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**** DX INFORMATION ****

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3B7 - Rachid, 3B8FQ says that "unforeseen difficulties" have arisen with his working trip to St. Brandon that was expected to take place later this month [425DXN 914]. The trip has officially been delayed until sometime in 2009. Further information is expected in due course. Meanwhile, Rachid is very active from Mauritius on 40-10m, with an emphasis on 30, 17 and 12 metres. CW is Rachid's currently preferred mode. QSL via K5XK. [TNX K5XK]

6W - Carsten, DL1EFD will operate mainly CW as 6V7N from Senegal from 23 November to 5 December, including an entry in the CQ WW DX CW Contest. QSL via home call. [TNX NG3K]

9M6 - Bob, MD0CCE, will be active as 9M6/N2BB from Sabah (OC-088) from 25 November through 1 December, including the CQ WW DX CW contest. He will take a 160m antenna with him, and if local noise conditions allow, he will concentrate on Top Band on 25-28 November. QSL via MD0CCE. [TNX MD0CCE]

C6 - Tom/N6BT (C6ARR), Fred/KE7X (C6AKX) and Kenny/K2KW (C6ATA) will be active on 160-20 metres from the Bahamas from 23 November to 1 December, including single band entries in the CQ WW DX CW Contest (C6ARR on 160m, C6AKX on 20 metres and C6ATA on 80 metres). QSL for all of them via WA4WTG. [TNX NG3K]

CO - Ed, CO7PH and possibily other operators will be active from IOTA group NA-086 on 16-21 December. Plans are to operate mainly CW with some SSB on 160-10 metres, hopefully under a T47 or CO0 callsign. [TNX CO7PH]

E5 - Aki, JA1KAJ will be active as E51QQQ from Manihiki Atoll (OC-014), North Cook Islands from 18 November to 9 December. He plans to operate SSB and CW on 80-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX The Daily DX]

FK - Jean-Pierre, F5AHO will be active as FK/F5AHO from three New Caledonia's islands as follows: from the main island (OC-032) on 23 November-5 December, from Lifou (OC-033) on 7-8 December and from Ile des Pins (OC-032) on 10-12 December. He plans to operate SSB on 40, 20 and 17 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX F8REF]

FT5W - Florentin, F4DYW expects to arrive at Crozet [42DXN 913] around 8 December, and to start amateur radio activities sometime between 10 and 15 December. He will operate as FT5WO in his spare time, using 100 watts and dipoles on 40-10 metres SSB. QSL via F4DYW (be prepared to be patient, as he will be back home in early 2010). [QSL via F6AJA]

GM - Russell, G5XW will be active as GM5XW from the Orkney Islands (EU-009) between 19 and 23 November. QSL direct only to G5XW. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]

GM - Col, MM0NDX will be active as MM0NDX/p from the St. Kilda Islands

(EU-059) on 24-27 July. He plans to operate holiday style on 80-10 metres SSB, and to take part in the IOTA Contest. QSL direct to home call. [TNX MM0NDX]

H4 - Mike, KM9D and June,KF4TUG left Honiara and are going to Pohnpei (OC-010), Micronesia (V6). According to their latest position report (http://www.findu.com/cgi-bin/track.cgi?call=KM9D) now they are lying to anchor adjacent to Luaniua village, Ontong Java (OC-192), from where they may show up as H44MY. [TNX DXNL]

I - Tony, IK1QBT and Emilio, IZ1GAR will be active from Lampedusa Island (AF-019) from 25 November to 1 December. They will participate from African Italy in the CQ WW DX CW Contest, Tony as IG9X (SOSB 80m) and Emilio as IG9W (SOSB 40m). Outside the contest they will operate as IG9/IK1QBT and IG9/IZIGAR, with a focus on the low bands. QSL via home calls. [TNX IK1QBT]

OD - Salvo, IV3YIM is currently active as OD5/IV3YIM from Lebanon until April 2009. He operates SSB and RTTY on 10, 15, 20, 40 and 80 metres, with some possible activity on CW, PSK and the other bands. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX IV3YIM]

OD - Ken, W5YFN has received approval from the local authorities to operate as OD5/W5YFN while in Lebanon, for one year starting on 16 November. [TNX QRZ-DX]

PJ4 - John/K4BAI, Jeff/KU8E, Don/W4OC and Peter/NO2R will participate in the CQ WW DX CW Contest as PJ4A from Bonaire (SA-006), Netherlands Antilles. Outside the contest, look for the operators to be QRV as PJ4/homecalls. QSL all five calls via K4BAI. All but KU8E will be QRV from 26 November to 3 December (KU8E will QRT on 2 December). [TNX NG3K]

PY - ZY7EAM will be active on 4-7 December to celebrate the Sailor Day. Plans are to operate CW and SSB on 160-10 metres. QSL via PY7GK, bureau preferred. [TNX PY7GK]

