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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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>>> SAINT-BARTHELEMY, DXCC ENTITY #338 <<<

The French Ovearseas Department (Departement d'outre-mer, DOM) of Guadeloupe included Guadeloupe (FG), as well as the island of Saint-Barthelemy (FJ) and the French part of the island of Saint-Martin (FS).

On 7 December 2003, Saint-Martin and Saint-Barthelemy voted in favour of autonomy from Guadeloupe, in order to form separate Overseas Collectivities (Collectivites d'outre-mer, COM). On 21 February 2007, the French Parliament passed a bill granting COM status to both Saint-Barthelemy and Saint-Martin. The new status took effect on 22 February, when the law was published in the Official Journal.

As for DXCC, Saint-Martin and Saint-Barthelemy have formed one single Entity for decades - until 14 December 2007. This is the official release from the ARRL Headquarters, dated 19 December:

> The ARRL DXCC Desk is pleased to announce the addition of St Barthelemy (FJ) to the DXCC List, making the island entity number 338 with an effective date of 14 December, 2007. Cards with contacts dated December 14, 2007 or after will be accepted for DXCC credit. New card submissions for St Barthelemy will not be accepted until January 1, 2008 in order to allow time for administrative adjustments.
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> The "event date" that caused St. Barthelemy to be added to the DXCC list was December 14, 2007, the date the US State Department Fact sheet was updated by the Bureau of Intelligence and Research. This update added St Barthelemy to the List of Dependencies and Areas of Special Sovereignty with its Administrative Center in Gustavia, qualifying it under DXCC rules in Section II -- 1 Political Entities (c).
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> French St Martin (FS), while also added to the List of Dependencies and Areas of Special Sovereignty, will remain on the DXCC List, but it is now considered a Point 1 Political Entity under the same classification as that of St Barthelemy.
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> Please direct any questions you may have about St Barthelemy, St

Martin or the DXCC program to the ARRL DXCC Desk (dxcc@arrl.org).

3Y - Pilot station and Media Officer Rhynhardt Louw, ZS6DXB (zs6dxb@kats.za.net) reports that a five man Norwegian led research team has been on Bouvet Island since 13 December, and will remain there until around 14 February 2008. The medical officer is Petrus Kritzinger, ZS6GCM (newly licenced, previous call ZR6PK). He has an Icom IC-735 and a Hustler 4-BTV vertical antenna, but limited HF experience. He was given a brief training session on operating procedures a couple of days prior to departure. Petrus expects to be active on the amateur radio bands as time and availability of electrical power permit. The landing permission was granted months ago, and the callsign (3Y0E) was issued on 19 December. QSL via LZ3HI. Bookmark http://3y0e.com/ for further information, updates and hopefully on-line logs. [TNX http://www.sarl.org.za/]

5Z - Nao, JK1FNL says he will be active as 5Z4/JK1FNL from Masai Mara, Kenya on 26-29 December. He will be running 100 watts into dipoles or vertical antennas on 15-40 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

CN - Didier, F4ELJ will be active as CN4MC from Morocco from 27 December to 3 January. He plans to operate on 80-10 metres SSB. QSL via home call. [TNX F4ELJ]

EA8 - Giovanni, IZ2DPX will be active from Fuerteventura, Canary Islands (AF-004) from 30 December to 6 January. He plans to operate holiday style on 40, 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10 metres. QSL via IK2DUW, direct or bureau. [TNX IZ2DPX]

FJ - Martti, OH2BH and Olli, OH0XX (HP1WW) have been active as FJ/OH2AM from Saint-Barthelemy (NA-146), the newest DXCC Entity, since 18 December. They have two stations (SSB and CW), and they are concentrating on giving the "new one" to as many people as possible. Their QRT date is not known at the moment, but operation could continue until 27 December, The Daily DX reports. QSL via OH2BN.

HS - Those who need Thailand on 80 metres CW can look for Don, HS0ZEE who is QRV daily on 3505-3507 kHz from 21 to 00.30 UTC. He runs a TS940S to a 30m high dipole and welcomes skeds (g3vfu@hotmail.com). See qrz.com for the QSL information. [TNX HS0ZEE]

JA - Look for JS6RRR and JI3DST/JS6 to be active from the Miyako Islands (AS-079) from 27 December to 7 January. The main QTH will be Miyakojima (JIIA AS-079-005), with side trips to Ikema-jima (AS-079-001), Kurima-jima (AS-079-003) and Ogami-jima (AS-079-006). QSL via bureau only. [TNX JI3DST]

