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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 16th/October, through Sunday, 23rd/October there were 230 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 3X, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5U, 5Z, 6Y, 7P, 7X, 8P, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, CY0, D2, D4, DL, DU, E4, E5/s, E6, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, H40, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/m, JT, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH8, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OHO, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PY, PY0F, PZ, S0, S2, S5, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T2, T30, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TL, TN, TR, TT, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2M, VP5, VP6, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YU, YV, Z2, 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".

2017 DAYTON (XENIA) HAMVENTION SITE. A Quad-Copter touring of the Greene County (Xenia, Ohio) Fairgrounds, the new home for 2017 Dayton Hamvention: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PMLFWRyD4ZO

The video (8:08 min.) was taken by Greg, W8WWV, on October 5th, 2016, and is narrated by Tim Duffy, K3LR, from DX Engineering.

3B8, MAURITIUS. Willi, DJ7RJ, will once again be active as 3B8/DJ7RJ between November 9th and December 6th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters with a focus on 160m using CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign direct.

3W2, VIETNAM (Update/Change). Mike, NOODK, informs OPDX that will be in Vung Tau (not Ho Chi Minh City as first annonced), Vietnam, and will operate starting between October 22-23rd through November 4th. There was a problem getting his usual callsign 3W2DK license, so the first part of his trip the callsign will be something like 3W2DK/3W2LI until his license arrives in Vung Tau. After that it will be 3W2DK and during the CQWW DX SSB Contest. So, maybe listen on the air and/or check later on QRZ.com for

updated info. He will use his regular callsign as soon as he gets it. The third problem he has is that Mike was told the amp in Vung Tau does not work, and he was not given enough time to find out what parts to bring with him. He will look there to see what he can do to fix it. Otherwise, the rest of his trip is good using an IC-7300, with 100 watts, a seven element tri-bander with wire antennas for the low bands. Activity will be on 40/20/17/15/10 meters using SSB, with some CW and the Digital modes. Also, remember to look for him in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th)

as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. QSL via NOODK, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW. He states on QRZ.com, "If you have different contacts with me as 3W6DK, 3W2DK, XV4MN, or NOODK, please QSL in one package to save you time and money and I can QSL all in one time. I collect QSL cards so if we QSL, please QSL even if you do not need my QSL card. I will QSL if in logbook."

- 4X, ISRAEL. Dennis, W1UE, will be active as 4XOW during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. Look for him to be active before and after the contest as 4X/WIUE. QSL via W1UE.
- 5R, MADAGASCAR. Andy, OE7AJH, is now active as 5R8UP from Antananarivo. The length of his stay is not known. Activity has been on 40/20 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign.
- 5Z, KENYA. Operators Reiner/DL7KL and Tom/DJ6TF will be active as 5Z4/DL7KL and 5Z4/DJ6TF from Diani Beach between November 16-30th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using mainly CW and the Digital modes with some SSB (spare time). They will operate 5Z4/DJ6TF during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th). Operations will be with 500 watts into a R7 and wire antenna for 80 meters. QSL via the Bureau or direct to their home callsigns.

60 METERS NEWS....

- * As of October 10th, amateur radio operators in Luxembourg can now use frequencies between 5351.5 to 5366.5 kHz on a secondary basis with an "Effective radiated Power" of 15 watts.
- * New Country! Look for the current TLOA Central African Republic DXpedition to be active on 60m. QSL via F4WBN.
- * The recent CY9C DXpedition to St. Paul Island made a little over 600 QSOs on 60m. They state, "We did well to Europe especially due to the location here." The QSL cards are being printed.
- 6W, SENEGAL. Ronald, VE3REV, recently moved to Dakar in August, and plans to be active as 6W1SU for the next 2 to 3 years. Activity will be on 80-6 meters, and he is currently operating SSB only, but hoping to tackle CW later. His station is a Kenwood TS850S with a Yaesu FL1200Z Amp into a MA5B three element yagi, a 6M 6JXXJ 6 element yagi and dipoles for 40/80m. QSL via MOURX direct or the OQRS (direct or by the Bureau).
- 7P8, LESOTHO (Press Release). Gene, K5GS, sent out the following updates [edited] during the past week on Pista, HA5AO, special callsign, 7P8EUDXF, operation to celebrate the 30th years anniversary of "European DX Foundation" (EUDXF): By now you may have seen Pista, HA5AO, operating as 7P8EUDXF on the DXCluster network.

