

# WEST COAST DX BULLETIN



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FERNANDO POO Erik Sjolund, SMØAGD, will be active from Fernando Poo opening, around March 27th and operating across the CQ WPX Test until April 3rd. Erik will be signing 3C1AGD.

Planned operating frequencies will be:

SSB	3795kc	7085kc +/-	14195kc	21295kc	28595kc
CW	3505kc	7005kc	14025kc	21025kc	28035kc

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Erik, SMØAGD, has previously operated from some DX spots, a few years back doing some scientific work on Easter Island, VP8 and Serrana Bank where he signed HKØAB. An attempt to find and operate from HKØ-Baja Nuevo fell a bit short when there were some logistic difficulties along the way.

Some months back Erik indicated that he would be in West Africa and looking for some possible rare spots including 3C-Guinea and TL8-Central African Republic. However, the Fernando Poo operation should produce a bit of interest, there not having been activity there for some years, the operation by OH2BH, Marty and OH2MM, Ville, back in 1971 being the last recalled action from Fernando Poo.

Erik at times has also shown interest in a possible 3C-Annobon which is 400 miles from Fernando Poo and 200 miles west of Africa in the Atlantic Ocean. Transportation is the problem here and the operation by OH2BH and OH2MM in 1971 was the only time Annobon has been activated.

Watch for Erik in the CQ WPX Test. Start watching for him a week from Thursday when he may be warming up....

EASTER ISLAND Wayne Warden, W9MR, who has previously operated from the CEØ-spots off the Chilean Coast in the Pacific, will be operating from Easter Islands for a planned seven days in mid-April.

Wayne has previously operated in this area, he and Joe Goggin, W9KNW, activating San Felix Island back in April 1972 and there have been other efforts from other CEØ spots. At that time Wayne was signing W9IGW, the present two letter call sign might keep some from recognizing him.

This effort is being QSLed by INDXA and the cards will go to the organization at Box 125, Simpsonville, Maryland 21150. The exact dates have not been set but all plans are aimed at mid-April. The exact date will be released shortly by INDXA. Wayne plans to emphasize c.w. operation while on Easter Island but will also work SSB. The familiar DX frequencies will be used such as 14027/14295kc and when needed, split-frequency operation will be utilized.

There will be more coming on this one. Wayne is an experienced DXpeditioner and the previous efforts were well received.

SUNSPOT LOUIE The weather with rain, snow and generally cloudy skies has prevented any observations from March 9th to the 11th. At that time and since February 13th no significant sunspots have been observed. This has been one of the longest periods without any activity for a very long time. Band conditions have reflected these conditions with 21mc only opening for minor periods. Periods of minor activity are being found in late afternoon and early evening hours though there have been several periods when even these openings were minimal. At the Ohio W8ZOK QTH there were several periods encountered in recent weeks when it was not even possible to work into the Southern States. At the date of this observation the 'K' index was 6 and the score on the 2800mc flux was 74.

Boulder expects things to be moderately disturbed to March 15th and unsettled up past mid-week, decreasing slightly towards the end of the week. Solar activity is expected to be very low with MUFs below seasonal normals through most of the week. Only occasionally are radio conditions expected to be near the quiet level during the next few weeks.

The possibility of solar flares is low and a moderate ionospheric storm was in progress on March 13th.

W1AM last week end found the solar flux number at 74 but the magnetic field at  $\emptyset$ . Some glorious openings were found to SEAsia with VS5/4S7/YB $\emptyset$  and VS6 coming through. Art notes that the DX may still be there if the magnetic intensity is low. Check the sunspot blues and hang in there with the 'K' index

Ted Cohen, W4UMF, being responsible for much of this attention to solar flux and 'K' index, passes along some comment on the article from ASTRONOMY, a portion of which was printed here last week. Ted writes:

It may come as a surprise but I was not aware of the article in ASTRONOMY. Despite what they said, we are not solar researchers, and in fact, performed the maximum entropy spectral analyses more out of curiosity than anything else. The computer program was available, and with slight modifications, was used to process the sunspot data.

The paper actually appear in NATURE, and which was quoted in ASTRONOMY did not give the most lucid presentation on how the 179-year repetition comes about. This was due to the fact that author's corrections, which should have been included in the text, arrived too late for inclusion in the paper. What was missing from the presentation was a note point out the presence of an approximate 57-year component in the spectrum. Thus, while the 11.2 and 9.9 year periodicities cause maxima to occur every 89.6 years, it takes about 179 years for the 57-year component to contribute in phase ( $3 \times 57 = 171$  years)

I will be glad to send anyone who wants a reprint from the August 2, 1974 issue of NATURE, a reprint of the article with the author's corrections. Just have them send a business-size envelope and we'll respond. I'll also include a copy of the most recent article we published in CQ.

I hope the WCDXB readers are trying their hand at 28 day predictions. Based on activity in February and counting 28 days into March, anyone could have predicted that the period 6-9 March would bring High-Normal conditions to the HF bands. And indeed, the bands were great (relatively speak, of course). Similarly, and here's the bad news, anyone could have predicted that conditions would drop significantly on the 10th of March, as I believe they did. In fact the whole period 10-16 March may be best described as a disaster.

Stay in touch.....

