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** SPECIAL NOTE FROM EDITOR (By KB8NW): There will not be an OPDX Bulletin next week as I will be attending the Dayton HamVention. "IF" I receive a major announcement, I will probably send out a special bulletin. However, PLEASE continue to send your DX information. You never know what I might do....
See you in Day-Xenia! 73 de Tedd KB8NW

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 6th/May, through Sunday, 13th/May there were 214 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5R, 5T, 5V, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C5, C6, 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, EU, EX, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, JA, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH2, KH6, KH9, 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, PY0F, PZ, S0, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T32, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TR, TT, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VK9L, VP2E, VP5, VP8, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XX9, XZ, YA, YB, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, Z6, Z8, 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".

3B9, RODRIGUES ISLAND (Update). Members of the Association RÃ©unionnaise des Radio Amateurs (ARRA) [FR4KM] Radio Club are now active as 3B9RUN from Rodrigues Island (AF-017) until May 16th. Operators are Jacky/FR4NP, Michel/FR5ZE, Emile/FR4PM, Jean/FR5CB and Bernard/FR5FC. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using SSB and FT8. Equipment will be 2x Icom 7000 and 1x Kenwood TS480 with a 500w amp into a Hexbeam and a DX88 vertical. QSL via EA7FTR, direct or ClubLog. See QRZ.com for updates.

3Y0I BOUVET ISLAND DXPEDITION NEWS. The following was posted on May 10th, on the Bouvetoya Web page <<https://bouvetoya.org/>>: Bigger chances for a bigger team at 3Y0I -- Following our previous announcement we have received a huge number of requests and suggestions to make our project better and more successful. We REALLY appreciate and consider them all. Majority of the notes - understandably - refer to increasing a number of bands and modes we'll be active on from Bouvet Island. This all pushes us to expand our plans.

Even though we initially planned the 3Y0I DXpedition with a small (but sturdy) power-sailor yacht and by a small, reliable and experienced team, we can't deny we've also been looking for a chance to go there with a

bigger team. It's clear we should do so to meet the huge demand of ATNO and to provide as many slots/modes worldwide as possible. We've also been looking to different options to reduce expedition's cost while utilizing maximum resources: operators, equipment + right security measures.

As also announced before, we've found a suitable and - the most important - reliable ship in a perfect shape with a responsible crew with Southern Oceans and Antarctic experience - at much lower cost.

After negotiations with the ship's owner, we were able to reduce our DXpedition's budget to - ATTENTION! - 225,000 USDs in total. YES - we're talking about the REAL cost of bringing a BIG team and a GOOD gear to the island. And another "YES": we've already secured MORE THAN A HALF of our estimated budget amount and signed an initial contract with the ship's owner.

Since any other DXpedition to Bouvet Island isn't going to materialize anytime soon, and most of the donations funded to previous Bouvet's activation are being sent to DX Foundations around the world (and yet they were dedicated by donors to this particular entity), we decided to apply for grants to cover missing amount of our budget.

By doing so, we feel much confident that's a right decision-making and we've got right arguments in hands:

- * Drastically lower cost of the project while still maintaining an experienced and reliable big team and equipment to meet DXers' demands. At at least 1/3 of cost of any other similar expedition announced recently!
- * After careful reading of application and grant rules of DX foundations we apply to, none of them states they'd support a specific group of operators/applicants but they're clearly in charge to support projects that meet application criterias and ventures to bring rare DXCC entities on the air and which continue ham radio legacy. It's our turn and chance now, isn't it?
- * As said before, the money collected by different organizations are meant to be spent on the very precisely defined purposes: eg. Bouvetøya on the airwaves for the ham radio community worldwide. Thus, once granted, in this particular case and circumstances, we shouldn't ask individual donors for donating to the same entity over again, but expecting the support from the foundations themselves. Individual donors already donated much to a project that turned out unsuccessful and with the foundations' support received, we wouldn't feel ethically "OK" and in charge to ask for private money for the same goal.
- * At last, but not least, we wish to bring back life to DXpeditioning and to make it more open for next ham radio generations by cost reducing and opening - at last - "DXped doors" to new experienced operators.

