

# WEST COAST DX

## Bulletin

January 4, 1972

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SPRATLY Start listening. Dave Decker, WA5VPU, sailed from Hongkong in his own yacht on December 18th and headed south in the China Sea. Right after Christmas he was at Danang for supplies and from there intended to head for the Spratlys. If a landing were possible, he intended to open up signing 1S1A/ Further details are sketchy but 14195kc was advised as the frequency to watch from January 3rd onwards.

There are a number of items in this which could cause a cancellation and the biggest hurdle will be a landing. However, as of the New Year, there was an amateur in the vicinity of Spratly who intended to try to open up from one of the islands in the group if all goes well.

What else can one do but hope. And when SouthEast Asia normally comes through, listen....

Any QSLs will be handled by the INDXA.

CAMBODIA VO2AH, Tony, was operating XU1AA the week before Christmas, being reported as active on December 18th. The Minister of Communications was supposed to sign the station license for XU1AA around December 20th and this may make the station more active in the future.

VO2AH, Tony Kathro, has been away from Phnom Penh because of a death in the family and only got back in the latter part of December. He is having some QSLs printed so keep your hopes up. Something may surface one of these days.....

COMORO FH8GY is presently very active from Comoro, being heard on both c.w. and SSB. He has been showing up from 1500Z....one recent report has him at 14028kc at 1500Z and another has him at 14237kc at 1600Z. The frequency may vary but these are the neighborhoods in which he hangs out. Last Friday he was coming in long path with a strong signal on ssb. QSLs go to Bx 438, Moroni, Comoro Island.

EGYPT SU1IM has been joined by SU1MI who is his daughter Moona. She is using the transmitter shipped by the SoCalif DX Club...the transmitter arrived in good shape with the tubes broken.....  
SULMI has a 4th Class license at the present time and is limited to 10 watts input. She is making an especial effort to work into the Western Reaches and is often at 14055kc from 1500-1600Z daily. Her c.w. is slow but good. She is said to be the first YL licensed in Egypt. With the active SU-stations increased by 100%, things must be looking up.

NAURU C21TL has been coming through with some frequency...was at 14201kc at 0145Z on December 29th. Ken indicated that after January 1st he would be signing C20DV. If you should hear this one, just work him. QSL to Bx 32, Nauru Island.

MELLISH/TURTLE/FREDERICK VK3JW is looking for a possible DXpedition in March and has the call VK9JW/F/M/T to cover possible operations on Mellish/Frederick Reef or Turtle Island. John has sent an inquiry to the ARRL on Frederick and Turtle, looking for possible country status.  
If this all jells, there will be some working to help with the trip.

MORE QSLs... Frankly, we ran off the bottom of the other page before we could clean everything up.

Information also needed for SVØWU, YI2FK(??) and 5Z4JD, SVØWDD, VP2SAB, FP8CZ and FPØAR/m When seeking for the lost ones, it helps if the date of contact is given. It is somewhat amazing the amount of papers that accumulate after a couple of years and it does help to have the date when sorting through the mess.

NEUTRAL ZONE A few weeks back there was a mention of Vic Crawford, HZ3TYQ, who surfaced again after a couple of years of being in the quiet period. Vic has been active since but does not have any definite plans for any DX activity at this time.....except for that which comes from his own home QTH there. Anyhow, a note came through K7QJJ which fills in some background information on Vic's efforts of a few years back.

I played a small part in the excursions of Vic Crawford into the Kuwait/Saudi Neutral Zone, his first trip in June 1961. At that time I was stationed as the U.S. Military Training Mission to Saudi and became quite well acquainted with Vic Crawford, W1TYQ and Clifford Swann, W8GCN who was also in Saudi Arabia with the American-Arabian Oil Company (ARAMCO). Vic was a pilot there flying DC-6s from New York to Dhahran and Cliff worked as a Communications Expert on their extensive micro-wave telemetering systems.

Both Cliff and Vic had been among the tops dogs in the DXCC race in the year just preceding 1959-1960 and neither had been on the air or near a ham rig since their arrival in Saudi. We became acquainted as I was also the MARS Director there. A lot of hard work went into the trip into the Neutral Zones and those working on the effort were Jack Laib, HB9TL, Brian Bisley, G3OFI, EI5AI, MP4BDA etc and possibly Rundy Rundalett, OD5CI, along with Vic and possibly Cliff at later times. Some of the details are a bit hazy and checking with my HZ1AB logs did help and I think I have things right.

Most of the ground work was done by HB9TL and G3OFI with help from the others...I think that Ian Cable MP4BBW may also have been in on the activity. When the schedules were completed we had quite a blast from the Saudi end. Vic borrowed a Land Rover from Cliff, loaded it with extra petrol, water, bundled up an antenna and made ready. Since Vic was an experienced airline pilot with many years of long-haul work, he decided to depart Dhahran by road to Ras Tannura and then by road to Djbel Beri, then directly across the sand to the outpost on the Saudi side of the Neutral Zone. It was with some apprehension we watched him go since his command of spoken Arabic probably did not exceed ten words.

