



West Coast **DX** Bulletin

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ST PAUL ISLAND There is more information on the St Paul operation due late next week. VE1AI, Dick Grantham will be in on the effort and gives the details.

The group is planning to open up about 1700Z on May 18th and to operate through to the following Monday, operating through May 22nd. They will be testing all the bands including One-Sixty.

The operators going to St Paul include Mike Pothier, VE1AJP; Dick Grantham, VE1AI; Sauli Arosankari, VE1AIH; Don Bower, VE1AMC and Harley Grimmer, VE1MX. They will have DRAKE-T4s and R4s, a TenTec 544, quads for 20/15/10 and an Omega T for 40/80mtrs. A dipole will be used on One-Sixty.

Frequencies to watch are:

CW: 5kc up from the lower edge, listening as announced.
SSB: 3765kc 7085kc 14190kc 21245kc 28505kc

On One-Sixty they will try 1824kc. If the SSB frequencies look vaguely familiar, they are the same ones used by the Clipperton group except for the twenty meter frequency. There may be some slippage in either direction but this is the area to watch for this operation.

Call sign was not known last week, they having asked to be issued 'VYØC'. QSLs will be handled by the Southern DX Association and WA4SSU. Sase or Sae/IRC needed.

The VE group has the written authority in their anxious grasp and they are ready to go. Transportation is firm and they have been working and planning this operation for eight months. Listen for them next Thursday.

COCOS KEELING F6CYL, Ann Koloboff, has been issued the call VK9YL and she will be operating on the up-coming Cocos-Keeling effort. P29JS, Jim Smith, will be signing VK9YS.

The latest schedule calls for them to be on the air about 0000Z on May 31st and to operate to June 13th. They will have a two-element monobander for twenty and will use dipoles on the other bands.

This one is getting close, less than three weeks or so to go.

MARION ISLAND The new operator arriving on Marion Island received a ZS-amateur license just prior to his departure from the mainland to the South African weather station. ZS2MI should continue to be heard for some time from this sub-antarctic spot.

Gordon, the current operator at Marion, will not leave the island until May 28th. The supply ship has been delayed. The new operator should be there for a couple of years.

You might check the 21320kc area around 1700Z if you thirst for Marion Island and especially on Saturdays and Sundays. K5VNJ/2 and K2UO have been doing a brisk business on weekends with the Marion Island list. There have also been operations on weekdays because of the expectation that Gordon would be leaving and there would be no Marion Island activity for some years. With the change in the departure date and the new operator coming out, there has been a relaxation and even the list running the Elusive Sixes through when the band is open has been backed off.

SAO THOME There is a report that Angelo Mendes, D4CBS, will be in S9-Sao Thome, for three months starting in July.

The details are sketchy, mainly that he is going in early July to this former CR5 area. Often heard with a good signal out of the Cape Verde Islands, Angelo should bring a lot of attention his way when he opens up from S9.

GUAM NORTH Some KG6s are aiming to operate from some small islands north of Guam later this month, the time will be from May 24th to 30th.

The islands are named 'Farrallones' and 'Mindonea'....or something that sounds close to that. Whether they may count for something special is not known. Even the callsign last week was not quite clear and there was some speculation whether they would sign /KG6 or perhaps even KG6/KG2....or KG6/KH2.

Listen for them...they will be active. KG6JKO, Alan Davis, will be one of the operators.

SUNSPOT LOUIE During most of last week, the bands were not what a Deserving DXer might need.

There were a number of flares and solar activity was high. On the day of this observation, Area 1092 flared. The flux was high, getting up into the 190s and it might even go higher.

On April 28th the Solar Flux figure got up to 197. At the Ottawa solar observatory this was the highest figure ever noted.

Something is happening.

In May 1977 the smoothed sunspot number was 24.2. In May 1976 it was 12.6 and we were touching bottom on the cycle. This May the expectation is that the smoothed number will be around 59...maybe even just a bit higher. By September the smoothed number is expected to be 73.

Area 1057 was expected to make a return appearance this last weekend and things may be kicking up again.

So what do you do? You enjoy the good days and check on two meters on the bad days. There is always action on the repeater frequency on two meters. Nonstop!

And looking down the rest of verdant May, N4XX shakes out another bag of fertilizer, wonders why he is encouraging the grass to grow when he will only have to cut it down again, add more fertilizer and then watch it spring up again. And singing the unofficial anthem of all DXers.....

DX is an endless cycle of song,
A medley of extemporania.....

Ted kicks the computer and peering into an overgrown future, he says it will be a bit of.....

