



West Coast **DX** Bulletin

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OKINO TORISHIMA A JA-group last week announced that they would activate this tide-washed reef, the original activation some years back as 7J1RL bringing a roaring dispute which has not completely dissipated but, as the original operation found ~~it~~ still wanting, it is expected that this time it will bring more hope

for the needy and less uproar.

The crew will depart Tokyo about June 2nd or 3rd, this being last weekend, and they expect to arrive at Okino-Torishima about June 10th or 11th, maybe a day or so either way. They plan to stay for ten days and will operate only SSB on ten, fifteen and twenty. Actually, they figure that most of the action will be on twenty meters.

Last week JA1NRH was passing the information and it also is possible to work them enroute. The call was expected to be JF1IST/7J1. There will be six in the crew, four handling the boat and two operators.

The problem of keeping the gear above the waves at periods of high tides was being studied and some who have experience from the original outing were giving advice. 7J1RL operated from two portable stands, these similar to the portable scaffolding often seen on construction sites. At that time they had the generators on one stand, the operators on the other and at high tide the base of the stands had a couple of feet of water.

The operating position is on the foundation of a proposed weather station that was planned before WW II but never built. At low tide the foundation is above water, at high tide it belongs to the fishes. The original effort brought back an extensive film record and those who saw the 7J1RL film probably will always remember the stands sticking up in what appeared to be mid-ocean with no sign of land in any direction.

One of the operators was on the initial operation back in 1976. QSLs will be handled by JA1HQG. The frequencies to watch are the usual DX frequencies at 14195kHz, 21295kHz and 28595kHz. There is also a good possibility of some 50MHz operation. The group would like to operate around the clock but the tides make such planning dependent or being able to stay above water. If they have to move every time the tide rises, the operating times will run from four to eight hours daily. As tides usually are not the same every day, you might expect the beginning times to be an hour or so later each day, possibly slightly under. Also, there may be two high tides and two low tides in the area and this might stand some monitoring. Here on the Pacific Coast there are normally two tidal cycles each day, the low tide being about forty minutes later each day. However, tides do depend on local conditions and are not necessarily the same in the western Pacific. Just stay loose and listen.

Sea conditions could also have a bearing on the operation. The vessel is about a 50 ton craft, adequate for most conditions but the operating position could be improved. At no time is it very high above water and any unusual surface conditions could make even the slim margin not available for the crew to work all the Deserving.

There may be more coming next week but all the essential information is in the above. They will have FT-901 and TS-120 as gear and three beam antennas. One way or another, the JAs should create a bit of commotion when they show.

SABLE ISLAND This one was reported as showing over this last weekend, the operators being reported as VE1AIH and VE1AST. Also, this was another 10/15/20 phone effort.

Though rumored, definite information on this one has been hard to come by. Apparently two groups have been aiming and there may be more Sable Island activity before the summer runs its course. If you caught this one, you know what was going on. If you missed it, maybe you will catch the next one should it show.

WALLIS ISLAND Wayne Warden was on last week, showing about May 30th and signing FW0WW. He was being caught on twenty c.w. and should be there until this Friday. This will be a c.w. only effort.

QSLs go to his home QTH....Wayne Warden, W9GW, 704 Meadowbrook Ave Rt 12, Bloomington, Indiana 47401. Sase or Sae/IRC needed.

BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS-SIX METERS WB2RLK/VE1, Bob Billings, will be in the British Virgin Island group this week, Bob looking to sign VP2VDL from June 6th to 13th. Always active in the 50MHz field, Bob will also be working the usual h.f. bands while there. On June 13th he will move on to Montserrat where he will be signing VP2MX until June 26th. Again, six meters plus the usual h.f. DXing.

QSLs will go to VE1ASJ, G.A. McLellan, 2318 Rothesay Rd, East Riverside, St John, New Brunswick E2H 2K5. You have a choice....send an sase with either U.S or Canadian postage, send 20¢ or an IRC. They will trade in any denomination.

SUNSPOT LOUIE Everyone says that things are going to take off like the gas-pump prices but it probably will be tomorrow because it certainly is not today.

NLXX keeps peering into the morning sun looking for the promised days, he keeps muttering that things don't look good.

But, as Albert would often say: "All things are relative, some more so." Ah this may be interesting to hear if you have not heard it before but it doesn't bring the flood of DX that the Deserving want.

All we can say, and you may have heard it before, is that it is coming. And certainly before Christmas. But you are going to have to get by the next couple of weeks first and Ted says that you can look for some mixture of Above and Below. Some Highs and some Lows. And in between, you should expect more of the same. For that is what you usually get.

