

West Coast DX

Bulletin

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HEARD ISLAND USCG SOUTHWIND reported as nearing the island at the end of last week. Sailed from Perth on March 4th. Still only twenty meter operation indicated... ..14080 for c.w., 14125kc for SSB.

GUS BROWNING Gus opened from Gambia signing ZD3A planning to work through the past week-end but may cut out for Mauritius early depending on plane schedules. Looks like no Togo operations at this time as Gus is due to team up with Steve Gibbs, VQ8CC, for some Indian Ocean island-hopping commencing in mid-March.

MARION ISLAND Ron, ZS2MI, due to leave the end of this month. His replacement will be an amateur with SSB gear and should be on the air in mid-April. Ron has been using the commercial station on Marion to put an a.m. signal into the states and the new operator with the SSB and separate receiver is expected to improve matters.

ALBANIA--YET Lates ZA-land call to show up is ZAØLI heard recently on twenty meters from 1600Z...usually around 28615-28620kc. Said to QSL via 11KTJ. There it is...use your own judgement.
YU3TXT, Leo, says that he is trying to get permission to operate from ZA-land. Nothing definite on anything as yet. The January report on an operation by a Northern European--non-Satellite--has produced nothing further. The QSL manager for this amateur has not come through with any additional information...though requested several times.

FURT ERMORE One rumored route for QSL cards for BY1 or BY2 contacts is to send them to Radio Peiping along with some IRCs. There still is mail service to Red China though they are a bit touchy about the address. Another devious route is to find an amateur close to Chinga...VR6--9M2 etc...and see if they have a route which they sometimes do. Reports indicate that some cards have been cornered via the above routes.

MALTA 9H1BL coming through on ten meters March 7th at 1530Z...sunrise here in the Western Reaches. : QSL via G3VPS...and fast QSLing promised. Handle is A1 and also reported at 28070kc around the same time. A1 was worked on March 7th by that standard of all QRPers....K6TXR.

PROPAGATION.. Check page 78 of March QST for a clue on possible conditions in the coming months. The comments by WAØIQN who works for ESSA at Boulder, Colorado may warm the hopes of many for action on the higher frequencies. With ten meters open to Europe and Africa from the West Coast right after sunrise, the possibilities look good.

ANDORRA PX1FD scheduled for activity April 6th to 13th. ON5FD will start the activity, mostly 20 and 40 meter SSB.

NORFOLK VK2BRJ/VK9 still primarily c.w. operation but will work SSB at times but not too delighted with that mode. Scheduled to leave March 19th and his plans for a possible VK9-Cocos-Keeling operation are rather indefinite. QSL to W4WS.

SEYCHELLES VQ8GA, Bill, has a schedule with his QSL manager, WA6AHF, at 1730Z on Saturdays at 21280kc...or thereabouts. Also on the low end of twenty phone around the same time...or let's say a little earlier to keep him on one band at a time.

BRUNEI VS5PH, Erich, active on low end of twenty c.w....14002kc....from 1500Z. QSL via DL3RK.

VE-DXpedition Don, VE6AJT, now back in Canada for some medical treatment. At this time he could use some encouragement....moral or otherwise...to continue with with his Pacific DX plans: Home QTH is 3744 43rd Ave, Red Deer, Alberta.

PACIFIC DX NET Last week had 5W1-6Y5-KJ6-VKØ-MacQuarrie, VK9-Norfolk, YJ8-KW6-VP8--South Orkneys, KC6-Eastern Carolines plus a number of ZLs/VKs/KH6s etc. 14240kc at 0700 Fridays. KH6GLU as N/C....and follow directions.

PREFIX JI-prefix being heard from Japan. JI2AJC, Yasu, heard.

QSLs Ed DeYoung advises that all necessary documentation..it is hoped...has been submitted to the ARRL Awards Committtee for the VR1P/VR2FR/VR5AE/5W1AE/FW8DY operations and they should be accepted. Ed also throws up for challenge his working WAC in 24 minutes...plus Antarctica in another 7 for a total of 31 minutes for WAC+1. Any faster sprinters at the blocks?

EGYPT Still possible....SU1EM, Ibrahim, worked at 14055kc at 0428Z on March 6th. Also reported recently as working SSB on twenty. Was on the 14055kc frequency for over half hour.

SAUDI ARABIA HZ3TYQ at 14048kc, 0400Z March 1st...during phone portion of DX Test. Handle is Vic...QSL either via Bureau or CBA. Note the unusual ones on cw while everyone has gone mad in the phone portions.

FORTY AND EIGHTY DESK

<u>Europe</u>				<u>ELSEWHERE</u>			
SP3KCD	7015kc	0414Z	Mar 4w	VKØKJ (MacQ)	7060kc	0955Z	Mar 2w
OZ4MQ	7010	0500	4w	KZ5DD	3799	0724	1w
LZ2KPK	7012	0527	4w	YV5CGT/YV3	3777	0800	1w
OE5OEL	7009	0600	4w	HI8XRM	3796	0930	1w
				HP1XHG	3530	0430	4w
<u>ASTA</u>							
J1ARDG	3573kc	1009	1w				
K12RM	3560	1050	1w				
<u>AFRICA</u>							
E73ZC	7020	0305	4w				

