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DX INFORMATION

Owing to the ongoing and fluid nature of the COVID-19 situation globally, announced activities might be cut short, postponed, cancelled or even extended at any time and without notice.

3A - Ennio, IW1RBI and his team (Alessandro IZ1AZA,



Gianluca IU1KBL and Andrea IU1JXW) will be active as 3A/IW1RBI from Monaco on 27-30 May. Plans are to be QRV around the clock on 30-6 metres and operate FT8 (Fox & Hound) with one dedicated station, but SSB and CW «will not be neglected». QSL via LoTW, or direct to IW1RBI; logsearch on

Club Log and website on https://www.3a-iw1rbi.com/#. **5N** - 5N9JLH is the callsign issued to Jean-Louis Haye, ZS6AAG (aka F5MAW, 3DA0MF, C91MSF and TT8JLH), who was recently active as 5N7MSF. He works for Medecins Sans Frontiers (Doctors Without Borders), and will be QRV from Abuja during his spare time and the weekends until 15 September. QSL via eQSL. [TNX The Daily DX]

5R - After spending 21 years in Senegal as 6W7RP (September 1999-July 2020), Daniel Eichenberger has moved to Nosy Be (AF-057), Madagascar and is now active as 5R8RP. His current setup includes a vertical multiband antenna for 40-6 metres.

5U - Adrien, F4IHM will be active again as 5UAIHM from Niamey, Niger between 10 May and 27 June. He will operate SSB and CW mainly on 40 and 20 metres. QSL via F4IHM, direct or bureau. [TNX The Daily DX]

A3 - Masa, JA0RQV expected to be back to Nuku'alofa on Tongatapu Island (OC-049), Tonga and be QRV again as



A35JP from late Mav October, through with plans to operate CW, SSB and FT8 on 80-6m and possible side trips to other IOTA groups (OC-191, OC-123, OC-064 and/or OC-169). He left Japan on 14 April, and as of 27 May was still stuck in Fiji, though: he spent two weeks in Managed Isolation and Quarantine, then

flights to Tonga were suspended until the Covid-19 situation in Fiji improves. «I will update as soon as new schedule decided»", he posted to his blog (https://blog.goo.ne.ip/rqv). QSL via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS, or via home call.

A9 - A91GCC is the special callsign for the Bahrain Amateur Radio Society to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the Gulf Cooperation Council on 21-25 May. QSL via EC6DX. Established on 25 May 1981, GCC is a regional intergovernmental political and economic union that consists of Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates.

BY - Ten stations (B0CRA, B1CRA, B2CRA, B3CRA, B4CRA, B5CRA, B6CRA, B7CRA, B8CRA and B9CRA) from across the country will be active from 23 UTC on 3 May until 9 UTC on 5 May for this year's "5.5 China Amateur

Radio Festival" on air event, organized by the Chinese Radio Amateurs Club (CRAC). See http://www.crac.org.cn /55 for logsearch, and http://awards.crac.org. cn for the awards.

C6 - Look for C6AHA to be active from the Bi-





mini Islands (NA-048), Bahamas on 14-21 July. A large team (AC6ZM, K4KSW, KK4PHD, KN4CV, KN4KJC, N4QBS, N4RRR, NN2T and WA8Y) will operate SSB, CW and FT8 with up to five stations. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW, or via K4KSW.

CN - In celebration of the 18^{th} birthday of Prince Moulay Hassan, the heir apparent to the Moroccan throne, special callsign CN18MH (QSL via RW6HS) will be active on 5-10 May. Also, CN amateurs can use the prefix CN18 (e.g. CN18ZG for CN8ZG and CN18MM for CN8MM) during the same time frame.

CN - Special callsign 5C1AR will be active on 8-23 May for the International Day of Argania (10 May: <u>https://www.un.org/en/observances/argania-day</u>). QSL via RW6HS.

CN - Celebrating the 65th anniversary of the creation of the Forces Armees Royales (the Royal Moroccan Armed Forces), special callsign CN65FAR will be active on 10-16 May. QSL via RW6HS.

CT - Celebrating the 65th anniversary of the Tropas Paraquedistas (the Portuguese Paratroopers), special callsign CR65PQ will be active on 17-23 May. QSL via CT1EHX.

DL - Special callsign DL65ESSEN will be active from 1 May until 31 December to celebrate the 65^{th} anniversary of DARC's Ortsverband Essen. QSL via the bureau and LoTW.



DL - DARC Team SES (Special Event Station) will be active as DP90JMT from 1 June to 30 November to celebrate the 90th anniversary of the Junker Morse Taste. Patented in 1931 and produced

until 2014, this iconic straight key is widely considered to be one of the best performing telegraph keys ever made. QSL via the bureau, or direct to DL2VFR.



EA - 17 May marks the anniversary of the signing of the first International Telegraph Convention and the creation of the International Telecommunication Union. Celebrating that event, special callsign AN5ITU will be

active on 8-23 May on all bands and modes. QSL via eQSL, LoTW, or direct to EB5R.

EA - Special callsign AM5IP will be active from 28 May to 6 June to commemorate the 170th anniversary of the birth of Isaac Peral y Caballero. QSL via EA5CP, direct or bureau. An engineer and naval officer, Peral was the developer the first electric-powered submarine.

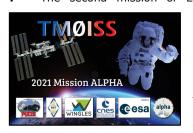
EA - Georgette ON6AK/EA5HZC, Jean ON5JV/EA5HZB and Paco ON6LP/EA5GVJ will be active as EH5SUB during the Museum Ships Weekend (5-6 June). Activity will take

place from the Delfin, a submarine formerly in service with the Spanish Navy, and now moored in Torrevieja. QSL via EA5GVJ. [TNX ON5JV]



ES - Ed, ES2TT and Sergei, ES1LL will be active as ES2TT/8 and ES1LL/8 from Kihnu Island (EU-178) on 29-30 May. They will operate CW, SSB and possibily digital modes mainly on 40, 30 and 20 metres. QSL via home calls.

[TNX qrz.ru] F - The second mission of ESA astronaut Thomas



Pesquet (KG5FYG and FX0ISS) on the International Space Station began on 23 April, and members of Radio Club will F4KLR operate special event callsign TM0ISS on all bands and modes. The activity will run at various

times until October to match the duration of the mission. [TNX Les Nouvelles DX]



F - Commemorating the bicentennial of Napoleon Bonaparte's death (5 May 1821), F8GGZ and F6HFI will be active as TM200NB on 1-15 May. Also, the Radio Club de l'Aube (F5KOB) will be active as TM2CNB on 5-16 May and again on 9-11

July.

F - Franck, F4DTO and Patrick, F4GFE will be active as TM400JF at various times between 3 May and 30 July. The special callsign commemorates the 400th anniversary of the birth of Jean de La Fontaine, the famous French fabulist. QSL via F4DTO, direct or bureau.

F - TM100CLG is the special callsign for the Radio Club de l'agglomera- tion Dunkerquoise (F8KGS) to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the town of Cappelle-la-Grande on 15-29 May. QSL via F8KGS.

