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\*\*\*\* EDITOR'S COMMENT: If you were on Daylight Saving Time (DST), did you remember to turn your clock back an hour?  
See below "Standard Time".

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 30th/October, through Sunday, 6th/November there were 226 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5H, 5R, 5T, 5U, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7X, 8P, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C9, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FR, FS, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J6, J7, JA, JD/m, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ7, PY, PZ, S0, S2, S5, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T32, T33, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TR, TT, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9N, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP5, VP6, VP8, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZD8, ZD9, ZF, ZL, ZL7, 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".

5R, MADAGASCAR. Eric, F6ICX, will once again be active as 5R8IC from Saint Marie Island (AF-090, WLOTA LH-0491) between November 6th and February 4th, 2017. Activity will be holiday style on 40-10 meters, mainly CW, but some SSB, RTTY, and PSK63, using a FT450 with 100 watts into various GPs or Inverted-Ls and a Hexbeam for 20-10 meters. There will be no online log during his activity. QSL via his home callsign (QRZ.com). Logs will be uploaded to ClubLog and LoTW.

5X, UGANDA (Reminder). Alan, G3XAQ, will once again be active as 5X1XA from Kampala between November 12-28th. Activity is usually on 80-10 meters CW only, and he plans to be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th). QSL via G3SWH, OQRS or LoTW.

5Z, KENYA. Nick, LZ4NM, will be active as 5Z4/LZ4NM from Nairobi through January 23rd, 2017. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL direct to: Amateur Radio Society of Kenya, Box 45681, Nairobi, 00100, Kenya.

6W, SENEGAL. Look for Michel, F6AFH, to be active as 6W7SS from La Somone in Senegal between early of January up to April 2017. No other details were provided.

7P8EUDXF QRT (Press Release). Gene, K5GS, sent out the following for Pista, HA5AO, on October 31st [edited]: Pista, HA5AO, reports that his volunteer assignment at orphanages in Lesotho is now complete, he made 4,027 QSOs during his off hours.

- First QSO in the log: 17 Oct 2016 16:16 UTC

- Last QSO in the log: 29 Oct 2016 15:21 UTC

The log was uploaded to HA5AO.com (Log Search & OQRS) from Lesotho, LoTW will be uploaded in six months.

Any money donated to 7P8EUDXF will be used for humanitarian purposes. The results of Pista's 2010 activity can be seen at:

<http://ha5ao.com/index.php/dx-pedititions/lesotho/lesotho-2010/103-news-from-lesotho-again>

The before and after images are certainly eyeopening.

73, Gene K5GS for Pista

A5, BHUTAN. Nobuaki, JA0JHQ, will once again be active as A52NH from the Dochula Resort in Paro between November 24-27th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. However, Nobuaki states, "Last time in March, I could not QRV on 80m and 40m, so this time, Low bands mainly... At the sunrise, I am trying 160m." He will also try to be in CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th). He plans to use a TS-480HX w/200 watts on HF and 100 watts on 6m. Antennas are a 10m Micro-vertical (160/80/40/30m), Single-Delta-Loop (20/17/15/12/10m) and a LW for 6m. Log will be posted to ClubLog daily. QSL via JA0JHQ, direct, by the Bureau and LoTW (after his return). For more details and updates, see: <http://pandasan.jimdo.com>

CE0/CB0, EASTER ISLAND. Esteban, XQ7UP, who was active this past weekend as CB0Y during the CQWW DX SSB Contest from Easter Island (SA-001), will continue to be active as CB0Y and/or CE0Y/XQ7UP until November 12th. Activity will be limited to his spare time (because of his work), but he will be mainly on 20/15/10 meters using SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via his home callsign, direct, LoTW or OQRS.

CR, MADEIRA ISLAND. Jose, CT1BOH, will be active as CR300 during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via LoTW.

CU8/CU9, AZORES. Hermann, CT3FN/HB9CRV, reports that he will be active from Flores (CU8) and Corvo (CU9) in November/December 2016. Look for CU8FN to be active on JT65 and JT9 modes between November 16-22nd, and again between December 1-6th. The QTH is Sta Cruz das Flores (WW Loc. HM49kk, EU-089). On November 23rd, Hermann will travel to Corvo Island (CU9) and will participate in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m) entry signing CU9/CU8FN. Outside the contest activity will also be on JT65 and JT9 modes. QSL via HB9CRV, HB9 Bureau and LoTW.

