

# WEST COAST DX

## Bulletin

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TOKELAUS The gear for ZM7AG departed Apia on April 1st but apparently Carl Gamper, VE8RA, was unable to obtain passage. The vessel had accommodations for twelve and crammed thirty one passengers aboard before pulling away from the dock. The HW-100 transceiver was aboard the vessel after having been thoroughly checked out with both the A/C and D/C power supplies.

Full written instructions were sent from Apia with the transceiver and 5WLAR will possibly use the radiophone link that the government has for help should Jim Sheedy need assistance in getting the gear on the air. Under the normal cruising schedule, the ship should arrive at Atafu in about three days after departing Apia and it will take several more days to set up the gear. Allowing time for all of these necessary preliminaries, it would seem that any expectations for ZM7-activity should look to the end of this week and the next week. Jim Sheedy has been advised to be most deliberate in setting up the gear and to feel his way into its operation.

Some concern has been expressed over the outcome should there initially be some horrendous pile-ups on a relatively inexperienced operator surfacing from a rare DX spot. Some pleas for moderation have been heard and the anxious ones are asked to use a bit of restraint when the station does get on the air in order that the impact of the full-blown QRM will not discourage the operator. As Jim Sheedy is a school teacher on Atafu and recently returned from leave in New Zealand, it can be anticipated that he will be available for some time.

Carl Gamper, VE8RA/VE7PY, appears to be again frustrated in another determined to get to the Tokelaus for an operation. Last November Carl also got as far as Western Samoa and could not make it the final short jump. The ministers previously mentioned appear to be New Zealand government officials on business in the Tokelaus and not ministers of the gospel.

Projects for ZM7-Tokelaus activity within the next week are excellent...but be patient with the operator. He will be doing his best.

JORDAN JY9AA and JY9AB came on the air last week, being reported from March 28th. These are respectively WA3HUP, Mary, and the OM George, W3GE. They were reported to be staying outside of Amman and will be there for two weeks. They were reported at a number of frequencies on 20 and 15m...these being from 14216kc to 14332kc on twenty and from 21288kc to 21355kc on fifteen. They were reported in the states as early as 1730Z and as late as 0130Z. They have shown up a number of times on the YL-SSB System at 14332, usually after 2200Z. QSL to WA3HUP.

NEW COUNTRY It is reported that Mellish Reef will be activated within three weeks and this should count for a new country. Larry, K2IXP, who recently was on the Norfolk, VK9NP, activity is said to be aiming to open this one up. This is supposed to be in the vicinity of Willis Island and to have been cleared with Bob White of the DXCC Desk..... Be Prepared!!

MANIHIKI ZK1AJ should open up from Manihiki sometime after mid-April, shipping being the deciding item here again. John plans to operate just inside and outside the phone band edges but does not plan to stick on any set frequencies.

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

EUROPE

JW7UH	14205kc	1200Z	Mar	25e
JX2HK	21028	1905		30e
EA6BJ	21258	2045		26e
CT2AK	14206	0715		24w
ZB2A	14202	2330		24w
4U1TTU	14213	2355		28w
9H1BX	21300	1650		29w
UO5BZ	14202	0500		30w
IS1IGD	21281	1710		29w
TF3HS	14219	0015		23w
UB5YN	21313	1515		28w
GD3FBS	14027	1640		25w
UP2BV	14026	1455		29w
UK5MAF	14247	0445		23w
EA6BL	21301	1800	Apr	1w
JW5NW	14201	0230	Mar	29w
UD6CN	14035	0445		21w
UF6LA	14027	0410		24w
YC3RO	14215	0435		30m
F9VM/FC	14204	2220		24w

AFRICA

5VZWT	14214kc	2355Z	Mar	29m
FR7ZG	14212	0420		28m
ZD7SD	14205	2100		24m
FR7ZX	14203	1230		20m
ET3ZZ	14230	0320		26m
95RD	14225	0400		26m
TJ1AZ	14225	0400		26m
FL8HM	14202	0400		30m
ZD8JK	28552	2315		23w
SU1MA	14214	1500		29w
7P8AB	21315	1850		31w
CR7CO	14215	0440	Apr	1w
9X5WJ	21288	1830		1w
ZELCW	14255	0450	Mar	24w
XT2AA	14218	Often on list		
TU2CX	14218	effort by INDXA		
TJ1AZ	14218	watch Thurs/Fri		
VQ9SM	14232	1540		30w
VQ9SM	14033	1620		26w
3B8CR	14232	1555		29w
TR8MR	14219	2130	Apr	1w
9X5CC	21307	2155	Mar	26w
CN8CG	14214	2220		30w
ZD5E	28593	1650		20w
5H3MV	21330	1900		31w
6W8AL	21297	1920		24w
5N2ABG	14265	0620		26w
9,80EA	14240	1400		27w
ZK2AF	14206	0715		24w
KB6CT	14285	0820		31w
KW6DT	14077	0524		26w
KC6WS	14252	1235		29m
6Y5SR	14028	22		30w
ZK1BM	14202	05	Regul	28w

