5B     - Jan, OZ1IIL will be active as 5B/OZ1IIL from Cyprus (AS-004) on 9-16 May. On 10 May, starting around 10 UTC, he will operate from the lighthouse at Paphos Point (ARLHS CYP-005). Updates on activity from other lighthouses will be posted at www.oz7aei.dk [TNX OZ7AEI]

GD     - GB5LB is a special event station on the Isle of Man (EU-116), to promote awareness of the activities of the Royal National Lifeboat Institute. Look for activity on 10 May, 4 June, 4 July, 12 July, 26 July. QSL direct to Port St Mary Lifeboat, The Boat House, Lime Street, Port St Mary, Isle of Man IM9 5EF, UK. [TNX VA3RJ]

GM     - Celebrating the 10th anniversary of the Scottish Parliament, the Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club (http://www.cpsarc.com/news.php) will be running special event station GB10SP on 16-17 May. Operations will take place from the Scottish Parliament at Holyrood, Edinburgh, between 9 and 17 each day. QSL via GM4UYZ.

JA     - Ten special event stations (8J040M-8J940M) from each callsign district of Japan will be active between 16 May and 20 July to celebrate the expansion of the 7 MHz band in Japan. QSL all stations via the JARL bureau. [TNX VA3RJ]

LZ     - Special event station LZ50BNT will be operated until 31 December to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Bulgarian National Television, the national public television service of the Republic of Bulgaria. QSL via LZ1HA, direct or bureau. [TNX LZ1HA]

OH     - Special callsign OF5POPOV will be aired on 14 May to commemorate Russian physicist and radio pioneer Aleksandr S. Popov. QSL via OH5VX. [TNX OH5FFT]

ON     - 9 May is Europe Day, and the European Institutions are open to the public to show their activity and celebrate the project of the European integration. Look for OR5EU, the European Union Amateur Radio Club in Brussels, to participate in the celebrations and be active on 40-10 metres SSB and digital modes. QSL via the UBA bureau. [TNX ON8VM]

PY     - A number of Brazilian special contest callsigns are expected to be QRV during the Manchester Mineira All America (MMAA) CW Contest, which will be held on 16-17 May [425DXN 935]: PP4W (PY4PW), PQ4F (PY4FQ), PQ8W (PY2WAS, from the rarest Amapa State), PR5W (PY5FB), PT5J (PP5KR group), PT5M (PY5MJ), PW1W (PY1WW), PW2B (PY2HL), PW2P (PY2XAT), PX8XL (PY8MGB), ZW1V (PY1VHF), ZW3F (PY3VK) and ZW4KL (PY4KL group). This year's event is still for stations in South and North America, in 2010 it will be world wide. [TNX PY4WAS]

S2     - Ramon, DU1UGZ did operate as S21UGZ [425DXN 937] on 2 and 3 May, before being issued (on 6 May) another callsign, S21XR. He expects to remain in Bangladesh until 20 June, and to be QRV in his spare
time. QSL via home call. [TNX The Daily DX]

SM - A team of eight operators will be active as 7S6W from IOTA group EU-043 on 14-17 May. They plan to operate on 80-2 metres with four stations. QSL for this activity via SM6WET, direct or bureau. [TNX SM6WET]

SP - The amateur radio club of QTC, the Polish Radio Amateurs' journal (SP4KDX), will be active as HF59ED on 8-15 May to celebrate Europe Day and the 59th anniversary of the European Union. QSL via SP2FAP and eQSL.cc [TNX SP2FAP]

SP - Special event station 3Z11EQSLCC will be active on 9-12 May to celebrate the 11th anniversary of the Electronic QSL Card Centre. QSL via SP2FAP (and eQSL.cc, of course). [TNX SP2FAP]

UA - A large number of Russian stations using special prefix RP (where the letter P stands for "pobeda", i.e. "victory") will be QRV until 10 May to celebrate the 64th anniversary of the end of World War II. Expect many of them to be active during the 53rd CQ-M International DX Contest, to be held on 9-10 May (rules at http://www.srr.ru/CONTEST/cq_m_9_eng.php)

ZK2 - Chris, ZL1CT (GM3WOJ) is confirmed to be active as ZK2V from Niue [425DXN 923] next week. If the weather cooperates, he will land on Saturday afternoon (16 May), which is early Sunday UTC. Chris plans to be QRV until 7 UTC on 19 June. His expedition aims to give as many stations as possible their first QSO with ZK2. To maximise QSOs, he will concentrate on CW and SSB on 80, 40, 30, 20 and 17 metres. Further information and log search can be found at http://www.zk2v.com. Chris has been told he will have Internet access from his QTH. If so, his plans are to upload logs to LoTW on a daily or every other day basis. QSL via N3SL, direct or bureau. [TNX N3SL]

425 DX NEWS MAGAZINE ---> The latest issue (April 2009) is now available at http://www.425dxn.org/monthly/index.html. Articles and pictures should be sent to Nicola Baldresca, IZ3EBA.

