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With this Month it looks like Summer is really on the way in and with summer, comes the Static and noise on the 20 meter band along with the early morning DX. There has been a lot of the same on the last few mornings and most of the gang are going around a little bleary-eyed from getting up at 5:00 a.m.

However, along with DX on 20 in the mornings there might be a little bet we are all overlooking. That is a mobile rig on 10 phone. Summer, being picnic time, what better than to take the family on a nice picnic, (preferably to the top of some high hill), have the outdoor feed and then knock off a couple of new countries on 10 phone that have been eluding you on either 10, 20 or 40 c.w.

And, don't forget, that any of those mobile contacts will count toward your DXCC, either as additional credit or for original DXCC. That is, providing you don't go out of the State of California.

Well, anyways, it's an idea. If you don't like it you can stay home in the garden but we think we'll give it a try. After all, if you stay on one band, with one activity, one type of emission you'll get stale. So why not give the other fellow's mode of emission a trial, and, the family a treat.

W6PB-Editor.

INFORMATION ON VP8AK Port Stanley

(The following was received by TI and should be of interest to all)

C/O P.M.
Port Stanley
Falkland Isles
20th Feb. 49

Dear Friend:

I am imposing on you to pass along these QSL's as you so kindly offered to do. I think that all are covered by the ARRL organization, the difficulty here being the shortage of call books. So if you would ask through CQ and QST for all to give full QTH's on QSO, also dope on power, ant, WX etc., it would help me in my Ionospheric Studies quite a lot. A QSO with W8XXXX is not much use when one does not know the QTH.

I am very sorry about the quality of cards but the nearest press is some 800 miles away, then it is only a small effort. Also I am sorry to be so tardy with my QSL's but believe me I have been so darn busy that I missed two mails out without even a letter to my folks but I hope to have more time when the ice returns and we are left in peace.

New rig is now operating with 600 Watts to a pair of 813's so I hope to get out a little when there is more time.

So I will be looking for you on the band at all times and hope for many more QSO's in the Winter. By the way the enclosed cards, are, I think, all my W, QSL 100%, so if you hear anybody beefing about not receiving a card from me, the log will be checked and the error rectified on a word from you.

Hope to send you a picture or two in the next mail, then you will have more idea of just who is 8AK.

Goodbye for now and all the very best, Yours to the last burnt out 807 with full set of parasitic

J.W.KNOX
'Jim'
VP8AK

Editor's Note:

Now there is not only a real DX'er but a Ham with a fine spirit and would that lots of other DX stations carried on like Jim, 8AK.

RED HOT PIRATE DOPE!!!

As this DX'er has to go thru the mails we cannot say what we feel but /%#"/&/??*# Dam.!!

We are sorry to inform the gang that LX1SO and LX1HW are both PIRATES and will not count for a thing. Cards have been coming back for these two birds from the Luxemborg QSL Bureau, stamped with their official PIRATE STAMP.

Oh for a large sledgehammer for these two characters noggins.

We heard a character the other night calling CQ and signing ZA2AA then slyly adding: No W6.....A fine thing..However a couple W8, a W4 and a W2 called the guy but that was the last heard of the ZA. He was too loud at the time he was coming through and was for sure another phoney.

A station signing EZ5AA has been authorized, presumably by the French Authorities to operate in the SAAR area of Germany. The QTH is: Georges Lorient, HAUT Commissariat, Direction Information, Sarrebruck, Saar, Germany.

That lends credence to the station we hooked signing EZ4BB who also claimed to be in the Saar.

Annuder Stinker for you.

According to Noel, VR5PL, the station signing VR5R is a PIRATE and is alleged to be near the W2 area.

ON VK9NR-Norfolk Island.

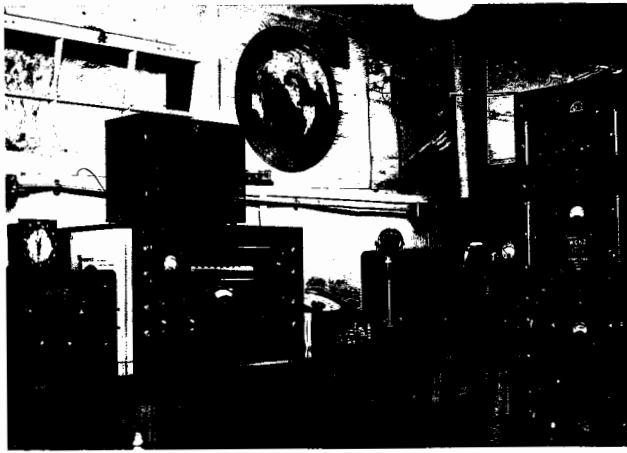
You should be able to get a QSO with Noel as he will be there about two more years.