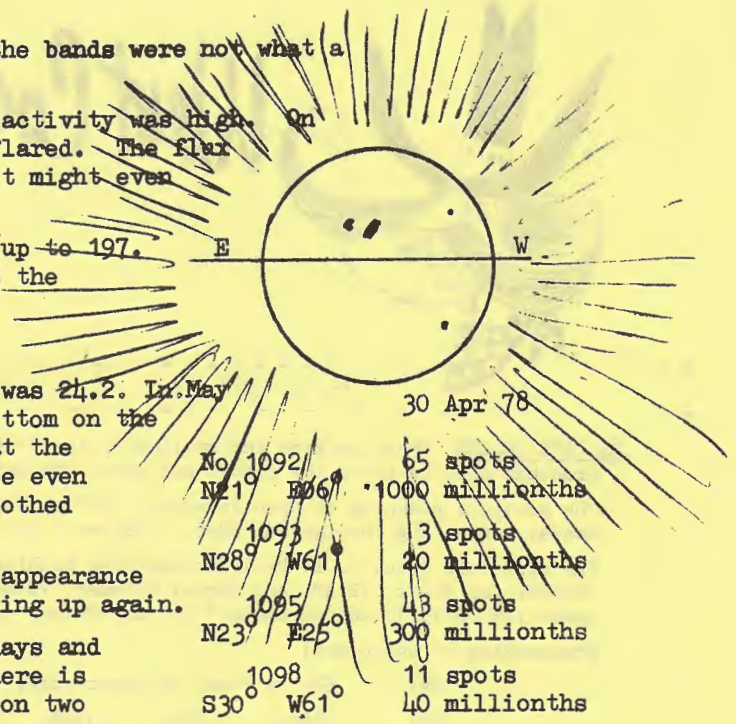
May 9th	Below Normal	May 16th	Below Normal
10th	Below Normal	17th	High..Low Normal
11th	Below Normal	18th	High Normal
12th	Low Normal	19th	High Normal
13th	High Normal	20th	Low Normal
14th	Above Normal!!		
15th	Variable...disturbed at times		

Notice the nice forecast for Mothers Day. Now that was thoughtful.

And up from the south at break of day comes the WWV report as monitored by K6EC and Ev had to listen twice to believe some of the figures. The Solar Flux is definitely fermenting. Ev says that it was.....and believe those figures.....

	Solar Flux	Ap Index		Solar Flux	Ap Index
Apr 24th	158	25	Apr 28th	197!!!	13
25th	169	12	29th	183	4
26th	165	18	30th	185	30
27th	170	11			

A year ago on April 28th the flux was 73. In fact it was in the seventies for the whole week then.



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KL8AA Some more details has come in on the Pribilofs. From one who has been going to the island regularly each summer comes the information that there is no naval facility in the group. The Coast Guard did have a Loran station there and it may still be operational. KL7GGG with the U.S Department of the Interior is on the islands each summer in an administrative capacity and a missionary also comes regularly each summer.

KL8AA would seem to be be clear-cut Bering Sea Slim. There have been a number of suggestions to the DX people at Newington that this should be a separate country because of its distinctive administration. So far there has been no seeing eye to eye.

THAILAND The FCC in a news release early in April noted in a closing paragraph that..."all amateur radio communications between the United States and Cambodia, Thailand or Viet Nam are prohibited as all three countries have notified the U.S., in accordance with the International Radio Regulations, that they object to such communication."

This notice was dated April 5th. HS1WR was last reported by Red Eyed Louie as being heard on April 9th. Some are asking about this notice and some word out of Thailand should be heard before long. As Cambodia and Viet Nam have not been heard for a number of years, this was only repeating what already existed when they were noted on the banned list. Thailand, however, is an addition.

BOUVET There does seem to be something solid to the possibility of the Norwegians activating this garden spot sometime later this year. While a number of time periods have been mentioned, there is good evidence that something may start developing in early Fall....which would be early Spring at Bouvet.

Early Fall? How about late September! Someone is stoking the fires and the anticipation is edging upwards. With Clipperton out of the way, Iraq on the air, why not finish up a good year with Bouvet? A couple more in this category would be nice.

IRAQ The weak signal out of YI1BGD continues to get a lot of attention but many are enjoying the anticipation more than the QSOs. There are still not too many of these. However, many European stations are able to work the station.

It is reported that the station, located at the Youth Club building there in Baghdad, is only on the air from 0800Z to 1000Z and from 1400Z to 1600Z. However, the station has been reported on c.w. as late as 0530Z.....and on SSB around 0500Z.

With the weak signal, the situation at this time is not exactly exhilarating to the Deserving but wanting. The situation should improve some time in the future as plans are made and going on right now to get some better gear and antennas to the club there in downtown Baghdad.

QSLs are sometimes said to go to YU1BCD, the Mihaljo Pupin Radio Club. Sometimes YU1NZV is mentioned as the route. Inasmuch as YU1NZV is a member of the Pupin Radio Club, this seems to be a situation where either route is good.

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SHORTLY NOTED There are a number of possible operations being run up the flag pole.....and all of the Noble and Deserving DXers immediately snapping to a salute. SV1AN is said to be aiming at a Mt Athos effort in June. XE1J is said to be thinking of XF4-Revillagigdeo late in the year. There is also an Agalega operation ready if 3B8DA can line up the gear....WAL4SSU is working on this detail in the hope of bringing Agalega and possibly Rodriguez on the air.

Fernando de Norona is slated for some November activity by PY7ZZ and Company with emphasis on the lower frequencies....40/80/160mtrs.

There are even reports of a VS6AD opening from Burma any moment now. This one hardly seems possible but sometimes hope is better than skepticism. If you hear XZ4AD on, work 'em. It could be Slim again.

Last week we made a passing mention of ZA1UPA....this one to show late in April. This was supposed to be CR9AJM who would be in Albania and the QSLs would go to JA1RT.

Albania rumors are always with us. The last time we mentioned this to Sam, W6TSQ, we got the comment: "There has not been a good operator in Albania since King Zog left in such a hurry." That Sam has a long memory.