His Log is posted at: <ha5ao.com> Log Search / OQRS

Thursday, Oct. 20th, Update: There have been heavy storms for two days, it started Wednesday afternoon. He's never seen so many lightening strikes within one minute.

Today (Thursday) the afternoon was not bad on 15m, his most productive

band. A storm is moving in as he's writing this update on Thursday afternoon. The noise level still very high below 17m.

There is now a backup generator available, so power blackouts will be just a couple of seconds as he does need to restart the station. He is now on the air 2-3 hours a day, next week he will be on the radio more often

Tuesday, October 18th, Update: He reports a very high noise level on all bands. On Monday, it was S7-9 on 20, 30 and 40M. Signals from EU were weak, almost impossible to copy in the noise.

On Tuesday afternoon there was a nice opening on 15m but a power black-out shut him down. Later that evening he went to 20 m, but there was another blackout. He will continue trying 40 and 80m, hopefully he'll get a break in the noise.

73... Gene, K5GS, for Pista 7P8EUDXF

8Q, MALDIVES (Update). A group of Polish operators will be active as 8Q7SP from Dhiffushi Island (AS-013) between November 20th and December 3rd. Operators mentioned are Jan/SP3CYY, Kaz/SP2FAX, Andy/SP3FZN, Mariusz/SP3SLA, Wlodek/SP6EQZ (Team Leader), Ryszard/SP6FXY, Kris/SP6JIU and Roman/SP9FOW. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY.

Suggested frequencies are:

CW - 1822.5, 3515, 7015, 10115, 14015, 18085, 21015, 24900 and 28015 kHz SSB - 1840, 3793, 7075/7175, 14265, 18125, 21273, 24970 and 28440 kHz RTTY - 7048, 10138, 14090, 18101, 21090, 24915 and 28090 kHz

They will have 5 transceivers, beam antennas, vertical antennas, dedicated RX antennas for low bands etc. They plan to be active in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Multi-Op/All-Band entry. They state that they will "try to pay the special attention to U.S.". QSL via SP6FXY, by the Bureau, LoTW or ClubLog's OQRS. For more details and updates, visit their Web page at: http://www.8q7sp.dxing.pl

9H, MALTA. Zoltan, HA5PP, will once again be active as 9H3PP during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Single-Op entry. Activity outside of the contest will take place a few days before the contest and will be on 17 and 12 meters. QSL via HA5PP.

9Q, DEM. REP. OF THE CONGO. Fernando, EA4BB (ex-9Q5BB, D2BB, ST2BF, TU5JL, Z21BB), will be active as 9Q6BB from Goma, DRC, for up to 3 years. Activity will be on various HF bands (usually 80-10 meters) using mainly SSB with some SSB. QSL via W3HNK.

A7, QATAR. Once again, a joint team with members from and Qatar Amateur Radio Society (QARS), Danish Contest Academy and others, will be (very) active from an impressive UFB set up at the Disaster Management Camp compound in Al Khor in northern Qatar, as A73A in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Multi-Multi entry. Operators mentioned are several newly Qatari licensees and more experienced operators: Rashid/A71AD, Saif/A71AM, Ibrahim/A71BI, Ali/A71BX, Abdulla/A71CV, Juma/A71EM, Jameel/ A71FJ, Aziz/A71GO, Hamed/A71HD, Abdulla/A71TA, Jose/A75GE, Vikas/A75GT, Kumar/A75GM, Seid/E76AA, Becir/E78AA, Mindaugas/LY4L, Gediminas/LY9A, Thomas/OZ1AA, Jan/OZ1ADL, Alex/OZ7AM and possibly more members of QARS. They will be active from the --compound and at the same time use the opportunity to display Radio Sport to visitors. Members of the team will be setting up the station in the days prior to the contest and will be active with the regular club callsign A71A, with particular emphasis on the low bands. QSL via A71A. ADDED NOTE: Mindis, LY4L, states, "Please be ready to check Long Path directions to Qatar on 10 and 15 meters."

AHO, MARIANA ISLANDS. Look for the Mariana Intrepid Contest Club callsign, AHOK, from Northern Mariana Islands, to be active during both CQWW DX Contests this year. The following teams will be active:

CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) -- Operators Chenxing/BG9XD, Tack/JE1CKA, Ari/OH6DX, Jussi-Pekka/OH6RX and Esa/OH7WV. Entry is a Multi-2. QSL via OH6GDX. Some pre-contest activity expected.

CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) -- Operators Jack/BA5CW, Joerg/DF9LJ, Jussi-Pekka/OH6RX, Esa/OH7WV and Harry/WX8C. QSL via OH6GDX. Entry is a Multi-2. Some pre-contest and perhaps some post contest activity expected.

ADDED NOTE: Esa, OH7WV, states that they are looking for one experienced op for each contest. Contact them through QRZ.com AH0K or OH7WV page.

C3, ANDORRA. Members of the "Andorran Amateur Radio Union (URA)" will once again be active as C37NL during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via C37NL, C37URA, by the Bureau or LoTW.

C4, CYPRUS. Operators Stavros/5B4AFM, Nestor/5B4AHZ, George/5B4KH, Spyros/5B4MF, Philip/5B4ZN and Andreas/5B8AP will be active as C4A during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via LoTW, direct via 5B4KH or ClubLog's OQRS.

CN2, MOROCCO. A Russian/Canadian team is expected to be active as CN2AA during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Multi-Single entry. Operators mentioned are Dimitri/RA3CO, Yuri/RL3FT, Alex/RN2FA, Roman/RN5M, Sergey/RX3APM, Babayan/UA3ASZ, UA4Z and Kostyantyn/VE3LA. QSL via UA2FM and LoTW. See more details and pictures at: http://www.cn2aa.com

COWS OVER THE WORLD (Update). Tom, KCOW, and his all-CW "Cows Over the World" DXpeditions has posted (on QRZ.com) the following update, dated October 22nd: I will be in the Philippines from 26 October - 25 November. The callsign will be 4I7COW. This unique prefix has never been issued before so it should generate some interest. I have not operated any CW since Kiribati so 4I7COW should get me back into the CW groove.

The ${\tt TG/KC0W}$ DXpedition to Guatemala has been cancelled. This was scheduled

to take place immediately after the 417COW DXpedition. Perhaps TG/KCOW will be QRV at a later date. My rental home on the east coast of Guatemala is 25 meters from the ocean. It's a 100% clear shot to Europe. (for whom this DXpedition was/is primarily for) .

My plans are now to visit Equatorial Guinea on a fact finding mission after 4I7COW goes QRT. Licensing for Annobon Island and Equatorial Guinea will be the sole purpose of this trip. Re-read my previous statement about "my plans are" before getting too excited about any upcoming 3CO and 3C DXpeditions......I hope to share some good news regarding Equatorial Guinea & Annobon in the near future..... Tom KCOW

 ${\tt EA8}$, CANARY ISLANDS. Andy, DK50N, will be active as ${\tt EA8}/{\tt DK50N}$ from Teneriffe

Island (AF-004) between October 26th and November 5th. Activity will be on 40-6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and the Digital modes. Rig is an ICOM IC-7300 into a Buddipole and Budstick. QSL via DK50N, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW. NO E-QSL!

ED8, CANARY ISLANDS. An international contest team will be active as ED8X from La Palma Island (IOTA AF-004, DIE S-012, WLOTA 1276, EAA TF) during

- the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Multi-Single entry. Operators
- mentioned are Kresimir/9A5K, Manolo/EA8DO, Krassimir/K1LZ, Jeff/K1ZM, Velimir/K3JO, Andrey/LZ2HM, Alexey/RA1A, Alexey/RN1AM, Vladimir/RW1A, Andrey/RW7K, Ionut/Y09WF and Tiberiu/Y09GZU. QSL via LoTW or RN3RQ.
- EF8, CANARY ISLANDS (Update/Change). Operator Dan, N6MJ, will be active as EF8U (not EE8Z as announced earlier) from the Los Chachos Contest Club during the CQ WW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via EA8URL or LOTW. Dan will be on the island between October 26th and November 1st. Activity outside of the contest Dan will sign as EA8/N6MJ. QSL EA8/N6MJ via W6TMD.
- ED9, CEUTA AND MELILLA. Jorge, EA9LZ, will be active as ED9Z during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Single-Op/All or Single-Band entry. QSL via LoTW or EA5KB direct. No Bureau.
- FH, MAYOTTE. Pierre, HB9AMO, will be active as FH/HB9AMO between November 23rd and December 4th. Activity will be holiday style on 80-10 meters (possibly 160m) using mainly CW with some RTTY (no SSB). He plans to be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power/Unassisted entry. His setup will be a Yaesu FT-991 and MFJ-939 automatic tuner into: Two Spiderbeam 12 meters on telescopic masts, One Spiderbeam 404-UL multiband antenna, Delta loop for the 30 meters band and a Vertical & long wires antennas for the low bands. QSL via MOURX or LoTW. For more details and updates, see: http://www.hb9amo.net
- FT4JA VIDEO AVAILABLE ONLINE. A video on the 2016 FT4JA Juan de Nova DXpedition is now available on YouTube. The vidoe is a little over 17 minutes long and was recorded in HD (High-Definition). To view the video, go to:

