

WEST COAST DX

Bulletin

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TOKELAUS Some problems.....one report says that the transportation to the Tokelaus from Western Samoa may present some rough spots due to the presence of a visiting Church official and his retinue. Some question whether Carl-VE8RA who is now in Samoa can get transportation to the islands.

Ship due to depart Apia April 1st....gear should go to ZM7AG. Watch for possible action and hope that VE8RA manages to wrangle transportation.

OH-DX-RING Martin, OH2BH, says that an OH-group plus a SM5 are working on plans to activate two new and two difficult DXCC countries during this Spring. As soon as things are solid, definite plans will be announced. These apparently do not include any YI-Iraq or GR-Rockall efforts. Martin says that they have been advised that the political situation in Iraq right now is such that it would be best to avoid the area. Martin also indicates that from his side there are no Rockall plans.

OH2BH planned to operate from 4ULITU during the WPX contest last weekend, then move to Corsica for a short operation as FØKF/FC April 2nd to April 4th.

On the 9th of April, Martin along with OH5SE will go to OHØMA-Market Reef for a 48 hour operation. Plans are to leave a DX-60 and a beam, contributed through the LIDXA, to the holder of OHØMA, Karl-Erik Eriksson, one of the two permanent residents on the reef. Karl-Erik became interested with the OJØDX effort and took the novice examination some months later. He should be on 80/40/15mc, crystal controlled. Apparently OHØ-prefix will be used in the future for Market Reef and the OJØ-prefix discontinued.

OG2A on this last week-end was a special prefix for the 50th anniversary of the SRIL--the Finnish Amateur Radio Society--and any QSLs should go to OH2BAD.

CLIPPERTON Jacques Costeau reported at port in Tampa, Fla. last week. Not feeling especially well but the plans do appear rather firm that FG7XT will be picked up when the ship stops at Guadeloupe enroute to the Pacific.

NAURU C21AA on rather frequently last week...right up to Saturday. Was reported on the following.

14019kc/1145Z	March 20th	14074kc/1200Z	March 21st
14204kc/1320Z	24th	14247kc/0620	27th

GUS In Hongkong last week. Things in the India area not looking exactly tempting with civil war erupting in Pakistan. Reports of border trouble on the northern border of India. One source saying that Gus may possibly revise plans and try for something else... Spratly mentioned as a possibility.

CHAGOS VQ9SM, Jackie, showing up regularly on twenty SSB. He is crystal-controlled at 14232kc and usually keeps a schedule there daily commencing at 1515Z. QSLs go to JAØCUV/1 whose address is: Tack Kumagai, P.O. Box 22, Mitaka, Tokyo. Also on C.W. at 14030kc, again crystal-controlled.

EAPLR This one showed up last March 23rd, operated for about a half hour and then split into the unknown. Italian stations say that the beam heading would indicate that he was in the U.S. One would think that he would sign his /W portable sign to show where he was operating. Son of a Gun...pretty sure that he was not operating from Fernando Po!

CALENDAR

ZANZIBAR 5H1LV over the Easter Weekend--April 10-11th.
TOKELAUS. ZM7AG should open sometime in the next couple of weeks.
LACCADIVES VU7US. April 10-17th.
SWLAH VE8RM until March 31st....waiting for a ride to the Tokelaus..
GUS Presently in the Far East...something should open.
CARIBBEAN WB8ABN April 9-25th....all over the place...FG7/VP2E/PJ8/FS7/VP2A....
TONGA VR5BN returning for a month operation.
ALBANIA DL7FT from June 13th for 8 days....some help needed.

KCØKC KCØKC call sign has been issued by the FCC for use July 1-5th at Kansas City for the big convention of the Independent County Hunters. Plans are for heavy use on 14336kc plus other bands. QSLs will be handled by WAØWOB.

ANDAMAN According to reports from the East, VU2PJ expects to receive his license for an Andaman effort the latter part of March. Few definite details and this has been previously reported as a possible late-March operation.

CEUTA K4ZA reported as planning to be at this African locale sometime in April and possibly will operate from EA9AA.

FORTY/EIGHTY DESK...

Y07AGM	7008kc	0330Z Mar 22w	OK2HI	3511kc	0456Z Mar 18e	PAØWX	3520kc	0447Z Mar 18e			
HM4FY	7006	1118	23w	HV3SJ	3540	0503	20e	5W1AR	3514	0723	20e
VQ8CN	7007	0640	18w	GC2LU	3501	0622	20w	TJ1AW	3507	0511	20w
6W8DY	7089	0740	18w	KC6JC	3813	1020	18w	9M2DW	3804	1415	19w
CR7CI	7010	0400	20w	KG6SI	3840	1133	17w	VS6DO	3805	1405	19w
VK2GW	7046	0830	21m								
ZS2AW	7037	0645	21m								

CARIBBEAN NET: 3805kc at .0930Z .. Regular Check-ins--
8P6CX, KP4AN, P2ICU, YV1KZ, WA4/8R1, HKØBKX, PJ7JC,
VP7DL, KV4FZ, KZ5MU, KV4AM, FG7XT, KG6SI, 9Y4VU,
KW6GJ, KL6/KG6, PJ2CE, VS6DO.....the 75m Happy Hunting Ground....