On the Descheo operation, there has been no late word. Nothing official that is. However, there continues to be a persistent undertone to watch for the period around the start of the 4th week in May. Check your calendar, this is not as late in the month as you might suspect. The fifth week is the long weekend.

Rolf Salme, SM5MS, did make it to the Maldives and was signing 8Q7MX. He was being worked on c.w. by many in the states. QSLs go to SM3CXS.

The Sierra Leone Radio club is up to 27 members. The SLARS Net meets on the first Monday of the month at 7050kc at 1300Z and at 3700kc at 2030Z. There has also been some discussion within the club for a meeting around 14310kc or 21310kc on Mondays at 1800Z. If you need 9L1, you can hope to bag them when they are all gathered at the watering hole.

In British Columbia the Fraser Valley DX Club continues to add memberships, the club having close to fifty members at last count. Work fifteen of the members and they will present you with a commemorative certificate. Send a list and \$1.00 to VE7CC or 5 IRCs will to the same. The 15 is for the W/Ks types....DX types need only seven. Work the VE7s in contests and most of them will be members of the club.

Like to read amateur radio stuff....such as in novels. Check Lehman's "The Transatlantic Affair"...on page 115 there is also some mention of the Southern California DX Club. This is a novel published last year.

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MAY ITU WEEK This starts this Saturday, May 13th, and runs to May 21st. You probably will be hearing some unusual suffixes or prefixes during this week.

JARL will help in the effort. They will have three special suffixes going to mark ITU week.

8J1ITU will be from the Communications Museum in Tokyo and will operate from May 13th to 21st. Both on c.w. and phone, it will operate from 40mtrs to 70cm...including OSCAR.

8J3ITU will be on from somewhere within the JA 3rd District, operating portable from the 13th. CW and phone from 1.9 to 1200MHz. This will have no linear and both modes will not be used on One-Sixty.

8J9ITU will be at Shiroyama Park outside of Takaoka City in Toyama Prefecture. This one will also run the full period from the 13th to the 21st. It will have 500w One-Sixty to fifteen...50 watts on ten and two.

The prefixes should attract the WPX types. This will be the first use of the 8J3 and 8J9 prefixes. QSLs go via the regular JA bureaus.

SOME FINAL NOTES There is word that the ARRL DXCC Desk will, from April 1, 1977 only accept Nigeria QSLs for 5N2NAS. VE3TRS/TZ6 cards are being accepted but the K5CO/5A cards are not.

HH2MC heard these last weeks was being operated by Vic Clark, W4KFC, while in Haiti on IARU Region II business. This one QSLs to WA4AKU.

Some have asked about HH2TW...this probably is HH5TW. W4ORT operated this one on c.w. before and after the SSB test last Fall. HH4RB and HH5HR were sideband operations about that time. QSL for HH5TW as well as HH2DX to George Werner, W4ORT, 1045 LeBrun Drive, Jacksonville, Fla 32205.

CO2FC/ET2 is in Asmara. This one may be hard to catch as he usually is in a schedule with the Havana Desk. Look for the signal around 14025-14035kc from 2300Z.

The Russian Test, "PEACE TO THE WORLD" is this coming weekend, May 13-14th. Actually it is a 24hour test from 2100Z on the 13th to 2100Z on the 14th. Report is your RST plus three digit serial number starting with 001. All the usual categories are involved...single operator, single band,--single operator-all bands. A couple of the contest booklets are on hand and if you are interested in submitting a log, we will lend you one. We only have four on hand.

W4JVN wrote the FCC asking for his license fee refund. They told him not to get anxious. A new fee schedule for the period 1970-1975 had first to be developed. They are working on it. Maybe if you have more than \$20.00 coming they will have something this Fall. Less than \$20.00....about 1980. Maybe.

The Caribbean Net is usually run by 8P6AH on a Mon/Wed/Fri basis....21275kc at 1700Z. A lot of DX types check in....often a good gaggle of Europeans. P29JS has his Pacific Area Net going around 14220kc about 0715Z.

A couple of weeks back we mentioned I2YAEs problem with HH2TW. The explanation is back a skip or so. Also, on the M1C mentioned at that time, if you are looking for that one go to Antonio Ceccoli, Piazzale M. Calcigni, 47031 Repubblica di San Marino. It should work. This is the M1 that works c.w. You can also use his QSL Manager....I4EAT....and this should work even better.

There are some talk of another Tokelaus-ZM7 operation sometime in the coming months. FK8CP says the 78 Call Book has his address incorrect. Should be Box 2081, Noumea. K5JBC, Clint Aberly, handles the QSLs for 4Z4GH. Send to 105 Cherry Laurel Drive, Covington, Louisiana 70433.

VK2AGT on Lord Howe goes.....Dick Hoffman, Lord Howe Island, NSW, Australia 2898. A4XXH says you send his to Box 8835, Salalah, Sultanate of Oman.

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REPORTS FROM RED EYED LOUIE

I worked the rare ones many times
And also QSL'd them,
My costly cards came back to me,
They also QS-Eldom

KØHT

TEN METERS LIVES.....Somewheres, but not here!