73,

Theodore J Cohen W4UMF



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KERMEDEC Marion Lister, ZK1BKL, last week wrote on her plans for Kermedec. She writes:

I hold permission to go ahead and organize a station on Rauol Island and they would like to have us there between December and March. This letter with the permission was received the first week in December but on our plans, so far no show.

We have feelers out for boats likely to make the journey but as yet to no avail. Frankly with band conditions the way they were, say the last weekend, we probably would be down contactwise with nil openings on ten; just barely on fifteen; twenty poor; forty so-so and eighty just average. Just not good.

We have not tried the approach as yet to hire a boat and would leave that to a last resort. The cost would be a bit outside our financial range. At this point at least we have the permission to go and operate which in the past has been a flat 'No' to any inquiry.

If anyone in a reasonably size boat might be cruising this way, we would seek to encourage them to take us well and good. One problem is that shelter at Kermedec is not good from all weathers and any boat there would require continual shifting around the island for shelter with any changing of the wind.

Gear and aerals are all OK and tents and the food no problem. Fuel or generators may be obtained from the Met office but we are not sure on this as yet. Actually, we are waiting for the details on this at the moment. Finally, we would have to co-ordinate our leave from our jobs as we all work and would have to take care of our employment---things not being too bad down here yet.

Anyway, we will get there and I feel certain that even should a permanent operator did happen to join the yearly team going to Kermedec, we would still go when possible for DXCC/YL. Also, it is felt that often those who may be stationed at a DX spot do not put a great effort into working all bands and foster DXCC. At present we have no indication of anyone going in the next team of Met. Office employees.

We will keep the W/Ks informed and if, as time goes by and transportation looks 'impossible' on the hitch-hikers list, we may be looking for a bit of assistance...should the demand be great enough to warrant hiring a boat and going. But I feel for that prospect the bands would have to be in better shape to make that a happy proposition for those who may be needing /Kermedec.

At present I am extremely busy organizing 1976 NZART's Golden Jubilee to be held in Auckland on June 4-7th. I am the secretary for the event. If there are any amateurs who may be traveling to New Zealand about that time, it would be a good plan to take in the Conference. Air New Zealand is offering group travel and Mutual Avis would organize a tour in New Zealand and Australia for those who might be interested....all this at Group Rates. A note of inquiry to P.O. Box 23-680, Papatoetoe East would bring further details. This is the mail address for the Conference. Will give further advice on our plans for Kermedec when things develop.

73, Marion ZK1BKL

THOSE DXCC FEES We do not have news on the charging of fees but one on the DX Advisory Committee passed along the note that it should be clearly understood that it was not their idea to charge the fees. If anyone has any comment on the cost of DXCC their comments should be directed to their ARRL Director. Frankly, it is a bit difficult to figure out where the idea came from. Some of the DXCC Desk have been dropping some 'warm-up' hints last year on fees for DXCC but this possibly was low-key in view of the 20% increase in membership fees that was coming up January 1st. Reading of the 'Official Minutes' of the last Board Meeting is just as barren. But suddenly there it was! Son of a Gun!!!!

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CLIPPERTON - More Background We have a bit more input on Clipperton from the Central American Desk down in HP-land:

The Clipperton signals "I" "F" of the aviation ground to air system of communication raises more doubts on the authenticity of the report of the signals. The official reports of the JEAN d'ARC, the French baby flat-top in their 1973 Sept/Oct maneuvers around the island gives some insight, the JEAN d'ARC was also there in 1974. The report on this voyage is still restricted and there are some blanks in accounting for the days from their run from Panama to San Diego, some 13 days total are blank.

In the 1973 report they say they replenished some of the medical first aid supplies, set out some empty drums to catch rain water and tested the radio gear and antenna system. Jacques Cousteau in his early 1974 visit also inspected the island. The bunk-house has an ample supply of blankets and water in drums. There is even canned water in 5-gallon tins put up by a Santa Cruz packing or canning outfit. There is canned French corned beef, (Olida brand), even canned bread....black bread, no white.

Water? Fresh water is provided almost daily from rainfall and is also available from the 3411 coconut trees, 90% of which are bearing fruit according to the report. The only possible validity to the 'I F' signal would be a request for medical aid.

Another interesting point is that the helicopter from the aircraft carrier had some trouble in landing. They had to check two clearings, one near the bunk house (a Quonset type of WWII vintage) and the other near the shack close to the 80' antenna tower. These clearings are located one to the NW and the other to the SW and would seem to eliminate the possibility of any landing by a conventional aircraft....even a single-engined Cessna let alone a DC-8.

There is the report that will keep hope alive. Some day Clipperton will be heard again but it is a long time since the San Diego DX Club was there last.

PALMYRA KH6EVM was signing /mm 3 about ten days back and the operator said that they were tied up at Palmyra Island. Hal was the operator and said that he might be moved ashore for a several month stay.

The vessel is at Palmyra as part of a scientific group and there are scientists from several countries aboard the ship. They are doing some research at Palmyra and vicinity on mariculture.

Hal was operating at 14282kc at 0745kc.

KURE OCEANS Magazine for March has an article on the construction of the Loran station on the island and the experiences with the birds, the article written by Jim Hunt who headed the construction crew which landed on the island Christmas Day 1960 to do the work.