F - Members of the Radio Club du Bassin Minier will be active as TM6KJS from Sein Island (EU-068) from 27



May to 7 June, including participation in the CQ WW WPX CW Contest. They will operate CW, SSB, and digital modes with two stations on 80-10 metres, and four stations on 6m, 2m, 70cm and 23cm (active from 6 to

21 UTC). They will also be on QO-100. QSL via F6KJS (direct or bureau) and logsearch on Club Log. See https://tm6kjs.f6kjs.fr/ for more information.

F - TM5PH will be activated from Pierre-sur-Haute (1634 metres a.s.l.) in the Parc Regional du Livradois-Forez on 5-6 June during the Championnat de France THF (from 144 MHz to 47 GHz). Part of the team, however, will be QRV on the HF bands. QSL via F5RQQ. [TNX Les Nouvelles DX]

F - Commemorating the 77th anniversary of the D-Day landings, members of the Association des Radioamateurs de l'Orne will operate special event station TM6UB from a bunker at Saint-Martin-de-Varreville (Utah Beach) on 5-6 June. QSL via operator's instructions.

F - Special callsign TM1PAR (the suffix stands for "parachute") will be active on 5-19 June to memorialize the 80th anniversary of the first of thousands of airdrops of supplies and arms to resistance groups in occupied France during WWII. QSL via the bureau to F5RRZ. [TNX F6AJA]

F - Gil, F4FET and Antoine, F5RAB will be active as TM7P



from La Petite Ile (EU-107) on 23-27 July, IOTÁ Contest included. They will operate SSB, CW, RTTY and FT8 on 80, 40, 20, 15, 10, 6 and 2m with two stations. QSL via Club Log's OQRS (preferred), or via F4FET.

FM - Pandemic permitting, Marius, ON4RU will be active as FM/OQ3R from Martinique (NA-107) from 23 May to 5 June. He will operate CW only on 160-6 metres, and will participate in the CQ WW WPX CW Contest as TO3F. QSLs direct to ON4RU. [TNX NG3K]

FR - Phil, F5TRO and his wife Ann, F5BSB are relocating permanently on Reunion Island (AF-016), and will be QRV as FR8UA and FR8TZ respectively. They will operate mainly SSB and CW, with plans to be equipped for 80m to 23 cm. QSLs via LoTW or direct.

G - Celebrating 25 years of Mills on the Air, members of the Denby Dale Amateur Radio Society will operate a number of special callsigns on 3-9 May: GB0MOA, GB1MOA, GB2MOA, GB4MOA, GB5MOA, GB8MOA and GB9MOA. QSL via operator's instructions.

G - Special callsigns GB1ORC (24 May-20 June) and GB0ARC (28 May-24 June) will be active to celebrate the first anniversary of the Online Amateur Radio Community (M0OUK, https://www.oarc.uk/), an online based club affiliated with the RSGB.

G - GBOUTA, GB1UTA and GB5UTA will be active between 1 and 28 June promoting Amateur Radio among the 450,000 strong University of the Third Age (U3A), an organisation that aims to help people learn, stay active and have fun in later life. QSL GBOUTA via eQSL; QSL GB1UTA via LoTW and eQSL; QSL GB5UTA via eQSL or direct to G4GUG.

GI - The North West Group ARC (MNONWG) will run special event station GB0AEL on 15-23 May to commemorate Amelia Earhart's transatlantic crossing in 1932. QSL via eQSL. On 20-21 May 1932, Earhart became the first woman - and the only person since Charles Lindbergh to fly nonstop and alone across the Atlantic, leaving Harbor Grace, Newfoundland, Canada, and landing 15 hours later near Londonderry, Northern Ireland.

GM - Graham, MM0GHM will be active as either MM0GHM/p and MM0GHM/m from the Isle of Barra (EU-010) on 1-8 May. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, and eQSL [TNX DX World]

GM - Five operators from the Cray Valley Radio Society (namely G0FDZ, G0VJG, G2NF, M0SDV and M0XII/EI5IX)



will be active as GM3RCV from Ceann Ear, Monach (EU-111) Islands on 22-27 July. They will participate in the IOTA Contest as MM8C. QSLs via Club Log's OQRS

and LoTW.

HA - Special callsign HG21TISZA (QSL via HA7VK) will be used during this year's Tisza Cup, the International CW Contest to be held on the first full weekend of June (5-6 June this year, from 1 2 UTC on Saturday until 11.59 UTC on Sunday). Complete information can be found on http://www.tiszacup.eu/.

HC - Celebrating Ecuador's Independence Day (24 May), members of the Ecuador DX Club will be active as HD1ECU on 22-24 May. QSL via LoTW. See

https://ecuadordxclub.org/independencia/ for the award. HH - Peter, JK1UWY has been active as HH2JA since 15 May, and will stay remain in Haiti for three years. He operates CW, SSB and FT8 on 80- 6 metres. QSL via LoTW and eQSL. [TNX The Daily DX]



ΗК The Liga de Radioaficionados de Bogotá (HK3LRB) will host a special event on 1-8 June with three special callsigns - 5J39FUL, 5K48LRB and 5J85FJR - that will be aired on 80-10m SSB, CW and digital modes. QSL via LoTW ane eQSL. 5J39FUL

is for the 39th anniversary of LIGA DE RADIOAFICIONADOS DE BOGOTA the Fundación Universitaria Los Libertadores; one of the co-founders was Luis Hernán Linares Ángel, HK3AMU (SK). 5J85FJR stands for Fundación Jorge Reynolds and celebrates the 85th birthday of Jorge Reynolds Pombo (HK3RJ), who is known for contributing to the invention of the pacemaker. 5K48LRB is for the 48th anniversary of the Liga de Radioaficionados de Bogotá. A number certificates will available, of be see https://www.grz.com/db/5K48LRB for information. [TNX HK5NLJ1

HL - Special callsigns HL41GDM and D73M will be active on 1-31 May to commemorate the 41st anniversary of the Gwangju Uprising (18-27 May 1980), aka the Gwangju Democratization Movement. QSLs via HL4CCM, direct or bureau. In 2011, the Archives for the May 18th Democratic Uprising against Military Regime were inscribed to the UNESCO Memory of the World Register.



HP - Celebrating the bicentennial of the independence of Panama from special Spain. event callsign HP200I will be active from 1 June to 30 No-

for more information.

I - Special callsign

II6RI will be active on

all bands and modes

from 15 May to 30

June to celebrate the

75th anniversary of the

Italian Republic (2 June 1946). QSL via LoTW,

Club

Log's

IT9DBF,

IT9GAC,

IT9LKX,

vember. Look for activity on 80, 40, 20, 17, 15 and 10 $\,$ metres SSB and digital modes. QSL via HP1DAV. I - The Oriental Sicily Contest Team (IB9O) will be active as IG9OSC from Linosa Island (AF-019) on 19-23 May.



https://www.osct.it/linosa2021/ [TNX IT9EJW]



OQRS, eQSL or direct to IK6IHU. See http://www.ii6ri.it/ for more information.



