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**** DX INFORMATION ****

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3DA - David, GI4FUM (EI4DJ) will be operating from Swaziland as 3DA0DJ on 17-27 October. He was a member of the IRTS DXpedition to Swaziland in March 2007; this year he will be with Daniel, ZS6JR and they will be using the same equipment and antennas that were used for the CQ WPX SSB operation last year (3DA0EI). David and Daniel will also operate as 3DA0JOTA for the annual Jamboree On The Air (18-19 October). Activity will be on all HF bands SSB. [TNX GI4FUM]

4O - Thomas/DG5NGI, Walter/DG5NGJ, Heiko/DG8NGI, Hubert/DK9NCX, Joerg/DL3NER and Ivo/DL9MB will be active as 4O/homecall from Montenegro from 25 September to 4 October. They plan operate SSB, CW, PSK31 and RTTY on 160-10 metres, plus 6 and 2 metres. QSL via home calls. [TNX NG3K]

7X - Mirek, VK6DXI is in Algeria until 11 September. This is a business trip and he operates as 7X0DX in his spare time. QSL via DL4DBR. The on-line log at http://www.7x0.dxing.pl/ will be updated with the new QSOs once Mirek's current activity is over. [TNX SP5UAF]

C5 - EA4BT, EA4NA, EA7AAW, EA7JB, EA7LS and EA7SB will be active as C56EA from The Gambia on 15-23 October. They will operate SSB, CW and RTTY on 160-10 metres. QSL via EA4BT, direct or bureau. Their web page is at www.dx4dx.com [TNX URE]

D2 - Father Gabriele, D2EB is back to Angola after five years. He will be active on the HF bands and 6 metres, SSB and CW. QSL via IZ3ETU (direct only) or LoTW. [TNX IZ3ETU]

E5 - Bill, N7OU will be active again as E51NOU from Rarotonga (OC-013), South Cook Islands from 15 September to 11 October. He will operate CW only, low power, on 40-10 metres. "For most of my stay I'll be operating around a work schedule", he says, "but I'll make a special effort to be on at grayline times to Europe". QSL via N7OU. [TNX NG3K]

F - Special event station TM1DKF will be active on 6-14 September for the 15th edition of the International Kite Festival that takes place in Dieppe. QSL via F5CDN. [TNX F6AJA and Les Nouvelles DX]

F - Special station TM8JPR will be aired on 7-21 September for the European Heritage Days (the annual celebration of the architectural and cultural wealth of nearly fifty European nations, promoted and co-ordinated by the Council of Europe). QSL via operator's instructions. [TNX F8REF]

FG - F6EPO will be active as FG/F6EPO from Guadeloupe (NA-102) on 7-27 September. He will operate QRP on 40, 30, 20 and 15 metres CW. From 13 to 20 September he will operate (20m only during his evenings) from La Soufriere volcano. [TNX NG3K]

GM - A group of ten operators from the Sands Contest Group and the Workington & District ARC will be active as MS0SCG the Isle of

Jura (EU-008) on 22-28 September. They hope to have four stations operating across the HF bands from their main QTH plus mobile/portable operations to cover rare WAB squares and SOTA. Most likely bands will be 80, 40, 20 and 17 metres SSB with possibility of limited CW/data operations. QSL via M0SCG. An on-line diary will be kept at http://m0scg.blogspot.com [TNX G0VGS and G0MTD]

GU - Martin, G3ZAY and Michael, G7VJR will be active as GU3ZAY and GU7VJR from Guernsey (EU-114) between 31 October and 2 November. They will use verticals and a small linear amplifier, with activity on SSB and CW. They hope to be QRV on LF bands if space permits. QSL via G7VJR. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW. [TNX G7VJR]

I - Joachim Murat, Napoleon Bonaparte's brother-in-law, was named King of Naples and Sicily two centuries ago. ARI branch "Penisola Sorrentina" joins the celebrations organized locally and operates under the special callsign II8MU between now and 31 October. QSL via IZ8EDG. [TNX I1SCL]

I - ARI Battipaglia will be active as II8AVL from 9 September to 1 October to commemorate Operation Avalanche, the Allied landings near Salerno during World War II. QSL via operator's instructions. [TNX I1SCL]

