

Bulletin

AVES The effort for YV~~0~~AA operation from AVES was cancelled last week when weather conditions make any landing attempt hazardous. The Venezulean Navy would not authorize the effort. At last report the expedition was returning to the mainland with future plans indefinite but still hoping to make the operation in the future.

THAILAND WA4PUC/HS went QRT April 1 and was back home in Florida for Easter, passing through the West Coast during the week. Don made 1000 contacts with 100 countries during his stay in Northern Thailand, the last country being a CN8 on the evening he shut down. WB2WYX will be Don's replacement in HS-land. It appears that WA4PUC had some special arrangements with the Thai government... or a friend who could help him there. Other HS-stations indicate that they may not operate with the /HS suffix until other nationals there likewise have a fair shake at operating with the ITU ban lifted. The STAR Radio Club in Udorn there looking for an audience with the king to improve relations. Possible that replacement for WA4PUC in Thailand may get authorization to operate.

Tony Willis, 9J2NW, is continuing his world journey and eventually will end up in Uganda where he will take up his next duty station....his radio gear already having been shipped there. 5X5-licenses not especially easy to come by...but Tony is hopeful.

On the VKOVR-Heard operations, no information for verification has been receivedbut also, no cards have been submitted. As they say in the higher echelons, a purely academic question at this time.

GALAPAGOS HC8FN at 14197kc at 0400Z on April 1st working split frequency and at 14215kc same time on March 30th. Has a schedule with W6BIP for Monday or Tuesday, at 14340kc from 1430....for a phone patch. After 1450Z will take others for a HC8-contact....remember, after 1450Z.

FCC Report For the first time in memory, it is believed, the FCC Annual Report contained an item somewhat critical of the amateur service. It follows:

AMATEUR RADIO SERVICE The past year has shown a significant trend towards increased on-the-air feuding and use of questionable language in a radio service which historically has prided itself on cooperative self-regulation. Limited manpower has limited attention to any but the most flagrant cases. Approximately 2800 violation and advisory notices were issued to licensees during the year.

KURE ISLAND KH6EDY again on the air, being worked on March 31st from 1300Z. The present operator is named John, apparently somewhat inexperienced but he should learn fast. Says he will QSL by letter. Big pile-up when he showed. KH6BZF will again be out at Midway in the coming months and again will try to get onto Kure. Lee, the Hawaii SCM, ran into problems last year.

INDONESIA Cards from YB0HAB being received for ARRL DX Contest...9V10I, Bud, getting gear ready for YB0 operation where he will be sent by his company. Bud was very active from 9K2-land last year. Should be on in a couple of weeks. YB0HAB also reported at 21261kc from 1500Z

MALTA 9H1BL, Al, has 5-Band capabilities and will sometimes QSY on request. Al reported on 10, 15 and 20 in recent weeks....28555kc at 1600Z, 21045kc at 2145Z and 14045kc at 0700Z. QSL via G3VPS...fast service. Al likes commemorative stamps. 9H1BN, Edgar, also reported at 21353kc at 1745Z on April 2nd.

AFGHANISTAN YA1YB, Wes, and YA1AR, Art, at 14238kc, 1330Z on April 1st. Also Wes was reported at 14300kc an hour later at 1430Z same date. QSL to: U.S.Engineering Team, c/o U.S. Embassy, Kabul, Afghanistan. YA1AB also 14205kc at 1500Z Mar 31st. YA1SG, Steve, 21369 at 1410Z on March 28th.

PAKISTANS AP5HQ, Fida, reported at 14040kc at 0230Z on April 3rd. Also at 14213kc, at 1720Z on March 31st. QSL direct and definitely not via K4LRN. AP1RIL was at 14310kc at 1450Z on April 1st. Said to QSL via AP-Bureau. Probably would feel a bit better if the date was different....said he was in East Pakistan. Fida is a rather consistent one on twenty meters. In that AP1RIL, put the number at the end and what do you have?

