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March 26, 1974 13-74

ANGUILLA Ken Palmer, K2FJ, will be in the Caribbean for the next month and will operate from Anguilla during the WPX Test. The call sign was not known last week but Ken hopes that it may be VP2EDX. All bands will be operated, ten through one-sixty, and he will operate both c.w. and SSB while there on Anguilla. The frequencies will be:

C.W	7020kc	7030kc	14010kc	14030kc	21030kc			
SSB	3790kc	3810kc	7173kc	14215kc	14280kc	21295kc	21355kc	28580kc
160	Transmit 1827kc...listen 1824kc							

Word relayed from WB2ZMK who handles some Anguilla QSLing chores indicates that there is no station currently active on Anguilla and that there are problems at times in getting QSLs for some of the stations which have operated there in the last couple of years. This operation of K2FJ may be the chance to get what has been one of the harder VP2s for many years.

After Anguilla the action will move to Eustatius where PJ8DX will be signed from April 8th thru 12th. QSLs for all of these operations go to the CBA of K2FJ.

LORD HOWE There is a fragmentary report that VK2BKX will be operating from Lord Howe Island during the current week and possibly in the WPX Test. The only definite information is that the station may show on the YL-SSB VK/ZL session on Friday evening... or early Saturday depending on whether you use UCT or DST. Anyhow, this YL-SSB System meets at 14333kc and is a controlled system. Most everyone is welcomed if they follow the rules.

SAUDI ARABIA HZ1AB says he will be in the area of 21290kc--21310kc territory on most Thursdays and Fridays from 1200-1330Z and looking for stateside stations.

CAPE VERDE In the coming WPX Test this week-end, CR4BC will be a multi-operator effort with CR4BS and CR4BC jumping in to run up the totals.

Mt. ATHOS No definite information on this but Martin will be in Athens towards this last week of March, probably on business purposes for KOMDEL which imports electronic equipment and components into Finland. The previous indicators were that any effort for SY-Mt. Athos would be a number of weeks off at this time.

CLIPPERTON Little new in this area except for some rumors about one operator headed that way in a yacht and hoping that permission will arrive while at sea. This has persisted in recent weeks but some previous hopes have been dashed when a valid landing permit turned out to be somewhat illusionary. Some say that a watch around 7170kc/0130Z might give more insight on this one. This seems a long range hope but it has not been the first time that the unexpected and unexpected leaped out of obscurity. Be Prepared.....for anything!!

ANDAMAN More Andaman stations are expected with a local club organized there. Radio Amateurs of Andaman/Nicobar Islands (RAANI) and VU2ANI and VU7GV are the officers. Possibly up to ten or more amateurs...or SWLs. VU2FBZ QSLs handled by K6TWT.

SUNSPOT LOUIE The spot shown on the previous chart disappeared to the back of the Sun about March 15th. For some days there was no significant activity and WWV was reporting U5 and N6. On March 19th the observation showed one sunspot, about 12,000 miles in diameter and it probably first showed on March 18th. It should last for about a week, if it survives that long, and conditions should improve while it is still there on the sun.

Band conditions have been not been especially good but there have been occasional and brief openings. Watch the chart for spots that start showing in higher latitudes on the sun and those will signal a return to the days when the skip will be long on twenty and short on seventy-five. The axis runs roughly from 4:00 o'clock to 10:00 o'clock...and most of the spots that have been seen in the last year or so have been rather close to this line..



1300Z
20 Mar 74
W8ZOK

TROPO SEASON The end of March is the start of the Tropo season and this usually is good until sometime in August. KH6BZF is ready to supply the KH6-end for any 432/220mhz tests and Lee is looking for some success this year. Last year there were some successful one-way communications but this is the year for two-way according to the Tarot cards, Lee says.

Anyone interested in some serious tropo-work should contact KH6BZF. Usual schedule is to start at 0400Z to 0415Z on 432.000mhz with liaison on 14225kc. After this they start at 0415Z for fifteen minutes effort on 222.000mhz. KH6BZF would like to hear from any serious West Coast tropo-streakers.

