

West Coast DX

Bulletin

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ALBANIA In a report especially taped for the Fresno International DX Meet, DL7FT gave the anticipated dates and frequency for his long projected ZA-operation. Frank will be accompanied on the trip by DJ7VY, Michael Martin, also of Berlin. Entry into Albania will be via Yugoslavia and this one last document is the only one needed. Frank reported that it will not be possible to enter via Italy or Greece nor to come in via the Adriatic Sea.

The operation is set for the period May 15-22nd. All plans are aimed at this date but should this date not materialize, the alternate date will be during the period Sept 19th--October 4th. These are the only two periods when DL7FT and DL7VY will be able to make the trip.

They will have to be accompanied in ZA-land by a 'scout' (escort) who not only will need fluency in German and English but also Albanian. The operation plans to use twenty meters only, transmitting at 14195kc or within a few kcs and listening from 14250 to 14350kc, the listening frequency to be indicated though this may be encoded.

Frank gave especial credit to John Knight, W6YY, for his help and his figuring out how a ZA-operation could be mounted. Frank also reiterated the cost of the ZA-effort would far outstrip any comparable DX effort and noted that he would give special attention and effort to any whose contributions made the effort possible. However, Frank also said that he would attempt to work every station he could hear.

Those wishing to communicate with DL7FT should address their mail to Frank Turek, 1 Berlin 47, Petunienweg 99, West Germany. As further details develop, they will be carried in the WCDXB.

SERRANA BANK Plans for a HKØ-Serrana Bank operation to follow the TI9-Cocos effort this week end have been supplied by one of the participants, Joe Goggin, K9KIW. At this time the group plan to go onto San Andres-HKØ after completing the TI9-Cocos, flying to San Andres and departing that island on February 19th, aiming for a February 20th opening but may even edge that a bit.

A three day at least operation is planned and the call will be W9FTU/KS4. Those going on the trip will be W9FTU, K9KNW, K6JGS/HK3, HKØBKX and HKØAI. HKØBKX has arranged for a boat for the needed transportation plus a stand-by boat just in case.

The Frequencies will be:

C.W. 7030, 14030, 21030 and 28030kc.

SSB 7205, 14205, 21305, 28595 plus 7255, 14280 and 21355kc.

This is an operation planned to follow the Cocos effort and any late changes or developments will be announced during the Cocos operation.

COCOS TI9CI crew departing TI-land February 6th and open up February 8th in the final hours of the ARRL Phone DX test.

The frequencies are:

C.W. 1805, 3505, 7005, 14005 and 21005kc

SSB 1825, 3795, 7095, 14195, 21305, 28595 plus transceive 14280kc

CALENDAR

ARRL DX TEST February 7-8th...first go-round on phone.
February 21-22nd.first go-round on c.w.
COCOS TI9CI scheduled to open February 8th...plans for a five day effort.
SERRANA BANK W9FIU/KS4 by the hardy Cocos group..should open February 20th.
QATAR MP4QBK tentatively set for February 21-27th.
ALBANIA A true-blue ZA-effort scheduled by DL7FT/DL7VY for May 15-22nd.

SPRATLY Next effort apparently a few months off. VS6DR must come to the States on business but is determined to make the next one go.
More of the problems on the last effort coming to light...some subsequent to the cancellation. One VS6 reported as going to Brunei by air to meet the boat, being stranded by the cancellation so his company just transferred him permanently to Brunei. HS3DR was also scheduled to meet the sloop at Brunei and had to return to Udorn in Upper Thailand. The sloop made it to Singapore but the skipper had enough of the China Sea and is heading west into the Indian Ocean. Everyone has their branding iron out for Spratly with claims to the island being made by BY/BV/DU/XV5(North/XV5(South). It's the paper work on DXpeditions that wears one down.