Part of the account relates how the commanding officer gave Hunt an official communication noting that there was \$2500.00 of amateur gear on the island and he was expected to arrive on Kure with an amateur license. The letter came ten days before the departure for Kure....he passed his license test with a day to spare. From KH6EDY he made contacts with 122 countries while on Kure and found that the whole world wanted to talk with him.

Jim Hunt left Kure after a year to attend Officers school and is currently a Lieutenant Commander in the Coast Guard.

NEW ONE?? Back in 1963 the Sengalese government decided to transport a tribe called the Biffeche to a semi-arid delta region to see if it could be developed agriculturally. It could not and the Biffeche, all 55 of them, were in bad shape when a Mr. Edward Schafer of St. Louis, Missouri heard of their plight and agreeded to head a committee to help them

When the tribe decided to secede from Senegal, an act to which the Sengalese had no objection, they agreeded to form a monarchy and asked that an American be named king since the Americans had help them most. Mr. Schafer was chosen.

His first concern was to find out if an American could legally be a king. He rushed to the State Department where he was informed by an Assistant Secretary of State for the Bureau of African Affairs that since Biffeche was a 'secondary power', the U.S. had no real objection to Schafer's being king. Mr. Schafer has since helped his subjects, none of whome he has seen, by persuading them to add cotton and citrus fruits to their crops and by teaching them, via the mails from St. Louis, to dig irrigation ditches.

CHAD 9G1AK, Chester, writes from West Africa on their plans for TT8-Chad and other areas. Chester says:

We plan operations from Chad in late March and TL8 some time this summer. When the aircraft gets here, I will be able to go places on weekends. I am needing a TS-820 to carry by air to these places and the search is on for a source that can furnish one inexpensively or on a loan

Giving some reverse reports, Chester reports that WA3PMD, W6NLZ and W7YU have been heard 5/9 there in Ghana. This in the 0530/0630Z slot...on 80mtrs, of course!

ARRL NATIONAL While DXPO will not be staged this year due to the ARRL National Convention being in Washington, K4CFB notes that the National Capitol DX Assn will host the DX Forum at the ARRL Convention.

Ted Cohen, W4UMF, will assemble the DX Forum and the NCDXA is planning to resume in 1976 with DXPO 76.

Come to think of it, there are many DXers who figure that the only reason an ARRL Convention is held is for the DX Forum. If you are not a believer....Quick!!, name the rest of the standard programs at ARRL Conventions!!!

OUTER MONGOLIA JT1AN, Arsen, was at 14225kc from 0000Z on March 9th with Vaddy, UA0CBO in there helping sort things out. Initially they were at 14225kc but moved up to 14318kc to try to improve things. K9HMB got through along with some of the elusive sixes and sevens in the Western Reaches. JT1AN hopes to have a better antenna soon to improve things overall. Often UA0CBO was doing a bit of interpreting along the way.

JT1AN QSLs to Box 639, Ulan Bator, Outer Mongolia.

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CB...The FCC....The White House...etc

Some weeks back we mentioned that the Office of Telecommunications Policy in the White House had urged the FCC to take action on the CB Docket. K6KA wrote a letter critical of their approach. Bill got the following reply:

As you realize, Amateur Radio Service and Citizens Radio Service are both matters under the regulatory purview of the Federal Communications Commission. It would be inappropriate for me to comment in detail while the FCC regulatory action is still pending.

Your concern with respect to the way in which Citizen's Radio Service is being accomodated vis-a-vis the Amateur Radio Service is, nevertheless, appreciated and I am glad to respond to this aspect of your comments.

(A paragraph followed, reviewing the regulations, is not included here)

As an amateur operator yourself, I know you are well aware of the benefits that can accrue to American citizens from the application of telecommunication technology to their personal and business affairs. I hope you would agree with me that the potential of telecommunications, and the many advantages that accrue therefrom, should be made available to as large a cross section of the U.S. population as possible.

With reference to the dollar figures, we have received estimates from the U.S. electronic industry that the market size for general public radio service equipments would amount to several hundred million dollars a year.....

K6KA indicated some confusion after reading that final paragraph and referring back to the initial one.

It may help things if more letters were written to the Office of Telecommunications Policy at the White House. One question which keeps popping up is where would this equipment be manufactured. In the U.S.?

SHORTLY NOTED W7PHO is usuallying his Asian Net at 14225kc from 2300Z until the band folds. Many showing up from SEAsia including BV2B/V56DD/V55MC/XW8AB/9M2DQ. Some have even noted that the polite operating techniques on that frequency works wonders.

K3RLY holding his breath on the up-coming operation of W9MR from Easter Island. The last INDXA effort brought over 800 phoney contacts as the phonies jumped in for some of the action. What was the unwanted side-effects was that many who worked the phoneys blamed K3RLY for their misfortune. Well....someone has to be responsible.

Robby, who back a bit signed VR1V and 5W1AN is now in the New Hebrides and this time the call is YJ8AN. ZL2MHF is a 10meter beacon, F1 modulation with the call-sign every ten seconds and found at 28170kc.

