

Red Eyed Louie's West Coast DX Bulletin

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April 3, 1973 14-73

SIKKIM Several reports have come in from the JA-Desk, JA8KB and JA3GZN both being in contact with YA1DT who passed along information on a trip of YA1AH to AC3-Sikkim. YA1DT is at the Japanese Embassy in Kabul and passed along the information that YA1AH will be on his way to Sikkim at this time and hoped to open up around April 4th or 5th for a few days of operation. He hopes to use the call-sign AC3XX. The frequencies to be used will be:

- 14195kc listening in the 14200-14205kc area
- 21275kc listening as announced
- 28600kc listening as announced.

YA1AH is reported to be with the United Nations and often is the N/C for the Camel Drivers Club Station, YA0CDRC. The equipment to be used is said to be the Drake line with a beam antenna. Some efforts have been made to take a cross-bearing through a contact in Kabul but there has not been time for a reply.

If you hear any AC3- activity, work them. You can always worry later. There has been an AC3JA reported in recent months....this one seems to be a true-blue Himalaya Slim and JA3GZN says not to send any AC3JA QSLs to him....he cannot help you.

UK1ZFI QSLs Some of the Franz Josef QSLs have started to surface through the bureaus, KP4DHD reporting that the KP4=QSL Bureau has produced one for him. As of mid-March UR2AR was advising that the QSLs had been sent to the Central Radio Club in Moscow last November and his advice was that they had been forwarded with no delay. The cards should be surfacing in quantity via the bureaus in the next month or so in most instances. With all the difficulties, UR2AR is still thinking 'DXpedition' and hopes to have another exciting one in the future. While on QSLs, Scott Gantt, WB4VBY, brought a supply of 1S1A QSLs, a copy of the logs for the 1S1A operation back with him and will have them at Fresno. Whether via Fresno or W1Y^{RC}, 1S1A QSLs should be available within the next week or so.

PALMYRA There was a KP6AC getting a lot of attention just before the WPX weekend. He worked a lot of stations but there is some doubt whether any QSLs will surface for this one.

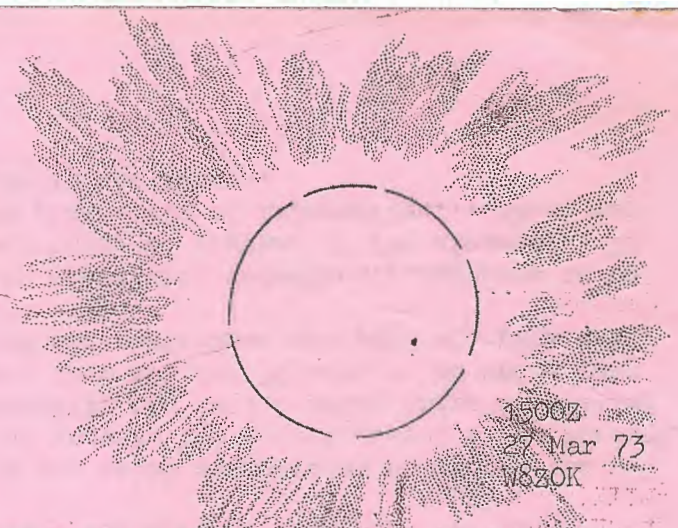
On the possibility previously mentioned, this one still seems to be on though the time is uncertain. We got one response to the inquiry for a cook...sent it on through KH6-channels and heard nothing further. Apparently the outfit going there is willing to take along a volunteer cook who can operate from KP6 for 30 days or so while they do some work on the island. No pay....passage and sustenance and pots and pans and some DX during the idle hours.

The work on Palmyra....and this is speculation mixed with deduction....appears to be some maintenance and repair work on the runway there to prepare it for aircraft. If this is true...and remember it is speculation plus a bit of information....there may be considerable activity from Palmyra sometime in the future.

SUN SPOT LOUIE...