PA - The following eight special Christmas callsigns will be aired from the Netherlands between 20 December and 6 January: PA07XMAS (QSL via PG7V), PC07XMAS (QSL via PA3AM), PD07SANTA (QSL via PD0AT), PD07XMAS (QSL via PD2J), PD08HNY (QSL via PD0EMR), PF07XMAS (QSL via PA1WLB), PG07XMAS (QSL via PA7JWC), PH07XMAS (QSL via PA4CHE). Information on the relevant Christmas 2007 Award can be found at www.pg7v.net/xmas2007 [TNX PG7V]

SP_ssh - Marek, SP3GVX has been back to the Polish "Henryk Arctowski" scientific station on King George Islans, South Shetlands (AN-010) since November, and will remain there until late next year. Expect him to be active as HF0POL when his workload permits. QSL via

SP3WVL. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW. [TNX SP3BGD]

UN - Rashad, 4J9M is on a business trip to Aktau, Kazakhstan and has been authorized to operate as UN/4J9M until 3 February 2008. QSL via DL7EDH. [TNX 4J9M]

ZL - Paul, ZL3TX and local Radio Clubs operators will be active as ZM6JAM during the 18th New Zealand/International Scouts Jamboree, to be held in Christchurch from 29 December to 5 January. The main activity will take place between 20-8 UTC each day, apart from New Years Eve when the station will remain active till 12 UTC. ZM6JAM will be active on 80-10 metres mainly SSB and Digital Modes, along with Echolink via the ZL3CAR repeater Node 101553 and ILRP on 145.625 repeater Node 6900. QSL via ZL3TX. For further information or for those wanting to set up skeds please email zm6jam@yahoo.co.nz [TNX ZL3NB]

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3B7C ---> The 3B7C DVD, "a colourful and comprehensive account of life on Ile du Sud, Saint Brandon, during the 3B7C DXpedition", is now available. Also included is the 3B9C Rodrigues video. Each video runs for approximately 45 minutes. Complete details can be found at http://www.3b7c.com/DVD.htm [TNX G3XTT]

C56JJ ---> Jan, PA4JJ says that his recent C56JJ operation from The Gambia (1-10 December) has been approved for DXCC credit.

CAROLINA DX ASSOCIATION ---> At its Annual Meeting & Christmas Party held on 13 December, the Carolina DX Association (http://www.cdxa.org) elected the following officers for 2008: Ted Goldthorpe/W4VHF (President), Paul Ponak/AD4IE (Vice-President), Cliff Wagoner/W3ZL (Secretary-Treasurer), John Scott/K8YC (Newsletter Editor), Dick Williams/W3OA (Contest Manager), Joe Simpkins/K4MD (Cluster Manager), Paul Sturpe/W3GQ (Cluster Manager, North), Wayne Setzer/WB4BXW (Webmaster). [TNX K8YC]

CLARION ISLAND ---> The team on Socorro Island (6E4LM, XF4YK and XF4YW) went QRT on 16 December. On the 19th they operated from Clarion Island (NA-115) for a couple of hours on 20 and 17 metres. On-line logs will be available on http://www.6e4lm.xedx.org when the operators are back home. QSL XF4YK via XE1YK, QSL XF4YW via XE2YW, QSL 6E4LM via XE2K.

FJ & CQ DX AWARDS ---> CQ DX Awards Manager Billy Williams, N4UF has announced that the island of Saint-Barthelemy (FJ) has been added to the CQ DX Awards entity list, effective immediately, for confirmed contacts with the island made on or after 21 February 2007. For purposes of the CQ DX Field Awards, Saint-Barthelemy is in grid field FK. For more information on the CQ DX Awards, please visit http://www.cq-amateur-radio.com/awards.html or the CQ DX Awards homepage at http://home.earthlink.net/~bfwillia/page3.html.

IOTA HONOUR ROLL ---> The Annual Listings as at February 2007 are now available on the IOTA Programme (http://www.rsgbiota.org/info/index.php) and the IOTA Manager's (http://www.g3kma.dsl.pipex.com/) web sites. The performance tables include the Honour Roll and the Annual Listing, as well as the VHF/UHF, Club and SWL listings. Listing in the 2007 tables was restricted to those members who had updated their scores since February 2002.

QSL 5L2MS ---> The first direct cards for 5L2MS (October 2007) are arriving. Henk, PA3AWW would like to remind that one USD does not cover return postage expenses and those direct requests will be processed via the bureau.