EUROPEAN CASTLES DAY ---> The eighth edition of the European Castles Day will be held on 17 May between 6 and 16 UTC. Several stations are expected to operate from fortresses and castles in France, Belarus, Belgium, Germany, Italy, Russia, Spain, Portugal, United Kingdom and Switzerland. Information on the event can be found on Jean-Pierre's (F6FNA) web site at http://f6fna.club.fr/jecruleanglais.html

QSL GALLERY ---> The large collection of QSL cards on Les Nouvelles DX's web site has been updated. Twelve different galleries include cards for The ten Most Wanted DXCC Entities (302 QSLs), the 58 deleted DXCC entities (950 QSLs), obsolete prefixes (2578 QSLs), stations from Magreb from 1947 to 1962 (308 QSLs), Antarctic bases (744 QSLs) & TAAF (Terres Australes and
Antarctiques Francaises, 246 QSLs), the various French DXCC island Entities in the Pacific Ocean (248 QSLs) & the Indian Ocean (95 QSLs), pre-1945 countries (595 QSLs), French Departments (527 QSLs) and USA (50 QSLs), plus a gallery for cards not accepted by DXCC (106 QSLs). Several cards are still needed and your participation is encouraged - please visit [http://LesNouvellesdx.fr](http://LesNouvellesdx.fr) and send your comments to lesnouvellesdx@free.fr [TNX F6AJA]

QSL 4X0WFF ---> The QSL route is via 4X4JU for direct requests only. Bureau cards will be sent automatically via Global QSL ([http://www.globalqsl.com/](http://www.globalqsl.com/)). [TNX 4Z5KJ]

QSL 5H3RK ---> Ralph (C93Q, Z21HS, 9J2RK, SM0LRK, VK4VB) will be going QRT from Tanzania in late May. Effective immediately, QSL cards should not be mailed to Ralph's address in the US any longer, but to Australia: Ralph Karhammar, 6 Sevenoaks Street, Taringa 4068, Australia. [TNX The Daily DX]

QSL TA7KI ---> The QSL route for contacts made during the recent ARI International DX Contest (2-3 May) is via TA3YJ, direct or bureau. The operator was TA3J/7, whose log search can be found at [http://dx.qsl.net/logs/index.html](http://dx.qsl.net/logs/index.html) [TNX TA3YJ]

UN2C ---> Vlad, UN6T says that Nick, UN2C no longer uses P.O. Box 121, which has been closed for some time now. Cards should be sent via the bureau. Those who cannot wait or have no access to the bureau system might want to contact Vlad and see if he can help.

+ SILENT KEYS + CQ DX Hall of Fame Albert "Lee" Bergren, W0AR (ex-W9AIW and W0AIW) passed away on 1 May at 93 years of age. "An electronics engineer, author, designer and advisor with special accomplishments in the field of antenna and radio amplifier design", ARRL says, "Bergren led or participated in many of the first Amateur Radio DXpeditions". Other recently reported Silent Keys include David L. Vest (KZ4G), Paulo Reboucas Da Silva (PY6PRS), Nikolaj V. Goldinov (RW3QI), Sandy Donahue (W4RU), Glenn Eisley (W6NDR) and Marion J. Henson (W6NKR).

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CALL        MANAGER     CALL        MANAGER     CALL        MANAGER
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2D0WMG/p    2E0WMG      EV8DP       UA3FDX      RP3YGA      RV3YR
3A2CWG      3A2LF       EX/DM3VL     DM3VL       RP3YVF      RA3YC
3A2ZO       pirate      EX7MA       IK2QPR      RP4AWS      RZ4AR
3D2AD       YT1AD       FM1HN       NI5DX       RP4DTR      RK4CYW
3D2ZW       OK22AW      GB0GMD      MW6VHF      RP4H        RN4HB
3V8SF       IZ8CCW      GB100BP      GW0ANA      RP4HRT      R24HXM
3Z0LH       SP1TMN      GB100FBA     G4ZMP       RP64PR      RA3ATX

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