The two group of sunspots which were on last weeks chart stayed around until March 26th. A new spot showed up on March 23rd and this new one is the spot on the chart. It is of medium size, approximately 15 000 miles in diameter and will be with us until about the second of April.

Band conditions during the WPX Test were not good with the north-south path being the most reliable one. Some brief openings into Asia/Pacific/Indian Ocean areas have been noted though conditions are not the best. Some improvement appeared to be the situation towards the end of last week. The present sunspot cycle is on the downward curve and probably has a couple of years yet to go to hit bottom. The last bottom was in the Fall of 1964 with the present cycle starting just around the turn into 1965. The time from maximum to minimum varies, it has been as little as four years in some previous cycles, as high as ten years. The cycles themselves vary, some being but nine years from bottom to bottom, others taking up to more than thirteen years, eleven years or so being an average. What can you do? Hold on!! Think Sunspots!! Spots are beautiful.....



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27 Mar 73
W8ZOK

@SLs...

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|----------------|--------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| A2CCY to K4CDZ | HI7JM to K3EST | VP2AAK to K4RHL | ZVØWH to W3DJZ |
| A35FX ZL2AFZ | HR1KS WB6QAS | VP5LD WA1HAA | 3D2AN K6ZIF |
| A4FD G3KEC | HR2WTA WB6QAS | VP5RF G3RWU* | 3B6CF JAØCUV |
| CR3AB K3RLY | HS4AIA VS6AKV | VP8MX K4MZU | 3E1IE W2GHK |
| CX3RP W3UN | JTØAE OK1AQN | VP8MX ZS1AC | 4A4AA/1 W2GHK |
| CN8BO K7MAT | JY9VO W7JHO | VP8JE WA5FWC | 4W1BC G5SUW |
| CN8HD W4WWD | KA1CQ WA6AHF | VR4AA ZL4NH | 5X5NK DJ3JV |
| CQ6LF W3HNC | KA1DX WA6AHF | XW8ET JAØGRF | 7Q7LA K4CEZ |
| CR6AI W7VRO | KJ6CW WB6QAS | XF4J XE1J | 8P6DR G3JUL |
| EA6BJ DL7FT | KZØWPX WA8TDY | XF4FFC XE1FFC | 9J2LL WB2ZXN |
| EL1E WBØARO | LU1ZC K4MZU | XF4IX XE1IX | 9E3USA W4NJF |
| EA6BG W1BLV | M1C I4FTU | XX7IK W7VRO | |
| FPØDX VE6AYU | PTØMI W3DJZ | XV5AC W1YRC | *Both this route |
| FM7WN K1KGB | PSØWH W3DJZ | YJ8FM W7YBX | and the one shown |
| FP8AT Slim | PJ9BB W2VIA | YBØABB WA5MUN | on page 5 has been |
| GD5BBG W5MYA | PJ8GQN W2GHK | ZK2AK K3RLY | given in recent |
| GM5AXO WA4AUZ | TY5ABK W8CNL | ZF1RR WA2BCK | weeks for VP5RF |
| GC3HML K9KLR | VP2MYA W5MYA/K5RWK | ZD7BB W7JHO | according to the |
| | | | reports. |

CRETE Robert Bufferding, KØPAQ, (ex-TF2WKE), will be assigned to Crete in the near future according to reports. His arrival there should make Crete readily available...

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FCC The number of citations by the FCC being mentioned over the air for improper signing of calls during a contact might indicate that the FCC monitoring stations are giving a bit of attention to this.

Most of the citations being mentioned apparently came from operations during contests when the call of the station not being given when a contact is made. It is possible that tapes are being made and checked later for violations.

One interested observer after hearing of the number of citations spent some time checking the operation during the recent WPX Test and noted a large number were technically in violation of the regulations in failing to identify the station worked, some were even failing to give their own station call. The observation was that from the number who apparently were not giving both calls, the big problem to the FCC might be the paperwork in issuing citations and thus some might be not receiving greetings.

