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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 5th/June, through Sunday, 12th/June there were 206 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 3X, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5Z, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A3, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E4, E5/s, E6, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FR, FS, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HC8, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J3, J6, JA, JT, JW, JY, K, KH2, KH6, KH8, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PY, PZ, S0, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T32, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2V, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XT, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later".

3Y, BOUVET (Press Release #1, dated June 8th -- Bouvet Island Activation Planned). -- Three proven and experienced DXpedition leaders and a large team of operators will activate the DXCC number #2 most wanted DXCC entity in late 2017 or early 2018. Ralph K0IR, Bob K4UEE and Erling LA6VM have been working on this project since returning from Peter I (3Y0X) some 10 years ago.

We are making this announcement now, so that other DXpedition teams that may be considering Bouvet as a DXpedition target can re-direct their time and effort elsewhere.

In summary, we have an agreement with Nigel Jolly to provide transportation, a helicopter, pilot and mechanic. We submitted a preliminary plan to the Norwegian Polar Institute (NPI) some time ago and it has been accepted. A permit will be issued to land on Slakhallet (the huge glacier that covers the island).

We have a team committed, and the finances are doable. As per our funding model, we commit to paying one-half the expenses involved and we are asking the DX community to pay the other half of the expenses. This arrangement has never failed us or you, the DXer.

Experience summary: Leaders have eleven "Dxpedition of the Year" awards, they have activated a dozen "top-ten" DXCC entities and amassed huge QSO totals at their most recent DXpeditions i.e. Desecheo 118,000 QSOs, HK0NA 195,000 QSOs, FT5ZM, 170,000 QSOs, K1N 140,000 QSOs. Their experience in the Antarctic and Southern Oceans region is unparalleled.

Heard Island, South Sandwich, South Georgia, Peter I, South Orkneys, Amsterdam Island, as well as numerous other operations from ALL seven continents.

This team and it's leaders have collectively given the given the DX community over 4,000,000 DXpedition QSO's.

Our website is under development and fundraising will begin in the months ahead. We are pleased that everything has finally come together so that we can activate this most difficult, dangerous and rare DXCC entity.

Your DXpedition leaders,
 Ralph K0IR
 Bob K4UEE
 Erling LA6VM

ADDED NOTE FROM EDITOR: Earlier in the week, the following two articles about Bouvet had shown-up before the above announcement was sent out:

* Paul, N6PSE, posted to his blog on June 5th -- "Bouvet, So Far Away":

<https://n6pse.wordpress.com/2016/06/05/bouvet-so-far-away>

* Rich, KY6R, posted to his blog on June 5th -- "How to Raise Funds for Bouvet, 3Y0/B: UPDATE!

<https://ky6r.wordpress.com/2016/06/05/how-to-raise-funds-for-bouvet-3y0b>

4JF1, AZERBAIJAN (Special Event). Alexander, 4J3DJ, will be using the special callsign 4JF1EU from Mingachevir (WW Loc. LN30MS) to dedicate the Formula 1 Grand Prix of Europe which will take place for the first time ever in Baku, the capital of the Azerbaijan Republic, between June 17-19th. QSL via 4J3DJ only direct (possibly LoTW). ADDED NOTE: Also look for special event callsigns 4JF1BAKU (QSL via 4J4K) and 4KF1BAKU (QSL via 4J6R0).

5W, SAMOA. Tom, KC0W, is now QRT as KH8/KC0W from American Samoa after making 12,871 QSOs from there. However, he continues on his single op "Cows Over the World" International DXpeditions Tour to his second island activation, Samoa, and is now operating as 5W0COW. Activity will be CW only on 160-6 meters using 500 watts into vertical antennas over salt water. He will be in all major CW contests. His length of his stay is unknown. QSL via KC0W direct only. A log search will be available on ClubLog. He does not use LoTW. See QRZ.com for more details.

6Y, JAMAICA. Operators Steve/AA4V (6Y4A), Jim/N4SF (6Y4F), Dave/K8AJA (K8AJA/6Y5) and Rick/W4GE (W4GE/6Y5) will be active from 6Y5WJ's St. Elizabeth QTH on Jamaica (NA-097) between October 21st and November 1st. The group will team up for the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Multi-2 entry using the callsign 6Y4V. QSL via AA4V. QSL all other callsigns via operator's home callsign.