CU9, AZORES. Antonio, CU9AB, will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via HB9CRV.

E4, PALESTINE. Operators Chris/PA2CHR and Jos/PA3FYC will be active as E44CM from Jericho (WW Loc. KM71RU) between November 15-24th. Activity will be a

2m and 70cm EME operation. See their planned operation timetable on QRZ.com at: <http://www.qrz.com/db/E44CM>  
QSL via PA3FYC, direct or by the Bureau.

EF8, CANARY ISLANDS. Tom, OZ1AA, will be active as EF8U from Gran Canaria Island (AF-004) during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via EA8URL or LoTW. To see the station, see: <http://ea8url.blogspot.com>  
<https://www.qrz.com/lookup/ef8u>

GB4, ENGLAND (Special Event). Special event station GB4MTR is now active until November 28th. Activity is to celebrate 60 years (1956-2016) of the 4 meter band (70MHz) in the United Kingdom! The station will be run by the Harlow & District Amateur Radio Society, G6UT, in Harlow, Essex, UK. Operations will be on 80/60/40/20/17/15/12/10/6/4/2 meters and 70cm on all modes. Locator: JO01BS. WAB: TL41. Operating times will be mainly running every Tuesday and Friday evenings (7:30pm - 10:30pm GMT), Weekends (Most of the day or night) and some intermittent weekdays (7:30pm-10:30pm GMT). QSL via G6UT, direct, by the Bureau or eQSL. More details are available on QRZ.com.

HS, THAILAND. Operators Fred/K3ZO/HS0ZAR, Champ/E21EIC, Mike/E29BUQ, Ray/HS4RAY, Tony/G4UAV/HS0ZDX, Svante/SM3DYU/HS0ZDY, Stig/LA7JO/HS0ZGD, Pornchai/HS2JFW, Art/HS4LKW, Zaki/9M2ZAK, Syaiful/9M2PUL, Dietmar/DL3DXX, Andy/G3AB, Ken/K4ZW and Ljubisa/YU7EF will be active as HS0ZAR from Phimai, northeast of Bangkok, during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via K3ZO. Look for some of the operators being active as HS0ZGD before and after the contest. QSL via LA7JO, direct or by the HS Bureau.

IOTA NEWS.....

AS-072. A team of Malaysian operators will be active as 9M4LI from Lalang Island, West Malaysia, between November 25-27th. Activity will be on various HF bands and modes. Operators mentioned are Mohd/9M2EEE, Mohamad/9W2HYY, Nazari/9W2NDQ, Sabry/9W2XKM, Rudy/9W2VDY, Ahmad/9W2FMC, Mohd/9W2CTA, Ahmad/9W2HGZ, Rozaiman/9W2SFF, Sapuan/9W2FRP, Irham/9W2IAI, Din/9W2BDS, Mohadzir/9W2PSD, Sanusi/9W2HSX and Solaudin/9W2WFR. QSL via: Lalang Island Team, No. 35A, Jalan Halaman 3, Taman Halaman, Ampang.Selangor. Malaysia., SL 68000, West Malaysia, Malaysia.

OC-236. Operators Burkhard/DL3KZA and Amiruddin/YB9IPY will be active as YB8/DL3KZA from Selayar Island between November 1-14th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via DL3KZA.

OC-237. "DXNEWS.com" reports that members of ORARI Daerah Banten will be active as YB16T from Pandjang Island between November 18-20th.  
The callsign YB16T is a special callsign to celebrate 16th anniversary of the Banten Province. Activity will be on 40/20/15 meters. QSL via HA3JB direct to: Gabor Kutasi, Koch R. utca 10/A.I/4., 8600 Siofok, Hungary. QSLs for Indonesia stations go direct to ORDA Banten: ORARI DAERAH BANTEN SPECIAL CALL 16th BANTEN, Jln. ORARI No.4 Kelunjukan, Ling Kemuning, Lingkar Selatan Serang Banten 42116, Indonesia.

SA-041. Brazilian operators will be active as ZW8L from Lencois Island between November 10-14th. Activity will be on various HF bands. QSL direct to: LENCOIS ISLAND DX, P.O.BOX 280, BELEM-PA,

PA 66017970, Brazil.

J6, ST. LUCIA. Gary, K9AW, is once again active, but as J6/K9AW from St. Lucia (NA-108) until November 27th. Activity over the past week has been on 40/30/17 meters using mainly CW with some SSB. Operations will include the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via K9AW, direct or LoTW.

