

West Coast DX

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GUS Gus was due to leave the Seychelles enroute to Mombassa in Kenya this past Saturday. On arrival, he was supposed to be met by 5Z4RR. Possible activity for Gus while in Africa might include TL-Central African Republic; TT-Chad and XT-Voltaic Republic. Apparently the disasters in the Indian Ocean and the loss of transportation has affected the planning and these operations listed above are generally on the way home. It is quite possible for Gus to be operating from some of the above spots during this week and he should be watched for at the usual spots.

COCOS ISLAND Efforts to check the validity of the TI8NAM/TI9 operation --(was he afloat or shore) - have generally indicated that Noggy was ashore and it was a valid operation. Now the problem is to catch up with the logs. Noggy is aboard the SS Caribe whose home base is Terminal Island, California and which usually discharges its catch at Ponce in Puerto Rico. Last week the SS Caribe was in New Orleans and due to sail for waters in the vicinity of West Africa. HPLJC was attempting to reach TI8NAM via both amateur and commercial frequencies. It is possible that TI2CAP may take on the QSL chores for this operation but this is not firm as yet. Up to last week no logs have been received at the Costa Rica Radio Club Box 2412 in San Jose.

On the long range effort, there is planning going ahead for an operation from Cocos early next January. Involved at this time are Bill Conklin, K6KA, Don Blankenship, K6JGS/HK3, and Carlos Fonseca, HK3VA. Any interested parties are invited to get in touch with the above....K6JGS is at the U.S. Embassy in Bogota and HK3VA's address is Box 6080, Bogota while K6KA is Box 1, La Canada, Ca.91011. At this time no contributions are solicited or will be accepted by this effort. However, correspondence from interested persons is desired.

BONINS/MARCUS Operations are planned from these areas in the coming months. KA9RC and others plan to go to Iwo Jima September 21-26th using the call KA1C for operations on 10-15-20 SSB and 40c.w. No 80meter operation planned. Frequency on forty will be 7015kc...on the other bands it will be a dodge-em operation to get away from commercial QRM. No funds solicited, requested or wanted for this effort is the advice from KA9RC. QSLs will go to WA8NZH.

JARL is also reported as planning an effort from the Bonins Aug 23rd to Sept 3rd signing JD1--

JA8KB is presently a meteorologist stationed on Marcus and expects to receive a call and be active shortly. He expects the call to be JD1YAA.

SPANISH SAHARA EA9ER has been found around 14250kc from 0000Z....but only speaks Spanish. Address is Percio de la Legion, El Haiun, Spanish Sahara. Had good signal into the Western Reaches on July 19th.

CARIBBEAN K5AAD operated from VP2LD during the past week and was due to open from Grenada on July 24th to July 29th signing VP2GTL. Next stop is possibly Trinidad from July 28th to Aug 2nd. This may not be definite as Don may go to St. Vincent for operations there due to the scarcity of that item. His operations and times are: 40c.w. 0100 and 0400 at 7005, 7050kc; 40SSB 0115 and 0415Z at 7190, 7225kc; 80c.w 0130 and 0430 at 3505, 3550kc; 80SSB at 0145 and 0445 at 3790 and 3825kc; 10c.w. at 2200Z on 28050kc and 10 SSB at 2215 at 28500kc.

THAILAND WB2WYX/HS reported as active in Thailand and should be sought between 14280 and 14300kc from 1300 to 1500Z. WA4PUC who first operated with this /HS suffix reported that he had worked the WB2WYX/HS on MARS frequencies but operation in the amateur bands was expected. QSLs go to Capt. Robert Heron, Central Mail Room, Box 3752, APO San Francisco 96310. May be different operators and might be advisable to show operators name on card. Presently using a dipole but expect to have a directional antenna up shortly.

TIMOR Luiz still coming through from 1100Z....around 14250kc. Still needs Mississippi for his WAS. The plans for the VK2BFI effort seem to be definitely stalled if not finished.

LIECHTENSTEIN HB0XVR and HB0XVU will be on until Wednesday, August 29th. Checks into the YL-SSB at 14332kc daily to the 29th.. .usually around 2100Z...will go onto Andorra July 30th for an operation there until August 6th. Beyond that they plan to open from Monaco for another week. Will sign C31CK and C31CL from Andorra. Frequencies are within 10kc of the following: c.w. 3505kc, 7005kc, 14005kc, 21005kc and 28005kc...the 10kc usually being upwards...naturally. On SSB, look for them around 14185kc, transceive 14237, 21185kc, 21199kc, 28510kc and transceive on 21302kc. For the c.w. operations they will be listening about 20kc up, for the other than transceive SSB operations, they will advise their listening frequencies. QSLs to W7CRT. The above frequencies have not always been followed in the initial HB0-operation, they being reported at 14172kc SSB and 14032kc on c.w.