The DX OLD TIMERS CLUB in Sicily has announced the winners of their first DX Marathon...this running from 1973 into 1974. For some strange reason, all the band winners were "I" calls....I8KDB winning 3.5mc/7.0mc/28.0mc. I8YRK won 14.0mc plus all-band. IT9WGI won the 21mc trophy. By Continents the winners were:

Europe	I8YRK	North America	W4WSF
Asia	JA8ZO	South America	PY4KL

Another matter of note....I8KDB is the President of the Executive Committee of the DX Old Timers Club. Certificates of Merit went to several well known DXers including W2GHK/KH6GLU/DJ6QT/DL7FT/IØLJ/OH2BH/ZL2AFZ/W9WNB/JA1KSO/WA2BAV/ The marathon will start again Sept 1, 1975 and run to August 31st the following year. You can get full details by writing to DXOTC, Box 143, Palermo, Sicily.

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REPORTS FROM RED EYED LOUIE

My heart leaps up when I behold

A sunspot in the sky;

So was it when DX began.....

Forty Meter Louie

A2CGX	7002/0430/Mar	8w	OK3ØTMR	7003/2340/Mar	6e	Y02ARV	7006/0025/Mar	7e
CM2VG	7032/0345/Mar	7m	PY7BXC	7005/0555/Mar	11w	Y04HW	7008/1450/Mar	5w
CO7SG	7033/0350/Mar	7m	TF3AU	7028/0100/Mar	8m	YS1GWE	7024/1214/Mar	2m
CP5GK	7011/0355/Mar	10w	TU2EF	7007/0005/Mar	7e	YU1AG	7002/0415/Mar	8w
DM3YBF	7027/2335/Mar	6e	TI2PZ	7003/0700/Mar	6w	YU3CNO	7017/0305/Mar	8w
EA8HZ	7006/2350/Mar	6e	TG9XM	7002/1320/Mar	7w	ZD7PS	7003/0450/Mar	9e
HI3PC	7004/0655/Mar	6w	UA6IA	7011/0325/Mar	9w	ZF1AU	7028/0350/Mar	6w
HM5HA	7020/1430/Mar	6w	UKØFAJ	7003/1420/Mar	9w	ZF1MA	7195/0125/Mar	11w
IT9PUG	7036/2335/Mar	6e	VK3BS	7014/1235/Mar	6m	ZS2JL	7033/0345/Mar	7m
JD1ABZ	7021/1500/Mar	9w	VK6RS	7020/1230/Mar	6m	ZS6AB0	7013/0525/Mar	9w
JR1KVV	7012/0740/Mar	6w	VK6HQ	7007/1140/Mar	7m	5Z4JE	7002/0320/Mar	8w
LZ1KDP	7004/0035/Mar	7e	VK4XA	7009/0705/Mar	6w	K9KDI/6Y5	7026/0350/	10m
LZ2RI	7002/0405/Mar	8w	VR6DX	7090/0925/Mar	6w	6Y5DE	7164/0130/Mar	11w
OK3ØAPP	7011/0315	9w	VP2GFA	7024/0205/Mar	7m	9V10P	7008/1500/Mar	5w

EIGHTY Meter Louie

C31LO	3787/2330/Mar	6e	KX6MV	3802/0845/Mar	9e	VP1FF	3781/0305/Mar	6e
C03VR	3780/0235/Mar	7e	KL7BJW	3797/0700/Mar	9e	VR4DX	3807/0825/Mar	6w
C08B0	3802/0300/Mar	6e	KL7HIY	3801/0330/Mar	9e	VS6D0	3808/1345/Mar	10w
CT1HL	3767/0520/Mar	9e	WA4GTB/KG6	3815/1445	8w	XE3EB	3802/0705/Mar	9e
DK5EZ	3797/0530/Mar	7e	ØE6TGF	3778/0230/Mar	10e	YU2HA	3778/0535/Mar	10e
EA3K0	3779/0550/Mar	10w	ØN4LJ	3767/0515/Mar	7e	YN1WB	3776/0410/Mar	9e
EA4AZ	3778/0540/Mar	10e	ØY5NS	3786/0240/Mar	9e	YN1HCB	3803/0400/Mar	5w
EL7F	3798/0725/Mar	9e	ØY5SB	3781/0230/Mar	9m	ZC4AK	3799/0135/Mar	10e
F2M0	3779/0545/Mar	10w	PAØGMW	3799/0230/Mar	9e	ZS1MH	3776/0500/Mar	10e
F6CRZ	3779/0235/Mar	7e	PY2ELZ	3799/0230/Mar	10e	ZS6DW	3778/0335/Mar	7e
FC6CXT	3784/0415/Mar	11e	SM6CVT	3797/0545/Mar	7e	ZS3E	3778/0530/Mar	6w
FG7AO	3781/0405/Mar	7e	TI2NA	3994/0235/Mar	10e	ZL1AZY	3802/0755/Mar	9e
FL8PE	3795/0340/Feb	28e	UAØFGM	3620/1330/Mar	11w	ZL2BT	3805/1420/Mar	5w
HR6SWA	3780/0230/Mar	7e	UAØMF	3619/1320/Mar	11w	4U1!TU	3793/0430/Mar	9e
ISØRNU	3787/0300/Mar	9e	UAØCBO	3616/1355/Mar	7w	5X5NK	3789/0425/Mar	11e
IVØAMU	3797/0550/Mar	10w	VU2GDG	3794/0005/Mar	7e	K9KDI/6Y5	3526/0350/	10m
6WØDY	3790/0715/Mar	9w	8P6ES	3780/0450/Mar	11w	9Y4NP	3790/0330/Mar	7e
8R1AG	3786/0820/Mar	9e	8P6FU	3798/0245/Mar	6w			

