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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 31st/July, through Sunday, 7th/August there were 196 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5H, 5R, 5T, 5U, 5W, 5Z, 6Y, 7X, 8P, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C9, CE, 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, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FP, 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, J8, JA, JD/o, JW, JY, K, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S0, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T2, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP8, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YO, YU, YV, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZD7, 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".

3W, VIETNAM. Takahiro, 7K1BIB, is now active as 3W3TY from Da Nang. His length of stay is not known at this time. Activity was heard on 20 meters. QSL via his home callsign. LAST MINUTE UPDATE: Taka informed OPDX today (August 7th), that he will only be active tonight on 20 meters using JT65/9. He will return back to Japan on Monday.

5H, TANZANIA (Update). Members of the Ukrainian DX Team (UDXT), operators Alex/UX0LL and Alex/UT5UY, will be active as 5H1XX from Zanzibar Island (AF-032) between August 13-22nd. They plan to operate CW, SSB and the Digital modes. Activity will be on 160-10 meters with two stations and with an emphasis on the lower and 30/17/12m bands. This operation became possible due to great support of UX0HX and UZ1HZ HAM Radio Family, UW7LL, UR8LV, UR4LRG, UR3HR, UX1UF and UY5LW. QSL via M0URX. Full QSL instructions are available at: <https://www.qrz.com/db/5H1XX>

5W, SAMOA. Bob, VK2BOB, will be active as 5W0BOB from Upolu Island (OC-097) between September 10-17th. Activity will be holiday style mainly on 40/20 meters using SSB. He states that he will be using IC-7300 and Buddistick vertical antenna on the water's edge at La Uaina Seaside Resort. Paper logs will be uploaded to QRZ.com and Clublog's OQRS after his return home. QSLs go direct to VK2BOB with 3 green stamps; no QSLs via Bureau.

5W, SAMOA. Nobuaki, JA0JHQ, will be active as 5W0JHQ from Fonoti between September 21-27th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters (depending on conditions) using CW, SSB and RTTY. He is looking for low band QSO on 160/80 meters CW. QSL via his home callsign, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW (pre-

ferred). For more details and updates, see: <http://pandasan.jimdo.com>

5Z4, KENYA. Bruno, IW5BBV, will be active as 5Z4/IW5BBV from Watamu and Mida between September 24th and October 10th. Activity will be on 40/20/17/15 meters using a Yaesu FT-991. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. Also via eQSL.

6W, SENEGAL. Al, F5VHJ, will once again be active this time with Jacques, F6BEE, signing as 6W1RY from Dakar during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL direct to F5VHJ, ClubLog's OQRS, LoTW or the REF QSL Bureau. USA QSL cards go via WA6WPG.

9G, GHANA. Operators Rado/S59ZZ, Peter/S54W and Janko/S57L will be active as 9G5AM from Langma, Kokrobite (near Accra, WW Loc. IJ95TL) between October 19-26th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters (possibly 160m) using various modes. QSL via S59ZZ or ClubLog's OQRS.

C6, BAHAMAS. Operators Andrew/KK4LWR and brother Tony/KD8RTT will be active as KK4LWR/C6A and KD8RTT/C6A from Nassau, Bahamas, between August 8-11th. Activity will be on 40/20/15/10 meters (depending on conditions) using SSB and possibly some CW. Suggested times are approx. 10 am EDT to 3 pm EDT. QSL via LoTW or direct (a special joint QSL card) to KK4LWR address (SASE). Look for possible updates on QRZ.com.

C9, MOZAMBIQUE. Johannes, PD0JBH, is now active as C91PA from Maputo until March of 2017. Activity has been mostly on 40/20 meters using SSB. Send an E-mail to pd0jbh@gmail.com for QSL details.

CY9C ST. PAUL ISLAND DXPELITION (Update, dated August 2nd). Randy, N0TG, reports on the upcoming CY9C operation for August 19-29th [edited]: The CY9C DXpedition team is very busy with last minute details and packing. All equipment will begin the journey to our take off point in Nova Scotia, August 13-14th. We plan to be partially on the air on 19th August and fully operational 20th August. The home page of our website has a link for those who desire to check the log. Log data will be posted LIVE. We will be using ClubLog and OQRS. Direct QSL via WA4DAN.

