

WEST COAST

DX

Bulletin

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BHUTAN Venkat, VU2KV, will be heading for Bhutan about now and expects to arrive in Thimphu this week, Wednesday being the last report. Venkat would expect to open up by Thursday and plans to be there for a week or more. All the necessary permissions have been obtained for this effort though it is not sure what the call-sign will be....A51KV being what Venkat was hoping for.

The frequencies to watch are:

- 14194kc...listening above 14200kc as announced..
 listening down frequency in the area announced.
- 21295kc...listening as directed....
- 28600kc...listening as directed....

If all the bands are flat, Venkat may try c.w. at 7005kc but generally the operation will be SSB. It may be possible that Venkat will switch to c.w. on request when some of the demand slackens....if it ever does.

A51TY in Bhutan has had some power supply troubles and is presently off the air. Venkat has been shipping some components but during this trip he will take all the necessary items to get A51TY in good shape and back on the air.

QSLs will be handled by Clyde, W6KNH, who handled Venkats previously highly successful efforts to the Andamans and the Laccadives last year. W6KNH emphasizes that W/Ks must send s.a.s.e and foreign QSLs must have s.a.e. with IRC. There is no solicitation for help with this effort in A51-land and QSLs will be sent if the s.a.s.e. is supplied. However, should anyone wish to help with the expenses this will be appreciated. Frankly, one green stamp will make a big difference in the picture for this and future efforts. That is....one green one with each QSL sent.

There is a possibility that Venkat may also move on to a neighboring country with a very high demand in DX-Needed lists though as of the week-end this had not jelled. Should this one develop, it would mean that two extremely tough ones would be available through VU2KV's efforts.

MINERVA One should never completely abandon hope.....and VK7KJ, Greg Johnston, who was in on the aborted planning for Minerva, is enroute to Minerva via Tonga and should be there around the first of June. Greg's itinerary included about three days stay at Minerva. The original plans were for VK7KJ to meet the others at Minerva. Should you hear something next week end....do not hesitate.....work him first and worry later.

MELLISH VK3JW says that he he lines up the boat....and this was almost settled last week....he will open from Mellish around June 24th signing VK9JW. Possibly late word can be found on the PacificDX Net though there will be ample time to warn if this one does take off. Some indication that they may also detour to Frederick Reef if things go well. The Mellish operation is aimed at around 10 days of activity.

REPORTS FROM RED EYED LOUIE.....

In the morning he went forth for DX
In the evening he did not return.....AFRICA...C.W.

CR5AJ	14026/2315/My	12w	SU1IM	14015/2345/My	11e	7Q7RM	14031/1340/My	15w#
EA8HS	21050/0200/My	18w	3B8DA	14039/1315/My	16w#	9L1MF	14014/0030/My	15e
FB8XX	14013/1100/My	15e	5N2ALB	14046/0155/My	12w			
FB8ZA	14026/0420/My	15w	7Q7AE	14028/1425/My	13w#			

ASIA...C.W.

BV2A	14023/1510/My	12w	JD1YAA	21013/0540/My	15w	UI8AAT	14030/1355/My	12w
HS5ABD	14056/1435/My	12w	OD5LX	14027/0345/My	10m	UKØIAA	14057/0445/My	12w
JT1AN	14045/1440/My	16w	UAØXAB	14006/1150/My	11e	VS6EN	21032/0510/My	14w
JT1AH	14053/1335/My	11w	UH8BX	14048/0245/My	12w	VU2AX	14027/1500/My	16w
JT2AD	14028/1435/My	14w	UA9TT	21025/1125/My	13e	XW8BP	21032/1610/My	13m
JT2AF	14002/1430/My	14w	UI8AI	14006/0130/My	10w	4S7EC	14011/1110/My	15e
JD1ACF	14038/1345/My	11w	UI8MV	14054/0140/My	15w			

EUROPE...C.W.