Mail facilities are slow as regular boat mail only gets there every three months but airmail once a week. To QSL direct address VK9NR as follows:

Noel Roberts,
Aeradio Station,
Norfolk Island,
Via: Sydney, Australia.

a 25¢ Airmail stamp will speed the card along.

ANYTHING TO TRADE, SELL OR IS THERE ANYTHING YOU WANT?? If so, lets have the dope for the DX'er. Its for free and pays off..

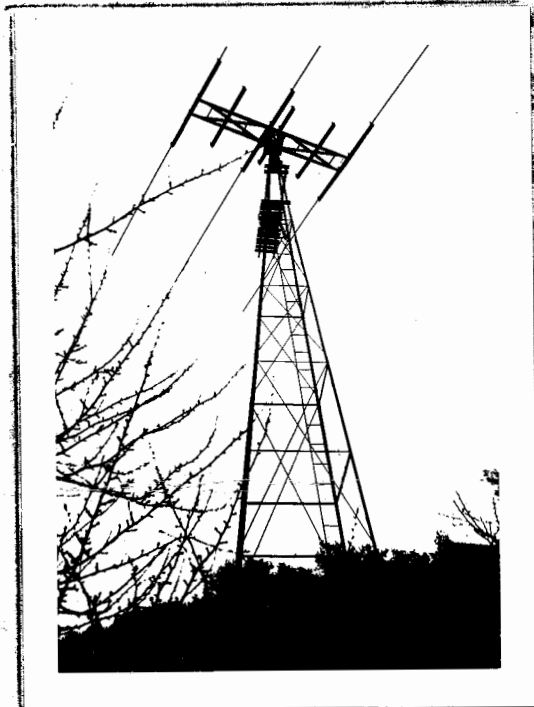


W6NZ-Syd Fass-Berkeley, California--

Located at 84 Vicente Road, Berkeley, is the neat station of W6NZ. Altho' Syd rates the station at 1 KW input on CW we fail to see how he could possibly squeeze much more than 800 Watts with those PP813's and the TECHRAD xmitter. Let us just say that Syd's rig is 1 KW or LESS! The Transmitter can operate on either phone or CW and you may hear W6NZ on either medium of communication.

W6NZ is a real 'OldTimer' having started His Ham career in 1909, which should raise a few eyebrows around as it did ours, as Syd certainly carries his years well. Serving the U.S.N. in both World Wars, Syd was instrumental in organizing the Naval Communication Reserve in this District way back in 1925. Now holding the rank of Commander in the U.S.N.R., W6NZ is still active in the Reserve in the realm for which he is best suited, Communications. With a location right up against the side of a hill its a wonder that NZ gets out in some directions at all, but with the acquisition of a 10/20 rotary, things have been looking up. The 10 meter elements were not in place when the antenna picture was taken.

To date, W6NZ is now up to an even 100 countries worked postwar and is hot after new ones as time permits. Taking care of a large radio business does have it's drawbacks in chasing the early morning and late night DX but most of the time the call W6NZ can be heard in most of the important 'RatRaces.'



-----and ANTENNAS...

From W6OMC-Down the Penn.

Clay sent us this nice list-
Look for it Gang:

HZ1HZ--T9--13998-a.m.
EA8MC--T7-14062-P.M.
ET3AM--T9-14125-7.30/9.00pm
MD1A-T9-141177a.m.
ME2A-T9-14032-5 pm
MT2A-T9-14032-6p.m.
KC6WA-T9-14132-7.00 a.m.
UM8KAA-T8-14118-6/7 a.m.
MP4BAB-T7-14036-a.m.

HEY...HOW ABOUT SOME OF YOU
OTHER GUYS SENDING IN SOME OF THE
CHOICE D X FREQUENCIES AND TIMES
SO THAT ALL MAY BENEFIT.

JUST A REMINDER TO ALL THE GANG*

When working DX and you give your QTH, at Home or our Box number, BE SURE TO ADD: CALIFORNIA. That particular notation is not in the new call book and may be the reason as to why some DX cards may have gone astray.

