

West Coast DX

Bulletin

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COCOS IS. TI8NAM/TI9 opened up around opened up suddenly on July 6th, initially operating at 14170 kc and then shifting up into the American phone band. The transceive operation was difficult due to QRM and on July 7th went to a list operation. Indications were that the operation would continue for about a week but the station apparently went QRT after the July 7th operation. The operator was Noggy who works on a purse seiner and was not too versed in DXoperation or pile-ups but who valiantly stuck in for several hours each evening of the operation.

There are at least two other groups looking for a Cocos operation within a month to six weeks. Both of these plan a full-blown operation for at least a week and multi-band operation. Those who missed Noggy and his operation should be prepared for those coming up in the near future.

PELICAN ARCHIPELAGO The VK2BFI DXpedition headed for Timor also has plans for other possible operations including Indonesia and possibly Brunei. However the new possibility is the Pelican operation for which the call will be 2P1AA....this said to be from a block of prefixes assigned to Great Britain. After the CR8-Timor and the YB4-Indonesia operations, it is hoped to operate for a week from 2P1-Pelican. Pelican Archipelago apparently is off Timor, and once under the jurisdiction of Great Britain.

While contributions have been coming in, W5RBO reports that there are still not the minimum funds on hand and is soliciting assistance. Full information as well as the contribution angle goes through Timor DXpedition Fund, R.E.Stone, Bx 416, Anna, Texas 75003. DXday is still set for August 3rd.

GUS Gus apparently returned to Des Roches last week, a bit of attention for his generator being part of the reason. One report received indicates that Gus may be having troubles again with his transportation arrangements. Latest information available indicates Wizard Reef this week and then on to Farquhar.

MARTINIQUE Activity reported during the past week with more expected. FM7WO was reported at 14020kc at 1030Z on July 8th while FM7WQ was reported at 14050kc at 1040Z on the same date. Some question on the latter as Pierre is supposed to be on vacation and the home station not in especially good operating condition at this time though he has been maintaining some schedules. W3LTU is reported as preparing to operate from FM7-land July 23-August 1, both c.w. and SSB...c.w. 5kc inside band endge, SSB 5kc outside U.S.phone band. FM7EB is scheduled to open July 14th for three days. W3LTU will use a HT32 with a 3-element beam....plans to work all bands.

GABON TR8EG reported to be at 14105kc around 1900Z rather regularly.

SPECIAL PREFIXES A PD3-call has been authorized to commemorate the 50th anniversary of wireless transmission from the Industrial Fair in Utrecht in 1919. Possibly may be used only on UH F/VHF though HF use in September a possibility. For one year commencing July 22nd Poland amateurs may use the prefix \mathbb{Z} rather than the customary SP-prefix.....to commemorate the 25th anniversary of Polish Independence.
In addition to the usual LU-prefix, Argentina has also been assigned L2A-L2Z series by the ITU.

CALENDAR

Grenada VP2GTL Scheduled by K5AAD to open July 14th
 Martinique FM7EB Scheduled by VE2AFC...to July 16th
 British Virgins VP2VT Scheduled for July 17-20th
 Trinidad 9Y4- Scheduled to open...K5AAD effort
 Cocos Possible...last week July or early August
 Timor VK2BFI & Co....due to open Aug 3rd.
 Bermuda Contest...c.w. portion July 20-21st

TIMOR CR8AI, Luiz, back on the air after a sick spell and seven days abed. Luiz still needs Vermont, Delaware, Alabama and Mississippi for WAS and is also working for the California Counties Award. His schedule at this time is Wednesday 0900-1000Z at 14170kc....1230 to 15-1600Z for DX...(that's those elusive W/Ks). Saturdays 0900 to 1130Z and 1300 to 16-1700Z for DX. Other days Luiz schedule is irregular due to work demands. Being a DX station is not all gravy....he still needs Zones 23 and 34 and has worked 115 countries but has only 75 confirmed.