I - COTA (Carabinieri On The Air, http://www.cota.cc) station IQ6CC will be active on 20-21 September for the 4th COTA Radio Meeting to be held at Castelfidardo (Ancona). QSL via IW6DSM. [TNX I6YOT]

I - Wave Master Team's members Giovanni/IK1WEG, Marco/IS0KEB, Davide/IW1DQS, Sergio/IW1FSQ, Gerry/IZ1DSH, Giorgio/IZ1DXS, Carlo/IZ1GCZ, Veronica/IZ1KFF and Moreno/IZ1MNE will be active as IA5IG from Giglio Island (EU-028, IIA GR-002) on 24-28 September. They plan to operate SSB, CW and digital modes on 160-6 metres. All of the QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau. Direct cards should be mailed to IZ1DSH. Further information, log search included, can be found at http://www.wavemasterteam.com [TNX IW1FGZ]

I - Celebrating the last flag-lowering ceremony that will take place on 30 September, special event station II1ADV will be active from the Italian Navy frigate "Carabiniere" on 25-30 September. Expect SSB, CW and PSK activity from 8 to 17 UTC. QSL via I1SAF, direct or bureau. Information on the relevant award can be found at http://www.assoradiomarinai.tk [TNX IT9MRM]

IS0 - A group of operators from the Sardinia QRP Club (IQ0QP) will be active from Quirra Island (EU-165, IIA CA-009) on 14 September, from about 9 UTC to 16 UTC. This will be a QRP operation on 80, 40 and 20 metres, SSB and CW. QSL direct to P.O. Box 81, 09047 Selargius - CA, Italy. [TNX K1XN]

JD - Look for JD1BMH (JG7PSJ) and JD1BLY (QSL via JI5RPT) to be active from Chichijima (AS-031), Ogasawara from 28 December to 2 January 2009. They will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 160-6 metres, with an emphasis on the low bands. They will also operate satellite. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. Their web pages can be found at http://www.ji5rpt.com/jd1/ and http://sapphire.ganko.tohoku.ac.jp/jd1bmh/ [TNX JI5RPT]

JW - Roald, OZ1BLO and Karl, LA8DW will operate SSB, CW and RTTY as JW0EK and JW8DW from Svalbard Island (EU-026) from 30 September to 6 October. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX LA8DW]

JT - Andrei, UA3ABR will be active as JT1CA from Mongolia from 26 September to 2 October. QSL via home call. [TNX JT1CD]

KH0 - Kuny/W1FPU (7L1FPU) and his eight-year son Yoshiki/KH0UA, Tomo/N2QP (JQ1OCR) and his wife Yuri/KE7TWK will be active from the Mariana Islands on 6-8 September, including a Multi/Single entry in the All Asian DX Contest (SSB) as AH0BT (QSL via 7L1FPU). [TNX NG3K]

OE - 4U1VIC, the Vienna International Centre Amateur Radio Club, will be on the air during the Worked All Europe DX Contest (SSB), on 13-14 September. Planned operators are OE1AWB, OE1DWC, OE1RKS, OE3BLB, OE3GCU and OE3SGU; due to access restrictions they will not be able to operate the full 48 hours continuously, but they will try to be on as much as possible. They will work all stations (DX and Europe). All of the QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau. Direct cards should go to Amateur Radio Club, Vienna International Centre, P.O. Box 500, A-1400 Vienna, Austria. [TNX OE3GCU]

ON - Special event station ON4WAR will be aired on 6-7 September as a tribute to the Belgian resistance during World War II. QSL via ON7RY, direct or bureau. Further information can be found at http://www.on7ry.be/

OZ - The EDR Radio Club Hurup will be active as OZ5THY/p from Langholm Bagfyr Lighthouse (ARLHS DEN-081) on Vendsyssel-Thy Island (EU-171) during the IARU Region 1 Field Day (6-7 September). They will have three stations on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via bureau or direct [TNX OZ7AEI]

SM - Heiko/DL1RTL (SD7C), Ralf/DH7NO (SM/DH7NO) and Ric/DL2VFR (SD7V) will be active from Sturko Island (EU-138) from 28 September to 4 October. They will operate CW and SSB with 500 watts and vertical antennas. QSL via home calls, direct or via the DARC bureau. [TNX DL2VFR]

