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**** DX INFORMATION ****

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5V - Silvano, I2YSB and his team (Alfeo I1HJT, Carlo IK1AOD, Vinicio IK2CIO, Angelo IK2CKR, Marcello IK2DIA and Stefano IK2HKT) will be active from Togo in October (dates and callsign TBA). They plan to operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 160-10 metres with three stations. Further information and a band/mode survey can be found at www.i2ysb.com. QSL direct to I2YSB. Once again Arturo IK7JWY will be the pilot station for the expedition (it will be possibile to contact him through a dedicated forum at www.hamradioweb.org/forums). [TNX IK7JWY]

9A - Zik, VE3ZIK (DO7ZZ) will be once again active as as 9A/VE3ZIK from Bilice, Croatia between 1 July and 27 September. Several side trips to islands in the IOTA group EU-170 are being planned, including an activity during the IOTA Contest. QSL via DO7ZZ (e-mail requests for bureau cards can be sent to ve3zik[@]gmail.com), eQSL and LotW. [TNX VE3ZIK]

9J - Katsumi, JF1OKX will be staying in Lusaka, Zambia until the end of September 2011. He plans to start operations on the amateur radio bands (80-6 metres) as 9J2KK "during the first 10 days of July". He will concentrate on the digital modes (PSK31 or 62, RTTY, WSJT and SSTV), with some SSB and CW. QSL via JK1NSR. [TNX The Daily DX]

C5 - The C5E (requested callsign) DXpedition to The Gambia [425DXN 997] is delayed and the operators will not be able to pick up their licence before 28 June. Expect them to be QRV late on that day or early on the 29th until 6 July. [TNX The Daily DX]

CT9 - Jose, CT1BOH will be active as CR3E from Madeira (AF-014) during the IARU HF World Championship (10-11 July). QSL via W3HNK. [TNX CT1BOH]

D4 - Michel, HB9BOI will be active again as D44TOI from Sal Island (AF-086) on 1-13 July. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

DU_spr - Organized by the South Pacific Contest Club, a large scale DXpedition will take place from Pagasa (Thi Tu Island), Spratly Islands (AS-051) between 6 and 24 January 2011. Chris, VK3FY and a multi-national team of about 30 operators from nine countries divided up into three groups will be active as DX0DX on all bands and modes. The plan is to have four CW stations, four SSB, two RTTY/digital modes and one VHF/UHF station. The website for the expedition is at www.dx0dx.net [TNX DX0DX]

EA8 - The Grupo DX Teide will participate in the King of Spain SSB Contest (26-27 June, rules at www.ure.es) as AN8T from Tenerife, Canary Islands (AF-004). QSL via EA8NQ, direct or bureau. [TNX EA8NQ]

F - Special event station TM5RDL will be active on all bands and modes on 10-18 July to celebrate National Day (14 July) and Claude-Joseph Rouget de Lisle, the author of the French national anthem. The special QSL cards will be sponsored by the city of Lons-le-Saunier, where where Rouget de Lisle was born 250 years ago. QSL via F5SJB. [TNX F5SJB]

GJ - Gordon G3USR (GJ3USR), Tom GM4FDM (GJ4FDM), Alex PA1AW (MJ/PA1AW), Rien PA1BDO (MJ/PA1BDO), Ronald PA3EWP (MJ/PA3EWP) and Jo PA9JO (MJ/PA9JO) will be active from the Island of Jersey (EU-013) between 29 June and 6 July. Their main focus will be on 6 metres, but they will also bring HF and 2m stations. QSL GJ3USR via G3USR; QSL GJ4FDM via GM4FDM; all others QSL via PA1AW. Further information is available at www.jersey-2010.info [TNX GM4FDM]

I - Giovanni IZ0PSA, James KB0MZF, Edmondo VA3ITA and Laura VA3LIA will be active as IB0Y from Ponza Island (EU-045, IIA LT-001) on 1-8 August. They will operate holiday style on 80-2 metres SSB, CW and digital modes. QSL via IZ0PSA. [TNX VA3ITA]

IS0 - Andrea, IZ1MHY will operate SSB, CW and digital modes as IM0/IZ1MHY from Maddalena Island (EU-041) from 26 June to 3 July. QSL via home call. [TNX IZ1MHY]