QSL HZ1MD ---> Effective 1 January 2008, Peter, PA2V will no longer be the QSL manager for HZ1MD. However, Peter will honour all the QSL requests for HZ1MD's activity from the Farasan Islands (AS-193). The cards are expected from the printer between late December and early January. [TNX VE3LYC and www.islandchaser.com]

QSL SU8BHI ---> Gabi, HA3JB expects to receive the new QSL cards for SU8BHI (see www.qsl.net/ha3jb/news.html) at the end of January. QSL direct only to HA3JB (Kutasi Gabor, P.O. Box 243, H-8601 Siofok, Hungary). If you do not receive your card, please e-mail him at ha3jb@t-email.hu [TNX HA3JB/SU8BHI]

QSL YB0ZZ & YE0X ---> Pri, YB0ECT reports that the "P.O. Box 8000 Jakarta 11000" address is no longer valid. The new address for both YB0ZZ (ORARI DKI Jakarta Club Station) and YE0X (Contest ORARI Daerah DKI Jakarta) is: Jl. Suryo Pranoto No.8 Gedung Prasada Sasana Karya Lantai 10, Jakarta Pusat (10130), Indonesia

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3B8FQ	K5XK	EM10KDR	RU6UR	R10KDR	RU6UR
4L1FP	LZ1OT	ER10KDR	ER3GS	R1AND	RU1ZC
4L1UN	EA7FTR	ES1A	ES1AJ	S05A	EA1BT
4L4WW	EA7FTR	ES1WN	ES1AX	SY2TSL	SZ2TSL
4L8A	DJ1CW	ET3JA	OK3AA	T88GS	JE1PGS
4S7DXG	UR9IDX	FJ/OH2AM	OH2BN	T88LY	JJ2VLY
5H9PD	W8FV	FK8DD	LZ1JZ	T88PR	JJ8DEN
5N8NDP	IK5JAN	FK8GX	W3HNK	T88RA	JH1RMH
5P0MF	DH1LAO	FM1II	ON4IQ	T88YU	JQ2GYU
5R8FL	G3SWH	FM5CD	F5VU	TF3CW	LX1NO
5R8FU	SM5DJZ	FM5WD	W3HNK	TF3ZA	KT6YL
5R8GZ	G3SWH	FO5RH	F2HE	TM7VT	F6KJX
5X1AB	K6EID	GB6GW	GW0TKX	TN/9Q1TB/P	SM5DJZ
5X4X	DF5GQ	GB80GKZ	2E0NCG	TN6X	DJ6SI
9G1YK	PA3ERA	HF50SSM	SP9KJM	TN9Z	DJ9ZB

9J2CA	G3SWH	HF85GN	SP5ZDH	TR8CA	F6CBC
9L1BTB	SP7BTB	HG70LL	HA3KNA	TR8CR	F6AJA
9M2TO	JA0DMV	HK4OBA	EA5KB	UN3M	EA7FTR
9V1YC	N5ID	HR9/WQ7R	AI4U	V44KJ	WB2TSL
A92BND	A92GR	HS0ZDR	W4FOA	V55SRT	IZ8EDJ
A92GT	EA7FTR	HZ1SK	IZ8CLM	VK2IAY/4	G0UIH
A92HB	GM6TVR	HZ1ZH	EA7FTR	VP5E	K0OK
AI4VU/HI3	JT1CO	II0TH	I0YCB	VP9/VE3ZF	VE3ZF
BP100S	BX4AN	II1C	I1OJE	VQ9JC	ND9M
CE0ZAA	CE2AA	KH0/AB2WE	JI1JPJ	W1VX/KH0	JF1OCQ
CO2CI	WD4OIN	LU1ZD	LU4DXU	W8XGI/KH2	JA1XGI
CO2NB	EA5KB	LY10KDR	LY3W	XT2WC	F1IQH
CO2WL	IZ8EBI	LZ07IPY	LZ3SM	XV1X	OK1DOT
CO6XN	N3ZOM	LZ40VP	LZ2VP	YE9FCCC	YB1GJS
CV5K	CX2ABC	N3YS/KH0	JE1SYN	YI9MI	AD7MI
CW2C	IK1PMR	OH9SCL	OH9UV	YI9QX	SP8WQX
CX7CO	KA5TUF	OJ1ABOA	OH2FFP	YU60BCD	YU7BCD
DQ10KDR	RU6UR	OX3XR	OZ3PZ	YW6YL	IT9DAA
E4/OM2DX	OM3JW	P40GH	WA2TTI	Z29KM	EA7FTR
EA8/8S8L	SM0DXT	PA25HSG	PA4PS	ZL1HY	EA7FTR

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