

# WEST COAST DX

## Bulletin

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MELLISH REEF Weather conditions in the Coral Sea area have held up Larry, K2IXP, and the crew bound for Willis and Mellish and the opening date has been put back three days until June 9th at Willis and Mellish on June 19th. Departure from Australia was set for last Sunday, June 6th. Conditions have not been exactly good for the vessel coming up from Tasmania to make good time and it is quite possible that there may be additional delays of a day or so.

The frequencies to watch are:

CW	3525kc	7025kc	14025kc	21025kc	28025kc
SSB	3564	7070	14190	21290	28590

The VK7 has been operating /mm enroute to the Townsville to pick up Larry but this should not be confused with the VK9NP/M which will be signed from Mellish Reef. At Willis it will be VK9NP/W.

ANNOBON Operating permission has been the hang-up in the plans for the OH-DX Group to operate from Equatorial Guinea and Annobon and EA4CX has been working to help speed the necessary documents.

Present plans now call for action to commence around June 16th from Annobon and then onto Fernando Poo for additional operations. The announced calls were 3CØAN for the Annobon operation and 3CØEG at Fernando Poo. Frequencies announced are:

CW	14020kc	21020kc	28020kc
SSB	14195	21295	28595

MALI Still being worked on and at this time it appears that this LZ5A effort is now having a target day of sometime in early July

TIMOR CR8AI says that he will be at 14210kc on the next couple of Saturdays and Sundays looking for W/Ks commencing at about 1300Z and will hang in there for a couple of hours. This is a determined effort to dry up some of the demand for CR8-Timor.

MADEIRA ISLANDS CT3AS has been reported as being in the UK for medical treatment. CT2BB along with some helpers is looking for a CT3 trip and activity there in the near future.

OGASAWARA Several JA-operators plan to open from the Volcano/Bonins, departing Japan close to the end of this month and opening up early in July. JD1ACA will be the call-sign....and possibly others. JA3GZN will lead the group and frequencies will be 14195/21295/28595kc for SSB and 45kc up from the bottom edge for c.w. 40/80 action is also planned. Presently there is a station active on Iwo Jima, JD1ACP and he has been heard around 1000Z about 14195kc. He is running 100w to a dipole and says to QSL via JA1IVV.

FANNING ISLAND Kelly, ex-601KM, is presently in the states but is planning for some DX activity in the near future. He is planning a couple of weeks operation from VR3-Fanning and is asking WA3HUP to handle the QSL chores. Date for the departure is not firm yet but should be announced shortly. Kelly was visiting in Texas last week, his home call being WA5DYW.

REPORTS FROM RED EYED LOUIE....

AFRICA

3B8CR	14219kc	1125Z	May 26e
ZD5X	14026	1330	30e
9Q5IA	21332	1830	31e
7P8AB	21012	1550	30e
CR7IK	14205	1230	20e
3B8CA	14216	1205	29e
CN8CF	14011	1950	25e
FL8HM	14266	0345	27e
TT8AD	14214	2145	28e
EA9EJ	21315	1740	27m
CR3ND	14210	2115	31m
FR7ZL/E	14202	1310	30m
FR7ZG	14202	1310	30m
TT8AC	14290	0400	Often
6W8GE	14055	0335	25m
ET3USA	14036	0345	27m
TU2DP	14312	2100	Jun 1w
7Q7AA	21356	1745	29w
5X5NA	21357	1820	28w
9X5CC	21300	2015	27w
5H3LV	14217	0520	28w
9G1DY	14332	2245	31w
ZD9BR	14203	1500	Jun 2w
SU1IM	14014	0205	May 30w
G3WRN/5R8	14320 LP	1145	27w
ST2SA	21305	2035	28m
TJ1AW	14034	2145	30m
9F3USA	14196	0340	27hp

ELSEWHERESES

VK3UV/VK9	14207kc	1320Z	May 31m
KX6DC	15051	1140	31m
VK9FH	14300	1230	Jun 1m
VP2MM	14203	0500	May 29hp
ZL4OL/A	14041	0410	27w
YJ8BG	14209	0625	Jun 3w
ZK2AF	14220	1730	2w
9M8STD	14230	1446	1w
ZK1CD	14290	0540	May 28w
FO8BS	14202	0430	30w
VK7DK	14222	0650	30w
5W1AU	14240	0700	30w
KC6RS	14251	0710	30w
C21AA	14210	0620	31w
ZM7AG	14205	0640	31w
WALAF/KS4	14332	0500	Jun 1w
KS6CY	14227	0545	1w
VR6TC	14235	0545	2w
WB4/KB6	14228	1305	May 29w
VR2DK	14207	0615	27w
VR4EE	14265	0610	28w
HI8HGM	28600	1840	31w
FM7WU	14028	0310	29w
FG7TD	14208	0430	29w
FP0BS	14201	2305	30w
YS1ODM	21332	0140	Jun 1w
HC8GS	14217	0034	2w
CR8AI	14202	1455	May 29w
9M8OEA	14238	1350	27w
VP7NQ	14032	0125	Jun 1w

