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From HQ

Debby says...welcome in to the very hot new year. We must have complained too much to the Gods about last summer, we are certainly getting our share now.

The year has started off with great gusto for amateurs with the allocation of the 60m licence and applications coming in for signing and logging to the web page. My apologies if I am not getting these on to the web fast enough for you, however after the initial overtime worked to log them, I am now trying to fit this work into my normal day. It's taking a little longer than anticipated, hence the delay.

If you have any questions about the workings of 5MHz, please contact Phil Holliday phil@cliftonbay.co.nz he is the team leader of this project and much more capable than I am to answer your very technical questions.

For those of you who do not receive your February Break In, you may need to contact me, I have yet to receive a number of subscriptions, and perhaps you are one of these people? Otherwise I may have overlooked your payment as we received a record 343 payments at the end of November.

Let's all keep the enthusiasm for working the airwaves going for the entire year.

Talk soon...Debby ZL2DL

Special Event Station - EI100MCV

I would like to draw your attention to a Special Event Station EI100MCV which commemorates the sinking in World War One of the Dun Laoghaire to Holyhead Mail Boat (RMS Leinster) with the loss of 567 people. The largest loss of life in the Irish Sea.

Among those lost were the following New Zealand service personnel;

New Zealand Army Second Lieutenant Henry Doyle

New Zealand Army L/Cpl. Peter Freitas

Further details can be found on www.QRZ.com

Regards and best wishes for 2018

Robert Brandon ei5kh

National Maritime Museum of Ireland ei0nmimi

Special Event Station - 250th Anniversary of Captain Cook's 1st Voyage

Hello,

My name is Nigel Ferguson, GØBPK. I am a member and Special Events/Contest Manager of Pontefract And District Amateur Radio Society (PDARS). I am also, a member of the Captain Cook Society (no 407).

PDARS have a long history of putting on Special Event Stations (SESs) and Special SESs such as GBØBUZZ for the visit of Buzz Aldrin (See Space Lectures www.space-lectures.com) , GB8ØØMC to celebrate Pontefract's involvement in Magna Carta 800 years earlier (one of the 25 Barons present was John de Lacy from Pontefract) and G1ØØRSGB for the RSGB's centenary.

2018 marks the 250th anniversary of one of the greatest voyages of exploration in history. It has been likened to the 18th century's equivalent of NASA's Apollo missions. However, unlike the NASA missions, this voyage was going into the unknown, with no possible hope of help if disaster struck.

It was the First Voyage of discovery by Lt. James Cook RN. A Lieutenant in the Navy, he had risen from a humble background through the ranks, something extremely rare for those times.

Originally sailing on Whitby colliers he learnt his trade in the North Sea. Surprisingly he then left and joined the Navy. In Quebec, during the war with France, he learnt surveying techniques, made an accurate survey of the St. Lawrence River and reported astronomical observations, which brought him to the attention of the Admiralty who were looking for someone to command a venture to the South Pacific.

The Royal Society (RS) had approached the Admiralty for a ship to sail to Tahiti and view the Transit of Venus in 1769, a rare astronomical observation. The Admiralty insisted that the Captain should be from the Navy, and not a civilian as the RS had demanded. James Cook was chosen.

This was the first scientific voyage of discovery. The gentlemen scientists included Dr. Daniel Solander (naturalist), Charles Green (astronomer), Sydney Parkinson and Alexander Buchan (artists) and Joseph (later Sir Joseph) Banks (naturalist) and his secretary Herman Spöring.

The Admiralty also had secret orders for Lt. Cook. Once the observation had been completed, he was ordered to search for the Great Southern Continent, a fabled land that was supposed to exist in the South Pacific.

As to the ship, a Whitby collier, "The Earl of Pembroke" was chosen, renamed HM Bark "Endeavour", and, on 25th August 1768, the little ship sailed into legend.

There is far too much about this voyage to write about here, but there are numerous books available and you can visit the Captain Cook Society website, www.captaincooksociety.com for further information of this extraordinary explorer and voyage.

PDARS are pleased to announce that they have been given the Special SES callsign GB25ØCC to mark this voyage. We can hold a Notice of Variation (NOV) to my licence for a period of 28 days. We intend applying for a NOV for this call to coincide with key moments in the voyage, and make contact (if possible) with the Pacific islands that Cook was visiting 250 years earlier. The first NOV is 23/8/2018 to mark the sailing from Plymouth. Hopefully Ofcom will continue to allow us NOVs for this callsign for the next 3 years until the Endeavour returned home.