DXPEDITION FINANCING: With a number of DXpeditions either jelled or in the planning stages, study is being given by some to the problem of raising sufficient money to cover the major expenses and possibly the minor ones as well. With responses to fund appeals varying depending on the previous operations of the expeditioneer as well as the goal of the trip, the question of schedules for contributors or coded numerical designators for listening/transmitting frequencies arises. With ability to raise expense money depending on the ability to deliver a new or rare country to the large contributor, there does seem to be a trend towards this type of thinking and financing.

This system would not be allowed in some countries which do not allow amateurs to receive any help whatsoever. In those countries where such might be allowed, the varying response to fund efforts and the large expense for transport, charter and gear undoubtedly will see the polishing up of some of the old techniques for fund drives plus possibly some new ones.

Whatever you thinking might be, it probably would be advantageous to give some thought to the matter....

FRENCH FRIGATE SHOALS KH6ABH at the loran station from this point...about halfway between Honolulu and Midway. QSL to USCG Loran Station, Bx 48 FPO San Fran 96610

LG5LG From Morokulia on the border of Norway and Sweden. Previously SK9WL has been used as the call there. Was on July 6th....14200kc at 2300Z...also on when the TI9 was on...some called TI9, some LG5.....for the same reason they have horse races. Was also at 14030kc at 0100Z on July 5th. QSL to LA4YF.

SCARP REEF OH2BH/Ø/SR on 14234kc at 0300Z on July 8th. One report says its part of the OH2AM/OHØ effort. Also reported at other times.

ALBANIA Two reports....two different amateurs in two different countries reported to have secured ZA-licenses and will try to get into the country sometime this Fall. Both of these are in Europe.....something may break one of these days, but then again, something may not break one of these days as far as Albania is concerned. Be informed but not overly-optimistic.

RUSSIANS--LOTS OF THEM

UC2AI	21046kc	0452	Jul 6	UJ8AJ	21042kc	17452	Jul 8
UD6BD	21282	0255	6	UL7GW	21029	0130	5
UF6LA	21017	0330	6	UO5PK	21280	0450	4
UH8KBC	21049	1540	8	UQ2KAX	21285	0045	6
UI8KLB	21040	0340	4				

REPORTS FROM THE WATCHERS OF THE LONELY NIGHT e=east m=midwest w=west
kh=hawaii etc

EUROPE

EA6AR	21289kc	2350Z	Jul 3m
YO2QM	21067	0335	4m
TF2WLW	21031	0350	4m
GC2LU	21023	1500	4m
SV0WN	21360	2100	4m
OY3H	14035	0300	5e
HA3GF	21014	0315	6w
YU1KM	14003	0410	9w
GC2LU	14202	0715	4w
EA11O	14230	0545	9w
3A0LI	14200	0400	9m
OY9LV	14152	0355	5hp
GI3JIM	14215	0620	9w
9H1AZ	21025	1800	6e
9H1AZ	14025	1830	6e
GW6YQ	21026	1415	8w
9H1M	14220	0510	9kh
LI2B	14234	1115	8e
TF2BV	21273	1515	5w
GC8HT	21253	1640	6w
JW1CI	14209	0150	6m
TF2WL	14030	0540	6m

ASIA

TA2SC	21029	2330	Jul 8m
XW8CS	21290	0000	7w
TA2E	21028	1355	4m
OD5BZ	21325	2030	4m
4X4JY	21274	0000	6m
VU2DK	21273	0410	7m
VS5PH	14005	1030	5e
TA2SC	14003	0045	7e
9N1MM	21281	0220	4m
MP4BHH	21290	0225	4m
9K2AA	14205	0220	11w
YA5RG	21277	1630	5w
MP4EHH	14205	0315	9m
AP2MR	21345	1450	7e
YA1AR	21257	1735	7e
VS6AA	21037	1500	8e
AP5CP	14023	1230	7kh
TA1SK	14023	0200	5kh
AP2AD	14205	0150	8kh