ASIA

TA3GB	21260kc	1545Z	Mar	29e-sked
VU2HLU	21307	1650		24e
EP2TB	14196	1215		24e
4S7AB	14199	1210		24e
HS3ATB	14212	1520		31e
YB0AAC	21019	1400		30e
HS1ACS	21024	1400		30e
ZC4IK	21003	1550		30e
AP2KS	14217	0320		24e
HMLBB	14217	1300		25e
9K2AL	14246	1320		25e
MP4TDY	14005	0000		23e
ZC4IK	14012	0440		23e
VS6DO	14210	1405		31m
MP4BHL	14202	0500		24w
AP2AD	14208	0240		20w
EP2DA	14220	0350	Apr	1w
MP4TDT	14247	1615	Mar	26w
VS6CH	21037	0025		23w
JTLAN	14017	1620		27w
JTLAN	14062	1530		31w
JTLKAA	14026	0455		18w
UA9VH/JTL	14208	0235		28m
OD5LX	14025	0110		23w
OD5GS	14047	0105		28w
9M2BH	14058	1420		29w
UM8FZ	14204	1535		30w
ZC4MT	14224	0455		30w
9M2CP	14203	0030		30w
UL7JL	14203	1520		29w
XW8DO	14217	1500		29w
VU2BEO	14214	1520		29w
UL7BZ	14019	1455		29w
YI2FK	14060	0410		24w
MP4MBC	14205	0415		29w
EP2YL	14230	0415		29w
EA0YAE	14052	1435		22w
UH8BY	14037	0505		24w
MP4BHH	14205	0315		26m
UK8MAA	14230	0230		28m
9N1MM	14215	0030		29m
UK0FAA	21032	0000		30m
TA3HC	14209	0550		30m
JTLKAE	14060	0500		29w

ELSEWHERE

C21AA	14195kc	1300Z	Mar	29m
ZL4OL/A	14205	0500		30w
ZK1BM	14202	0345		26m
9M8TMT	14243	1355		28m
YJ8JM	14058	0630		Often
VR5LF	14210	0702		24w
CO2FA	14332	2000	Apr	1w
ZF1BL	14205	0255	Mar	31w
VK0TM	14255	0635		24w
KC6RS	14256	0645		22w
VK9XI	14226	1545		29w
PJ9JR	14214	2220		30w
VK9XX	14233	1500		28w

CALENDAR

ZANZIBAR 5HLV over the Easter Weekend..April 10-11th...if problems solved.  
 TOKELAUS The Hour Nears!!! ZM7AG due. LISTEN!!!  
 LACCADIVES 5U7US April 10-17th  
 CARIBBEAN WB8ABN....April 9-25th.///--FG7/VP2E/PJ8/FS7/VP2A...  
 TONGA VR5DK should up and at 'em by mid-April  
 ALBANIA ZA2RPS by DL7FT & Co from May 24th through June 7th.  
 MELISSA REEF H.W..should open in late April.

TONGA That VR5DK mentioned above will be by Darlene Souigny, WA6FSC, the widow of Gene Souigny who died of a heart attack right after opening up with VR5DK last November. Darlene had planned to return to Tonga and this is something more than just a DXpedition. She was at Fresno for the January meeting this year and certainly is a most pleasant and attractive person. If you work Darlene, wish this brave person well.

KD2UMP This was somewhat of a strange one on April 1st but was an authorized operation with a properly issued FCC license. It was by the Buffalo Amateur Radio Repeater Assn from Squaw Island in the Niagara River. QSL to W2RSJ..for this 1-day effort. Check Page 101 of the March QST if still skeptical.

FORTY/EIGHTY DESK

EL2AX	7296kc	0630Z	Mar 31w	8P6DR	3506kc	0246Z	Mar 26e	KP4AN	3805kc	0930	Mar 25
WA4/8R1	7203	0130	26w	WA4/8R1	3805	0930	25w	IJ7JC	3805	0950	25w
G5WP	7072	0644	28w	ZK1EM	3805	0955	25w	8P6CX	3805	1015	25w
LU7AAC	7207	0713	28w	PZ1AK	3805	0950	26w	9Y4VU	3806	1000	26w
WA5/HR1	7218	0709	28w	KV4FZ	3806	1000	26w	HCLMLG	3804	1100	26w
KP4AN	7204	0943	28w	9Y4T	3810	0924	27w	CR4BC	3804	0750	28w
				LU7AAC	3818	0823	28w				

QSLs for WA40VP/8R1 go to P.O. Box 25, Georgetown, Guiana, S.A. KP4CL seeking to activate another DX Net in the Caribbean...3845kc at 0300Z. First meeting was set for last Wednesday, March 31st.