 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g2LeKWMTyIk
- FY, FRENCH GUIANA. Operators Marc/F1HAR, Didier/FY5FY, Herve/F5HRY, Christian/F5UII and Laurent/F6FVY will be active as FY5KE from the "Radio club de Kourou" (RACK) radio club station in Kourou City during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via LoTW. ADDED NOTE: Operators Christian/F5UII and Laurent/F6FVY will be active as FY/homecall from the FY5KE RACK Club station until October 31st. Activity will be on 40-10m and also maybe on 80m and 160m. QSL via operator's instructions.
- GD, ISLE OF MAN. Paul, G4PVM, will be active as GD4PVM from the Isle of Man (EU-116, WAB SC26) between October 24-27th. Activity will be holiday style. He states, "I will be QRV from the old coast guard station at Scarlett Point, near Castletown, thanks to Ronnie MD0RLA. There is more information on Ronnie's QRZ page and here < www.scarlettpoint.im >. PLEASE NOTE: I DO NOT plan to have any QSL cards printed electronic confirmations only. I will upload my log to LoTW, eQSL and Club Log (for IOTA credits)."
- GJ, JERSEY. Members of the Jersey Contest Group will be active as GJ2A from Jersey Island (EU-013) during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as Multi-2 entry. QSL via LoTW, direct to GJ3DVC or the ClubLog's OQRS.
- HCO, ECUADOR. Members of the Quito Radio Club (HC1QRC) will be active as HCOE from Quito during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Multi-Multi entry. QSL via the Bureau or LoTW.
- HI9, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC. Mike, OE3MZC (KW4XC), will be active as HI9/KW4XC from Las Terrenas, DR (NA-096), between October 26th and November 6th.

Activity will be on all HF bands, but mainly on 40-10 meters SSB during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th). The equipment he will be using is a YAESU FT-100 and Endfed antenna. Also, outside of the contest he will be active on WSPR, PACTOR4, WINLINK and APRS. QSL via OE3MZC by the Bureau.

HP800, POLAND (Special Event). Members of the Polish Amateur Radio Club (PIASTOWSKI KLUB KRÓTKOFALOWCÓW) will be active as HF8000 from Opole between January 1st and March 31st, 2017. Activity is to celebrate the 800th anniversary of Opole City. QSL via the Bureau or direct.

HS, THAILAND. Operators Bob/HS0ZIA and Peter/HS0ZKX plan to operator 80 meters SSB during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Multi-2 entry. Callsign will be HS0ZIA in the contest. Bob mentions that HS stations are only allowed to operate between 3500-3540 kHz. He also informed OPDX that starting this past weekend, he will be looking for NA stations every evening from now through the contest on 80m. QSL via LoTW.

IOTA NEWS.....

NA-079. Operators Rob/K2RWF and Craig/KD2INN will be active as W2LI from Dry Tortugas (NPOTA NP17, WW Grid EL84, WWF KFF-0023) between November 13-14th (1600z to 1700z). They will be

operating

from the Dry Tortugas National Park. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using SSB and the Digital modes (PSK and JT65/9). They will also attempt to work applicable satellite passes of SO50, AO85, FO29, AO73, and XW satellites. The group plans to work off of simple wire antennas, barefoot at 100 watts. All logs will be uploaded to LoTW. QSL direct (please consider sending SASE that will fit a 4x6 card) for a special event QSL card via AJ2I. QSL via the Bureau for DX via AJ2I. For busted calls, please contact AJ2I direct.

OC-104. Rod, YJ8RN, will be active as YJ8RN/p from Gaua Island, Banks Islands sometime late November and early December. Activity will be on various HF bands. QSL via NZ4DX.

J5, GUINEA BISSAU (Update to OPDX.1287/Delayed). Members of the Italian DXPedition Team were expected to be active as J5T from Guinea Bissau in November 2016, but now will be delayed to the second half of 2017. Look for updates on their Web page at:

http://www.i2ysb.com/idt
Also, for News and Forum, see:

http://www.hamradioweb.net

JT, MONGOLIA. A team of operators are expected to be active as JT5DX from Ulaanbaatar during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Multi-? entry. QSL via JT1CO direct only.