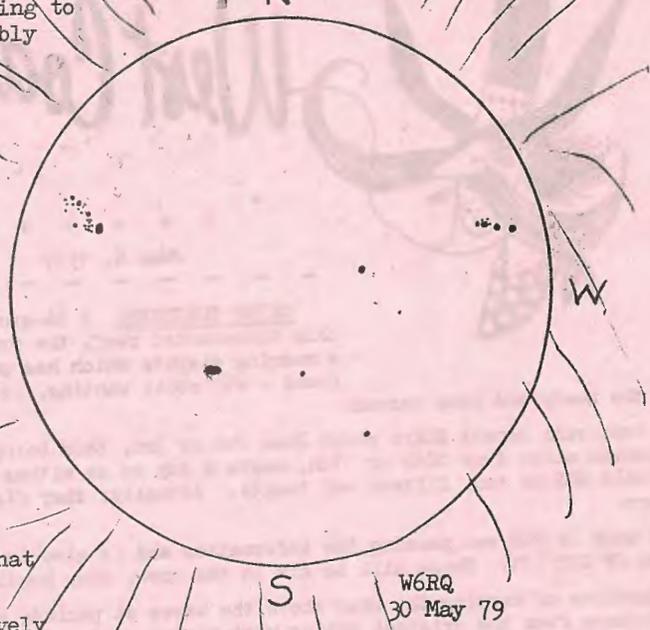
And Ted says that what you get will be, relatively speaking,

Jun 6th	High Normal	Jun 13th	Above Normal
7th	Low Normal	14th	High/Low Normal
8th	High Normal	15th	Low/Below
9th	High Normal	16th	Low Normal
10th	High Normal	17th	Low Normal
11th	High Normal	18th	Below Normal
12th	High Normal	19th	Low Normal

And there it is. And what was, K6EC has the figures and you can put these on your charts....

Solar Flux		ApIndex		Solar Flux		ApIndex	
May 21st	152	10	May 25th	152	20		
22nd	154	25	26th	145	15		
23rd	152	10	27th	146	22		
24th	159	20					

If you are keeping charts, you can see that things are headed wrong, the flux headed down, the AP up. Something will have to change....watch for next week. It is bound to be different.



No 1756	2 spots
S18° W58°	20 millionths
1759	15 spots
N18° W34°	220 millionths
1761	5 spots
S22° W67°	40 millionths
1763	3 spots
S35° W13°	20 millionths
1766	1 spot
N16° E03°	40 millionths
1768	8 spots
S32° E18°	40 millionths
1772	6 spots
N23° E19°	20 millionths
1773	5 spots
S08° E07°	20 millionths
1774	2 spots
N13° E76°	100 millionths
1775	3 spots
S23° W18°	10 millionths

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KURE A report out of Hawaii is that KH6LW, Lorren Wolf, has permission from the Coast Guard for some Kure action and will be there in the first half of June.

No further word on this, nor time or frequencies or mode. But listen. Under the new and simplified FCC call-sign assignments, Kure is KH7.

GRAND CAYMAN A reconnaissance force out of Four-land will be in the Grand Caymans next weekend looking for DX and they expect to find a bit. They will be on all bands from One-Sixty to Two Meters, OSCAR Mode B and also some novice activity. They will have a six-meter rig for the VHF Test over the weekend of June 9th and 10th. All of this and they will be looking for the elusive JAs scanning the bands below the U.S. phone sub-bands.

Included in the scouting force will be Tim Pearson, WB4AXN, Paul McClain, N4ZS, Richard Broughton, WA4SBA, Louis Schubert, K4NYK plus KA4GAC and possibly more from the Birmingham area.

The group will be signing ZF2CN and ZF2CR plus one more call expected but which had not come through as of last week. They expect to be on the air from June 8th to 13th and will be looking to run up a lot of contacts and especially in the VHF Test. The novice frequency will be at 21110kHz.

Listen for QSL information during the operation. If you end up wondering, try one to Tim Pearson, WB4AXN, 4618 Burning Tree Lane, Pelham, Alabama 35124, Sase or Sae/IRC needed.

MORE OKINO-TORISHIMA Late word from Itaru Tomita, JA1NRH, gives some frequencies for the pending operation, the crew already at sea and enroute to the reef. Look for them on these frequencies.....

7088kHz	21295kHz	50.110mHz
14195kHz	28595kHz	52.050mHz

This adds the forty and six meter frequencies to those listed elsewhere in this bulletin. All other information is solid, they will be expecting to operate from June 11th for 10 days though some of this expectation will have to be what is possible with the sea and tidal conditions. Listen for them enroute signing /mm from JF1IST.

CHINA VE7BC, Tom Wong, recently returned from a business trip to mainland China and, being one of the Deserving, Tom was checking to see the possibilities of garnering a BY-China QSL in the future. He thinks it is good...but not just next week. But maybe before the end of the year.

The current policy of the Central Government there in mainland China is that there will no amateur radio operation. There will have to be some changes at the top levels before amateur operation is allowed and this is considered possible.