SV - Paul/DH9VA, John/SV0XAD, Stelios/SV1AAU, John/SV1GE, Chris/SV2DGH, Takis/SV2FWV and Sakis/SV2HNC will be active as SY8L from Lemnos Island (EU-049) on 6-13 September. They plan to operate SSB, CW and RTTY on all bands. QSL via SV2DGH, direct or bureau. Further information will be available on www.svdxgroup.com [TNX SV2DGH]

T8 - Sadayuki, JH1UUT will be active as T88DB from Palau (OC-009) until 8 September, including an entry in the All Asian DX Contest (SSB). Suggested frequencies are 3795, 7085, 14200/14260, 21260/21290 and 28460/28490 kHz. QSL via home call. [TNX JI6KVR]

TA - TC4X, the Finnish-Turkish Friendship Consortium station, will be active again on 13-14 September for the Worked All Europe DX Contest (SSB). QSL via OH2BH. [TNX TA1HZ]

TA - Special callsign TC470PDZ will be aired on 24-30 September to commemorate the 470th anniversary of the naval battle of Preveza, fought on 28 September 1538 between the Ottoman fleet and that of a "Holy League" assembled by the Pope. Expect main activity on 20 and 40 metres. QSL via via TA1HZ. [TNX TA1HZ]

VE - VE8RCS/VY0 is active from Ellesmere Island (NA-008) until 10 September. This special activity commemorates the 50th anniversary of CFS Alert, the Canadian Forces signals intelligence intercept facility located on the island. QSL via VE3SRS. Daily updates and beautiful pictures can be found at

http://users.xplornet.com/~scrouse/ve8rcs.html

VE - Michael, VE2XB is currently active as VE2XB/VY0 from Coral Harbour, Southampton Island (NA-007) until at least the end of the year. Soon he will have better antennas - a 6-element tribander and a delta loop for 80 and 40 metres. QSL vi ahome call, direct or bureau. [TNX The Daily DX]

VE - David, VE3KGK says he might be able to operate (phone only) from VO1AA on Newfoundland on 7 September for a few hours starting around 15. QSL via VE3KGK. The station is located at Cabot Tower, Signal Hill National Historic Site, the site where Guglielmo Marconi received the first wireless transatlantic signal in 1901.

W - Mike, AB5EB will operate SSB and CW as homecall/p from Matagorda Island (NA-092) and lighthouse on 12-14 September. QSL via home call. [TNX VA3RJ]

W - The Citrus Belt ARC presents the 9th annual Route 66 On The Air special event, celebrating the 82nd anniversary of US Highway 66 (the "Mother Road"). Amateur radio clubs using 1x1 callsigns (from W6A through W6S) will operate from 19 cities along the highway on 13-21 September. Complete information on the event and the relevant certificate can be found on http://www.w6jbt.org/

W - K6P will be aired again on 18-21 September for the POW-MIA Remembrance Day. Expect activity on 21350, 18150, 14253 and 7250 kHz SSB, plus PSK31 and RTTY on appropriate frequencies. QSL direct to KM6HB. [TNX KM6HB]

ZK3 - Willi, DJ7RJ and Uli, DL2AH expect to be on the air from Tokelau [425DXN 904] on 7-29 September. Willi will operate mostly CW as ZK3MW 160-10 metres, with an emphasis on the low bands. Uli hopes to get the call ZK3AH, and will operate SSB on 40-10 metres. QSL via home calls. [TNX The Daily DX]

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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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425 DX NEWS MAGAZINE ---> The latest issue (August 2008) is now available at http://www.425dxn.org/monthly/index.html. Articles and pictures should be sent to Nicola Baldresca, IZ3EBA.

LOGS ---> A log search for the recent VK9CJW activity from the Cocos (Keeling) Islands (1268 QSOs) can be found at http://www.ik5run.it/vk9cjw.htm . Other recently added on-line logs include

CU2/IZ2LSC http://www.timpy.it/logbook/log.html
II5EME http://dx.qsl.net/cgi-bin/logform.cgi?ii5eme
IM0/IK5PWQ (EU-041) http://www.qsl.net/ik5pwq/logs/logs.html

NOT THE MANAGER ---> Please note that IK7JWX is not the QSL manager for ZA1KP. As for ZA0IS, he can confirm only contacts made from Sazan Island (EU-169) on 18-23 December 2002.