We will confirm all contacts by LOTW and eQSL. Anyone who wishes a QSL card should either send their own QSL card direct to me, GØBPK, qthr (SAE & \$2 please), or via the RSGB bureau. All details will be on QRZ.com in due course.

AWARD / SPECIAL EVENT "BERSAGLIERI RUNNING STEPS"



ASSOCIAZIONE RADIOAMATORI ITALIANI
SAN DONA' DI PIAVE (VENICE) CHAPTER



AWARD / SPECIAL EVENT "BERSAGLIERI RUNNING STEPS "

The San Donà di Piave (Venice) Chapter of the Italian Amateur Radio Association, on the occasion of **the 66th Bersaglieri National Rally held in San Donà di Piave** on May 2018, organizes a AWARD / SPECIAL EVENT named "**Bersaglieri Running steps**". Participation is open to all OM and SWL, Italians and Foreigners. For the duration of the event, a special call sign **II3B** will be used.

Regulations

Art. 1 Participation.

Participation is open to all world OMs and SWLs, both Italians and Foreigners.

Art. 2 Duration.

Competition shall begin at 00.00 UTC on March 1st 2018 and ending at 00.00 UTC on May 31st 2018.

Art. 3 RF Spectrum.

Only connections in HF 10, 15, 20, 40, and 80 meters are valid.

Art. 4 Modes.

SSB - CW - BPSK31 and RTTY (In accordance with the IARU band plan)

Art. 5 Connections.

QSOs with radioamateurs registered in the ARI CHAPTERS of Treviso, Mestre, Venice, Cosenza, Portogruaro, Pordenone, Caserta and San Donà di Piave are valid and each one of them shall be worth one point.

At least one QSO with special station **II3B** - worth 6 points - and one with the **IQ3SD** station - worth 3 points - are mandatory.

When the special station is operated outside San Donà di Piave, the call sign will be

II3B/3 if in Veneto, **II3B/IV3** in Friuli Venezia Giulia and **II3B/8** in Campania or Calabria.

Each QSOs with IQ3TR, IQ3ME, IQ3VE, IQ8CS, IQ3MV, IQ3PN and IQ8DO Chapter's Stations are worth 2 points.

Accredited radio stations, including chapters call sign and special call sign, may be contacted multiple times on the same day but only on different bands (eg I3XXX contacted on SSB 40 meters can no longer be connected the same day on 40 meters even with a different output mode than SSB, but it can be connected on other bands always with only one emission mode).

QSOs with the same call sign are valid provided that they are made on different and later days.

QSOs are valid only if made directly and without the help of repeaters or remote stations.

Art. 6 Call and Reports to be exchanged.

Stations, participating in the contest, shall call on frequencies as follows

SSB: CQ CQ Special Event 66° Bersaglieri National Rally

CW and DIGITAL: CQ CQ 66 II3B

Activating stations, in addition to receiving reports, will communicate QSO progressive number and points assigned to the station. **Each activating station, excluding Chapter's call sign and special call sign, shall not operate for more than 10 days of their choice, of which at least 3 in March and 4 in April, excluding any radio activity on Saturdays and Sundays on bands of 40 and 80 meters. In addition, all radio stations, including Chapter's call sign and except only for special call sign, cannot perform radio activity of any kind on any band on the following days: March 3d, 4th, 17th, 18th, 24th, 25th; April 21st, 22d; May 5th, 6th.**

Art. 7 Rankings.

Separate rankings will be produced according to the following categories:

Foreign HF OM / YL, (if Foreign participants are less than ten, they will be included in the Italians OM / YL ranking)

Italian HF OM / YL,

Italian and Foreign HF SWL;

OM / YL activators, belonging to participating ARI Chapters with higher total number of QSOs;

Art. 8 Prizes. The top three classifieds of each category and the YL Italiana stations, foreigners and activists who have made the most of the QSO, will be awarded special prizes **that may consist of stays at a tourist venue of Eastern Veneto and / or local products offered by sponsors sent to the National Bersaglieri Association.**

Awards will be specified on the website: <https://arisandona.jimdo.com/> Additionally, the first three classified of each category will receive a commemorative plaque of the event.