ASIA

HM1BK	14204kc	1155Z	May 31e
9V10Y	14201	1225	31e
YB0AAF	14024 LP	2015	27e
JY1	14203	2310	27e
HS1ABU	21333	1515	28e
YB9AAT	14213	1140	29e
9M2WM	21270	1800	29m
BV2A	14023	1430	31m
MP4MBB	14215	0030	Wednesdays
HS1AM	14027	0510	26m
9V10I	14235	1510	27w
VS6DO	14211	1400	Jun 1w
JT2KAA	14008	1435	2w
HS4ACN	14246	1430	1w
HM0C	14240	1410	May 29w
VU2DX	21063	1645	31w
VS6EN	14060	1520	31w
UL7GAJ	14085	1405	31w
JT1AA	14006	1530	28w
9M2KC	14210	1535	31w
YB3DD	14238	1350	27w
EP2BQ	14212	0225	28w
9N1MM	14255	1440	28w
YU2HLU	21320	1615	28w
JT1AH	14046	1600	31w
MP4BIN	14235	0435	28w
HM1BD	14035	1610	Jun 2w
9M2FK	14037	1650	27w
9V1OK	14031	1700	31w
XW8DZ	14059	1540	Jun 1w
ZC4CB	14050	0355	May 21m
UI8MF	14020	0205	26m
OD5BV	14216	2210	31m
EP2DA	14210	0420	28m
<u>EUROPE</u>			
DA1GI	14332	2300	May 27hp
U05AW	21030kc	1915Z	28m
UP2WN	14218	0425	28w
U05GS	14211	0350	28w
UC2BA	14208	0330	28w
HB0AFM	21045	1920	Jun 23m
9H1DF	14063	0500	1w
GI3OLJ	21039	0000	1w
UK2FAM	14030	1805	1w
Y02BB	14211	0430	May 28w
HA5KDQ	14031	0510	28w
OH0NI	14257	0530	28w
GI3JIM	14230	0615	28w
SL3ZZN	14216	0520	31w
UR2ZN	14045	0400	Jun 1w
LZ1KBL	14019	0430	3w
UA2AO	14209	0515	29w
UF6CR	14216	0225	30w
JW5NM	14332	0230	28w
8R1Q	21275	2305	28w
VP2ME	21343	1835	28w
DU6RG	14223	1525	27w
KW6HA	14225	1350	27w
DU0DM	14006	1705	30w

CALENDAR

WILLIS IS. VK9NP/W now set for June 9th....may be slightly delayed...may not, too.  
 MELLISH REEF VK9NP/M set for June 19th....new country....might be some pileups.  
 TRINIDADE Due to open June 14th.....PYØATG should be the call.  
 OGASAWARA JDLACA due to up and at 'em early July.  
 SAN ANDRES W5QBM looking for HKØ action last week in June.

ALBANIA Hope died slowly and desperately and there were many last week who were still in there hoping that by some miracle a ZA-station would show up. None did. At the end of the week the only things that appeared certain was that both the OH-DX Group and DL7FT are both still trying to line up a ZA-operation but nothing definite at this time.  
 SM5SB will be in Tirana this week-end.....and traveling without any amateur gear.... and he will try to sound the possibilities of some amateur action. While there is still hope and planning, there seemed to be little to indicate any imminent ZA-action the end of last week.  
 It might be pointed out for those who need the background information, that the last monarch in Albania was King Zog who had an American wife. King Zog split out in a hurry along about 1940 when Mussolini landed the Italian Army in Albania and drove across to and into Greece. The Greeks immediately chased Mussolini back into Albania and Hitler had to send the German Army in to restore things....in their favor. If you think that getting a ZA-QSL is a difficult thing, brush up on some of the history of the region. There is usually some kind of action going on....

CHESTERFIELD ISLAND Some attention being given to this French Possession in the Coral Sea.....some thinking that it should count for another new DXCC country. Some, including K6LOM, studying the island for possible early activity. There have been reports of a station on the island signing FB8WA last year and speaking French but no report of any QSLs received. If something develops it may be in the next couple of months.