QSLs--NEW SERVICE Advertising will be appearing in radio magazines within a month announcing the availability of a new Incoming-Outgoing QSL service by Lloyd Colvin, W6KG. Lloyd is completing arrangements to handle cards for both US and VE stations as well as the well-known DX variety. Tentative rates are 3¢ per card for US/VE/XE cards and 4¢ for cards going overseas. Address for the service is 5200 Panama, Richmond, Calif. 94806. Cards can have the call of the recipient but not his address....that's what the Post Office says.

SOUTH AFRICA ZS1A is a consistent operator on the low frequencies, showing up on 40 meters, 7000-7005kc from 0500Z for c.w. operations and going to 7085-7090kc for SSB efforts, listening 7220-7225kc. Will QSY to 80 meters on request...which is very helpful for 5BDXCC.

SAN MARINO M1C at 14203 from 1800Z on March 29th.

HEARD IS. U.S. Coast and Geodetic Survy sending a team to the island...VQ9GA may make it but not sure. Hope for an amateur radio operator in the crew. Same outfit put 18 men on Chagos...no amateurs among them.

IRCS As every QSL manager finds out, the number of IRCS that WA6HF has is a few more than he needs. 800 at 10¢ea.send money with s.a.s.e.

W6UED worked 30 countries on 80 meters in March....How's that for effort. However, W6ANN has his total for 427 for 5BDXCC, consisting of 80/10 of 43, 84, 100,100,100 and W6NJU has 419 countries on 80/10 50, 77, 100, 100,92.

FREQUENCIES FROM THE WATCH AND WARD SOCIETY

EUROPE

HBØLL	14332kc	0900Z	Mar	31st
LA8RI	14332	0914		31st
UQ2DKZ	14246	0520	Feb	2nd
IT14F	14029	2330	Mar	29th
GI3JIM	14210	0650		23rd
UR2AR	14211	0510		29th
CT3AS	21036	1420	Apr	1st
HV3SJ	14233	1530	Mar	31st
UB5SR	14227	0500	Apr	3rd
OY1R	21011	1745	Mar	29th
GC3ULZ	14033	1945	Mar	24th
UN1CQ	14038	0500	Mar	20th
YO2BB	14201	0505	Mar	29th
UF6CR	14210	0315	Mar	29th
UC2BF	14211	0600	Apr	1st

AFRICA

A2CAQ	14203kc	1450Z	Apr	2nd
ZS3AW	21042	1930		1st
5H3LV	14023	1500		1st
CR7CH	14055	1455	Mar	30th
ZD5M	14033	1540		30th
EA8EH	14197	2345	Apr	1st
6W8DY	28561	2000	Mar	31st
5Z4LQ	14220	0530	Apr	3rd
7Q7WW	14210	1530	Mar	22nd
FR7ZG	14217	1150	Mar	28th
9Q5DJ	21311	2050		31st
7X2FC	14047	0820		31st
TL1QZ(?)	14072	0915	Apr	1st
SU1IM	14040	0150	Mar	28th
ZE8JJ	14052	1635		25th

ASIA

VS6AL	14226kc	1600Z	Apr	3rd
4S7AS	14247	1300		1st
4S7DA	14037	0115	Mar	31st
4X4WN	14027	2340		29th
MP4TAF	21374	1530		27th
JT1AG	14211	1600		27th
UJ8AJ	14207	1650		28th Vlad
XW8BZ	14205	1500	Apr	1st
AP2MR	14285	1455	Mar	24th
UL7GW	21053	1515		31st
HS3DR	21255	1510	Apr	1st
VS6AA	14210	1530		3rd
UM8AP	21022	1525	Mar	29th
HS3ML	21274	1750		29th
OD5TB	21302	1230	Apr	1st
U4ØYP	14205	1640	Mar	29th Z.23
XW8CN	14204	1445		30th
UJ8AH	14045	0215	Apr	3rd
9M2FR	14202	1700	Mar	31st
UJ8AJ	14213	1740		31st
YK1AA	14218	1550		28th Fridays