PORTUGUESE GUINEA CR3KD showing up on the schedule, Mon/Wed/Fri at 14300kc from 2200Z. WA3HUP making the lists. Good signal all the way to the West Coast. Pardal kept the Mon/Wed schedule last week but had to cancel out on the Friday one...and these cancellations may happen from time to time. QSL to WA4PXP. Dental appointments rather numerous around that 2200Z slot. Son of a gun, there probably is a connection there somewhere.

JORDAN Reported that a station signing SV0MM/JY was at 14235kc at 1300Z on January 27th. Said he would be active for several days. SV0MI also reported as signing the same /JY same time and place.

KERGUELEN FB8XX at 14219kc at 0200Z January 27th and 28th. Off a list being made up and handled by W3DJZ. Good signal to the states....FB8XX has limited time at this slot but regular appearance expected. Was at 7011kc at 0100Z/Jan 31st

MARION IS. ZS2MI showing up regularly. Was at 14165kc on Jan 26...at 21367kc on the following day. Usually from 1500-1700Z. QSL manager is ZS6LM who sometimes makes up a list. ZS2MI now using SSB gear.

GUARANTEE QSL CLUB The W9GXR Guarantee QSL Club aims to put the cards in your hand through the medium of a monthly bulletin which will list all members of the GQC as well as the modes and frequencies used by the individual members. Each member on joining obligates himself to answer all QSLs from other club members. Two failures to respond to a QSL sent by another club member and membership in the group is suspended.
W9GXR also offers a QSL service beyond that included in the club membership. If you would like the full details of the club and QSL service, drop a line to W9GXR Guarantee QSL Club, 15 Kingswood Drive, Normal, Ill. 61761.

SENEGAL 6W8XX returning to France in April. Home call is F2XX.

SPANISH SAHARA Angel, EA9ER, expecting reassignment and is now QRT. New duty expected to be somewhere in the Sahara.

DL7FT The WCDXB has the tape made by Frank and used at the Fresno International DX meeting. Any DX club wishing a loan of the tape can write to the Tape Library, WCDXB.

FORTY/EIGHTY DESK

LIBERIA EL2BE, C.W. Yaciw in the U.S. Embassy there, has found 80m DX and stayed up until sunrise on January 17th working the pile-up on 3501.5kc. Home call is K4IL and QSLs handled by WB8ABN.

IRAN EP2BQ adding more schedules. In addition to Thurs/Friday 3507kc from 1400-1600Z, will be on most other days at 1530Z. If QRM is the problem on 3507kc will move to 3502kc. EP2BQ has succeeded in working into KH6-land, working KH6GLU at 1730Z on Jan 10th. Also reports hearing the East Coast at 0300-0400Z. Earlier in January was 569 to W4LCO.

HAITI HH9DL....picture in February QST....expects to have an 80m antenna up this week for SSB work. Don rarely works c.w.

St. Vincents VP2SY now on 75m. Was at 3805kc at 1100Z on January 26th. Washington is the name runs the restaurant there in St. Vincents.

ICELAND TF5TP transceive around 3799kc. Must zip about a bit for QSOs with the deserving above 3800kc. Was on at 0700Z on January 26th. QSL to DL7FT.

TURKEY TA5E usually around 3526 from 0230Z. Has also been heard on 160m.

PACIFIC KS6DH coming through both on c.w. and SSB. Was at 3503kc at 1030Z on January 27th. Was at 3815kc from 0945 to 1100Z on January 17th, working VRLL and KC6EJ. KS6DH hopes to raise his sloping 40/80 inverted Vee antenna from a 35' height to close to 60' with a new tower. Jerry has heard VS6DO and HL9UU on the edge of the 80m band. W5NW, Soupy Groves, ARRL Vice-prex, visited KS6DH when enroute to ZL/VK grounds.

LAOS XW8BP coming through almost daily on 80m around 1500Z. In there calling and working just about everyone.