NP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS. Yuriy, N2TTA, will once again be active as NP2P during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via LoTW.

OZ90, DENMARK. Members of the Eksperimentrende Danske Radioamatører (EDR) will be active with the special callsign, OZ90EDR, in 2017. Activity is to celebrate the EDR's founding/anniversary on August 15, 1927. QSL Manager is Allis, OZ1ACB, direct or by the Bureau. Also, QSL via LoTW, EQSL and Clublog's OQRS. Look for more details about the price of direct QSLs, rules of an AWARD, homepage, operators etc... in the coming weeks.

PACIFIC EME ACTIVITY. Operators Matu/JA5EEU and Kay/JH3AZC will activate two islands in the Pacific on 2m EME during the middle of November. The schedule is as follows:

November 11-16th -- Callsign V6EME; from Pohnpei Island (QJ96cx) in the Federated States of Micronesia for the first time in two years.

November 18-20th -- Callsign KH2/W2AZ or W2AZ; from Guam Island (QK23jm).

The operating frequency and time will be QSP through the N0UK chat board. Their equipment is as follows: Yaesu FT817 for exciter, ITB Phoenix 1000A for PA, Kawagoe LNA, Create Design 2x9 elements Yagi with AZ/EL rotation. Please send your QSLs via JH3AZC with SAE + 2GS. or IIRC directly. Sorry NO via Bureau.

PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (November 7-13th).....

Nov/07th AN	Nov/10th LN	Nov/12th HN
Nov/08th AN	Nov/11th HN	Nov/13th HN
Nov/09th DIS		

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>

PY0F, FERNANDO DE NORONHA (Reminder). Martin, LU9EFO, will be active as PY0F/LU9EFO from Fernando de Noronha (SA-003) between November 7-14th. Activity will be on various HF bands using SSB. QSL via F4HBW for direct only or LU9EFO via the Bureau.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....

QSL-INFO from DB0SDX by Lothar, DL1SBF...  
(October 30th & November 6th) <[www.qsllinfo.eu](http://www.qsllinfo.eu)>

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3G30 via CE3OP                      G3Y via G3YBY                      PB30EUDXF via PA1AW  
4J90HAM via 4J3DJ(d); RA4AAT(B) GM9N via GM6NX      PG16MC via PA0FAW  
5W0ST via JH1BED & (L)              HA43PS via HA5AGP                  PI4M via PA0MBD & (L)  
7U62AR via 7X5ARU                   HB2K via HB9OCR                    PJ2T via W3HKNK  
9G5AM via S59ZZ                      HG43L via HA5AGP                  PX2B via PY2LED  
9H1AE via SV2AEL (d)                HG43QRP via HA5AGP                R4RE via RT4RO  
AD8J/HR9 via AD8J                    HK1T via EA5KB                      SJ0X via SM6JSM  
B1W via BY1CW                        I1EIS via 9A8ARS                    SN3A via SP3GEM  
CN3A via IV3ZXQ or (L)               IB4K via IZ4COW                      SN8B via SP8CUR  
CQ8M via CU2ARA                      II0EUDX via IS0AGY                SQ6H via SQ6PLH  
CR3A via EA5GL                        II4A via IK4ADE                      SX1S via SV1PMR  
CR6K via CT1ILT                       IO2X via IK2NCJ                      SX9C via SV9COL (d/L)  
CR6T via CT1ESV                       IO5P via IZ5NFD (L)                T48K via DK1WI (d)  
CT7/IK4ZGY via IK4ZGY               IQ2XZ via 9A8MDC                    TC3P via TA3X  
CX5UA via EA5KB                       IR3MD via IZ2GOT                    TM3R via F5UTN  
DF0WRTC via DJ9MH                    IR6A via IK6QON                      TM6M via F4DXW (d)  
DJ0A via DJ3AA                        IR6T via IK6VXO                      TM7X via F5BSB  
DQ2C via DL2CC                        IY1A via IW1ARB                      TM85VGC via F6KUF  
EA5/LN2G via LA2G                    KW4XC/HI9 via OE3MZC                TM8VG via F8KFL  
EA6/EI6DX via RA3R                    LA30EUDXF via PA1AW                UB7K via UU0JM  
EA8/DD6MT via DD6MT                   LP1H via EA5KB                       V3A via M0OXO  
ED1R via EC1KR                        LT7F via EA5KB & (L)                VP2EGR via DL7DF  
ED3X via EA3JW & (L)                LX35G via (LX-B)                    VP2MDG via K2DM (d)  
ED70 via EA7EU (d)                    M4A via M0BLF                        W9C via N9TK  
ED8W via EA8DO                        M6T via G4PIQ                        XU7MDC via IK2VUC  
ED8X via RN3RQ & (L)                OE5T via OE5OHO                    YB1/W0MDX via 9M2MDX (d)  
EF2A via EA2OT                        OE6Z via OE6CLD & (L)              Z3B via Z31WW  
EF8R via EB7DX (d/L)                OK7K via OK1BN                       ZL7G via G3TXF  
EG8FPA via EA8NQ & (L)              OK7W via OK1CID                    ZM4T via ZL3IO (d/L)  
EI9E via EI2FG                        OM8A via OM2VL                       ZX5J via PP5JR  
EM25A via UT7AT                       OT100EV via ON6LC                    ZY2A via PP2BO  
EN25RP via UT2RI                      P40L via WA3FRP  
G2F via G8HDK (d)                    PA60WIM via PE1EZX