BAJA NUEVO/SERRANA Vern, WB0KBK, has not given up on these operations and is still trying to clear the tangled web for a possible operation sometime after the first of the year. Vern is working on the Colombian authorities hoping to work both spots but is keeping in mind that the U.S. also claims Serrana Bank and Rencador Cay.

VP8IY-SOUTH SHETLANDS The hope that the logs for VP8IY might be recovered from the base where they were abandoned when all the personnel on the island had to be evacuated due to volcanic activity, apparently will not be realized. The volcanic activity is continuing, the base has been completely abandoned and there is no possibility of the logs being recovered in the future. VP8IY passes the word that he is extremely sorry but anyone working him should not hope for a QSL... they will not be coming.
In the same area, VP8JT on Signy Island in the Argentine group is on 40m SSB exclusively and can often be found around 7225kc...plus or minus from 0500Z. QSLs go to VE7ASJ.

GILBERTS VR1Q, Neil, says he will be around 14220kc each Wednesday and Saturday from 0100Z. May be found on other days from 0500Z around the same frequency. QSLs go to ZL2AFZ.

MURITIUS VQ8CU, Don, there with an APOLLO tracking team. Was at 14262kc at 0500Z on July 22nd....within a few kcs of the same frequency at 1200Z on July 21st. VQ8CC reported at 14051 at 1100Z on July 23rd and VQ8CM at 14050kc at 1200Z on July 19th. QSLs for VQ8CU go to Box 13562, Tampa Fla. 33611...but may be some what delayed until Don gets back to the states. Some reports gives the handle as Harry....

ANNOBOIN ISLANDS Report that these may be credited for DXCC.....New Country!!!!

TRISTAN da CUNHA ZD9BM at 21048 on July 19th....1540Z.

NEW HEBRIDES YJ8JM at 14048 at 0600Z on July 25th. QSL to Radio Santos in Santo.

REPORTS FROM RED-EYED LOU...THE LONELY WATCHER OF THE NI.....

EUROPE				ASIA			
UC2CW	14205kc	0145Z	Jul 24w	VU2KV	14202kc	1400Z	Jul 25w
YO2CD	14025	0325	23w	UV9PP	14202	1430	24w z.18
HV3SJ	14271	0631	24w	TA2E	21028	2100	19w
TF2WKI	14332	1900	22m	BV2A	14030	1215	25w
F0US/FC	14332	2200	13m	VU2QQ	14027	1225	25w
UR2AR	14071	0650	24w	MP4TCQ	14030	2230	23w
DL7NS/OH0	14040	2300	24w	UH8DK	14052	0330	18w
3Z6CDP	3504	0050	22e	ZC4AK	21348	1330	21e
G3TLX	7009	0345	19w	XW8CS	21028	1815	21e
YU3DDC	7005	0320	22w	OD5OB	21251	1450	23e
OK1ATZ	7004	0355	24w	JT4KAB	14017	1435	21w
DL10V	7005	0410	24w				
DJ1VG/LX	21050	1850	20w	AFRICA			
3Z8AJK	14243	0320	22w	FB8ZZ	14065kc	1340Z	Jul 18w
UP2AY	14026	0150	19kh	FB8ZZ	14198	1145	25w
HV3SJ	21348	1620	19e	ZD5B	14209 LP	1300	19e
LX2CQ	21323	1220	21e	ZS1JU	14205 LP	1245	19e
C31CM	21306	1900	21e	ZS3D	7005	0355	23w
PE2EVO	21307	1630	21e	6W8DY	14265	0750	18kh
UG6AW	14202	1400	22w	A2CAU	14024	1135	25w
9H1AY	3504	0500	21w	ZE1BT	14048	1210	25w
				EA8FY	7012	0800	24w
				EA8FE	14037	0130	20w
				9Q5BY	21262	2330	17m
				9L1HZ	14215	0630	18kh
				9J2EJ	21087	1850	19e
NORTH/SOUTH AMERICA				OCEANIA			
HK0BIB	14332kc	0100Z	Jul 20w	VK9DR	7012kc	1320Z	Jul 19w
VP2SY	21294	2200	21w	KG6LHR	7260	0810	21w
VP2MA	21297	2230	21w	5WL4D	14265	0715	15PACDXNET
KV4EY	14247	2300	21w(skcd)	VR1L	14265	0730	15PACDXNET
VP2KA	14025	0325	23w	VK9KY(Cocos)	14265	0745	18PACDXNET
6Y5AH	14265	0720	18P.CDXNET	VK9TB(Papua)	14265	0815	18PACDXNET
KG4DO	14265	0725	18PACDXNET	KC6JC(E.Car)	14265	0930	18PACDXNET
VP1OR	3805	0050	16hp	FO8HA	14050	0700	23w
VP2KF	3794	0040	15hp				
8P6DD	7221	0225	18hp				
HM9DL	21029	1750	25w				
FM7WQ	14025	1210	23w				
FM7WF	14027	0000	25w				
KZ5AE	3805	0335	22w				
PY7ASP	7010	0350	21w				
LU4CO	7003	0525	22w				
YV40Y	7004	0330	24w				
CM2GB	7012	0410	24w				
CO2DC	7013	0755	24w				
VP9BY	3515	0445	20w				
HK0BKW	14205	1225	20e				