There are a good many amateur radio operators in China at the present time, these being outsiders who are there on business or as teachers in technical fields. Most of these are Japanese. There is little doubt that some of these are looking and working on some future possibilities. A quick estimate is that there are at least fifty of outside amateurs and probably more currently in China.

VE7BC feels, however, that things are favorable and there has been great interest shown in the possibilities of amateur radio. There is a guarded feeling that something may develop in the last half of the year. There have been some plans cautiously being prepared for a BY-DXpedition, this mostly composed of SEAsia types or operators with that background. However, before any outsiders get to operate, it is felt rather definitely that the mainland Chinese will put their own station on, possibly from downtown Peking and with Chinese operators. Whatever it is, the Deserving will not be choosy. They will work most anything!

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DUTCH SINT MAARTEN There will be activity from PJ8 in July when the Tunnel DX Club out of South Florida are on Sint Maarten from July 12th to 16th. They will work SSB/c.w. and from eighty through ten meters.

Look for them in the usual DX grooves....14195kHz/21295kHz and 28600kHz. On the lower frequencies look for them at 7214 and 3910kHz. Actually, except for the twenty meter operation, all the others will be transceive. Gear will include a TS820S and an Atlas 210X. CW activity will be 25kHz above the lower band edge.

QSLs will go to Philip Vitrano, WB4INC, 40 NW 189th Terrace, Miami, Florida 33169. The usual Sase or Sae/IRC(2) will be needed. The group will spend time culling the foreign phone bands and the novice bands. They will also listen up in the General Class portions so if you don't hear what you want the first time, stick around and they probably will find your size.

MARTINIQUE Dave Clark, K8MPF, will be in FM9-Martinique from mid-June to mid-July and will be c.w. only from ten through eighty and maybe even a bit of One-sixty. Look for Dave 25kHz above the lower band edge, or somewhere close by. He will be listening up 10kHz or so and most days will be on after 0100Z.

QSLs will go to his home QTH....Dave Clark, K8MPF, 2508 Rusridge, Kalamazoo, Mich:49007 Sase or Sae/IRC. Dave is in the boating business and will be down in the Lesser Antilles checking conditions.

MORE SHORT NOTES There was a report on the broadcast bands last week that the Soviet Ski group had reached the North Pole. This is figured to be the UØCR which has been heard in recent months.

If you worked TY9ER you probably are aware of the changes in the QSL routes. Now comes the word that the station actually is that of TY9ER, being a German there in Dahomey and the station will be heard when the operator gets everything assembled. When K4YT stopped there early in May he was using one-element of a tribander. Eventually everything will fall into place....if you are sure you worked Karl, K2TK does seem the true-blue route. If you worked someone else, it may be via DL8DG. The feeling is that either route will produce.....eventually.

The Desecheo QSLs have an aerial photo of the island, the reverse giving the QSO information a photo and names of the crew.

K5AQ never gives up. Two 9F3MFA QSLs for 1968 contacts showed through the bureau last week. Some have said that all you need is longevity to get to the top of the Honor Roll. Others note that you may need it waiting for the QSL cards to come. YA3RG was heard on twenty c.w. on May 19th. Said to QSL to DF2DZ. No multitude of reports on this one which would make one wonder.....was it? Or wasn't it? Those who worked 6Ø1FG on twenty c.w. are finding who if it was....or wasn't!

The latest 6Ø1FG QSL carries the wording: "World-Wide Amateur Radio Communications Promote and Increase International Friendship and Understanding". Who would dare disagree with that? DXers are the true internationalists. Whatever might come on the international scene, you will usually find that amateurs were there first.

ZS2MI is giving that WB2IZN as the QSL route, this being noted in last week's bulletin. VP5AT goes to WB1DEM, FMØEWT to K8IKW and N6PO/TGØ to W6SZN. We've tried to run down more on that TG7AA QSLs but nothing came. We did get a report that the operator said he could get documentation should it be needed. This came round-about and we have neither any late information nor direct word. FM7AV QSLs can be obtained from F6BFH, one of the Clippertons.

FR7ZL TROMELIN QSLs N4NX has received logs from FR7ZL/Tromelin for the period February 11th to March 4th. This showed on May 31st and he will be processing them as quickly as possible which means that they should all be in the mails or just about so by the end of this week, certainly by the end of next week.

Guy operated on Tromelin from February 11th to March 27th. N4NX handles only this operation only, he cannot help with other Tromelin efforts. At this point he is looking hopefully for the logs to finish out the recent operation, these from March 4th to 27th. As he can do little until he gets the logs, he would appreciate some patience and no follow-up queries.