MELILLA K4ZA looking to operate from EA9--Melilla in late April and early May. Also reported as looking at a castle in Rome owned by the Knights of Malta as a possible new country....

SHORTLY NOTED CR9AK showed as schedule. W0DX who was in Tokyo for a IARU Region III meeting also joined in the effort. Reports say that PY4ATG will operate from PY0-Trinidad in June. Plans for that FS0AB operation in the ARRL tests foundered when continued requests for authorization did not come through. FG7TI/FS7 was on during the CC WPX test. Some sources in the South Pacific say that Spratly is a growing possibility within a month or so....Pray!!! Nothing new in the way of rumor or fact on Clipperton...Pray harder!!! Has anyone ever received a true-blue QSL for the WILWU effort of last October. An autographed color photo of the WCDXB squirrel for anyone who surfaces with the first one. EA9EJ often at 21300kc from 16-1700Z with friends EA8FG and YV5CEV...spanish spoken fluently helps. Latest on Gus is (1)..hd is in New Delhi discussing things with Mrs Gandhi, (2)..things have been put off until this Fall. FY7AF, George, was on the INDKA system last Friday, working them like crazy. Also reported that W9IGW were interested in San Felix after their Juan Fernandez success but did not wish to wait around for the the license. May possibly activate some Caribbean spots...Baja Nuevo??? Ed DeYoung KH6GLU, says he has no plans for any exotic activity this year but watch out for 1972. Don Hilman, ex-VE6MY/VR1P/VR2FR/VR5AE is presently in Iran for a year as an advisor to the Irania government...Married and everything. Will not be able to operate from Iran as it takes a years residency to get a license...may go out as a tourist to some surrounding spots, however. The accurate QSL info for KG6SW is Rod Linkous, W7YBX. Need QSL info for F0ZZ and FR7AI/T. UK2Gs are in Latvia along with the UK2Qs. PZ1AC, a legit WRPper, booms in with 10w on 20 c.w. 4S7PB plans to clear up a large backlog of QSLs shortly. That BV2A in the CW/ARRL test QSLed!!! UM8FZ often reported QSLs via WA5EFL. INDKA reportedly shipped a rig to 8Z4A..

ALBANIA The date for the ZA2RPS operation by DL7FT & Co. has been advanced to late May in order to fit in with the vacation time of the operators. At the present time, four operators are scheduled to take part in the effort.

The ZA-operation is now scheduled for the period May 24th thru June 7th. There have been definite frequencies announced for W/K stations and these are:

C.W! 14005kc and 21005kc. +/- 2kc are the transmitting frequencies with listening from 14050kc and 21050kc up. On ten meters, it will be 28050kc for everyone, W/Ks and all interested parties.

SSB 14195kc +/- 2 kc and listening from 14250kc up. If QRM makes this frequency too difficult, Frank will QSY to 14185kc for transmitting. On 15m it will be 21245kc and listening from 21300kc up. Ten meter sideband will be a transceive operation for all comers.

These are the frequencies for the W/K stations. Other frequencies may be mentioned but usually these will be for other countries. One prime objective is to work every W/K station that can put a signal into Albania. If all goes well, Albania should be off the 'wanted list' of anyone by the time DL7FT & Co. secures the operation.

Definite support is still needed to assure the full goals of the effort. Anyone wishing to help should forward the assistance direct to Frank Turek, DL7FT, 1 Berlin 47, Petunienwegg 99, West Germany. A deadline for final jelling of the plans has been set for April 30th...just about three weeks prior to the operation opening up.

TNX to W2FXA, WB2YQH, K2LGG, W3ATO, W3CDL, W3POE, W4HU, K4NE, W4OEM, W4TUC, W5ALA, W5LZZ, W5KYD, K6AQV, W6BJI, K6EC, WA6FYC, W6FZJ, W6ID, K6HTM, W6KPH, K6LEB, WA6Lly, K6MHD, K6OJO, K6Z, W6BSQ, K6TPX, K6UFT, WB6UDC, WB6UOM, W6VQD, W6VUW, WB6WHM, W6YFR, W6YUS, WA6YVW, W7GRH, W7EFZ, K7RLS, W7VRO, W7YTH, WA8PWZ, K8RWL, W8ZOK, K9DKU, W9JRN, W9YDB, KP4AN, DL7FT, HPLJC, JALMIN, PY2FTU.

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