UA9CDC reports that the on-line log for the 2006 8Q7DV operation is now available at http://radio-8q7dv.narod.ru

LOG: The final logs for XT2C (56,287 QSOs) are now available at http://xt2c.free.fr/log_uk.php

LOG: The on-line log for YR0UE can be found on the Federatia Romana de Radioamatorism's web site at http://www.hamradio.ro/ [TNX YO3JW]

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3B8CF, 3D2VB, 3DA0TM, 3V6T, 4O3B, 4O3T, 4O60BH, 4Z0J, 5A7A, 5H3EE, 5K0Z, 5R8RJ, 7P8DJ, 9H3MR, 9K2HN, 9M2CNC, A35XX, A61Q, A71EM, A92ZE, BY1DX, C6APR, C6ATA, C6DX, C98BWW, CP8XA, D44AC, DL4KM, E51APX, E51PDX, E51PEN, E51YAQ, F1VJQ/P, FG5FR, FJ/K3XT, FO/KM9D (OC-057), FO/KM9D (OC-114), FR5ZU/T, FS/VA3RA, FS5HL/P, FS5UQ, FY1FL, H44VV, HC1JQ, HC8N, HK0GU, HQ4R (NA-060), J2/WB9Z, J20DA, J28JA, J37LR, J5UAF, JT1CO, JW4GHA (EU-027), JW5E, KC4AAA, KG4DX, LU1ZV, LU4ZS, MD4K, OH60BH, P29ZAD, P49MR, PJ2/N1ZZ, PJ4E, RV2FW/1 (EU-133), ST2A, T70A, T70HQ, T88VV, TR8CA, TY2AB, TY5MR, TZ6MF, V73VV, VE7IG/VE1, VK9CGG, VO2WL, VP5W, VP8ITN, VP8LP, VP9/AA1AC, VQ9LA, VU7LD (AS-011), XF4DL, XX9BB, XX9C, YJ0VB, YN4SU, YV4A, YX0A, YX0LIX, Z21FO, Z22JE, Z31GX, Z38N, ZK2BQI, ZL8R, ZM2M, ZP5MAL.

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