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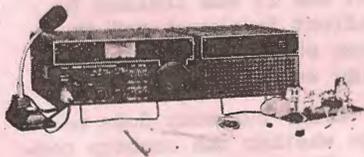
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SHORTLY NOTED With most everyone working most everything, at least that's what all the Big Guns are saying, there are some DXers who need more challenges and one is to work the cities and districts in Japan. Michio Koshimizu, JH1BFT, there not far from downtown Tokyo has prepared a list of each and you can get yours for a couple of IRCs. Michio says that this covers the copying cost and postage. Anyhow for....

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Michio Koshimizu, JR1BFT, 37-3, Nakano, 1-chome, Nakano-ku, Tokyo, 164 JAPAN

Murphy's Marauders has some new officers and the list of the contesters is: President, Al Meleg, N1JW; Vice-prex: Ron Grzelak, K1BW; Activities Manager Dan Street, K1TO, Secty-Treasurer Ron Nevers K1TVM and Editor Ed Kalin K1RT.

Chod Harris, WA1SQB, made over 5000 QSOs in the last CQ WPX Test in March from his Galapagos effort. Chod will be moving to Mmtserrat in September and will be signing VP2MAY....or possibly VP2MI. Chod will be at VP2M- the first half of July and will be active in the Radiosport Test sponsored by the IARU over the weekend of July 14/15th.

John Montague who was signing TH8JM is still waiting for a TL-type license and will not be on the air again until it comes. John is also seeking to have some documentation supplied that the TH8-operation was authorized so it will get the DXCC Seal of Approval.

The DXCC reported as wanting the documentation as the TH-prefix is an ITU assignment for France and the French Community, TL8 is assigned to The Central African Empire. 'Empire' is the correct word, there is a report that the locals there in downtown Bangui tend to bristle at times when they hear it called 'Republic'.

George Buchanan, K2ON, operated as VP5GBX from the Grand Turk Island back in mid-April. Sorting out the cards he was surprised to find that many are off one or two days in their dates, some even have the wrong year. But what really confused George was when he finished sorting things he found a hundred dollars floating around and has no idea where they came from. George is not looking for the green stuff but he does say that anyone wanting a VP5GBX QSL had better send a sase or Sae/IRC. Better than the long green is a sase!!

We have an up-date on the YASME QSL routes we ran last week and after taking a look at the whole idea, the route for YASME is back via Castro Valley.

Send your YASME QSLs to: Box 2025, Castro Valley, Calif. 94546. Sase or Sae/IRC always needed. After the other information, the problem of accounting for contributions made to this non-profit foundation became a matter of second-thought and it was decided to maintain the single route. While the route is singular, the effort is plural and the workers are K6YK/WA6CPP/K6PBT/W6BSY/K6CCY and WB6DOQ. Last week we had 'W6YK' instead of 'K6YK' and got a lot of reminders during the week. This time we got that one right!

AP2MQ continues to advise not to send green stamps. IRCs work there, currency does not. If you are ever in doubt on this one, ask your local post office whether the country concerned prohibits the importation of currency through the mails. This is in the Foreign Postal Manual, each country is listed alphabetically and it tells you what is and what is not permitted to be included in the mails. You might be surprised at some items.

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His comrades, who before
Had heard his voice in every blast
Could catch the sound no more.....

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C6AFR 3796/0405/May 27w	VK2KC 3505/0435/May 26w		
EA8OZ 3794/0525/May 27w	LM3AZC 3796/0515/May 27w		
J7DD 3500/0205/May 23e			
OA4YF 3799/0510/May 27w			
CE5BEN 7007/0040/May 16m	J7DD 7001/0215/May 21w	PY2DLK 7004/0605/May 19m	UK2BAT 7004/0030/May 18e
CX5BK/CE6 7016/0530 19m	KA1IW 7065/0845/May 19m	PY4AZB 7007/0025/May 16m	VK3EW 7015/1025/May 22m
EL2AE 7008/0035/May 21e	LU9ELE 7004/0035/May 21e	PYØMAG 7007/0230/May 16e	VK6GU 7005/2310/May 23e
FC9VN 7003/0025/May 18e	OA2CD 7004/0045/May 16m	PZ1AJ 7005/0130/May 18m	XE3GND 7025/0330/May 23e
FM7WU 7001/0305/May 25m	ON6FT 7001/0040/May 20e	UAØZCR 7015/1350/May 22w	ZL1AZE 7002/0600/May 21m
H7Z 7005/0210/May 24w	OY7ML 7003/0040/May 18e	UA3QJB 7003/0025/May 18e	5W1EX 7003/0555/May 20m
HV2VO 7008/0200/May 19m	PJ2CZ 7013/0320/May 24e	UC2LAT 7023/0225/May 16e	7Z2AP 7004/0420/May 19m
VR1BD 7160/0630/May 20m	VP8SB 7015/1355/May 22w#	VP9JT 7009/0045/May 23m	