FORTY/EIGHTY DESK (We are trying to hang in here until things improve..)  
 KH6EDY 7275kc 0800Z Jun 1w KP4AN 3804kc 1007Z Jun 2w KG4CS 3804kc 1010Z Jun 2w  
 LU9EGT 7210 0130 2w 9Y4MM 3803 1010 My 31w KV4FZ 3803 1010 My 31w  
 KC4USB 7225 0700 My 29w  
 VR2DK 7090 1105 Jun 2w

SHORTLY NOTED That WZ6SNI mentioned in last weeks bulletin was true blue....it was an operation by WA6GFE and WA6WVC on San Nicholas Island off Southern California. Ex-MP4TDI can be QSLed to S. Rhodes, 1 Sqn, 14 Signal Regmt, Worcester, England. ET3ZU/A reported to have mailed out some QSLs....about 60 or so....but expected to expected to start them out in quantity the first week in June. VE6AKV will handle QSLs for Darlene--VR5DK--when she operates from Rodriguez and possibly other islands in the Indian Ocean. Darlene's present plans calls for about two years of travel and operating in twelve countries. KS4CC still QSLing for some 1966 contacts...one surfaced last week. VP2AAA often found at 14025kc from 0300Z and looking for those elusive W6s....he being a one-time member of NoCalDXClub. JA1KSO has had some delay in getting the JDLABX QSLs from the printer but expects to be putting them in the mail in mid-June or so. FG7TL/FS7 QSLs for the WPX activity this Spring are being received. QSLs for Mike Swink at HT1MG and YN1MG are handled by WA5GFS. VQ9SM has shipped logs for the period 16 February to 22 May to his QSL manager JAØCUV/1 and cards should show soon. JA1KSO and JARL trying to iron out some QSL differences. JE1CKA showing up....new prefix being issued in the JA1 call area. FR7ZL/E, Guy, will be returning to Reunion from Europa on June 15th. The ZALAB heard on May 25th appeared to be an inexperienced operator running a crystal controlled rig. Everything about it was puzzling. VS9MT showing up rather regularly around 21300kc from 1600Z. 5X5NA showing up in the 21350kc area regularly from 1800Z. EA9EJ is still being heard but expects to depart that area in about a month. KW6HA can be found around 14208kc around 1200Z most days. The only hope for a Formosa contact is BV2A crystal controlled at 14023kc....from 12-1300Z regularly. Need QSL info for HSLAM and KALVI. YJ8BG goes to Bx 138 in Vila while YJ8JS goest c/o the Post Office at Vila....BG at 14200kc/0800Z and JS at 14290+ from 0800Z...new stations there.

FCC & THE EYEBANK The FCC has issued a Notice of Inquiry, Docket 19245, into the "Eyebank Problem", the handling of traffic for non-amateur organizations, which the FCC feels is a technical violation of Section 97.39 of its rules. Questions to which the FCC seeks answers include: Should there be restrictions on amateur handling of messages for non-amateur groups? If so, what types of messages should be permitted? For which groups? The FCC has set a deadline for comment originally as July 1st but the ARRL has asked that it be delayed until August 31st. Full details will be in the July QST.....if you are especially interested, best write the FCC direct for a copy of the docket.

QSLs etc WB9BPG is the QSL manager for FY7AC who is not back in France as F6BCN..but Mike has the logs for the 1970 efforts. MP4BIN goes to Frank, Bx 364, Awali, Bahrein. HC8AA QSLs are reported as going out regularly with HC1RF saying there were some problems with the Ecuadorian Postal System plus a tremendous pile of QSLs to answer. Dick may reactivate HC8RF again in 1971. IMØKH was from the Sardinia vicinity....QSLs to I2JQ and counts for IS1. 1A1A again active....the bum. Was on late in May saying he was studying the continental drift and would QSL on arrival in Greenland. Some suspicion that he is a bit closer to the Gulf of Mexico. VP2LAW QSLs fast.... round trip from the Wilds of Kentfield to St. Lucia took just one week. ZK2AF said he got mail at the start of May and is watching for the next boat. A recently completed airstrip on the island should speed up some things. HV3SJ now going to DK2DZ.

TNX to K2LQJ, W3GAM, W4HU, W4OPM, W4TUC, W4UF, W5ALA, WB5BFZ, W5KYD, W5LZZ, W5PAQ, K6AQV, W6AXH, W6BJI, WA6FYC, WB6GLD, W6HVN, W6ID, W6JHV, WA6LLY, K6MHD, K6QZ, W6TSQ, WB6WHM, K6WR, K6UFT, K6OZL, WB6UJO, WB6UDC, WB6ZUC, K8TVO, K8RWL, WB9BPG, W9WKU, YN1MG, HP1JC, JAØCUV/1.

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