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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 22nd/April, through Sunday, 29th/April there were 228 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1U, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5H, 5R, 5T, 5U, 5V, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6Y, 7P, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9N, 9Q, 9U, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A3, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E4, E5/s, E6, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, H4O, HA, HB, HBO, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JT, JW, JY, K, KH2, KH6, KH9, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OHO, OJO, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PYOF, PZ, R1FJ, SO, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T2, T32, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TR, TU, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V5, V6, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2M, VP8, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, XX9, XZ, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z3, Z6, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZF, ZK3, 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".

3D2/C, CONWAY REEF. It would seem Dom, 3Z9DX, is planning to activate Conway Reef (OC-112) as 3D2CR sometime during 2018. No other details are available. Stay tuned.

3D6/3DA0, KINGDOM OF ESWATINI (New Country Name). King Mswati III of Swaziland announced on Wednesday, April 18th, that he was renaming the country "the Kingdom of eSwatini". The monarch announced the change in a stadium during a celebrations for the country's 50th anniversary of Swazi independence and the king's 50th birthday. The new name, eSwatini, means "land of the Swazis". The new name does not change the DXCC status of this entity. For more details, see the following URLs:

http://www.bbc.com/news/world-africa-43821512

https://www.theglobeandmail.com/world/video-swaziland-renamed-eswatini-by-africas-last-absolute-monarch

3YOZ BOUVET ISLAND DXPEDITION NEWS (Update/dated April 26th). To the DX Community.... There have been several important milestones reached and decisions made in the last few weeks.

We have received a partial reimbursement on our payments made to DAP, our transportation contractor. In our view, this it is a fair settlement with them.

Our vessel, Betanzos is now back in Punta Arenas and we believe the container with our personal gear and equipment are intact. We will be arranging to transport the container back to the US, arriving in a few months.

It has become apparent that the chance of finding a suitable and affordable vessel for the 2018-19 Austral season is becoming less and less likely. It appears that the very earliest that we could mount a second attempt to activate Bouvet would be the 2019-20 season or possibly beyond.

Thus, we have made the decision to offer a pro-rata return of the remaining 3YOZ DXpedition funds in our account. This will occur only after the container has arrived here and we have paid all our bills. Only then, will we know the net balance to be distributed. As you may have concluded, this is going to be an enormous task with 137 DX Clubs and Foundations and 3700 individual DXers. The process will take some time. We ask that you be patient as we complete this.

You will have the choice of a pro-rata return of your contribution, or you may designate a foundation or club to receive your contribution. Any "unclaimed" refunds will be proportionally distributed to the major contributing foundations. Later this year, we will explain the way to claim your refund.

After the return of the funds is completed, we will close the accounting books and the bank account of 3Y0Z. This is always our procedure as each DXpedition must stand on its own. We believe this is the proper way to wrap up the DXpedition.

We all are unhappy and extremely disappointed that the project was not completed due to a mechanical failure on our vessel. This left the Captain no choice but to abort the mission for safety reasons.

Please accept our team's heartfelt thanks for your outstanding support of this project.

7Q, MALAWI. Arnold, WB60JB, will be active as 7Q7JK from Malawi between July 20-25th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters SSB only. QSL via WB60JB only, no bureau or LoTW.

8N3EXPO, JAPAN (Special Events). Special event station, 8N3EXPO, has been active since April 20th, and will continue through November 30th to promote the 2025 International Exposition invitation. QSL ONE WAY ONLY. By Osaka prefecture branch of JARL.

http://www.expo2025-osaka-japan.jp/en

9A, CROATIA. By the time you read this Jan, PA4JJ, will once again be active as 9A/PA4JJ until June 8th. Activity will be holiday style on 40-10 meters using mostly FT8. QSL via his home callsign, LoTW or ClubLog.

9H, MALTA. By the time you read this, Akira, JR1VAY, will be active as 9H3SJ from Malta until May 5th. Activity will be holiday style on various HF bands. QSL via JR1VAY.