AND SOME HIGH BAND STUFF But Not Much

CM2HB 28590/1735/May 22e	VR1EE 28503/2335/May 17e	ZS6ANL 28024/1345/May 17e
EA8NG 28590/1735/May 22e	ZK1BD 28559/2325/May 23e	UB5QGU 28025/1650/May 18e
HZ1HZ 28533/1730/May 18e	ZL3DX 28581/2150/May 18m	9J2BO 28047/1705/May 18e
KB4KD/C6A 50.160/0225 23e	KPLAAN 50.115/0055/May 17e	
HH2PR 50.165.0145/May 23e	VP9WB 50.110/0005/May 23e	
W1HOY/KPL 50.115/1045 17e	YU6ASU 50.110/2230/May 22e	

AFRICA CW

EA8FJ 14010/0550/May 24w	ZE8JW 14007/1435/May 24w	3B6CD 14035/0340/May 30w	5T5BZ 21046/1340/May 23e
FH8CL 14022/1500/May 22w#	ZS2MI 14190/1520/May 25m	3B8CF 14033/0340/May 23m	5T5BZ 14040/2255/May 24e
FR7BU 14015/1300/May 21w#	ZS2RM 14044/1510/May 25w#	3D6AX 14026/1425/May 20w	7X4AN 21017/2130/May 23e
S8AAT 14006/1510/May 23w	3B8DB 14020/1215/May 21e	5H3FW 14014/1545/May 23w#	

AFRICA SSB

A2CDN 14222/1505/May 24w#	S79MC 21305/1855/May 24m	ZS2MI 14232/1230/May 24m#	5Z4RM 21277/1920/May 27w
D4CBS 14206/0945/May 25m	S79MC 14227/0210/May 24e	ZS3NH 14229/1500/May 27w	5Z4GX 14200/1410/May 22m
D4CBS 21337/1905/May 24m	S79WEW 14227/0210/May 24e	ZS6WI 14239/1315/May 24m#	7P8BK 14229/1500/May 27w
EA9GU 21350/2245/May 20e	S8AAA 14204/1340/May 23w	3B8FA 14201/1310/May 22m	7X5DM 14202/0210/May 26e
EL2AE 21416/1535/May 20e	TR8AC 14210/2310/May 25e	3B8DA 14217/0310/May 24w	7X5AB 21315/1740/May 21m
EL2CE 21416/1535/May 20e	TU2FD 14230/0735/May 26w	3D6BK 14221/1530/May 26w	7X5KSF 21316/1825/May 21m
FH8YL 14241/0325/May 24w	ZE1CS 21334/1835/May 21m	5Z4RS 14203/0330/May 23e	9J2BO 14235/1505/May 21w

ASIA CW

HL9WI 14-25/1135/May 21e	UF6DZ 14056/0245/May 27e	VU2GW 14027/1130/May 21e#	9M2OK 14048/1505/May 25w
JA7JT/JD1 14003/1240 24m	UL7JCK 14037/1115/May 24e	VU2KMK 14027/1200/May 20e	9M2FK 14016/1150/May 21m
JA8AQN/JD1 14008/1500 0ft	UM8MBA 21022/1345/May 20e	VU2BK 21019/2250/May 23e	9M2FR 14027/1510/May 23w
UAØZP 14041/1100/May 24e	UM8MAQ 14058/0115/May 21e	5B4PW 21048/0040/May 18m	9M2CF 14035/1715/May 28w
UD6CN 14027/0055/May 23e	VS6BB 14023/1300/May 21w	9K2DX 14020/1340/May 20m	9M2AR 14024/1515/May 25w
UD6DFY 21010/1815/May 20m	YS6DF 14006/1530/May 24w	9K2EK 14007/0110/May 23m	9V1TL 14013/1550/May 23w

ASIA SSB

A51FN 14268/1300/0ften	OD5NW 21352/1900/May 24m	VS6AK 14215/1130/May 21e	5B4GE 14229/0220/May 24e
AP2TN 14208/0045/May 23e	OD5RA 14232/0035/May 24m	VS6DF 14210/1530/May 30w	9K2DR 14240/0330/May 23e
AP5HQ 14226/1240/May 24e	S2BTF 14225/1315/May 20e	VU2DUE 14225/0100/May 20e	9K2EZ 21332/1820/May 20e
BV1AH 14329/1030/May 23m	UI8LAG 21337/1920/May 24m	VU2RAK 21318/2130/May 23m	9M2FK 14201/1155/May 24e
HL9WE 14209/1155/May 22e	VS6HR 14199/1215/May 22e	4S7JD 14210/1235/May 22e	9M2EE 14228/1550/May 25e
HS1WR 14205/1510/May 21w	VS6DO 14213/1100/May 21m	4S7EA 14211/1235/May 22e	9V1NR 14202/1200/0ften
JY9AL 14240/2215/May 20e	VS6CJ 14203/1340/May 22w	VE3BWK/4U 14340/0315 24m	7Z2AP 21310/2145/May 21e