EA3GG	14016/1125/My	15w#	OY1R	14011/2115/My	10e	UG6AD	14035/1330/My	15w#
HA5HS	14008/0410/My	11w	SP6BAA	21038/1845/My	14e	UK2LAB	14015/0405/My	16w
HA5DA	14016/0415/My	11w	SP5CK	14003/0440/My	11w	UK3A	14097/0605/My	16w
LZ1DC	14010/0405/My	16w	SPØITU	14007/0605/My	17w	UK2FAA	21042/1835/My	14e
LX2VE	14045/0410/My	16w	SVØWOO	14027/0155/My	10w	UP2NC	14032/0420/My	11w
OK2RZ	21036/1845/My	14e	UB5WF	21026/1030/My	14e	UR2ZN	14004/0410/My	17w
OK2PAW	14002/0445/My	11w	UC2LB	14003/0400/My	17w			

ELSEWHERE...C.W.

A35FX	14032/0450/My	12m	HI3C	14040/1615/My	16w	VP2KU	21030/2030/My	15w
DU6RH	14005/1500/My	13w	KE4ITU	14028/0040/My	12e	VR4BS	14022/0635/My	16w
FG7PE	14058/0440/My	12w	KS6CG	14022/0445/My	11m	WM2GK	14063/0130/My	16w
FM7WG	14035/2300/My	16w	KV4CK	14027/0305/My	16w	YB1JW	14033/1444/My	11w
HC2HM	14016/0220/My	16w	KX6EB	14045/0700/My	17w	YN1CW	14007/0310/My	16w
HP1AC	14001/1140/My	10e	KX6IS	14045/0700/My	17w	YJ8RV	14028/1130/My	15e
HR1AT	14029/0020/My	14e	VK4WP	28023/0010/My	11w	YJ8BD	14025/0610/My	17w
HKØBKX	14015/2345/My	11e	VO2AW	14013/0305/My	16w	ZK2AJ	14064/0230/My	16w

AFRICA...SSB

CN8HD	21364/2030/My	14e	ZD8CS	21292/1550/My	10e	7Q7AA	14190/1300/My	13w#
CN8CG	14239/0525/My	13w	ZD8RR	21293/1820/My	14e	WB2/9G1	14226/2150/My	13e
CR7VL	14207/1340/My	17w	3B8AW	14236/1000/My	14e#	9Q5DX	21364/2040/My	14e
CT3BA	14190/2325/My	11e	5VZ/9G1	14267/0115/My	13e	9Q5PF	28539/1810/My	14e
EA8EN	14222/0150/My	14e	5VZBB	21296/1730/My	11e	9L1JT	21337/1430/My	12e
FL8HM	14218/0310/My	17e	5VZAA	14217/0640/My	12w	9X5VA	21364/2030/My	14e
TN8BK	14241/2130/My	10e	5X5NA	14205/1420/My	13w	ZD3M	14233/2155/My	10e
VQ9R	21383/1845/My	17w	7P8AC	14227/1600/My	17w	7Q7AA	28595/1810/My	14e

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EP2JA	14220/0320/My	12m	UI8OM	14204/1340/My	11w	XU1AA	14237/1530/My	14w
EP2JB	14208/0255/My	11m	UK9OAD	14205/1515/My	12w	XV5AC	14206/2330/My	17w
HM1BK	14211/1120/My	15e	UK9AAN	14202/2105/My	10w	XV4CEV	14240/2345/My	13ka
HL1TW	14214/1530/My	15w	UL7FM	14249/1500/My	11w	YA2AG	14250/0255/My	12m
IIS5ABD	14201/1600/My	12w	VR4/VK8	14252/1350/My	18w	4X4BL	14239/0515/My	11w
HS4AGY	14228/1515/My	11w	VS6BF	21324/1210/My	14e	4JØDI	14212/1250/My	13w
JD1YAC	14233/1410/My	11w	VS6BF	14265/1430/My	13w	9K2KR	14201/0135/My	10e
KA6UL	14240/1245/My	15m	VS6DO	14240/1300/My	13m	9N1MM	14274/1510/My	13w
MP4BIN	14203/0320/My	14w	VU2KV	14211/1450/My	14w	9M2IR	14215/1320/My	14m
MP4BBW	14201/0210/My	15e	VU2HLU	14259/2315/My	10e	9M2CW	14240/1635/My	12w
UI8CD	14226/0300/My	10e	XW8BS	14230/1555/My	14w	9V1QQ	14209/1500/My	12w