I - The United Nations Global Service Centre ARC (4U1GSC) in Brindisi will be active as 4U29MAY from 20 May to 30 June. QSL via 9A2AA. The special callsign promotes the International Day of UN

eQSL,

Peacekeepers (29 May). DXCC wise, it counts for Italy. JA - Promoting and celebrating the Tokyo Olympic and Paralympic Games, special stations 8N1OLP, 8N2OLP,



8N3OLP, 8N4OLP, 8N5OLP. 8N6OLP, 8N7OLP, 8N8OLP, 8N9OLP and 8N0OLP will be active between 1 May and 5 September from various locations across the country (see qrz.com for each station's details). Also active, but especially looking for QSOs with JA stations, will be

ten stations 8J#OLYMPIC. The logs will be uploaded to Club Log, and all QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau. Direct cards should be sent to JARL's HQ (Japan Amateur Radio League, Otsuka HT biru 6-kai, 3-43-1 Minami Otsuka, Toshima-ku, Tokyo, 170-8073, Japan). Information about the Tokyo 2020 JARL Commemorative Award can be found and Commemorative QSO Party can be found respectively at

https://www.jarl.org/English/4 Library/A-4-2 Awards/T2020-e.htm and https://www.jarl.org/English/4 Library/A-4-3 Contests/T2020QP-E.htm



JA - If the Covid situation allows, Ichy, JH7IPR will be active as JH7IPR/p (FT8, FT4) (other and JH7IPR/6 modes) from Yakushima on 21-25 May, and from Tanegashima between 25 May and 1 June. Both the islands count for IO-TA group AS-032 (Osumi Islands). He will be QRV on 80-

6 metres. The logs will be uploaded to Club Log. JA - Hide, JO1CRA will be active again as JO1CRA/7 from Oshima (AS-206), Miyagi Prefecture on 22-24 May. He will operate CW and FT8 on 40, 30, 20 and 15 metres, with a focus on 6 metres: 50303 kHz FT8 as a beacon, QSOs on 50303 or 50280 kHz, plus SSB on 50260 kHz for JA stations). QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW, or via home call.

JA - Look for JI3DST/3, JR8YLY/3 and JR8YLY/p (FT8) to be active on 80-6 metres from Awaji Island (AS-117) on 22-24 May. All QSOs will be uploaded to Club Log and made available for Club Log Matching on the IOTA website.

JA - Take, JI3DST will be active as JI3DST/5 from Shodo Island (AS-200) on 19-21 June and again on 26-28 June. He will operate SSB, CW and FT8 on 40-6 metres, and will also be QRV as JR8YLY/5 or JR8YLY/p. All QSOs will be uploaded to Club Log and made available for Club Log Matching on the IOTA website.

JD1_oga Once again Makoto, JI5RPT (http://www.ji5rpt.com/jd1/ will be active as JD1BLY from Chichijima (AS-031), Ogasawara on 10-12 June. He will operate FT8, CW and SSB on 40-6 metres, with a focus on 6m and FT8 on the HF bands. QSL via home call, direct or bureau; logsearch on Club Log and updates via Twitter (@jd1bly). [TNX JI5RPT]

JW - Tom, OH6VDA (LA6VDA) expected to be active again as JW6VDA from 26 April to 9 May, but has had to cancel due to travel restrictions. According to http://jw5e.com/, he is now booked for 18 October-3 November. QSL via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS, eQSL, or via the bureau to LA6VDA.

KL - Phil, KC3CIB plans to be active as KC3CIB/KL7 on 29-31 May. «I will be on a fishing trip», he says, «but will be activating Shelter Island (NA-041) for IOTA. Operating time will be limited. Will be QRP, most likely using a digital mode». QSL via eQSL or direct.

LU - Radio Club QRM Belgrano (LU4AAO, LU4AAO/A and LU4AAO/D) will be active on 18-25 May to commemorate the "Semana de Mayo", a week-long series of events that took place in May 1810 and represented the first successful revolution in the South American Independence process. Activity will be on the HF, VHF and UHF

using SSB, FT8, CW and SSTV). See bands http://lu4aao.org/ for more information. [TNX LU4AAO]



LY - LY57BC will be active throughout May to promote and participate in the 57th edition of the Baltic Contest. QSL via eQSL and LoTW. Organized by the Lithuanian Radio Sports Federation, the contest will be held on 80 metres SSB and CW starting at 21 UTC on 22 May and ending at 2 UTC on 23 May. Complete information can be found on http://www.lrsf.lt/en/balticconte

<u>strules/</u>.

OX - Bo, OZ1DJJ will be active again as OX3LX from Greenland between 8 June and 10 July. He plans to be QRV on 6 and 4 metres («but you will find me on HF too») from several locations along the southwest coast of Greenland, starting from grid locator GP60xr (Qaqortoq) and later from GP70, GP80 and possibly others. This will include IOTA activities from NA-018, NA-220 and NA-151. He will be QRV in his spare time, typically around lunch time and after dinner (local time is UTC-2), also at night and in the morning hours during the weekends. QSL via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS or direct to OZ0J.

OZ - Volker, DJ8VW will be active as 5P8VW from Romo Island (EU-125) from 21 May to 10 June. He operates SSB, CW and FT8 on all bands, with a focus on 6 and 4 metres. QSL via Club Log's OQRS (preferred), LoTW, eQSL, or direct to DJ8VW.

OZ - Special callsign 5P2UEFA will be active from 11



June to 11 July during UEFA EURO 2020, the quadrennial men's football (soccer) championship of Europe that this year will be hosted by multiple cities, Copenhagen included. Originally scheduled for 2020, the tournament has been postponed because

of the Covid-19 pandemic. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW and eQSL, or via OZ1ACB. A special award will be available for working 5P2UEFA/xx stations using different suffix extensions; see https://www.grz.com/db/5P2UEFA for complete information.

P4 - John, W2GD will be active as P44W from Aruba (SA-036) on 25 May-1 June. Main activity will be during the CQ WW WPX CW Contest; outside the contest he will be QRV on 30, 17 and 12 metres as time permits. QSL via LoTW, or direct only to N2MM. [TNX NG3K]



and eQSL.



PA - Special callsign PD21EUROSONG will be active on 8-22 May to celebrate the 65th edition of the Eurovision Sona Contest to be held in Rotterdam. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau, as well as via LoTW

> **PA -** PA21ARDF is a Dutch special event station promoting Amateur Radio Direction Finding (aka radio-orienteering or fox-hunting). Look for activity on 17-30 May. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau; direct cards should be requested via Club Log's OQRS.

PA - Jan PA7X, Ruud PD0RH and Willem PA3CNI will operate SSB and CW as PA827HGV from the Hoogeveen, a decommissioned minesweeper now moored in Den Helder, during the Museum Ships Weekend (5-6 June). QSL via operators' instructions.

SM - Anders, OZ3ACB will be QRV as SM7/OZ3ACB from Ven Island (EU-137) at various times during the summer, especially during the weekends, starting around mid-May. QSL via LoTW, eQSL or direct to home call; logsearch on Club Log.