AFRICA CW

ASIA CW

CR7JK	14039/2005/Mar	9e	JT1KAA	14039/0410/Mar	10w	UL7YP	14027/0240/Mar	9w
ZD8TM	14054/2225/Mar	9e	JT2AB	14030/0045/Mar	9e	UL7YR	14027/0240/Mar	9w
ZS10U	14024/1855/Mar	6e	UA9UAR	14037/0200/Mar	10w	VS6AH	14028/0200/Mar	9e
ZS6ME	14031/1955/Mar	9e	UAØSDD	14037/0135/Mar	10w	VS6EY	14018/1205/Mar	8e
7Q7DW	14042/1900/Mar	9e	UAØAK	14037/0125/Mar	10w	VU2ABC	14014/1515/Mar	9e
9X5PT	21003/1705/Mar	8e	UD6DJT	14014/1145/Mar	8e	4S7NE	14020/1740/Mar	9e
			UKØLAD	14039/0110/Mar	10w	9V1SH	14010/2350/Mar	8e

ELSEWHERE'S CW

CE8AA	21009/1500/Mar	9m	KV4AA	14081/2225/Mar	12w	VP8NT	14006/2320/Mar	8m
CG3GCO	14039/1435/Mar	9m	KX6MV	14030/0440/Mar	10w	VS5PM	14021/0430/Mar	6w
CX5CB	14028/0100/Mar	6w	KZ5DE	21070/2030/Mar	6e	VS5MC	14009/2330/Mar	8e
HK3CTJ	14026/0055/Mar	6w	VP2GLE	14020/2025/Mar	9e	YB7AAU	14035/0220/Mar	9e
KS6FF	21028/0045/Mar	10w	VP2GFA	21019/1505/Mar	9m	YB7ABX	14023/0320/Mar	11w

MORE RED EYED LOUIE...

EUROPE CW

DK7AA	21040/1730/Mar	9e	JW4EJ	14028/2340/Mar	8w	UB5BAZ	14036/1605/Mar	8m
DKØSM	21038/1730/Mar	9e	JW6EH	14031/0215/Mar	9e	UK2WWW	14031/1645/Mar	3e
DM4SHJ	14023/1915/Mar	7w	LB3P	14066/1625/Mar	9w	UK2BBB	14035/1655/Mar	3e
DK4YF	14036/1600/Mar	8m	OE5PHL	14037/1705/Mar	8w	UK2GBY	14016/1710/Mar	3e
EA4CR	14044/1535/Mar	12w	OH2VK	14037/1810/Mar	8w	UK2PAR	14009/1615/Mar	4m
F9QI	14042/1845/Mar	8w	OK3ØEA	14037/1830/Mar	8w	UK2WAR	14036/1605/Mar	8m
F9IQ	14023/2040/Mar	9w	OK3ØSLS	14037/1805/Mr	8w	UK2QAE	14035/1805/Mar	8m
F8FE	14012/1850/Mar	7w	OK3ØKYS	14037/1800/Mr	8w	UK5EDQ	14024/0435/Mar	7w
FC2CH	14054/1940/Mar	8w	OK3ØKAG	14035/1630/Mar	4e	UK5SAA	14042/1605/Mar	12w
G3ILL	14036/1545/Mar	8m	OK3ØUC	14026/1650/Mar	4e	U050BP	14015/1800/Mar	7e
G13JEX	14053/1715/Mar	5m	OZ1TD	14009/1620/Mar	4m	UQ2DB	14037/1655/Mar	8w
GM3KCY	14028/1635/Mar	7m	PAØEHF	14067/1540/Mar	9w	UQ2IC	14029/1400/Mar	9m
GW3ZWU	14012/1915/Mar	7w	SQ9KRT	14039/1750/Mar	8m	UR2ZN	14027/1715/Mar	3e
HA2KME	14037/1840/Mar	8w	SQ2KDT	14045/1730/Mar	8e	UR2TAX	14010/1330/Mar	9m
HA6KNI	14038/1610/Mar	12w	SM6CUT	14024/0445/Mar	7w	UW4NP	14036/1530/Mar	8m
HA3ØKKN	14063/1720/Mr	9w	SM4DN	14036/1650/Mar	8m	UY5UW	14036/1755/Mar	8m
HA3ØKHU	14022/1825/Mr	5e	SMØFAL	14047/1745/Mar	8m	Y07AWN	14037/1745/Mar	9w
HA9KPU	14037/1825/Mar	9w	SP5YL	14033/1810/Mar	8w	YU3SE	14042/1855/Mar	8w
HB9BAP	14027/1555/Mar	12w	UA5BF	14036/1550/Mar	8m	YU2CTF	14036/1535/Mar	8m
HB9NP	21044/1745/Mar	9e	UB5MC	14033/1625/Mar	8m	ZA3PC	14031/1535/Mar	8???