Activating 60m for the first time from St. Paul is exciting for the team. And, while conditions will be a challenge for 160m, the team is energized to give it a serious effort. Also, be assured we will pay attention to the long and/or difficult propagation paths on all bands when conditions are workable. We look forward to working not only the more common bands CW/SSB/RTTY, but also 6m, 2m EME and Satellite.

We appreciate the donations and support by many. Even now in these last days, support is most helpful and appreciated. Our sincere thanks to all interested and following this dxpedition. We look forward to working you. Thank you. The WEB site: <http://www.CY9DXpedition.com>

(Update, dated August 2nd). Randy, N0TG, reports: First cargo shipment packed and ready to go. Shipment from NY to northern tip of Nova Scotia is scheduled for Aug 11th. Next shipment will be from Ohio/Indiana and will ship August 13th. Destination is the take off-point - Dingwall, Nova Scotia. Team members will arrive in Dingwall between August 14-17th. Early arrivals will begin preparation for final transport to the island.

D6, COMOROS. Operators Pavel/OK1FPS, David/OK6DJ, Pavel/OK1GK, Rudolf/OK2ZA and Petr/OK1BOA will be active as D66D from Comoros Islands (AF-007) between September 18-30th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Equipment will be 3x Elecraft K3 with 2x PA into 2x Spiderbeams (includes WARC), 1x vertical (40/30m), 1 vertical (160/80m) and a special RX antenna for the low bands. QSL via OK6DJ, LoTW or eQSL. For more details and updates, see: <http://www.cdxp.cz>
Also watch their FaceBook page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1472348776313779>

E5, NORTH COOK ISLANDS (Update). Operators Neil/N5EIL and Bengt-Erik/K7ADD will be active as E51AMF from Manihiki Island (OC-014) between January 11th and February 6th, 2017. This DXpedition commemorates the launch of a new non-profit supporting charitable works by DXpeditions. The Amateur Foundation's Web site is located at: <http://amateurfoundation.org>

Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB, and RTTY. They plan to use 1500 watts into verticals and wires near salt water. QSL via LoTW or by ClubLog's OQRS (the highly recommended methods). They will also eQSL upon their return home. QSL via K7ADD for direct mail. Stay up-to-date on their preparations and other news at: <http://e51amf.amateurfoundation.org>

FK, NEW CALEDONIA. Alain, F8FUA, will be active as FK/F8FUA from Lifou Island (OC-033) between September 5-12th. Activity will be on various HF bands using CW, SSB and RTTY. This will be a light operation using a K3 and a Buddipole. He will upload log to LoTW and ClubLog whenever possible. QSL via F8FUA, direct (w/SAE + 2 USDs or 1 IRC [new one!]), by the Bureau or LoTW. NO eQSL!

FS, ST. MARTIN. John, K9EL, will once again be active as FS/K9EL from Orient Bay, St. Martin (NA-105, DIFO FS-001, WLOTA 0383, WW Loc. FK88) between December 1-11th. Activity will be holiday style on 80-6 meters (with an emphasis on 6m when the band is open) using CW, SSB and RTTY. He will be running 500 watts into a 3 element yagi on 6m, dipoles for 10-30m and a vertical for 40-80m. John usually will operate on 60m if there is interest. There will be daily uploads to ClubLog and LoTW. QSL via his home callsign or on ClubLog's OQRS. His operating frequencies (except during contests) will be announced in real time via Twitter at: <https://twitter.com/FSK9EL>

Requests for schedules can be sent via his QRZ.com E-mail address or his Twitter account @FSK9EL. John will also monitor the ON4KST 50MHz Region 2 chat room to watch for 6 meter openings. ADDED NOTE. John will also be there with Paul/K9NU, Jim/N9TK and John/W9ILY. Look for the four operators to focus on the low bands signing FS/K9NU, FS/N9TK, FS/W9ILY and FS/K9EL. They will have 3 stations active and plan to be in the ARRL 160m CW Contest (December 2-4th). QSL via their home callsigns.

GU, GUERNSEY. Robb, G0URR, will be active as GU0URR from Guernsey for the CQWW RTTY DX Contest (September 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band (80-10m) entry. QSL via his home callsign.