PY - Lucio/PP5AVM, Carlos/PP5AX, Joaquim/PP5JY, Lira/PP5LL, Mario/PP5MQ and Mauricio/PP5WB will be active as ZV5V and ZV5Z from Ilha da Paz (SA-027) on 6-13 December. Look for activity on 80-10 metres SSB and CW. QSL via PP5CIT. [TNX PY2NQ and PP5MQ]

T8 - Tibi, HA7TM (T88CJ) and Pista, HA5AO (T88CI) will be active from Koror Island (OC-009), Palau from 21 November to 3 December. They plan to operate mainly CW on 160-6 metres, with a focus on Europe. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. Their web page can be found at www.ha7tm.hu/t88/ [TNX HA0HW]

UR - Special event station EO15IVK will be active on 21-30 November from the city of Volnovakha (Donetsk region, Ukraine) to celebrate the 15th anniversary of the local Kontur Radio Club. Look for activity on the HF bands CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via operator's instructions. [TNX UT8IM]

V3 - Terry, W6WTG (V31UR) and Sharon, N2OWL (V31WL) will be active from Caye Caulker (NA-073), Belize on 22-29 July 2009. Expect activity on the HF bands and 6 metres, and look for V31UR to participate in the IOTA Contest (25-26 July). QSL via W6UR. The logs will be uploaded to LoTW a couple of weeks after the operation is over. Further information and updates at http://www.w6wtg.com [TNX W6WTG]

VP9 - Seppo, OH1VR will be active from Bermuda (NA-005) from 25 November to 2 December. He will operate as OH1VR/VP9 (QSL via home call), and will participate in the CQ WW DX CW Contest as VP9I (QSL via

N1HRA) on 20 metres. [TNX NG3K]

VU - A number of special callsigns (for instance, AU2JCB operated by VU2DSI) will be aired from 15 November to 8 December to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the birth of Indian physicist Jagadish Chandra Bose. QSL via operator's instructions. [TNX VU2DSI]

XU - Tom Callas, KC0W (ZD7X) was not able to go to Tristan da Cunha [425DXN 902] and is now in Cambodia. His requested callsign is XU7XXX and he will participate in various contests, starting with the CQ WW DX CW at the end of the month and the ARRL 160-Meter (5-6 December). QSL direct to his home call (Thomas M. Callas, P.O. Box 1058, Minnetonka, MN 55345, USA). QSLling may take quite a while, because Tom expects to remain in Cambodia for 3-4 months, and then to visit Laos and Vietnam for "an extended DXpedition" of up to three months in each country. [TNX NG3K]

YW - The YW1TI epedition to Toas Island (SA-066) [425DXN 907] is now scheduled to take place during the last week of November. Bookmark http://yw1ti.4m5dx.info/ for updates. QSL via IT9DAA. [TNX IT9DAA]

ZD8 - Between 31 December and 9 January, six members of the Cambridge University Wireless Society will operate SSB and CW as ZD8UW from Ascension Island (AF-003) on the HF bands. Expedition members will be Hugo/M0HSW, Tom/M0TJH, Simon/G4EAG, Michael/G7VJR, Gordon/G3USR and Martin/G3ZAY. QSL via G7VJR. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW shortly after the expedition. [TNX G7VJR]

TRIP TO AFRICA ---> Peter, HA3AUI is going back to Africa. He will be active in his spare time as either 6W2SC (from Senegal) and J5UAP (from Guinea-Bissau) from 15 November until about 31 March 2009. QSL via HA3AUI, direct or bureau. Peter plans to operate digital modes with some SSB and CW upon request. Bands in use will be 160-10m, with 500 watts from 6W and 100 watts from J5. [TNX NG3K]

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A5100A ---> A few pictures from the current A5100A expedition to Bhutan can be found at http://lesnouvellesdx.fr/photos.php; daily updates from the team can be found on the Clipperton DX Club's website (http://www.cdxc.org/).

DX SUMMIT ALERT ---> The new DX Summit website (http://www.dxsummit.fi/) has been up and running since 23 May 2008. The old DX Summit homepage (http://oh2aq.kolumbus.com/) redirects users to the new website, but all the old DX Summit data pages are still online. Now the time has come to shut down the old DX Summit machine: it will be done on 19 November at 10 UTC, and it may cause your software to stop working.
To try and maintain compatibility with older software which may no longer be supported, the new DX Summit includes a series of DX spot webpages which are 100% HTML compatible with the same pages on the old DX Summit. Simply changing the URLs in your software according to the information below

should keep it working with the new DX Summit. If your software does not allow you to edit the URLs, please contact the author of your software and ask them to change the URLs according to the information below.
* Latest 25 DX spots page
Old URL: http://oh2aq.kolumbus.com/dxs/dx25.html
New URL: http://www.dxsummit.fi/text/dx25.html
* Latest 1000 DX spots page
Old URL: http://oh2aq.kolumbus.com/dxs/dx1000.html
New URL: http://www.dxsummit.fi/text/dx1000.html
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New URL: http://www.dxsummit.fi/text/dx10000.html
Software authors who wish to implement data exchange with the new DX Summit should visit http://www.dxsummit.fi/technical.aspx for information on data formats and URLs. If your software does not work with the new DX Summit, we encourage you to forward this information to the author of the software you are using. [TNX OH2BH]