WALUWZ/HC1 28032/1625 29w	CEØAE 28587/2315/May 23e	VR4CF 28590/0215/May 24m
3D2EM 29004/1935/May 22w	KC6MJ 28657/0125/May 30m	ZK1DR 28515/2310/May 23e
	F29NKB 28578/2230/May 29m	5H3BP 28586/2100/May 25e
	SVØRK 28566/2045/May 25e	8P6BN 28590/1550/May 29e

AFRICA CW

CN8CC 21117/1740/Apr 30e	GØ2CF/ET2 14032/2245 25e	J28AG 14017/1345/Apr 27w	ZS5WT 21026/1650/Apr 26w
D68AD 14020/2305/Apr 25e	EL2ET 14030/0615/May 1w	J28AY 14010/1500/Apr 30w#	ZS6GW 14029/1500/May 4w
EA8LQ 14032/0115/May 1e	FB8ZN 14040/1100/May 27e	ZE1FS 14041/1505/Apr 26w#	5Z4QP 21019/2300/Apr 26e
EA9EI 14026/2345/Apr 25w	FR7BN 14017/1350/Apr 28w#	ZS1EJ 14028/0725/May 1w	6W8FA 14033/0515/Apr 23e
EL2AE 21021/1600/Apr 22e	FR7BW 14031/1200/Apr 30e#	ZS2BZ 14023/1525/Apr 25w#	9G1KU 21031/2200/Apr 25w
ZELJS 14035/1335/May 1e	ZE1CB 14003/1340/Apr 29w#	ZS5KI 14030/1315/Apr 25w#	

ASIA SSB

A9XBC 21010/1405/Apr 30e	UF6QM 14033/0420/Apr 25m	UL7MAM 14004/0350/Apr 30m	LXLAS 14003/1505/Apr 27w
AP2TN 14026/0130/Apr 27m	UG6AB 14001/0350/Apr 30m	UL7OAL 14005/0230/Apr 25m	LXLDG 14001/0130/May 1e
EP2BQ 14037/1305/Apr 26m	UG6GAF 14024/1440/Apr 29w#	UL7AFD 14035/0200/Apr 25m	LX4NI 14030/0340/Apr 29m
EP2IA 14029/0250/Apr 29w	UG6GAE 14019/0345/Apr 23w	UL7TBO 14028/0210/Apr 29m	OE5CA/YK 14025/0030 30e
BV2A 14022/1130/Apr 28e	UH8HR 14002/0215/Apr 28m	UL7PBI 14047/0100/Apr 25e	8Q7MX 14005/1110/Apr 28e
HM2JN 14037/1305/Apr 26m	UH8DC 14008/0205/Apr 26e	UL7TAK 14022/0100/Apr 26e	8Q7MX 21005/1710/Apr 29e
JT1AM 14034/1545/Apr 27w	UI8ACZ 14040/0310/Apr 30e	UL7NAF 14015/0125/Apr 26e	9V1TM 14023/1525/Apr 25w#
UA9FCI 14033/0450/Apr 27w	UI8OK 14038/0110/Apr 25e	UL7HD 14038/0205/Apr 26e	9V1TL 14029/1510/Apr 26w
UAØYAE 14026/1145/Apr 24m	UJ8BQ 14045/0300/Apr 30e	VU2BE 14038/1545/Apr 25w	9V1OK 14025/1140/Apr 29e
UD6DHX 14008/0410/Apr 30m	UK7CAI 14025/0135/Apr 26e	VU2GW 14015/0040/Apr 26e	
UD6BO 14007/0230/May 1e	UK8JAA 14040/0245/Apr 28m	VU2BX 14043/0105/Apr 25e	
UF6CX 14026/0420/Apr 26m	UKØFAD 14040/1455/Apr 26m	VU2TH 14013/0210/Apr 25e	
UF6LA 14018/0345/Apr 26m	UL7AAB 14051/0415/Apr 30m	VS6CK 14002/1445/Apr 27w	

AFRICA SSB

A28AZ 14202/0350/Apr 27m	FR7BV 14220/1415/Apr 24m	WA6ØXZ/VQ9 21263/1725 28e	5Z4QS 21325/1955/Apr 25m
CN8AK 21355/1845/Apr 28w	EL2ET 21308/1815/Apr 28e	WA6ØXZ/VQ9 14218/1310 25e	5Z4PW 21309/2245/Apr 26e
DLØBS 21354/2020/Apr 25m	EL2I 21270/1840/Apr 28e	WD9FCC/VQ9 21355/2000 30e	5H3KS 14220/1450/Apr 27m
EA8JJ 21355/1830/Apr 26w	J28AZ 14228/0455/Apr 28m	ZE1EZ 14215/1520/Apr 29w#	5Z4GX 14205/1205/Apr 30e
EA8ID 14215/0340/Apr 29w	S79DF 21317/2000/Apr 25m	ZELJS 21355/1820/Apr 26w	5Z4NH 21355/1915/Apr 30e
EA9FP 14205/0515/Apr 29w	SVØRK 21336/1925/Apr 28w	3B8DA 14217/0400/Apr 25e	9G1JU 21273/1850/Apr 28e
FB8ZM 14224/0400/May 1e	TR8AC2 14220/0030/Apr 30e	3D6BL 14220/1500/Apr 26m	9J2JN 14214/1205/Apr 29e
FR7BE 14201/1340/Apr 26e	TR8GDC 14220/0030/Apr 30e	5H3FW 21355/1915/Apr 28w	9L1NP 14208/0310/Apr 25m