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

7U9C via SM4VPZ. Special callsign by the Algeria Amateur Radio Union (ARU) during the CQWW DX SSB Contest from the Djelfa Amateur Radio club station 7X2VFK last weekend.

A60FD via A61BK. Special event station by the members of the Emirates Amateur Radio Society (EARS) celebrating "UAE Flag Day" November 3rd, from Club Station Sharjah - United Arab Emirates.

NEW QSL MANAGER. Pedro, EA5GL, states that he is the new QSL Manager for EP2C, EP2LMA and EP2LSH. He has all their logs and can confirm old contacts also.

OLD QSL COLLECTION (Update). Jean Michel, F6AJA, wants to remind everyone to visit the Les Nouvelles DX (LNDX) Web page to see more than 14200 old

QSL cards in several different albums/galleries. This site contains:

- The ten most wanted DXCC entities (2004 to 2015) with more than 500 QSLs
- At least one card for each 60 deleted DXCC countries (more than 1700+ QSLs)
- Nearest the totality of current prefixes, disappeared now (more than 4800+ QSLs)
- Album for stations from North Africa 1945-1962 (400+ QSLs)
- More than 950 QSLs from the Antarctic bases.
- With 270 QSLs from the TAAF (Terres Australes and Antarctiques Francaises).
- More than 450 QSLs for the rare French Pacific Islands such as FK, FK/C, FO/C, FO/A, FO/M, FO/C and FW
- More than 100 cards from Eparses Islands such as FR/B/E/G/J/T
- The FG, FM, FP, FS, FY stations from 1945 to 1969
- Commemoratives stations for ITU and IARU with more than 500 QSL.
- More than 2100 cards for the old timer with more than 150 countries before 1945.
- Cards from the French Department before 1945.
- At least one card from each of the states in the U.S. before 1945.

The URL address for the Web site is: <http://LesNouvellesDX.free.fr>

Some cards are still needed for the collection, and your participation is welcome. Only a ".jpg" file (both sides of the card) is required.

Please visit the site and give them your comments by sending an E-mail to: [LesNouvellesDX@free.fr](mailto:LesNouvellesDX@free.fr)

NOW ON LOTW! Charly, HS0ZCW, reported that he uploaded his log to LoTW from December 1995 to date. ?If you need a card from him for any date, please contact him directly regardless of LoTW.

VK0LD QSLs STATUS (Cards On Their Way!). Mike, KJ4Z, the brains behind the VK0LD operation, which was the first remote operation from a Top 10 DX Entity, is sending QSL's out to the lucky 43 who managed to make a QSO with that special event callsign. Here is a sample of that

QSL/Letter:

<https://vk0ek.files.wordpress.com/2016/11/untitled3.pdf>

QSLs RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 3D2YA, A5A (after PayPal payment), CN8KD, FM/DL7VOG, JA0IXW, SM6UQL, V73TM, VE3MZD and ZL7G

QSLs RECEIVED VIA MAIL: A5A, S9BT, SV2ASP/A, TG9/JA2SWH and VE3LYC/KL7 (NA-172)

