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**** DX INFORMATION ****

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4U1UN - Bernie, W3UR and other four operators will be active from the United Nations Headquarters during the weekend. Activity is expected to begin around 21 UTC on 20 March and continue into midday on the 22nd. They will be QRV with two stations, with an emphasis on the low bands and special attention for Japan (20m at 21.30-23.00 UTC), VK/ZL & other Pacific (40m at 09.00-11.00 UTC), VK6 (20m at 00.00 UTC; 40m longpath at 22.30-23.30 UTC). QSL via HB9BOU. Updates will be posted on http://twitter.com/dailydx [TNX The Daily DX]

5N - 5N0OCH is the callsign issued to Bodo, DL3OCH (HB9EHJ) for HF activity during his stay in Abuja, Nigeria, from 21 March until July [425DXN 931]. He plans to operate during his spare time on160-10 metres CW, SSB and RTTY. Hopefully he will also go and operate from IOTA group AF-076. Further information can be found at http://www.dl3och.de/. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

5Z - Eltje/PA3CEE, Rene/PE1L and Ronald/PA3EWP will be active from Kenya on 1-12 April. They will operate as 5Z4EME on 2m and 70cm EME (details can be found at www.emelogger.com/kenya); Ronald will also operate on the HF bands as 5Z4/PA3EWP, using verticals for 10-40 metres and a homemade amplifier. QSL 5Z4EME via PA3CEE, QSL 5Z4/PA3EWP via PA7FM. [TNX PA3EWP]

8P - Richard, G3RWL will be active as 8P6DR from Barbados (NA-021) on 2-24 April. He will operate holiday style on 160-10 metres CW and digital modes. Better not to expect him on the bands on 8 April, as it will be his wedding day! QSL via home call, sirect or bureau (e-mail requests for bureau cards can be sent to g3rwl@amsat.org). [TNX G3RWL]

9A - Celebrating the 800th anniversary of the charter that granted city rights to Varazdin, the local radio club (9A1HDE/9A7A) will operate as 9A800VZ until the end of the year. The first activity will be during the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest on 28-29 March. QSL via 9A7A. [TNX 9A2X]

9M8 - Steve, 9M6DXX has changed his plans [425DXN 931] and will now operate as 9M8Z from Sarawak, East Malaysia (OC-088) on 21-29 March, CQ WW WPX SSB Contest included. Outside the contest, look for him especially on 40 metres SSB. QSL via M0URX, direct, bureau or LoTW. [TNX 9M6DXX]

CT3 - Helmut, DF7ZS will participate in the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest as CS9L from Madeira (AF-014). Expect some casual operating as CT3/DF7ZS between 24 and 31 March. QSL CS9L via DJ6QT, QSL CT3/DF7ZS via home call (bureau preferred). [TNX DF7ZS]

DU - Max, M0GHQ will be visiting the Philippines between late March and late April. He expects to operate from the islands of Cebu (OC-129), Samal (OC-235, 29-31 March) and Mindanao (OC-130), and

to attend the Philippine Amateur Radio Association's 77th annual hamvention, to be held on 17-19 April on Leyte Island (OC-129). He plans to be active on 160-10 metres (plus possibly 6 metres) SSB, PSK31 and RTTY with 100 watts and wire antennas. [TNX The Daily DX]

E5_sc - Bob, ZL1RS as E51EME and Lance, W7GJ as E51SIX will activate the South Cook Islands on 2 and 6 metres EME between 26 March and 4 April. They will operate from Rarotonga (OC-013, grid BG08dr). Further information can be found at http://www.bigskyspaces.com/w7gj/E51SIX.htm [TNX OZ6OM]

GM - Theo, ON4ATW and others have a plan to be active as MM0RAI/p from Rockall (EU-189) for three days during the first week of May. A dedicated website is under construction and is expected to be launched by the end of March. [TNX MM0NDX]

GW - The Strumblehead DX and Contest Group (http://www.mc0shl.com) will participate in the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest as both MW9W and MC0SHL - depending on the number of operators there may be more calls on air. QSL via M0URX. Expect some activity on 30m RTTY before the contest. [TNX G1VDP]

HZ - Mohamad/HZ1MD, Firas/HZ1FS and Sulaiman/7Z1SJ are active as HZ1FS/p from Hibar Island, in the Red Sea Coast South/Jizan Province group, IOTA AS-192 (new one). They expect to operate mainly SSB, with some digital modes and maybe CW, and to remain on the island until the 23rd, or even longer depending on local conditions. QSL via EA7FTR.