Anyone who has reached at least a score of 66 points will have a Special Diploma of the event. OM / YL activating will be eligible for a degree only if they have reached 100 QSOs. Participating ARI Chapters shall be entitled to the diploma for the sole reason that they have operated with the Chapter call sign.

Diplomas will be available, free of charge, in digital format (PDF) from ARI San Donà di Piave website or, for those who want to receive it printing, the contribution to costs reimbursement, printing and shipping is Euro 8.00 or \$10.00, payable as specified in the ARI San Donà di Piave Chapter website.

Art. 9 Log.

Logs, should be sent by email to the mailbox ii3b@arisandona.it in electronic format (preferably Cabrillo or Adif. Excel is also accepted) with the subject: II3B_CALL (Example: II3B_I3XXX) by and not later than June 15th, 2018.

Exceptionally, logs are also accepted in printed format as long as they do not exceed a maximum of 100 totalized points. All logs sent out after the specified time will be included in the rankings queue as control logs only, but will be eligible for the Diploma if requested.

We recommend using the "QARTest" software in the "dxpedition" function that can be downloaded free of charge at http://www.ik3qar.it/software/qartest_ita/

For activators: the logs must be sent by June 15, 2018 to the mailbox ii3b@arisandona.it, by mail in electronic format **EXCLUSIVELY** in Adif format, using the "QARTest" software in the function "Dxpedition" can be downloaded free of charge at http://www.ik3qar.it/software/qartest_ita/

Log submission entails acceptance of the Rules and Decisions of the Organizing Committee. Each decision of the Organizing Committee and of the Contest Manager will be final and unenforceable.

Art. 10 Special QSL.

All those who got connected with II3B station will receive a QSL Special via Bureau, in case of a direct dispatch request must be enclosed a self-addressed envelope stamped with € 5.00 or \$ 6.00 at the QSL Manager address indicated on QRZ.COM

THE CONTEST MANAGER

I3PVB Gianpietro Casagrande

The CWops Award for Advancing the Art of CW

CWops is pleased to announce that it is now accepting nominations for this prestigious award for the year 2018.

The purpose of the award is to recognize individuals, groups, or organizations that have made the greatest contribution(s) toward advancing the art or practice of radio communications by Morse code.

Criteria - Candidates for the award may be one or more of the following:

- Authors of publications related to CW
- CW recruiters, trainers, mentors, coaches and instructors
- Public advocates of CW
- Organizers of CW activities
- Designers and inventors who advance the art or practice of CW
- Other contributors to the art or practice of CW

Note: The award is **not** limited to amateur radio operators and organizations.

Nomination

Nominations may be made by anybody (not limited to CWops members). Nominations should be emailed to <awards@cwops.org> with a copy to <secretary@cwops.org> . In order to be considered, a nomination must be received by April 12, 2018 and include:

- Name(s) and call sign(s) (if applicable) of nominee(s), and complete contact information including their postal address(es), email address(es), and telephone number(s).
- A detailed explanation supporting nominee qualifications according to the above criteria.
- Name, telephone number, email address, and call sign (if applicable) of the person submitting the nomination.

Presentation of Award

A plaque will be presented at the Dayton Hamvention. If the recipient(s) is/are not present, it will be sent to them.

Off to Friedrichshafen

Hi, my wife Carol and I will be attending the Ham Radio show at Friedrichshafen in Germany this year. We are keen to hear of any other ZL's who are planning on being there so that we can get together for a meal or coffee etc. while in Germany. Happy to swap notes on travel plans etc. Friedrichshafen runs from 1st to 3rd June. It is the second biggest ham radio show worldwide with more than 17,000 people visiting last year and the show is in Bavaria. Much nicer than Dayton! www.hamradio-friedrichshafen.de/ham-en You can contact me at zl3dw@nzart.org.nz or at zl3dw@qsl.net.

Official Broadcast

The Official Broadcast is made on the last Sunday of each month except:

- December when the Broadcast is made on the Sunday before Christmas.
- January when there is no broadcast

The broadcast is made on 3900 kHz, and on the National System and local VHF repeaters.

The broadcast is made at 2000 hours (8:00 pm), with a repeat at 2100 hours (9:00 pm).

Members and Branches are welcome to submit material for inclusion in the Broadcast to the e-mail or postal address shown below.

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73, Jim ZL2BHF

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