St. KITTS Herb, KV4FZ, renewed license for St. Kitts and may have operated there this past Sunday, Feb 1st....might also operate Monday, Feb 2nd. Herb on way to South America but may hold up trip for two weeks if license renewal does not come through. Call sign will be VP2KK.

9V10Y has 80 meter antenna up and working 80m c.w. When he tries SSB the low power capacitors flash over. He is running an Inverted VEE fed by 600 ohm open wire feeder. Would like help with some old capacitors, looking for a split-stator with about 250/300 uuf and a single stator similar to the Z-match in the ARRL Handbook. Mel is ready for 80/40m schedules and would like to try 160m on c.w.

KENYA 5Z4KL on daily from 0200-0300Z at 1803kc, sometimes splitting frequency and listening up.

CURACAO PJ2VD on most nights....1826 and/or 1808kc. Big signal.

HONDURAS HH2HH on rather frequently, slow speed...around 10wpm...at 1827kc. Not a fast fist but loud.

ANGUILLA. One of the big guns has received an Anguilla license but too late for the 160m test. May figure out a way to use it. Promises a bit of power and an antenna a bit up there.

BAHAMAS W4BRB/VP7 operated during the 160m test....send QSLs to Florida QTH. Gene apparently was the first to break through the bureaucratic red tape with his operation, a first one since the expansion of the reciprocal bit. He would also like the usual s.a.s.e.

EUROPE ...from the 40meter Desk

OK3ER	7009kc	0444Z	Jan 19w
LZ2KAD	7008	0030	20w
YU3APR	7006	0343	22w
UT5KDN	7009	0420	22w
UQ2KBP	7016	0450	22w
F8EX	7009	0530	22w
SP1BHX	7008	0630	22w
UQ2GW	7010	0700	22w
UR2RL	7011	0710	22w
LA7TH	7010	1117	22w
YO9HO	7033	0400	23m
HA3GO	7001	0245	27m
OK2KYI	7002	0246	27m
EM1KI	7032	0900	23m

ASIA

4S7DA	7006kc	0115Z	Jan 20w
HM1FE	7007	1300	22w
TA2E	7026	0500	22m
KR8EA	7006	1350	22w

ELSEWHERE'S

FB8XX	7008kc	0030Z	Jan 20w
9J2PV	7008	0350	20w
ZL2HY	7005	0600	22w
AX2SA	7011	1120	22w
KR6NG	7002	1125	22w
CO8SM	7008	0515	21w
CR7CI	7002	0312	24m
ZS1WK	7001	0314	24m
EA8FJ	7026	0805	23m
ZM1BN/A	7038	0812	23m

AND THE 80m Desk.....

EUROPE

GM6NX	3502kc	0800Z	Jan 27w
G3IOR	3504	0805	27w
F2WW	3501	0805	27zm3
HA5KFB	3501	0543	28m
ON4HC	3501	0646	28w
OZ5DX	3503	0253	25ve3
HA3ND	3501	0402	25e
UB5LR	3501	0415	25ve3
LZ2IM	3502	0529	25m
3Z9CE	3509	0609	25w
YT2CBM	3507	0624	25w
OK1AOR	3516	0635	25ve3
OZ1W	3506	0649	25w
DM2BVA	3519	0716	25ve2
UO5AP	3502	0338	26m
TF5TP	3799	1037	26w
UR2AR	3502	0456	24e
UP2MT	3510	0504	24w
OE3JBW	3501	0507	24e
OH1FY	3502	0718	24e
GI3SKH	3501	0718	24w

ASIA ...from the 80 meter desk

VS6DO	3895kc	1330Z	Jan 27w
JD1YA	3505	1530	25w
EP2BQ	3507	1426	23w
XW8BP	3507	1505	23w
XU8EJ	???? 3504	0332	24w
TZ4KU	???? 3504	0433	24w
UL7GW	3508	1655	22kh
UL7QQ	3507	1645	22kh