SHORTLY NOTED The FCC Docket 19162 on the Phone Band Expansion generates a varying response.....with some tendency towards accepting the general outlines of the proposal. The Division Meeting of the ARRL Pacific Division held last weekend in San Jose went on record as approving the docket as written and initially rejecting a lengthy proposal from one club for some modifications. The vote to adopt the FCC Docket as written was 24 in favor to 20 opposed. Later the proposed revisions which were rejected for consideration, were reviewed by the meeting and after considering ten proposed revisions, rejected eight and were in favor of two. One was for the retention of 25kc Extra Class CW sub-bands and the other endorsed the 28mc Novice Segment, this being already in the Docket. The meeting rejected proposals to reduce the 75m Advanced/Extra sub-band to 50kc; that 50kc General and higher CW segment be retained between the novice segment and the lower end of the phone band to provide Canadians with a phone sub-band; to increase the 3.5mc Novice band to 75kc; that 7075-7100 be not restricted to inter-regional contacts but should depend on self-policing; Advanced/Extra phone to start at 7175kc and Generals at 7200kc; Advanced/Extra to start at 14175kc and Generals at 14300; that there be no sub-bands in the Ten meter band.

If you consider yourself a DXer and figure someone else will take care of your interests in this docket...be disillusioned. Write your Director yourself on your views....and write by mid-April. What ever you think..give them the benefit of a DXers point of view...they need it.

VP8KL, Margaret, and OM VP8KD are returning to England and will QSL after May 20th. Not many calling BV2A in the ARRL CW Test...possibly some suspicious. Work them first...worry later. One local would not work C31...indorm when it first came on...said there was no such as 14175JDLABX (JALKSO) QRT on Mar 23rd from the Benins.. made more than 20,000 QSOs...VP8JV will be leaving South Georgia in two weeks.

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REPORTS FROM RED EYED LOUIE....

Oh, Lonely Night, last forever
 You have made me learn to live and love,
 And work DX..

EUROPE

HV5SJ	21279kc	1700Z	Mar	23e	XW8AL	14204kc	1440Z	Mar	18e		
FV3SJ	21025	1455		17e	VU2HLU	21320	1535		22e		
GW3EQL	21284	1800		22e	HSØISB	14247	1140		18e		
IS1AWP	21286	1830		22e	UK8MAA	14078	1205		18e		
I1BGJ/ID	21296	1840		22e	JDL/BO	28547	2205		21e		
ZB2A	21290	1740		24e	OD5FV	21251	1355		22e		
9H1AF	21309	1345		20e	UJ8AJ	14205	0410		21e		
9H1BX	21302	1135		21e	VS6AD	14204	1435		19e		
M1B	21377	1430		21e	MP4TDM	21342	1540		23m		
EA6BJ	28583	1750		16e	MP4TDT	14247	1630		26w		
UA1CK	14212	0445		22w	9K2AL	14245	1430		24w		
9H1M	14203	-245		23w	YB9AAJ	14230	0630		22w		
UG6JJ	14027	0400		19w	JA9VII/JTL	14205	1410		22w		
UF6LA	14028	0425		19w	UM8FZ	14280	0405		24w		
JW5NM	14198	1410		20w	DX1HMI	14202	1715		20w		
9A1T	21028	1930		19w	XW8DO	21337	0230		22w		
GD3GMH	21277	1545		19w	EP2FB	14202	0315		22w		
OH2BH	14210	0520		21w	MP4BHH	14202	0430		22w		
TF3HF	14219	2355		22w	OD5LX	14204	0530		22w		
IRØIJ	14207	0000		23w	JY2	14301	2200		22w		
YO9CN	21300	1755		23w	UM8FZ	14461	0435		17w		
UF6VAA	14207	0355		21m	UK8MAA	14046	0150		24w		
JW9JH	14218	0415		23m	JT1KAA	14015	0345		22w		
					UL7BZ	14060	1550		22w		
					MP4BIN	14206	0330		22w		
					TA6JD	14241	0130		24w		
					HS1ADX	28034	0205		21w		

