

West Coast DX

Bulletin

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ALBANIA Frank, DL7FT, confirming as of the middle of last week that he was all set for the long awaited ZA-operation. Departure was set from Copenhagen last Friday with no change indicated in the schedule. Needed crystals for the c.w. operation had been received, Frank reported on September 10th and the waiting was getting short. If all went right, Frank should be on the air at this time.

EAST PAKISTAN The INDXA looking for another coup with East Pakistan expected to be on the air within the next week or so. The gear for this effort last week was in Frankfurt and was to be forwarded onwards to Karachi by DJØKQ. AP2KS will take over from there. QSLs will go to K3RLY, 6536 Allview Dr., Ellicott City, Md 21043 or to the INDXA, Bx 125, Simpsonville, Md. 21150. The INDXA also indicate that they are working on a real big effort. Details will be announced when things start to jell.

LORD HOWE AX2ABW/LH went QRT on September 5th..operating right up to the last minute. Another operation will surface shortly with VK2GKM going to Lord Howe sometime between September 19th and September 29th.

SOUTH GEORGIA VP8JV coming through from this Antarctic spot, coming through LP in the mornings around 1700Z. Was at 14209kc at 1735Z on September 6th. QSL to W2GHK.

SIKKIM AC3PT was on briefly last Tuesday and Wednesday, being reported those days-- September 8th and 9th--from 1200Z to 1300Z. Reported that while in AC3-land Larry got the rig at the Choygals palace operating and put up a new 20meter dipole. Possible that the AC3PT call may be heard a bit more frequently. There was no AC5-Bhutan operation and Larry returned to India. Conditions to the West Coast not especially good and after trying to work into 6/7-land, Larry went back to working those he could hear...mostly east coast Wls. The expected great-circle beam headings not always working and signals peaked on some odd paths. Larry was heading back to New Delhi from Sikkin. If anything is to develop on his hopes for VU4-Laccadives, it should be before the end of September. The letters column in the October CQ has an item from Larry on the hazards of DXing in some countries.

IRAQ OH2BH reported as going to YI-land in mid-October for another precedent making operation. Nothing definite at this time but a note from Martin this last week said he would send "big news" within a few weeks.

CAMPBELL ISLAND Possibility of two stations to show from this one....One report said ZM4OL/A..another said ZM2OL. This one reported as possible sometime after September 14th. Also given as a possibility is ZM2OP/A. From discussions on the air it appeared that one QSL manager was not aware of the other activity being planned.

QSLs Etc OH2BH/ZA QSLs received last week. 860 QSOs made...8 of them W6s...W6OSU, W6MWF, W6GRV, W6KZL, K6OZL and W6WWQ. While the 6/7s may look big on Pacific DX, they sure lost out on the OH/ZA effort. Also showing up are VP2EX-Anguilla QSLs as well as some FR7ZP/Europa QSLs. OJØDX QSLs will be mailed soon...4000 letters on hand for this one. Logs from VS5RG have been received by VE7BWG and the cards should be out in a couple of weeks. YVØAI cards were received a week back.

CALENDAR

ALBANIA DL7FT & Co. should be on now if all went well with their plans.
 MANIHIKI On most days...edge of twenty phone...from 0400Z.
 NIUE Likewise...from 0700Z.
 GUERNSEY GC5ASS...for 24 hours in the Sept 14-16th spot.
 JERSEY GC5ASS...for another 24hours in the same period.
 DAHOMEY TY7ATF presently active.
 EAST PAKISTAN AP2KS for week to ten days...any time now. An INDXA promotion
 MACAU K2IXP...from CR9AKs QTH. October 3-5th.
 CAMPBELL IS. Two groups reported as headed for this one. Something before end of
 September.
 HAITI HH9DL...big effort by So. California group in CQ Contest
 KURE W7UXP/KH6 during CQ Contest
 IRAQ Possibly some YI-activity by OH2BH & Co. in October.
 SAC Scandinavian Activity.....c.w. portion Sept 19/20th...Phone Sept 26/27.
 VK/ZL Oceania Test....Oct 3/4--Phone go-around....Oct 10/11th..c.w. action
 CQ Worldwide Oct 24-25th.

