

CLIPPERTON Word last week from one on the inside with the MOSC-Clipperton plans is that everything looks good and the expectations are that something will develop for some Clipperton activity this Fall.

Indications are that within the group all the necessary documents and licenses will be acquired though it may be possible that not one individual will have all the papers but as a group they will. Meterological sources indicate that the possibility of storms up to hurricane force are greatest in August, diminishing in September and October.

Some definite word on developments of the plans by the Universities of Zurich and Friburg should be coming in the next month or so. At this point it looks hopeful.

CHINA W1GEY is planning to travel to the Peoples Republic of China in April and is optimistic about putting China on the amateur bands for the first time in a good many years. Bob writes:

As Director of Engineering of this company, I have been invited by the Chinese government to present our product together with the delivering of talks on the technical side of this unique system. Our product supports an existing telephone system.

Since I will be talking with the P.T. & T. it was quite natural to ask for permission to operate an amateur station. After a years wait, this came through with the provision that a first class American manufacturer of amateur rigs provide a station.

I have undertaken to meet these needs plus the inclusion of a Hy-Gain 204-BA antenna. All these will be donated by me and left to the university.

I will have a BY call and am hoping to receive BY1A, since no real calls have ever been assigned. Dates are April 19, 20 and 21st, 1974. The frequencies will be 14195kc for transmitting, listening 14200kc and up and 14275kc for generals. It will be twenty meters only.

Equipment will be a complete Drake Line ... TR4C, an R4C with a L4B linear and the Hy-Gain 204BA. Donations are not acceptable and QSLs will go to Robert W Stankus, W1GEY, 321 Eastfield Drive, Fairfield, Conn 06430.

/s/ Bob

There should be more update on this before April. One thing for sure, when this operation gets on the air it will not lack for attention.

AFRICANA NET Conditions have encouraged a try at running the Africana Net again and it was reopened on February 19th at their 21355kc territory. They did have ZE3JJ, 9J2BL, 5Z4OE, VQ9D, VQ9BP and CR6OR checking in. It is hoped that conditions will improve and a try at a regular schedule will be made

SUNSPOT LOUIE Cloud cover still makes regular observations of the sun a bit of a problem but when it was last observed, there was some encouragement for the deserving DXers...

On the date of the observation there were six spots visible. The length of the bottom group is approximately 125,000 miles and the size of the individual spots range from 8000 miles in diameter to 15,000 miles in diameter. The spot at the upper edge of the chart is about the size of the smaller ones in the large group. This observation was made during the time of the ARRL CW Test and conditions appeared to be fairly good.

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Some of the spots shown on the chart appeared on February 14th with others showing up during the following two days. Sunspots which have appeared in the last several months have generally been short lived and there are significant changes almost daily in these spots. A comparison with the reports in Red Eyed often will point up the relationship between the sunspot activity and improved DX conditions.

AFRICA Norman Ray, W7LFA, will be travelin, in Africa during March and will operate from a number of different countries. Norm will be part of a technical advisory group to set up a communication network for a missionary hospital group in Africa, and also to provide engineering support for site development.

Plans call for operating from 9X5NA from March 5th to 10th. From March 11th to 13th he will be in 9Q5-land and will operate there if the license comes through. If not it does not, the station will be set up for 9X5NA to operate as he moves down that way. Norm will be in Bujumbura, Burundi on March 14th ¿to 25th where an antenna system will be installed for the 9U5 station at their mission there. There has been correspondence with 9U5CR-people and Norm is hoping to obtain any log information for the station operations that they will give him.

Generally, the times of operation will be somewhere in the following pattern.

20/15 meters 1600-2000Z 15 meters 21360kc

20 meters 14195kc...listening up

75 meters 0500-0700Z...probably just below 3800kc

Norm may also visit in SU/JY/OD5 and 4X areas after completing the work in Africa.

BANGLADESH Erik, SM2DWH should be operating from Dacca for a couple of more months.

SM2DWH/S2 has been worked into the middle states in the 14230kc area around 1500Z.

QSL to home QTH in Sweden. OK3HM should be in Bangladesk for a couple of weeks starting late in February and going to about March 10th. You might check high on twenty.....

around 14300kc and especially on weekends.

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The ARRL DX Test is upon us!! CQ WPX Test comes in March!! Prepare!!