HAMVENTION 2017 HAS MOVED! If you have not heard, the 2017 Dayton HamVention will no longer be at Hara Arena. It was announced this past week that the HamVention will be moved to the Greene County fairgrounds in Xenia. Here are some URLs to read on the change:

<http://www.whio.com/news/news/officials-to-announce-big-event-coming-to-greene-c/nr77w>
<http://hamvention.org/hamvention-announces-venue-for-2017>
<http://www.arrl.org/news/view/dayton-hamvention-moving-to-greene-county-fairgrounds-in-xenia>
<https://www.facebook.com/Hamvention>
<https://ke9v.net/2016/08/03/hamvention-the-fairgrounds/> (Interesting Review)

HB0, LIECHTENSTEIN. Operators Simon/DJ4MZ, Matthias/DK4YJ and Christoph/DK9TN will be active as HB0/DK4YJ during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via DK4YJ. Look for the operators to be active 2 days before the contest as HB0/DJ4MZ, HB0/DK4YJ and HB0/DK9TN.

IOTA NEWS.....

AF-064. (Update) Operators Bani/ZS1BM, Bruce/ZS1FX, Paul/ZS1V and Jan/ZS1VDV will be active as ZS9V from Robben Island between August 19-21st. Activity will be on various HF bands (160-10m) and modes. Look for ZS9V to be active during the International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend [ILLW] (August 19-21st). There will be two stations on the air with 500w amps using an Inverted "Vs" and TH3 antennas. QSL via M0OXO or the OQRS on ClubLog. For more info and updates, see: <http://zs9v.org.za>

AF-094. Members of Amateur Radio Algeriens Association will be active as 7V9A from Plane Island between August 17-20th. Activity will be on various HF bands. QSL via: Ben Lagha, 18 Rue Louis Aragon 26200, Montelimar, France.

AS-060. Members of the Gwangju DX Club (6L0NJ) will be active as D73G

from Kogum Island between August 24-26th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB and various Digital modes. QSL via HL4CEL.

- AS-080. Members of the Pyong Taek DX Club (PDXC) [D90HE] will be active as D90HE/3 from Anmyon Island between August 13-15th. Operators mentioned are Lee/6K2CEW, Young/6K2GUF, Ka/6K2JFW and 6K2JQL. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. ADDED NOTE: Operators will also sign homecall/3. QSL D90HE/3, 6K2GUF/3 and 6K2JQL/3 via DS2GOO. QSL 6K2CEW/3 and 6K2JFW/3 via their home callsigns.
- AS-097. A Malaysian team of 23 operators will be active as 9M2MI from Undan Island (ARLS WMA-013, WLOTA LH-3792) between August 19-22nd. Activity will be on 80-10 meters as well as 2m using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL only direct to 9M2YOT or ClubLog's OQRS. Operators mentioned are 9M2MDX, 9M2YOT, 9W2EJT, 9M2ESM, 9W2NKL, 9W2BHB, 9M2AGC, 9M2NOH, 9M2RMT, 9M2JEP, 9M2ROL, 9M2ODX, 9M2TPT, 9W2AHU, 9W2SBD, 9M2MCB, 9W2FYX, 9M2AUR, 9W2FNN, 9W2JMW, 9W2MWZ, 9M2VDX and 9W2EEZ. See QRZ.com for more details.
- AS-142. Just a reminder that operators Vasily/R7AL and XYL Anastasia, Vasily/RA1ZZ, Serge/RW5D, Vladimir/RK8A and Yury/UD0XAA will be active as UE23RRC from Kambalnyy Island (Toporkov) [RR-13-14] between August 14-18th. The special callsign, UE23RRC, is being used to celebrate the 23rd anniversary of the Russian Robinson Club (RRC). They will have two stations on the HF Bands. QSL via ClubLog. For more details, see: <http://www.as142.org>
This island has not been on the air since 1999, and today it is rated as 12.5% on IOTA Most Wanted list. The access to the island is strictly protected and requires special permission.
One member of their team, Vladimir, RK8A, will activate Paramushir Island (AS-025), in Kuril Islands, and it is a rare RDA: SL-20.
LAST MINUTE ADDITION: DX-World reports: Team UE23RRC will continue from Kambalnyy Island to Ptichiy Island (AS-091) and will try be active approximately August 25-29th from there as R23RRC.
- EU-016. Sergio, IZ3NXC, will once again be active as 9A/IZ3NXC from Lastovo Island (IOCA CI-051) between August 8-12th. QSL via IZ3NXC, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW. No eQSL.
- OC-196. Craig, VK5CE, will be active as VK5CE/3 from Gabo Island between January 31st and February 1st, 2017. Activity will be on various HF bands. QSL via his home callsign, direct, by the Bureau, LoTW or ClubLog's OQRS. See QRZ.com for more details. For updates, watch: <http://oc196.blogspot.com>
- OC-266. Andy, VK5MAV, will be active as VK5MAV/6 from Viney Island between September 9-13th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters. He uses an IC-7200 with 100 watts into a 3 element (20m) and 3 element 15 meter VDA by RZ3FW, and a Multi-band dipole by Spiderbeam. QSL via his home callsign or ClubLog's OQRS.
- SA-030. Operators Carlos/LU2HLC, Juan/LU2HNP, Héctor/LU3HKA, Marcos/LU5HA, Gerónimo/LU7FCL, Norberto/LU7HA, Roberto/LU7HBL and Gustavo/LU7YG will be active as CV5ER from Flores Island between August 18-21st, which includes the 2016 ILLW. Activity will be on 160-2 meters using CW, SSB, FM and the Digital modes. QSL via: Grupo Expedicionario de Radioaficionados ECO RADIO, P. O. Box 16 (5172), La Falda, Cordoba, Argentina. For more details, see: <http://grupo-expedicionario-eco-radio.blogspot.com.ar>