QSL CE2EYN ---> As of 1 August 2008 bureau cards for David, CE2EYN should

be sent via M3ZYZ. Direct cards should be sent to David Calderwood, Casilla 1014, La Serena, Chile.

QSL VIA E77E ---> Effective 1 September, the Communications Regulatory Agency of Bosnia-Herzegovina issued the first batch of 51 one-letter suffix callsigns (list at http://www.rak.ba/hr/freq-mgmt/?cid=4809). Robert Babec, T98U is now E77E and will continue being the QSL manager for: E73J (ex E77DX, T93J, T94JJ, 4N4JJ), E74EBL (ex YU4EBL), E74X (ex E74BY, T94BY, YU4BY), E76C (ex E75DX, T96C, YZ4ED), E78G (ex T98G, 4N4AE, YU4WRR), E79D (ex E77DO, T99D, T94DO) and E7HQ (HQ station). [TNX E77E]

QSL E79D ---> E79D is the new callsign for Dalibor, T94DO (aka T99D and E77DO). The QSL route for contacts made with T94DO and T99D is still via DJ2MX. Cards for E77DO should be sent via the bureau or direct (Dalibor Stanic, P.O. Box 18, 71260 Kresevo, Bosnia-Hercegovina). The QSL manager for E79D is E77E, direct or bureau.

QSL KL7DX ---> "The QSL card for KL7DX (NA-234) is in the final design stage and then it will be printed", Ron, AC7DX says. "Please be patient as the folding colour card will be certainly worth the wait".

QSL KL7SB ---> Buzz, NI5DX has become the QSL manager for Steve, KL7SB's operations from Alaska. Cards for TF/KL7SB and HB0/KL7SB should still be sent to his home address. [TNX K1XN and The Golist]

QSL YI9NIC ---> Buzz, NI5DX, Buzz, is the QSL manager for Jeff, YI9NIC. Buzz will be able to confirm all contacts once the logs are transferred. There will be an initial delay as QSL cards are designed and printed. Buzz has also asked for Jeff to send a copy of his license so it can be sent to ARRL for acceptance for awards. [TNX K1XN]

QSL ZB2EO ---> John, ZB2EO (G4JTC) says that RW6HS is not his QSL manager. Cards should be sent direct only to John J. Bautista, 47 Valiant House, Varyl Begg Estate, Gibraltar.

QSL GALLERY ---> The large collection of QSL cards (nearly 6000) on Les Nouvelles DX's web site has been updated. Twelve different galleries include cards for the ten Most Wanted DXCC Entities (229 QSLs), the 58 deleted DXCC entities (886 QSLs), obsolete prefixes (2267 QSLs), stations from Magrebh from 1947 to 1962 (271 QSLs), Antarctic bases (701 QSLs) & TAAF (Terres Australes and Antarctiques Francaises, 236 QSLs), the various French DXCC island Entities in the Pacific Ocean (205 QSLs) & the Indian Ocean (98 QSLs), pre-1945 countries (467 QSLs), French Departments (476 QSLs) and USA (49 QSLs) plus a gallery for cards not accepted by DXCC (92 QSLs). Several cards are still needed and your participation is encouraged - please visit http://LesNouvellesdx.fr and send send your comments to lesnouvellesdx@free.fr [TNX F6AJA]

QSL VIA F1NGP ---> Yann, F1NGP says he is no longer the QSL manager for CX8DX, CV1A, XT2DT, FY/XT2DT (requests will be answered through the end of the year) and EW4DX. He is still the QSL manager for Nicolas, FO3RX, whose on-line logs can be found at http://www.amra57.org/fo3rx [TNX F1NGP]

QSL VIA VU2PAI ---> "After almost three hectic years, I am free and back on the air again", Pai, VU2PAI says. "I am clearing all my old backlog of QSL cards and if anybody needs a QSL card from me for all my activities they may please send the QSO details to vu2pai@gmail.com or ananthpai@hotmail.com".
Pai still has cards for his activities as VU2PAI/50, AT0PAI, AT2PAI and VU2PAI/C. Also, QSL requests for IOTA expeditions to AS-096 (St. Mary Isles, May 2001) and AS-161 (Sacrifice Rock, January 2002) can be sent to him, but please note that the QSL route for AT0AI (Arnala Island, AS-169, April 2006) is via VU2SWS. Cards for contacts made with VU7LD/VU2PAI (Lakshadweep Islands, December 2006) go to W3HNK, who is the QSL manager for the VU7LD expedition.
"Avoid sending green stamps to India while sending QSL cards", Pai says. IRCs are fine, and he also accepts "postage stamps instead of IRC or green stamp, so if you have any spare stamps or envelopes with stamps from your country or DX contacts, I will be happy to get them". Pai has been collecting postage stamps since he was a boy, and donates his extra stamps to the children of the local philatelic club. VU2PAI's mailing address is: Ananth G. Pai, Post Box 730, Bharath Beedi Works Ltd, Kadri Road, Mangalore 575 003, India