SHORTLY NOTED TA3AB, Frank Netherwood has returned to the States and will live in Texas...anyone needing a TA3AB QSL card should check with W5RBO. One of our magazine publishers advised the Coast Guard in Miami that he wished to operate on Navassa around August 30, a June date being too early and "...since several of these (planning to visit Navassa in June) will claim to have permission to visit the island have highly questionable backgrounds, I prefer not to visit at the same time as they". K0NEB will operate from the Nebraska State Fair Aug 29th to Sept 4th...a special call being issued for the effort...special Nebraska Commemorative QSL card available. 8P6AH can go to 80 meters while HK0BKW will cooperate by moving to 40/80....SSB at that. VP2GW is prexy of the Grenada Radio Club...also has 80m facilities. MZ2MX was at 14058kc at 0345Z July 22nd...how about that. Currently active in Mongolia are JT1AG on 50B and JT1AJ/JT1AK/JT1KAA/JT2KAA/JT2KAB/JT2AB/JT4KAA on c.w.

DXCC NOTES The ARRL announced on July 24th that EA9-Ifni has been deleted from the DXCC Country list as of May 13th and that only contacts made before May 13, 1969 will be credited for DXCC. After that date, contacts in this former Spanish territory will be counted towards Morocco.

There also seem to be some indications that the ARRL DXCC Desk is giving some attention to VQ1-Zanzibar and this may go in the near future though there is nothing definite or official as yet. Licenses for this area are reported to be handled by the East African Communications people after approval by Tanzania. This also applies to licenses for 5X5-Uganda. This gets a bit tangled as some 5H3s apparently have permission to operate from Zanzibar which is part of Tanzania. Amalgamated are Tanganyika (VQ3) and Zanzibar (VQ1) to form Tanzania (5H3). Then a federation is formed with nearby countries with the delegating of some functionsthis may start to get a bit confusing.

TUNISIA 3V8NC active now and reported active on 15-80m. 14030kc at 0500Z; 7004kc at 0040Z; 3505kc at 0110Z; 21025kc at 0200Z. Also has schedules with W8ROF as follows: Sundays 21380kc at 1900Z, Tuesday 21380kc at 2030Z, Wednesday at 14197kc listening 14250kc at 0430Z with the same schedule on Thursday if the Wednesday one not kept. W8ROF will arrange schedules..meet him on the frequency but do not break the QSOs. K8HZU may substitute when W8ROF unable to keep schedule. QSL to G3TXF. Will be on until August...possibly later. 3V8AC is also active and will there for about six months and also an SM5 is due to operate in the near future.

UGANDA 5Z4KL still short on funds but tentatively planning for a late August operation...possibly week-end of August 22nd or the 29th. 5Z4LW may go on effort to provide round-the-clock operation.....more expense but more operation. Any support should be sent to VE3IG.

73,

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TNX..to the vigilant DXers including K6KA, W4OPM, TA3AB, HPLJC, W5OBS, W4BRB, WB4BAP, W6KMH, WB6KBK, WB6SRA, W6RGG, VS6DR, W8ROF, KH6GQW, W6DZZ, W6CYO, K6TVL, W0YDB, W6NJU, K6OJO, KH6GLU, W6MI, W5LZZ, WA6ZCQ, W6WWQ, K6OZL, WA6PXY, W6PTS

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