SHORTLY NOTED The FCC has informally indicated that a limited number of temporary authorizations for special calls will be issued for use during the World Telecommunication Week starting May 11th and running to the 19th. KD4ITU issued to Stu Meyer is an example. Write a letter to the FCC...

Roy Albright, W5EYB, has asked to be relieved as liaison with the VHF Repeater Advisory Group and has been replaced by Vice-president Carl Smith, W0BWJ. The added duties of serving on the Executive Committee and as Chairman of the International Affairs Committee led W5EYB to ask for relief.

There is also some indications that the DX Advisory Committee is getting more than a bit of attention with DXers in several call areas demanding more attention to what the DXers want and less inclination to follow personal inclinations or bias. If you have a row to hoe, hoe it with President Dannals...he needs your sagacious advice. This has been another week of interruptions...Thursday into the Big Town to grapple with the bureaucrats, that evening to a dinner...Friday to a luncheon where the Postmaster General blasted the subsidization of magazines. Sure ruins our sleep and DX periods.

Something has not been ringing right for us and we finally figured out that we were checking the March QST for 1973 rather than March 1974. They sure looked the same but we found...finally...in Minute 30 that the ARRL did vote affirmatively to issue DXCC pins with the holders current country status. Sure took a lot of reading to find out that the year had changed.

What got us started researching was a motion in the '1973' meeting to seek ways to "...encourage the ARRL staff in its efforts to reduce areas of delay within the Postal Service...for late deliveries of QST". Then March/74 QST was mailed a couple of weeks late. As we said to Ted Klassen over the Chicken Kiev... "Son of a Gun!!".

Some trying to break French operators on those islands in the Indian Ocean wonder if the government policy also extends to amateur operations...nothing makes them hear. There was a 3B9AC from Rodriguez(?) last week but back in the Seychelles there is much doubt expressed about this one. Some have wondered if that M1DX may not have the same fist, signal and m.o. as good old JX1AX/Franz Josef. Slim, you are a good c.w. operator but the QSLing is terrible.

Those looking for Caribbean action might check around 3809kc from 0200Z or 7160kc from 1100Z. The Caribbean Net in action. ZF1BR QSLs go to W4KA for the action there a month back. SV/WMM showing regularly from Crete. W5QBM has returned to Texas to wait for things in Grenada to cool a bit...Joe relocated at Sanfield, Texas.

REPORTS FROM RED EYED LOUIE

The silence that is in the starry sky,
The sleep that is among the lonely hills....

AFRICA...CW

CR6DN	14059/2130/Mar	12m	ZD8TM	21031/2130/Mar	18w	5Z40Q	14080/1715/Mar	12e
CR7SA	21029/1930/Mar	15e	ZS5BS	14024/1910/Mar	12e	9G1GG	14055/2240/Mar	14e
CR7LZ	14078/1900/Mar	12e	ZS6ME	14010/1900/Mar	12e	9J2XZ	21026/1515/Mar	9m
EL2DG	14033/0245/Mar	16e	3B8DA	14034/2305/Mar	15m			

ASIA...CW

BV2A	14022/1240/Mar	15e	UH8AH	14014/1340/Mar	13m	UL7NAR	14008/0325/Mar	19w
HS4AGN	14031/1215/Mar	17e	UK7PAS	14017/1340/Mar	13m	UL7PAO	14008/0330/Mar	19w
JT1AH	14021/1125/Mar	18e	UL7VAG	14017/1430/Mar	18e	UW0AF	14015/1400/Mar	12e
JT1AO	14041/1330/Mar	18e	UL7GBB	14040/0200/Mar	19w	VU2RCA	14068/1420/Mar	12m
JT0AE	14040/0210/Mar	19w	UL7PAV	14031/0220/Mar	19w	XW8ET	14017/1430/Mar	12m
JT1WEB	21034/2140/Mar	18e	UL7GAP	14025/0225/Mar	19w			
UA0ZAE	14056/0140/Mar	15m	UL7PBE	14004/0310/Mar	19w			