DXCC NEWS ---> Bill Moore, NC1L reports that the following operations are approved for DXCC credit:

A52AM	Bhutan	20 March-26 September 2007 operation (*)
CY0X	Sable Island	2008 operation
VU4MY	Andaman & Nicobar Isls	24 October-3 November 2008 operation
VU7NRO	Lakshadweep Isls	24 October-3 November 2008 operation
VU7SJ	Lakshadweep Isls	2008 operation

(*) If you had an A52AM QSO rejected for credit within this date period, send an e-mail to dxcc@arrl.org to be placed on the list to receive an update.

P29NI ---> The log search for P29NI (OC-181 and OC-041) is now up and running at http://www.425dxn.org/dxped/p29_2008/

QSL VIA LA9SN ---> Please note that while JX9SN (October 2008) should go direct only (Harald Kjode, Postboks 404 Sentrum, 6401 Molde, Norway), the QSL cards for Al's other activities (e.g. OY/LA9SN and TF/LA9SN) can go either direct or via the bureau. A log search can be found at http://www.la9sn.com/log/ [TNX LA9SN]

SPRATLY 2009 ---> According to the latest update at www.spratly2009.com, the 1-14 March 2009 expedition to the Spratly Islands [425DXN 889] has been postponed until further notice "due to a combination of personal and logistical reasons". For the time being, "donations will be returned to those sponsors who kindly made contributions to the proposed DXpedition".

+ SILENT KEYS + Zoran Krnjeta (9A2CY) passed away on 9 November at 56 years of age, following a brain hemorrhage. An active DXer and a member of the 9A1BOP radio club for almost forty years, his main interest was in RTTY and PSK31. Other recently reported Silent Keys include Tom Baker (K8MMM), Bob McCourt (KI4RU), Edward Joseph Gassman (N8HTT), Bogdan I. Voichuk (UR0YY), Paul D. Casdorph (W8HXX), Leo D. Hodge (ZL2AJB) and Kuo On "Tom" Wong (VE7BC), whose seven-year effort was instrumental in getting PRC on the air - BY1PK, the first Amateur Radio Club in China, was activated on 29 March 1982.

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3DA0VB, 4K1L, 4K6GF, 4L1MA, 4W6R, 4X/AA4V, 4Z8BB, 5H3VMB, 5J0M, 5W0JT, 5Z4/RW1AU, 5Z4/UA4WHZ, 5Z4RS, 6E4LM, 6L0NJ/4 (AS-093), 7Q7VB, 7X/DB1JAW, 8R1EA, 9K2/SP4R, 9M6OO, 9M8Z, 9U0VB, 9W2LLK, 9X0R, 9X0VB, A25/DL7DF, A25VB, A45WG, C4M, C6APR, CE9/CE3VPM, CO6WD, CO8LY, CU2/OH2TA, CU2A, CU7/DL5AXX, CX1AA, CY0X, D20VB, D2NX, D4C, D60VB, DT8A, E20WXA, E51NOU, E71AA, EK6TA, EL2DX, ES2Q (EU-149), EX2F, EY8MM, F4FEP/P (EU-094), FK8HC, FO/N6JA, FO/OH1RX, FP/KV1J, FP/W9ILY, FR5MV, FR5ZL, G4DBX, GS8R (EU-009), H40MY (OC-163), HB0/HB9QQ, HC5WW, HC8N, HI8A, HR9/WQ7R, J75KG, JA6WFM/HC5, JD1ACH, JD1BMM, JY4CI, K7A, KG4SS, KH7B, KL7DX (NA-234), KP2M, KP4/NY6X, MU0BKA, OH0GG, OH0X, OJ0B, OJ0J, PY0FF, PZ5Z, R1ANR, R1FJT, RI0F (AS-149), RW2F, RW2FWA, ST2VB, T209DX, T94CT, TA3D, TF/DJ2VO (EU-071), TF3GC, TK7C, TM7F, TN6X, TO8S (NA-114), TY6A, UE9WFF/1, UN9L, UT5UGR, V51VV, V63DX, V85SS, VE8RCS/VY0, VI9NI, VK9XHZ, VK9XMM, VK9XOR, VK9XWW, VP8QI, XE2WWW, XR7A (SA-043), XR7W (SA-053), XU7DLH, XW1B, YB0WR, YI9WV, YS3/I2JIN, YU150AU, YU8/OH2R, ZA1Z, ZD8LP, ZF1DX, ZL7/KH0PR, ZP6/DL7UFN, ZP6/DL7VEE, ZP6CW.

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