QSLs RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 4O7VB, 5B/RT7M, 9M2/R6AF/P (AS-073), CP6/DF9GR, E40VB, ED8X, EX/UA4WHX, GM/DH5JBR/P (EU-008), HC2GRC/P (SA-034), HI/UA4LGS, KC7JEF/MM, LX1DB, LX2LA, OX/DJ6TF, OX/DL7UFR, P40XM, RAEM, RC80KEDR, RT9K/0 (AS-203), TX7EU (OC-027), U1BD, UA5D, UA6GO/MM, UA7Q, UA0DX, UA0ZC/MM, UB9MBD, UD4F, UD9CDR, UE12M/AM, UE16SA, UE25R, VE7ACN/7 (NA-061), VK6MAV/6 (OC-243), VK9DWX, VK9LM, ZD8D and ZL2IO

STANDARD TIME. Did you remember to change your clocks? Countries who observe Daylight Saving Time (DST), which took place on Sunday, March 13th, are now expected to move their "local clocks" backward 1 hour on Sunday, November 6th, from 2:00 AM local time to 1:00 AM. In 2017, Daylight Saving Time (DST) will again go into effect on Sunday, March 12th, at 2:00 AM local time. For the history and details about ST and DST, as well as an interesting map of the world (showing the countries who observe DST), see: [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Standard\\_time](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Standard_time)

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Daylight\\_saving\\_time](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Daylight_saving_time)  
<http://www.timeanddate.com/time/dst/2015.html>

ADDED NOTE: Hopefully, all amateur radio operators know not to change their GMT/UTC/ZULU clocks. However, since most operators usually set their computers to local time, some may have to change their settings on "some" ham radio software (ex. logging, propagation, DXTelnet, etc..) programs.

TI5, COSTA RICA. Darrell, AB2E, will be active as TI5/AB2E from Costa Rica between November 24-29th. He plans to be active in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. There will be limited activity outside of the contest, but he will try to get on the WARC/Low Bands when possible. QSL direct via AB2E for any and all operations from 1993 to present. Be sure to include an SASE, green stamp, or new IRC or you won't get a card. Sorry, no Bureau cards at this time, and no eQSL.

V2, ANTIGUA. Bud, AA3B, will be active as V26K from Antigua (NA-100) between November 22-28th. Activity will be mainly on CW with possible RTTY operations on November 28th. Bud will also be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via LoTW or AA3B.

V6, MICRONESIA (Reminder). By the time you read this Michael, DF8AN, will be active as V63AJ from Yap Island (OC-012) until November 20th. Activity will be on various HF bands using CW, RTTY and PSK. QSL via DF8AN, direct or by the Bureau. No eQSL or LoTW.

V6, MICRONESIA. Operators Tsutomu/JA1VND and Fujio/JA1SVP will be active as V63YY and V63FA, respectively, from Chuuk Islands (OC-011) between November 16-22nd. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, RTTY and RTTY. QSL V63YY via JA1VND or LoTW. QSL V63FA via JA1SVP or LoTW.

VK9N, NORFOLK ISLAND. Tim, NL8F, will once again be active as VK9NF from Norfolk Island (OC-005) between November 22nd and December 3rd. Activity will be mainly on 17/12 meters using SSB, RTTY and PSK. His equipment is an IC-7300 with a small amp into a vertical. QSL via N7RO. ADDED NOTES: "The Daily DX" is reporting that Paula, NX1P, will be joining Tim on this operation and is trying to obtain the callsign VK9NX. The report states that Paula will be on CW and RTTY, while Tim will be on SSB and JT65 on all bands 160-10 meters. Paula will also be in the CQWW DX CW Contest. Paula's operation via NX1P direct, by the Bureau and LoTW.

VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS. Kevin, K6TOP, will once again be active as VP2V/K6TOP from Tortola, British Virgin Islands (NA-023), between now and November 16th. Activity will be limited (family vacation) using an ICOM 706 MKII with 100 watts into a 40m vertical, 20/15/10 multi-band dipole. Operations will be CW almost exclusively. Operating hours are typically 0100-0300z and 1000-1200z due to family commitments. Kevin mentioned last time, "When the pileups get difficult, I listen to the edges, so please spread your calls out." QSLs via LoTW (preferred) or NR6M. NO Bureau cards. Log will be uploaded to LoTW and ClubLog upon return.

VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS (Update). Operators Peter/W1UU, Dennis/K2SX, Les/W2LK and Mike/WA6O will be active as VP2V/homecall from Josiah's Bay B&B (run by VP2VQ) near Road Town, Tortola, between November 22-29th. Their main activity will be the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) using the callsign "VP2VI" in honor of Bob Dennison's, W0DX. Bob lived in VP2V-land and ran a resort/bar there for many years and operated as VP2VI. Bob was a former president of both ARRL and IARU, and also one of the early creators of the modern DXpedition. The group will be operating

the contest as either Multi-Single or Multi/2. QSL VP2VI via W2LK. Outside of the contest, they will be using VP2V/homecall. QSLs for those QSOs should go via their home callsign. ADDED NOTE: Prior to their arrival in VP2V, they will all be staying in St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands, between November 18-22nd, but there are no current plans to be active on the air from KP2. More details to follow.

VP8, ANTARCTICA. Alan, MW0YCC, will be active as VP8DPJ from Rothera Research Station on Adelaide Island (AN-001), within the British Antarctic Territory until April 2018. He mentions that he is the Communication Manager on station and will be operating from there, and possibly from some other locations in Antarctica. QSL via eQSL only due to the remote nature of the station, postal QSL is not possible.

XU, CAMBODIA (Reminder/Update). By the time you read this a team of international operators from the Mediterraneo DX Club will be active as XU7MDC from Cambodia until November 13th. Operators mentioned are Gabry/I2VGW, Ant/IZ8CCW, Marco/IZ2GNQ, Michel/F5EOT, Dario/IZ4UEZ, Gab/YO8WW, Francois/ON4LO, Eric/ON7RN, Feri/YO5OED, Marco/HB9OCR, Fulvio/HB9DHG, Mario/IK4MTK, Tony/F8ATS, Dario/IT9ZZO, Fabio/IK4QJF, Gilles/F6IRA, Gerard/F2JD, Dayan/AG5AM, Lily/YB6LYS, Adhi/NB3MM, Tety/YB3TET, Wim/XU7TZG, Henri/F1HRE and Giovanni/IK2JYT. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Suggested frequencies are listed in OPDX.1263. They have planned, as usual, to operate 24/24 hours with 5 stations from the beach of Sihanoukville, with a particular stress to low bands and digital modes. For more details and updates, visit the following URLs:

Main Web page: <http://www.mdxc.org/xu7mdc>

FaceBook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/258144517868256>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/Xu7Mdc>

QSL Manager for direct/Bureau/OQRS cards is IK2VUC: Giuliano Mondini, PO BOX 10, 21052 Busto Arsizio (VA), ITALY. LoTW files will be uploaded by the end of May 2016.

XW, LAOS. Tony, KM00, will be active as XW0YO from outside Vientiane between November 20-29th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW and SSB. He plans to be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th). QSL only via LoTW.

YN, NICARAGUA (Humorous Special Event). OM Brooke, N2BA, (not a YL) will be active as YN2SX from Granada between November 25-30th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters including the 30/17/12m bands using CW and SSB. He plans to be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m) or All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via WA3RHW. By the way, this is a special event station. Brooke states the following on his QRZ.com page: "Our hobby is almost entirely male and it appears that every year the average age goes up by a year. It finally occurred to me that the reason we don't have more young hams is because we aren't having more kids.

That is why I've decided to create YN2SX as a special event station commemorating the 1,200,000,000th anniversary of the invention of sex (plus/minus a few hundred million years). Note: Scientists believe sex was invented on a Monday but wasn't perfected until a Sunday, however they are not certain of the exact year sex was invented so this year is as good as any. <HamWidows.org> -- Our operation is sponsored by the Ham Widows Organization. I strongly suggest you have your XYL check it out."

ZL7, CHATHAM ISLANDS (Update). Members of the "6G" team will only be active as ZL7G from Chatham Island (OC-038) until November 9th. Activity is on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. As this was being written, the ZL7G team has made over 36k QSOs, and reports on November 6th: "RTTY QSO numbers are now increasing well, and we have had a good opening on 15m to Europe



RTTY. We will start 30m RTTY today around 04.00 with a focus on Europe. Last night, the static on LF was very bad and today (Sunday) we have challenges on LF with the contest activity. 17m has now provided good propagation to Europe and we will continue to exploit 17m when conditions allow." QSL via G3TXF direct, OQRS or LoTW. More details and updates can be found on their Web page at: <http://www.6gs.org.uk>

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