AFRICA

CT3AS	3510kc	0705Z	Jan 26w
ZL3NE	3499	0748	24w

ELSEWHERE'S

6Y5SR	3502kc	0525Z	Jan 25w
KP4AN	3806	1030	25w
8P6CX	3806	1035	25w
LU2ECO	3505	0300	26w
LU8AHW	3505	0405	26w
KG4AN	3805	1030	26w
KC4USN	3942	0700	24m

SHORTLY NOTED

FB8ZZ

QSLs reported as coming thru from the earlier operation, coming via F2MO. Also, the QSL route for CR3KD is given during contacts as WA4PXP but some come via W2CTN. More ZAs showing up...ZL4LB on 21315 and ZA7AB at 14145kc. Probably members of the same club that the XU8 and TZ4 listed above belong to. Ten meters showing a lot of life some days, often opening from the West Coast to Europe from 1600Z. Also a lot of racket from the 5BWAS aspirants. Some even looking for California. QSL info needed for ZFLAN. 7X0LOU on 20 c.w. ...14072kc at 0430...said to QSL to Bx 2 Algiers. Long path opening to the midwest for the Far East. Some report working 9M8FMF on the published Mon/Wed/Tri sked. The LP seems to be best at 1300Z and SP from 0200Z. Many midwesteners expressing appreciation for the West Coast giving a clear channel last week for the Spratly operation. Every W6/W7 a full-time, card carrying gentleman. Reported that the QSLs for FR7ZP/E being worked over by the printer...HS3ADB coming into the West Coast with a crushing signal Friday evening...3503kc at 1500Z. Says he will be at 3799kc during the ARRL Phone Test. Is running a full through pole.

REPORTS FROM RED EYED LOUIE....the Watcher of the Lonely Night!!

EUROPE

GM3CSM	21280kc	1425Z	Jan	20e
ET8H	21282	1840		20e
YO4WU	28556	1440		24e
UK9C.N	14207	1225		25e
LX1DB	14332	1930		21m
IS1LEW	28040	1555		23w
OY4R	28060	1645		23w
TF2MLF	21029	2035		24w
ZB2AV	21040	2100		24w
UQ2KBP	14203	1450		22w
UR2LH	14202	1500		26w
YT2NFJ	14198	1500		28w
UP2BV	14027	1645		25w
UC2WJ	14045	1625		27w
UB5KHQ	14028	1705		27w
JW7UH	21318	1700		21w
UG6AV	14260	1630	LP	28w
UD6KAR	14234	1525		28w
GD3GMH	14213	1540		21w
3A2EE	14238	1605		24w
ZB2BX	21021	1645		24w
9H1AZ	21030	1625		27w
OH6YT	14218	1535		26w
GC3EML	14010	2125		27w
JW7UH	14005	0200		22w
LZ2IM	21008	1530		25m
EA6LR	14205	0415		29m
TF2WKP	14209	1350		25m
H16VK	21265	1435		25m
U12KBD	14256	1310	LP	28m
UK4C.A	14231	1315		28m

ASIA

JHLHSN	21278	2225		21e
9M2DX	14212	0000		24e
UA9VH/JT1	14202	0100		31w
HS5ABD	14206	1250		26e
YALYB	14217	1250		15e
JT1AH	14027	0120		25w
TA2SC	14262	1540		28w
TALNC	14262	1550		28w
TALNF	14235	1605		26w
7Z3AB	14247	1500		daily
9N1MM	14275	1530		23w
9N1RA	14278	1600		23w
4X4KL	14008	1550		24w
VS6DR	14210	1630		26w
UAØYT	14044	0320		25m
OD5FB	14209	0610		29m
8QAYL	14203	1300		29m
UM8FZ	14192	1420		25m
VU2US	14223	1330		26m
AP2AD	14213	0300		28m