SM - Lars, SM6CUK will be active holiday style as SA6G/7 from Ven Island (EU-137) on 7-12 June. He will operate CW on 40-10 metres. QSL via SM6CUK and LoTW; logsearch on Club Log. [TNX The Daily DX]

SV9 - Peter, DD1GG will be active holiday style as SV9/DD1GG from Crete (EU-015) on 15-24 May. He will operate SSB and FT8 on 40-10 metres. [TNX DX World]

T7 - Members of the ARRSM Radio Club (T70A) are active as T71CC between 21 May and 5 June for the $17^{\rm th}$ edition of the COTA Award (see https://www.cota.cc/). QSL via LoTW, or direct to ARRSM Radio Club, Casella Postale 77, 47890 San Marino, Repubblica di San Marino. TA - Special event station TC568FA commemorates the anniversary of a key event of the Late Middle Ages: the Fall of Constantinople (29 May 1453), also known as the Conquest of Istanbul. Look for activity on all bands and modes between 30 April and 28 June. A certificate will be available: https://logman.taqst.net/

TY - TY5AB is the callsign issued to Ian, ZS6JSI, who has been active as ZS6JSI/TY since late January. He is QRV in his spare time, mainly on 20 metres FT8. Ian expects to remain in Benin through June. QSL via LoTW and EC6DX.

UA - Special callsigns R800AN, R800ANG, R800ANL, R800ANN, R800ANV and R800RAN are active until 30



June to commemorate the 800th anniversary of the birth of Alexander Nevsky. Commonly regarded as a key figure of medieval Russia, he is best known for the victory over the Teutonic Knights in the Battle on the Ice

(1242). The Radio Amateur Association of Sankt Peterbura is offering a commemorative award: https://hamlog.online/global/russia/r1a/149/. OSL via operator's instructions.

UA - Commemorating the 116th anniversary since the birth of Mikhail A. Sholokhov (the 1965 Nobel Prize in

Literature), special callsigns R116MS, RO36MS, RT36MS and UE36MS will be active on 20-25 May during the 36th edition of the Sholokhov Spring Festival. A certificate will be available on



https://hamlog.online/club/mdxc. QSLs via RQ7L.

UA - Special callsigns R18UGRA, R18JHM, R18JLA, R18JMG, R18JNR, R18JNV, R18JPK, R18JRA and R18JSV are expected to be active between 22 May and 6 June from the Khanty-Mansi Autonomous Okrug-Yugra (Tyumen Oblast) in support of the XVIII International Environmental Action "To Save and Preserve". QSL via operator's instructions.

UA - Special callsign R115MUSA will be active between 26 May and 25 August in celebration of the 115th anniversary of the birth of Musa Dzhalil (1906-1944), the eminent Soviet Tatar poet and resistance fighter.

UA - Special callsigns R90WTA and UE90WTA will be active from 29 May to 5 June in celebration of the 90th anniversary of the Russian Military Transport Aviation (1 June 1931). OSLs via RV3YR.

UA - R6AW, R7LP, RU3EG, RU5D, RX3F, RX6CM and



June. Plans are to operate CW, SSB and FT8 on 80-10 metres with three stations. QSL R24NEW via Club Log's OQRS, or via UA6MF.



UA6MF will be active as R24NEW - possibly also as homecall/p - from Bakal'skij (Peschanyj) Island (EU-180, RRA RR-24-10 for the Russian Robinson Award: <u>https://hamlog.online/ geo/rra/</u>) on 22-27 SSB and FT8 on 80-10 R24NEW via Club Log's

VE - On 19 April NASA's Ingenuity Mars Helicopter (ICAO designator IGY) became the first aircraft in history to make a powered, controlled flight on another planet. Celebrating that event, Lali, VE3NE will be ac-

tive as VX31IGY from 27 May to 27 June, CQ WW WPX CW Contest included. QSL via home call.

VK - Members of the Bendigo Amateur Radio and Electronics Club will run special event station VI3MILLS from Anderson's Mill (VIC) on 8-9 May. Look for activity on or around 3655 kHz and 7115 kHz. An eQSL can be requested by email (VK3CMZ[@]barec.net.au).



VK - John, VK6NU will be active holiday style as VK6NU/p from Rottnest Island (OC-164) on 25-28 May. He will operate CW and SSB on 40-10 metres. Look for him at 6-10

UTC, 11.30-15 UTC and 22-1 UTC. QSL via home call. [TNX DX World]

VK9X - VK6SJ's trip to Christmas Island (OC-002)



[425DXN 1563] has been postponed and is now scheduled for 28 May to 11 June. He expects to be QRV as VK9XX at 11-15 UTC and 22-00 UTC on a daily basis. «If I get ahead of schedule in my work», he says, «I may squeeze in a day

off, in which I will see if I can tune up the dipole on 6, 10 and 15 metres during the day». He plans to operate a separate band each night, but if there is no propagation «I will change band rather than call into nothing»:

Date	Band	QRG FT8	QRG SSB
28 May	20m	14.090	14.280
29 May	40m	7.056	7.180
30 May	30m	10.131	-
31 May	80m	3.567	3.625
01 June	20m	14.090	14.280
02 June	40m	7.056	7.180
03 June	30m	10.131	-

04 June	80m	3.567	3.625
05 June	20m	14.090	14.280
06 June	40m	7.056	7.180
07 June	30m	10.131	-
08 June	80m	3.567	3.625
09 June	20m	14.090	14.280
10 June	40m	7.056	7.180
11 June	30m	10.131	-

All FT8 operation will be Fox & Hound mode. «I will stop FT8 at the end of each hour and try SSB for 10 minutes minimum. If I get a run on SSB, I'll stay there until I don't, then return to FT8. SSB operation will be split frequency, listening 5KHz up and +/- QRM». During the CQ WW WPX CW Contest «I may answer a bunch of stations calling CQ test, but I don't think my CW is up to managing a pile-up». QSL via EB7DX.

VP2V - Gary, NC3Z will be active as VP2V/NC3Z from Tortola, British Virgin Islands (NA-023) on 2-14 June. He will operate SSB and the FT modes. QSL via LoTW. [TNX The Daily DX]

VP5 - VP5/K2SX, VP5/K4BAI, VP5/K4QPL and VP5/KR4R will be active from Providenciales (NA-002), Turks and Caicos, from 25 May through 1 June. They will participate in the CQ WW WPX CW Contest as VP5M (QSL via LoTW, or direct to K4QPL). [TNX NG3K]

 ${\bf W}$ - Matt, AF2F will be active again as AF2F/W4 from Hatteras Island (NA-067) from 25 May to 6 June. He operates CW and FT8 on the HF bands and 6 metres. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW, or via home call. [TNX DX World]

W - Allan, KV4T and his wife Bridget, KS4YT will be active from Grand Isle (NA-168) on 29 May-1 June. They will operate FT8 and FT4 on 40 and 20 metres, and will return to the island for the IOTA Contest (24-25 July). QSL via LoTW, eQSL, or direct to home calls. [TNX DX World]

W - Bruce, K5TEN will be active again as K4D from Dog Island (NA-085) on 7-18 June. He will operate SSB, CW and FT8 on 40-6 metres. QSL direct to home call; he will upload his log to LoTW and eQSL.

YB - Jilly, YB1JYL and others will be active as YB1JYL/7 from Sebuku Island (OC-166) on 10-11 June. They will operate SSB and FT8 on the HF bands. QSL via EA5GL.