EUROPE...SSB

CT2BG	21353/1905/My	16w	JW1EE	14195/0300/My	15m	UO5BZ	14222/0300/My	10e
CT2AK	14189/0540/My	15w	JX2HK	14282/0330/M	12w	UY5OB	14216/0330/My	14e
EA6BJ	21358/2055/My	14e	LX1HD	21282/1200/My	13e	UY500	14202/0430/My	17w
EIØDMF	14243/1150/My	12e	LX1LE	14241/0710/My	15w	YO2BB	14210/0420/My	14m
GB3MKT	21357/1920/My	17w	OY9LV	14201/0525/My	15e	YO2BM	14232/0345/My	15m
GM5AXO	21360/2100/My	17w	SVØWUU	21361/2050/My	14e	YU1BCD	14226/0400/My	12w
GW3YPH	21278/1640/My	13e	U5ARTEK	14197/0520/My	17w	ZA1AN-?	14231/2250/My	11e
HA5AIR	14208/0340/My	17m	UC2AF	14199/0455/My	12w	4U4ITU	14210/2130/My	10e
HA5KDQ	14248/0520/My	15w	UD6BR	14234/0230/My	14e	9H1CE	14288/2355/My	11e
JW7FD	14206/0245/My	14e	UF6CR	14219/0125/My	14w			

ELSEWHERE...SSB

A35FX	14232/1220/My	13m	OX5BA	14270/1130/My	13m	VP2VAR	14205/0115/My	14e
C21AA	14283/0600/My	13e	PZ1AQ	21390/1940/My	13m	VP8MM	21305/1215/My	14e
C21TL	14202/1120/My	12e	PJ8AE	14195/0015/My	11e	VP9CP	21280/2110/My	13e
C29ED	14267/0845/My	17w	PJ8AE	21328/2135/My	11e	VP9AI	21329/2015/My	14e
DU1CM	14237/1500/My	16w	VA1LC	14205/0030/My	12e	VR1AA	14284/0550/My	15w
DU6ESF	21308/1710/My	13m	VK3JW	14265/0700/My	16w	VR6TC	21349/2130/Tues	
FO8AA	14210/0525/My	15w	VK6FE	14249/1600/My	12w	YB5AAY	14284/1155/My	13e
FP9CT	14198/2130/My	10e	VK9XX	14229/1545/My	12w	YBØABB	14238/1245/My	10e
KB6CU	14290/0700/My	12w	VK9XI	14216/1530/My	15w	YN1JCJ	21399/1500/My	14e
KC6RS	14293/1110/My	15e	VK9NI	14276/0640/My	16w	YS1JFL	14222/0410/My	15w
KE4ITU	28597/1750/My	14e	VK9CC	14215/1110/My	15e	ZK1AJ	14277/0530/My	15e
KG4AN	14200/0100/My	14e	VK9WD	14235/1140/My	13m	ZK1CD	14277/0515/My	11e
KG6SH	14248/1159/My	14m	VK9DM	14220/1200/My	13m	ZK2AJ	14205/0410/My	16w
KG6SW	14232/1130/My	15e	VP1BH	14190/2320/My	11e	5W1AU	14277/0515/My	15e
KJ6BZ	21371/1830/My	17w	VP2AI	14266/2120/My	13e	9M6AB	14206/1525/My	13m
KM6DY	14277/0510/My	15e	VP2KU	28588/1745/My	14e	9M6XI	14202/1530/My	15w
KS6DY	14277/0510/My	15e	VP2KU	14265/0715/My	12w	9Y4PA	14251/0530/My	16w
KS6DW	14218/0910/My	15e	VP2ME	14227/0300/My	20w	WA5/KW6	14282/0530/My	11e
KX6BQ	14300/0510/My	11e	VP2MW	14245/2155/My	16w			
KX6IQ	14277/0530/My	15e	VP2VAM	14195/2230/My	10e			

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JRU C29EB showed up as another prefix from Nauru on May 17th, this being their Constitution Day. It appears that this prefix will be used on some of their National Holidays and that the previous activity in January when C20ED was used will be QSLed with the C29=prefix. Reports indicate that only C21TL is using this prefix.... Anyhow, if you are still interested, C21TL, has 2000 IRCs he will release for 15¢ each. Send your inquiry and QSL to Ken Matchett, C21TL, Box 32, Nauru Island.

