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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 17th/June, through Sunday, 24th/June there were 211 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5R, 5T, 5U, 5V, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7X, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, 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, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, JA, JD/m, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH8, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PY, PY0F, PZ, R1FJ, S0, S5, S7, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TU, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VP2E, VP8, VR, VU, XE, XX9, XZ, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, 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".

3Y0Z DXPEDITION (The Complete Story). Bob, K4UEE, narrated an interesting PowerPoint presentation at both the recent DX Forum at the Dayton Ham-Venture and the W5DXCC/HamCom. This presentation includes a summary of the 3Y0Z DXpedition with stunning pictures, their Vessel vetting process, what they learned, planned refund of remaining funds, another attempt, and some personal observations of K4UEE. Presentation is now available on YouTube at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Nq7degLxJ0w>

8Q, MALDIVES (Reminder). Daniel, SM0UDH, will be active as 8Q7DT from Horubadhoo, Baa Atoll, Maldives Islands (AS-013, WW Loc. MJ65MD), between June 24th and July 9th. Activity will be holiday style on various HF bands using SSB, JT9, JT65 and FT8, with an ICOM IC-7300 transceiver and a simple antenna. QSL via his home callsign, direct, by the Bureau, ClubLog, LoTW or eQSL.

BW, TAIWAN (Reminder). Bodo, DF8DX, will be active as BW/DF8DX from Taiwan (AS-020) between June 24-30th. Activity usually will be on 40-10 meters using mainly CW with 100 watts into a vertical antenna. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau, direct or LoTW.

CO0, CUBA (Special Event). Look for special event station to be active as CO0SCU from Santiago de Cuba with between July 2-4th. Activity is to commemorate the 120th anniversary of the Naval Battle during the Spanish, Cuban, American War. Operations will be on all bands using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via the Bureau or direct (including SASE/IRC) to: P.O. Box 5 Santiago de Cuba, 90100, Cuba.

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS (Early Announcement). Hans-Martin, DK2HM, will be active as E51HMK from Rarotonga Island (OC-013), South Cook Islands, sometime during March 2019. Activity will be on various HF bands. QSL via his home callsign, direct, by the Bureau, LoTW, ClubLog's OQRS or eQSL. Look for more information to be forthcoming.

ED8, CANARY ISLANDS. Members of the GDXGC (Group DX Gran Canaria) and Radio Amateurs of the Northwest Gran Canaria Island will be active as ED8RY from the Canary Islands (AF-004, DIE S-005, DME 35009, MVGC 0109, WW Loc. IL28ed) between July 7-8th. Activity is to celebrate the 300th anniversary of Drago de Gáldar. Operations will be on various HF bands using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via the Bureau, LoTW, eQSL or the QSL Manager EA8AKN.

H4, SOLOMON ISLANDS (Update/Reminder). Haru, JA1XGI, will be active as H44XG from Honiara, Solomon Islands, between June 21-27th. Activity will be limited due to business/holiday style on 40/30/20/15/10 meters using mainly CW, sometimes FT8. QSL via his home callsign, direct, by the Bureau, ClubLog's OQRS or LoTW. For more details and updates, see:
<http://island.geocities.jp/h44xg>

H44, SOLOMON ISLANDS. By the time you read this, Bernhard, DL2GAC, will once again be active as H44MS from Malaita Island (OC-047) in the Solomon Islands until July 12th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters on SSB. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

IOTA NEWS.....

