

# West Coast DX

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VE-DXpedition Presently the VE-group is split up in the South Pacific with George in Fiji, Don in Pago Pago and Ron (non-operator) in ZL-land. Lack of funds has brought a temporary suspension to their activities. At this time the VR5-Tonga operation will go when sufficient funds become available. Don is presently scheduled to go to FW8-Wallis Island with Ed DeYoung early in February.

The ZM7-Tokelaus operation has been placed 'off-limits' until after the hurricane season. Authorization for the ZM7 operation has been secured but it will not be valid until April 1, 1969. The New Zealand Government has decreed the area 'off limits' to all vessels during the hurricane season of December to April.

It might be recalled that Chuck Swain K7LMU and Ted Thorpe ZL2AWJ along with others were lost in 1966 when enroute from Wallis to Samoa in late January. Wallis is to the west of Samoa, the Tokelaus to the north but all in the general area of the Pacific. (W6KNH)

CHATHAM IS Still a go for right after the first of the year. This is an operation which will be on most of January and should be looked for from January 5th onward. Frequencies for operations given in 33-68.

REPUBLIC OF GUINEA 7G1CG still active at 2100Z around 21310kc and usually within 10kcs of that frequency. Name is Carlo Gola and works through WA3HUP, an YE who also handles the QSL cards. Also reported as active is 7G1IX from OK-land.

PYGBLR-TRINIDADE For those who have given up hope on getting a QSL for this operation, take courage!! within the last ten days a confirmation was received direct from PY4BLR. It would seem that some cards are being sent out....but slowly.

NAURU ISLAND VK9RJ is still scheduled to be there for another 18 months. If you have not caught up with Jack you might listen around 14220kc from 0600Z onward. K6UJW still the QSL manager.

NORFOLK IS. Pending the operations scheduled by K6KA in February plus the one also scheduled by W6BPO et cie, also in February, you can still listen for VK9RH, Ray, around 14150-14170kc. Ray schedules a VK2 friend at 0700Z on Tuesdays around 14150-14155kc. Gets irritated at c.w. breakers, however. If you wait until his sked is over, he sometimes will listen for callers inside the American Phone Band. However, in another six weeks the W6-operators will be ready to work everyone...

TURKEY More calls showing up LP in the mornings. TA1RF coming through at 14212kc at 1600Z. QSL via DJ4SK. TA3CC also in about the same time and frequency with a very strong signal from an antenna 5-wavelengths on each side. Handle is Ike and QSL direct.

JAN MAYEN JX3XD coming in at 0000Z, transmitting 14198kc and listening four or five kcs up.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE WATCH AND WARD SOCIETY:

Frankly, there was question whether to include this section this week because of the lack of late reports. Reports should be mailed in time to catch Thursdays mail where ever you are. There is considerable reluctance to print any report that is over ten days old and generally it is desired to have reports less than a week old.

It would be possible to fill these pages with outdated material but that would only be a disservice to those using the bulletin. Reports are desired...and the WCDXB will pay the postage...but circle Thursday on your calendars as a reminder to get the reports in for publication.

EUROPE

EA6AR	12 Dec	14235kc	1530Z	Mike, QSL to DL7FT
EA6BC	13 Dec	21275	1500	Sal, QSL direct
SV0WM	13 Dec	28563	1500	Bob, Via K9CSM
CT1OF	14 Dec	28682	1630	Jim, Via WA3HUP
3A2CP	12 Dec	14230	1545	Les

AFRICA

TY-land 5U7AK reported as taking a mobile rig to work from Dahomey starting this Monday, December 21st

ZS2MI Monday/Wednesday/Friday around 14160-14180kc from 0300Z. His QSL manager ZS6DB, At 14315kc at 0400Z, skeds ZS6DP...frequently.

ZD5B	14 Dec	14235kc	1650Z	Malcolm, Bx 255, Mbabane.
5A3TX	16 Dec	14194	1600	George, Bx 385, Tripoli
9E3USA	18 Dec	14206	1600	

ASIA

8QAYL	16 Dec	14194kc	1540Z	Soma...Via 4S7YL
MP4BGU	18 Dec	14233	1600	Eyd, Via K8CSM
UH8AE	17 Dec	14202 LP	1320	Vlad
FL8MB	13 Dec	21036	1230	Margel
AP5HQ	12 Dec	21328	0230	

SOCIAL NOTES

Gus Browning, W4BPD, is scheduled to arrive in San Francisco on 11:03 PST on January 23rd. Anyone wishing to help balance the limousine, remember that Joe will be on one side, Gus on the other, drop a line to K6CAZ. Welcoming committee will start the action for the Fresno DX meeting.

Jean Jacques, FR7ZI, and his XYL Mildred, are still in Brazil after sailing from Reunion Island some years ago, October 1965 to be exact. They are repairing their 10-ton ketch, the 'Alalila' and when both their finances and the yacht are ready, will continue from Brazil into the Carribean, through the Panama Canal and up to San Francisco. From San Francisco they will sail the Pacific.

Jean, FR7ZI, has licenses for all French possessions. If there are any you would like to see activated, sometime in the future, drop a note to K6CAZ who is in communications with them.

QSL information for 9U5DP, Father Paul, is W2SNM.

Ed DeYoung is still planning for the opening of the Pacific DX Net on January 3rd. 14240kc at 0700Z.

No late word...or any further word at all....on the FO8BC/Clipperton rumor. All you can do is listen and pray. December 24th was the opening date on the last rumor.

Seeing that space is left over...we might go commercial and mention that K6CAZ as a brand new Hy-Gain 204BA in a water damaged carton that he will unload for \$100.00 cash. No damage to the antenna. If you are interested, get in touch with a big gun who is really BIG!!!

TRUCIAL OMAN MP4TCE coming through December 18th, 1600Z ar 14217kc. QSL direct.

FRESNO INTERNATIONAL DX MEETING Brochures should be mailed this week for this big get-together. If you have not received one by January 1st drop a line to K6SSJ. Also announced for the program is C.G.Pierce, W6QY, who will speak on Yagi antenna arrays for the hi-frequency amateur bands. Remember the dates are still January 25/26 at the Hacienda Motel.

TROMELIN Updated report has FR7ZL still on Tromelin but inactive due to tube troubles. Will return to Reunion on December 21st but will be back on Tromelin in February.....with new tubes.

CORSICA F9UC/FC, Jean, reported just inside the American phone band at 14204kc at 1630Z onward. Frequency may vary up or down a few kcs. QSL via DL9PF.

TOGO 5V1ZGY on at 14191kc at 1700Z last week. Name is Peter.

REVILLA GIGEDO The operations there last week were bothered by generator trouble. Some reports indicated successful contacts and HR1KAS was taking a list for contacts. Any QSLs should go to XE1J.

ALBROHOS Cards being received for the PY0OK and PY0OM operation. Some doubt as to country status yet....but get the cards first and worry later. PY2SO the source for the cards.

ASCENSION January 4, 1969 at 0100 ZD8Z will be on 14185kc to start operations for the 5BDXC and then will shift to 40 and 75....to try to make contacts on those frequencies. Drop a note to his QSL manager, W6CUF, if you want onto the list.

73,

WA6AUD

TNX: K6CAZ, OK3BG, W6KNH, W6ZC, W5LZZ, W1EED, W4OPM, WB6UNW, WB6ZNM, W7EXM, W6MEM, W6DZZ, K6EC.

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