J6 - Howard, WB4WXE will be active as J6/WB4WXE from St. Lucia (NA-108) until 6 July. He operates on 6 metres, with some activity on 17, 15 and 40 metres when 6m are closed. QSL via home call. [TNX NG3K]

JA - Nine HQ stations representing JARL will be active from various regions of Japan for the IARU HF World Championship (10-11 July):

Call	Band/Mode	Location
8N1HQ	10m-CW	Minato-ku, Tokyo
8N1HQ	15m-Ph	Kimitsu-shi, Chiba
8N1HQ	80m-Ph	Minamiashigara-shi, Kanagawa
8N2HQ	10m-Ph	Nakatsugawa-shi, Gifu
8N3HQ	15m-CW	Nara-shi, Nara
8N3HQ	160m-CW, 40m-CW	Kobe-shi, Hyogo
8N3HQ	20m-CW	Miki-shi, Hyogo
8N4HQ	80m-CW, 40m-Ph	Okayama-shi, Okayama
8N8HQ	20m-Ph	Iwamizawa-shi, Hokkaido

Each station may be heard on other bands before the contest starting on 1 July. [TNX VA3RJ]

JD1_oga- Koji, JI1LET will be active as JI1LET/JD1 from Chichijima (AS-031), Ogasawara on 24-30 July. He will operate SSB, CW and RTTY on 40-6 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX JI1LET]

J8 - Dave, W9DR as J8/W9DR and Mike, W8IF as J8/W8IF will be active from Bequia (NA-025, FK93ja), St. Vincent from 28 June to 5 July. This will be a 6M operation only. Further information can be found on the Midwest 6 Meter DX Group's website (www.6meterdxgroup.com). QSL for both calls via KB3RHR (direct). [TNX www.MMMonVHF.de]

JW - Toshi, JA8BMK will be active as JW/JA8BMK from Svalbard on 1-11 July. He plans to operate SSB, CW and RTTY on 20-6 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX NG3K]

OJ0 - Celebrating his Golden Jubilee in Amateur Radio (www.oh1vr.net), Seppo OH1VR will be active as OJ0VR from Market Reef (EU-053) from about 20 UTC on 30 June until about 3 UTC on 3 July. Markus OH3RM will operate as OJ0A during same time period. QSL via home calls. [TNX NG3K]

OZ - Andreas, DD8ZJ and his son Tommy, DL8KX will be active from Mon Island (EU-029) on 22-25 July. They will participate in the IOTA Contest as OZ/DL8KX, while outside the contest they will operate as OZ/DD8ZJ. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

PY - Orlando PT2OP (ZX8C, mainly SSB) and Fred PY2XB (ZX8W, mainly CW) will be active from Cotijuba Island (SA-060) on 2-5 July, including the World Lighthouse On The Air (WLOTA) Contest. QSL ZX8C via PT2OP, QSL ZX8W via PT7WA. [TNX PT7WA]

PY - The Perdigueiros Radio Team will be active as PR5D from Ilha do Mel (SA-047) on 23-25 July, including an entry in the IOTA Contest. They will operate SSB on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres. QSL via PY5DC, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

S7 - Juan Carlos, EA2RC will join CT1BWW (S79BWW) on Mahe (AF-024), Seychelles on 18-31 July and will operate SSB and RTTY as S79SAL. QSL via EA2RC, direct or bureau. [TNX EA2RC]

SM - Pontus, SM0RUX and Jaan, SM0OEK will be active as SM0R/1 from Gotska Sandon Island (EU-020) on 2-4 July. Look for them on the HF bands and 6 metres. QSL via SM0RUX. [TNX VA3RJ]

SV - Look for Tony, SV8/DL2DQL and Gerhard, SV8/DM3DL to be active holiday style from the island of Thassos (EU-174) from 27 June through 18 July, including participation in the IARU HF World Championship. QSL via home call,s direct or bureau, and LoTW. [TNX DX Newsletter]

SV - SV1GYG, SV1JG, SV1QN, and SV1RC will be active as SV8/homecall from Proti Island (EU-158) on 22-26 July. During the IOTA Contest they will use SX8PR (QSL via SV1JG). [TNX SV1JG]

TK - Fabrizo, IK5WOB reports he will be active from Algaiola, Corsica (EU-014) on 3-11 July. He will operate only CW.

