

WEST COAST DX

Bulletin

January 5, 1971

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RODRIGUEZ 3B9BZ, Bert, was operating from Rodriguez in the week following Christmas, being reported at 14223kc at 1350Z. Said to QSL to Bx 467, Port Stanley, Mauritius. Bert says that he will be on most days in the 1300-1400Z slot and around 14223kc...plus or minus the QRM. No indication how long Bert will be active from this one but it should be some months.

3B8DA, Paul, who operated from St. Brandons signing 3B7DA, does plan to open from 3B9-Rodriguez sometime in May. His problem right now is that his own personal gear was severely damaged by immersion in sea water on his return from St. Brandons and he is presently in somewhat of a dubious situation. What he needs is some assistance and any help that might be forthcoming to replace his gear would be appreciated.

THUNDERBIRD REEF No reports on this one ever jelling and apparently no activity in the week before or after Christmas. The spot is supposed to be about 600 miles from Port Elizabeth in the Indian Ocean off ZD9-land. Some indications that if it did not come off in late December it may be rescheduled for this coming March. Only five or six hours of operation was expected. There seems to be something to this but most information somewhat nebulous.

NIGER 5U7AW showing on a schedule on Sundays at 2200Z at 14218kc...often with K3RLY m.c.ing the operation. This is expected to be a continued effort and early lists often taken by K3RLY during week-days on the PRS at 14218kc from 2200Z or later. 5U7AW was there on the 27th...right on schedule and was due again on January 3rd. Was also reported at 14130kc at 0150Z on December 28th and a hour later at 0240Z was at 14220kc, QSL to VE2DCY.

SIKKIM AC3PT was active just before Christmas, being reported from 14290kc to 14293kc and from 1225Z to 1325Z. Stations reporting were in the Eastern Seaboard. When last active in the Spring of 1970...not counting K2IXPs visit...was often active as late as 1700 or 1800Z and anywhere possible in the 20m SSB band including the SouthEast Asia Net at 14320kc at 1200Z. QSLs go to the CBA address

MARTINIQUE FM7WQ located again...Pierre has been ill and has not completely recovered. The spider on his quad broke but outside of that...everything well. Will keep schedule with W4OPM in the 21390-21400kc slot at 1700Z on the following days. January 5-13-19 and 27th. Anyone wishing to try a 40/80 contact can make the arrangements with Pierre on one of these schedules...but most likely they will have to be week-ends. Pierre has to climb up on the roof at the QTH to attach the 80m loading coil

MANIHIKI ZK1AJ will be going to Manihiki about January 8th. Presently ZK1MA not too active because of a shortage in petrol but this should be corrected about this time when a supply ship arrives. Tuatai there on Manihiki has seven children in the family and his oldest boy will be going to New Zealand shortly to study to be a motor mechanic. With ZK1AJ arriving on the island this coming week-end, there may be a bit of activity showing up.

REPORTS FROM RED EYED LOUIE.....

EUROPE

IM2BUL	21276kc	1750Z	Dec 21e
IEBZGY	14217	1750	22e
ILD	21305	1535	22e
ISLILIO	21299	1630	22e
IXLILIO	212 ⁰²	1410	21e
OT2H	21025	1410	18e
ZB2A	21386	1405	21e
YT2HA	14242	1545	30w
IRØWX	14202	1820	23w
UK6DAD(UD6)	14060	1450	23w
9H1M	14242	1540	27w
HLB	14229	1650	24w
MLH	21378	1540	26w
JW5NM	14014	0040	19w
OI3KN	14009	2315	19e
LZ1KAA	14218	1515	25w
JW7UH	14035	2115	25e
DFØAFZ	21019	1420	26e
ZB2A	28580	1415	27e
UK6DAD	14221	1345	20m
IRØXPS	21250	1655	30w
F8TT/FC	14008	1535	31w
GC3XZE	14009	1545	31w
GD3FBS	21030	1625	31w
3A2EM	14033	1540	24w
EA6BC	14204	1550	27w

ASIA

EP2YL	14240kc	1405Z	Dec 22e
AC3PT	14291	1315	23e
OD5LX	21268	1440	21e
MP4QAL	14206	1440	19w
MP4TDT	14222	1530	23w
UL7JA	14231	0245	27w
UL7JL	14230	0300	27w
JD1ABO	28553	2200	28w
JD1ABO	14210	0300	28w
MP4BHH	14243	1525	25w
JD1ABO	14036	0430	28w
VU2KT	14204	0200	30w
YK1AA	14213	1530	Jan 1w
EP2FB	14233	1410	Dec 26w
UM8FZ	14222	1240	29e
MP4MBB	14232	1345	29e
EP2FB	14233	1305	26e
MP4TDA	14265	1320	27e
4S7PB	14203	1330	21m
UH8AE	14208	1320	19m
EP3ZU	14202	2105	27w
9V1QA	21050	0025	28w