We strongly believe that DX foundations we've applied to will understand our arguments and possibilities and will rise to the challenge of our way of thinking: more ham radio, more attractive activations from the most wanted entities and less money and business involved. Crossing fingers for bringing Bouvetøya onto airwaves. It's our chance now!

AP, PAKISTAN. Marvin, VE3VEE, reports that he heard some people still need Pakistan for ATNO (All Time New One). He adds [edited], "There hasn't been much activity on SSB and CW from AP-land, but they seem to enjoy the new FT8 mode. Daily I have seen at least one or two AP2 stations on 14.074 MHz in the past few weeks. These four have been active often: AP2MQ, AP2AM, AP2HA and AP2NK. I have worked AP2AM and AP2MQ recently. Both use LoTW. One of them confirmed the QSO within a half a day, and the other took a week or two. If you need Pakistan for ATNO, you may give 20m FT8 a try."

CQ BALTIC CONTEST 2018. The Lithuanian Radio Sports Federation would like to invite you to the Baltic Contest 2018 - the biggest HF contest in the Baltic States. It starts on May 19th, from 2100 UTC till 0200 UTC on the 80m band. You can find the general rules on:

<http://www.lrsf.lt/en/balticcontestrules>

Special callsigns will be on air. Every competitor, who will make 100 QSOs with LY stations, will participate in a special lottery. The winner will

receive a plaque in remembrance of 100 years of restored state of Lithuania. The results will be announced on: <http://www.lrsf.lt/en/>

CQ NEWS RELEASE (2017 CQWW CW Contest Scoring Change). CQWW Management sent out the following on May 10th: A change in scoring methodology for duplicate contacts (dupes) in the CW weekend of the 2017 CQ World Wide DX Contest led to an inconsistency with the standards by which logs submitted for the SSB weekend of the same contest were scored. After considerable discussion and debate among members of the CQWW Contest Committee and consultation with CQ management, it has been decided to restore the original scoring methodology and to rescore all CW logs for 2017. It is not expected that this will result in any changes to the order of finish. Updated scores will be published online on the CQ website www.cq-amateur-radio.com and the CQ World Wide DX Contest website www.cqww.com. The contest community will be notified once the re-scoring is completed.

DAY-XENIA HAMVENTION NEWS.....

- * DAYTON HAMVENTION DX HOSPITALITY SUITE (Reminder). The Northern Ohio DX Association will once again sponsor a Hospitality Suite (22nd year) at this year's Day-Xenia HamVention. It will be in Suite 1011 on the 10th floor of the Crowne Plaza Hotel on Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings (Look for signs!). All DXers/Contesters are welcome. Munchies and refreshments will be available. Come and meet the members and friends of NODXA.

- * 39th ANNUAL KC DX CLUB CW PILEUP COMPETITION. Bill K0VBU, reminds everyone: Don't forget the 39th Consecutive Kansas City DX Club Annual Dayton CW Pileup Competition on ***Saturday night*** in Dayton! Great (and I mean GREAT) prizes from Icom, Yaesu, Begali, ARRL, Associated Radio, CWOPs, etc! Transceivers, keys, and more! Dayton Crowne Plaza Hotel - Suite *525* (Eddie Richenbacher Suite, as usual). Begins at 8 pm - right after the Contest Dinner. Ends at Midnight, then the prizes are presented...In addition to prizes for the Pileup Competition winners, a major prize is reserved for a random participant. Come see and cheer the Morse Race - the live scoring graph for the group currently taking the test, shown in the suite on the big screen - and more. See you there!!