I - A team from ARI San Severo and a few guest operators will be active as IL7G from the Tremiti Islands (EU-050) from 30 May to 2 June. They plan to operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 160m-70cm, and to participate in the 13th Gargano Contest (31 May, 6m CW and SSB). QSL via IW7EBE, direct or bureau. The logs will be uploaded to LoTW. Further information can be found at www.qrz.com under IL7G. [TNX I7CSB]

J6 - John, W5JON will be active as J6/W5JON from St. Lucia (NA-108) from 25 March to 2 April. He plans to operate on 160-6 metres and to participate in the CQ WPX SSB Contest. QSL via W5JON. [TNX The Daily DX]

JD1_oga- A fourth operator will be joining the three ones who will be active from Chichijima (AS-031), Ogasawara between 29 April and 12 May [425DXN 929]. Dates and callsigns are as follows:

JD1BLK	29 April-5 May	QSL via JM1LJS
JD1BLY	29 April-5 May	QSL via JI5RPT
JD1BMT	2-5 May	QSL via JE4SMQ
JD1BMH	2-12 May	QSL via JG7PSJ

They plan to operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 160-6 metres, plus satellite. Logsearches and further information will be available on their individual websites: http://radio-dream.com/jd1blk/e/ (JD1BLK), http://sapphire.ganko.tohoku.ac.jp/jd1bmh/ (JD1BMH) and http://www.ji5rpt.com/jd1/ (JD1BLY) [TNX JI5RPT]

JT - Alexey/UA4HOX, Vic/UA4HBW, Eugeny/RK3AD and Alex/RK4HM have been active as JT1R from Mongolia since 17 March. They will participate in the Russian DX Contest and will remain there through 25 March. QSL via RW4HB. Log search and updates can be found at www.hamonline.ru [TNX RA4HT]

KH0 - Toshiyuki, JP1PZE will be active as K7XF/KH0 from Saipan (OC-086)

on 3-7 April. He plans to operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 80-10 metres. QSL via JP1PZE, direct or bureau. [TNX JP1PZE]

KP2 - Ann, KP2YL and Brian, KP2HC will be active from St. Croix, US Virgin Islands (NA-106) from 28 March through 7 April. Look for them on 160-6 metres CW and SSB. As always, Brian will be monitoring 6m for any band openings. QSL direct only (see www.qrz.com), with sufficient postage to cover the upcoming US postal rate increase. [TNX KP2HC]

OH0 - Anne, OH2YL will be active as OH0/OH2YL from the Aland Islands (EU-002) on 9-14 April. She will operate CW and SSB on the HF bands. QSL via home call. [TNX OH2YL]

OY - Health problems have caused Lars, OZ1FJB to cancel his 16 March-1 April trip [425DXN 932] to the Faroe Islands. [TNX The Daily DX]

OZ - Paolo, I2AE will be touring Denmark indicatively between 1 and 15 May. He plans to visit and operate on 40 and 20 metres SSB as OZ/I2AE/p from a large number of islands (most of them qualifying for IOTA groups EU-125, EU-171, EU-172 or EU-029) and lighthouses. QSL via home call. His planned itinerary can be found at http://www.qrz.com/db/i2ae [TNX I2AE]

PA - Adriaan, PE2KP (previous callsign PE1KHP, www.pe2kp.nl) will be active on all bands and modes as PE25KP on 1-12 May to celebrate his Silver Jubilee with amateur radio. QSL via bureau to PE2KP. [TNX PE2KP]