MORE RED EYED STUFF

I have been here before,
But when or how I cannot tell:

EUROPE CW

CT2QN 14010/0830/May 23kh	ON5JY 21029/1605/May 21w	UK2WAJ 14006/0550/May 24w
LX2FT 14005/0215/May 24e	TF3LG 21033/0215/May 24e	YU1NDU 14014/0555/May 24w
LZ2KEF 21049/1905/May 18w	TF3GCN 21033/1350/May 20e	YY5A 14016/0320/May 20m
OH5SS 14040/0600/May 24w	UK1PAA 14040/1515/May 20m	

EUROPE SSB

C31UN 21349/1740/May 20e	GU5CIA 14201/2335/May 24e	DK8CR/HBØ 14236/0000 26w	SV9LN 14204/2045/May 23w
EA6EU 14220/0725/May 26w	HALXH 14209/0550/May 24w	LZ2EE 14208/0130/May 20m	UW6LU 14202/0325/May 21e
EA3SA 14225/0240/May 24w	HV2VO 14219/0000/May 24w	M1C 14222/2245/May 24m	9H4P 21274/1900/May 23m
GJ2LU 14201/0430/May 21e	DK7RS/HBØ 21320/1530 24e	OH7WZ 21318/2140/May 23m	9H79GL 14206/0305/May 24w
F9UW/3A 14240/0440/May 21e	SV1IW/SV5 21315/1415 26m	OK2RZ 14262/0520/May 21w	

ELSEWHERE CW

W7LPE/DU2 14035/1345 21w	J6LIY 14014/0125/May 24w	FYØMAG 14022/0440/May 24w	VY2RV 21036/1705/May 20w
FPØMD 21009/1350/May 20e	J7DD 14012/1015/May 23m	TG9ML 14026/1315/May 21w	YN1HF 21036/2200/May 24e
FWØWW 14026/1130/May 20w	LUBAHN 21068/2210/May 24w	VB8NI 14009/0010/May 23e	4U1UN 14026/2220/May 24m
FY7BF 14020/0925/May 23kh	OX3OB 14015/0115/May 24w	VO2CW 21033/2230/May 23e	ZK1BD 21064/2200/May 27w
HKØBKX 14030/1530/May 23w	P29BL 14028/1205/May 22e	VP2KC 21021/0200/May 24w	5W1BV 14032/1415/May 20m
KG6JAR 14027/1335/May 23w	P29JS 14005/1215/May 21m	VR1AY 14044/1145/May 22m	5W1EX 14025/0350/May 20m

ELSEWHERE SSB

AX6YL 14225/1610/May 23m	HL4GB 14247/1255/May 25m	OX3BA 14205/0145/May 20m	VP2SAA 14202/0220/May 23m
AX6FS 14202/1255/May 25m	WB5SNA/HR1 21353/1740 26w	OX3CO 14204/1125/May 24m	VP2MH 14244/1155/May 25m
CE1CKZ 21346/2215/May 23m	J7DAO 14224/1115/May 26m	OX3CS 14252/2010/May 25m	VR1BD 14227/1115/May 23e
G21IB 14204/0720/May 25w	J7DAY 14211/0415/May 24m	P29DJ 14215/1235/May 24w	VS5MS 14209/1555/May 26w
CP8AL 14202/1210/May 22e	KC4USV 14333/1115/May 21m	P29GT 14251/1205/May 22m	YJ8OT 14295/1020/May 23e
DU4REX 14205/1235/May 24w	KG6SW 14206/1335/May 22m	P29GC 14210/1300/May 26w	YB8AB 14218/1240/May 24w
WB6CAO/DU9 14225/1445 25w	KG6JJC 14215/1250/May 25m	T2AAA 14275/1130/May 24m	YBØWR 14212/1400/May 25w
K5FSS/DU2 1 210/1210/ 24w	KX6PP 14210/1030/May 24e	TI9FAG 21268/0400/May 20m	3D2ER 14224/0935/May 25m
FP8DX 14203/1635/May 21e	WD8QYQ/KH7 14280/0825 25m	VK9XL 14267/2030/May 19e	3D2DM 14281/1145/May 23e
FM7WE 14208/0245/May 24w	KA7DOA/KH4 21369/0045 19m	VP1RDM 21289/0120/May 20e	4U1UN 14204/0405/May 24m

(e = eastern states m = middle states w = western reaches kh = hawaii etc. all times in gmt 0
= long path ??? = Slim...not really identified this week but there are some that look like ???)