SHORTLY NOTED ARRL says that their investigation on the claims..of Don Miller, W9ANV, brought confirmation from CQ that they determined that Miller received no cash personally....will be mentioned in April QST. W6ANN has 5BDXCC totals..80 to 10 respectively of 38/71/100/97/100. W6NJU on same scale has 38/66/100/99/81. Both readers of the WCDXB...naturally. W6RR scored 1,900,00 in phone effort of ARRL test....single-handed and sleepless. Another possible source for VKØLA QSLs is via Jerry Ginsberg, Bx 9, Teralba, New South Wales 2284. VKØNR-Heard reported as expecting to open right after 0000Z March 7th..start watching.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE WATCH AND WARD SOCIETYEUROPE

OH0NI	21277kc	0950Z	Mar 2	Aland Island..also 21330/1830Z Mar 4th
UB5WJ	21280	1700	2	
YU1BCD	21289	1730	2	
UF6CR	14223	0540	3	Also 14030kc at 0030Z.
JX5CI	14019	0224	5	
UQ2IL	14027	0229	5	
UA2KCC	14011	0248	5	
JXLXM	21268	2120	3	Willie. Via Norwegian Embassy, Reykjavik.
YO2BB	14203	1745	4	Box 126, Timisoara..or WA2DWE from Dec 14th.
SP6AAT	21290	1840	5	Jan..via Call Book.
HA5AM	14275	1500	7	Budapest. Also 14217 at 1800Z
HA5CM	14217	1840		Working tandem with HA5AM--above.
LX1RG	14031	1730	5	
UP2KBI	14062	0500	4	
UF6SE	28570	1425	3	Jim
EA6BK	21302	1400	3	Try and get a QSL..others have tried & failed
JX10M	21261	1750	3	Jan Mayen...via NRRL
TF2WLJ	21313	1800	4	
OY2H	21026	1550	3	Via W2CTN
UQ2HM	28051	1555	5	Peter

ASIA

JT1KAA	14080kc	1030Z	Feb 26	
UJ8AC	14025	0200	28	
TA1KT	14011	2110	25	
9N1MM	14240	1700	Mar 3	Strong signal on short path. Almost daily.
LXLNY	21040	0645	5	
LXLFU	14062	0445	4	
TA2E	14027	1645	1	Via VE3ABG
UL7KAA	21039	1600	5	Vic
OD5LX	28019	1540	5	Ted
OD5FA	14332	2200	8	
YA2HWI	14031	0300	Feb 27	Via W9FLJ
4S7DA	14046 LP	0200Z	4	Daily. QSL via W6FJ
VS6BF	14209	0530	7	Bob
9K2AM	14206	1530	8	Mohamed. Bx 328, Kuwait.
VU2AJW	14236	1530	7	Chuck..New Delhi. SP with strong signal.
UH8BO	14203	0230	6	Eugene
7Z3AB	14227	1650	Feb 24	Via W4YDD...usually around 14270kc.
AP5CP	14055	1645	Mar 2	Calling CQ Stateside...as he usually does.

AFRICA

VQ8CI	14260kc	1555	Mar 5	Jade...picture in March QST.
FL8MB	14018	1540	5	Marcel. Also 21026kc/2000Z Mar 4th
9X5AA	21336	1825	Feb 26	
VQ8CC	14027	0355	Mar 6	
5A1TA	28030	1420	3	Wally

ELSEWHERE

FM7WO	14055	0500	6	Via WB5SSK. On from 0200Z looking for KL7/KR6 and KC4.
VP2GZ	14204	0230	6	
HC8FN	14204	0116	Feb 23	Via WA2WUV

SINT MAARTEN PJ8AA to be active from March 12th thru 19th and during the ARRL Contest...c.w. portion. Frequencies for c.w. will be 30kc above low end of bands....ten thru eighty. Operation by W2BBK.

ARRL BOARD MEETING. Among matters on agenda will be the creation of a 5-Band WASto encourage all those DX stations to work all the deserving W/Ks of course. Some proposals on frequency sub-bands also expected. If you have any good ideas, get them to your director soon.

TRUCIAL OMAN MP4TCE, Bob, coming thru LP around 1500Z just inside the edge of the twenty meter phone band. Rather regular here. QSL via Amateur Radio Club, RAF Sharjah, BFPO 64, London, England. 4 IRCs for airmail. MP4TAF, Derik, also reported recently at 14265 from 1800Z. QSL via DL6AA. On these long hauls it frequently is best to check both LP and SP as both have been open in recent weeks. MP4TAF also reported at 21318kc at 1800Z.

EASTERN CAROLINES KC6CS, Milton, is a regular check-in to the Pacific DX Net. Also has been worked on fifteen rather high in the phone portion....21370kc+. QSL to Milton Bennett, c/o Peace Corps--Truk, Caroline Islands 96942.

LONG DELAYED ECHOES O.G.Villard, W6QYT, who has contributed many articles on antennae to QST over the years, is interested in getting reports of long-delay echoes these being reported as from two to thirty seconds. The frequently encountered around-the-world echo is not the one he is interested in but rather those delays from which whole words or several words can be recognized. W6QYT will supply an outline of the reports desired if you will drop him a line. Some California amateurs have been able recently to supply some good reports. His QTH is c/o Radioscience Laboratory, Stanford University, Stanford, Ca.94305. At one time there was some skepticism on such reports but laboratory experiments indicate that under certain conditions such delays are possible.

73, WA6AUD

TNX: W6TZD, K6MHD, W6NJU, K6AN, W6BH, W6CAE, WA6UFW, WB6UJO, W6JHV/7, W8CT, KØVBX, KH6EZF, KH6GLU, KH6GQW, K6TXR, W6DQ, K6OZL, W4OPM, W6EJJ.

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