ASIA SSB

ALXHH 14233/0015/Apr 28m	JY9CI 14253/1315/Apr 27e	UK6LAZ 14218/0315/Apr 30m	9N1MM 14243/0100/Apr 25e
A9XBD 14206/0305/Apr 28m	JY3ZH 14210/0450/Apr 30m	UK9AAN 14220/1410/Apr 27m	9K2FW 14210/0035/Apr 28m
BV2B 14218/1330/Apr 26m	JY9DI 14250/0400/Apr 26m	UL7LA 14219/0400/Apr 25m	9M2EE 14202/1530/Apr 29w
CR9AJ 14225/1430/Apr 26m	JY9DY 14204/2230/Apr 27m	VU2XX 14223/0230/Apr 27e	9V1OK 14222/1535/Apr 29w
EP2LI 14226/1445/Apr 26m	OD5FI 14226/0420/Apr 25m	VU2CP 14205/1150/Apr 28e	9V1TD 14215/1430/Apr 26m
EP2NC 14205/0300/Apr 27m	UD6DKZ 14216/0355/Apr 26m	VS6EJ 14225/1415/Apr 28w	9V1SW 14244/1450/Apr 30e
HL9UF 14256/1540/Apr 29w	UF6VAG 14214/2325/Apr 26e	4S7YL 14202/1220/Apr 25e	
HS1ALC 14225/1440/Apr 29w	UF6DZ 14224/0330/Apr 25e	4S7EA 14213/2330/Apr 27m	
HZ2AB 14212/1340/May 1e	UF6VG 14203/0315/Apr 25m	LXLAS 14214/1445/Apr 27m	
JT1AN 14225/1700/Apr 26w	UF6VAA 14208/0345/Apr 26m	9M2CW 14224/1625/Apr 28w	
JY5RBM 14212/1445/Apr 27e	UI8LAG 14208/1310/Apr 27e	9M2MW 14210/1315/Apr 26m	

EUROPE CW

DM3CB 14018/0515/Apr 27w	M1C 14025/0115/Apr 30e	SVØWTT 14029/0545/May 1w	UK5ØAB 14030/1400/Apr 29w#
EA3UG 14007/2055/Apr 25e	M1C 21008/1410/Apr 29e	TA1JH 21030/1135/Apr 27e	UY5ZI 14030/0310/Apr 26m
EA3XH 14021/2100/Apr 25e	OH2BFJ 14031/0345/Apr 25m	TF3ØF 14035/0155/Apr 26e	UY5DJ 14032/0415/Apr 25w
F2SQ/HOU 14024/0550 29w	ON5GK 14026/0415/Apr 25m	TF2KJ 21030/1750/Apr 23e	UR2RSA 14035/0600/Apr 28w
GDLBEG 14020/0545/Apr 29w	OK1DAV 14015/0405/Apr 26w	UC2ØQ 14013/1505/Apr 27e	YØ4VV 14029/0205/Apr 27e
IØGKU 14007/0440/Apr 27w	OY1R 21016/1820/Apr 22m	UK2BAS 21020/1555/Apr 22e	YØ7NA 14031/0015/Apr 26m
ISØMWE 21035/2130/Apr 25m	OZ1EE 14011/0400/Apr 25m	UP2BAØ 14017/0315/Apr 28m	YØ7NK 14013/0445/Apr 28w
ISØIKR 14003/0510/Apr 30m	PAØFNB 14014/0525/Apr 27w	UR2ZN 14005/0415/Apr 26w	YU2RKE 14019/2100/Apr 25e
IT9AF 14031/1445/Apr 29w#	SP7FUB 21007/1700/Apr 28e	UQ2PP 14022/1500/Apr 29w#	YU2RQG 14006/0505/Apr 30w
LZ1DS 21022/2000/Apr 22e	SP1DPA 14025/0025/Apr 21m	UN1BR 14033/1420/Apr 26w#	ZB2CN 14033/2150/Apr 30e
LZ1KDP 14037/0255/Apr 27m	SP7VZ 14023/0415/Apr 28w	UC2LAG 14036/0510/Apr 28w	9H1FQ 14022/2305/Apr 25e

MCRE RED EYED LOUIE

The wind passeth over it,
And it is gone:
And the place thereof shall know it no more.
Deleted!

EUROPE SSB

CTLYG 14212/0010/Apr 26m	GULCHY 21330/1730/Apr 23e	OH1TY 14210/1510/Apr 29w#	UK2RN 14245/0415/Apr 26m
DM3UH 14210/0430/Apr 26m	HAKZB 21273/1920/Apr 28e	OK2RZ 14221/0410/Apr 26w	UC20AV 14209/0415/Apr 30m
DM3YOE 21318/1910/Apr 28w	HB9ARC 14292/2035/Apr 25e	OK2RN 14245/0425/Apr 26w	UO5OWS 14204/0350/Apr 27m
DL8DH 21308/1815/Apr 27w	I2CBM 14213/1510/Apr 29w#	OK1AMI 14222/1515/Apr 27w	UQ2GDQ 14279/0335/Apr 26w
DJ2BE 14274/0455/Apr 26w	IT9KZW 14205/1525/Apr 29w#	OK1AWZ 21278/1745/Apr 22w	UK2GKW 14218/1445/Apr 28w
EA3SA 14208/0420/Apr 25m	LZ1ZH 14224/1505/Apr 27w	OZ1D 21282/1825/Apr 28e	YU2RJU 21307/2015/Apr 28w
EIØCL 14218/1630/Apr 30m	LZ2ES 14245/0450/Apr 26w	PA2TMS 21325/1835/Apr 27w	YU2RGQ 14252/2030/Apr 25e
FC9UC 14213/1515/Apr 27w	LZ2KBA 14214/1450/Apr 25w	SV2AT 14238/0245/Apr 26e	YO2BM 14203/2315/Apr 26e
GI3KDR 21303/0200/Apr 26w	OE9WOI 14214/0445/Apr 29m	SP8IMA 21278/1935/Apr 26w	YØ3JU 14232/2235/Apr 26e
GMLQY 21384/2010/Apr 26w	OH2BH 14228/0455/Apr 28m	UA3DFK 14225/0510/Apr 28w	3A2HB 14241/2025/Apr 25e
GW6GW 21281/1925/Apr 28w	OHØNJ 14224/1405/Apr 26w	UA6JAD 14212/0310/Apr 26e	9H1CG 14257/0510/Apr 27m