AFRICA

ZD5E	28592kc	1650Z	Mar	20m	DU6RG	14248	1630		20w		
9J2TL	28533	1600		21m	DU7RC	14236	1425		18w		
FR7ZX	14202	1240		22m	OD5LX	14204	0110		23w		
FR7ZP	14202	1245		22m	MP4MBB	14204	0320		23w		
3B8CR	14205	1255		23m	AP2KS	14210	0330		24w		
TJ1AW	21037	1800		20m	UL7JL	14232	1605		24w		
EA9EJ	14200	2350		18m	BV2A	14024	1050		20w		
VS9MB	21321	1625		23m	EP2YL	14203	0350		22w		
VS9MB	14206	2235		18m	MP4TDM	21341	1600		23m		
5VZWT	14215	2200	Sked	26w	EP2DX	14235	0415		21m		
CR4BS	14215	2235		18m	JDL/AMZ	21048	0010		17m		
ST2SA	14215	2235		18m							
XT2AA	14215	2235		18m							
5H3MV	21288	1850		22w							

ELSEWHERE

ZS2MI	14130	0400		24w	VP2NM	14257kc	0445Z	Mar	22m		
FH8CY	21281	1915		22w	ZL4OL/A	14216	0525		22m		
VQ9SM	14232	1715		23w	CEØTS	14201	1435		18m		
5X5FB	21280	1815		22w	VK9NP	14280	0305		Often		
SU1MA	14223	1700		23w	HC8GS	14130	0420		24w		
TR8MR	14203	2300		23w	HKØBKX	28595	1850		17w		
3B8CZ	21310	1730		20w	9M8FMF	21355	0035		19w		
774A	28561	1500		21w	FM7WW	14225	1105		19w		
TU2CX	14218	2300		25w	KC6RS	14233	1110		19w		
9U5BB	14264	1540		21w	FG7YX	28540	1535		21w		
5R8AP	21058	1645		22w	VKØTM	14227	0530		24w		
9X5CC	21275	2045		19e	VK9XX	14232	1420		20w		
6W8BD	21329	2020		19w	5W1AR	28013	0015		21w		
ET3ZZ	14214	1415		18w	YJ8JM	14045	0540		19w		
					ZK2AH	14299	0630		22w		

QSLs Some have asked about TZ-QSLs plus others from the DJ-African Effort of last year and our European Desk checked this one out ..

Definitely, a QSL from TZ2AB, XT2AC, XT2AB, DJ6QT/CT3, TYØABD, TY9ABC, ZD3P and ZD3N will depend on some evidence of support.

If QSLs for these efforts are received with two (2) IRCs, these are being answered via the bureaus. If received with one (1) IRC, these are being put aside for later handling....later may mean a considerable time. If more than one card included in an envelope, these will be answered at a ratio of 2 IRCs per QSL and when these are exhausted, any balance is put aside for future contemplation. No IRCs and cards will be put aside for a future, future contemplation.

Cards received with \$1.00 or more are expedited....an excellent bookkeeping system has been put into operation to keep track of these. If airmail return is desired, two more IRCs are needed.

As of mid-March, QSLing was current on TZ and XT cards. QSLs for the TY-Dahomey and the ZD3-Gambia effort have not been received from the printers though they should be received by the end of March. The TZ-QSLs were supplied by W2GHK/4 and presumably the others are coming from the same source. The African trip was paid for out of personal funds and if you have not received a QSL for the TZ or XT operations... lo...the path has been illuminated.

The license for TZ is a permanent one and may be activated again in the future. Also a possibility is an unabon effort though hopes are not high right now for this one.

TNX TO W2FXA, WB2YQH, W2GT, K2LGJ, W3ATO, W3POE, W4BA, W4HU, W4ONM, W4TUC, W4UF, W5ALA, W5LZZ, W5UBW, W6AM, K6AQV, W6BJI, WA6BVY, WA6CVU, K6EC, WA6FTYC, W6FZJ, K6LAE, K6LEB, K6OJO, K6QZ, W6TCQ, W6TSQ, K6TXR, W6VUW, WB6YLG, WA6YW, K6ZIF, W7GRH, W7PTZ, W7VRO, K8RWL, K8YPH, W8ZOK, K9DKU, WØTIY, WØJRN, WØYDB, KH6GLU, DJ6QT, OH2BH.

WEST COAST DX BULLETIN Published every week by the Marin County DX Group. Looks like it is Spring...and the usual aberrations are showing. One local QRPer...a kind soul but the best that can be said is that he means well....trapped a woods rat in a cage. Kept it around the house and fed it. Son of a Gun, even named it Marcel, supposedly for his Sicilian Charm. When the rat would squeal, this QRPer would proudly declaim on the virtues of its voice. Don't ask us to explain it...anyone with a rat named Marcel has more problems than can be solved in an afternoon T.V. Soap Opera. Some fellows are proud of gaining the Honor Roll...this QRPer is proud of the squealing rat named Marcel. Will these two find happiness?? Will the rat squeals improve?? Find out about Marcel the Rat....\$9.00 for a year by 1st Class Mail..\$10.50 by Air..

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