

West Coast DX

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ALBANIA DL7FT reports that his plans and hopes for a ZA-operation are continuing and more details on the possibility will be available in a month or so. The plans at this time are for a Spring 1970 operation and Frank is optimistic--a bit guardedly, perhaps---that he might put on a valid operation next year.

VOLTA/MALI XT2AA still coming through on 15m from 1730. Jacques now has a HA-14 linear. Jacques looking for a Mali operation and the report of a possible operation last week did not pan out. Jacques knows the licensing commissioner in Mali and is confident of obtaining permission to operate from TZ-land but the commissioner is presently absent from Mali. Still looking for something late this Fall.

THAILAND Still waiting for the other shoe to drop....the amateurs there still waiting for word out of Bangkok that the reciprocal agreement has been signed. The WB2WYX/HS operation, which apparently was authorized by military channels such as WA4PUC/HS was, has been shut down while the paper work on the reciprocal agreement is being worked out.

HS1CB, a Thai national, is being heard and a QSL from Chankij should get past the ARRL DXCC Desk for credit. Has been reported mostly on 15m and early this month was at 21384kc from 1700Z. Others in Thailand are working on their gear in anticipation of big operations in the near future. HS3DR has a big quad up 80' high, is getting a new linear and is ready to go, go, go.

ITU MEETING The FCC has asked for comments in its Fifth Notice of Inquiry relating to preparation for a World Administrative Radio Conference which is now scheduled to convene in Geneva on June 7, 1971. The notice was published in the Federal Register on September 3, 1969. Basically the conference will devote itself to frequencies used in space communications, satellites, radio astronomy and the amateur 21,000mc band may be moved to 23,000mc. This is mentioned again so when Chicken Little says we are losing fifteen meters, remember it is 21,000mc and not 21mc.

PREFIXES New Zealand has authorized the use of the ZM-prefix in lieu of the ZL prefix during the period October 1, 1969 thru December 31, 1970 during the Bi-Centenary Celebration of Captain James Cook landfall in New Zealand in 1769.

Captain Rubin Hughes will use WF6NW from his San Lorenzo Shopping Plaza effort during the period October 5th thru 13th this year. Look for him at 14240, 21305 and 28505kc for SSB and 30kc inside the low edge of the band for c.w. operations on 10, 15 and 20. This is a special call issued for National Newspaper Week. It is reported that Papua and Territory of New Guinea have been combined and will be issued calls running from VK9AA to VK9MZ. Norfolk Island will use VK9NA to VK9NZ; Christmas Is. VK9XA to VK9XZ; Cocos-Keeling VK9YA to VK9YZ. No changes in the VKØ series nor for the present assignments for Lord Howe or Willis.

ARRL Newington has asked the Directors to supply a brief appraisal of the sentiment within their divisions concerning the November 22, 1969 incentive licensing scheduled changes. This information is requested to be supplied for use in discussions and planning at the September 27th meeting of the ARRL Executive Board.

REPORTS FROM RED EYED LOUIE....the Watcher of the Lonely Night. (e=east/w=west etc)

| EUROPE | | | | ASIA | | | |
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| HV3SJ | 14212kc | 1600Z | Sept 10e | VU2VZ | 21034kc | 1610Z | Sep 7e |
| OY3B | 14211 | 182C | 10e | DULBEN | 21036 | 1615 | 7e |
| YUØM | 14204 | 1900 | 10e | 4S7EC | 21053 | 1850 | 7e |
| OH3KW/OHØ | 21026 | 1540 | 7e | TA2E | 21026 | 1600 | 7e |
| ZB2BO | 21020 | 1300 | 7e | XW8BP | 21021 | 1345 | 7e |
| | 14010 | 0620 | 8e | CR8AI | 14033 | 1400 | 7w |
| HV3SJ | 21279 | 1700(daily) | 10m | UJ8AC | 14040 | 1500 | 8w |
| UA2KAW | 14214 | 2040 | 4w | 9VØNQ | 14250 | 1540 | 8w |
| UT5KKM | 14203 | 0500 | 11w | UJ8KAA | 14019 | 1355 | 5w |
| UN2CK | 14012 | 0415 | 5w | UM8FM | 14007 | 0105 | 6m |