- * 360TH ANNUAL DAYTON K9PG HOOTERS PARTY FOR CONTESTERS! Paul, K9PG, states [edited]: Thursday, May 17th, 5pm (Hooters Happy Hour is from 4-6pm; (or maybe it's 3 to 6?)... I believe they have discounted pitchers of beer and appetizers, feel free to show up earlier and to warm yourself up. QTH: Hooters of Dayton, 6851 Miller Lane, Dayton, OH <http://goo.gl/maps/0mbv6>.
As the tradition goes, please wear your brightest & most outrageous Hawaiian shirt! Bonuses for furry pimp hats and neon sport coats and stylish ties! The notorious & illustrious pink jacket will be awarded to the lid with the brightest and most obnoxious get-up, provided last year's winner AJ9C shows up with it.
Free wings will start around 6:30pm or so... maybe before that, whenever see when people start asking for them.
If you have room in your car for a couple lids, please let it be known. As soon as you're done with Contest University, head on over!!! RSVP not necessary, but would be encouraged. As always, SSTVers are not welcome.

- * Hamvention Talk-In on 20 meters at 14.325 +- QRM. Wednesday, May 16th, operating from 1900-2100 EDT and 2200-2300 EDT.

- * Add Hamvention text alerts to your cellphone. Text Hamvention18 to 888777. #Hamvention @Hamvention

EF8, CANARY ISLANDS. Juan, EA8RM (ex-EA8CAC), will be active as EF8R during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via LoTW or EB7DX.

FOC 80th ANNIVERSARY CHALLENGE (Join in & have some CW fun...). Steve, W5BIB, reports: In May 2018 The First Class CW Operators Club, FOC, will be celebrating its 80th Anniversary. Between 1st May and 31st May 2018 our members from around the world will be active on the bands using CW with special callsigns, many of them containing the number '80'. The challenge is being run as a leaderboard on ClubLog <https://clublog.org/foc.php>, and your ranking in the leaderboard <see URL below> determines the award level you achieve. All stations are welcome to participate.

Rules -- The rules of the challenge:

- * Times: Start at 0000z on 1st May, End at 2400z on 31st May 2018
- * Points are scored by making CW QSOs with FOC members and special callsigns, once per band
- * All bands, 160 through 10m are included
- * QSOs with special callsigns containing "80" score 10 points per band
- * QSOs with special callsigns containing "FOC" score 5 points per band
- * QSOs with FOC members score 1 point per band
- * The leaderboard stops at 800 entrants

To view the leaderboard visit: https://clublog.org/foc_leaderboard.php

Finding FOC Members on the Bands -- We recommend using the DJ1YFK skimmer, which is available here <http://foc.djlyfk.de/bandmap>, or the G7VJR FOC Cluster, which can be viewed here <https://dxlite.g7vjr.org?foc=1>.

Good luck!

Awards -- At the end of the challenge awards are made as follows:

- * Top 80: Gold Award
- * Top 400: Silver Award
- * Top 800: Bronze Award

To claim your certificate please contact Art, KZ5D, by email to art@kz5d.com after the end of the challenge.

Special Calls -- The following special calls are expected to be active in May 2018 for the FOC 80th Anniversary Challenge: GX4FOC, GS4FOC, GC4FOC, GH4FOC, GT4FOC, GP4FOC, GN4FOC, GB80FOC, 5B80FOC, 9J80FOC, DF80FOC, DJ80FOC, DK80FOC, DM80FOC, DP80FOC, HA80FOC, II7FOC, IR0FOC, K2FOC, K5FOC, K6FOC, K7FOC, KM4FOC, KT5FOC, M0RSE, N4FOC, N5FOC, OL80FOC, OZ80FOC, PA80FOC, PA80JLS, PF80FOC, PH80FOC, R80FOC, RA/SD80FOC, S580FOC, SC80FOC, SF80FOC, SM80FOC, SP80FOC, SX80FOC, TM80FOC, VE2FOCW, VE3FOCW, VE5FOC, VE6FOC, VI6FOC80, VU8FOC, W1FOC, W2FOC, W5FOC, W9FOC, WA5FOC, WF1OC, YR80FOC, ZB2FOC, ZL1FOC and ZS9FOC

We look forward to working you during our celebration in May, 2018.

