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*        TO ALL OUR READERS        *
* WARMEST THOUGHTS AND BEST WISHES *
* FOR A WONDERFUL HOLIDAY         *
* AND A VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR        *

7P  - Danny, ZS6AW will be active as 7P8AA from Lesotho on 24-27 December. Main activity will be on 20 metres SSB. QSL via home call. [TNX ARRL DX Bulletin]

JA  - JS6RRR/JS6 will be active from Okinawa Island (AS-017, JIIA AS-017-033) on 23 December (4-23 UTC). Then expect JS6RRR/JS6 and JI3DST/JS6 to operate from the Miyako Islands (AS-079) from 24 December to 5 January. The main QTH will be on Miyako Island (JIIA AS-079-005), but activity is also planned to take place from Ikema-jima (AS-079-001) and Kurima-jima (AS-079-003). QSL via bureau. [TNX JS6RRR]

JD1_mt - Masa, JA6GXK will be active again as JD1BMM from Minami-Torishima (OC-073) from 23 December to 6 January. He will operate in his spare time on all bands and modes with 500 watts and a focus on the low bands. QSL via JD1BMM, direct (Masafumi Ishihara, 2-305 Loran, 2-5-35 Miyazaki, Chuo-ku, Chiba, 260-0806 Japan) or through the JARL bureau. [TNX The Daily DX]

OA  - Fred, DL1NL is currently active as OA4/DL1NL from Peru until the end of this month. He operates CW only. QSL via home call.

OH  - Jouni/OH4KZM and Jukka/OH4MFA will be active as OH4JT/1 from Kustavi Island (EU-096) on 26-30 December. Their preferred mode is CW, and they will try to be on the air on as many bands and for as many hours as possible. Further information can be found at http://personal.inet.fi/surf/oh4mfa/oh4jt-1.htm. QSL via OH4MFA, direct or bureau. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]

PA  - Special event station PA30KST is active through the end of the year to celebrate the 30th anniversary of VERON club Kanaalstreek (PI4KST). QSL via PE9DX. [TNX PD7BZ]

PJ4  - Randy, K7LNR will be active from Bonaire (SA-006) on 21-27 December. He plans to operate mainly on 20 and 30 metres PSK. [TNX MM0NDX]

PJ4  - Larry, WO0Z will be active as PJ4/WO0Z from Bonaire (SA-006) from 26 December to 4 January. He intends to concentrate on 17 and 30 metres in this holiday style DXpedition using all modes. QSL via WO0Z (Whiskey Oscar Zero Zulu). [TNX WO0Z]

TA  - The TC-Special Wireless Activity Team will be active from a number of lighthouses around Istanbul as follows: 20-21 December TC1KLH Karaburun (TUR-036)
27-28 December   TC1KLH    Karaburun (TUR-036)
17-18 January    TC2SLH    Sile (TUR-046)
24-25 January    TC2ALH    Anadolu (TUR-014)
21-22 February   TC1ALH    Ahirkapi (TUR-056)
21-22 March      TC1RLH    Rumeli/Turkeli (TUR-053)
04-05 April      TC2FLH    Fenerbahce (TUR-021)

Stations contacting four or more lighthouses will receive the "Istanbul Lighthouses On The Air Award" (details to be announced on http://tcswat.tripod.com). [TNX TA1HZ]

W      - Members of the Old Barney Amateur Radio Club (www.obarc.org) will be operating as N2OB/150 (or N2OB/LH) on all bands and modes available starting at 00.00 UTC on 27 December through 23.59 UTC on 4 January. This will be to celebrate the relighting and the 150th anniversary of the Barnegat Lighthouse. N2OB/150 stations will be operating from various locations around Ocean County. Some operations from the lighthouse property may be possible and will use N2OB/LH, which will count for working the lighthouse and IOTA NA-111. QSL via N2OB, direct or bureau. [TNX N2OO]

XE     - The DXXE Group (http://www.dxxe.org/) will operate as 4A1DXXE from 25 December to 6 January to celebrate their 4th anniversary. Expect SSB, CW and RTTY activity on all bands. QSL via N7RO. The logs will be uploaded to LoTW.