AFRICA

9J2PM	21287kc	1845Z	Dec 26e
3V8AL	21283	1740	29w
CR6TP	21291	2040	22e
SU1MA	14204	1750	26e
9J2JY	28593	1240	28e
6W8GE	14024	1850	28e
A2CAU	14030	2000	23e
9G1DL	14058	2030	23e
CR4BS	28575	1540	25e
5U7AW	14218	2200	Sundays
3D8LI	14252	2015	29w
ZS2A	14250	1815	29w
9G1FF	21285	1815	29w
9G1FT	21327	1820	29w
ZD8CS	14217	2245	28w
ZD7SD	14201	2110	23w
TU2CX	14048	2215	22w
717AA	21027	1925	24w
CR7FR	14202	1610	30w
TU2AZ	14202	2330	28w
ZD7BB	14210	0025	29w
9J2PM	21085	2100	29w
OE7UD	14205	1610	29w
3B9BZ	14223	1350	26m
9X5AA	14332	2000	Saturdays
9X5AA	14225	0430	20kh
ST2SA	14225	0400	20kh

ELSEWHERE

9Y4DX	21280kc	2030Z	Dec 28e
VP2GBL	21289	1750	20e
FP8CS	21254	1825	22e
8RLJ	28030	1315	26e
8RLU	14202	2335	26e
9Y4CR	21254	1910	25e
ET3DS	14225	1350	20m
HKØAI	14280	0345	17w
HKØAI	14050	1530	23w
5W1AR	14230	0710	21w
K3ØOX/KB6	14235	0330	Jan 2w
KC6JC	21302	2310	Dec 23w
HKØBMO	28570	1935	29w
VR6TC	21350	2205	29w
HH9KB	14211	2345	26w
K6AZB/KB6	14325	0345	26w
ZK1AJ	14265	0620	29w
ZK1MA	14202	0500	28w
FO8BX	14240	0255	28w
KW6DT	14050	0330	28w
FK8KAA	14023	0430	24w
FO8AA	14042	0400	24w
PJ2CA	21312	1530	Jan 1w
KW6AA	14285	0200	30w
KX6BU	14285	0200	Daily Sked
VP8LM	14216	2355	21m
PJ2FM	21020	2050	22m
KX6DX	14220	0335	28m
ZL4OL/A	14210	1200	26m
VR2EQ	14350	0730	20kh

CALENDAR

MANIHIKI ZK1AJ there with petrol for a visit....should be active this week-end.
 NIGER 5U7AW...Sundays. 14218kc at 2200Z. K3RLY the m.c.
 CQ 160m January 30/31st.
 FRENCH DX TEST January 30/31st for c.w. portion. February 27-28th phone effort.
 ARRL DX Test February 6-7th/March 6-7th for phone..Feb 20-21st/March 20-21st for c.w.
 FRESNO TEST Annual Fresno International DX Meeting....Del Webb Towne House on
 January 30/31st. The 120minute Happy Hour will test everyone....

TN8-Congo Republic by 5VZWL after return from vacation in France.
 Zanzibar this Spring by 5H3LV
 Laccadives in February by VU2CK...K6LOM in June
 Cocos-TI9 this Spring
 Juan de Nova...this month.

POSSIBLESFORTY/EIGHTY BASTION

8RLJ	7012kc	0417Z	Dec 23e	OK1ALW	3511kc	0200Z	Dec 26e
9Q5QR	7023	0443	23e	PA0CBE	3512	0220	26e
FG7XF	7010	0215	23e	OX3EN	3514	0238	26e
EA8HB	7020	0216	23e	VP2LAA	3509	0417	26e
YU3DPI	7006	0230	23e	OE3MZ	3504	0444	26e
6Y5AV	7004	0231	23e	SP7KAL	3503	0531	26e
HA4KYH	7008	0423	27m	ILIZ	3520	0544	26e
UF6FAL	7002	0438	27m	ON4HC	3509	0426	26e
HB9KV	7003	0517	27m	HA7YLI	3510	0236	28e
A2CAU	7007	0418	25w	UW6LC	3503	0240	28e
IS1AEW	7013	0545	26w	UB5CV	3509	0242	28e
VP2DAJ	7007	0525	29w	KP4CBI	3504	0248	28e
CT1LN	3509	0548	27w	PJ2JS	3509	0310	28e
JW7UH	7003	0346	29w	UA6LAD	3526	0328	28w
F15BQ	7009	0405	22w	LX1BJ	3508	0347	28e
4S7PB	7003	1503	22w	F8OB	3518	0400	
JWLEE	7011	0330	26w	C02FA	0750	27w	
ZP5GS	7002	0515	30w	KP4AN	3805	1015	27w
				8P6CX	3805	1021	27w
				PJ7JC	38-5	1108	27w
				VP2AA	3805	1108	27w
				VS6DO	1415	38w	28w
				KZ5KN	3510	0525	20w
ZP9AY	3509	0415	22w	ZB2AV	3515	0520	19w
FG7XT	3803	0825	18w	TI2CMF	3805	1000	26w
DU1FH	3804	1546	27w	KG6AAY	3804	1545	26w
VP5GT	3804	1000	24w	9V1QE	3804	1545	26w
8P6AH	3805	0950	24w	ZK1AA	3805	0830	27w
HSLACC	3804	1615	27w	HPLJC	3806	0900	27w