OA7, PERU. Arno, DL1CW, will be active as OA7/DL1CW from Peru between August 17th and September 10th. Activity will be on various HF bands.

QSL via his home callsign.

OH0, ALAND ISLAND. Operators Rainer/DL1ZBO and Peter/DL5FF will be active as OH0JWL from Aland Island (EU-002) between September 14-25th. Activity will be on various HF bands and modes. They also plan to be an entry in the CQWW DX RTTY Contest (September 24-25th). QSL via DL5FF by the Bureau.

OJ0, MARKET REEF (2016 and a new FORCE-12 XR6 BEAM). Martti, OH2BH, reports: The group of Market Reef lovers are pleased to inform the DX community that a new Force-12 beam was recently hoisted at the Market Reef light-house. Not only did Henri, OH3JR, uplift the beam alone at the difficult structure, but he also fired OJ0B for 1707 QSOs on a variety of bands.

This is adding to those of Pasi, OH3WS/OJ0W, a chairman of the Finnish Lighthouse Society - FLS.

The pre-work of the Force-12 XR6 was done by Ilmo, OH2BO, while the Finnish Amateur Radio Association (SRAL), the OH-DX Foundation, Wintel Finland and Force-12, along with AA7XT, OH0XX, OH2BH, OH2PM, OH2TA, OH3WS and SM0W were providing needed financial assistance.

Those 1707 OJ0B QSOs were today added to ClubLog, see:

<http://www.qrz.com/db/OJ0B>

PACIFIC TOUR. Operators Nob/JF2MBF and Ken/JA2FJP will activate five different islands in the Pacific between late August and mid-October. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. They will have a pair of IC-7300, an IC-706MK?, a 500W linear amplifier and vertical antennas. Their tentative schedule, callsigns and destinations are as follows:

August 25th-September 3rd	-- VP6J from Pitcairn Island (OC-044)
September 8-19th	-- E51Q from Rarotonga Island, South Cook (OC-013)
September 20-29th	-- Callsign (TBA) Niue (OC-040)
October 4-10th	-- T2J from Tuvalu (OC-015)
October 11-13th	-- 3D2GG from Nadi, Fiji, (OC-016)

QSL via JF2MBF, direct, ClubLog's OQRS (Preferred) or LoTW. For Bureau QSLs they state, "No need to send your QSL. We'll send QSLs to the Bureau (one-sided QSLs) a year later or so for those who don't request via OQRS or direct. LoTW: All logs will be uploaded to LoTW at an appropriate time."

PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (August 8-14th).....