AFRICA SSB

A2CCY	21355/1920/Mar	9w	SU1MA	14217/1835/Mar	6e	5Z4OG	14204/1940/Mar	9m
CR6OR	14210/2025/Mar	4e	TU2EF	14202/0010/Mar	10w	5Z4PI	14252/1910/Mar	6e
CR6CY	14203/2030/Mar	4e	VQ9HGS	14267/1935/Mar	6e	6W8FP	14220/1935/Mar	6e
CR7AF	14200/1805/Mar	5w	WB2POJ/VQ9	21380/1550	9e	9G1AR	14215/2145/Mar	5e
EL2FT	14218/2300/Mar	9e	VQ9GP	14217/2125/Mar	4e	9G1GK	14212/2115/Mar	4e
EL2JC	14218/2300/Mar	9e	ZS1XG	21327/1700/Mar	9w	9G1JC	14252/1850/Mar	6e
EL2FS	14266/2230/Mar	5e	ZS4PB	14215/1930/Mar	4e	9G18AA	14214/2300/Mar	9e
EL7F	14212/2130/Mar	10e	ZS6AFM	14276/1920/Mar	4e	9J2KP	14208/1905/Mar	5w
EA8CR	14333/1745/Mar	5e	5X5NK	14226/1920/Mar	5e	9J2GJ	14208/1940/Mar	5e

ASIA SSB

BV2B	14226/2345/Mar	8w	JY9CR	14240/1600/Mar	6e	XV5AB	14290/1100/Mar	4ka
HL9TG	14210/0200/Mar	10w	VU2CK	14205/0235/Mar	9w	XV5DA	14224/1330/Mar	8e
JT1AN	14225/0000/Mar	9w	XW8FA	14223/0020/Mar	5w			
JY6BM	14240/1600/Mar	6e	XW8HJ	14290/1055/Mar	4ka			

EUROPE SSB

CT1RM	14332/1835/Mar	7w	EA6BG	14255/1945/Mar	8w	OY7Q	14192/1800/Mar	6e
CT1QZ	14217/2310/Mar	9e	EL2BV	14333/1730/Mar	5e	SQ9KRT	14214/1355/Mar	8m
DM2ARA	14223/1625/Mar	4e	GI3NVW	14201/1805/Mar	9m	SM2EKM	14217/2145/Mar	9w
DJ1FQ	14215/1840/Mar	9w	GW3AHN	14200/1650/Mar	9m	UA6DL	14221/1420/Mar	5e
DJ9OC	14220/1710/Mar	6w	HB9AWW	14214/1925/Mar	7w	UA6NQ	14210/1120/Mar	8ka
EA3JJ	14190/0700/Mar	8m	LX1BJ	14333/1735/Mar	5e	UK2BBB	14240/1420/Mar	6e
EA4JF	14214/2320/Mar	7m	ON4DY	14210/1630/Mar	9w	9H1DW	14292/1920/Mar	4e

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CE9AT	14209/0200/Mar	5w	KS6SD	14211/0305/Mar	6w	VP2DH	14208/2030/Mar	4e
CH1UL	14212/0010/Mar	8w	KS6FD	14211/0305/Mar	6w	VP5TF	14196/1810/Mar	5e
CP6DH	21359/2035/Mar	10w	OA4CG	14230/0030/Mar	6w	VR6TC	14300/1725/Mar	6w
CX4BT	14230/0100/Mar	6w	OA8S	21293/1835/Mar	10w	YN1RWG	21361/1610/Mar	8w
CX8CN	14316/0105/Mar	3e	PJ2HR	14201/1800/Mar	5e	YU1BKL	14202/1815/Mar	5e
DU3BS	14224/0000/Mar	4e	PZ1AE	14257/1925/Mar	5e	ZL1WN	21281/1840/Mar	10w
HI8AXW	1432/1745/Mar	10w	VE8RCS	14204/2100/Mar	6m	ZP5GP	21375/1745/Mar	11w
HKØBKX	14204/1520/Mar	8e	VK3SK	14330/2330/Mar	9e#	ZP5RS	21290/1915/Mar	11w
KC4USG	14342/0120/Mar	7m	VK3WQ	14205/2220/Mar	5e	6Y5PO	14200/1710/Mar	6w
KH6EVM	14282/0745/Mar	8ka	VK4ZQ	14211/2200/Mar	3e	8P6PZ	14192/2215/Mar	9e
KH6BB	14216/1750/Mar	5e	VK5MF	14209/2200/Mar	5e	8P6BN	14196/2220/Mar	9e
KP4BCL	14248/0205/Mar	8m	VO1EI	14255/2000/Mar	8m	9Y4CR	14213/0020/Mar	10w
KP4CH	21335/1515/Mar	8m	VP1PKW	14203/1920/Mar	7w	9Y4APC	14208/2325/Mar	6w

(e = eastern states m = middle states w = western reaches ka = japan etc )  
 (all times in gmt # = long path ??? = Slim...signing ZA3PC from Zog's old )  
 (palace in Tirana last week. Slim was due from a rare one )

SOME MORE NOTES The San Diego DX Club/Orange County DX Club 6th Annual Dinner is set for this weekend at Marty's Valley Inn in Oceanside. This on Mission Ave on State Route 76....Saturday March 21st and W6BZE would like to know if you are coming.

If our memory is not failing, it was the San Diego DX Club which last operated from FO8C-Clipperton.

With the authorization of the sawbuck DXCC-CW, there appears to have been an increase in c.w. activity and this is showing in Red Eyed Louie. JA1KSO says that they are trying to protect the c.w. frequencies in Japan from the pressure of SSB.

It probably has been noted but no one can get that DXCC without paying for it. The date for acceptance for the DXCC-CW award is June 1st. The date for the charging of fees for DXing...June 1st.