MANIHIKI/NIUE Activity from these areas just about daily. From Manihiki ZK1MA shows up just about nightly after 0400Z. A slow operation and hampered by the dependence on battery power. Possible to keep station on air only about a half-hour with a full-charge on the batteries. WB6UDC compiled a massive list with over 130 calls on it...made it up in mid-week and by the weekend has pretty well cleaned it up. Last Saturday was still plugging away with the list at 0800Z. From Niue, ZK2AF showing up around 0700Z. Correct spelling of name is Wally Christie, (we have published some variations) and he is ex-ZLLAIL. This is a fast operation and Wally looking for Europeans last week around 0730Z. QSL to Wally, c/o Department of Education, Niue Island. Sometimes move up to 14260kc. There is a possibility of a ZL-group going to Manihiki for an operation.

40/80 Desk:

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| CE0AE | 7027kc | 0850Z | Sep 6w | KL7DTH/KG6 | 3807kc | 1310Z | Sep 8w |
| KL7DTH/KG6 | 7251 | 0830 | 8w | ZMLAT/K | 3525 | 0735 | 9w |
| VPLSJ | 7251 | 0800 | 6w | | | | |

RED CROSS FREQUENCIES It has recently been reported that an international agreement is being negotiated within ITU Region II to provide for special frequencies outside the amateur bands for International Red Cross communications. While the report on this is sketchy, it has been reported that the matter has reached the point where the agreement is being ratified by some State Departments in the Pan-American countries. The problem seems to be that communication via amateur frequencies is somewhat difficult at times with special nets such as the Hurricane Net or the Medical Nets bothered by QRM. This system, if adopted, would be similar to the MARS Nets and frequencies and the frequencies above the amateur phone bands have been mentioned as possible areas for such assignments of Red Cross frequencies.

SHORTLY NOTED This issue marks the 124th consecutive weekly issuance of the WCDBX..an unbroken string. The only problem is that the working portion of the organization may have to go to Washington and Philadelphia for two weeks at the end of this month....and one issue may be missed. Certainly a crisis situation. XT2AA was in the hospital the latter part of August bothered by recurring malaria. DL7VY was reported as being in the States last week and some doubt whether he will be in on the Albanian effort. KS6DH working on a DXpedition but not ready to announce the plans. Jerry has been mentioned a number of times in connection with the ZM7-Tokelaus effort. Also, some saying that 5W1LR states he will not make the ZM7-effort. The picture not clear but something apparently developing. No reports on the HB9/4W1 effort since August 30th...possibly QRT. W2LGU is the QSL manager and m.c. for 9H1CD. Watch 21312 around 2000Z or 14230Z around 2200Z...Wednesdays best bet. WA5GFS is QSL manager for VP5TH, VP5NB, TI8PE and OKLADM...sase requested. ZD8RR went QRT Sept 5th, returning to home call W7VZX. JW8MI apparently will not QSO calls on his own frequency.

REPORTS FROM RED-EYED LOUI

EUROPE

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| IP1JT | 21350kc | 1715Z | Sep | 4e |
| F6AGM/FC | 21325 | 2100 | | 2e |
| YT3CNO | 21315 | 1820 | | 2e |
| M1D | 21298 | 1315 | | 6e |
| GC3EML | 14002 | 2210 | | 6e |
| 4U1ITU | 14054 | 1120 | | 7e |
| ZB2A | 14256 | 2200 | | 2e |
| OR4AG | 14001 | 2205 | | 2e |
| 3A2AM | 21292 | 1235 | | 5e |
| M1B | 21382 | 1505 | | 5m |
| EA6BM | 21300 | 1840 | | 7m |
| EA6BN | 21300 | 1840 | | 7m |
| 9H1CB | 28040 | 1615 | | 7w |
| IS1A0V | 28040 | 1705 | | 6w |
| OE7UD | 14223 | 1610 | | 7w |
| 9H1R | 14217 | 1430 | | 9w |
| GC3VVE | 14212 | 0020 | | 11w |
| UD6CC | 14227 | 1445 | | 9w |
| OI3MF | 14248 | 0600 | | 6w |
| 9H1CD | 21315 | 2000 | | 10w |
| F0VC/FC | 21010 | 1715 | | 6w |
| Y09CN | 21293 | 1600 | | 6w |
| SV0WU | 14247 | 0605 | | 7w |
| EA6BJ | 28626 | 1820 | | 7w |
| UD6BD | 21026 | 0520 | | 7w |
| UR2AR | 14263 | 0615 | | 5w |
| FCLFX | 21025 | 2100 | | 9w |
| JX2HK | 14045 | 1445 | | 3w |
| TALB | 14040 | 0435 | | 4w |
| UF6LA | 14026 | 2055 | | 3m |
| UD6NA | 14026 | 2100 | | 3m |
| SV0WU | 21300 | 1735 | | 3m |
| U05AW | 21031 | 2115 | | 7m |
| JW8MI | 21040 | 1515 | | 9m |
| GW3SB | 21052 | 1550 | | 9m |
| 3Y1CA(LA?) | 14080 | 0330 | | 8w |
| JX2HK | 21051 | 1930 | | 8kh |
| JW8MI | 14043 | 1530 | | 9kh |