ZS7B-----SWAZILAND, AFRICA

Been on regular about 7 a.m.
Lately about 14100KC and a T8--
He sez QSL VIA the S.A.R.L.

Now whatinell could we possibly
put in this small space. Nothing we
guess-So nothing it is.

HEARD ISLAND-SOME NEW INFO..

Heard Island was discovered in 1853 by Capt. Heard in the American Ship, ORIENTAL. The Island is swept by gales the year around except for a possible respite of a week or two during December. It is treeless, and the only vegetation is moss. As late as 1920, the Island had an active volcano, so that the cliffs are either black yellow, or glacier ice. It is the home of Penguins and Sea Elephants which are there in abundance.

The location of the Island is 53 Deg. South, 73 Deg. East.

The Ham operators on the Island are VK1FE, (VK4FE) Arthur, and VK1VU, (VK3VU), Ron.

There may be another operator seen in the person of R, Allison of Sydney who is the Medical Officer of the expedition. He has taken the Ham Ex and may hear soon.

All QSL's MUST be sent through W.A. as there is NO mail service to HEARD Island.

The boys will be there another twelve months so most all W's should be able to contact Heard Island.

Frequencies and tentative skeads for VK1VU and VK1FE are:

- 7 MC--1200-1300, 1400-1600
- 14 MC--1000-1200, 1600-1700
- 28 MC-0800-1000, 1800-2000

The above are G.M.T. Plus 5 hours.

Another possible new one...

There will be a French Expedition to ADELIE Land. Two French hams are with the expedition. They are M. Marret and M. Harders. They will be on both phone and CW under the call FB8AX. One rig is a BC610 and a couple of smaller rigs of 20 to 40 watts power. The expedition had hoped to be on the air by April but the gas situation has somewhat curtailed this. However, the schedule for FB8AX will be as follows:

0900-1100 G.M.T. with XTAL control on the following frequencies

- 3520KC
- 3530 KC
- 7040 KC
- 7060 KC
- 14080 KC 28160 KC
- 14120 KC 28240 KC

ANOTHER NEW CERTIFICATE. THE W.A.P.

The Worked All Pacific award has been instituted by the N.Z.A.R.T. to encourage operation in the Pacific area.

1. The WAP award for confirmed contacts with thirty (30) or more countries in the Pac. Area is now available to Amateurs evrywhere in the world.
2. Confirmations must be forwarded direct to N.Z.A.R.T. Hq. P.O. Box 489, Wellington, N.Z.
3. Confirmations must be accompanied by a list of claimed countries to aid in checking.
4. All contacts must be made with Ham stns working in the authorized Ham bands or with other stns licensed to work Hams.
5. All stns contacted must be 'Land Stations'. Contacts with ships, anchored or otherwise, and aircraft, can not be allowed.
6. All stns must be contacted fm the same call area, where such areas exist, or from the same country in cases where there are no call areas. One exception is allowed to this rule; Where a stn is moved from one call area to another, or from one country to another, all contacts must be made from within a radius of 150 miles from the original location.
7. Contacts may be made over any period of years, dating postwar (IE, Since Nov. 1945), provided only that all contacts be made under the provisions of rule 6, and by the same station licensee; Contacts may have been made under different call letters in the same area or country if the licensee for all was the same.
8. All confirlations must be submitted exactly as received from the station worked. Any altered or forged confirmations submitted for WAP will result in the diqualifi- cation of the applicant.
9. Operating Ethics-Fair play and good sportsmanship in operating are required of all Hams working for WAP award, In the event of any specific objections relative to continued poor operating ethics, an individual may be disqualified fm the WAP by action of the NZART Award Committee.

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W.A.P. AWARD(Continued)-----

- 10. A minimum readability of S3 shall be recorded on each confirmation submitted.
- 11. A minimum signal tone of T8 is required for all CW confirmations
- 12. Decisions of the NZART Awards Committee regarding interpretation of the rules as here printed, or later amended, shall be final.
- 13. All applications must be forwarded to the NZART by registered mail. Sufficient postage for the return of the confirmations must be forwarded with the application.
- 14. All certificates will be consecutively numbered and an honor roll showing all those issued will be kept by the secretary of the NZART.