9L1JT is often looking for some 160mtr DXing, being on most days from 0630Z to around 0700Z. Jerry transmits on 1827 and listens down 1800 to 1810kc. One night he heard KP4AN in there but KP4AN could not hear Fitz.

Up in FP8 the locals are getting a bit restive about what they consider neglect in the administration of the islands. There have been strikes by the civil servants, a general strike, more police brought in from France to keep things under control and demonstrations in the street.

Some look at the problems as a reminder to the folks back home that St Pierre et Miquelon is still around and should not be forgotten.

Some have looked to the recent coronation of King Birenda in Nepal as a possible hope for some new activity and possibly 9N1MM-Father Moran again showing on the bands. Nothing has happened in the weeks since the coronation and there is some doubt whether any 9N1s may be heard for some time. There are a lot of political tides moving in Asia and it may be years before some things quiet down. The ATLANTIC MONTHLY in their March issue has an article about the problems in India with 30% inflation and political unrest in the country. India being the dominant power in southern Asia undoubtedly influences matters in that area. PAØWRR, Brad Wyatt (K6WR) is being called on to speak to some European DX Groups while on business travels in Europe. This Wednesday he was talking to the VERON group in the Netherlands...and is scheduled for a talk with the URZA DXers. Brad reports that all the Europeans keep asking how to work those "...elusive sixes and sevens". One fellow who operated from Mt. Athos was reported as complaining that he called 'CQ West Coast' for several hours and no one would answer him. Son of a Gun!! Brad's topic often is: "How to Work a Hot Six on a Cold Band".

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## JA CONVENTION SEASON

The ALL JA-DX CONVENTION will be held at the Prince George Hotel in Yokohama on April 13th, the convention being hosted by the Yokohama DX Club with the JDXA group cooperating in the arrangements.

There will be seminars on several varied amateur radio topics....DX Talk/DX Quiz/DX-Pedition/DX-RTTY/DX-OSCAR/DX-SSTV/DX-Pictures/DX-Plans/HOW TO DX.

If you are to be in Yokohama, drop a note to Japan DX Assn, Box 7, Aobadai, Yokohama, Kanagawa 227, Japan for more details

ALL JA-HAM CONVENTION This will be held in the Mt. Fuji area on the weekend of April 13th and more than 5000 JA-amateurs are expected. Special bus transportation has been arranged to move the traffic in and out of the convention area. Some expect Mt. Fuji to disappear under all the JA operators on the slopes. Some have forecast a quiet band condition for this weekend.

TUNISIA The license is in hand for the 3V8 operation by DL7RT who will be there with five other operators the end of next week. They should open around the 27th and hope to operate across the CQ WPX Test, operating until April 2nd. The frequencies:

Twenty Meters:	CW	14025 +/-	
	SSB	14195kc	Listening 14200-14210kc
Forty Meters:	CW	7025kc +/-	Listening as announced
	SSB	7055kc +/-	Listening as announced

All QSLs will go to DL7RT. No plans are being made nor is there any possibility for any 15/80mtr operations. The group has two TR-4s with RV-4s for split frequency operation. There will also be a SB101 available as needed.

AND MORE NOTES Elsewhere we noted that Slim showed recently signing ZA3PC. DL7FT did manage a ZA-Albania operation back in June 1971 and Frank recently mentioned that there are still hundreds in the logs for the 1970/1971 operations who have never asked for a QSL. This strange reluctance has also been noted by the QSL manager for the Mt. Athos effort and there are thousands of already prepared KP6KR-Kingman QSLs ready to go when requested. These will go out shortly if Jim Maxwell, K6AQ, does not get the requests, they said they would QSL 100% and they will.....even if someone does not want a Kingman QSL card. They'll have to like it!

ZF1AU goes to WA4BTC. Don Riebhof, XU1DX, apparently was holding on well in Phnom Penh last week with essential supplies still getting through. However, Don still expects to be on Spratly starting April 14th, Don going there with the VS5MC effort. Some at times have expressed concern about HC8GI QSLs and the request for revenue. K2GBC discussed the matter recently with HC8GI and was advised that the local Post Office would not take IRCs, that for \$1...or an Ecuadorian stamp....a QSL would be sent. K2GBC got the stamp...and immediately got a QSL. Technically, IRCs are supposed to be good at any Post Office anywhere in the world. That's the plan but often a Post Office may be unfamiliar with them. Probably more IRCs are exchanged among DXers annually than the Post Office sells across the counter. If there are no DXers in a community, it is not unusual to find a Post Office which cannot recall ever selling an IRC. Anyhow, after all of this, now you know how to get a QSL from HC8GI.

HS4AGN, Pete who went adrift at Spratly in the 73 effort, is headed for Europe. He had thought he was going to Turkey but may end up in Italy.

WA3LRO operating W3WJD ran up a score of 2.3million in the single-op effort of the ARRL Phone. W3GM ran up 2.43million....W3GPE bettered that with 2.8million. W2PV beat out W3AU...W2PV managed 4.01million to 3.75million for W3AU. Now if you really want to keep up with the Contests and Contesters...subscribe to the National Contest Journal...\$2.00 for a full year..send to WA0PRS. It's worth it!