ELSEWHERE

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| VR5LT | 14205kc | 0430Z | Sep | 4e |
| VR2ER | 14054 | 1120 | | 7e |
| FM7WF | 21086 | 1755 | | 5e |
| KJ6CF | 28540 | 0305 | | 8w |
| FG7XT | 28554 | 2015 | | 8w |
| YJ8BW | 14265 | 0740 | | 4w |
| 9M6AD | 14065 | 1420 | | 8w |
| KJ6BF | 14231 | 1615 | | 7w |
| VR2SA | 14321 | 1225 | | 9w |
| KG6SF | 14300 | 1410 | | 9w |
| HC8FN | 21314 | 0340 | | 8w |
| KM6CE | 21400 | 0130 | | 5w |
| CE0AE | 21400 | 0210 | | 5w |
| KG6SV | 21400 | 0213 | | 5w |
| KC6RS (ECI) | 21400 | 0225 | | 5w |
| VR1O | 21045 | 0230 | | 2w |
| VPkJV(ScGeo) | 14209 | 1740 | | 6kh |

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| 4S7AR | 4045kc | 1050Z | Sep | 7e |
| YB3AF | 14048 | 1130 | | 5e |
| VS6BL | 21064 | 1340 | | 5e |
| 4S7EA | 21025 | 1930 | | 5e |
| OD5LX | 21027 | 1825 | | 7e |
| UH8BO | 14210 | 0225 | | 8m |
| JD1ABO | 28570 | 0235 | | 8w |
| 4Z4DS | 21319 | 1715 | | 10w |
| MP4TDJ | 14227 | 1630 | | 2w |
| JD1ABO | 14204 | 1645 | | 5w |
| VU2CP | 21067 | 1635 | | 9w |
| UH8AE | 14202 | 0435 | | 4w |
| 4S7PB | 14207 | 1625 | | 4w |
| 7Z3AB | 14250 | 1425 | | 9w |
| VU2BEO | 14207 | 1440 | | 6w |
| VU2CK | 14203 | 1220 | | 9w |
| UK8AAA | 14010 (UI8) | 1400 | | 9w |
| EP2FB | 14230 | 1410 | | 9w |
| 9N1MM | 14240 | 1525 | | 5w |
| HM1BB | 14212 | 1440 | | 9w |
| OP5FV | 14210 | 0330 | | 8w |
| UI8BT | 14051 | 1510 | | 4w |
| UL7NG | 14052 | 1450 | | 4w |
| UM8FM | 14016 | 0135 | | 1m |
| UL7HD | 14017 | 0145 | | 1m |
| YB3AS | 14040 | 1225 | | 7m |
| JD1ABH | 21046 | 0930 | | 8kh |