GR/MR/2R, ENGLAND (Special Event - Royal Wedding). The Radio Society of Great Britain (RSGB) has announced that individual UK radio amateurs who wish to celebrate the royal wedding on May 19th may apply to the "Telecoms Regulator Ofcom" for a Notice of Variation (NoV) to temporarily use the Regional Secondary Locator "R" after the UK callsign prefix. NoVs would be valid only between May 19-21st, 2018. These callsigns will start with the prefixes of GR, MR, or 2R.

GR9, ENGLAND (Reminder/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>

HK, COLOMBIA. Lothar, DK8LRF, will once again be active as HK3JCL from Finca Mariposa, Restrepo/Meta, until May 20th. Activity will be mainly on 20 meters SSB. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

HQ/HR, HONDURAS. Operators Dennis/W1UE, Paul/K1XM, Charlotte/KQ1F and N2WQ will be active as HQ9X during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 26-27th) as a Multi-2 entry. They will be operating from Chillax Roatan (NA-057).

QSL via KQ1F. Operators will be active outside of the contest signing homecall/HR9, and will be there between May 19-29th. QSL via their home callsigns.

IOTA NEWS.....

AF-078. Alfredo, IK7JWX, and a team of operators are planning their 3rd humanitarian DXpedition. Activity will be from Carabane Island, Senegal, for 10 days sometime in November 2018. The callsign is not known yet, but they hope to be assigned a special 6V0 prefix. Look for more details to be forthcoming.

EU-008. Members of the Camb-Hams will once again be active as GS3PYE/P, but this time from Islay Island between May 13-18th. The Camb-Hams have been activating the Scottish Isles each year since 2008. As in the past, ten or more operators will be active on all bands and many modes from 4m to 80m, 2m & 70cm for Satellites and 2m & 23cm for EME. The HF bands will be covered by four simultaneous stations while the 6m & 4m stations will have a great take-off towards the UK and Europe. All stations will be able to run at the full UK power limit. EME operations will use 150W to 55 elements on 23cm and 400W to 17 elements on 2m, primarily on JT65, but also available for CW skeds - if your station is big enough. Satellite operations on 2m & 70cm will use X-Quad antennas and a fully automatic Az/El tracking system. Activity is planned on AO-7 (mode B), VO-52, FO-29, SO-50 & AO-73. All the up-to-date plans and progress will be on <dx.camb-hams.com>. Most importantly, this is a group of good friends doing what they enjoy, so please give them a call and enjoy the trip with them. They will be active on the major social networks before, during and after the trip, you can check on their progress and interact with the operators via their blog <dx.camb-hams.com> or through Twitter, Facebook and YouTube [see links below]. Please check their Web page for details on how to arrange skeds on the more challenging bands, modes, VHF and EME. All links are available via:

<http://dx.camb-hams.com>

QSL via OQRS (info on QRZ.com) or MOVFC direct or via bureau.
<dx.camb-hams.com> <facebook.com/CambHams>
<twitter.com/g3pye> <youtube.com/CambHams>

EU-038. By the time you read this, Roland, DL1EAL, should be active again as PA/DL1EAL from Texel Island until May 24th. Activity will be holiday style on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes, with a vertical antenna and 100 watts. QSL via DL1EAL, direct, by the Bureau, eQSL or LoTW.

EU-046. Waldi, SP7IDX, will be active as LA/SP7IDX from Vannoya Island between June 7-20th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via his home callsign, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW.

EU-125. Operators Dirk/DD5KD and Frank/OE9KFV will be active as 5Q6D and 5Q9F, respectively, from Rømø Island between June 30th and July 7th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via OE9KFV, direct, by the Austrian QSL Bureau, LoTW or ClubLog.