EUROPE...CW

DM3YSO	21035/1635/Mar	20w	OK2BMH	14015/1515/Mar	19w	UK2PAF	14031/1825/Mar	15e
DM2AWI	14033/1445/Mar	19w	OK2PPF	14031/1625/Mar	19w	UK3AAO	14005/1710/Mar	12e
GD4AM	14006/1835/Mar	12e	ON2NQ	14033/1505/Mar	19w	UK2WAF	14046/1540/Mar	14m
GM2TW	14037/2215/Mar	15w	OZ2NU	14044/1500/Mar	19w	UK2WWW	14053/1425/Mar	15m
GM3UA	14030/1645/Mar	15w	PA0KW	14031/1620/Mar	19w	UK6VAA	14006/1820/Mar	15e
I1DSR	14049/1420/Mar	19w	UA1NU	14044/1510/Mar	19w	YU2RBN	21023/1605/Mar	20w
LX1PD	14012/1350/Mar	12e	UB5SS	14015/1400/Mar	12e	YU3UPI	14044/1655/Mar	13w
LZ2RS	14050/1840/Mar	15e	UB5QBG	14050/1405/Mar	15m	YU1ANO	14015/1210/Mar	14e
LZ2HA	14060/1650/Mar	13w	UC2SKC	14036/1635/Mar	13w	SP7GC	21064/1610/Mar	20w
OH5YX	14032/1500/Mar	18w	UC2WAM	14032/1420/Mar	14w	SP5GRM	14033/1440/Mar	19w
OH6MV	14031/1610/Mar	19w	UC2AAN	14032/1420/Mar	14w	SV0WB	14029/1810/Mar	13w
OH8TI	14044/1530/Mar	19w	UD6DJT	14052/1705/Mar	19w			

ELSEWHERE...CW

FG7AM	14026/1210/Mar	13e	OX3MD	14009/1600/Mar	19w	VP2GLE	14022/0020/Mar	13m
FG7AP	14023/2325/Mar	12e	PJ9JT	28040/1835/Mar	17e	VP9GK	14003/1140/Mar	15e
FG7XC	14008/1710/Mar	12e	VP2SAH	14028/2325/Mar	14e			
KX5NG	28029/1840/Mar	17e	VP2LAW	28036/1850/Mar	17e			

AFRICA...CW

A2CAB	21355/1815/Mar	15w	TR8DG	28560/1800/Mar	14e	ZS3TP	14211/1520/Mar	12w#
CN8HD	21355/1915/Mar	15w	TR8VE	14205/2145/Mar	18w	ZS1XG	28567/1540/Mar	17e
EL2D	21255/1740/Mar	12e	TU2EM	14195/2340/Mar	12w	3B8AX	21269/1715/Mar	16m
EL5D	14204/2155/Mar	15e	TU2DI	14112/2100/Mar	12e	5R8AR	14210/1635/Mar	15w
EL2DM	14208/2300/Mar	10e	VQ9M	14195/1645/Mar	15e	5U7AZ	21295/1625/Mar	14e
EL7F	28589/1610/Mar	15e	VQ9M	21355/1745/Mar	18m	5U7AZ	28586/1700/Mar	11e
EA8EI	28566/1700/Mar	10e	VQ9R	21310/1815/Mar	13e	5U7BB	21284/1535/Mar	16m
EA8JJ	28600/1740/Mar	14e	VQ9D	21297/1720/Mar	12e	5T5LO	14202/2000/Mar	17e
ET3DS	28572/1625/Mar	13e	VQ9BP	21285/1815/Mar	15m	5Z4LW	21275/1950/Mar	15e
CN8BD	14210/2055/Mar	12e	XT2AA	14265/2100/Mar	15e	5Z4NH	21355/1815/Mar	16m
R6RJ	21277/2005/Mar	15e	ZD7FT	21308/2040/Mar	15e	5Z4KM	21325/1815/Mar	15m
CR6CC	21298/2110/Mar	16e	ZD8MF	21355/1745/Mar	18m	7P8AY	21415/1705/Mar	14m
CR6WW	21355/1815/Mar	16e	ZD8AB	28582/1910/Mar	16e	7Q7DW	28557/1625/Mar	15e
CR7AF	28570/1515/Mar	17e	ZE1BP	28550/1500/Mar	17e	9G1AR	21311/2230/Mar	16e
CR4BS	21355/1815/Mar	16e	ZE8JN	21312/1715/Mar	16m	9L4NB	21293/1730/Mar	16m
ST2SA	14228/1355/Mar	20e	ZE8JJ	28582/1510/Mar	17e	9J2BL	21360/1800/Mar	18w
TR8SS	14203/2315/Mar	15e	ZS3E	28577/1730/Mar	15e	9X5PT	21275/1905/Mar	9e