8Q, MALDIVES. A group of Polish operators will team-up again to do another Polish DXpedition, this time from Dhiffushi Island, Maldives (AS-013) as 8Q7SP. This is the same group/operators who did 3B7SP, 5T0SP, J88HL, S79SP and VK9XSP -- to name a few... Look for more details to be forthcoming.

9N. NEPAL. Nobuaki, JA0JHQ, will be active as 9N7NH from Kathmandu between June 16-20th. Activity will be on 40/30/20/17/15/6 meters (limited, because the license fee is expensive) using mainly CW, SSB and possibly RTTY.

Operations will include an entry in the All Asian DX CW Contest (June 18-19th). QSL via his home callsign, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW. For more details and updates, see: <http://pandasan.jimdo.com>

C5, THE GAMBIA. Koji, JM1CAX, is now active as C5NX from Banjul until June 18th. Activity is limited to his spare time (business trip) and has been mainly on 20 meters using CW only. He informs OPDX, "I am using K3, 100w and a fishing rod wire antenna. All QSLs will be sent out via the Bureau as soon as I have returned to my home, ZS-land. Otherwise, QSL is via my home call, JM1CAX. Log will be posted to LoTW, but not ClubLog."

D2, ANGOLA. Eddy, CT1CRS, is now active as D2XX from Luanda. The length of his stay is currently "undetermined" he informs. Activity so far has been on 17 meters SSB. However, Eddy, states his station is a Yaesu FT-847 with 100 watts into four dipoles antennas (40/20/17/15/10m). QSL via his home callsign.

DXCC NEWS. The following operation has been approved for DXCC credit:
EP2A - Iran; April 2016

IOTA NEWS.....

- NA-144. Operators Wyatt/AC0RA and Dave/KG5CCI will activate Santa Rosa Island (USI CA-011S, WW Loc. CM93, California), as K6R on a Satellite Expedition between September 16-18th. The Santa Rosa Island is in the Channel Islands National Park. Operators have secured permissions, arranged to get to the island and will spend 2 nights camping, and operate on a number of satellite passes - as well as some terrestrial and HF operations too. Look for updates to be posted on the K6R QRZ.com page over the coming months with FAQs, pictures, and more information.
- NA-172. (Update) Cezar, VE3LYC, will be active as VE3LYC/KL7 from Cooper Island, Alaska, between August 1-5th. Activity will be on 40/30/20/17/15/12/10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via VE3LYC direct or OQRS. A Web page is now available at: <http://ve3lyc-kl7.weebly.com>
- OC-206. (Update) Pavel, VK6NX, will be active as VI6DH400 from Dirk Hartog Island between August 14-18th for 4-5 continuous days. Activity will be on 40/30/20/17/15 meters using CW and SSB.
Due to the significance of the event - commemoration of 400 years of Dutch explorer Dirk Hartog landing at Western Australia coast, local telecom authorities have allocated this special callsign. For more information and updates, watch: <http://vk6nx.net>
- OC-208. Din, YB8RW, will lead a team of operators to activate two islands in the OC-208 IOTA Group as YB80. Between June 15-17th, they will be active from Labobo Island, and Bangkalan Island between June 18-20th. Activity will be on 40/30/20/17/15/12/10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via YB8RW. The OQRS on ClubLog will be available. Operators mentioned are Syafyudin/YB8OUN, Din/YB8RW, Jimmy/YB8OFU, Budi/YC8OBM, Basri/YB8PTZ, Haris/YB8NHX, Junias/YF8NYH, Freeke/YC8NFK, Rachman/YC8PZQ, Sudirman/YC8NHN, Hashim/YC8NRF, Usman/YC8ONC, Ilham/YD8POH, Zulkarnain/YD8MGN and Kasrim/YD8MKA. See QRZ.com for more details and possible updates.
- SA-072. Operators Ronaldo/PS8RV, Anselmo/PS8AB and João/PS8PY will be active as ZY8D from Canarias Island (DIB-MA03) between July 29-31st. Activity will be on 40/20/15/10 meters using SSB and 100 watts. Operations will also include the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st). QSL via PS8RV direct.

