

# West Coast DX

## Bulletin

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CLIPPERTON While this seems to be No. 1 in most lists of countries needed, there seems to be some difficulties ahead for any projected operation from FO8C. A recent report from the Central American Desk indicates that weather and the seas will pose problems even in the best months of September and October. Waves that run as high as 40 feet at times and steady winds of 15-40mph add some problems. In addition, recent reports from commercial fishermen in the area indicate that two French naval vessels are in the area, one appears to be a mine sweeper type and the other a helicopter ship. Fishermen approaching close to the island are headed off.

Ashore there appears to be a crew working and living on the island with what appears to be a new bunker under construction. Weather, not the best. Some rumors that a K6 was ashore recently and operated c.w. without signing any FO8 suffix. Also reported that those who have the authority to give permission to land on the island very difficult to contact.

RIO de ORO EA9EJ, Justo, the only one apparently active from this one at this time and from late reports, he probably will be the only one for some time. No licenses are being issued by Spanish authorities for Rio de Oro and while there are at least four other amateurs stationed there with the Spanish military forces, their efforts to obtain operating permission have been fruitless. Also, only Justo himself can operate his rig and no one else.

Justo usually active Fridays and Saturdays at 14130kc from 0600Z. The other EA9-area, Ceuta and Melilla, frequently represented by Clem, EA9AQ. Clem was at 21073kc at 1630Z on Nov 15th; at 14047kc/2220Z on the 18th and 28545kc at 1655Z on November 22nd.

MANIHIKI ZK1MA somewhat handicapped recently by lack of power. In recent weeks he has only been on for short periods. In addition to his own battery power-supply, he has had to charge the batteries for the island administrative use. Some indications are that the fuel supply will be tight for about a month until a supply ship arrives. No activity reported last week, ZK1CD giving the story on his problems. A portable power supply was being expected on another ship due to arrive last week, this for use with the HW-100. If this arrives there is a possibility of it being used by a ZK1 on a trip to Penrhyn Island (Tongareva), another island in the Tokelaus. There may be a ZK1/mm being heard and whether activity ashore will be possible is not known.

CAMPBELL IS ZL4OL/A showed up at a number of spots last week, including the PACDXNET last Tuesday. Was at 14288kc/0510Z Nov 22nd; at 14239kc/0520Z on the 24th, moving up a bit later to the PACDXNET at 14265kc at 0600Z. Does move around a bit and not holding to any set frequency. Can be looked for from 0430Z. QSL to ZL2GX.

DJ/AFRICAN DXPELITION After a period of no reports, the DJ-effort was reported from Madeira last week. DJ6QT/CT3 was heard on 10 meters, being 28587kc/1550Z on the 21st and 28625kc/1650Z on the 22nd. Signal not especially strong and they were hoping to get up a beam for a better signal. On the 22nd they were calling CQ with little response.

READINGS FROM RED EYED LOUIE:

EUROPE

GC2LJ	28020kc	1600Z	Nov	22e
MLB	21376	1535		22e
9HLA	28033	1530		21e
LXLSN	28013	1515		22e
LX1GP	14332	2030		18m
UG6AW	14218	1650		24w
LX9BB	21312	1700		20w
LX9DB	21329	1650		23w
SVLDB/70	14250	1510		19w
UK5MAF	14225	1325		24m
YU3EM	28575	1440		25m
UP2PD	28515	1440		25m
GD3GMH	28525	1440		25m
JX2OT	14026	1300		20m
UG6AW	14054	0425		25m
LZ1KAA	14245	1550		27w

AFRICA

EL8K	14014kc	2110Z	Nov	19m
3B8CR	14028	0350		25m
5Z4LW	14244	0500		25m
CT3AS	28515	1630		26w
ET3USA	21025	2030		22e
7P8AZ	21312	1750		21m
9X5WJ	21389	1835		21e
TJ1AZ	14243	0000		23e
TJ1AW	28550	1610		22e
7X2BD	21327	1245		20e
3V8AL	28655	1620		20e
FL8AB	21024	1740		20e
9X5CC	21259	1855		20e
TR8JM	28525	2100		19e
ZD7SD	14253	2020		20e
EA9AQ	28545	1655		22e
EA9AQ	21073	1630		15e
9U5CR	21296	1935		22e
9F3USA	28571	1245		23e
EA8BE	21043	1225	LP	24e
TU2BW	28033	1425		21e
TU2CX	14233	2225		21m
DJ6QT/CT3	28587	1550		21m
9X5AA	14332	2015		20m
ST2SA	14244	1440		24w
9Q5QR	28555	1745		23w
ZD7BB	14210	0020		25w
EA9EJ	28550	1720		18w
ZD8H	21268	1900		18w
9J2PV	28515	1700		22w
5U7AR	14017	0710		19w
3B8CR	14028	0330		25w
ZS3AW	14047	1930		25w
ZS2MI	14203	0505		23m
5N2AAU	28505	1430		22m
CR6GA	28620	1635		22m
CR7JQ	14205	1940		24m
9G1GK	21301	2045		24m
7X2OM	21305	1545		25m
ZD5B	28540	1620		25m
5V4AH	28596	1630		25m
7X2AL	14243	1540		25w
CR4BS	14215	2015		24w