YL - Special callsign YL21ICE will be active on all bands and modes for the Ice Hockey World Championship to be held in Latvia from 21 May to 6 June. See <u>https://qsl.services/ev</u> <u>ent/YL21ICE</u> for infor-

mation about the award.

ZL - ZL25NZ is the special callsign for Jacky, ZL3CW to celebrate the 25th anniversary since he immigrated to New Zealand. The callsign is valid for one year, and Jacky will use for the first time during the CQ WW WPX CW Contest. QSL via ZL3CW and LoTW. [TNX NG3K]







CQ WW WPX CW CONTEST

The following stations have announced their participation in this year's event (29-30 May):

Call	Category	Country	QSL
4L8A	SOSB 20m	Georgia	LoTW/M0OXO
8P1W	SOAB LP	Barbados	KU9C
9M6NA	SOAB LP	East Malaysia	LoTW
C7A	M/S	Austria	UA3DX
D4Z		Cape Verde	LoTW/IK2NCJ
E2A	M/2	Thailand	LoTW/E21EIC
HV0A		Vatican City	LoTW/IK0FVC
MM1E	SO	Scotland	LoTW
OG2B	SO	Finland	OH2GEK
OG60BBM	SO	Finland	LoTW/OH0XX
OHOW	MO	Aland Islands	LoTW/OH2BH
OH100SRAL	MO	Finland	LoTW/OH100SRAL
OH2A	MO	Finland	LoTW/OH2A
OH6SRAL	SO	Finland	
OI3AX	SO	Finland	OI3AX
OL57ZW	SOAB LP	Czech Republic	OK1YM
P40A		Aruba	WD9DZV
P44W	SOAB	Aruba	LoTW/N2MM
P49Y		Aruba	LoTW/AE6Y
TM4Y		France	F6KGL
TM6KJS		France	F6KJS
TO3F	SO	Martinique	ON4RU
VB3E	SO	Canada	VE3AT
VC2W	SOAB HP	Canada	LoTW/VA2WA
VC3T	SO	Canada	LoTW/VE3DZ
VP5M	M/S	Turks & Caicos	LoTW/K4QPL
VX31IGY	M/S	Canada	VE3NE
XM2Z		Canada	LoTW
YB0ECT	SOSB 20m HP	Indonesia	W2FB
YB2DX	SOAB	Indonesia	LoTW/YB2DX
ZL25NZ	SO	New Zealand	LoTW/ZL3CW
ZP5AA	SO	Paraguay	ZP5DBC

Do not forget to give a look at the Announced Operations listing maintained by Bill, NG3K at <u>https://www.ng3k.com/Misc/wpxc2021.html</u> - good contest to you all!

GOOD TO KNOW

Access to the main functions of www.425dxn.org is provided by the 425DXN App for Android. It is available on Google Play - free of charge, no ads. Enjoy!



3YOJ: PRESS RELEASE #2 (29 APRIL) • Bouvet is like the Mount Everest of DXCC entities. It is among the most challenging entities to activate due to significant transportation costs and personal sacrifices required by the team to make the 42-day round trip. Fortunately, Bouvet is not our first mountain. We are well prepared for this challenge. All plans are going well. We are researching polar quality tents and equipment. We are dis-

All plans are going well. We are researching polar quality tents and equipment. We are discussing antenna specifications with various manufacturers. We will make careful choices to help us meet the demand for Bouvet contacts.

We are delighted to add a second physician to our team. Dr. Mike Crownover (AB5EB) and Dr. Bill Straw (KO7SS) are both seasoned Emergency Physicians and will help the team immensely with their expertise.

Our fundraising is going very well. We have received a significant donation from our longtime friend Y. Zorro Miyazawa (JH1AJT). Zorro has always been an enthusiastic supporter of our missions and his generosity is greatly appreciated. We are pleased to announce that we will receive the ARRL's Colvin Grant, as well as large donations from the Far East DX-

We are pleased to announce that we will receive the ARRL's Colvin Grant, as well as large donations from the Far East DXploiters Foundation, the German DX Foundation and the Twin Cities DX Association. We would love to add your Club or your Call to our sponsors pages. This will be an arduous and expensive mission. Our budget is USD 764,000 and the 3Y0J team will fund much of this mission. We desperately need the global DX Community to support our mission and help us make this important activation of the #2 most wanted DXCC Eentity. It is only through this kind of support that we can achieve our mission of making 100,000 contacts or more from Bouvet.

In closing, we especially wish to thank our many Foundation, Club and Individual donors. Without this kind of support, operations to the world's rarest entities would not be possible. Please include your callsign, mailing address and email address with your PayPal submissions. We would not want to miss QSLing with you! You can follow our plans from our website (https://3y0j.com/) and Facebook group (https://www.facebook.com/groups/3y0jbouvet2023).

425 DX NEWS MAGAZINE • The April 2021 issue is now available for download at <u>http://www.425dxn.org/index.php</u>. [TNX IZ3EBA]

CDXC The UK DX Foundation

Contest University

CDXC VIRTUAL CONVENTION • Held on 8 May via Zoom, the Chiltern DX Club's Virtual Convention is now available to watch on the CDXC YouTube channel: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3aquQ-XfGWw</u>. It includes presentations by Dave Lloyd K3EL (The VP8PJ DXpedition), Steve Nichols G0KYA (propagation prediction tools), Andy Summers G4KNO (antenna measurements) and Dave Aslin G3WGN (how he built his contest station).

CONTEST UNIVERSITY 2021 • The Dayton event was cancelled, but CTU 2021 (https://www.contestuniversity.com/) still took place on 20 May via Zoom. It is now available for watching on YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=q-esob7BPtc.

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Presentations include:	
Cloud Contesting - Live Demonstration by WW2DX	starts at 00:15
Preparing Your Station for Competition by W3LPL	01.09
Contest Categories - Make the Most of Your Entry by MODXR	02:06
Memorial reading of the Silent Keys for 2021 by K1AR	03:08
Youth - the Future of Contesters by DK6SP	03:40
Contesting from Russia by UA9BA	04:39
There is Nothing Magic About Propagation by CT1BOH	05:38
Transceiver Performance for the HF DX and Contest Operator by NC0B	06:39
2021 CQ Contest Hall of Fame by K1AR	07:37
Also available is the recording of the 2021 Hamven	ition Forums,
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DZhL979mgas.	

DXPEDITION OF THE YEAR • The Southwest Ohio DX Association has announced their 2020/2021 DXpedition of the Year award, which regognizes «excellence in DXpedition planning and execution» from Most Wanted DXCC Entities. DXpeditions completed from March 2020 through February 2021 were eligible for this year's award, which has been presented to the VP8PJ DXpedition to the South Orkney Islands (February-March 2020).



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HAMVENTION QSO PARTY • The in-person event has been cancelled for the second year in a row, but another Hamvention QSO Party will take place on Saturday of what would

have been the Hamvention weekend. It will be held on 22 May, from 12 to 24 UTC (twelve hours), on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres CW and SSB. See https://hamvention.org/qso-party-2021/ for the details.