TOP LISTS ---> The latest Topband, Topmode and Toplist listings are now available at http://www.425dxn.org/awards/toplist/index.html. Please note that QSOs confirmed through LoTW or included in on-line logs are now eligible for listing. Send send your scores, as well as any request for further information, to Erminio Pandocchi, I2EOW (i2eow@ari.it)

VP9/IK2RZP ---> Gino, IK2RZP has uploaded his VP9/IK2RZP log to LoTW, but apparently a wrong UTC prevents "a few hundred QSOs" from resulting in a LoTW QSL. If you cannot find your QSO properly matched with Gino's, please contact him (ik2rzp@hotmail.com). [TNX IK2RZP]

YOUNG DXPEDITIONERS ON WILLIS ISLAND ---> The crew of VK9DWX invites two young amateur radio operators who have a passion for DXing and contesting to take part in the DXpedition to Willis Island (http://www.vk9dwx.de/): the first one from 6 to 19 October, and the second one from 15 to 28 October.
They can reside in any country in the world and must (1) hold a valid amateur radio licence in their country, (2) have some experience in working pile-ups and (3) be between 18 and 29 years of age.
For qualification send an e-mail to contact@vk9dwx.de which must include an essay of 500 words minimum (in English) describing how you got started in ham radio, who your Elmer was and why you should be selected for this DXpedition opportunity. Please include also you full name, callsign and home address. The VK9DWX crew will pay for all expenses except your flight from your home to Cairns, Queensland, Australia. The deadline for applications is 15 September.

+ SILENT KEY + Recently reported Silent Keys include Victor A. Ohrimenko (UA1QBH) and Ramon Morales Castro (CO7RM). Ramon was only 58 years old, and died of a massive heart attack. CO7PH says he had been licenced for more than forty years, and was a skilful CW operator.

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3B8CF, 3D2AG/p, 3DA0OK, 3DA0ZO, 3XD2Z, 3XM6JR, 3Y0E, 4K5D, 4L6QC, 4O4A, 4O6CW, 4X0X, 4Z5ML, 5J0E, 5R8GZ, 5U5U, 5X1NH, 7J6ABN, 7U5CI (AF-104), 9L0W, 9X0R, A45XR, AH2R, AI5P/KH2, C21DL, C91XO, C91YI, CP4BT, CT3/OM3GI, D2NX, D4C, DP0GVN, ET3JA, EX7ML, FH1LE, FO/G4MFW (OC-063), FO/KH0PR, FO5RO, FR1AN, FS/K9EL, H7/K9NW, HB0/DL2OBO/p, HC2/UA4WAE, HK0/HK3JJH, HP2/JA6REX, HQ8R (NA-035), HR2/LU1DY, HS72B, IK1PMR/CX, JX/G7VJR, JX/SQ4MP, MU0FAL, N1YC/VK9X, N5BEK/TI7, NA80/KH0, OA4BHY/3 (SA-074), OA4O, OH0PM, OJ0/OG3A, PJ2/PB2T, PV6DX, R1ANN, R1FJT, 21XF, S79UU, SV5FRD, T88PR, TG9ADM, TK7C, TX5C, TZ9A, UK8CCD, V63UA, V63WWA, V73NS, V73PX (OC-028), VK1AA/2 (OC-223), VO2NS, VP6DX, VP6PR, VR10ZQZ/p (AS-006), VR2008O, W2JU (NA-046), XR7W, XW1B, YN4SU, YU6AO, YU8/S56M, ZF2NT, ZK1AQT, ZL/IK1PMR, ZL7/KH0PR, ZP/IK1PMR, ZW8DX (SA-072).

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