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****  GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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AEI NEW MANAGER ---> Founded on 27 October 1993 by Pedro Sirzanink (PP5SZ), the Associacao de Expedicionarios Ilheus (AEI, Island Expeditioners Association) sponsors the DIB (Brazilian Islands Award), DFB (Brazilian Lighthouses Award) and DFH (Brazilian Historical Fortifications) awards. The new AEI and award manager is Ronaldo Reis, PS7AB. Details and contact information can be found at http://www.aei.radioamador.org.br [TNX PS7AB]

BLACK SEA CUP ---> The Black Sea Contest Club sponsors the Black Sea Cup International Contest, which will be held on 7-8 February on 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres SSB and CW. For further information please visit http://www.bscc.ucoz.ru or contact Alexander Shevchenko, UR5EAW (alex@ur5eaw.com) [TNX UR5EAW]

CAROLINA DX ASSOCIATION ---> At its annual meeting held on 11 December, the Carolina DX Association (http://www.cdxa.org/) elected the following officers to serve for 2009: Ted Goldthorpe/W4VHF (President), Paul Ponak/AD4IE (Vice President), Cliff Wagoner/W32L (Secretary-Treasurer), John Scott/K8YC (Newsletter Editor), Dick Williams/W3OA (Contest Manager), Joe Simpkins/K4MD and Paul Sturpe/W3GQ (Cluster Managers), Wayne Setzer/WB4BXW (Webmaster). [TNX K8YC]

EUCW 160M CONTEST ---> The Union Francaise des Telegraphistes (UFT, the French EUCW society) sponsors the annual European CW 160 Meter Contest,
which will be held on the 3rd (20-23 UTC) and the 4th (4-7 UTC) of January. The dedicated piece of software, written by F6ENO, can be found at http://pagesperso-orange.fr/f6eno/UFT.html and the rules can be found at http://www.uft.net; [TNX F5NQL]

LOGS --- A log search for the recent A5100A operation from Bhutan is now up and running at http://www.f5lmj.net/a5100a.htm, along with a photo gallery, MP3 files and other information [TNX F6AJA]

LOGS --- A log search for the recent AT2RS IOTA expedition to Nachugunda Island (AS-199) is now up and running at http://www.vu3rsb.org/. The team made 2811 QSOs (1456 SSB, 1349 CW, 6 RTTY) between 4 and 8 December. QSL via W3HNK (for North and South America) and DL4KQ (rest of the world). MEXICO RTTY INTERNATIONAL CONTEST --- Sponsored by the Federacion Mexicana de Radioexperimentadores, it will be held on 7-8 February (from 18 UTC to 17.59 UTC). Complete rules can be found on the FMRE's website at http://www.fmre.org.mx/concursos/2009/rtty/rules-rtty-2009-eng.pdf [TNX XE1KK]

QSL ZL7/SP5EAQ --- Jacek, SP5EAQ operated as ZL7/SP5EAQ from the Chatham Islands back in October 2007. If you are still waiting for a direct card, please contact him (e-mail address on qrz.com) as it look like that a few envelopes got "lost" at his local post office. [TNX SP5EAQ]

+ SILENT KEYS + Recently reported Silent Keys include Marcus D. Leuchter (AA5XM), Renato Rogna (I1ROP, former President of ARI Piemonte & Valle d'Aosta), Richard F. Ray (KBI1GN), Charles O. Fulcher (KE6SE), Russell R. Mc Donald (N5SCQ), Viktor L. Kozlov (R9WU), Alexander V. Pakhomov (UA3GEV), Anatoly A. Abramov (UA9SU), Vladimir N. Serdyuk (UR7ISG), Fernand Plante (VE2FVD), Robert K. Golder (W1WYZ) and Robert V. Edwards (W8KIC).

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