UA - The fifty special callsigns to be used by the teams competing in the World Radiosport Team Championship are: R31A, R31D, R31N, R31U, R31X, R32C, R32F, R32K, R32O, R32R, R32W, R32Z, R33A, R33G, R33L, R33M, R33Q, R33U, R34C, R34D, R34O, R34P, R34W, R34X, R34Y, R34Z, R36C, R36F, R36K, R36O, R36W, R36Y, R36Z, R37A, R37G, R37L, R37M, R37P, R37Q, R37U, R38F, R38K, R38N, R38O, R38W, R38X, R39A, R39D, R39M and R39R. Details on the special awards and prizes

programme to encourage the amateur radio community worldwide to make contacts with WRTC-2010 participants during the IARU HF Championship (10-11 July) can be found at www.wrtc2010.ru.

VK - Look for JA1NLX/VK4 to be active from Dunk Island (OC-171) on 17-24 September. He plans to operate CW only on 80-10 metres with a 5-metre long Buddistick and "lots of radials". QSL via JA1NLX, direct or bureau and LoTW. [TNX JA1NLX]

W - The 1900 Group will be active as K3I from Assateague Island (NA-139) on 25-27 June. They will operate SSB (160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 and 6 metres), CW (40 and 20 metres) and PSK (40 and 20 metres). This expedition has been specifically organized for Field Day 2010. QSL via N3QO. Further information at www.k3i.us.

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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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AEGEAN VHF CONTEST ---> The Aegean VHF Contest (6m, 2m and 70cm) takes place on 3-4 July. Entrants are expected from all Greek mainland areas (SV1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7), as well as from the Dodecanese (SV5), Crete (SV9) and other Greek islands (SV8). Further information can be found at Rules can be found at www.aegeanDXgroup.gr (click on "contest") or from the Contest manager Leo, SV2DCD (sv2dcd[@]yahoo.com). [TNX SV8CYV]

ETHICS AND OPERATING PROCEDURES FOR THE RADIO AMATEUR ---> Over the past decades the behaviour of the radio amateurs on the bands has significantly deteriorated. In 2008 John Devoldere (ON4UN) and Marc Demeuleneere (ON4WW) wrote a comprehensive document entitled "Ethics and Operating Procedures for the Radio Amateur", document aiming to become a universal guide for newcomers and old-timers alike on the subject of operating ethics and operating procedures. In 2008 this document was accepted by the IARU AC (Administrative Council, the highest body of the IARU) as representing the point of view of the IARU on the subject. Two years later the manual has been translated in more than 25 languages, with more coming. To achieve easier access to all of the existing versions, the authors have set up a website (www.ham-operating-ethics.org). You can download PDF files directly from the site or via the National Societies' websites in the different countries.

NCDXF ---> The newly designed Northern California DX Foundation website is now on line (http://ncdxf.org). "We hope this new interactive website will tell our story, provide resources for DXers, and enable everyone to follow past and future DXpeditions that NCDXF has sponsored", Glenn Johnson, W0GJ says. "Visitors to the website will find it both informative and pleasant to explore".

OMAN ON 6 METRES ---> Abdalla Darwish Al Qasmi (A41KB), IARU Liaison Officer for the Royal Omani Amateur Radio Society, reports that "the Omani Telecommunications Regulatory Authority has allocated the band 50-52 MHz to the amateur service on a secondary basis".

QSL VIA AC7DX ---> Please note that the new mailing address for Ron, AC7DX is Ron Lago, 1345 City View, Eugene, OR 97402-0456, USA. The list of stations Ron is the QSL manager for can be found at qrz.com under AC7DX.

QSL VIA ON4AAC (CORRECTION) ---> Please note that Frank, ON4AAC is the QSL manager for J48T (Thassos Island, EU-174) only for the QSOs made in June 2001, and for J48S (Samos Island, EU-049) for the QSOs made in July 2002 (not 2009, as stated in 425DXN #998). Should you still need a card for these operations, you can email Frank (on4aac[@]uba.be) in order to receive a bureau card. [TNX ON4AAC]

SABLE ISLAND 2010 ---> "Everything continues to move along preparing for operations October 22-31", Randy (N0TG) says. "The charter aircraft has been booked as well as travel arrangements for the team to meet up in Halifax a couple days prior. The Battle Creek Special has been received early from the W8 group. Additional items are also being acquired and will be shipped later this summer to Halifax. Logistics coordination is being provided by the Halifax Amateur Radio Club's support and point of contact, Gary (VE1RGB)". Individual donations to assist the DXpedition are still appreciated. Additional details and updates at www.cy0dxpedition.com [TNX N0TG]