Aug/08th LN	Aug/11th HN	Aug/13th AN
Aug/09th AN	Aug/12th AN	Aug/14th AN
Aug/10th HN		

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>

PZ5, SURINAME. Members of Voodoo Contests Group will be active as PZ5V from Suriname during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Multi-Op entry. Operators mentioned are Ed/AA7A, John/G4IRN, Lee/KY7M, Dave/N4QS and Bud/N7CW. QSL via M0URX or the OQRS.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....(July 31st and August 3rd) <www.qslinfo.eu>

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2M0DSV via 2E0DSV          IY7GMB via IK7JVE (d)      R1716S via RA9MA
3V8ST via (3V-B)          IZ0WRS/IM0 via IZ0WRS     R1770LI via R3IAN (*)
5E3A via EA7FTR (d)       J49A via SV9GPV & (L)     R2016O via R2EA
9A/DL3NCI via DL3NCI      JW/LB5WB via LB5WB        R300MD via R8MD
9A/S51AC via S51AC        K4C via N4YDU (d/L)       R300MJ via R9MJ
9H1AE via SV2AEL (d)     K4P via N3JS & (O)        R300MWO via RK9MWO
9H5G via M0OXO & (L)     KH2L via W3HNK & (KH2-B)  R300NN via UA9NN
9K9Q via 9K2QA (d)       LA/G3TXF via G3TXF        R70ASIA via R7AA
B4R via BA4WR             LZ1043PMU via LZ1KCP      R95KOMI via R9XC
B5C via BA4TB             LZ73PM via LZ1PM (O)      RD75PQ via RN1ON
BV0WPX via BV2KI         M/DL1DAW via DL1DAW       SC7IPA via SM7GUY
CR2M via W6NV             M1U via M0UTD             SN730MA via SP2ZFT
E2X via E20GMY & (L)     M6T via G4PIQ             SO2TT/4 via ES2TT
EA6/DK2DO via DK2DO      MD/F5BLC/P via F5BLC     SP/MMOLID via MMOLID (d/L)
ED1K via EA1NK           MK3FEH via M3FEH          SV0GU via DL4SV
EF8U via EA8URL (L)      MS0YHC via 2E0SDV & (O)   SV5/0040 via ON4APU
EM25KRR via EM25KRR (e)  NN4SA via N4MSN (d)       SV8/SV2RST via SV2RST
EO25F via UX0FF          OE3SCOUT via OE1EOA       T42A via RW6HS (d)
EO25UD via UR7UD         OH0TA via OH2TA           TF/SA7AZQ via SA7AZQ
G2F via G8HDK (d)       OM41KYSUCE via OM3CND     TM20KAV via F5KAV
G4R via G4RFR(B); G4POF(d) OP16L via ON6DP           UE73WZ via R2EA (O)
GM2T via GM4UYZ          OP4K via ON4JZ            V73NS via W3HNK & (L)
GW6W via GW4TTA         OT4A via ON4AEK (L/e)     VC2Q via VA2QA & (L)
HF1001F via SP2FAP       OZ/DL6II via DL6II        VE3KTB/VY0 via VE3KTB
HF35MDY via SP9MDY       OZ11A via OZ6ABA          VE3LYC/KL7 via VE3LYC (d/O)
HH2AA via NR6M           PA/OQ4T via ON4TO         XR1T via CE3OP
IB9P via IT9AST          PA150N via PA9LUC         YJ8RN/P via NZ4DX
II3IOTA via IV3CTT       R100WWS via RV3YR         YP0IP via YO9FNP
IN3/DL7VBJ via DL7VBJ    R15RTRN via R7AA         ZV50 via PY5QW (L)
IP1T via I1ANP           R1716K via R9MM          ZY8DIG via PS8RV (d)
IQ2XZ via 9A8MDC         R1716M via UA9MA
IS0/OM3RM via OM3RM      R1716O via RA9MX

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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 (*) Your QSL is not needed

5A1A/5A1AL QSL CHANGE. Abubaker, 5A1AL, reports on QRZ.com: Beginning July 30, 2016, the QSL process for 5A1AL and 5A1A (1995-2001) will be through my QSL Manager, Randy - W5UE. He will also upload the QSO(s) to LoTW after the OQRS request is made.

There are still a few QSOs remaining on my paper logs. If your QSO(s) are missing in the online (OQRS) log, just send me a short email with the QSO(s) details, and I will work with my QSL Manager to resolve the missing contact.

I would like to thank all of my amateur radio friends who have supported me and enabled me to keep 5A on the air under these unstable and unsafe conditions that we are experiencing. A special thanks to AB6Z, W5UE, W6GJB, N6TA, W6PK, K6MKF, k0YQ, N6RK, N6NU and K5AZZ for their support and encouragement.

I apologize if I have left any one of my dear friends and supporters off this list.