FORTY/EIGHTY DESK

CP6EC	7003/0335/My 13e	UC2LB	7002/0210/My 13e	CP1DN	3805/1030/My 15w
CR5AJ	7040/2335/My 12e	VP2KU	7005/0750/My 15w	FM7AJ	3806/0045/My 4w
KG6JAR	7028/0750/My 18w	YJ8GH	7205/0650/My 16w	HA5KFZ	3525/0250/My 13e
LZ1KNB	7011/0445/My 14e	YO4KBJ	7016/0035/My 16e	KG4CS	3808/1000/My 17w
OK3RKB	7005/0220/My 13e	5W1AU	7074/0705/My 16w	VP2LL	3808/0055/My 5w
				VR4BS	3805/0900/My 15w

FORMOSA Much dust flying but still a bit difficult to figure just what is going on or where the action is:

1. Some say there were two stations signing BV2AA. One reportedly a MARS station on Taiwan...Another in Japan
2. A JA station indignantly denies this.....
3. Another JA group says they went scouting and patrolling and the BV2AA signals were +60db outside a JA QTH.
4. Much correspondence going back and forth....some question as to whether BV2AA QSLs will be accepted for DXCC.
5. BV2AA did not show on schedule last week.....
6. As the inscrutable Occidental says: 'Son of a Gun!!!'

W4OPM Joe Hiller reported as seriously ill. There has been no activity by W4OPM for several weeks now and it might cheer him a bit if you could drop a card. He has not been able to do any operating let alone any fishing for some time....

BRUNEI VS5PW seems to be the active station from Brunei at this time, not a DXer but frequently found on the SEANET at 14320kc/1200Z. Early in May was checking in quite often. VS5CB left Brunei some time ago, presumably headed for Mexico City but no one has been able to tell where he is for some time. 9M2WM and WA6AHF were making plans for some VS5-activity and then 9M2WM was transferred to XZ-Burma. KH6GL and others have been mentioned as heading for Brunei but as of May 12th Ed indicated that plans for 9M6/VS5 were about washed out and that he might just settle for a trip to VS6/CR9 territory.

What does it add up to? Look for VS5PW if you need Brunei. Start giving up hope on VS5CB..... But always be prepared. Something will come through one of these days... As of late last week there was still reports that VS5/9M6 activity would come on around May 25th and it is still possible that the plans of KH6GLU & Co will be reactivated though as of last week it did appear to be off.

DX SCORES...ARRL TEST High claimed scores for the 1972 ARRL Test are:

DX/C.W. XE1IIJ, VP2A, KH6RS, KH6IJ, 4M5KL, CP6FG, OZ1IO, I6BQI, KR6AY
W/VE Phone K1ZND, W7RM, K1LPL/3, K1NOL, K4GSU, K4GSU, W1BPW, W6MAR, WB4YOJ, W6RR, W5QZQ.

DX/Phone. XE1IIJ, KH6RS, KG4CS, VP2LAT, HC1RF, KP4DLW, KH6IJ, KZ5JF, ZE1LLS, YV5CVE.
W/VE Phone. W7RM, C3CRE, K1VTM, WA6IVN, K8YBU, W6MAR, K1THQ, WB4YOJ, W9ZRX, W2YF

NAVASSA KC4DX operated just about continuously during their stay on the island and racked up a large total of QSOs. For QSLs go to Bx 11555, Atlanta, Georgia 30305. Overseas station send 2 IRCs with s.a.e. During the operation it was indicated that 1 IRC should be sent with W/K QSLs....earlier it had been indicated that s.a.s.s. was all that was needed. However, it might help to encourage these operations. It sure enlivens a week-end.

23 May 1972

CALENDAR

BHUTAN Venkat plans for A51 activity this week...week to ten days of action. May look at adjoining DX if permission is obtained...

MELLISH VK3JW firming up for around June 24th...VK9JW. Possibility for this one improving.

MINERVA VK7KJ will arrive by boat at the reef next week-end according to late reports. Still a possibility of some activity.

GALAPAGOS HC8CI and HC8DX should be active this week on all bands.

LIECHTENSTEIN HBØXJL and HBØXJK should be active until the end of the month. Mostly c.w. on the low edge of all bands.

TROMELIN FR7AI should be there this week. Expect to be there for some weeks and possibly to mid-June. Should sign FR7AI/T.

TURKOMAN UH5Ø due this Wednesday and should be active until May 31st. Then on to UR5Ø-Estonia for the wind-up of the Russian Round-Robin.