(e = eastern states, m = middle states, w = western reaches, hs = thailand etc)
(all times in gmt, # = longpath, ??? = Slim who is mostly found on e.w.)

MORE RED EYED STUFFASIA...SSB

A6XB	21318/1530/Mar	14m	UA9VD	14213/0140/Mar	13m	XW8GP	14302/1330/Mar	17m
A51PN	14275/1220/Mar	20e	UAØYT	14286/1320/Mar	17m	ZC4RN	21355/1800/Mar	16w
AP2AD	14223/0155/Mar	19e	UI8MN	14228/0150/Mar	19m	XU1DX	14196/0125/Mar	20e
EP2DO	14213/0255/Mar	18w	UJ8SAJ	14210/0230/Mar	19e	4W1GM	14222/1900/Mar	15e
HL9KL	14231/0110/Mar	17e	UK9UAO	14209/0215/Mar	14m	4S7PB	14223/1930/Mar	15e
HM1BB	14206/1330/Mar	19e	UL7FM	14223/0300/Mar	14w	4Z4BK	21340/1625/Mar	13m
HL9VU	14251/0220/Mar	17w	UV9AK	14210/1305/Mar	15m	4X4NJ	21255/1810/Mar	12e
HS3AJX	14222/1340/Mar	13e	UWØLE	14232/0300/Mar	19e	4Z4EO	21357/1720/Mar	14e
HS4AHQ	14224/1320/Mar	13e	UY5UW	14201/1515/Mar	17m	5B4LW	21275/1530/Mar	9m
HS4AGN	14233/1430/Mar	18e	VS9MB	14211/1725/Mar	15e	9V1QG	14310/1310/Mar	13e
IØANU	14228/2035/Mar	19w	XV5AC	14215/1635/Mar	16e	9M2GV	14242/1410/Mar	13m
JA7GY	14204/1245/Mar	18e	XW8EO	14209/1335/Mar	19e	9M2DQ	21345/0005/Mar	16m
SM2/S2	14225/1315/Mar	15m	XW8FN	14301/1400/Mar	17e	HZ1AB	14207/1315/Mar	14e