ASIA

4S7NE	14031kc	0130Z	Nov	21e
VS6CW	14044	1200		18e
9M2LN	14020	1140		19e
9K2AH	14005	1230		20e
OD5EP	28521	1425		22e
AP2KS	21305	1240		20e
HS1ABU	14211	1200	LP	24e
UL7XE	14047	1245		17e
XW8BX	14211	1300		24m
MP4TDA	21358	1450		20m
MP4TDA	14245	1430	LP	27w
UA9VH/JTL	14205	0300		23w
UL7JA	14273	0215		22w
JD1ABO	14205	0330		25w
9N1MM	14213	0120		21w
VU2REG	14225	0140		22w
UH8CI	14010	0250		21w
MP4BDW	14218	0330		27w
OD5LX	14030	0315		20w
YBLAAK	14204	1310		24m
EP2DA	14208	1345		25m
7Z3AB	14245+	1400		Daily
MP4MBB	21355	1525		25m
HM5FA	21043	0015		25m
ZC4MT	14210	1540		24w
UAØYT	14006	0300		28w

ELSEWHERE

PZ1CW	21300kc	2010Z	Nov	23e
VR2FO	14026	1150		19e
VP1ST	14225	0010		23e
VP8LR	14213	0250		22e
FO8BY	14225	0250		22e
ZL4OL/A	14239	0520		24w
ZK1CD	14239	0525		24w
VR5RY	14204	0600		22w
VR5LT	14204	0600		22w
VR6TC	14232	0610		25w
VR6TC	21350	2330		24m
ZK1AA	14080	0415 (sked)		26w
FY7YI	14190	0030		24w
VP2KX	14037	2310		23w
ZK2AF	14262	0800		22w
VP8LV	14270	0420		21w
FPØCA	14203	2200		23w
PJ9JT	14029	0210		24w
PJ7JC	14237	0210		18w
VR2EQ	14266	0705		23w
8P6BU	28038	2030		20w
HH9DL	14242	0300		22m
VP2DAJ	14207	2315		22m
VP2LO	14240	1955		24m
ZK1AA	14230	0550		24w
KV4CK	14029	0350		26w
FK8KAA	14042	0330		24w
VP2AA	14235	0335		25w
HKØBKX	14224	0015		25m

CALENDAR

NOTHING Son of a Gun. Territorial rains on the West Coast after Thanksgiving seem to have washed out everything.

SUDAN 7Z3AB indicates that the next list operation for ST2SA for SSB will be on this coming Friday, December 4th. Look for Henry around 14245kc daily from 1400Z.

MALI Andre, TY7ATF, did get to TZ-land but became ill while there. He returned to TY7-Dahomey, probably sticking close to home until he feels better.

FORTY/EIGHTY DESK

9Q5QR	7012kc	0440Z	Nov 20w	HK2DP	3507kc	0240Z	Nov 19e
UQ2AQ	7003	0458	20w	KL7DTH/KG6	3845	1335	21m
JW1IL	7009	0545	20w	JA0EBG	3510	1220	24w
CR6AL	7009	0529	21w				
CX8BBH	7010	0126	23w				
3B8CR	1440	7001	24w	KL7EWA	7017	1253	26m
VU2REG				VU2REG	7007+	1200	26m
CR7CI	7001	0340	24w	ZD9BM	7003	0656	25w
JD1YAA	7005	1452	25w	FP0CA	7002	0229	25w
PZ1AP	7004	0145	25w	CE2BC	7002	0117	25w
CO3BU	7009	0738	25w	EL2BY	7028	0307	25w
VP2LAA	7005	0801	25w	CM7ET	7028	0335	24w
UB5IF	7006	1510	21w	UR2JW	7004	0645	20w
KJ6CF	7225	0532	22w	VS6OQ	7008	0719	15w
CT3AS	70;7	0745	19w	FG7XT	7025	0801	25w

SENEGAL 6W8GE in Dakar will be active from 6W8 for five more months and then will return to his home in France. Presently he believes that only he and 6W8DY are c.w. operators, the others being SSB!...here there sometimes are problems in language when working into the states!