AFRICA

9J2WS	21295kc	2025Z	Jan	23e
7Q7JG	28552	1415		24e
EA8FO	14028	1630		25w
3V8AL	14332	1930		21m
7Q7JO	14208	1700		23m
9X5AA	14232	2000		23m
EA9AQ	21293	1725		21w
5R8AS	14217	1620		22w
VQ8CI	14223	1635		27w
5H3LV	14208	1610		25w
SULMA	14205	0030		30w
5R8AX	14232	1630		28w
CN8HL	21331	1730		21w
5Z4LX	14235	1940		26w
9Q5SN	21308	1830		27w
TU2CS	14213	0010		28w
FL8MB	14247	1500		Mostdays
9J2RQ	28042	1850		25w
5T5BG	14014	0315		28w
TN8BK	21175	1805		24m
9J2WS	21275	2035		23m
FR7ZD	14203	0325		29m
FR7ZW	14234	0340		29m
CR7CO	14215	0400		29m
ZE1CX	21290	2010		23e

ELSEWHERE

VP2M	14202kc	2330Z	Jan	26e
ZMLAT/K	14247	0525		25e
VP8KY	14226	0530		25e
ZM2AFZ	14204	1210		27e
VP2GR	14205	0500		23m
FG7TD	21040	1845		24w
VP2MT	28029	1640		25w
VP2MI	14202	1440		28w
ZMLBN/A	14230	0400		23w
ZK1AJ	14218	1740		27w
6Y5BT	21238	1835		27w
AXØKW	14022	2030	LP	26m
VP8FL	14202	2350		22m
FO8BO	21045	2105		24m
YJ8JM	14039	1030		25m

EGYPT SULMA keeping the SWAN CYGNET going strong. Has been reported regularly in the mornings from 1600Z, somewhere between 14200 and 14230kc. Also coming thru evenings...was at 14205kc at 0300Z on January 30th and being worked on the West Coast. HB9MX reports that Moety is on very frequently in the 1600-1800Z period but European QRM a problem at times. Also reported that ILLZ acts as m.c. for SULMA.

MANIHIKI ZKIMN, a native on Manihiki has been recently licensed but at this time is crystal controlled only at 3800kc. Name is Tuatai and hopes to be on SSB in April. Ed DeYoung, KH6GLU, is working with Tuatai and may handle the QSLs but nothing definite on this as yet.

BULLETINS Australis OSCAR 5 went into orbit at 1131Z on January 23rd. In a circular orbit at 790 nautical miles with an orbital period of 115.1 minutes. OSCAR 5 transmitting at 29450kc and 144.050mc. WIAW will give orbital bulletins at 1345 and 1900Z.

FCC has taken final action on Docket 18508. Two meter c.w. sub-band will change from 147.9 thru 148.0mc to 144.0 through 144.1mc. F-1 sub-band on ten meters which currently is 29.0 thru 29.7mc will be changed to 28.0 to 28.5mc. Changes effected March 2nd.

SIKKIM AC3PT active again on the South East Asia Net on January 24th. Reported as returning to Brown University in Providence, R.I. January 28-29th.

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WA6AUD

TX to...W4BA, W4BRB, W4NJF, W4TUC, W5ALA, W5LZZ, WA5UHR, WB6AQF, K6AQV, W6BH, W6BUY, WA6BVY, WB6CAB, W6CDJ, K6EC, WA6IVM, K6KA, W6KIH, W6KZS, K6MHD, K6TWT, WB6UJO, W6JHV/7, W7YQI, W8CT, K8RWL, W8VHY, K9EUZ, W9GXR, W9KNW, W9WKU, WØYDB, KH6GLU, HB9MX

WEST COAST DX BULLETIN Published every week of the year by the Marin County DX Group. Every one a noble DXer....motivated by ARPS and PICON. Why one of the noblest of them all was on the list for FB8XX...but at the crucial moment was on 75meters handling SET traffic....missed the FB8XX completely but heard of widespread damage (simulated) in North Jersey. What more can one sacrifice for public service? Better than Sesame Street is the WCDXB to the DXer. \$7.00 for a seedy year.



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