ELSEWHERE CW

A35MB 14041/0700/Often	HP1XYA 14025/0250/Apr 28w	VP8QE 14035/0035/May 3w	LK1A 14040/1510/Apr 27w
FB8YG 14008/1210/Apr 25m	J3AH 14012/0100/Apr 30w	VP9IZ 14018/0350/Apr 29m	9M8FO 14034/1350/Apr 27w
FK8CD 14036/0405/May 1e	KG6JAR 14031/1005/Apr 29e	VR8Ø 14203/1100/Often	9M8HG 14033/1220/Apr 26m
FO8BT 14031/0200/Apr 29w	KM6BI 14034/1020/Apr 29e	YS1JR 14031/0150/Apr 26e	CP6HB 14008/2105/Apr 25e
FO8FA 14014/0415/May 1e	KX6MP 14029/0640/Apr 29w	YB1KW 14006/1425/Apr 27w	
FO8EX 14005/0200/Apr 26m	P29BL 14017/1050/Apr 29e	YB1MK 14005/1420/Apr 27w	
FY7YR 14055/1230/Apr 27m	PY7CC 14032/2100/Apr 25e	ZL1NG 14065/0815/Apr 29m	
HC5EN 21030/1925/Apr 22e	PZ1BD 14064/0040/Apr 26e	ZL1LR/A 14305/0455/Apr 26e*	
HH2MC 14009/0210/May 1e	VK1JK 14007/1320/Apr 24m	CX5RV/ZP5 14030/0120 25w	
HC2AO 14018/0345/Apr 28w	VK2ARW 14057/0730/Apr 29m	ZP5BXC 14001/0050/Apr 26m	
HKØBKX 14027/0230/May 2w	VK6IT 14007/1320/Apr 28w	3D2ER 14062/0930/May 2w	

ELSEWHERE SSB

C21AA 14229/1305/Apr 30e	HKØQA 21297/1920/Apr 26w	JA1PIG/PZ 14230/0045 25m	VY1AR 14205/0510/Apr 27w
N4VV/CE3 21320/0150 27e	J3AH 14212/0140/Apr 25m	VK2AGT/LH 14175/1120/ 30e	YBØADI 14203/1430/Apr 30e
CE3IT 21282/0030/May 1w	KC6CG 14264/1325/Apr 26e	VK7BE 14219/1145/Apr 28e	ZK1DR 14208/1205/Apr 25e
CP5EW 21354/0005/May 1w	KC6GF 14240/0700/May 2m	VK9NI 14263/1250/Apr 27m	ZL3OC 21312/0020/Apr 27e
CX7JM 21295/0000/May 1w	KC6JJ 14276/0820/Apr 30m	VK9BI 14260/1330/Apr 24m	ZP5LAB 14202/0045/Apr 25m
CK7BF 21302/0005/May 1w	KG4OO 14225/0500/Apr 26e	VK7AE 21300/0925/Apr 30m	3D2BM 14222/1025/Apr 30e
N4SN/DU2 14218/1050 27e	KG6JHY 14215/1200/Apr 28e	VP2SQ 14197/1135/Apr 28e	5W1AT 14285/1345/Apr 27m
WB4ZNV/DU2 14210/1400 30e	KG6JBE 14275/0700/Apr 30m	VP2VEN 14219/0840/Apr 27m	5W1AX 14254/0440/Apr 30m
W7UO/DU2 14279/1400 26w	KG6JFP 14255/1240/Apr 26m	VP5KK 14202/0140/May 4w	5W1BD 14230/0415/Apr 28m
DU9FB 14250/1505/Apr 29w	KG6RL 14291/1210/Apr 26m	VR1BC 14260/0810/Apr 28m	5W1BK 14203/0410/Apr 26m
FB8YF 14209/1415/Apr 27m	KG6SS 14271/1255/Apr 26m	VR6TC 21351/2330/Tuesday	6Y5MP 14202/0500/Apr 29m
FK8CP 14219/0835/Apr 27m	KM6BI 14266/0555/Apr 21e	VR4BF 14217/1035/Apr 29e	6Y5MP 21355/1915/Apr 26w
FG7TD 14204/0150/Apr 26m	KM6BI 21298/0245/Apr 30m	VP8FU 14218/2350/Apr 24m	8P6GN 14221/0420/Apr 30m
FYØFZ 14221/2215/Apr 27m	KX6NB 14300/0705/Apr 30m	VR8Ø 14204/1205/Apr 28e	8R1R 14224/0215/Apr 27e
HH2MC 14207/0035/Apr 28m	P29CC 14240/1225/Apr 28e	VS5DX 14225/1525/Apr 22m	
HH2DD 21355/1915/Apr 28w	PY1VL 21326/0025/May 1w	VS5MM 14272/1445/Apr 25w	

LOW BAND LOUIE.....What's Left of Him!