SOUTH ORKNEYS 2011 ---> The Microlite Penguins DXpedition team has announced the major equipment sponsors for their upcoming South Orkneys DXpedition (27 January-8 February 2011). Equipment will include a full set of Elecraft K3 transceivers and a set of Acom 1010 amplifiers ("which will help overcome some of the low-band difficulties and help keep our signals above the noise"). As for the antenna field, they will have a complete set of verticals from 40m through 10m supplied by DX Engineering complemented by two BigIR vertical antennas (which "will allow us maximum flexibility with propagation, and two stations active within the same band whenever possible"); on 80 and 160m they will have the Battle Creek Special, one DX Engineering's 4-square receive antenna system plus vertical wires supported by 60-foot and and 85-foot Spiderbeam fiberglass masts ("this allows simultaneous CW and SSB operation on 80 and gives us redundancy on 160"). Donations are gratefully accepted (details at www.vp8o.com). [TNX N1DG]

WSJT8 ---> This piece of software is an experimental version of the familiar weak-signal communication program WSJT. It offers new protocols or "modes" optimized for meteor scatter, ionospheric scatter, EME, microwaves, and QRP at HF. Like the modes in previous versions of WSJT, the new ones are intended for making minimal QSOs, not for rag-chewing. WSJT8 modes are not compatible with those in WSJT7. To use the new modes, transmitting and receiving stations must both use WSJT8. A beta release of WSJT8 is now available at www.physics.princeton.edu/pulsar/K1JT/

+ SILENT KEYS + Recently reported Silent Keys include Giovanni Scotti (I2JZS), Vladimir I. Solodovnikov (UA9MAZ) and Valentin N. Bojko (UY5EI).

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3A2LF, 3B9WR, 3D20CR, 3D2MJ,

4A5M, 4O3A, 4U1UN, 4U50SPACE, 4U64UN, 4Z4BS, 4Z5LA, 5H1S, 5K4T (SA-084), 5V7PM, 7P8AO, 7Q7HB, 7Q7VB, 7Z1CQ, 9G5TT, 9G5XA, 9H3OG, 9H3TX, 9K2HS, 9K2YM, 9M6XRO, 9X0LX, A25NW, A61BK, AH8DX, BA7IO/4 (AS-136), BG3CVG/2 (AS-151), C21TI, C4N, C56KR, C6ANX, CE0Y/LA9SN, CE1/K7CA, CK8G (NA-182), CP6XE, CR2A, CR2X, CU2AG, CU2KG, D2EB, D44TXF, D4C, D60VB, DU1EV, E20AS, E4/OM2DX, EF8M, EL2DX, EP3PK, EP3SMH, ER4DX, ER4KAA, ES75ERAU, FG1GW, FK8GX, FM5AA, FO/G3BJ, FO8RZ, FS/F6AUS, FT5WO, H44MS, H44MY (OC-127), HC1MD/HC4, HH4/K4QD, HK3JJH, IR9ITALY, J28AA, J28JA, J5V, J73CBS, JD1BMH, JD1BNK, JD1BNM, K4T (NA-079), L33M, LY2BAW, NP4A, OD5/DL6SN, OD5NH, OF50RR, OG0A, OJ0B, OL35OLP, OR4TN, OT6A, P29TL, P29VKJ (OC-008), PJ2/N4QQ, PY2XB/PY0F, PZ5RA, R1ANR, R1ANR/A, R1FJM, S79GM, S79KMB, SN3R, ST2KSS, SV2ASP/A, SV5/DJ7RJ, T32AJ, TG9IRP, TI8M, TK8B, TK9X, TO2R, TO2T, TO7RJ, TX3A, TY1MS, TZ6EI, V21ZG, V26E, V44KAI, V63MY (OC-260), V88/DL7JAN, VC1W (NA-154), VC8B (NA-129), VK9XX, VP2MCC, VP5/W5SL, VP6AL, VQ9LA, VR2PX, VX8X (NA-192), XU7ACY, YI9PSE, YN2EA, ZC4VJ, ZK3YA, ZZ6Z (SA-019).

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