9H, MALTA. Henning, OZ1BII, will once again be active as 9H3EE from Malta (EU-023) between May 25-28th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters with an emphasis on 30/17/12 meters using CW only. He also plans to be in the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via OZ1BII or ClubLog's OQRS. For more details and updates, see:  $\frac{\text{http://www.oz1bii.dk}}{\text{http://www.oz1bii.dk}}$ 

ANNUAL ARMED FORCES DAY (Crossband Communication Test/Set for Saturday, May 12th). For complete details, see the ARRL Web page at: <a href="http://www.arrl.org/news/view/annual-armed-forces-day-crossband-communication-test-set-for-saturday-may-12">http://www.arrl.org/news/view/annual-armed-forces-day-crossband-communication-test-set-for-saturday-may-12</a>

C96/C98, MOZAMBIQUE (Reminder/2 IOTA Ops). Members of the Russian Robinson Club (RRC) will be active as C96RRC (AF-088) and C98RRC (AF-066). Operators mentioned are Vasily/R7AL, Vasily/RA1ZZ, Al/RZ3K, Vlad/RK8A and Aleksei/RN3BZ. The pilot station will be Victor, UA3AKO. Their tentative schedule is as follows:

April 29th-May 3rd - From Mozambique Island (AF-088) as C96RRC (now active) May 5-9th - From Inhaca Island (AF-066) as C98RRC

Activity will be on 40/30/20/17/15/10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via R7AL or ClubLog's OQRS (preferred). ADDED NOTE: In 2018 the RRC is celebrating their 25th anniversary of "Russian Robinson"

EUROPEAN TOUR (SP-EA-E7-40-9A). Rick NE8Z/HC1MD will be on a European tour between May 1st and June 6th. Activity will be on all bands using CW, SSB and FT8. His tentative schedule so far is as follows:

- May 1-19th -- Poland; signing SP9E (his personal callsign in Poland) and SP/NE8Z; Rick will be visiting family and friends in many areas of Poland in order to work on his Polish family ancestry project. He will also be working on his DXCC from SP.
- May 19th-June 6th -- Spain; signing EA1/NE8Z and EA2/NE8Z (walking 100km on the Camino de Santiago de Campostela "The Way").

  Also, during this time he plans to be active as E7/NE8Z (Bosnia-Herzegovina), 40/NE8Z (Montenegro) and 9A/NE8Z (Croatia).

QSL via NE8Z (see SP9E on QRZ.com), direct, by the W8-Bureau or LoTW after his trip.

GB60, ENGLAND (Special Event). A special event station, GB600T (that's GB sixty OT), will operate CW, the Digital modes and occasional SSB, between the period of May 19-27th, inclusive. This station is celebrating the 60th anniversary of the Radio Amateur Old Timers Association (RAOTA). The station will be very active during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 26-27th). QSLs are preferred via the Bureau or eQSL. Direct QSLs, with 2 USDs return postage, should go via G3KPU. More details are available on QRZ.com.

GR9, ENGLAND (Special Event). Look for special event station, GR9RW, to be on the air between May 19-23rd. Activity is to celebrate the marriage of Great Britain's Prince Harry to American actress Meghan Markle. It will be the first time that the GR9 prefix has been used in the UK. Members of the Cray Valley Radio Society (CVRS) will operate GR9RW from their club station in Eltham. GR9RW will primarily use SSB and CW, with the addition of FM on VHF and UHF. Two HF stations and one VHF station will cover all bands from 80 meters to 70 centimeters. A commemorative QSL card is available via G4DFI. For more details, see the CVRS Web page at: http://www.cvrs.org

INDEXA SPRING 2018 NEWSLETTER. John Scott, K8YC, INDEXA VP/Editor, has announced that the Spring 2018 edition of the INDEXA Newsletter (Issue 121) is now available at:

http://indexa.org/documents/newsletters/Newsletter-Issue-121-Spring%202018.pdf
This issue will let us follow Stan Vatev, LZIGC, as he performs his solo
DXpedition to Temotu Province and combine it with a humanitarian mission
to help the students of Temotu's JCP College. They are pleased that amateur
radio can be a fascinating hobby and at the same time improve the lives of
some of the people they touch while engaged in their activities.