EUROPE...SSB

CT1PK	14286/1850/Mar	14e	LA3JQ	14205/1510/Mar	15w	UC2BF	14220/1335/Mar	18m
DF2GT	21310/1600/Mar	13m	LX1DB	14244/1720/Mar	12m	UK2PAR	14210/1345/Mar	15m
CT2BG	21355/1810/Mar	18w	OJØAM	14225/1340/Mar	18e	UK4HBS	14203/1410/Mar	17m
DM2DGO	14222/1550/Mar	16w	OH8TW	14212/2025/Mar	15w	UP2DM	14206/1535/Mar	13e
DM2CUO	14214/1525/Mar	14m	OH8TP	14212/2040/Mar	15w	UR2AR	14207/1530/Mar	14m
DM3IMO	14223/1440/Mar	13e	OH2HC	14204/1555/Mar	18e	UY5UW	14202/1515/Mar	17w
EA3UV	21282/1545/Mar	13m	ON4UN	21299/1645/Mar	19w	UR2MG	14245/1400/Mar	12m
EA6AS	21360/1635/Mar	13m	ON8FC	21316/1625/Mar	17e	YU2NFY	14287/1850/Mar	11e
EIOGRC	21400/1655/Mar	13m	OY1M	14216/1155/Mar	20e	ZB2CF	14202/2355/Mar	17e
G3BID	21282/1830/Mar	14m	OY2EL	14203/1310/Mar	17m	ZB2CF	21355/1830/Mar	16e
HB9T	14202/1700/Mar	13w	OY3H	14205/2110/Mar	15e	ZB2BL	14204/0000/Mar	18w
ISØLEU	21295/1545/Mar	17m	SVØWMM	21355/1700/Mar	16e	3A2CP	14216/1150/Mar	19e
ISØSOF	21290/1440/Mar	17m	SV1GA	21281/1520/Mar	9w	9H1BX	21325/1710/Mar	19w
HV3SJ	21305/1645/Mar	16m	SP3DOI	21333/1455/Mar	19m	9H4L	21329/1725/Mar	15m
LX1RF	14295/1730/Mar	14e	SK5AA	14248/1355/Mar	15m			
LX1SF	14210/1810/Mar	15e	UA6PG	14200/1450/Mar	17m			

ELSEWHERE...SSB

CP1FG	21328/2025/Mar	17e	P29GG	14205/0630/Mar	17w	VR1PD	21350/0000/Mar	14m
DU2EL	14207/1315/Mar	19e	PY2ZAK	28550/2015/Mar	17e	VR6TC	21350/2225/Tues	
FY7AQ	21306/1730/Mar	16e	PZ1DR	21286/1625/Mar	17e	YB9AAH/1	14278/1250/Mr	14e
FYØBB	28563/1810/Mar	14e	OX3DL	21310/1830/Mar	13e	YBØABB	14228/1350/Mar	14m
FGØGE	14246/1115/Mar	12e	TI2WD	28590/1755/Mar	17e	YS1AG	21274/2005/Mar	13w
HC8FN	21366/1615/Mar	17w	TI2OD	28700/2025/Mar	17e	YS1MV	21331/1740/Mar	17e
HP1RC	21355/1800/Mar	14e	TG8UM	21379/2000/Mar	15m	YJ8BL	14204/0615/Mar	17w
HR6SWA	21323/1615/Mar	14e	TG9VS	21292/2135/Mar	16w	ZK1CD	28575/2300/Mar	16w
KB5CU	21385/2040/Mar	12m	VK3WU	14270/1220/Mar	14e#	ZP5DV	28590/1630/Mar	17e
KC4AAC	14263/0315/Mar	11e	VK6MK	14223/1330/Mar	20e	3D2AN	14220/0615/Mar	17w
KH6HDB	14333/0325/Mar	18w	VK8KP	21370/0115/Mar	13w	5W1AU	28600/2010/Mar	17m
KV4AA	14290/1155/Mar	12e	VP1DW	14210/2350/Mar	13e	8P6ES	28572/1530/Mar	17e
KZ5AA	28610/1800/Mar	17e	VP2DM	14220/1405/Mar	18m	9Y4EH	28595/1510/Mar	17e
LU2DEK	28555/2055/Mar	18e	VP8KF	28536/2100/Mar	17e	9Y4ME	28600/1535/Mar	17e
LU6AL	28605/2020/Mar	18e	VP8ML	28598/1550/Mar	15e	9M8JP	21345/2355/Mar	14w
OA4BR	28595/2100/Mar	18e	VP8ML	21280/1920/Mar	15m			
OA4US	28550/1910/Mar	19e	VR1AC	21385/2040/Mar	12m			