This list of supporters is not closed by any means! You can be part of the support team that helps me keep 5A on The air. Email me for details..... 73, Abubaker - 5A1AL

QSL KC2SYF via LoTW. Members of the Great South Bay ARC headed by Mike Sartoretti, KC2SYF, had obtained a permit from the National Parks Service to operate from the White House President's Park-Ellipse (NPOTA DZ10). Activity took place between Friday, August 5th, 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM EDT, and Saturday, August 6th, 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM. The group had two 100 watt HF stations (40/20/10m) operating split. A satellite station along

with 2m simplex was also planned. Due to park restrictions the antennas can not be higher than 8ft.

TA3J QSL SERVICE REPORT. Berkin, TA3J, states, "I sent out QSL cards G/TA3J, HA/TA3J, LZ1/TA3J, LZ2/TA3J, OE/TA3J, OK/TA3J, ON/TA3J, SV1/TA3J, SV4/TA3J, TA3CEH, TA3J, TA3J/0 (IOTA#AS099) ALIBEY ISLAND, TA3J/0 (IOTA#AS099) YASSICA ISLAND, TA3J/0 (IOTA#AS115) RATE ISLAND, TA3J/1, TA3J/3, TA3J/3 LIGHTHOUSE (ARLHS#TUR006), TA3J/4, TA3J/4 LIGHTHOUSE (ARLHS#TUR065), TA3J/7, TA3J/60, TA3PI, TA7KI (ARI2009), TA7KI (WPX 2009CW), TC2K4J, YM125ATA, YM125ATA/4, YM1907FB, YM21TA, YM3ATA, YM3BU, YM3LZ (WAE2000SSB), YM3LZ (WPX2000SSB), YM...3SV and YM75TA to the QSL Bureaus of "Andorra, Belarus, Brazil, China, Colombia, Former Yugoslav Republic Of Macedonia, Iceland, Ireland, Kazakhstan, Kuwait, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Malta, Monaco, South Africa, South Korea, Thailand, Tunisia, Turkmenistan, USA (W1, W2, W3, W4, AA4, W5, W6, W8, W9, W0, KL, KP2) and Venezuela" direct on August 02, 2016."

He also states, "I sent out QSL cards G/TA3J, HA/TA3J, LZ1/TA3J, LZ2/TA3J, OE/TA3J, OK/TA3J, ON/TA3J, SV1/TA3J, SV4/TA3J, TA3CEH, TA3J, TA3J/0 (IOTA#AS099) ALIBEY ISLAND, TA3J/0 (IOTA#AS099) YASSICA ISLAND, TA3J/0 (IOTA#AS115) RATE ISLAND, TA3J/1, TA3J/3, TA3J/3 LIGHTHOUSE (ARLHS#TUR006), TA3J/4, TA3J/4 LIGHTHOUSE (ARLHS#TUR065), TA3J/7, TA3J/60, TA3PI, TA7KI (ARI2009), TA7KI (WPX2009CW), TC2K4J, YM125ATA, YM125ATA/4, YM1907FB, YM21TA, YM3ATA, YM3BU, YM3LZ (WAE2000SSB), YM3LZ (WPX2000SSB), YM...3SV and YM75TA to the QSL bureaus of "Austria, Belgium, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Canada, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany (2 Packet), Greece, Hungary, Israel, Italy, Japan, Lithuania, Moldova, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Ukraine and United Kingdom" direct by registered mail on August 03, 2016."

TA3J QSL Service: <http://www.aydogmus.gen.tr/ta3j/qsbservice.htm>

QSLs RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 7P8C, DL4FCS, FM5AN, HH2AA, HK3W, IK2SGL/OA8, NP4BM, OM3PR, PY5EW, VE1VOX, VE3YXO and VE4TV

QSLs RECEIVED VIA MAIL: E73S, EA6SX, FS/K9EL, FT4JA, HB0IARU, KH8/KCOW, PY0F/PP1CZ, R11ANR, UB7K and XX9TGM

QSLs RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 9A13P, 9A282UB, C31JO, C33JM, C37JPE, DQ40AIX, EI1Y, EI1Y, F4EUG, F5BZB, IR4M, PI4DX, PR7AB, PZ5W, TO5A, W1AW/KH2, W1AW/KH6, W1AW/KH8, W1AW/KP2, W1A/KP4, WH7W, ZS5SAM and ZZ880PB

SATELLITE GRIDS ROAD TRIP. Ron, N8RO, reports that he "will start a road trip on Thursday, August 11th. The trip will head north to OK, KS, NE, SD, ND and SK. We will then head west on the Trans Canadian Highway to AB & BC.