AFRICA

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| EA9EJ | 28560kc | 1710Z | Sep | 7w |
| ZD3K | 28586 | 1800 | | 7w |
| CT3AS | 21279 | 1700 | | 7w |
| FB8XX | 14216 | 1355Z | | 5w |
| TJ1AW | 28540 | 1805 | | 6e |
| ZD5B | 1422 | 1520 | | 7w |
| 9J2PV | 21272 | 1625 | | 6e |
| ET3USA | 21337 | 2140 | | 6e |
| SULIM | 14023 | 0335 | | 8w |
| CR6CA | 21307 | 2150 | | 6e |
| 9J2JN | 21336 | 1800 | | 7e |
| 3B7DA | 14021 | 1105 | | 6e |
| 3B8CR | 14202 | 1140 | | 7e |
| FR7ZD | 14205 | 1145 | | 7e |
| FL8DP | 21275 | 1905 | | 7e |
| 9X5MG | 21289 | 1910 | | 7e |
| 7X2MD | 14218 | 2300 | | 6e |
| 3A2AM | 21292 | 1235 | | 5e |
| 3V8AL | 14332 | 2000 | | 7m |
| 3B7DA | 14332 | 1245 | | 3m |
| CR4BS | 28580 | 1500 | | 9w |
| 7Q7BC | 14214 | 1525 | | 9w |
| 9J2PM | 21315 | 2140 | | 8w |
| CN8EG | 21297 | 2105 | | 9w |
| TY7ATF | 14205 | 2345 | | 10w |
| CR5SP | 21245 | 2220 | | weekends |
| ZD9BO | 14195 | 1450 | | 5w |
| 5H3MM | 28536 | 1730 | | 8w |
| TU2CY | 21273 | 1615 | | 6w |
| 7P8AB | 21318 | 1835 | | 10w |
| 5R8AS | 14209 | 1405 | | 8w |
| FB8ZZ | 14215 | 1215 | | 9w |

AMSTERDAM/CROZET FB8WW and FB8ZZ plan to be on daily at 1200Z at 14218kc. List will be taken by FR7ZG for this operation. FB8ZZ has had some problems, blowing the power transformer in the rig.

FCC Some additions made to the Extra Class sample questions...sample questions 7,29, 30 and 86 affected.

RM-1655 has been assigned to a petition by W3BQN asking that holding of a commercial license be substituted for part of the 25years needed for two letter calls. W6ODX has petitioned the FCC to set a minimum age for amateur licenses and also asked the FCC to move the CBers to VHF frequencies.

RM-1658 asks that the Extra Class grandfather clause be moved from April 1917 to December 1941. From overseas WA6FHB asks for a reshuffling of the 80-40-20 meter bands in order to increase phone bands and to allow more than 1KW for Advanced and Extra Class licensees. The FCC dismissed RM-1512 by W5JGV which would have substituted an 800watt output limit for the 1KW input limit on frequencies above 420mc.

St. PIERRE FP0CA will be active until September 18th...with emphasis on 40/80m. At 0300Z he will be a 7095kc, listening around 7235kc. At 0430Z he will be at 3900kc listening at 3980kc. He will be transceive at 3980kc daily from 0845Z to 0900Z.

TONGA WA6BKW plans to operate VR5ZK during November...10 thru 40 for sure and 80m a possibility.

73,
WA6AUD

TNX to WB2YQH, W2FXA, WB2VAE, W3CDL, W3RX, K3RLY, W4HU, W4OPM, W4UF, W5ALA, WA5GFS, W5LZZ, W6ANN, WB6AQF, K6AQV, W6BH, W6BJI, K6BTT, WA6BVY, W6CNA, K6CF, K6EC, W6FZJ, K6HN, K6KA, K6KII, K6MHO, W6KZS, K6LAE, K6QZ, W6TSQ, K6TVL, WB6UDC, K6UFT, WB6UJO, W6PTS, WB6UOM, K6VOQ, W6VUW, WB6WHM, WA6YVW, WB6ZUC, W7YQI, W7YTN, W8CT, K8RWL, W9WKU, W0IYP, W0JRN, W0MYN, W0YDB, KH6BZF, KH6GQW, HPLJC, OH2BH ..

WEST COAST DX BULLETIN Published every week by the Marin County DX Group. One of our QRPers recently was encountered with something more than his usual puzzled look. "Son of a Gun", he said. "I heard from the OH/ZA Group. They worked eight W6s and got QSLs for twenty-one QSOs with 6-land. Something doesn't add up". Checked his figures....sure enough, they did not. Stand back, Men!!! Its the onslaught of the QSL Explosion!! \$7.00 for a QSL dxological year.



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