KP3, PUERTO RICO. Felipe, NP4Z/KP3Z, will be active as KP3Z during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via N4AO.

OJO, MARKET REEF (Update). Martti, OH2BH, sent out the following press release on October 21st (edited):

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE FROM ALAND ISLANDS, OJOB AND OHOB OCTOBER 21.2016

MARKET REEF AND THE CQWW SSB CONTEST

Current high winds are eliminating the weekend landing to Market

Lighthouse. The team of ES2RR, OH2BH and OH2PM are stranded and on hold.

Nope say our brave captain Mats Sjostrom as the sea is rough with high waves. Zodiac landing is opted out by already freezing seawater.

Next calculated narrow weather window would be Wednesday this coming week where landing assumes favorable wind direction.

The group is determined to activate OJO in the CQWW. They are ever grateful to the Finnish Lighthouse Society, FLS, for keeping the Lighthouse manned until the finish of the contest.

If the group fail in their attempt they will settle in Aland Islands and just swap one letter in their callsign.

Follow the life at Market Reef Lighthouse // waiting for CQWW. http://majakkaseura.fi/fin/market/market_paivakirjadiary_2016/week_42

PJ7, ST. MAARTEN. Operators Chris/NOUK (G4JEC) and XYL Holly/KOHAC will be active as PJ7/G4JEC and PJ7/KOHAC, respectively, from Sint Maarten Island (NA-105) between November 26th and December 3rd. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via NOUK direct or LoTW.

PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (October 24-30th)......

Oct/24th BN Oct/27th BN Oct/29th HN

Oct/25th BN Oct/28th BN Oct/30th HN

Oct/26th BN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

NORMALITY	GEOMAG	K Values	Alpha
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 : 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

PZ, SURINAME. Look for operators from the UK will be active as PZ5K during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th). Operators mentioned are David/G3NKC, Roger/G4BVY, Stewart/GM4AFF and possibly others. Also listen for activity before and after the contest, but mostly on CW. QSL PZ5K via G3NKC.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....

QSL-INFO from DBOSDX by Lothar, DL1SBF, (October 22nd) <www.qslinfo.eu>

7P8EUDXF via HA5AO EN25FLF via UR5FLF PE30EUDXF via PA1AW CR5ACE via CT1REP IS0/OM2VL via OM2VL PY0F/PV8IG via PV8AA DP9S via DK8ZM KH0/JA1LPH via JA1LPH TA4/OH2KW via OH2KW DR1D via DL3KO LZ8E via LZ2BE UW6M via UT4MWM

- ED3T via N4GNR (d) OK2/DM2AXL via DM2AXL V6Z via N3SL EH7SC via EA7URC OP7M via ON4SA (d) YM3KM via TA3CX
 - (e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (*-B) DX's- Bureau
- (O) OQRS only (C) ClubLog only (L) LoTW only (*) No Paper QSL Please

TG9ADM NEW QSL ROUTE. Pedro, EA5GL, informs OPDX that he is the new QSL Manager for Dante, TG9ADM. He has his logs dating back to 2003. If any one still needs the QSL, they can send to him for the card.

QSLS RECEIVED VIA LOTW: 3B9FR, C37MS, 5R8SV, CT2GQN, DJ0TP, DM2TS, DP65HSC, DS3CPL, E72A, EA3CZR, EA3GOM, EA8/RW3DO, FM5FJ, G3XAQ, GU4YOX, H84JK (NA-088), HB9BA, IK5IIS, IK6UBY, IT9CLX, IU2ABV, LX1NO, LY1G, M0MNV, OK1DWC, ON4AUC, OZ2U, PR7AB, PU1PJR, RW9JZ, S9BT, SN7Q, SP8LBK, UA9UDX, US3EW, UV5U, V47JA, VK5GR/P (OC-139), VK9LX, VP5/AA4FL, YO2DFA and ZL4FZ

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 5J0JC (NA-049), 5R8SV, FT4JA, HR4/DL5YWM, R70ASIA (AS-070), RK10/P (EU-161), S79KB, VE2FDJ/P (NA-176), VE3LYC/KL7 (NA-172), VK5CE/p (OC-228) and YS3/DL5YWM

OSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: NONE REPORTED THIS WEEK!!!!