Note:

The Pacific Area known also as: The Continent of Oceania, includes countries with the following prefixes according to zones:-

- Zone 27-DU, KC6, KG6, PK4 29 (30)
- Zone 28-CR10, PK1 to 7, VK9, VR4, VS1, VS2, VS4, VS5.
- Zone 29-VK6, VK8, ZC2, ZC3.
- Zone 30-VK1, VK2, VK3, VK4, VK5, VK7.
- Zone 31-KB6, KH6, KJ6, KM6, KP6, KW6, KX6, VR1, VR3.
- Zone 32- FK8, FO8, FU8, KS6, VR2, VR5, VR6, YJ, ZK1, ZK2, ZL, ZM, VK9.

There you are Gents. Who will be the first NCDX Club man to get a W.A.P.???

NEW MEMBERS TO NCDX CLUB

Altho' the above title isn't on the level the following is: A sincere welcome to W6SC and W6MUC to the Northern California DX Club Inc.

Gotsa DX Boys and don't forget to send in the late stuff you hear.

NOTICE.

No longer will we have any alibies from ole Tickle Ike. His new beam is up and its his own fault if he doesn't work 'em. Course for a while yet anyways he can still holler:Low power. Or at least fairly low power.

Note:The old 80 meter thing is still up as a standby just in case.

Some interesting stuff from Our Hayward Pal, W6UZX.

Jim reports the following new stuff at his place:

- C8FP--084 5 to 1000-14100-T6
- EA3JB-abt 2200-14102-T9
- ZM6AF-0800-14075
- ZM6AL-0645-14023-T9
- LX1AS--2200-14080-T7 (Legit!!)
- VK4SI/VR1-Till 0800-14350 PHONE
- VKLADS-Till 0730-14348-PHONE (On McQuarrie Island)
- ZP5BL-28260-PHONE-Best at 1700
- CP5FB-28430-PHONE-Best 1100
- EA8MC-14065-T7-till 2300
- EK1DO-14092-T9-

NOTE TO ALL THE GANG.....

Another big shipment of Russian QSL's have arrived at the W6 QSL bureau from the ARRL. Be at the meeting and get your rare ones.

SPEAKING OF BEAMS.

W6YI also has a new 10 meter beam up built by RM and designed by UZX. It really works FB but if you know Larry he is a diehard as regards those old time umbrella antennas of his. However, we think he will be converted as a new 20 rotary is also going up.

Note on W6RBQ.

Bill's many friends will be pleased to know that he is making nice progress on the road to recovery from his recent illness. Best of luck Bill and we hope to see you at a meeting again soon.

THE RADIO SHOW IN CHICAGO.

GRM from W6TT and W6DUB will be nil as both are going to the Radio Show in Chicago.

CR10FU!!!!!!!

Was on and contacted by W6 TT on 5/9/49 at 7.30 a.m. BUT as all the W6 on the Coast was persisting in calling all the time the CR10 was on, he left the air. Later on 20 PHONE PK4DA really read the riot act to TT about the actions of the W6 HOGS SoOoooo, it may a tough guy to get ahold of. Mebbe we can get the guy to listen 50 KC away and skip all over the band. We are checking as best as we can on CR10FU being legit. Will know later.

PREDICTIONS FOR MAY AND JUNE, 1949.