VE - The VX8X expedition to Ellice Island (NA-192) [425DXN 931] has been postponed and is now scheduled to happen on 2-5 April. The plan has been revised to include more operating time on 40 and 17 metres in addition to the planned activity on 20 metres. Expect to hear simultaneous operations on two bands during peak hours. Special attention will be given to Europe and Japan. Bookmark http://ve8ev.blogspot.com/search/label/IOTA for updates. [TNX VE8EV]

VK9L - Announced frequencies for the 23 March-3 April VK9LA DXpedition to Lord Howe [425DXN 929] are:

SSB 3797, 7084, 14250, 18165, 21290, 24987, 28470, 50100
CW 1813, 3513,7013, 10106, 14023, 18072, 21023, 24892, 28023, 50100
RTTY 10135, 14088, 18100, 21088, 24925, 28088

A serious emphasis will be put on the low bands, and "extensive work has taken place to make sure all operators are familiar with various sunrise sunset times throughout the world". VK9LA will have an operator on every low band every day whilst they are in darkness. Detailed information on the operating strategy on the low bands can be found at http://www.odxg.org/vk9la.htm. They also expect "huge openings" on 30 metres, and, with their station separation, they should be able to run two stations simultaneously to maximize openings. The DXpedition will have Internet capability 24 hours a day, and they intend to have photos, on-line log check and QSO totals updated on a regular basis. QSL via VK4FW, direct or bureau. Direct and bureau cards can also be requested through the On-line QSL Request Service (details on the website). Two team members (SQ8X and SQ9DIE) are also on Twitter (http://twitter.com/vk9la).

VK9M - The VK9GMW team (George, AA7JV and Tomi, HA7RY) [425DXN 929] has been enroute to Mellish Reef since 17 March. However, they are

currently stuck at Marion Reef to wait for the "extreme weather conditions" to improve. They hope to be able to continue their voyage on Sunday or Monday, but the low pressure system "poses a serious danger" to them. QSL via HA7RY. An Online QSL Request Service (OQRS) for bureau cards will be available after the end of the operation. The log will be uploaded to LoTW. Further information and updates can be found at http://www.vk9gmw.com

YJ - Dennis, F5VHY (G3MXJ) and Nigel, G3TXF will be active as YJ0MXJ and YJ0TXF from the Aore Island Resort off Espiritu Santo (OC-035), Vanuatu from 10 UTC on 27 March to 15 UTC on 1 April. They will operate CW only, mainly on 40, 30, 20 and 17 metres. There will be no 160m, but if local conditions permit they will try 80 metres. QSL via home calls. On their way out to and back from Vanuatu they will operate from New Caledonia (FK/G3MXJ and FK/G3TXF, 25-26 March) and Norfolk Island (G3MXJ/VK9N and G3TXF/VK9N, 4 April). All logs will be uploaded to LoTW. The web page for the expedition can be found at www.g3txf.com/dxtrip/YJ/YJ.html

YU - Lui, HB9EDB will be active as YU/HB9EDB from the Resava Valley Amateur Radio Club (YU1ARC, http://www.yu1arc.com) from 25 March to 1 April, including an entry in the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest. [TNX HB9EDB]

ZF - Adrian, AA5UK will be active from the Cayman Islands (NA-016) from 25 March to 8 April. He will be using ZF2AE from Grand Cayman and ZF2AE/ZF8 from Little Cayman; he plans to operate holiday style on AO-51, SO-50, VO-52 and FO-29 satellites, and to be on the HF bands (40-10 metres) for part on the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest and the rest of his stay on Little Cayman. Look for him especially during his afternoon and evening hours. QSL via home call, direct, bureau, LoTW or eQSL. [TNX AA5UK]

ZF - Sharon, K7WZB and Garry, K9WZB will be operating from the Cayman Islands (NA-016) from 21 April to 6 May. Look for ZF2ZB on 160-6 metres SSB, RTTY, CW and PSK 31. They will be monitoring 6 metres most of the time for opening to US and Europe. QSL direct to K9WZB. [TNX K9WZB]