## IOTA NEWS.....

- AS-047. (Reminder) Operators Tak/JR1LZK and Mitsu/JE1HXZ are now active as homecall/6 from Kita Daito Island until May 7th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and FT8. QSL via their home callsigns, direct, by the Bureau, ClubLog and LoTW.
- EU-091. Operators Michele/IK7FPX, Gilberto/IK7LMX, Gianni/I7PHH, Cesare/IK7XNF, Giancarlo/IK7QMJ, Ivo/9A3A and possibly others will be active as II7P from Pedagne Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Multi-Op/Mixed-Mode/Assisted/Low-Power entry. QSL via IK7LMX, by the Bureau or direct.
- OC-137. If you heard VK4DX/p on the air Sunday, this was Mike, VK4DX, from Coochiemudlo Island. This was just a one day operation with possibly more to come in the future.
- OC-179. By the time you read this, Cezar, VE3LYC, will be active as H40D from Duff Islands, Temotu Province, until May 3rd. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via VE3LYC, direct,

by the Bureau or ClubLog. For updates, watch: https://h44r-h40d.weebly.com

OC-242. Andi, YC8AO, will be active as YC8AO/P from Taka Bonerate Islands (WW Loc. PI03nk) until April 30th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using SSB and FT8. QSL via HA3JB.

ISWL CALLSIGNS (For May). The following ISWL club callsigns will be used throughout the month of May 2018:

- GX4BJC/A Operator Not yet allocated. The operator will give details if heard/worked. (/A WAB Square ? England, IOTA EU-005, WLOTA 1841).
- MX1SWL/A Operated from Skegby, in Nottinghamshire, by Merv, GOUJD. (/A WAB Square SK56 England, IOTA EU-005, WLOTA 1841).

ALL QSLs will be handled by Herbie, G6XOU - The QSL Manager and NOT the individual operator. The I.S.W.L. is a member of the European PSK Club. All QSL info is on <www.iswl.org.uk> or <www.qrzcq.com> or <www.qrzcq.com> or <www.eQSL.cc>. NO LoTW. I.S.W.L. Awards are available to all Hams and SWLs, see <www.iswl.org.uk> for full details. eQSL.cc cards ARE welcomed for their awards.

KH1/KH7Z BAKER ISLAND DXPEDITION (Press Release, date April 27th). Following a successful Visalia DX Convention, the KH1/KH7Z team met in Cupertino this week to assemble the stations and network in preparation of landing on Baker in 2 months. The DXpedition is now in the final planning stages and this step was the last before packing and shipping our gear to Fiji.

Stations -- DXpedition sponsors Elecraft and DX Engineering provided the required gear. There will be 8 stations on Baker Island consisting of 8 Elecraft K3S transceivers -- 7 powered by KPA500s; the 8th low band station powered by a KPA1500 amp. This is the first expedition to use a KPA1500 and the team and Elecraft are looking forward to seeing this exciting new amplifier in action.

There will be 3 separate tents for CW, SSB, and Digital stations. Co-leaders K6TD and N1DG, and AA7A, K6GFJ, K6MM, ND2T and N6MZ assembled the stations, activated the BGAN satellite network, interfaced the NUC computers & monitors, and installed N1MM+ in a complete on-island simulation (including generator power). We also successfully simulated making QSOs and uploading sample logs to ClubLog via the BGAN.

The network was designed by our IT team led by AA7A and N6MZ and consists of rapidly deployed transit boxes containing the switches power hubs and POE repeaters. Upon reaching the island the team will deploy these cases and run out cables from the central CW tent to SSB and Digital tents. All N1MM+ computers will be networked to our center administrative PC allowing 2 uploads daily via satellite to ClubLog to minimize duplicate contacts.

Antennas — Although limited to 43 feet, our 80 and 160 meter antennas are newly designed AA7JV "fat" verticals, which will sit just inside the high tide mark. The SteppiR verticals for 75 through 10 meters will also be mounted just inside of the high tide mark while four 2-element vertical arrays will be mounted away from the water for 15, 17 and 20 meters. In this way, we can maintain a 24-hour presence on 20 meters to maximize the number of unique callsigns and enable the most ATNO contacts. We also intend to install a multi-vertical array for 6 meters at the digital radios.

Testing the SteppIRs and our own design of vertical arrays is all that remains before cleaning and sterilizing our gear to meet the FWS Biological Protocols and sending the gear to our freight forwarder.

Please visit <a href="http://www.baker2018.net/pages/pretrip.html">http://www.baker2018.net/pages/pretrip.html</a> to see more pictures relating to our testing activity this week.

As with any DXpedition to the really rare ones, this will be another large budget operation. The operator team will contribute over 50% of the expected budget of \$400,000. You can help make this DXpedition happen by visiting our website, and contributing today.

http://www.baker2018.net/pages/donate.html

Thank you in advance for your support.