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Bob K6AHV Joe K6CAZ WA9UCE/6

WA7IXE/KP6 hung on until Tuesday, February 19th, before securing PALMYRA/KINGMAN his KP6 operation. John got considerable business while there. Some reports were that he was surveying the island for possible condition of the airstrip for a future KP6 effort. QSLs for this one go to KS6DY. John is ex-9V10X. WB2EXK and WØYVA are still working on their plans for something there this summer and are aiming to put Kingman Reef on the air. Walt, WB2EXK advises that while their preference is for CW work, they will also work SSB except for Kingman on forty. Research indicates that the regulations may not provide for a 40 meter phone subband for Kingman as is provided for other U.S. possessions outside Region Two. It is expected that there will be a new refix for Kingman. The effort will be mainly directed at the Kingman operation with Palmyra as an added operation. On the dates, Walt advises that it definitely will not be during the time of the ARRL Convention in New York City. . More will be surfacing on this one. There may be considerable activity in the Pacific this year....not only Palmyra/Kingman but possibly some other needed spots.

YEMEN There is a new operator in Yemen, 4W1CW, Gunther, who used to sign YN1CW. You guessed it...he prefers c.w. for his action. Gunther expects to be on eighty and twenty c.w. and is getting up an 18AVQ.
4W1GM, Jerry, has been showing up regularly...at 14224kc/1900Z last week. This one QSLs to W3HNK.

QATAR What used to be MP4Q and is now A7X as been heard in recent weeks. A7XA, George, has Collins gear...including a 30.1...and he can split frequencies. He is using a tribander and is frequently found in the 14225kc country. A7XA is a relatively new operator but works things out very well. Often some of the other Indian Ocean stations will come in to help smooth things. Look from him from 1000Z to 1400Z. QSLs should go to DJ9ZB. Sometimes also at 14195kc...listening in the 14220kc area.

TURKS/CAICOS The West Palm Beach Action Group...plus a few others...will be back in the VP5 area for more action in the coming contest weekends.

VP5AL...by WA4SVH & Co...are aiming for action in the second-go-round of the ARRL DX Test.

W4ORT and WB4EXY are aiming for the WPX Text the last week-end in March and this will be SSB... The callsign on this one is not yet known.

VP5GS which was operated by W4BRB and other West Palm Beach regulars in earlier tests may show up for more action in the coming tests though this has not as yet been firmed up.

WY4TBS This is a special call issued to commemorate the first station at a Hebrew Temple Club and is for a station at Temple Beth Shalom at Miami Beach. QSLs for any contacts go to WA3WTG, Bob Kaplan.

Strong signal. Hussein said that he will be in the states this summer and plans to attend the ARRL National Convention in New York City. This would in around July 19th. He also mentioned that he might be on the West Coast within a couple of weeks. On St. Valentines Day he was at 14210kc/1600Z.

JY9GR, Roger, reports that he is on most days from 1430Z around 3795kc. He says that he has heard 6/7s but their frequency around 3799kc is used by a RTTY station which delivers a 5x9±30db signal into Rogers speaker. Anyone listening for JY9GR on 75mtrs should listen down about 5kc to get out of the RTTY freeway.

KV4HW Rick Eckert, ex-KV4HW, advises that the station is shut down and he is now living in La Jolla, Calif. Rick says that he is till receiving some KV4HW QSLs and is waiting for them to run dry before ordering a new printing to clean up the demand. He asks that anyone needing KV4HW QSL imme lately as he will order from the printers early in March. Presently his address is: Rick Eckert, 543 Rosemont, La Jolla, Calif. 92037

- OH2BH Martin, OH2BH, has been traveling in Europe and hopes to open up another DX activity sometime this Spring. While his plans are not definite, Martin is aiming to attend the 1974 International DX Meeting in Fresno this April.

