Bulletin

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- ALBANIA It is well realized that there are many rumors concerning ZA-operations but little actual developments. However, there is information recently given to the WCDXB which seems a bit more solid than many of the previous stories. In the last week one European amateur who has made several DX-peditions advised that he has obtained license authorization for Albania and the problem left is to get visa clearance into Albania. Some recent international developments might tend to favor his obtaining such entrance permission. If something develops the WCDXB will carry the details...this looks somewhat more promising than several previous reports.
- TONGA Don Hilman opened up from Tonga as VR5AE a week ago Monday and secured this past Sunday. Delays in opening the operation apparently stemmed from equipment problems and Don did put a strong signal on the air with a beam and a linear. Will return to Fiji from Tonga and be on the air as VR2FR this coming Saturday. 14170kc is good frequency to watch for late information. Finances still a major problem...one report was that less than \$200.00 was forthcoming to help with the VRIP operation.
- LAOS Bill Mitchell, XW8AX, will return from the states in late January and will bring a vertical with him for 40/80m operation. Still expects to do plenty of higher band operation but will try to help with the 5BDXCC aspirants when conditions are right. Bill should be back in Laos on January 20th.
- TIMOR Luiz, CR8AI, has indicated willingness to work the good old Ws on schedule but dislikes pile-ups. Possibility of some schedules on 20 and 15 in the future possible. One possibility is to listen around 21280kc at 0000Z.
- INDIAN OCEAN The operations on the FB8-Islands are being changed and it is reported that the new operators will have SSB gear. This past week was supposed to be the last for Maurice, FB8XX, but a new operator should be there before long. The reports indicate that these changes might improve the signals from this area.
- St. Brandon/Rodrigues Steven Gibbs, VQ&CC has plans for these islands during the period of March to May this year and before he goes to Europe on vacation. Callsigns will be VQ&CCB for St. Brandon and VQ&CCR for Rodrigues. Operations will be everything from 160 thru 10 meters with particular attention to the low frequencies for the 5BDXCC effort. Drake equipment will be used. When definite plans are jelled, dates, times and QSL information will be announced. Steve advises that there is erroneous QSL information on his VQ&CC operations and any cards should be sent direct to him at Box 14, Curepipe, Mauritius and definitely any other information should be disregarded whether it be a stateside QSL manager or via VQ&AZ. Three IRCs needed for airmail reply...otherwise the cards will be sent via the bureaus.
- PYØSP/PYØDX Cards are supposed to either be in the mails or will go in this week.

  Patience...they are coming.

SOUTH ATLANTIC Information from VP8FL indicates the following prospects for any possible operations in the VP8-British Territories:

South Orkneys Nothing at this time but operation possible soon--30/60 days-with VP8KO on SSB and VP8JQ on c.w.

South Shetlands VP8KH should be operating from Depeption Island for about ten days starting January 15th. Will use an SB33.

South Sandwich No anticipated activity though the VP'-boys have sought to arrange for operations there. A good many of the VP8s are with the British Antarctic Survey and operations depends on what their work allows and takes them to.

KALININGRADSK QSLs are being received from UA2AO in answer to s.a.e. His address is:

Anatoly M. Moskale ko Box 77 Kaliningrad, O.B.L. USSR

There it is if you want to try it for record.

- QSL Directory There still is a short-cut to a lot of QSLing...and often a short-cut to cheaper QSLing...through W6GSV's Worldwide QSL Managers Directory. \$3.00 in W/VE-land and \$4.95 elsewhere brings the directory plus quarterly supplements. If interested, write to Box 54222, Terminal Annex, Los Angeles, Calif. 90054. Certainly a cheap and useful tool for DXing.
- EASTER ISLAND A five-band operation---for 5BDXCC naturally...will be staged by DL9KRA from the island the last week in January using the call CEØAJ.
- THE DESERVING Those who have followed the fortunes of QRP K6TXR may be delighted to know that Bill had snagged another new one. A phone call to W6PTS who went on the NCDXC 2 meter net to raise W6UOV, who raised WA6AHF, who raised K6CU who phoned K6TXR who immediately worked FP8AS. See...QRP is getting to be honorable. And honored are the QRPers.
- ETHIOPIA The 9F3 call was retired January 1st to be replaced by 9E3.
- FRESNO INTERNATIONAL DX CONVENTION This big gathering of the big guns in DX ranks is just a little more than a week away. K6SSJ continues to report that the convention is getting bigger all the time. The DX Forum will be handled by Don Wallace, W6AM. There is still time to make plans to go if you have been on the undecided edge. This is the big one of the year. You cannot afford to miss it. Gus Browning, WLBPD, will be the principal speaker. WOW!!!
- THE WCDXB PAYS... Business reply envelopes are sent for reports....and thus any activity report costs the sending nothing. Please note the high quality envelope being used....nothing too good for WCDXB subscribers.
- ORE CHATHAM A late report indicates that ZL2DS/C as also active at 7090/7200kc at 0700Z. There is further information on the last page of this bulletin.
- HEARD ISLAND Mid-March still showing as a good possibility for this operation by the group going there on the USCO SOUTHWIND.

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE WATCH AND WARD SOCIETY

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	YU1CS		9	15210	1525	Peter
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	A2CAU	January	8	14060	1820	Jim. Bx 200, Francistown
	5H3LV		8	14059	1830	Garthvia VE30DX
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	VU2LE		8	14040	0130	Bala
	VU2TX		9	14213	0140	Swamiin Madras
	4S7DA		8	14030 LP	0120	Denvervia W6JF
	MP 4BCC		8	14207	1550	Bob
	MPLITCE		8	14175	1515	Spider. QTH Sharjah
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SOUTHEAST ASIA Recently XW8AX indicated the following concerning XU and XZ-land.

In Cambodia he knows of no one presently active, nothing possible in the very near future but he may try himself to obtain authorization for operations there in the Fall of 1969.

In Burma there are sporadic reports of one station active but he has never heard it or had any confirmation. The present Burmese government is opposed to any outside visitors for most any reason and apparently would just as soon forget the rest of the world. At the present time the prospects for any XZ-operations are null.

China has considerable amateur operation but they will not acknowledge any outsiders and their government forbids such contacts. Good possibility that any BY-stations work any Ws are pirates.

- CLIPPERTON The rumor persists of possible operations and the latest date is January 15th.
- TOGO 5V4EG has a Saturday schedule with his QSL manager DL1HH at 0900 at 21240kc or 10002 on 28650kc.
- CHATHAM ZL2AFZ/C and Company: persistent in working up and down the bands from ten to eighty. Schedule on the lower frequencies is 7025kc at 0600Z and 3535kc at 0700Z. When band conditions are right, they will be on these frequencies. Generally, the frequencies given in 33-68 are the ones to watch.
- SOUTHEAST ASIA NET 14320kc at 1200Z. Visitors welcome at the end of the regular operations.
- YL/SSB System. Had these stations checking in during the last week. FO8BV, FP8AP, FY7YK, FY7YD and 9X5AA. 14332kc.

73, WA6AUD

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TNX: K6KQN, XW8AX, DX-MB, VQ8CC, W6KNH, WB6WIT, W5LZZ, W6ZC, W6CYO, W6PTS, WB6UNW W6WWQ, KH6GQW, KH6BZF, W6ISQ, WLOPM, WA6UFW, WLNJF

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