SOUTH PACIFIC Some conversations going on about possible operations late June or early July. One possibility being mentioned is another VR3-Fanning effort. Another one being discussed is a spot 854 nautical miles from Pago Pago and possibly a British possession. Even some speculation that this might count for a new one.

AGALEGA 3B6CF being reported from Agalega.....being heard around 1400Z and onwards in the 14233kc country. This is Jacky, 3B8CF, ex-VQ8CFB, VQ9SM, and has been active since March 20th.....but the stay was only scheduled for one week. This is the same as St. Brandon's for DXCC purposes.

Jacky was possibly going to 3B9-Rodriguez after leaving Agalega. He was using a FT DX 400 to a dipole and in addition to the 14233kc frequency, was also planning to be active on 14035kc. All QSLs will go to JA0CUV.

VK0RC Chris, who operated VK0RC on MacQuarrie, has been back in VK3-land since just before Christmas and will be departing in June for the next weather station assignment as a VR4-Solomon Islands.

Most of his action is on twenty meters....SSB. Previously he has operated as VK9YR.

ARRL Headquarters announces that a reciprocal operating agreement has been signed between Fiji and the U.S., this actually being an extension of the privileges existing under the agreement signed with Britain.

Also signed has been an agreement for the handling of third-party traffic between the U.S. and Jordan.

WB2EXK has petitioned the FCC to reallocate the sub-bands reserved for higher class licenses; to limit power by output rather than input; and to provide a new sub-band allocation plus additional emission in the 1800-2000kc band. (RM1250)

K2GCL has petitioned the Commission to provide mandatory repeater input and output sub-bands and mandatory frequency separation (RM2151)

Fort Worth, Texas Division of Civil Defense has petitioned the Commission to expand RACES sub-bands, primarily for repeater usage (RM2154)

JA-75mtr Operation on 75meters by JA-stations is expected to be authorized in the near future. Presently confined to a portion of the 80mtr band, some expansion is expected though the band edge has not been defined as yet.

MONTISERRAT The VP2MYA effort during the WPX weekend racked up a tremendous number of QSOs, pushing the 3000 mark by Saturday night. Two QSL routes apparently were given... one via K5RWK which is the call of the station at the Richardson Wireless Club down in Texas, the other was the home call of one of the participants, W5UYA, who is Mike Baldolato. Both should be good for a QSL. The other participant was W5QBM, Joe Johnson, another loyal supporter of the Richardson Radio Club. Their grand total will be interesting to note as they must have made a good score during the contest and were still operating VP2MYA into last week.

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REPORTS FROM RED EYED LOUIE....

Remember Red Eyed Louie, All ye who love DX...
He served his kind by word and deed,
In QRMs grand chapel....

AFRICA...CW

CR7IZ 14056/1620/Mar 26w
FL8DS 14030/1935/Mar 21e
FR7ZW 14012/1240/Mar 27e

ASIA...CW

JT0AE 14034/0000/Mar 23w
KA8NE 14030/0205/Mar 23w
UA9UAI 14040/0305/Mar 26e
UA9DZ 14024/0335/Mar 15w

UA0CAV 14052/0700/Mar 19m
UL7PAS 14020/0330/Mar 19w
UL7EAJ 14032/0315/Mar 28w

EUROPE...CW

G3ESF 14033/1520/Mar 26w
SP9CTW 14033/1805/Mar 28w

UA6AAQ 14021/1210/Mar 27e
UK2FAA 14059/1635/Mar 27w

UK7EAB 14034/0335/Mar 29w

ELSEWHERE...CW

CE3BF 14011/2240/Mar 21w
CX3RP 14068/0330/Mar 22w
CP1JV 14026/0305/Mar 22w
FK8KAA 14063/0520/Mar 25w
FP0BG 14032/1930/Mar 21m
FM7WU 14033/0220/Mar 22m
FY0AV 14020/0100/Mar 22e
HK2DP 14005/2330/Mar 20w