INDEXA NEWSLETTER • The Spring 2021 issue (#132) of the International DX Association's Newsletter is now available for download on the INDEXA website (<u>https://indexa.org/newsletters.html</u>). «With the scarcity of DXpeditions, there is also a scarcity of material reporting on the activity», John Scott, K8YC, says. «Therefore, I've reached back to the April 2006 issue to reproduce the report on the Peter I DXpedition [*Peter I 2006. Getting there is the story!*, by Erling J. Wiig, LA6VM]. With the recent announcement of two separate expeditions to Bouvet planned for the next two years and the misfortunes of the last two attempts, I felt we should all be reminded of the difficulties with weather that is prevalent when operating in the polar regions. We should also be thankful that there are intrepid souls willing to undertake the risks and hardships of such ventures».

INDONESIAN ISLANDS HUNTING MARATHON • The Indonesian Islands Hunting Marathon is designed to promote IOTA activity over a 4-month period, starting at 00.00 UTC on 1 June and ending at 23.59 UTC on 30 September. World stations work as many different Indonesian IOTA Groups as possible; YB stations work world stations in as many different IOTA Groups and DXCC Entities as possible. Any band and any mode (CW, SSB and digital). Complete information: <u>https://mdxc---iihgs-indonesian-islands-hunting-marathon.webnode.it/</u>





INTREPID SPIRIT AWARD • The Intrepid-DX Group is pleased to announce that this year's award goes to Johannes Hafkenscheid, PA5X, who was very active as 5T5PA while living and working in Mauritania throughout 2020. This award is to recognize «Johannes's outstanding efforts to activate Mauritania during the Covid-19 Pandemic», and acknowledges his «unselfish act to activate this challenging and much needed entity on behalf of a grateful Global DX Community. During 2020, Johannes made 35,000 contacts and made a total of 192,514 contacts during his years of activity from Mauritania». The award was presented on 16 May at the International DX Convention. Made in memory of James McLaughlin, WA2EWE/T6AF (killed in Kabul, Afghanistan, on 27 April 2011), the Intrepid Spirit Award «is intended to recognize and honor those individuals or teams that boldly activate rare entities where their own personal safety is secondary to their pursuit of providing contacts to the DX Community».



JWOW • The 21-26 July IOTA DXpedition to Prins Karls Forland (EU-063) [425DXN 1564] has set up a website (<u>http://www.jw0w.no</u>) and a public group on Facebook (<u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/288876866220488</u>) to provide information and updates. The current team include five operators (EA3HSO, LB1QI, LB5GI, LA7GIA and LA8OM) plus the person in charge of security, «as the risk of being greeted by polar bears at some point of our stay is high». PayPal donations to help offset some of the costs will be gratefully accepted, see the website for the details.

LIGHTNING PROTECTION • *Lightning Protection for Amateur Radio Stations* was recently presented by Lloyd Berg, N9LB. Lloyd has 50 years of experience as a broadcast engineer, building and maintaining AM, FM and TV broadcast stations. Learn from a professional how to make your station as lightning resistant as possible. The video of the programme is now available via the Madison DX Club's website: <u>http://www.madisondxclub.org/MDXC_Programs.html</u>. [TNX W9EWZ]

MUSEUM SHIPS WEEKEND • Sponsored by the Battleship New Jersey Amateur Radio Station (NJ2BB), this year's Museum Ships Weekend will be held from 00.00 UTC on 5 June until 23.59 UTC on the 6th. Information on the event, including the listing of expected participating ships, can be found at https://www.nj2bb.org/museum/.



NCDXF • The officers for the Northern California DX Foundation were voted in on 26 April. The new slate of officers is Kevin Rowett K6TD (President), Ned Sterns AA7A (Vice President), Glenn Johnson W0GJ (Secretary) and Don Greenbaum N1DG (Treasurer).

The primary purpose of NCDXF (http://www.ncdxf.org/) is to help fund well-organized DXpeditions to rare, difficult and expensive entities. Those funds come from the contributions of supporters in the DX community, who «help make DX happen». The latest major donation (USD 100,000) has been made to the Intrepid DX Group's 3Y0J Bouvet Island DXpedition planned for January/February 2023. In addition, NCDXF provides scholarships to Contest University for those 25 years of age and under; partners with IARU to operate the NCDXF Beacon System worldwide; oversees the «Cycle 25 Project», an en-

dowment-fund created from estate planning.

NLOH • Henry, NLOH is now very active again from St. Lawrence Island (NA-040). «His recent antenna upgrades have given him quite a boost on the air, and his signals are now being received worldwide», his QSL manager reports. Henry's mode of choice is SSB, but «under current conditions his 70/100 watts on SSB don't always do the job, and he finds himself dropping onto FT8 just to get his rare IOTA out to the many chasers who need it». QSL via M0OXO's OQRS (https://www.m0oxo.com/oqrs/).



OH NORTHERN LIGHT 100-YEAR CERTIFICATE • The Finnish Amateur Radio League (SRAL) is celebrating its 100th anniversary. To earn the *OH Northern Light 100-year Certificate* (OH-NL-100), contact fifty OH and fifty OF stations during 2021 (a special OF prefix will be launched to all OH stations on 15 September), and ten "multipliers" [425DXN 1559]. Multiplying your QSO points (maximum 100) by your multiplier value (max 10) will give you your score - maximum of 1000 points. For easy logging, please use the special activity sheet: https://www.sral.fi/wp-content/uploads/2021/04/SRAL-100 Logging.pdf. Six multipliers will be QRV during the CQ WW WPX CW Contest: OG2B (activated by OH7EA), OH0W (activated by

OH2GEK, OH2TA and OH6KZP), OH100SRAL (activated by OH1AJ and OH1NDA), OH2A (activated by OH2BCI, OH5BQ and OH2KW), OH6SRAL (activated by OH6NVC) and OI3AX (activated by OH5LLR). [TNX OH2BH)

QSL GALLERY • The large collection of QSL cards on Les Nouvelles DX's website has been updated. Sixteen different galleries include 19,012 cards for the ten Most Wanted DXCC Entities (2011-20), the 62 deleted DXCC Entities, obsolete prefixes, stations from Maghreb from 1945 to 1962, Allied Forces stations in Germany (1945-80), special stations commemorating ITU and IARU, stations using the United Nations prefix (4U), Antarctic bases and TAAF (Terres Australes and Antarctiques Francaises), the various French DXCC island Entities in the Pacific Ocean, the Indian Ocean and the Americas (from 1945 to 1969), pre-1945 countries, French Departments and CONUS, plus a gallery for cards not accepted by DXCC. Your participation is encouraged: <u>http://www.lesnouvellesdx.fr/galeriegsl.php</u>. [TNX F6AJA].

VISALIA 2021 • This year's International DX Convention was a virtual two-day meeting held on 15 and 16 May, with eight DX-related and eight exhibitor Zoom webinars. All presentations were recorded and are available on https://ncdxc.org/idxc-info/ (the Northern California DX Club's website).