EU-165. Max, I0PNM, will once again be active as IM0/I0PNM from S.Pietro Island, Sardinia, between July 20th and August 20th. Activity will include the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th). Operations will be on 40, 20, 15 and 10 meters. QSL only direct to I0PNM.

NA-122. (2019 Announcement) A Dominican/Argentinian/Mexican team, most members of the Loma del Toro DX Club, will be active as HI1LT from Beata Island between January 20-28th, 2019. The operators mentioned are Ez/HI3AA, Tino/HI3CC (Co-Leader), Edwin/HI3K, Mike/HI3MPC, Elio/HI8EFS, Jose/HI3SD, Cafefe/HI8CAF, Gerardo/

HI8GP, Tito/HI6JHV, Julio/HI8JQE, Alfredo/HI8K (Team Leader), Max/HI8MAX, Martin/LU9EFO and Ismael/XE1AY. Activity will be on various HF bands using CW, SSB, RTTY and FT8. QSL via W2CCW. Watch the Loma del Toro DX Club's Face Book page for updates at: <https://www.facebook.com/lomadeltoro/timeline>

NA-234. (Update to OPDX.1363) Tim, NL8F, informs OPDX that Yuri/N3QQ and himself will be active as KL7RRC/p (not KL7RRC as first announced) from the "Islands of Four Mountains" group, specifically Kagamil Island, starting May 23rd through May 26-27th. Operations will be on CW, SSB and FT8, depending on conditions. QSL Manager is N7RO. Tim reminds everyone: "As always with rare activations costs are high so any help with donations would be appreciated." For more details and updates, watch: <http://NA-234.com>

SA-047. A Brazilian team will be active as PR5M from Mel Island (DIB PR01) between May 31st and June 3rd. Operators mentioned are Marcelo/PP5BK, Fabio/PP5BZ, Edy/PP5EJ, Tony/PP5NS, Roni/PP5ZB, Jose/PU5ATX, Vitor/PU5DCB and Al/PY3OZ. Activity will be on 80-10 meters with 2 stations on the air using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via PP5BZ or ClubLog.

PLEASE NOTE: Since the Webmasters of the new www.iota-world.org have decided NOT to post or dedicate a Web page to announce upcoming IOTA operations, PLEASE send your IOTA operations information to the OPDX and we will post it here in an upcoming bulletin.....

LC/LN, NORWAY (New 2x1 Callsigns). The ARRL Web page reports: In response to calls from Norway's contesting community, the Norwegian Communication Authority (NCA) recently announced that it would permit the use of 2 x 1 contest callsigns for individual radio amateurs. With few exceptions, Norwegian 2 x 1 call signs have been reserved for club stations, which also may use the LN prefix in contests.

The new callsigns will use the LC prefix and single-letter suffixes, are available to all radio amateurs with a Norwegian callsign, are issued for contest use only, and must be renewed every 5 years. The new callsign format was used for the first time in April during Norsk Hammeeting 2018, Norway's biggest ham radio event.

Callsigns applied for by several contesters were allocated by random drawing. Norsk Radio Relæ Liga (NRRL), Norway's national ham radio organization, is administering the callsign program. "We hope the shorter callsigns will improve the QSO rates and callsign readability, and reduce the error rates for our contacts," said Rag Stein-Roar Brobakken, LB3RE, the head of NRRL's Contest Committee.

LY, LITHUANIA. Operators Alis/LY2BKT, Rimas/LY2CO, Arvydas/LY2DX, Raimondas/LY2RJ, Grazvyda/LY2TS, Darius/LY3DA, Rolandas/LY4A, Goran/SM0DRD and Kaspars/YL1ZF will be active as LY2A during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 26-27th) as a Multi-? entry. QSL via LoTW.

PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (May 14-20th).....