A35MB 7001/1245/Apr 26m	HB9AUT 7021/0415/Apr 29m	ZL1AH 7024/0450/Apr 29m	WB4ZNV/DU2 3797/1300 30w
EA7JZ 7005/0600/Apr 29m	HH2T 7027/0120/Apr 30m	6W8EX 7005/0030/Apr 22m	KA6KN 3797/1305/Apr 26w
FP8HL 7005/0210/Apr 26m	HI3PC 7021/0745/Apr 29w		9V1TE 3797/1305/Apr 29w
GM6RV 7007/0500/Apr 29m	KL7IVL 7258/0355/Apr 17e		

(e = eastern states m = middle states w = western reaches kh = hawaii, etc. all times in gmt)
 (# = long path ?? = Slim.....who is having a good year. * = sure it was c.w.!)

DX-Ten Years Back

May 8, 1968 KP4CSW and KP4BDU were working the Lesser Antilles. Grenada, St. Lucia, Dominica, Antigua, Anguilla. TL8DL was on Sundays listening on twenty for the Deserving. TJ1AL was on fifteen meters. EAØAH was being heard from Fernando Poo.

VS5RCS was due to open the end of May from the semi-rare VS5. Jim Neiger was on from ZD8Z. ZD9BE and ZD9BJ were being heard from Tristan da Cunha. VQ9V was due from the Farquhars. CE3ZN was coming to the states with cards for CE9AT. 5A4IZ was being heard. ZD5V was on from Swaziland...6Ø1AB from Somaliland...CR5SP from Sao Tome and FR7ZG from Reunion. VR1L was on from Ocean Island...K6UJW was handling the QSLs. Whatever happened to Joe? YA1DAN was on most days. Don Miller and the ARRL were locked in a lawsuit. "You can't do this to me!" Don was bellowing. More on the perils of Antique DXing next week.

CALENDAR

NIUE	Should be on right now. 4Z4TF there to the 19th
ST PAUL	VEs opening up 1700Z next Thursday...May 18th
IRAQ	Still there....still weak. Most days.
COCOS KEELING	VK9YS and VK9YL for a couple of weeks from May 30th.
ICELAND	Special call....TP6M in July
FAROES/ICELAND	GMs there late July and August...all bands to 144MHz
SAO THOME	D4CBS going to S9.....possibly S9CBS....in July.
GUAM NORTH	KG6s operating from islands north of Guam. May 24th to 30th
DESCHEO	Look for something around the fourth Monday in May!
BOUVET	September.....Remember!
MELLISH	Vks working on a plan. Late August or September.....
CHRISTMAS ISLAND	VR3AH will return!! About June 1st.
PACIFIC VHF TEST	N6NB trying to work the Elusive 6s and 7s on 144MHz..this summer. 144/220/1296MHz type stuff
BRITISH VIRGINS	VP2VCN by KP4EBQ from May 17th
TEXAS VHF-FM MEET	August 4-6th.....Houston. K5RC for details.
ITU WEEK	World Telecommunications Day...May 17th. JAs with special calls.....8J1ITU...8J3ITU....8J9ITU
ANDORRA	PAs signing C31 from July 15th to Aug 18th.
WILLIS	VK9ZM in June.....
USSR TEST	This Weekend.....May 13/14th.
DXPO 78	September....Tysons Corners, near Washington. Spet 15/16th
MANASSAS HAMFEST	June 4th....WB4AHV for information
W6AMs OPEN HOUSE	Sunday, June 18th... Jig with the Palos Verdes Jiggers....
SEANET CONVENTION	Singapore....Nov 10-12th

CQ WW DX TEST It's coming! And John Attaway, K4IIF, who watches the DX matters for CQ Magazine, is looking for early listings of any possible DXpeditions which may be aiming for the phone action in October or the c.w. action in November.

These will not come for another six months....but! John has to complete his copy by late June. So if you are thinking of anything in the way of an especial effort for the CQ DX Test, get the information to John by June 20th. He wants to give it a spread in the issue just prior to the contest. Talk now, read about it later. Send it to John Attaway, K4IIF, Box 205, Winterhaven, Florida, 33880.

While we are speaking of the test, one early group of East Coasters are firing off the signal that they will be multi-multi for the CQ October Phonefest from PJ9 in Curacao. N4RV, N4MM, W3AZD, WA3ZAS, K4VX, K3EST, K3NA plus some local recruits from Curacao will be out to smother the bands from 160 through ten. They will work c.w. before and after the test.

The early book lists PJ9JR, PJ9KK and PJ9AZD as the stations to watch for and there will be more on this.

SOME QSL INFORMATION K5DB will have another of his compilations of QSL information coming soon. Meanwhile....