SHORTLY NOTED Last week we ran the bulletin so that all the pages ran in the same direction. Seems that some prefer that way. Originally the reverse run was to help file the bulletin on arch-board files. There's a reason for everything...we think. QSLs for the KP4ITU go to K4ZA, Rundy. Some times there are questions as to what CBA or s.a.s.e means. Other times it seems that these may be beyond comprehension. CBA means Call-Book Address. S.a.s.e. goes for 'self-addressed stamped envelope'. In other words, you pay the freight....the QSL is FOB QSL Mgr. W6KNE reports that in spite of requests for s.a.s.e. for 5W1AUs QSL, many arrive without it and these are handled through the various bureaus. In other words, this route may take for years and it may take forever for the QSL to surface in the hot, greedy hands of the impatient one waiting....

TN8BK, Bernard, has been reported on 14241/2133Z earlier this month. Also it is reported that he keeps a schedule with JA3IXL and JA4BLY at 14180kc/2200Z on the 1st or 2nd Fridays. Bernard has also been reported on the lower frequencies. QSLs can go to JA4BLY. Has been found often around 3788kc/2230Z. ZA1AN said to QSL via the Bureau. Gave his name as Wal. Some people are a bit suspicious of this one. But on the true=blue XU1AA, the best QSL route is.....

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K3BHL, Anthony Malesic, has been issued a CP1JV call and will emphasize some CP-c.w. activity. He did operate CP1AP and says he will send QSLs as soon as he can get them and meanwhile has ordered a new printing of QSLs. Expects to clean them up within a month or so. W6YRA, Allen Friedman, has moved to Illinois and now signs W9YRA. Allen is getting the station back together and expects to accept callers shortly.

Some of the VP8s are thinking of South Sandwich but do not expect this tomorrow..it is winter down that way right now. VP8HO operated by Richard Biggs has been the subject of some inquiry. G3FKI advises that his contacts say that Richard is still in the Falklands and mail c/o the Post Office, Port Stanley should get to him. If that does not help, drop a line to VP8HZ, VP8FL or LU2DAW and they might be able to help. On A51TY, the problem with the SR-150 seems to have been in the power supply and apparently a shipment of diodes did not cure the malady. The KJ4=prefix may be used in some operations in Carolina this August. Iraq, Clipperton and Bouvet still show up in the gossip items but this week we have nothing new to frustrate you. WA9UCE made QSOs on St. Lucia and will finish up mailing 6000 QSLs shortly. Some reports that efforts being made on 7G1-Guinea and 601-Somali operations. 4JØDI saying that ARRL being asked to check on possible country status for the island. W1AM added some 30=amp transistors(4 of them) to the power supply on his mobile rig and is reported to show a corona while traveling on the Los Angeles Freeway...WOW!!

GALAPAGOS K6EC has not heard from HC8PS for about two months, John having been headed to the mainland and should have returned by now. Ev asks that those looking for QSLs to be patient a bit longer.

Some activity should surface there this week with HC8CI and HC8DX due to open for a week or so. This will be an all-band operation, including 160mtrs with HC8CI handling the SSB calls and HC8DX the c.w. ones. QSL to DL2GG

SUNSPOT DESK Here's the big picture....as of May 15th. There were three groups visible on the face of the sun, each group covering an area approximately 30 000 miles long and the spots themselves 6000-8000 miles in diameter. Making a quick look at these would help buoy up your hopes. After all, Venkat will be on this week and there are a few still needing Ebutan.....



May 15th
1900Z
(W8ZOK)

Rotation

WEST COAST DX BULLETIN Published every week by the Marin County DX Group. One of the locals came by the other day, still somewhat on the defensive after a recent club meeting. "I still don't get it", he said. "All I said was 'Who needs it?' when someone asked about VR3. Why everyone knows that Martin Blackstone was there in 1963 and cleaned up all the demand for that one. I used to hear him calling CQ hour after hour with no takers". Son of a Gun, what could we say in the face of such pure logic. Only that time is a transient and DX will always be a moveable feast. Value often is not based on what you have but what you want and need. For \$9.00 a year you can learn about that ones that went ziggily when you were going zaggily. \$10.50 by zig-zag airmail..... Transients all the way.....

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