| AFRICA | | | | ELSEWHERE | | | |
|--------|---------|-------|--------|-----------|---------|-------|-----------|
| 5Z4LS | 21330kc | 1920Z | Sep 9m | YBØBM | 14216kc | 1615Z | Sep 9w |
| 5H3JL | 21301 | 1930 | 9m | CO2FA | 14205 | 0230 | 11w |
| 5L2S | 21333 | 1945 | 9m | | 14223 | 0800 | 10kh |
| CR6TP | 21330 | 1945 | 9mZD5B | FO8AA | 14203 | 0500 | 12w |
| ZD5B | 14234 | 1430 | 5m | VO2KR | 21290 | 1800 | 11w |
| 5R8AK | 14217 | 1420 | 5w | FO8BJ | 21282 | 0240 | 8w |
| CR7CO | 14203 | 0500 | 10w | CEØAE | 14225 | 0250 | 11kh |
| ST2SA | 21063 | 2050 | 6w | CO8RA | 21320 | 2335 | 9m |
| TJ1AS | 21030 | 2130 | 6w | HBØBKX | 14265 | 0810 | 5PACDXNET |
| A2CAU | 14015 | 1430 | 6w | | | | |
| 9U5DL | 14065 | 2300 | 6w | | | | |
| ET3REL | 21289 | 1830 | 10w | | | | |
| ZE3JC | 14208 | 0500 | 11w | | | | |
| 9Q5DG | 21290 | 1910 | 7kh | | | | |
| VQ8CFB | 14055 | 1410 | 10w | | | | |

S. ORTLY NOTED Still a worry on the dates of some reports. Though not a hard and fast rule, the WCDXB does not like to report DX stations where it will be over 10 days old by the time it reaches the reader. There are reports printed which are older than 10 days but the tendency is to try to hold to the 10-day cutoff. Note that the WCDXB dates almost all reports.....your guarantee that you are getting news and not history. 7Z3AB in the Western Reaches on his annual trip to see how much the trees have grown on the property in Oregon. An LF4G was working into 6-land last week, this should be a Norwegian Station with Norway controlling the calls LAA to LNZ. The Florida DX Club taking to the barricades on the ARRL CD ruling on limits of club boundaries. Some of the Contest Advisory Committee report static over the elimination of the power multiplier. This may be the first Sweepstakes in years where there will not be close to a clean sweep in the section awards by the low-power contestants. Check your SS scores for proof in past contests that a clean-cut QRPper can outscore a high-power station. AP2LD says that he will usually be found around 14250kc from now on....and Ahmed asks that envelopes not contain currency...it is often short-stopped but IRCs and mint stamps are welcomed. VP5AA will operate again from Turks commencing September 20 with the same frequencies as previously--which is 28600kc on the hour; 21300 5 minutes after the hour; 7224, 7093 and 7027kc at 0100Z and 3800kc at 0200Z. May pause in the band-hopping at 14197kc or even 1827 on occasion. MP4BHH was in New Orleans last week and says that things look good for a Qatar operation when he returns. WB6UJO is in Scandinavia and all SM/LA/OH stations are cautioned to lock up their fatted pigs....Wes eats well. Singapore bureau is known now as SPARTS and no longer MARTS....but the mail still goes to Bx 777 Singapore. The Central American Net is on nightly at 2330Z at 7258kc....often some fairly good stuff which can be enticed down to 3.5mc. A TI2 net is often heard around 14200kc about the same time. VP8KO should be available at 7005kc at 0915Z Sept 18th and 3505kc at 0930Z. If you think the date for 5BWAS should be January 1, 1969 KHØF wants you to tell your ARRL Director...now.

CALENDAR:

Anytime Now Chad/TT8 operation by 5A3TX
 Oct 4/5 Phone portion - VK/ZL Oceania contest
 Oct 11/12 C.W. portion - VK/ZL Oceania contest
 Oct 11/12 RSGB 28mc phone contest
 Oct 16/30 Lord Howe effort by VK2BKM
 Oct 18/19 KR6-DX Contest
 Oct 5/12 OD5 Contest
 Oct 17-- VE3EJU starting on St. Lucia/Martinique/St. Kitts/St. Martin/Sint Maarten and possibly Anguilla.
 Oct 25/26 CQ DX Phone Contest

UP DATING.....some previously reported....

IS/Spratley Still a possibility in the coming months.
 VU/Laccadives No further word
 CEØ/San Felix CE3ZM said he would make effort when conditions right. It's coming on Spring in Chile right now so be hopeful
 HKØ/Baja Nuevo All plans for this year have fallen through. Possible Serrana Bank/Baja Nuevo Expedition next March or so.