May/14th AN	May/17th DIS	May/19th AN
May/15th AN	May/18th HN	May/20th AN
May/16th AN		

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 <<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>
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 DB0SDX by Lothar, DL1SBF <www.qslinfo.eu> [May 13th]

1U4UN via UA3DX	HI9/F5PLR via F5PLR & (L)	RP73RO via RV3LZ
3F6IC via HP1AVS	HP1ELV via HP1RCP	RP73SP via RA3LV
5C2P via IK2PZC & (L)	II0FOC via IK0IXI	RW2F via DK4VW (d)
9H3GO via IZ8ALA	II3ANA via IN3HUU	SK0EN via SM0DFP
9H3JI via F5SGI	L50A via LU4AAO or (e)	SN0BEM via SP5KVV
CP6CL via W3HNC	LY80FOC via LY2PX	S01CC via DL1CC
CR62EBU via CS5LX or (e)	OH0CO via SM6CCO & (L)	S01RE via DK8RE
DM90AIW via DL9FA (N)	OL9W via OK2BIQ	SV/DJ8QP via DJ8QP
DR9A via DK8SG	OT70LGE via ON7SS	TA4/G4IJD via G4IJD
EM0I via UT2IZ	OT70UBA via ON4CAS	TC0AX via M0SDV
EM73V via UT4VWA	P40AU via W6EU	TM5FI via F5XX
EM80FOC via UR5MM	PB18MILL via PB7Z & (L)	TM8U via ON8AZ
GB1LL via (G-B/e)	PB6MILL via PA7DA & (L)	Z61KR via 9A1R
HB0/HB9WDF via HB9WDF	PI40FL via PA3HEB	
HB0/PG8M/P via PG8M & (L)	R1895DR via R1895DR (e)	

(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (*-B) DX's- Bureau
(O) OQRS only (C) ClubLog only (L) LoTW only (N) No QSL needed
(I) No IRC (P) PayPal

LOGS ONLINE AT CLUBLOG.ORG THIS WEEK.....

<https://clublog.org/logsearch/C8T> (Updated/Now online)
<https://clublog.org/logsearch/C96RRC> (Updated/Now online)
<https://clublog.org/logsearch/C98RRC> (Updated/Now online)
<https://clublog.org/logsearch/OG0C>
<https://clublog.org/logsearch/TE6DX>
<https://clublog.org/logsearch/XZ2A> (Updated/Now online)

3B7A DXPEDITION DXCC AND LOTW STATUS.....

From the 3B7A Facebook page <<https://www.facebook.com/SaintBrandonDX>>:
Dears friends -- "Few days ago we have submitted the documentation to the DXCC desk. The 3B7A operation has been accepted for DXCC program! Today, we are happy to provide the LoTW upload to our 'early donors' and those who have already requested their DIRECT cards through OQRS. We will make the complete log upload later in a couple of weeks."

NEW QSL MANAGER. QSL Manager Tim Beaumont, M0URX?, reports that John, HK3C, in Bogotá, Columbia, has asked Tim to take over QSL duties of his callsign, HK3C. Tim will also be looking after his older callsigns of HK3AK and HK3OZ. The logs have been uploaded to OQRS and are active. A new QSL card will be designed shortly so QSL requests will be confirmed as soon as he has a new stock of cards:

<https://www.m0urx.com/3-M0URX/779-hk3c-log-uploaded-to-oqrs.html>

RSGB BUREAU NEWS. The RSGB Bureau Team will be at the Dayton Hamvention next weekend, and an expected influx of QSL cards from Dayton will make them very busy afterwards. All Members, clubs and special event stations are asked to delay sending any other cards to the Bureau until after

June 3rd.