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CALENDAR

SPRATLY Maurice and Friends from 1S5MC from April 14th. Prepare!!  
 COCOS HB9AQM/TI9 from April 22nd for a week...  
 TURKS/CAICOS North Florida DX Group signing VP5CW and VP5WW from March 25th  
 TUNISIA DL7RT and friends over the Easter period and WPX from 3V8  
 SOUTH GEORGIA VP8OB there now...  
 SOUTH ORKNEYS LU1ZA on weekends.....  
 SOUTH SHETLANDS CE9AT showing up on twenty with LU2AFH often there to help..  
 CHAD Chester and friends in next week or so....before end of month.  
 KERMEDEC ZL-XYLs all set except for transportation....  
 GLORIOSO FR7AI/Glorioso with QSLs.... July the time....  
 WAB TEST CW H.F Test....April 6th  
 DAYTON HAMVENTION April 25/27th  
 FRESNO DX MEETING April 19/20th  
 CQ WPX TEST Only a week or so away. March 29/30th. Prepare!!!!  
 WORLD TELECOMMUNICATION DAY Annual PY-TEST May 17th  
 SP-TEST April 5/6th  
 FERNANDO POO SM0AGD signing 3C1AGD from March 27th. Tune to the pile-up!!  
 EASTER ISLAND Wayne Warden, W9MR, aiming for CE0-Easter Island in mid-April.  
 H-22 TEST April 12/13th  
 BERMUDA TEST April 19/20th  
 CENTRAL AFRICAN REP. CHESTER looking for a mid-summer operation from TL8--

MARCUS JD1ABZ on Marcus has been showing on forty c.w. A week ago he was coming through to the Western Reaches at 7021kc from 1500Z.

SOUTH EAST EIGHTY YB0ABV, Dick Brown there in Jakarta, advises W7BCT that he along with Don Hall, 9V1SH and others there in the SE quadrant...including 9M2DQ.. are often at 3790kc from 2300Z and listening upwards as high as 3825kc. Anyone working that area might listen on the transmitting frequency to see what the big signals from SEAsia sound like.

UGANDA 5X5NK in Kampala is usually at 3789kc or close by every Tuesday from 0400Z. This one QSLs to DL1YW.

9G18AA This special call was to commemorate the 18th anniversary of Ghana and Chester, 9G1AK and Harry 9G1AR, were drawing a lot of attention when they put it on the air last week. It was to be used until the week-end. If you worked it, QSL to Harry, 9G1AR.

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ARRL In a meeting to discuss Docket #19759, the proposal to reallocate a portion of the 220mhz amateur band to a new Class E Citizens Radio Service, the FCC on March 6th decided to defer action on the docket until later this year. The delay is in order to allow the FCC to fully develop the requirements and alternative solutions which are deemed needed. It was noted that two other rule making proceedings currently under way, Docket #20120 proposing Class D Citizen Band expansion and Docket #20282, the Amateur Restructuring docket, involve related issues.

Also, a further discussion is needed with Canada relative to Class E Frequencies along the border. Earlier developments on Docket #19759 were discussed in a special message from the ARRL President Harry Dannals in March QST.

The ARRL continues to place the highest possible priority on the defense of Amateur frequencies and will be monitoring the situation at the FCC in the coming months. On the survey that ARRL is making on the Restructuring Docket, a number of questions are recurring. The answers generally are: 1. The survey will be sent automatically to new members. 2. Requests for duplicates will only be honored for those postmarked after March. 3. It is not considered feasible for clubs to use the survey for their own information due the method of analysis. 4. Non-members will have to join to get one.

TNX to W1DAL, W1AM, K2BT, W2CNQ, K2GBC, W2GUH/Ø, W2OVC, K3ZOL, K4CFB, W4HU, W4KA, W4NJF, W4UMF, W4UF, K5KEZ, K5YMY, W6APW, WA6EYK, WA6FIT, W6GC, W6HRE, K6KA, W6PT, WA6MWG, W6TSQ, W6TTS, WB6ZUC, K7<sup>A</sup>BV, W7AWH, W7BCT, WA7COQ, K7LAY, K7NHG, WA7OBH, W8OA, W8ZOK, K9WEH, WA9UCE/6, K9UIY, WØJRN, WBØNGL, WØUUE, KH6BZF, PAØWRR, SM3CXS, YN1AM, ZK1BKL, 9G1AK, KA6DE, HP1JC, W9ZSR, VP5WW.

WEST COAST DX BULLETIN Published every week by the Marin County DX Group. A couple of the local QRPers came by last week and their talk was of the ancient one who was deep in the plans for an extensive trip. "I just don't understand it", one QRPer said, "and you'd think that at his age he would be content just to sit in the sun". The other QRPer was in agreement along this line, said: "The way he is all excited about going, you'd think he was fifty years younger. Hardly seems right for a man his age". The two QRPers were in such agreement that they had to try their logic on the Old Timer. "Why is he heading out at his age?", they asked. "you'd think that he would have seen everything and gone everyplace already. Wouldn't you?". The Old Timer was quiet for a bit but he finally spoke. "It's not only the young who can be impatient for the dawn", he said and that was it. So the QRPers returned to us and asked: "What does he mean by that?". And, Son of a Gun, what could we say? Only that we know of a few who say they are impatient to read the WCDXB which comes roaring in by the dawns early light for a full year for \$13.00...by First Class Mail. \$15.00 brings it all the way via the wild blue yonder.... We'll handle the simple ones....

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