- AS-032. Kenji, JA4GXS, will be active as JA4GXS/6 from Tanega Island between October 13-15th. Activity will be on 40/20/17 meters using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.
- AS-200. Takeshi "TAKE"/JI3DST(JS6RRR) will once again be active as JI3DST/5 from Shodo Island (in the Shikoku's Coastal Islands) between June 22-24th. Activity will be on 80/40/30/20/17/15/12/10/6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, FT8 and FM. This operation is subject to change because of bad WX or other conditions. QSL JI3DST/5 via the Bureau or direct by ClubLog's OQRS. Please check QRZ.com for more details. For more details and possible updates, see QRZ.com or <http://blog.goo.ne.jp/ji3dst>.
- EU-131. Several members of the ARI Mestre Team will be active as IQ3ME/p from Pellestrina Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th). QSL via IQ3ME, direct or by the Bureau.
- NA-062. Operators Faith/AE4FH, Hope/KM4IPF and Jim/WX4TV, who are very young operators, will be active as K3Y from Key Vaca (Marathon), Florida Keys, during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Multi-Single/Low-Power entry. QSL via WX4TV or LoTW.
- NA-144. Oleh, KD7WPJ, will be active from Santa Rosa Island (WW Loc. CM93) between July 2-4th. Activity will primarily on 50 MHz, using FT8, CW and SSB, but there will be also some CW QRP operations on IOTA frequencies. To receive QSL directly, please send sufficient funds that will cover mailing expenses. Please be informed that his address has been changed. His current address is: Oleh Kernytsky, 1089 Bluebell Dr., Apt. 412, Livermore, CA 94551, USA.
- MULTI-IOTA TOUR. Gabriele, IK3GES, will be activating several IOTAs (as well as some WFF references) throughout Northern Europe from six different countries between June 25th and August 3rd. IOTAs mentioned are EU-128, EU-029, EU-043, EU-033, EU-076, EU-101, EU-173, EU-097, EU-140, EU-139, EU-084, EU-087, EU-129, EU-132, EU-057 and EU-037. Specific dates were not mentioned

for the islands. Watch QRZ.com for possible updates. QSL via IK3GES, direct or by the Bureau. ClubLog's OQRS (preferred) will be available when he returns home.

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.....

KH1/KH7Z BAKER ISLAND DXPEDITION NEWS.....

- * It was reported on June 19th: The majority of the team is now gathered in Pago Pago, American Samoa. 10 out of the 14 team members have arrived, and the other four are all in route. The NAI'A is expected to arrive in Pago Pago at approx. 1900z today. The team plans on boarding the NAI'A tomorrow to get ready to leave port Wednesday [June 20th]. Photos of team are available at:

http://kh7z.net/wp-content/uploads/2018/06/IMG_0001.jpg

https://pbs.twimg.com/media/Df_RtW8W4AAAY6Dn.jpg

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- * It was reported on June 20th: The 2018 DXpedition to Baker Island is proud to announce that on 20th June around noon local time the team made an on-time departure for Baker Island. We still plan on arriving on the 26th of June and immediately build the infrastructure for a safe and productive stay. Please monitor our website for updates along the way. We plan to activate several grid squares along the way too. We look forward to providing many ATNO contacts over the next few weeks. Links to our Garmin tracker and blog are available at <<http://www.baker2018.net>>. Photo of the whole team is available at: <http://kh7z.net/wp-content/uploads/2018/06/departureteam.jpg>

- * June 23rd update: We are entering Day 4 of our voyage to Baker. We have moved to grid square AI25. With 600 nautical miles traveled, we have 345 NM to go. Our DeLorme Inreach beacon can be found on the Baker Island website <baker2018.net> and blog page <kh7z.net..

We have been on the air on both CW and FT8 DXpedition mode. A few calling have still not downloaded the latest WSJT-X software, or have not checked off the hound button.

The team is resting up in advance of the work we will have Monday setting up the camp..... Don, N1DG, and Kevin, K6TD aboard the NAI'A

OJ, MARKET REEF (Press Release, dated June 20th). Martti, OH2BH, sent out the following [edited]:

OJOC -- YOUTH ON THE AIR FROM ALWAYS CHALLENGING MARKET REEF

July 21-28th and August 18-25th - LOCATION 60.18.06N & 19.07.89E

The Market Reef light house is located low-to-the-sea where waves are often rolling over the entire DXCC entity. With no jetty, landing can be hazardous with small zodiacs often being pushed hard by the sea. Life at the lighthouse is plain and simple with all participants sharing the daily duties. But pileups are never ending when the OJOC callsign hits the air-waves.

<https://www.qrz.com/db/OJOAM/>

The Finnish Lighthouse Society (FLS) and Amateur Radio League of Finland (SRAL) in conjunction with OH-DX-Foundation (OHDXF) and the DX University (DXU) are organizing a first-ever -- INTERNATIONAL YOUTH AT SEA (IYAS) - cultural exchange based radio activity. This first-ever IYAS is observed by several international ham organizations and is a candidate for a permanent annual event. <https://sral.info/2018/06/19/market-calling/>

The 2018 youth team members are Nuuti, OH1UBO, Elias, OH2EP, Otava, OH3OT, Mikael, OH3UAF, Pieter, ON3DI, Florian, OE3FTA and Ilie, YO3IMD, all 16 to 25 years of age.