QSLs RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 3B7A, 5R8UI, 5U5R, 5W1SA, 5X1NH, 7Q7EI, 8R1/AG6UT, 9G5AR, DG3RAP, DS4AOW, E7DX, E77DX, EA7JW, G0JKZ, HB9ACA, KG4TO, KH9/N7NVK, PY2CAT, SP9OUM, SQ9PRL, VK2FAD, VK4AFU, VK2FAD, VK4SN, VK9MA, YJ0AG and ZL80FOC

QSLs RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 5A1AL, TY1TT and V85T

QSLs RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 3Z70AR, 5B4ALJ, 5B30ES, 5B70VE, 5J0P, 5P1EG, 5W0VC, 8Q7SP, 9N7WE, C4A, CT8/SP7VC, E44WE, E51EAQ, HF0H, HF10LOS, HF36POL, HF90ROP, HF100PP, HF800L, J3/SP3CFM, J6/SP7TF, J8/SP7TF, S79SP, SN0WFF, SO670BY, SP9YFF/P, SV5/SP7VC, T2AQ, T6LR, VK9XSP, VP2VAK, XU7AKC, YQ0U, YR0UCRR, ZA/SQ3RX and ZA/ZA1P

SU9, EGYPT. Nacho, EA1AK/EA7TN, continues to be active as SU9JG from Gezira Island, in the Nile River, near Cairo (Zone 34). Activity has been on FT8 and on 30/20/17/15/10 meters. QSL via LoTW or EA5GL. Check QRZ.com for more details, especially for QSOs on FT8.

VK9L, LORD HOWE ISLAND (Update/Reminder). The Australian team's flight to Lord Howe Island was "cancelled due to stormy WX" on the island earlier this week. However, they re-scheduled to try again Saturday morning (Sydney time), May 12th. By the time you read this, they should be active as VK9LI from Lord Howe Island (OC-004) until May 18th. Operators mentioned are Chris/VK3QB, Brenton/VK3YB and Luke/VK3HJ. Activity will be on 160-17 meters using CW, SSB and FT8. They plan to have two stations on the air. QSL via VK2CA, direct, by the Bureau, LoTW (preferred; possible daily uploads) or ClubLog's QQRS (after QRT). They have a FaceBook page with updates at:

<https://www.facebook.com/VK9LI-Lord-Howe-Island-188704095218234>

VP5, TURKS AND CAICOS. Mickey, AK5Q, was expected to be active as VP5/KC5WXA, but had to use the callsign VP5/AK5Q instead. Activity will end May 14th. AK5Q is operating holiday style on 20 meters using FT8. QSL via his home callsign or LoTW later this year.

XV, VIETNAM. Mats, RM2D (SM6LRR), will once again be active as XV2D from Phan Tiet between November 19th and December 1st (approx.). Activity will be holiday style, but he will make a serious effort for the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th). Entry category will be defined later [possibly Single-Band or All-Band]. Activity before and after the contest will be mainly on CW, SSB, and possibly some Digital modes, on 40-10 meters including the 30/17/12m bands. QSL via LoTW or direct to SM6LRR. NO Bureau QSLs.

Z6, KOSOVO (Reminder). Operators Emir/9A6AA and Robert/9A5RBJ will be active from Peja as Z68AA and Z68RBJ, respectively, between May 14-21st. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and FT8, with 100 watts and wire antennas. QSL via their home callsigns or LoTW.

ZA, ALBANIA. Waldi, SP7IDX, will be active as ZA/SP7IDX from Vlore (WW Loc. JN90rk) between August 5-12th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using SSB and the Digital modes. Equipment will be a Flex 6300ATU, Maestro, Arlan Communications RG50SL, Hexbeam, HyEndFed 30/40m and portable Alpha EZ 2.0. QSL via the Bureau (PZK 03) or direct (w/2 IRCs or 2 USDs to cover his mail costs). QSLs without SAE and return postage are answered via the Bureau). NO eQSL. All contacts will also be uploaded on a regular basis to LoTW and ClubLog.

ZF, CAYMAN ISLANDS. Frank, K3TRM, will be active as ZF2RM from the Cayman Brac (NA-016) sometime during summer (dates have not been announced yet). Activity is usually on 40-10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and Satellite. His equipment is an IC-706MKIIG with a Elecraft KPA-500 500-watt amp into a G5RV and Arrow antenna. QSL via K3TRM, direct, by the Bureau, LoTW or ClubLog.

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