AFRICA

FL8MB	21028kc	1340Z	Jul 4m
FL8MB	14205	1130	9kh
7Q7WW	21316	2220	5m
5A1TN	21258	0330	6m
SU1IM	14045	0108	5e (C1g CQ)
VQ8AD	14192 LP	1200	6w
FB8ZZ	14192 LP	1200	6w
VQ8AC	14222	1030	9w
5Z4ERR	14190	1300	10w
FR7ZG	14203	1200	5w
ET3USA	21024	0035	6w
ZD5X	14007	1400	6w
A2CAU	14014	1430	6w
EA8FG	21281	0215	4m
9J2WR	14235	1330	8w
5Z4LW	21260	2330	6w
9X5AA	21270	1730	7w
9X5IH	21280	2250	5w
ZELJS	21035	2115	8m
EA8BK	21084	0050	9m
VK9XI	14225	1635	9w
3V8AC	14199	0505	10w
5H3LV	14323	1210	5kh

ELSEWHERE

FO8BX	14206kc	1145Z	Jul 3m
KC6CT	14052	1120	5e
CX2AAJ	28690	2200	4m
FP0DM	14038	0530	6w
VR2DI	14269	1030	9m
C21JW	14170	1145	9m
VP2GBL	28590	1935	5w
CX2CO	28590	1820	6w
CO2KW	21022	2250	6w
FO8BW	21262	2330	6w
8P6BU	21023	2020	7w
ZP9AC	21291	0100	10w
FK8AU	21276	0110	10w
FK8AU	29602	0120	10w
FO8BO	3805	0610	1w
KC6BY	14268	0800	8w
6Y5SR	14203	1100	9w
FP8CY	14040	1215	5kh
VP2KF	14205	1150	7kh
CM6HT	14034	0200	8kh
VK9MK (TNG)	14220	1300	5m

SHORTLY NOTED QSL information for YA1SG is Steve Garwood, c/o Main St. Flanders, New Jersey 07836. A2CAU uses 100w to a dipole up 10 feet...but still is a good QSLer. The PACDXNET has over 75 countries check into the Net...Tuesdays and Fridays 14270K at 0700Z...details on membership from KH6GLU. The Special post-cards sent out last week was an effort to alert subscribers to the TI9 operation...information was that Noggy would be there for a week....the WCDXB will do most anything to get you to work a needed one. W4BRB expects to take over the FLORIDA DX CLUB REPORT AGAIN...but still driving for that last handful for 5BDXCC. W6ANN needs 50 on 80; W6NJU needs 32 on 80 plus 11 on 40; K6KA needs 54 on 80 and 12 on forty....but leads in the confirmations with 310 confirmed out of 434 worked for 5BDXCC.

5BDXCC WA6GLD has proposed that provision be made to award segments....one for each band as you work the required 100 in that band....with the plaque to be gained when the full five bands completed. Certificate would provide for magnum stickers for each band...the completed certificate a joy to the owner and the envy of the less fortunate. If you think...along the same lines... drop a line to Jerry.

NEPAL W2SAW, S₃x, plans to visit Father Moran in Katmandu and operate 9N1MM on. c.w. Oct 16,17,18 and 19th. 14035kc will be the frequency.

FORTY/EIGHTY NOTES ZS4RN, Dup, on every Saturday/Sunday from 1400 to 1600Z, transmitting at 7080kc, plus or minus 5, and listening 7220-7240kc. HI8XHG has a HyGain DB24A for 40/20m operation....says he's about 500 cards behind in his QSLing....prediction is with the new beam he may soon be 5000 cards in the hole. Look for him around 7015kc from 0400Z. OX5BM is putting up forty and 80m dipoles to help with the 5B-gymkhana. KH6AG hopes to operate from Nauru this Fall when he goes there on a job and will put up some long wires for 3.5 and 7mc. UH8CQ worked by some on 3.5mc has been confirmed as legitimate. VP8KO shows up on both forty and eighty...usually sometime after 0900Z.....3830 and 7220kc being the hunting area. 9V1PD put up a 33' vertical with a loading coil to get on 3.5mc....worked W4BVD/6...but the next day the antenna would not load. VKs are being reported on 40 SSB around 7190kc from 1100Z. European and Africans mighty scarce on 40/80 in the states these last few months but conditions should improve as we move into the Fall.

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WA6AUD/Q/RP

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