OJO, MARKET REEF (Reminder). Pasi, OH3WS, is once again active as OJOW from Market Reef until May 4th. Activity will be limited to his spare time on 20-6 meters using CW and SSB. Pasi will try 60m on both CW and SSB, listen on 5354 kHz. QSL via OH3WS, by the Bureau or direct.

PACIFIC TOUR (Update). Dave, WJ2O, has announced his plans to activate a few islands in the Pacific before and after he joins the KH1/NH7Z Baker Island DXpedition. His tentative schedule (all dates are approx.) is as follows:

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American Samoa (KH8) -- Around June 8th; for 2 days
Samoa (5W) -- Around June 11th; for 2 days
American Samoa (KH8) -- Around June 13th; for 4 days; signing KH8/WJ20
Baker Island (KH1) -- Around June 27th; for 10 days
Fiji (3D2) -- Around July 13th for 4 days
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Dave reports from the Visalia DX Convention, "I don't have a license for Samoa no Figi yet. I know on American Samoa I will sign simply KH8/WJ2O. With the group on Baker we are KH1/KH7Z. I have a homebrew vertical (that I haven't built yet) that will do 40, 30, 20, 17 and 15. I'm almost always 100% CW. Taking my usual beat up K3, but also my KPA500 so maybe I will be heard? I'm good with LoTW and you can go direct through Ken, N2ZN."

PH00, THE NETHERLANDS (Special Event). Operators Tonny/PD1TV and Henri/PA4HM will once again activate the special callsign, PH00GEVEEN, during the annual "Wings and Wheels" event which is held at Hoogeveen Airfield between May 5-22nd. Activity will be on various HF bands using SSB only. Ascension Day is on May 10th, this year. QSL via the Bureau or direct to the address listed on QRZ.com. For more details, see their QRZ.com page.

PJ2, CURACAO. David, VE7DZO, will be active as PJ2/VE7DZO from Curacao between July 19-24th (approx.), for the 2018 Youth DXpedition. He will be joined by Mason/KM4SII and Dhruv/KC9ZJX, who will sign PJ2/KM4SII and PJ2/KC9ZJX. Thanks to the YDXA (Youth DX Adventure) they will be operating from the PJ2T contest station. Look for more details to be forthcoming.

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PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (April 30th-May 6th)......

Apr/30th AN May/03rd AN May/05th AN May/01st AN May/04th AN May/06th DIS May/02nd LN
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## 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 <a href="http://www.bandconditions.com">http://www.bandconditions.com</a>:
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:  $\frac{\text{http://www.voacap.com/prediction.html}}{\text{A daily HF radio wave propagation forecast can be found at:}}$ 

## https://www.facebook.com/thomasfranklingiellaw4hm Also on Twitter: https://twitter.com/@GiellaW4hm

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....

QSL-INFO from DBOSDX by Lothar, DL1SBF <www.qslinfo.eu> [April 29th]

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4Z70IARC via 4Z4DX (e) EN32U via USOUX OP18N via ON4CRD (B)
5F13SIA via CN8WW (d/L) GB106TBC via MIOMOD OV1CDX via OZ1GML (d)
5Q0PI via OZ6PI H44R via VE3LYC PA/DL8ECA/M via DL8ECA
9A/DJ8QP via DJ8QP HF0SEA/MM via SP1G RA/OH2IO via OH2IO
9A/OK8EYJ/P via OK8EYJ & (L) IQONU via ISOFFD SPOL via SP7RJI
9A/S56LXN/P via S56LXN IQ3QM via IZ3ZUC SV7/SV2CNE via SV2CNE
9L/KW4XJ via KW4XJ IQ3ZL via 9A5URI (B) TM0CXX via F6FMT
B5/IK7YTT via IW7EGQ (d) IT9/ON6MM via ON6MM TM18PGM via F4FCE
CP5/PA0RBL/P via PA0RBL IU1AUG/IX1 via IU1AUG TM390SR via F4DTO
CT9/DF7ZS via DF7ZS JW2US via LA2US (O/L/e) TM68REF via F6KDL
CT9/DL5AXX via DL5AXX KH2/NHON via JA6GLD W2P via KB2FMH (d)
DK200MARX via DK5PZ KH6/DL1DX via DL1DX WK2S/VE2 via WK2S
DL0BX via DK9JI (B) LX/PA2LO via PA2LO & (L) YU/OK1IKI/P via OK1IKI
DM80FOC via DL5YL & (L) M/DJ1AA/M via DJ1AA ZA/SP6JZL via DL6EBH
E1/DJ1AA/M via DJ1AA ON/PA2CVD/P via PA2CVD (L/e)

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- (O) OQRS only (C) ClubLog only (L) LoTW only (N) No QSL needed
- (I) No IRC (P) PayPal

3B7A NEWS. The ClubLog OQRS for 3B7A St. Brandon DXpedition is now available!!!