  Last week Martin was in Greece checking out some things with SV1GA. Earlier he had been in England. There is hope that something will jell in the coming months.
- SUDAN ST2SA has not been heard on the bands recently though he has replied to QSLs sent direct to his QTH in Medani. Word has come that ST2SA was put off the air during the troubled times last October and as yet has not been allowed to resume operations.
  - Sid is hoping to get back on the air at an early date. Recent correspondence gave a word that he was looking for some kind of speech compressor of clipper to get through. Should operating permission come soon, Sid indicates that he will be on the long-path looking for the Western Reaches.
- MORE QSL INFORMATION K3TUP has ordered a supply of QSLs for 7P8AY from the printers and expects to be putting cards in the mails shortly. CF2BDE on 80mtrs early this month goes to Box 756, Brantford, Ontario. WB2KEA/VP7 goes to WA1HAA. CO2HD goes to the Radio Club, Box 1, Havana ON5TO does produce QSLs for 9U5CR...but it takes effort. One got his by offering to take over the QSL chores. Frakly, he did not mean it but used it as a ploy to get a card. Persist!! One persistent one got his card last week after trying for the third time. ON5TO says that he has QSLed all contacts via bureaus as that is the way he sends them out. He mentions that he has sent out 24,000 9U5 QSLs since 1969, 7500 in 1973 alone. Check your local QSL Bureau. VR1AR, a new one in the Gilberts, goes to Box 15, Bairiki, Tarawa, Gilbert Islands. PY3BXW and PY3CKJ goest to the Golden Gate QSL Bureau, 71 Surrey, San Francisco 94131. DK2SI who has been handling 5R8AP, FHØDL, A2CAL and /3D6 QSLs has been on the bricks for several months. Some have mentioned that some help with the costs of QSLing may be needed right now.
- MacQuarie Island, Department of Science- tarctic Divion, 568 St. Kilda Road,
  Melbourne 3004 Victoria, Australia. The usual schedule for work is on two weeks and
  off one weeks. Look for VKØDM the week of March 3rd..then the next time the week of
  Marxh 24th. Next mail on the island is not expected until November.
- SHORTLY NOTED This week we started out to work on a nice leisurely six page issue and ended up with eight pages. Why? It's just that there is more DX news than we can squeeze in. We are haunted by the worry that if things are like this at the bottom of the cycle, what will it be like when things zoom up in a year or so? W1AM is down in the Gulf of Mexico...says he's working. W1HGA says he is always available for anyone needing Vermont for WAS. HR2ESP is found almost continually in the 14336kc area watching for stray counties to drop his way. FL8BH who has been found on twenty recently is about 100 miles out from Djibouti. HS3AJQ is upcountry at Udorn where Don Riebhof used to provide HS3DR. VP2DM is a new license there in Dominica and has a new Kenwood on order. We have heard nothing further on that JX7AX/UA1 who was supposed to be on Franz Josef. A jamming signal in the 1st ARRL DX CW Test gave the 160mtr group problems. Much d.f. work placed it in central Tennessee. Another report says that after the Ohio Slow CW Net had QRM, they tried QSYing. So did the QRM. They called the FCC...who reported that it was coming from a foreign vessel docked at Gleveland. Now if it was a U.S. amateur they could do QSL CARDS SPECIAL!! 1000 QSL Cards postpaid to you for \$9.00. You supply your own

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(all times in GMT/UCT # = longpath ??? = Slim ... Often heard from Cray Island ....)

## CALENDAR

GRAND CAYMAN OGASAWARA

ZF1BR now on for a couple of weeks of activity

JA1KSO there until end of February

JD1ACH there end of March for CQ WPX Test

JD1YAH there for CQ WPX Test

March 30-31st ... PREPARE CQ WPX TEST

March 2-3....2nd Phone go-round ARRL DX TEST

March 16-17..2nd CW go-round

OK3HM in Dacca until March 10th BANGLADESH

W1GEY hopes to sign BY1A April 19-21st... CHINA

Still looking good for this Fall. CLIPPERTON

Possible .... this summer. PALMYRA.

Clyde ready to return for AC3 effort with Venkat if plans jell... SIKKIM

VP5AL for ARRL CW Test in March VP5?? for CQ WPX Test... TURKS & CAICOS

VKØDM....week of March 3rd...and March 24th. McQUARIE

W7LFA from 5Z4/ET3/CR7/ZS/9U5/9Q5/9X5/5X5 in March... AFRICA

OGASAWARA There will be considerable action from this island group in the coming month with at least two stations aiming for the WPX Contest operations. The Japan DX Assn has a force on the island right now doing some training among interested ones there and are putting a class of 12 through a amateur radio course. After this group, there are an additional twenty who are anxious to take the training course.

During the visit there, JD1YAH will be active, not only from Chichi Island but

also from thiese others with the following callsigns:

JD1YAH/JD1A JD1YAH/JD1B

Haha Island Ninami Island JD1YAH/JD1C Nishi Island JD1YAH/JD1D Nishi-no-shima

That Nishi-no=shima is a new volcanic sland in the group there. The group plans to work the 20/40/80 and 160mtr bands. On 75mtrs they expect some difficulty as there is a 1KW telephone system using 3.77mhz. The frequencies to check are: 3503 and 7005kc for c.w. They will listen above 3800 and will try SSB in the 7055-7085kc area and listening for the W/Ks in their bands. Most of the operations will be c.w. and if things look good they will operate 160mtrs.