These young operators will be participating in daily workshops of safety and survival at sea in the remote lighthouse. In addition, they will become familiar with the latest digital modes and most important, learning how operating the radio efficiently: Providing OJOC contacts - and handling the thundering pileups - with a smile by following long-established guidelines as set forth in DXpeditioning Basics from the DXU. Their instructors

are those Market veterans: Martti, OH2BH, Henri, OH3JR and Pasi, OH3WS.
QSL OJ0C via OH3JR.

P2, PAPUA NEW GUINEA. Roly, ZL1BQD, will once again be active as P29RR from Wewak between July 1-25th. Activity will probably be mainly on 40/20 meters using CW and the Digital modes (FT8, JT65, JT9). QSL via his home callsign direct, LOTW or eQSL.

PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT June 25th-July 1st).....

Jun/25th AN Jun/28th AN Jun/30th AN
Jun/26th AN Jun/29th HN Jul/01st AN
Jun/27th HN

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) bandcondition 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/hf/>

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> [June 24th]

3Z0BLY via SP2PMW EN25NR1A via UT7NW R18CRO via UA6YW
5B/EI7HBB via EI7HBB GB0FWC via M0TVU R25RFF via RZ3EC
5Q8FWC via OZ1ACB GB2RAM via G0FYX R25RLHA via RZ3EC
DF0ESA via DL6API GM/DH5JBR/P via DH5JBR SV2/RW3AL via RW3AL
DM0E via DL6UKW IQ5ZR via 9A5URI T88HR via JH1MLO
EA5IQX via DK1RU J42OSE via SZ2T (B/d/L) TC179JAN via TC179JAN (L)
ED7O via EA7EU (d) OD5ZZ via NI5DX (d) V31MA via M0OXO & (L)
EF0F via EA4URE OH0/PA0VHA via PA0VHA ZV8FF via PS8RV & (L)
EF5T via EA5HT OH0/PG2A via PG2A
EN25BR1A via UT7NW OZ/DL9DAN via DL9DAN

(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/H44XG>

QSLs RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 4L0A, 9L1YXJ, FJ/AI5P, JA1WSK, JA1EDG, JA8BNP, JG6QHE, JH1GZE, JR1BAS, KG4WH, LU8HGI, OE3KLU, OK5CW, TF1A, VA3KS, VK5CE/6 (OC-193) and YI0FIFA

QSLs RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3C0W, 3C3W, 3Y5X, TY7C, VA7XW/VE2 (NA-038), VE7ACN/VE2 (NA-084) and VU2BGS

QSLs RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 3F6IC

T8, PALAU. Operators Yutaka/JH1MLO, Chusuke/JR1FKR and Tatsuko/JJ1BDT are now active as T88HR, T88TJ and T88YL, respectively, from the Palau Rental Shack on Koror Island (OC-009) <http://palau.rental-shack.com> until June 28th. Activity will be holiday style on 80-15 meters using SSB and RTTY. QSL via their home callsign.

T01, MARTINIQUE. Hideto, JF2QNM, will be active as T01J from Martinique (NA-107) between October 24-30th. Activity will be on various HF bands (including the 30/17/12 meter bands) using CW and SSB. He also plans to be in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via his home callsign.

V2, ANTIGUA. Philippe, EA4NF, will be active as V26NF from Antigua (NA-100) between August 12-19th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

V6, MICRONESIA (Updated IOTA Plans). Members of the Nara DX Association have decided to be active as V6J from the rare IOTA Ta Islands (OC-254) between July 19-31st. Operators mentioned are Tosy/JA3FGJ (V63GJ), Sanny/JJ3CIG (V63SS) and Mami/JP3AYQ (V63YL). Pilot station is JJ3PRT. Activity will be on 40/30/20/17/15 meters as well as 6 meters. Operations will be on CW, SSB, RTTY and FT8 using three rigs (FT-857, FT-991 and IC-7000) with KPA500 (500W) and homemade PA (500W) amps. QSL via JP3ATQ, ClubLog's OQRS (recommended) or SASE. No Bureau or No LoTW please. Look for updates to be posted on QRZ.com.

Z6, KOSOVO (ARRL Writes About The "Unauthorized and Illegal" Prefix). See the ARRL's Letter (June 21st) or their Web page at: <http://www.arrl.org/news/view/assigning-kosovo-z6-call-signs-unauthorized-and-illegal-itu-secretary-general-says>

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