SOME QUICK SHORT NOTES

The Northern California DX Foundation got the Abu Ail cards from the printers last week and they should be at WA3HUP's QTH this week and work started on processing the demand. The Desecheo cards are also being worked over and the plan is to put all them into the mails about June 27th. ARRL DXCC Desk says not to submit them until after September 1st. Actually, some Desecheo QSLs came in already, these coming a few weeks back and were specially hand-crafted ones apparently rushed out to a select few. Whether hand made or bulk-process, ARRL still won't take them until September. This will give you more time to admire them.

ZS5DC being heard on twenty phone is Dianne Cardell, ex-VQ9DC. Dianne and her husband, ZS5CS are now living in Durban in South Africa. She was in on the big Desroches effort that the VQ9s made back in September 1974.

QSLs are starting to show for 1S1DX and VKØJC on Macquarrie Island. These are coming from OZ8AE who also operated from the Antarctic and Casey-Davis and Mawson Bases. That J6ILY QSLs to WA1IOB. The HB9APN/BY station reported a month or two back apparently will not be a counter, it being reported that the operation was not approved.

June 3, 1968 Some Florida DXers were looking for a possible KCL-Navassa operation. EAØDEC was being reported from Spanish Guinea. Gus was in the Seychelles signing VA9/A and taking aim at Des Roches, Eotile Cay, Bandeuse Cay, Wizard Reef, Farquhar, Aldabra, Glorioso, Geysers Reef, Juan de Nova and Comoro. He made most of his plans but some such as Wizard

never quite got the stamp of approval. K5AAD was heading for the Caribbean and planning Martinique/Grenada/Trinidad and Antigua during July. Slim was on Minoro signing 1A1A which would, from the coordinates being given, put him and 1A1A in a deep water spot south of Greenland. SVØWN was planning a Rhodes operation and W3AWU/YB6 was another of the newly released Indonesian stations to show. 5Z4KL was looking for a 5X5 operation VQ8CDB was on from St Brandons and ZD9BN was being heard from Gough Island. 1N2A was on from Marco but never made it past the DXCC Desk. FYØRE was on from Trinidad and FR7ZL was at Tromelin. W4UDF/AP2-East Pakistan cards were being returned with the advice to try again...later. CR8AI was upset by letters saying that he was asking for \$10.00 for a spot on the lists and \$25.00 for a special time appointment. Even in that long-ago and mostly forgotten years lists were being debated.

DX-Ten Years Back



CALENDAR

OKINO TORISHIMA	JAs on their way....10 days of operation from June 11th
WALLIS ISLAND	FW/WV active to the end of this week
WAKE ISLAND	WD6CDU reported as aiming at July 10th operation..one week
KURE	KH6LW reported as going early in June....Listen!
GRAND CAYMAN	Four-Landers there from June 8th across the VHF Test
SINT MAARTEN	TUNNEL DX Club planning July action...July 12-16th
LAOS	SMOAGD was due to arrive last week.....
TURKS-CAICOS	AI5P there June 24th to end of the month
BAHAMAS	C6A stop by AI5P about July 1st
FRENCH St MARTIN	North Jersey DX Group there from June 20th
BRITISH VIRGINS	WB2RLK signing VP2VDL from June 6th for a week
MONTSERRAT	WA1SQB signing VP2MAY first half of July....
REVILLA GIGEDO	Rumored. Some say XFLMDX will show soon
AGALEGA	F6BBJ active last week with 3B6CD. Possible that you
	may also hear Rodriguez and St Brandon in June
MANIHIKI	No late word on ZL7ADIs plans. Zero group looking at
	possible operation this Fall
GAMBIA	GLHNP there June 8/9th....or thereabouts
GRENADA	June 17th....The TEXAS DX Scouting Force
PALMYRA	Around July 1st by WD6GHZ./...check the novice bands
MARTINIQUE	K8MPF there in the middle of June for a month run....
ATLANTA HAMFEST	Only a little more than a week to go. Downtown Atlanta
	at the Marriott....June 17th
ARRL NATIONAL	Downtown Baton Rouge, Louisiana July 20-22nd. All the
	DXers headed for the Sherator....the DXers HQTRS!
NEW ENGLAND OKTOBER SCRODFEST	Downtown Waltham....Oct 6th. Hail the Noble Scrod!!
ALL ASIA PHONE TEST	June 16/17th
VK/ZL/OCEANIA TEST	June 16/17th
VENEZUELAN PHONE TEST	July 7/8th
IARU RADIOSPORT TEST	July 14/15th
MARTS-SBANET TEST	CW on July 21/22nd Phone August 18/19th
COLOMBIAN DX TEST	July 14/15th
VENEZUELAN CW TEST	July 28/29th

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MANIHIKI AND OTHER LOCAL SPOIS We have no further information on the proposed ZK1HI effort by ZL1ADI but don't be surprised if it comes rumbling out of the sunset this week, or last week. In other efforts it has been a bit difficult to get late information on the ZL1ADI efforts but they do come.