6W8DE is looking to complete his WAS before leaving Senegal and needs Montana, Wyoming, Mississippi, New Mexico, North Dakota and South Dakota. He operates in the 21025-21040kc slot almost daily from 1800-1900Z and from 2000 to 2100Z. He would appreciate a call from the above states.

SHORTLY NOTED The recent ARRL elections saw no upsets with every incumbent being reelected if he stood again for office. The confusion with the FCC on 40meters apparently has been cleared up, the ARRL saying the problem existed only for two weeks. A new film, "This is Ham Radio" has been produced by Dave Bell, W6BWN, who did the well-received "The Hams Wide World". An implementation of the DX Advisory Committee was considered by the ARRL Executive Board Meeting on November 19th, the EX Board Unanimously adopting a petition by Director Thurston, W7PGY. The committee will consist of nine members, representing insofar as feasible, different geographical areas within the Leagues operating territory, and different levels of DX interest and achievement. What the latter means is not clear. 7P8AZ is often reported...QSL goes to VE2JH...some saying that no one in Lesotho seems to know this cat. Any enlightenment? 9Q5QR who shows up on many bands says to QSL to CBA!...again, anyone ever get a QSL from this one? 4TA40 opened up last Saturday and will be on until Dec 6th...celebrating the 40th anniversary of the Radio Club of Peru. Was at 14218kc at 0130Z last Saturday, working by districts. QSL Bx 538, Lima. VP8LV says there is no activity from South Sandwich and no chance of any unless someone makes a DXpedition to that resort island. Its their summertime there now. 3B8CR, Roy, says he will be on 40m from 1500Z two days out of three...on two, off one...look at the 7001-7010kc slot. VE7HE and VE8RA were supposed to arrive home in Canada last weekend. ZD9BM, who QSLs to GB2SM, says he is also active on 80m. WALARF/KS4 has left the island on leave but expects to be back on Swan in late December. Weekends around 0200Z might be a good time to listen for UA9VH/JT1...transmitting 14190kc/listening 14205kc. CE8AE, a U.S.A.F. weather station in Puntas Arenas shut down on November 23rd. KH6HCM had some problems with QSLs for his Kure and Midway efforts...the first batch were rejected and a new printer cornered...patience, they are coming.

TOKELAUS A week ago Saturday morning the ZM7-Tokelaus effort by the VE7s looked ready to roll. By that evening it had foundered.

Initially VE7HE and VE8RA had planned to stay at the home of the Catholic priest there on the Tokelaus. However, with Pope Paul VI visiting Pago Pago, the padre locked up and took off to serve on the reception committee. Then the captain of the vessel they were to use began to worry about the typhoon season and the rhinoceros beetle and soon both the housing and the transportation had evaporated.

Apparently there is no docking space at these islands and ships have to lay offshore. The rhinoceros beetle infests the palms and ships have to get beyond three miles at night when the beetle is prowling about in order to avoid becoming a host for the beetle. So with the typhoon season around the corner and the beetle problem, the vessel was not available. It seems that one must have definite accommodations to be allowed on the Tokelaus and the captain of the vessel was not for laying off the island for any length of time.

So this effort did not jell just about the time when every thing seemed ready to go. VE7HE and VE8RA spent the week in Western Samoa signing 5WLAG and 5WJAR should anyone need that one. They had a good signal and their Tokelaus efforts, which came close to be accomplished, certainly would have gone well.

TNX TO W2FXA, WB2YQH, W3POE, W4HU, W4OPM, W4UF, W5HCG, W5LZZ, K6AQV, W6BJI, K6EC, K6GAK, W6HLD, K6HN, K6IIO, W6ISI, W6ISQ, WB6IXC, K6LOM, K6MHD, W6TSQ, WB6UDC, WB6UJO, K6VOQ, W6VUW, W6YUS, WB6ZUC, W8CT, K8RWL, K8YPU, W8YDB, W9WKU, W8JRN, W8DAD/KH6, KH6GLU, KH6HCM, HCLJP.

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WEST COAST DX BULLETIN Published every week by the Marin County DX Group. Recently one of the local QRPers came dashing in, a bit madly as usual, and shouted: "He lives. He lives. Superman lives". When we got him down off the walls and somewhat coherent, he told us, between gasps: "You see, there was this rare DX Station on and this W4 was in there trying to work him. When the DX Station stood by for Fives, the W4 was portable Five. Then the DX Station was listening for Sixes and the W4 was portable Six. When the DX station was looking for Ones, the W4 was portable one. It has to be Superman, it has to be. That W4 is faster than a speeding bullet". Tearing himself loose, the QRPper dashed off into the storm shouting: "Superman lives. Superman lives in Four-land". Son of a Gun! What could we say. We decided we had better do some listening ourselves. It is not everyday one can work Superman. \$7.00 for a year of Superman Reports.

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