T30, WEST KIRIBATI. Four members of the Yamato Amateur Radio Club will be active from Tarawa Atoll (OC-017) with their own individual callsigns between November 10-16th. Operators mentioned are Sasi/JA1KJW (T30KJ), Kaoru/JA3MCA (T30MA), Kuni/JA8VE(T30VE) and Mat/JA1JQY(T30JY). Activity will be on all bands from 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via each operator's home callsign, SASE or by the Bureau.

T31T DXPETITION UPDATE. It has been reported by a few sources that the T31T DXpedition team has arrived safely in Apia, Samoa, and have uploaded the logs to ClubLog. Dom and his team are planning to be active from Kanton Island again sometime between/in May-June 2017 for 4 weeks to finish their work on the EMCOM system and repair the SAT Seismic station.

- T8, PALAU. Junichi, JA3RAF, will once again be active as T88AX from the VIP Guest Hotel (Free Radio Room) on Koror Island (OC-009) between October 21-27th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB and JT65. QSL via JA3RAF by the Bureau.
- TY, BENIN. By the time you read this, Francois, F6AJL, will be active as TY5AA from Parakou City until November 30th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using SSB. QSL via his home callsign.
- V5, NAMIBIA. Tev, TA1HZ, will be active from Namibia (callsign pending) during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 25-26th, 2017) as a Single-Op entry. QSL via LoTW and LZ3HI.
- VE2, CANADA (ZONE 2). By the time you read this, Igor, VE3ZF, will be in Zone 2 from Northern Quebec and should be active as VE2IDX on October 24th. He is there for the upcoming CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th). He informs OPDX, "Special attention will be taken to the low bands for this expedition I have prepared 4 SQ to 80 and 40 as well." QSL via VE3ZF: Igor Slakva, 1 Wardrope Avenue, Suite #3, Stoney Creek, Ontario, L8G 1R9, Canada.
- VE2, CANADA (Zone 2). Operator Yuri, VE3DZ, will once again be active as VE2IM from Sept-Iles, QC (Zone 2), during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power or Low-Power entry. Yuri states he will be there between October 25-31st. Activity (usually) before and

after the contest will be on CW, SSB and RTTY, and all HF bands including the 30/17/12 meter bands. QSL via VE3DZ, direct or by the VE3DZ OQRS. He usually uploads to the LoTW.

VP2M, MONTSERRAT. George, K2DM, will be active as VP2MDG during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. He will operate some CW before the contest. QSL via K2DM, direct only or LoTW. NO Bureau QSLs.

VP5, TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS. Members of the Minnesota Wireless Association

(MWA) will be active as VP5S from Jody's, VP5JM QTH on Providenciales $\mbox{\sc Tsland}$

(NA-002), during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Multi-Single/ $^{\prime}$

 $\label{eq:high-power} \mbox{ High-Power operation. Operations mentioned are Scott/KOMD, Fred/K4IU, $$Pat/W0BM$$$

and Bill/ACOW. They will be on the air before the contest through Monday using the callsigns VP5/homecall. Operators will be on the low bands especially for Europeans and JAs who need VP5 confirmed. They will also spend time on the 30/17/12 meters bands and on digital modes for any U.S. operators who need the band/mode slot confirmed. In the past Scott suggests that anyone can send him an E-mail drscott.wright@gmail.com if they want to try a schedule with one of them outside of the contest to specifically work VP5 for band/mode slots.

XW, LAOS. Champ, E21EIC, will once again be active as XW1IC from Vientiane between October 28th and November 1st. Activity will be mainly in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSLs must be requested via the OQRS on ClubLog or via E21EIC and LoTW. NO PAPER QSL IS NEEDED.

XW, LAOS. Ken, K4ZW, will once again be active as XW4ZW from Laos sometime during January 2017. Activity will be on all bands, but with a focus on the lower bands and CW only. QSL via K1SE direct (with SAE/SASE). Log will be uploaded to LoTW and ClubLog. Ken states, "All Bureau cards received will be answered, but it is time consuming and expensive. Please note that I receive cards from the Bureau on average once or twice per year. It takes up to 1 year to answer the cards. You will need to be patient." ADDED NOTE: Ken informs OPDX, "I will also be in Mongolia as part of the JT5DX team for CQWW SSB. Outside of the contest I will be active as JT1ZW and JT1ZW/5. QSLs go to K4ZW. Confirmations will also be available on LoTW."

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