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HOLYLAND CONTEST ---> The Holyland DX Contest 2008 results can be found on the IARC website (http://www.iarc.org/?page_id=353/), along with the rules for this years' event (18 April, 00.00-23.59 UTC). [TNX 4Z4KX]

QSL VP2MKK ---> Please note that the QSL route for the recent activity is via KK1KW (direct, LoTW or eQSL). The QSL route for contacts made with VP2MKK operated by W6KK on 2-13 December 2004 is via W8QID. [TNX The Daily DX]

QSL VIA 3A2LF ---> Claude, 3A2LF is closing down the logs for 3A100GM (1995), 3A7G (1997) and 3A50R (1999). If you still need a card, please go direct to Claude Passet, 3 allee Guillaume Apollinaire, MC 98000 Monaco. Claude also still has a few blank cards for other special callsigns, please e-mail him (cpasset@monaco.mc) and check for availability. [TNX 3A2LF]

QSLs received direct or through managers: 1A0KM, 3B8CF, 3DA0VB, 3V8BB, 3V8SS, 4L0B, 4L4MM, 4L8A, 4O0A, 4O0HQ, 4S7AB, 4S7NE, 4W6MM, 4X4WN, 4Z1UF, 5B/AJ2O, 5B4/RW9UP, 5D0IPY, 5H3VMB, 5I3A, 5N/LZ1QK, 5R8VB, 5X1VB, 5Z4/UA4WHX, 5Z4/W0NB, 6W/DL2RMC, 6W7RV, 7P8BA, 7P8VB, 7Q7VB, 8P0P, 8P1A, 8P9MD, 8Q7AU, 8R1AK, 9J2BO, 9J2VB, 9M6XRO, 9M8Z, 9U0VB, 9X0R, 9X0VB, A45WD, A5100A, A71CV, A92GE, AP2DKH, BA0AA, BT1OB, BT1OH, BT1OJ, BT1ON, BT1OY, C4N, C6AKX, C91VB, CE0Y/N6NO, CE1/K7CA, CE9/K2ARB, CO6LC/7 (NA-086), CX/IK1PMR, CX9AU, CY0X, D20VB, D2NX, D4C, D60VB, DU3NXE, DU6BG, E51QQQ, EA9EU, EA9IB, EK6TA, EL2DX, ES1QD, ET3JA, EY7AF, FJ/G3TXF, FJ5KH, FK8CP, FM5CD, FO/DJ7RJ, FO/N6JA, FR5DN, FS5KA, FW5RE, FW8DX, H44MY, HF0POL, HI9/EA3BT (NA-122), HI9/EA3WL (NA-122), HP3TA, IE9N (EU-051), II5AM, J20VB, J88XF, JA7GAX/6 (AS-037), JA7GAX/6 (AS-049)JD1BMM, KP2/K3CT, KP2AD, N8S, OD5/UA4WHX, OH0R, OX5AA, OY/G3TXF, P29NI, PJ2/DJ8NK, PZ5TX, R1FJT, RZ0AF, SD7W/5 (EU-084), ST2VB, SV0XBM/9, SV2ASP/A, T30XX, T31DX, T32YY, T33ZZ, T77C, TA2RC, TF/DL3PS (EU-071), TF/DL3PS (EU-168), TF4M, TF60IRA, TJ3G, TN5SN, TO3R, TR50R, TT8JT, TX5C, UK9AA, UP0L, V26G, V31MR, V31PP, V51VV, V8PMB, VK9DNX, VK9NS, VP2ETN, VP6DI, VP6PR, VP8DKF, VQ9JC, VQ9LA, VR2PX, XU7AAJ, XW1A, XW1B, XX9C, YB1ALL, YJ0MM, YK9G, YN2Z, Z2/UA4WHX, Z29KM, ZD7X, ZD8UW, ZF2NN, ZK2AH, ZK3AH, ZP0R.

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