J6, ST. LUCIA. Bill, K9HZ, is once again active as J68HZ from his villa at Labrelotte Bay, Castries, St. Lucia (NA-108, WLOTA L-1336) until June 19th. Activity is usually on 160-2 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. There will be a special emphasis on 160 and 80 meters on all modes. His equipment will consist of an Elecraft K3, a 3 element beam for 20-6 meters and wire antennas for 160-30 meters. QSL via his home callsign. He does use the LoTW, ClubLog and eQSL.

JIDXM 2016 (Press Release). [edited] The Organizing Committee has the pleasure in announcing "The Japan International DX Meeting 2016". The meeting will take place at the Tokyo Big Sight in Ariake, Tokyo, Japan, <http://www.bigsight.jp/english/> on August 20th (Sat.), 2016.

The meeting will start with a seminar/presentation at 14:00, followed by a reception from 17:45 until 20:30. We wish to have many overseas participants from Asia and the world, and we are looking forward to welcoming you to this gathering. Let's have an enjoyable and memorable time together with many JA DXers.

The following will be the main focus of attention at the JIDXM 2016.

- * DX-Pedition a large scale project (VP8STI/VP8SGI and FT4JA teams)
- * Integration of Information Technology and Amateur Radio (ClubLog)
- * Reception/party including but not limited to, an award presentation, lottery having lavish prizes. Details will be announced at the JIDXM web-site <http://www.jidxm.jp/e/index.html>.

Admission fees for Non-resident of Japan: USD 70 or EUR 70 or JPY 7,000 per person.

We can offer to waiver the above mentioned admission fees for up to two representatives from your club.

We very much hope that you will be able to join us in Tokyo this year!

73, Tachio Yonemura, JA1BRK - Chairman
Y. Zorro Miyazawa, JH1AJT - Vice-Chairman

JW, SAVLBARD. Jay, M0UNN, is now active as JW/M0UNN from Svalbard (EU-026). The length of his stay is unknown. Activity has been on 20 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign.

K8CX'S 2016 DAYTON HAMVENTION PHOTO GALLERY. Tom's, K8CX, 2016 Dayton Photo Gallery is now up at: <http://hamgallery.com/dayton2016/>
This is Tom's 20th consecutive year for the gallery, and it contains 442 photos taken this year at the Crowne Plaza, various events and hospitality suites. There are now close to 44902 Dayton photos on HamGallery. The site has Dayton photos in "The HamGallery" <http://hamgallery.com> dating back to 1971. All years are searchable by callsign from the search engine on the HamGallery home page. If you have any old photos from Dayton, please send them to K8CX. You may submit your own Dayton photos to be included in this gallery, but first please read the guidelines/instructions listed on the Dayton 2016 page.

MD7, ISLE OF MAN. Rich, M5RIC, will be active as MD7C from the Isle of Man (EU-116) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st) as a Single-Op/SSB-Mode/High-Power entry. QSL via M0OX0.

PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (June 12-18th)...

Jun/12th HN	Jun/15th AN	Jun/17th HN
Jun/13th HN	Jun/16th AN	Jun/18th AN
Jun/14th AN		

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

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NORMALITY	GEOMAG	K Values	Alpha
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AN - Above Normal	Quiet	K=0-1	0-7
HN - High Normal	Unsettled	K=2	8-15

LN - Low Normal	Active	K=3	16-29
BN - Below Normal	Minor Storm	K=4	30-49
DIS - Disturbed	Major Storm	K=5	50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed	Severe Storm	K=6-9	100-400

REALTIME BAND CONDITIONS WEB SITE <http://www.bandconditions.com>:

The purpose of this experimental Web site is to provide 24-7-365 actual (REALTIME) band condition information to CW QRPP, QRPE and CW/SSB for Contesters interested in increasing their scores. It can also be of benefit to other Radio Amateurs to determine band conditions for Nets and casual QSO's. This information is NOT based on any software predictions or any kind of satellite based readings. It is based on a new Ionospheric sounding method called "HF Ionospheric Interferometry" which operates very similarly to the PolSAR system used by NASA.

Also, check out the VOACAP predication Web page at:

<http://www.voacap.com/prediction.html>

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....

QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (June 12th) www.qslinfo.eu

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4U1GSC via 9A2AA      HG5SPORT via HA5LO      R85KFF via R1NU
5B4ALX via IZ4AMS      IQ9SR via IT9AQC        SA6G/7 via SM6CUK
9A/DK2KK via DK2KK     KP2/N5PV via N5PV & (L) SA7G/7 via SM7CUK
C5NX via JM1CAX        KP2/WA4PSO via N5PV     SN13PPD via SP3YPR
CP6CL via W3HNNK       LZ425STA via LZ1KCP     TM16EURO via F4DTP
DL0POLIO via DJ4MG     OE/OM1AEG/P via OM1AEG  TM17PGM via F4GQP
EH5CAG via EA5URY      OG55W via OH2OT (O/L)   TM30FG via F8KFL
ES0/DM2ECM via DM2ECM OH/SM5EPO/P via SM5EPO  TM62EURO via F5RHD
EV85WTA via RW6HS (d) OK/DL2DXA/P via DL2DXA  VE9DX via VE9DX (L)
HB9SOLAR via HB9ACA    OX/DC8TM/P via DC8TM    YU160TESLA via YU1SRS
HF250NCH via SP9YST    OX/DF3TS/P via DF3TS
HF25HKZ via SP6PAZ     R4500 via R2EA

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(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (*-B) DX's- Bureau
(O) OQRS only (C) ClubLog only (L) LoTW only

9M0Z QSL STATUS. QSL cards are being designed and printed. All major donors received LoTW uploads during May. All direct QSL requests were uploaded to LoTW on June 7th. Log corrections were uploaded to ClubLog on June 7th.

P5/3Z9DX LOG has now been uploaded to LoTW. This operation has been accepted for DXCC credit.

VK0EK QSL STATUS. Tim, M0URX, reports that all of the QSL cards for requests received so far are in the mail: <http://www.m0urx.com>
Tim completed the processing of these QSLs in record time, and Mike, KJ4Z provided all labels like a pro.

QSLs RECEIVED VIA LoTW: EU1KY, GM3YOR and UA9UX

QSLs RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 9M0S, AT5P, E6AC, EP2A, FH/F2DX, PZ50X, SV2RSG, TX7EU and VK0EK

QSLs RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: CR6M, PV7M, PT7ZT, PT77ZT, ZV10M, ZX7DX, ZZ8S, ZZ80PB, ZZ80PB, ZZ80MT and ZZ80RJ

T32, EAST KIRIBATI. Ken, KH6QJ, will once again be active as T32AZ from Crystal Lodge, Kiritimati (Christmas Island) [OC-024], East Kiribati, between September 1-15th. Activity will be on 80/40/20/15/10 meters using SSB. Operations will include entries in the All Asian DX SSB Contest (September 3-4th) and the Worked All Europe (WAE)DX SSB Contest (September 10-11th). QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

V4, ST. KITTS. Gary, G0FWX, will be active as V4/G0FWX from Calypso Bay, St. Kitts (NA-104) between June 29th and July 6th. Activity will be holiday style (in between sunbathing and the casino) on various HF bands. QSL via M0URX or the OQRS.

VK0EK HEARD ISLAND VIDEO ON THE WEB. Vadym, UT6UD, who was one of the "dynamic duo" on Top Band (along with Dave, K3EL), and a major reason why VK0EK broke Top Band records from Heard Island, has posted a very good video (about 13 minutes long) on YouTube.com at:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3fFt-E6DWdc>

VP8STI SOUTH SANDWICH ISLAND VIDEO (South Thule Island) ON THE WEB. The VP8STI DXpedition video has been uploaded to the Intrepid DX Group's Vimeo.com page. You can see it here: <https://vimeo.com/intrepiddxgroup>
Paul, N6PSE, states, "The VP8SGI video is coming soon!"

ZONE 2. A team of nine members of the VE2UMS Amateur Radio Club will put four stations on the air from CQ zone 2, between July 25th and August 1st. They will use the special callsign VC2Q. QSLs will be issued for every QSO. Activity will be on all bands including one 60 meter channel if conditions are favorable. Operations will be CW, SSB and the Digital modes. There are more details on QRZ.com.

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