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YASME FOUNDATION SUPPORTING GRANT TO ARISS AND EXCELLENCE AWARDS [edited]

The Board of Directors of The Yasme Foundation announces that it has made a significant grant to ARISS (Amateur Radio on the International Space Station, <[www.ariss.org](http://www.ariss.org)>) in support of the Critical Infrastructure Fund. Yasme has supported this important upgrade to the ISS amateur station since the effort began and challenges other organizations and individuals to support it, as well. As of late 2018, ARISS is the only non-commercial entity being considered for NASA's Deep Space Gateway program, indicating the importance with which the space program views amateur radio. Putting and keeping amateur radio in space is a significant expense and needs the support of the entire amateur community.

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The Yasme Excellence Award is presented to individuals and groups who, through their own service, creativity, effort and dedication, have made a significant contribution to amateur radio. The contribution may be in recognition of technical, operating or organizational achievement, as all three are necessary for amateur radio to grow and prosper. The Yasme Excellence Award is in the form of a cash grant and an individually-engraved crystal globe.

The Board of Directors of The Yasme Foundation is pleased to announce the latest recipients of the Yasme Excellence Award:

Brian Machesney, K1LI, and Michelle Guenard ? in recognition of their extraordinary efforts on behalf of Commonwealth of Dominica communities in the wake of the 2017 hurricane season. Their efforts included fund-raising, delivery of communications supplies, on-site support, and application of amateur radio technologies to support the relief efforts which continue today.

Fred Kleber, K9VV/KP2 ? in recognition of Fred's leadership and technical skills that support the Virgin Island's emergency communications capabilities. Fred has been a key player long before hurricanes Irma and Maria devastated the islands. He is hard at work today re-building and extending the interisland communication systems even after his own station suffered extensive damage.

Zorro Miyazawa, JH1AJT ? for his extensive promotion of amateur radio in developing countries. Governments and telecommunications administrators in Bangladesh (S2), Bhutan (A5), Cambodia (XU), Eritrea (E3), and Myanmar (XZ) have benefited from Zorro's patient and skillful efforts, supporting his own government and his fellow amateurs in Japan and around the world.

Stu Phillips, K6TU ? for contributions to amateur radio through his Propagation and DX Strategy website, [www.k6tu.net](http://www.k6tu.net). In particular, his innovative tools, free for amateur use, enhance the use of the High Frequency Terrain Analysis (HFTA) program developed by Dean Straw, N6BV, another Excellence Award recipient in 2012.

Randy Wright, W6CUA ? in recognition of his long service to the Yasme Foundation as our Awards Manager. His steady efforts and exacting attention to detail and customer service are greatly appreciated.

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A5, BHUTAN (From Wayne, N7NG) [edited]. FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE -- dated October, 30, 2018, FROM THIMPHU, BHUTAN -- KINGDOM OF BHUTAN TO BE QRV FOR ANOTHER WEEK -- Martti, OH2BH, remain Bhutan as A52BH on all-bands. While the A5A CQWW team is leaving today (Tuesday), the station will remain QRV as A52BH until Monday next week. The activity will utilize the permanent A5A set-up with multiple beams plus verticals on 160M and 80M. This early in the season the low-band (NA) windows were found extremely narrow but they were there.

Martti will concentrate on the 160/80M U.S windows (UTC 21.00 - 00.00 and UTC 11.00 ? 15.00) CW only. On 40M there is a new 3 element beam for both CW & SSB.

The QTH is at 2300 meters ASL at the campus of the Royal Thimphu College (RTC). The winter is currently settling-in in the Himalay mountains, and the night temperatures are already well under the freezing point.

As we say good-bye to the camaraderie of Franz/DJ9ZB, Champ/E21EIC, Jin/JF1IST and Zorro/JH1AJT, we are all grateful to Zorro, JH1AJT, for making A5A - and this extended - stay possible.

QSL A52BH via OH2BH.

VP6D (ALERT: 160m FT8 Change). We will operate 160m FT8 in Fox / Hound mode, 1.839mhz. We're making this change because of the incredibly high number of callers on 160.

Team Ducie 2018

VP6D 6M (Update/Oct. 30th). Lance, W7GJ, reports: The Degradation was down to - 3.3 dB tonight and the Kp Index was 2. Their signal showed the difference from previous nights. They peaked -18 dB hr tonight - the best so far during their trip! And their last moonrise tomorrow, the Degradation should be another 2 dB lower!

Last night at the end of their moonrise, they worked LZ2CC for #18. Tonight during their moonrise they worked 6 more stations: W7JW, UW7LL, HA0DU, S59P, S59Z and K4PI. The total worked during the last 5 moonrises now stands as 24 stations. Not bad at all for no elevation and not even the best cndx yet!

They will add all the 6m contacts into the main log at the end of the DXpedition. "OQRS via the PDXG system."

GL to all during their final moonrise on Halloween tmrw! VY 73, Lance

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