HI8LPN 14056/1750/Mar 21m
KP4ABD 14039/1645/Mar 26w
LU5EJS 21090/1755/Mar 21m
OA5BO 14020/0130/Mar 23w
PJ9JT 14027/210/Mar 22e
UK2FAA 14059/1635/Mar 27w
VK2BNB 14067/1205/Mar 23e
VK2ARV 14039/1220/Mar 23e

VK3AMD 14050/1220/Mar 26e
VP2MYA 14027/1220/Mar 27e
VP7BA 14052/2340/Mar 23e
VR4AA 14052/0640/Mar 19m
ZF1JA 14013/1730/Mar 21w
ZP9BG 14015/0040/Mar 19w
ZL1LT 14035/0405/Mar 22m
8P6AE 14027/2315/Mar 20w

AFRICA...SSB

A2CCW 21325/1735/Mar 27e
CN8CF 14211/2025/Mar 23w
CR3AB 14222/2320/Mar 21w
CR6CA 14230/0000/Mar 21w
EL2DT 14204/2030/Mar 20e
EL2DZ 14216/0050/Mar 21w
VQ9MC 14303/1810/Mar 26w

VQ9M 21307/1850/Mar 27e
ZD7SD 14202/2030/Mar 23w
ZS3AK 21355/1915/Mar 23w
5N2ESH 21317/1300/Mar 18e
5Y4XKZ 21301/1830/Mar 26e
5Z4KZ 21301/1820/Mar 26e
6W8AL 21324/1225/Mar 18e

7X2MC 21303/2025/Mar 17e
7X0GM 21293/1215/Mar 18e
9X5VA 21350/2020/Mar 22e
9J2BL 21310/1655/Mar 26e
9J2TC 21290/1700/Mar 26e
9J2BL 14211/2310/Mar 23w
9L1VW 14332/0035/Mar 21w

ASIA...SSB

EP2SP 21320/1440/Mar 17e
HS1AIE 14287/1415/Mar 17w
HS4AGN 14202/1540/Mar 16w

HS4AIA 14228/1430/Mar 17w
VS6DR 14342/1535/Mar 15w
XV5AC 14212/1430/Mar 17w

EUROPE...SSB

EA6BJ 21314/1850/Mar 27e
IT9ORN 14207/1750/Mar 26m
ZB2FFG 21318/1920/Mar 27e

ELSEWHERE...SSB

C29ED 14224/1300/Mar 27e
CP1JV 21283/1730/Mar 22w
FM7WB 14230/1130/Mar 28e
W6/HR6 14217/1420/Mar 21w
KG4AN 14347/2315/Mar 23w
KP6AC 14212/0100/Mar 23???
PJ2MI 21312/2000/Mar 26e
PZ9AB 21273/1415/Mar 21kz

VK3NM 14202/1330/Mar 26m
VK9XW 14210/1510/Mar 22w
VP1RAY 14212/0130/Mar 17e
VP2MYA 14202/1315/Mar 27e
VP2ME 14243/1420/Mar 20w
VP2DH 14210/2230/Mar 20w
VP5LD 21350/1730/Mar 27e
VP8JE 14208/0200/Mar 23e

VR6TC 14225/0630/Wednesday
XP1AA 14220/2050/Mar 26m
ZP5US 21311/1700/Mar 26e
3D2AN 21324/1820/Mar 27e
3E1KC 21355/1915/Mar 23w
6Y5DL 14333/2250/Mar 20w

(e = eastern states m = middle states w = western reaches kv = virgin is kx = canal)
(zone etc. # = longpath all times in gmt ??? = Son of a Gun, it's Slin of the Isles)
(below the wind!!!)