Looking beyond that, there is a group out of Minnesota who are planning some extensive operations in the South Pacific, all this tentatively aimed to start in August and run for some months. They do include a possible Manihiki stop and this operation will depend to some extent on the ZK1HI operation.

They are looking at the Northern Cooks, Tonga, Wallis, Fiji and a handful of others. They are also looking for some long runs at some stops, acknowledging that once they get there it may be a bit more difficult to get off the island. It is not just that the locals don't want them to go, it is the matter of transportation.

Anyhow, hold on and watch for the Great DX Train coming down the tracks. And if you think you will ever run out of DX, forget it. There are a lot planning to keep DX roaring forever. And after all, isn't that the way it should be? The Deserving deserve only the best! And more DX always.

IRCS Good in every country of the world. You may have trouble convincing some post offices but under the treaty that is the basis for the Universal Postal Union, IRCS are good anywhere and everywhere. But in some areas you can get them to acknowledge the American Express Travelers checks faster than they will acknowledge an IRC. One of the Mysteries of the Ages.

Anyhow, ZL1ADI as a source of IRCS has dried up. Orders are being returned. But you can still be a winner. Go to South Jersey DX Association and they can accommodate. They say that they are bulging! 30¢ each in orders of 20 or multiples thereof...twenty for \$6.00 and send order to Gary Medford, N2CW, 207 West Fifth Street, Ship Bottom, New Jersey 08008. Sase also need for the return of the IRCS. A check last week with the South Jersey brought assurances that they could fill all orders.

TNX to W1AB, W1VV, WB1DQC, WA1SQB, W2AG, W2FF, W2GHV, W2HAZ, WB2RLK/VE1, N3ED, K3ND, WB4AXN, W4BAA, WB4FOT, W4HU, W4JTI, W4LCL, W4OO, W4UF, W4WX, N4XX, K5AQ, W5CPI, K5DB, N5FW, K5OVC, K5VNI, W5YH, K6ARE, K6EC, WB6GJF, W6GTL, K6JG, K6LAE, N6OB, WB6SHL, W6RGG, W6TSC, W6VD, N6VR, W6VTE, K6YK, K6BR, N7MW, WA7OBH, N7UT, W7YR, K8FU, K8IP, K8VIR, W8MAW, K8MN, K8RD, W8UVZ, AB9E, W9SC, W9SS, W9TC, K0AL, W0BW, W0JRN, K0LST, W0PT, W0RT, KH6DL, VE7BC, JR1BFT, JA1NRH.

WEST COAST DX BULLETIN Published every week by the Marin County DX Group. One of the local QRPers was up the hill last week and this one came with the beady eyed smile. To us this spelled intrigue more than the late movie schedule ever does. "I figured out how I can take that long vacation and still work all the DX that's comes down the pike. Won't miss a thing and I figured it out all by myself." Son of a Gun, this one had our attention immediately. "Legitimately?" we cautiously asked and that beady-eyed smile was even broader. "You can rest easily," he assured us, "for everything I do is true-blue straight arrow. Absolutely!" We had to hear more but the QRPPer was not coming through easily. Finally we had him filled with the vastness of his endeavors and he was talking. "It is all rather simple," he advised, "especially if you think things out. Now when I make my next trip, all I have to do is to take my rig over to a friends house, leave my station there all set up and ready to go, tack my license to the wall and I'll be prepared. Prepared for anything that comes along. Won't miss a thing!" Son of a Gun! What does one say to a naive QRPPer on a warm Spring day when the world is bright, the sky is clear and the winds warm. Though we were a bit disappointed we really had been expected to be but we had to talk with the QRPPer. "That's not new," we had to tell him, "some have spent years overseas and worked every bit of DX that came along with their home call. Never missed anything." The QRPPer was crestfallen. "You know," he said, "I thought I had something there and read all the DXCC information on the ARRL CD-216 and I thought I had come up with something new. I really did." We understood the QRPPer and how he felt and waited for that smile to return and sure enough, there it was gleaming again. "Say," he said with that opening we had grown to know over the years, "how about phone-patches. Now couldn't I arrange with someone so that when they are coming into say four-land to hook things up so they could hear me from six-land. Has anyone ever thought of that?" What could we say? For we could well remember Don Miller shrieking from some exotic stop: "...you and your blankety-blank-blank phone patch!" For it is the DXers who change but the angles seldom do. But many have learned that you can get them by proxy and that there is really nothing much new under the sun. Only our moveable subscription rates. They are narrowed down now to a fine edge and we will cut you in if you ask...but please don't ask when your subscription expires, we will advise. Meanwhile we have some QRPers to advise on the Eternal Enigmas, one of which is why isn't there anything new?

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