VHSC • Celebrating the 60th anniversary of the Very High Speed Club, special callsigns OE60VHSC (7 May-7 June), OZ60VHSC, PA60VHSC, PH60VHSC and Z360VHSC will be active in May. QSL via operator's instructions. Founded on 1 May 1961, the VHSC is for QRQ operators who have «the capability of solid copy and excellent keying at a speed of 40 wpm, during at least 30 minutes»: <u>http://www.morsecode.nl/vhsc%20club.html</u>.

VK6SJ/4 • «I completed my week on Coconut and Thursday Islands (OC-138) between 3 and 9 May», Steve, VK6SJ reports. Grid locations were QH19mw for Coconut Island and QH19ck for Thursday Island. Be aware that «for one reason or another» Steve used «a few different versions of callsign during the operation: VK6SJ/VK4, VK4/VK6SJ as well as just VK6SJ. What will be going in the logs will be VK6SJ/4, so please amend your log entry accordingly. I made just over 400 contacts and I am in the process of getting the logs validated with IOTA». QSL via EB7DX.

VP2VB • The JIDXM (Japan International DX Meeting) DXpedition of the Year Award is presented to teams and individuals making an outstanding contribution to the DX community. The 2020 Award has been bestowed to the VP2VB Danny Weil Memorial DXpedition, organized to bring the Danny Weil story to today's amateur radio community. The team (KO8SCA, OH2BH, OH2GEK and VE7NY) focused on low bands to JA and EU; skillfully utilizing CW, FT4 and FT8, they achieved 5000+ QSOs on the 160 and 80m bands, including 335 QSOs with Japan.



VP8 CALLSIGNS • The Falkland Islands Communications Regulator is providing a final opportunity for non-resident lifetime licence owners to have their VP8 callsigns revalidated by 31 August 2021. See the *Notice of Direction* (27 April): https://regulatorfi.org.fk/news/83-notice-of-direction.



WRTC 2022: POSTPONED • The Organizing Committee announced on 24 April that, «having previously consulted the WRTC Sanctioning Committee», they have decided «to postpone WRTC 2022 one year to 2023. There have been no changes in the qualification process or to the overall structure of the event and its sponsoring committee. A detailed report on the qualification standings will be prepared and released at a later date.

In consideration of the worldwide public health challenges from the Covid-19 pandemic, we believe our decision is reasonable. We have received many communications from competitors and friends of WRTC and have taken them very seriously. There will be further announcements regarding WRTC as soon as new arrangements have been made». The World Radiosport Team Championship was due to be held in Bologna, Italy on 6-11 July 2022 (<u>https://www.wrtc2022.it/</u>).

WSJT-X 2.4.0 • The WSJT Development Group has announced the General Availability release of WSJT-X Version 2.4.0. It includes the new digital mode Q65, which is designed for minimal two-way QSOs over especially difficult propagation paths including ionospheric scatter, troposcatter, rain scatter, TEP, EME, and other types of fast-fading signals. Details and operating hints can be found in the Quick-Start Guide to Q65: https://physics.princeton.edu/pulsar/k1jt/Q65_Quick_Start.pdf. Links to WSJT-X 2.4.0 installation packages for Windows, Linux and Macintosh are available http://physics.princeton.edu/pulsar/k1jt/wsjtx.html.

WTISD • Proclaimed in 2006 by the ITU Plenipotentiary Conference, World Telecommunication and Information Society Day is celebrated annually on 17 May. Taking part in this year's celebrations will be special event stations A60WTIS from the United Arab Emirates (16-18 May, QSL via EA7FTR); A91WTIS from Bahrain (13-17 May, QSL via EC6DX); ER0ITU from Moldova (15-19 May, QSL via LoTW); HZ1WTIS from Saudi Arabia (13-17 May, QSL via LoTW). Also look for A60WTIS to be activated with different suffix extensions (see qrz.com for the QSL routes).



CQ AMATEUR RADIO HALL OF FAME

The CQ Amateur Radio Hall of Fame was established in January 2001 to recognize individuals - radio amateurs or not - who significantly affected the course of Amateur Radio, as well as radio amateurs who have made significant contributions either to amateur radio, to their professional careers or to some other aspect of life on our planet. This year's inductees, which bring the total number of members of the CQ Amateur Radio Hall of Fame to 339, are:

- Archibald Doty, W7ACD (SK), engineer, inventor, researcher into efficient radial systems for vertical antennas and pioneer of college radio; co-founded what is now WESU at Wesleyan University in Connecticut in 1939, the second-oldest college radio station in the U.S.; also served as a pilot in the U.S. Army Air Corps in World War II.
- **Nathaniel Frissell, W2NAF**, founder of HAMSci (Ham Radio Science Citizen Investigation), a collaboration between radio amateurs and ionospheric scientists; organizer of the 2017 Solar Eclipse QSO Party, which also served as a research project on the effects of a total solar eclipse on HF propagation.
- **Lorin Hollander, WA1PGB**, world-renowned classical concert pianist who has performed with virtually every major philharmonic orchestra in the United States, along with many others overseas; heavily involved in music and arts education and in relationships between music and medicine.
- **Christopher Imlay, W3KD**, ARRL Counsel and General Counsel from 1982-2018; represented the League before the FCC on a wide variety of issues, including PRB-1, now enshrined in FCC Rule 97.15 b), that requires state and local regulations to reasonably accommodate amateur radio antenna structures.
- **Cathryn Mitchell, MOIBG**, Academic Director of the University of Bath Doctoral College (UK) and recipient of the 2019 Edward Appleton Medal «for pioneering research in tomography and data assimilation revealing a completely new perspective on Earth's ionosphere in response to extreme space weather».
- Admiral Charles "Chas" Richard, W4HFZ, commander of the United States Strategic Command (USSTRATCOM), one of eleven unified commands of the Department of Defense; served previously as Commander of U.S. submarine forces and Director of Undersea Warfare at the Pentagon.

CQ CONTEST HALL OF FAME

Established in 1986, the CQ Contest Hall of Fame honours those amateurs who have made major contributions to the art of radio contesting. The 2021 inductees are:

- **Robert Wolbert, K6XX**, a "renaissance man" of contesting, advancing the state of the art in designing amateur equipment at Elecraft, a participant in more than 1100 contests over 35 years and a many-time winner (he is a 9-time recipient of the Jim Maxwell Memorial Trophy for the highest-scoring California single-op unassisted station in the ARRL DX CW Contest); member of the organizing committee for the first WRTC in 1996 and a team leader in 2000 and 2014; has authored many articles for amateur contesting publications, presented at multiple conferences and is a long-time member and leader of the Northern California Contest Club (NCCC).
- **David A. Pruett, K8CC (SK)**, author of the NA contest logging program as well as a log-checking program and host of many multi-multi operations from his Michigan contest station over 30 years; longtime chairman of the Michigan QSO Party; former editor of the *National Contest Journal* and longtime member and leader of the Mad River Contest Club.

This year's induction was conducted online once again, as a result of the the COVID-19-related cancellation of the Dayton Hamvention and associated Contest Dinner. CQ World Wide DX Contest Director John Dorr, K1AR, led the Contest Hall of Fame induction at the conclusion of Contest University's online seminar on 20 May.