FORTY METERS

CO6CJ	7026/0350/Mar	14m	HA8ZR	7030/0345/Mar	18m	UK6LAZ	7029/0330/Mar	19e
CO7RV	7014/1150/Mar	15e	KV4FZ	7160/1110/Mar	17e	YU1BCD	7027/0205/Mar	18e
CE5JQ	7026/0510/Mar	14m	LZ1KDW	7029/0230/Mar	18m	YO4WJ	7007/0115/Mar	14w
CX2AQ	7030/0430/Mar	14m	SKØAB	7032/0345/Mar	14m	VK3FC	7006/1145/Mar	13e
FG7AM	7008/0400/Mar	12e	TI2WD	7005/1215/Often		VR1AA	7087/0610/Mar	14w
HA8UT	7029/0220/Mar	18m	UB5FAQ	7028/0335/Mar	19e	PS	7016/1125/Mar	12e

CALENDAR

CQ WW WPX TEST This Week-end!!! March 30-31st.. PREPARE!!!
 OGASAWARA Several JD1s on through the WPX Test...
 ANGUILLA K2FJ signing VP2E.. March 30th through April 7th..
 EUSTATIUS Ken, K2FJ, moving to PJ8DX action April 8th through 12th
 COCOS Some TI-types reported as aiming to sign TE9 in WPX...
 TURKS/CAICOS North Florida DX Assn in multi effort in WPX
 GRAND CAYMAN West Palm Beach group signing ZF1AL in WPX..
 DAYTONA HAMVENTION April 26-28th....one month left to make reservations with
 W8JRN...write Bob for brochure with details....
 MADEIRA OZ-group may be signing /CT3 until March 27th
 Mt. ATHOS OH2BH aiming for something soon.....Patience!!
 4JØDI In WPX Test from the Kurile Islands..
 KD4ITU Prefix...by Stu Meyer W2GHK/4 on World Telecommunication
 Day...from May 11th through 19th.

80 Meters

A35FX	3803/0600/Mar 14w	OE2WR	3791/0410/Mar 16e	YU2HA	3792/0450/Mar 14e
CT2AK	3792/0530/Mar 15w	ON4LJ	3809/0430/Mar 14e	XV5AC	3807/1400/Mar 20w
CO2FA	3795/0245/Mar 14e	TI2WX	3795/0305/Mar 14e	ZF1GG	3802/0255/Mar 14e
EA8CR	3795/0250/Mar 14e	TI2GI	3796/0225/Mar 15e	ZS6DW	3777/0330/Always
EP2VJ	3795/0240/Mar 14e	UAØFGM	3620/1300/Mar 19w	3D2CC	3783/0820/Mar 10e
F6ARC	3797/0230/Mar 14e	VP2SQ	3809/0205/Mar 15e	7X3OM	3795/2200/Mar 10e
HC2TV	3779/0440/Mar 14e	VP2DM	3815/0410/Mar 14w	9H1CD	3795/0230/Mar 14e
HZ1AB	3795/0200/Mar 14e	VR1AA	3780/0615/Mar 14w	9H1CW	3778/0530/Mar 10e
KH6AQ	3778/0445/Mar 19w	VS5MC	3503/1445/Mar 18w	9H4LW	3797/0530/Mar 15w
HS6DH	3779/0615/Mar 20w	YN1FEL	3801/0230/Mar 14e	9Y4VU	3809/0145/Mar 15e
KZ5PW	3795/0250/Mar 14e	YO2JW	3788/0435/Mar 16e	6W8DY	3792/0450/Mar 14e
KZ5JM	3788/0320/Mar 16w	YS1MV	3802/0400/Mar 14w		

FORMOSA BV2A, made a brief appearance in mid-March. Was working in his usual area around 14022kc and checking off some Europeans. F8..came into to call "CQ Zone 24" and was answered by a FG7.. Then all Europe jumped in.....and there never was a decision on whether they were looking for Zone 24 or the BV2... This is the only BV2-Formosa station active at this time and intermittently active in the 14022kc area. Was there at 1230Z on March 15th.

COCOS KEELING A VK6 reports that an Australian amateur may be going there to work on a big commercial radio installation. Something may be developing in this area...and there has not been to much doing there since Don Miller got stuck there in October 1967

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