COCOS/TT9 Some planning going on for attempts by at least three different units in the coming months. One December/One January/One late Spring.
 K6JGS/HK3 & Co. aiming for January 26th Departure.
 TT8WPE reported as completing plans for an effort the first week in December. Third group may sally forth to Cocos in April or May of 1970.
 Anyone interested in the TT8WPE effort can watch for Boots on 21420kc from 1630Z.

GABON TR8DG on at 21275kc from 2100Z on September 13th. QSL to Box 356, Libreville. Guy is ex-TN8AA.

AMSTERDAM IS FB8ZZ coming through as usual around 1200Z. Was at 14198kc from 1200Z on September 9th.....good signal. QSL via F8US. LP at 14193kc/1200Z on September 8th

SVALBARD JW7UH, Ed, on 14050 at 0000 September 9th. Big pile-up.

NORFOLK VK9LB at 21319kc, 0230Z on September 12th.

GILBERTS VRLQ on Tarawa at 14219kc at 0400Z on September 12th. Says he is putting up a Quad to improve his signal to the East Coast.

FORTY/EIGHTY REPORTS

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| PY7AWD | 7016kc | 1155Z | Sep 7e | OH3XZ/OHØ | 3507kc | 0000Z | Sept. | 5e |
| OH3XZ/OHØ | 7005 | 0610 | 5e | TI8EP | 3805 | 1005 | | 5e |
| ZB2BO | 7010 | 0600 | 8e | CT2AT | 3505 | 0000 | | 6e |
| HI8XEK | 7248 | 0900 | 9w | LZ1KAA | 3501 | 0200 | | 8e |
| PY7BBO | 7237 | 0859 | 9w | LS1KAA | 3502 | 0330 | | 8w |
| OA4MS | 7006 | 0225 | 10w | 8P6BU | 3502 | 0220 | | 9w |
| VK9DJ | 7088/7228 | 1115 | 10w | KZ5II | 3507 | 0230 | | 9w |
| 9H1BB | 7011 | 0230 | 11w | OD5LX | 3504 | 0310 | | 9w |
| CT3AS | 7009 | 0610 | 10w | KZ5EQ | 3940 | 4000 | | 9m |
| KC4USP | 7245 | 0845 | 10w | | | | | |
| OD5LX | 7002 | 0300 | 9m | | | | | |
| FS7RT | 7010 | 0515 | 5kh | | | | | |

CT2AT usually on week-ends around 3800kc SSB. LZ1KAA is on every night at the frequency given. VK2EO is now a five-banded operation while TF2WLW is looking for the okay for 40/80 antennas. LU1BB and LU4ECO regulars at the end of the 80m band.

W6-QSL BUREAU The San Diego DX Club has announced its intention of relinquishing the 6-land QSL Bureau by the end of the year or sooner if it can be arranged. At the September meeting of the Northern California DX Club it was agreed that a bid to take over the QSL duties would be made by the NCDXC. WB6KIG headed the NCDXC Committee which made the recommendations and should the bureau go to the NorCal group, the probability is that it will be headquartered in the Los Altos area.

FUNNY FARM XZ2DW coming back to a CQ....14210kc at 2300Z on September 4th. Who can say that CQ/DX is not replete with surprises. Tom Christian says that the newly minted VR6-calls are, as far as he is concerned, phoney calls. One gem gave a VR9 as a QSL route. Our Far-East agent reports that the new calls supposed to be coming from Formosa are rather suspicious. BV1USD at 21265kc and BV2USV also on 15m. The directional antennas indicated Taiwan from the mainland but the reactions not what expected from the simon pure type. On the other hand, BV2A....usually c.w. only... is sometimes found around 14030kc from 10-1100Z....and that's a good one.

CHAGOS Reported possibility of VQ9B operation within this week or so. Few details but 14030kc mentioned as a frequency.

FERNANDO de NORONHA A persistent operator making this PYØ spot available is PY7AWD frequently found on forty. Last week on September 7th he was at 7016kc at 0110Z. Sometimes does not bother with the /PYØ suffix but is on the island.

73,

WA6AUD

TNX/TNX/TNX to Big Bore DXers including W4OPM, K4ZCP, W4BRB, W4HJF, W5LZZ, W5ALA, K6KA, WA5UHR, K6AQV, W6ISQ, WA6YVW, WB6SRA, K6ZIF, W6PTS, W6BIP, WA6BVI, W6MI, K6LAE, WA6PXY, WB6ZEM, W6TZD, W6WJU, W6JHV/7, W8CT, K8RWL, W9WJU, KØVBX, KH6BZF, KH6GLU, KR6NR, DL7FT, HS3DR

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