From BC we will go to WA, MT, WY, CO and then work our way home to TX on Friday, August 26th. While the trip is primarily a vacation, I will attempt to make satellite contacts, hopefully one or two a day, on XW-2C, AO-85, SO-50 and FO-29 along the way. Possible grid activations include: EM03/04, EN00/01, EN04/05, DN88/89, DO50/60, DO11/21, CO90, CN99, CN78/88, CN97/96, DN36/37, DN75/76, DN71 and DM95. I hope to contact many of you during this trip."

TL, CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC (Update). Ken, LA7GIA, will be active as TL8AO from Bangui between November 10-22nd. Ken already has his license and has received his LoTW certificate. Activity will be on 80-15 meters (possibly 10m as well, no 160m) using mainly CW (SSB on 20/15m). He states on his Web page the following:

- * TL8AO is primarily a Single-Op DXpedition.
- * The QSO target is 15,000 Qs -- in 10 full days
- * His goal is to generate as much donations possible where 100% of donations received will be given to the DWOB (Doctors Without Borders).
- * First ALL donations are voluntary - there is no expectation that you donate. See his Web for more details.
- * He likes to keep the DXpedition and the Humanitarian fund-raising as two separate issues. He tries to generate donations to the

humanitarian fund-raising only. BUT, he still encourages the DXers to work him on as many band slots and modes as possible.

The complete log will be uploaded to LoTW the same day he returns from TL. The log will also be on ClubLog. OQRS to be activated, and QSL Manager is Charles, M0OXO. Look for more details/updates on his Web page at:

<http://www.la7gia.com>

V4, ST. KITTS. John, W5JON/V47JA, informs OPDX that he will once again be active as V47JA from his vacation home in Calypso Bay, St. Kitts (NA-104, WW Loc. FK87SG), located 200 feet from the Caribbean Sea, between September 12-29th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters (incl. 60m) using SSB. He will also be active during the IARU HF World Championship Contest (July 9-10th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. Equipment is a Kenwood TS-590S and Elecraft KPA500 Amplifier. Antennas include: 31' 40-10m Vertical, 35' 40/80m Top Loaded Vertical, shortened 160m Dipole, and a 6m/3elemnt Yagi. ALL QSLs go to W5JON direct or via LoTW. NO Bureau QSLs.

VK9L, LORD HOWE ISLAND. Steve, W1RSD, will be active VK9L/W1RSD from Lord Howe Island (OC-004) during the Oceania DX SSB Contest between October 1-2nd. QSL via LoTW.

VP9, BERMUDA. Alan, N3AD, will be active as VP9/N3AD from Bermuda (NA-005) during October. Activity will include the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via W3HMK.

WEBINAR (Solar Topics - Where We're Headed). Ken, K4ZW, reports: The World Wide Radio Operators Foundation www.wwrof.org is pleased to present the following Webinar, "Solar Topics - Where We're Headed" by Carl Luetzelschwab, K9LA. Date & Time: August 23, 9:00 PM EDT (August 24 - 01:00 UTC)

Registration: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4583976502814826243>
Description: Carl, K9LA, will give a brief update on Cycle 24, and then discuss the implication of the number of days with zero sunspots, the trend of the strength of the magnetic fields around sunspots, the correlation of the duration of solar minimum to the maximum of the next solar cycle, and several other issues. He will also explain why we have a revised data set of new sunspot numbers. He will also include information on a propagation issue (or two).

XU7, CAMBODIA. Just a reminder that operators Steff/HB9FXL and Rolf/HB9MUQ will be active as XU7AKB and XU7AKD, respectively, from Sihanoukville between August 7-18th. Activity will be on 40/20/17/15/12/10 meters using SSB. Their equipment will include a Elecraft KX2 and KX3 with PA100 and Yaesu FT857D with 10 watts and 100 watts into an Aerial-51 (inverted-V), Vertical HyEndfed (10/20/40m), and portable Hexbeam (by foldingantennas.com). QSL via HB9FXL, by the USKA QSL Bureau or direct. Logs will be posted to ClubLog and LoTW.

ZA, ALBANIA. Nicola, IU7GSN, will be active as ZA3/IU7GSN from Sarande (WW Loc. KM09au) between August 9-23rd. Activity will be on various HF bands using SSB and the Digital modes. QSL direct to IU7GSN.

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