EP2LI notes that with the closing of the EP QSL Bureau, his cards must go to his QSL Manager...WA4PYF, Ron Stange, 2760 Davidson Dr, Lithonia, Georgia 30058.

K0SWV visited 5Z4PW some months back and operated the station there. Except for the two days in late October, he has nothing to do with QSLs for 5Z4PW. In other words, he is not the QSL Manager.

Previously he operated KA1DX and KA1CO in 1972 and 1973. He wants to close out the logs so if you want a QSL card....hustle. Dr. Stephen Towle, 214 No 34th Avenue East, Duluth, Minn 55804

ARRL The FCC has corrected the omission of general class licensees from 50.0 to 50.1mHz. From May 15th all classes except novices can use this portion of Six Meters for c.w. work.

In Canada, as you may have noted, Yukon is now using the prefix VY1. The Northwest Territories will continue to use the VE8 prefix.

A study has been completed by the ARRL on the field strengths in the vicinity of antennas. The report is lengthy but the conclusions are:

Field strength in the vicinity of an antenna, up to a radial distance of about 100 feet, can be decreased significantly by increasing tower height from 20 to 100 feet. The decrease in field strength in most cases is 10 to 15dB with some greater than 20dB. However, in all cases there is a cross over radial distance, between 60 and 200 feet, beyond which the field strength is increased by increasing tower height. This is primarily due to lowering of the wave angle of the elevation pattern with increasing antenna height above a ground plane.

The ARRL is compiling the data to use in some areas including tower, RFI and other plagues which occasionally involve the noble amateur.

Vic Clark, W4KFC, has stepped down as Chairman and Board Liaison for the RFI Task Group. Carl Smith, W0BJW, has been named to replace him.

FCCs figures on the amateur licenses show 334 127 licenses for amateurs issued and valid at the end of March. These include 58,689 Novices; 65,262 Technicians; 113,154 Generals; and 77,928 Advanced. Extra Class licenses are up to 19,094. Licenses increased 5.8% in the last year and there was a backlog of about 26 thousand license applications at Gettysburg at the end of March.

TNX to W1DA, W1JR, W1MV, K1TZQ, WB2CHO, W2FP, W2NC, WA2OVG, W3ODJ, W4BAA, W4DZZ, W4LVM, W4LEDD, W4JVN, W4HU, K4IIF, W4KA, W4LCL, W4ORT, W4QDF, W4UF, W4UG, N4LWX, N4XX, W5ALA, K5AQ, W5CPI, K5DB, K5DUT, K5GZ, K5IH, K5JBC, W5JW, N5OK, K5RC, K5VJN/2, W5VSZ, W6AQ, WA6BJS, WA6DNM, K6DC, K6EC, W6JD, N6JM, W6KNH, WA6KCX, W6KPC, K6LAE, W6MI, W6PYV, K6SSJ, W6SWM, W6TSSQ, K6UFT, W6VEI, W6VD, K6YK, W6ZMX, K7ABV, K7YY, W7LR, W8JXM, K8MN, K8RD, W8UVZ, K8PYD, WA9FFZ, W9LQ, W9SS, K9UIY, K0BJ, K0SA, K0SWW, W0TT, KH6BZFF, HC5EE, JH1VRQ, VE1AI, ZS6IW, VE7CC.

WEST COAST DX BULLETIN Published every week by the Marin County DX Group. One of the local QRPers came up the hill last week, ready to ask the inevitable question. "Heard anything good lately?" he asked and we had to smile. "Well," we started out slowly, "last Thursday we heard that piece by Charles Camille Saint Saens from his opera 'Samson and Delilah'. From the seduction scene in the second act. You probably know the piece, 'My Heart at Thine Sweet Voice'. Son of a Gun! All the QRPer was doing was staring at us as though he did not understand. So we tried harder. "Jon Vickers was singing it", we continued. "We saw him once at the Opera House in San Francisco. In Carmen, it was. That was the time at the end of Act I that he ran to leap up on the table with Carmen. He did not make it. Actually brought down the house rather than the curtain." We smiled brightly at the QRPer but we were still getting that stare. "I don't know what you are talking about," the QRPer finally was able to say, "but I mean DX! Understand? DX!!" We were beginning to suspect that this QRPer was not attuned to the higher vibrations. So we tried feeding him some mangled rumors. "ZA1UPA was supposed to show any time now from downtown Tirana. Right from the rooftop of the Tirana Hilton. And XZ4AD was supposed to come on somewhere on the road to Mandalay any time now. Maybe there are a few more interesting ones we can find if we dig around a bit." We had no digging to do for the QRPer was on his feet, his beady eyes glistening. "What's the frequencies?" he asked anxiously and we told him the usual DX ones to look for. And away he went. And we went back to Samson and Delilah. For there are values in DX that only the initiated can know and there are many who would tune for the ZA1UPA than listen to Jon Vickers. But somewhere along the way we will all come out even....maybe. Meanwhile, while Great Days of DXing are at hand, listen for the weak signals under the QRM. It could be Samson shorn of both locks and voice. And with both Spring and DX everywhere, think of what you missed by drowsing in the sunshine. \$14.00 will remind you by second-class mail what you missed if you are in the U.S. \$18.00 brings the rambling word to the VE/W/XE areas while \$20.00 will bring it with a rumble and a roar to all the far DX lands.... All of them. And lately most what we have been getting is rumbles and roars....

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