SHORTLY NOTED 3Y3CC continues to show up....seems rather definite the station on Queen Maud Land there in the Antarctic....JW5UH apparently has a sked with this one at 14035kc at 2100Z. DF0-prefix is being used by the FAPC and will be in use until January 11th. Sound off with a new prefix and W4OPM will answer immediately. Joe has 1000+ in the WPX and cannot afford to let any get by him. WA4WTG is QSL Manager for FY7AE---Cesar at the French Satellite Tracking Station in Kourou. Cesar now running only GP for 10/20m but a beam from WA4WTG should put him in loud on 10/15/20 soon. Sometimes found at 28600kc/1300Z on days off. QSL info needed for VP2AAP...while 9Q5QR goes to Bx 10061, Kinshasa. On the Clipperton Desk a W5 says he has the license and says he will go in mid-February....other previously in on the action say they still intend to go. PJ7JC will operate from FS7 one week-end of ARRL DX Test and from PJ7-Sint Maarten the other week-end. Tremendous 3.5mic opening to Europe from 0300Z on Dec 29th...lasted over two hours. JDLABH on c.w. only...JDLABO plans to go to IWO JIMA in March or April for SSB activity. KP4AN runs the Caribbean Net at 3805kc from 0900Z...much Carib type DX in there then. KM6DU/KH6-Kure has been transferred..if you still are looking for a QSL try K7UMB. Confirmations from FO8DG on Tajiara Is go out this week..more action there in February.

STATE OF THE BULLETIN This being the first issue in 1971, it may be the right time to update some previous information.

The subscription rate went up January 1st...this being in anticipation of increases in postage rates which this publication feel will surely come before July 4th. In the Postal Reorganization, the Board of Governors was nominated by President Nixon last September but the Senate has taken no action to confirm them. The story being that some Senators are irked because they were not consulted prior to the submission of these nominations. It is also speculated that the President may designate these as Interim Appointments pending confirmation by the Senate in an effort to get matters off dead center.

Meanwhile, the Postal Rate Commission, which does not need Senate confirmation, has been appointed. This is the one which will recommend changes in rates and this one is functioning. This lends support to the expectation of postage rate increases in the coming months.

Since the bulletin was started in 1968, almost every issue...except one or two.. have been mailed on Saturday evening. One or twice when returning from long trips they have been mailed on Sunday. At one time this ensured Monday delivery generally but not in the past year. After considerable soul-searching, there is a feeling that Saturday mailing is not the best for expeditious mail movement and during 1971 the mailing date will gradually be moved back to a Wednesday deadline for mailing.....and it is hoped that this will put the bulletin in the hands of all subscribers by Saturday or earlier. Advice will be given as we change the operation. The mailing total on the last issues in December touched the 500 mark and while we may lose some due to increased rates, the 500 mark is enough for us. Meanwhile, we have a date to Postmaster General Blount on January 29th...said to see him at the Palace Hotel in San Francisco...we will, too.

INX to WB2YQH, W2FXA, K2LGJ, W3POE, W4BA(2), W4HU, K4KQ, W4NJF, W4OPM(2), WA4WTG, W4UF, W5KYD, W5ZJK, K6AOV(2), W6BJI, W6CAE, K6CF, K6EC, W6EIF, W6HN(2), K6KII, WA6LLY, K6MHD, W6TSC, WB6UDC, W6WJW, WB6WHM, WB6ZUC(2), W7GRH, W7MB, W7PFZ(2), W8CT, K8RUE, K8TVO, KH6BZE(2), KH6GOW.

WEST COAST DX BULLETIN Published every week by the Marin County DX Group. One of our local QRPers says that he has it made for the New Year...he has figured out how to feel bad all the time. "Just chase 80m DX", is his system. "The goodies come on from 0100 to 1000Z, then a break for a nap and back on hunting at 1400Z". Son of a Gun. What can you say to a suffering 80m QRPer. We patted his bowed head and said: "Courage, Son. The Future is yet to come". And behind his screen of confusing wisdom, we QSYed to twenty. If we cannot work EA9/MP4T/MP4B and a few other easy ones, why flatten the point on our head banging away at 80m DX. For a full year via 1st class mail...\$9.00...\$10.50 Air Mail...Overseas rates on request



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