COURTESY CQ MAGAZINES INC, AND PERRY FERRELL, ASS. EDITOR CQ

FROM: SAN FRANCISCO TO:		MAY	JUNE
EUROPE	7MC	NOISE LEVEL TOO HIGH HERE	NO OPENINGS - TRY 2000
	14MC	AFTER 1345. ON GOOD NIGHTS STRONG SIGS 2045 TO 2230	AFTER 1530 - PEAK BETWEEN 2200 AND 0300.
	28MC	NO OPENINGS PREDICTED	NO OPENINGS PREDICTED.
SOUTH AFRICA	7MC	1845 TO 2100 BUT WILL TAKE HIGH PWR THIS END	SHOULD BE GOOD BETWEEN 1930 AND 2115.
	14MC	1430 TO 1830. ALSO 2130 TO 0000.	1445 TO 1630. RE-OPENS 2130 TO 0000. FAIR SIGS.
	28MC	1000 TO 1200 - NOT DEPENDABLE	NO OPENINGS PREDICTED.
MIDDLE EAST	7MC	NONE PREDICTED - BUT TRY AROUND 1900.	NO PREDICTIONS
	14MC	1500 TO 2145 ON QUIET DAYS - POOR CONDITIONS.	
	28MC	NO OPENINGS PREDICTED	
AUSTRALASIA	7MC	CONSISTENT 2215 TO 0630	2130 TO 0600 PEAK CONDY AROUND 0300 TO 0315
	14MC	2045 TO 0430. PEAK BETWEEN 0100 AND 0400.	2030 TO 0230. PEAK JUST AFTER MIDNIGHT.
	28MC	REGULAR OPENINGS DAILY - NOON TO 2145 - PEAK 1800 TO 2145.	REG. OPENINGS DAILY - NOON TO 2000 - PEAK 1800 TO 1930.
SOUTHEAST ASIA	7MC	GOOD SIGS 0230 TO 0615. PEAK 0300 TO 0430.	FAIR SIGS 0245 TO 0515 PEAK AROUND 0400.
	14MC	0000 - 0930 PEAK BETWEEN 0430 TO 0730.	0030 TO 0900. PEAK FROM 0230 TO 0530.
	28MC	FEW OPENINGS - LATE P.M. NOT DEPENDABLE.	NO OPENINGS PREDICTED.
SOUTH AMERICA	7MC	CONSISTANT FROM 1800 TO 0300 - FAIR SIGS.	1730 TO 0300 - GOOD SIGS.
	14MC	1445 TO 0200. PEAK 1645 TO 0100. MAY REOPEN 0300 TO 0530.	1500 TO 0515 - PEAK FROM 2300 TO POSSIBLY 0230 ON GOOD DAYS.
	28MC	0800 TO 1630 - CONS. 1300 TO 1630	AS EARLY AS 1100 TO 1530. PEAK 1415 TO 1530.

APRIL CAME THROUGH WITH SOME SURPRISING AND UNPREDICTABLE TEN METER OPENINGS - ON 10 METERS TO EUROPE AT THIS WRITING THE BAND SEEMS FOLDED. AT LEAST FOR THE SEASON. AFRICANS FAIRLY CONSISTANT - BUT GENERALLY NOT VERY STRONG. SOUTH AND CENTRAL AMERICANS HAVE BEEN FAIR TO EXCELLENT IN APRIL.

ON 14 MC ALL CONTINENTS ARE AGAIN REPRESENTED WITH MANY LONG PATH OPENINGS EXCEPT FOR ASIA WHICH SOMETIMES LASTED UNTIL 1100 ON GOOD DAYS. 21 MC IS GOING TO BE A HUMDINGER DURING THE SUMMER MONTHS, THATS FOR SURE - JIM RUY'S W6UZX.

Northern California DX Club Inc. Roster and Postwar Countries

CALL	CW	PHONE	ZONES	DXCC	WAZ
W6AM	183 ✓	103	40	X	X
W6AED		121	37	X	
W6AJF					
W6ATO	100		38		
W6BUY	106		37	X	
W6CTL	126 ✓		39	X	
W6CIS	161 ✓			X	
W6DUB	128		39	X	
W6DZZ	177 ✓		40	X	X
W6EJA	83		37		
W6GIZ	91		32		
W6IDY		142			
W6ITH					
W6IKQ	122 ✓	120	36	X	
W6JK	121		39		
W6KEK	116		39		
W6LDD	134 ✓		40	X	
W6LMZ	189 ✓		36		
W6MEK	205 ✓		40	X	X
W6MJC					
W6MVQ	194 ✓		40	X	X
W6MHB	115		39		
W6MLY	153 ✓		40	X	X
W6MX	205 ✓		40	X	X
W6NZ	97		38		
W6OMC	182 ✓		40	X	X
W6PB	186 ✓		40	X	X
W6PWR		92	32		
W6QDE	85		35		
W6QLH					
W6RBQ	186 ✓		40	X	X
W6RCC	99 ✓		39		
W6RM	184 ✓		40	X	X
W6RRG	80		39		
W6SEC	189 ✓		40	X	X
W6SQ					
W6SR	134 ✓		39		
W6TI	161 ✓		40	X	X
W6TT	201 ✓	126	40	X	X
W6UPV		71	31		
W6UZX	158 ✓	103	40	X	X
W6WB	190 ✓		40	X	X
W6WP	65				
W6WJX	121		40	X	
W6YI		58	28		
W6ZCY	199 ✓		40	X	X
W6ZHI	107		38		
W6HXG	107		38		