CQ DX HALL OF FAME



Established in 1967, the CQ DX Hall of Fame honours those amateurs who have made major contributions to DXing and DXpeditioning. The 2021 inductees are:

- Jacky Calvo, ZL3CW/F2CW, a veteran of the French Air Force and the International Committee of the Red Cross, with postings that took him (and his ham station) to a dozen countries around the world; a participant in more than two dozen DXpeditions and WRTC (World Radiosport Team Championship) competitions from 2010-2018 and
 - is a team leader for 2022. **Francesco Valsecchi, IKOFVC**, who has regularly activated Vatican City for the past 30 years using HV0A and other call signs, as well the Sovereign Military Order of Malta (SMOM) as 1A0KM. Along with fellow operators, Francesco has logged more than 300,000 QSOs for the two tiny entities, aver-

aging roughly 10,000 contacts per year for hams around the world. This year's induction will be conducted online once again, as a result of the COVID-19related cancellation of the Dayton Hamvention and associated DX Dinner. CQ DX Editor Bob Schenck, N2OO, will conduct the DX Hall of Fame induction on 26 May during the "Ham Nation" podcast on the Ham Radio Crash Course YouTube channel.



+ SILENT KEYS +



Arasu Manohar, VU2UR passed away of Covid-19 on 28 April. Born in 1939 and active on the amateur bands since 1967 (VU2URZ), he served as Contests & Awards Manager for the Amateur Radio Society of India (ARSI), as well as IARU Region 3 Monitoring System Co-ordinator from 1999 to 2009. He enjoyed participating in CW contests, and in 2004 he was awarded the RSGB's Commonwealth Medal for «providing the most improved score or contribution to the Commonwealth Contest». He also participated in several expeditions, notably the IOTA operations from AS-106 (VU7M, August 2012), AS-169 (ATOBI, March & July 2004) and AS-173 (ATORI, August 2004 and ATSRP, August 2014).

Reinaldo Leandro Rodriguez, YV5AM (ex YV5AMH) passed away in Miami, Florida on 23 May aged 79. A career diplomat for 36 years, he was a consul in France and the United States, as well as the Venezuelan ambassador to Nicaragua, Panama, Finland, Belgium, Argentina and the Vatican City. First licensed in 1960, he joined IARU Re-

gion 2 in 1998 and held several positions; notably he served as the president of the Executive Committee from 2007 to 2019. An avid DXer with 338/352 current/total Entities in the DXCC Mixed, he was also a successful contester, especially in the M/M category with the YW4M and YV4A teams in the CQ WW WPX SSB and CQ WW DX SSB contests. Besides operating as /W5, /I0, /OH2, /OH0, /LU, YN1AM and HP1YV, he participated in four DXpeditions to Aves Island - YV0AA (1984), YX0AI (1992), YV0D (2004) and YX0A/YX0LIX (2006) - and in several IOTA operations from Venezuelan islands.



QSL ROUTES

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CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER
3B8BAP	N4GNR	EOOUD	UR7UT	KP2AD	OK1TN
3Z1921PS	SP6YG	EO30UA	US8UA	LZ1072BG	LZ1KCP
4K1AZI	DC9RI	EV76F	EW3W	LZ1BOTEV	LZ1KAK
4L1R	W3HNK	EV76FM	EW6C	LZ76ZZ	LZ1ZF
4L6DL	LZ1OT	EV76GA	EW1D	MORSE	G3SWH
407CC	UA4CC	EV76K	EW8BQ	NL7S	N4GNR
4U1UN	HB9BOU	EV76M	EW1I	NP4A	W3HNK
4X0GDL	4X6ZM	EV76PP	EW4R	OA4DTU	EA5GL
5z4bu	EA5GL	EX2V	RW6HS	OC200P	OA40
7S2A	SA2SAA	FK8CE	N4GNR	OE100BL/4	OE4JHW
7х2тт	EA5GL	GB0MGY	G6UT	OE21M	OE1WHC

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EM7U UR7	701	KL7J	N3SL	ZB2TT	MOURX

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4K5RA	DC9RI	EY8MM	WOVTT	OS1WFF	ON1WFF
4L1MA	ON4RU	FK8GU	EA5GL	OS3VS	on3vs
4S6RSP	EA5GL	GB5LIB	GU8ITE	OS4EM	ON4EM
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CN18ZG	CN8ZG	L21RCA	LU4AA	SF400B	SK6LK
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CP4BT	IK2DUW	LZ1340B	LZ3SM	TM0BEE	F6KUQ
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CR65PQ	CT1EHX	NL8F	N7RO	TY5AB	EC6DX
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EH10LA	EA1UVR	OE100CHZ	OE4CHZ	ZC4GR	EB7DX
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RP76AB	RAOSMS	RP76KM	RV9V	RP76RGA	RK9CR
RP76ACH	UA3P	RP76KN	UA3NFI	RP76RK	R1NU
RP76AF	UA6AGE	RP76KO	RA3VE	RP76ROP	RT1L
RP76AO	RZ5D	RP76KP	UA3LLS	RP76RP	RA3P
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RP76AS	RC1C	RP76KR	RX7K	RP76S	R3LC
RP76AU	UA1ORK	RP76KT	RV1AQ	RP76SB	RZ4AWB
RP76AZ	RC9A	RP76KUF	R8UT	RP76SE	RQ7R
RP76B	UA3ZV	RP76KZ	RK3SWB	RP76SF	R9JBN
RP76BA	RK3DYB	RP76L	R1AX	RP76SG	R4BZ
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RP76EL	RA3LBA	RP76MNE	R1CBR	RP76TG	UA9APA
RP76FA	RO3F	RP76MP	RT90M	RP76TH	RA6AAW
RP76FIA	R4FD	RP76MU	R1ZX	RP76TK	rn3rq
RP76GA	UA4PIE	RP76MVI	RA9AEA	RP76TO	RA3RLJ
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RP76GC	RA2FU	RP76NAP	rn3rq	RP76TW	R3WW
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RP76GE	R3GM	RP76NP	R5EO	RP76UAI	RN3RQ

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RP76GI	R9WBJ	RP760G	RN1NHB	RP76V	UAOLBF
RP76GL	RA4PKK	RP760IA	RA9CUU	RP76VF	rk3vwa
RP76GRO	rj3t	RP760N	RZ3LC	RP76VN	R4IT
RP76GS	rk9jyy	RP76OSR	ROBI	RP76WA	RV3YR
RP76GT	RC1TB	RP760T	R4RT	RP76WAO	R8WB
RP76GV	RW3X	RP76P	RK9LWA	RP76WD	RN3DHL
RP76GY	R7PL	RP76PAW	rn3rq	RP76WF	UA6VY
RP76H	ROCM	RP76PB	R4PB	RP76WK	RA4FUT
RP76I	RW4HB	RP76PD	RA1WU	RP76WU	rz9wu
RP76IGS	UA2FAK	RP76PF	R6LFI	RP76WZ	RN3FY
RP76IL	R5EJ	RP76PG	R1AU	RP76X	R1II
RP76IS	RW3QM	RP76PL	R1YY	RP76ZK	rn3rq
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RP76K	R5WW	RP76PT	R1NU	RP76ZS	RW4HB
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