IRCS K6GLC sold out his stock in four days after the notice in the WCDXB. But do not despair! WA1HAA has a large stock of IRCS....15¢ each in lots of twenty. Send sase along with your check for \$3.00...\$6.00...\$15.00 etc. That's to Bill DeLage, 238 Slater Street, Attlebor, Mass 02703.

CALENDAR

FRESNO INTERNATIONAL Next Week-end...April 7/8th. The BIG One!! Prepare.....
 GRAND CAYMAN April 14-20th on all bands by WA2BCK and WA2EKW...
 Mt. ATHOS April 21st onward....beams/linears/everything!!
 SIKKIM Rumors...possible operation this week by JAs from YA
 CRETE KØPAQ due there soon.....

FORTY/EIGHTY DESK

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|--------|---------------|------|---------|---------------|-------|--------|---------------|------|
| C21DR | 7012/0900/Mar | 17w | IQ5A | 7210/0240/Mar | 25w?? | UK5QAE | 7017/1535/Mar | 21w |
| CO2PY | 7003/0425/Mar | 27w | KA1CQ | 7070/0805/Mar | 24w | UK5JAG | 7002/1530/Mar | 21w |
| CO8SM | 7010/0610/Mar | 22w | KG6JBO | 7098/0720/Mar | 22w | UKØCAT | 7003/1500/Mar | 27w |
| CM2QA | 7002/0650/Mar | 21w | KS6ER | 7039/0730/Mar | 23w | VK1VK | 7015/1410/Mar | 21w |
| DL7HT | 7012/0250/Mar | 23w | KZ5PY | 7002/0240/Mar | 22w | VK3BED | 7026/1210/Mar | 27e |
| F6VU | 7026/0240/Mar | 23w | KX6BB | 7028/0705/Mar | 17w | VK4VU | 7103/0735/Mar | 24w |
| FK8KAA | 7003/1520/Mar | 24w | WA6/KG6 | 7090/1350/Mar | 23w | VK8HA | 7017/1510/Mar | 23w |
| HKØBKX | 7178/0410/Mar | 27m | PZ1AH | 7004/0305/Mar | 21w | VP2MYA | 7031/0335/Mar | 26w |
| HK4BJF | 7040/0350/Mar | 23m | TGØAA | 7178/0410/Mar | 27m | VP7BL | 7009/0800/Mar | 23w |
| HI8LPN | 7017/0540/Mar | 26w | TI2CF | 7006/0250/Mar | 22w | VP9GD | 7006/0140/Mar | 23w |
| HI3AJL | 7026/1215/Mar | 27e | TI3BVF | 7014/0300/Mar | 22w | VU2BG | 7087/1430/Mar | 23w |
| HI7JM | 7010/0400/Mar | 26w | TI4PF | 7178/0020/Mar | 28m | YV4NS | 7009/0605/Mar | 21w |
| CO2AA | 3815/0350/Mar | 28w | HA8UD | 3787/0010/Mar | 26kv | PY3CIQ | 3790/0040/Mar | 23kv |
| CT1AK | 3778/0620/Mar | 24kv | HKØBKX | 3790/0345/Mar | 27m | XF4IX | 3790/0500/Mar | 22e |
| CT1MK | 3792/0550/Mar | 20kv | HR3AC | 3787/0035/Mar | 26kv | YN6EC | 3787/0400/Mar | 27w |
| DJ4TR | 3787/0440/Mar | 21kv | KA1CQ | 3538/1420/Mar | 23w | YS1MB | 3790/0440/Mar | 26w |
| F6BKW | 3787/0030/Mar | 26kv | KG4CB | 3787/0405/Mar | 27w | YO9APJ | 3787/0020/Mar | 26kv |
| HA4XM | 3787/0040/Mar | 26kv | OK3BOB | 3787/0030/Mar | 26kv | 9H1CG | 3787/0035/Mar | 26kv |

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| TR8PB | Bx 13122, Libreville | 7XØGM | Bx 2, Algiers |
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