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m FJ/N0KV}$  LOGS. Jim, WD0E, states that he will be posting his satellite contacts to LoTW about two weeks after he gets back. He was expected to leave Friday, April 27th, and will be two days in travel.

BUREAU MAILING AVAILABLE. Steve, KU9C, does an annual mailing to all QSL Bureaus to minimize Bureau mailings for himself and other QSL Managers. If anyone has a quantity of Bureau cards to mail, and can ensure they reach him by June 1, 2018, he'd be glad to include them in his Bureau mailing. Small (less than 5 pounds) \$12/pound, over 5 pounds \$11/pound. Just sort by country, include a check for the amount, and send to his CBA. Please E-mail him at <ku9c@yahoo.com> to let him know to expect the cards.

EZ8BP RECEIVED! Boris, E73Y, reported this past week, "Information for those who still need to confirm EZ:

QSO:10-Feb-1997

Sent: 04-Jan-2018 with 2IRC as per QRZ.COM instruction

Received: 23-Apr-2018

Many thanks to Vladimir for EZ confirmed on 40m. I hope QRT would not last much longer."

LOTW NEWS. The ARRL Web page reports, "Logbook of The World (LoTW) now has a full-time status monitor <a href="https://status.lotw.arrl.org">https://status.lotw.arrl.org</a>. The system's status is displayed in real time and is available offsite, offering a single spot for all users - web, Facebook, Twitter, etc. - to quickly check what's happening with the online repository of contacts and confirmations. Read the complete news release at: http://www.arrl.org/news/view/logbook-of-the-world-has-online-status-monitor

QSLS RECEIVED VIA LOTW: 3D2SE, 4X1ZQ, 9G5AR, A61CP, FJ/NOKV, LU5VV, LU8EEM, PP4FMM, PT7ZYH, RA3SI, RI1FJ, S52ZW, SV5DKL, TC0MI (AS-201), VK9X/PE7T, Z66D and ZP5DA

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 5A1AL, OJ9X, TN5R, V5/DK1CE and Z60A

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

S7, SEYCHELLES. Michael, VK4EF, will be active as S79LD from both Mahe Island and La Digue Island, Seychelles (AF-024), until May 31st. Activity will be limited (work visit) to his spare time on 80/40/20/17 meters and possibly 10m, using SSB, JT65, FT8, and QRS CW. Equipment will be a Yaesu FT-891 with 100 watt into G5RV antenna. QSL via his home callsign, LoTW or eQSL.

TF, ICELAND. Michael, GOPOT, will be active as TF/GOPOT from Vik and its surrounding areas on the south coast of island between July 2-9th. He also plans to activate some SOTA. Activity will be on various HF bands using a KX1/MTR-5B with an EFHW or Alex Loop. QSL via his home callsign, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW.

V73, MARSHALL ISLANDS. By the time you read this, Randy, WW6RG, should be going QRT as WW6RG/KH9 from Wake Island (OC-053), and is expected to be active again as V73/WW6RG from Kwajalein Island (OC-028) between May 1-3rd. Activity will be limited. Watch on 20 meters (14190-14240 kHz) on SSB starting at 0430z through 0530z and then again between 0600-0800z. He is hoping to be able to use the KARC radio room. QSL via his home callsign.

VKO/M, MACQUARIE ISLAND. Reports state that Norbert, VK5MQ, is now active as VKOAI from Macquarie Island (AN-005). He is expected to be there with the next winter team for one year. QSNs show that he was on 30/20 meters running FT8 between 0440-0630z. He has an Icom IC-7300 transceiver and a vertical antenna. QSL via VK5MQ.

VP9, BERMUDA. Kyle, WA4PGM, will once again be active as VP9/WA4PGM from Bermuda ((NA-005) between June 6-16th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using mostly CW. QSL via his home callsign, direct or LoTW. NO Bureau QSL cards.

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