ELSEWHERE

PJ6AA	21036kc	2100Z	Apr	1st
YJ8JM	14038	0615	Mar	31st
KG6SB	14239	1240	Apr	1st
8P6AV	14031	0115	Mar	31st
9Y4CRV	21305	1800	Mar	27th
VP8KQ	14214	0200	Apr	3rd
8P6CF	7018	0440		1st
PJ6AA	7015	0330	Mar	27th
KW6EJ	3851	0715		31st
DX1AAV	21039	1520	Apr	1st
FM7WO	14170	1110	Mar	30th
YJ8RG	14240	0700	Apr	4th Fridays
KC6BY	14053	0750	Mar	28th Yap
KC6BY	14310	1300	Apr	3rd

SHORTLY NOTED VK9RJ on Nauru is now handling his own QSLing. Jack has no cards, expects to get some so there may be delays. Apparently any /HS operations will be confined to 14280-14300kc and no activity expected on any other bands. The SVØWN effort on Rhodes and the 3A2CU effort from Monaco opened on schedule. CR5SP still scheduled for 14170kc on April 20th at 0530Z...possible last chance for Sao Tome until A1 returns from vacation trip. Cards for XRLA/mm have been returned by CE3ZN...Joaquin knows nothing about this one. ZA1ZW reported at 14046kc on March 30th...certainly a lot around these days. We know of one European...whose parent came from Albania...who has been trying to line up a ZA-operation with no success: so far but he is still trying. Few 80/40 reports expected until the Fall...they were scarce this last week. W5PDW, John, will put PJ9AK on the air for several days from April 11th. F6ALX tells W6AOI that French novices allowed on the air only two days a week....AOI wonders if he was making the 'plaisanterie'. The ARRL Pacific Division Meeting last week-end asked the ARRL to (1) Conduct a spectrum study of amateur band use including that usage in the sub-bands, (2) Study any possible inequities arising from observance of 'gentlemen' agreements, and (3) Determine whether steps should be taken to bring some uniformity in operating privileges in ITU Region II.

SPRATLY VS6DR, Phil Wight, making plans for a trip to this exotic spot in the South China Sea sometime later this year...CR9AK may also make the trip with Phil. VS6DR will be in the states in June, being in New York on June 6th and on the West Coast the following week. They have the vessel for the Spratly effort...its about a 900 mile run from Hongkong.....and any effort will be late this summer. Phil is looking for any information on conditions at Spratly.

SERRANO BANK Rubin Hughes, WA6AHF, has cancelled his plans for Serrano Bank this July, being advised that the weather at that time of the year would make matters hazardous. Rubin now looking at a possible HC8-Galapagos tour .instead.

(Had to cut this one out...no publicity on this planned operation wanted at this time.....a Spring 1970 effort)

ANDORRA. WA6QGW and WA6PMK/DJ4QQ will operate from PX-Andorra for three days commencing April 18th....three day, five band, ~~twenty~~-four hour effort. May show up from some other small European countries following this one. Frequencies will be c.w.: 3505/3525, 7004/7025, 14040, 21040 and 28040kc. SSB 3790, 7090, 14190, 21290 and 28590kc. QSLs will go to K6VVA.

BALL's PYRAMID VK2BFI, Jerry, planning a trip to this small rock a few miles from Lord Howe....probably would count for Lord Howe.

TIMOR CR8AI, Luiz, still coming through in the mornings....14240-14250kc from 1400Z. K6KA sometimes making list before this time. English is a third language and QSOs very slow. European QRM a problem. W9EXE also making list for VEs and Eastern part of U.S. Dissatisfaction with slow movement on list and breakers with advice ...friendly or otherwise....hampering operations. Patience...Luiz will be there for awhile yet. QSL to Luiz A. Rodrigues Fernandes, CR8AI, Dili, Port.Timor.

TNX....to all the Big Gun DXers...including HS3DR, W6HVN, W6MEM, W6AOI, W6CNA, K6HPZ, WA6QGW, K6MHD, KH6BZF, KH6GQW, W4OPM, W6WAB, K6KA, W6NJU, WA6MWG, WA6DJI, WA6AHF, W6PTS, WB6YLG, W6UED, WA6GLD, K6CWS, WB6UJO, K6MHD, W6DZZ, W6JHV/7, W5LZZ, W6KJS, W1CW.

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