4U1ITU John Serafin, W2QD, will be at 4U1ITU until March 11th. You can watch for him on 160 meters...transmitting 1827kc and listening 1803-1804kc....fron 0500Z and listening for the east coast. With daylight will shift to 3799kc and 7001kc looking for W/Ks.

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Max W5GJ

Don K5AAD

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Mary W5MBB

Dave WA5ZNY

QSLS etc Don DeZarn, WB6BGQ, will be transferred to Japan shortly and has turned over the QSL chores for 9M8SDA and 9M8JP to K6TWT. Ken will also handle any late QSLs showing up for the CR8AM operation by Vince and Tom in the period of Aug 8th to Aug 17th 1973. All other QSLs for CR8AM outside this period should go to CBA. K6TWT, Ken Farr, goes to 105 Tamalpais, Vallejo, Calif. 94590.

W4NJF has ended his chores as QSL Manager ET3/9E3/9F3USA as apparently a QSL bureau has been set up by the Kagnew Station Radio Club, Box 379, APO N.Y. 09843. W1YRC has just received the logs for XV5AC CQ Contest efforts last October and QSLs are going out immediately. Also, Bob has order more XU1AA QSLs but can only accommodate operations by Don Riebhof. Anyone else he has no logs to help with. HS3AJQ goes to Howard Williams, Bpx 2288, APO San Francisco 06304

TNX to W1AM, W1DK, W1GEY, W1HGA, W1YRC, WB2EXK, W2FPM, W2OVC, W3HHV, K3ZOL, W4BAA, W4BRB, W4EH, W4GTS, W4HU, W4HXY, W4KA, WB4KZG/4, W4NJF, WB4SIJ, W4TUC, W4UF, WA4WTG, WA5EMH, K5FVA, K5FKD, K6AQV, WA6BJS, W6DAB, K6DG, W6DMJ, W6EJJ, WDX6GXV, W6KYA, W6MAR, W6OL, W6TCQ, W6TSQ, W6TTS, K6UFT. W6VBI, K6WD, K6WR, W6YFR, WA7FKV, W7LFA, WA7GWU, K7NHG, W7QNI, W88EUN, W8IBX, W8ZOK, W8VHY, W9KNI, W9NN, W9ZTD, WØJRN, KØNL,

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WEST COAST DX BULLETIN Published every week by the Marin County DX Group. One of the local QRPers had been away on a trip and when he dropped by last week we knew things were not going well. So we tried the jollies and asked: "Did you run up your usual big score in the ARRL Contest?"!. We should have tried something else. The QRPer leaped to his feet. "I missed most of it", he said and this got our attention for this was a Contest QRPer, the most dedicated of the breed. "You know I've been gone on this long trip", the QRPer went on, "and as soon as I got home I got the February QST to check on the contest rules". The QRPer started waving his arms and that lost look got a bit more distant. "You know", he continued, "I really never tried to figure out how they index things. So I checked 'Happenings of the Month'...nothing there. Then I tried 'League Lines' ... nothing. With these eliminated I got the feeling that 'Operating News' would have the information I was looking for ... again I. found nothing. 'Station Activities' ... nothing. Heck, even 'YL News and Views' was a blank. But I really struck pay dirt in 'Operating Events". There is where the news really is...the 'Novice Round-up', the 'W60WP Qualifying Run', the 'Frequency Measuring Test', the 'YL/OM Test', the 'W1NJM high speed code test', the BARTG RTTY Spring Test', the 'Worked All Britain HF Test', and they even have the dates for Field Day in this coming June and the 'Ten Meter Test' next December ... all of the hot stuff, all of them". By now we were beginning to get a bit wary. "And how about the DX Test", we asked and the QRPer groaned. "They told me to look on Page 54 of the December QST...and the XYL had loaned it to a visiting newphew who took it back to college with him". Son of a Gun, what could we say? After all, one learns a lot about QST if you just try to find out when a new DXCC country was confirmed. A lot ... about QST but mightly little about DXing.. \$70.50 brings you clues to the monthly puzzle by first-class mail...\$12.00 brings it Airmail. Hasten the confusion!! 

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