The ARAMCO microwave system checked him through Ras Tannura and out of Djbel Beri. We sat in the shack with a list of petrol on hand, running time, etc, etc, etc. Also checking with us by long distance were MP4BCC, OD5CL, MP4BBW, JY2NZK and a rash of others. When the time appeared for Vic to appear in the Neutral Zone we really started to sweat....and when another hour passed we really started to panic. When the time passed for the petrol to run out we were in a real dither.....but still no Vic.

Finally he showed up....cool, fresh and unruffled. It seems that the border guard there at the Saudi outpost was pretty lonely and insisted that Vic hang around for a bit of refreshment and rest before he would let him continue on his way.

An interesting sidelight was that George, JY2NZK, was just as rare as the 9K3TL/P that they were using in the Neutral Zone. I had been accustomed to getting a hetrodyne pileup any time I came on the air signing HZ1AB and felt quite deflated for a couple of days while I rode side-saddle for George and Vic and spent my time running up and down the bands to chase customers to them. Most of the people got so excited they even forgot that even a HZ1AB was supposed to be a little hard to get a hold of.

It was good to hear about Vic and I expect that he is still at the ARAMCO Camp there at Dhahran. I do not know where Jack Laib, HB9TL, or Brian, G3OFI, might be but I am certain that they also would recall those days.

73, Jack

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REPORTS FROM RED EYED LOUIE.....

AFRICA....C.W.

CR6KE	21084/1940/Dc	21w	CR6JJ	14048/2220/Dc	21w	ZS5DE	14023/1910/Dc	25w
CR7EY	21044/1400/Dc	19e	EA9EO	14025/1930/Dc	27e	3B8CJ	14047/1930/Dc	23m#
CR7FM	21031/1650/Dc	22w	FH8CY	14028/1510/Dc	19w	3B8DA	14040/1540/Dc	29w
CT3AS	21037/1700/Dc	23w	SU1IM	14056/1600/Dc	27w	5Z4MX	14004/1605/Dc	28w
ZE1DC	21031/1520/Dc	24m	SU1MI	14051/1540/Dc	28w#	6W8CQ	14068/2200/Dc	26w
TU2DD	21021/1530/Dc	24w	TY1ABE	14005/2320/Dc	28w	9J2XZ	14029/2145/Dc	21w
5R8DB	21030/1815/Dc	28w	VQ9SM	14033/1610/Dc	27m	9Q5AS	14016/1730/Dc	26w
3B8CJ	21034/1920/Dc	21w	VQ9RK	14070/1400/Dc	22m#			
ZS1RM	21040/1940/Dc	25e	ZE1CR	14010/2125/Dc	19e			
CR5AJ	14040/2230/Dc	27w	ZD9BM	14024/2200/Daily				

ASIA....C.W.

AP3GH	14027/2315/Dc	28w#	VU2GW	14035/1335/Dc	23m	VU2RM	14020/0205/Dc	26w#
JY6FC	14050/1520/Dc	26w	VU2LE	14045/0130/Dc	29w#	4Z4AG	14023/1535/Dc	22w#
VU2AAA	14028/1350/Dc	23m#	VU2KO	14026/1320/Dc	24m	9V1QK	14030/2325/Dc	21w

EUROPE....C.W.

CT1VX	28025/1500/Dc	24e	LZ1CP	14018/1805/Dc	28w	UK50AH	14032/1350/Dc	20m#
GI3YFI	21023/1705/Dc	24w	LZ2KKZ	14024/1620/Dc	24w	UO50AC	14040/1350/Dc	21m#
9H1CH	28027/1520/Dc	24e	OE1ZR	14080/1500/Dc	26w	UK2FAH	14040/1400/Dc	21m#
GW3CF	14039/1720/Dc	27w	OY1LR	14016/1540/Dc	27m	UP2BZ	14050/1325/Dc	22m#
JW6FP	14045/2225/Dc	20w	OY3DX	14043/1420/Dc	26e	UR2AR	14007/1500/Dc	27m
JX2HK	14027/1730/Dc	22w	UK1ZAB	14011/1905/Dc	25w	OK1APV	14070/1650/Dc	27w

ELSEWHERE...C.W.

KX6EB	21032/2005/Dc	21w	TI2PZ	14025/2115/Dc	20e	VR5FX	14033/0120/Dc	26m
OX3VJ	21029/1625/Dc	26m	TG9NJ	14004/0140/Dc	15e	YB0AU	14032/2220/Dc	23m#
PZ1AV	21027/1605/Dc	26w	OX5AT	14038/2325/Dc	20e	ZF1AA	14036/1415/Dc	28w
VR1AA	21028/2240/Dc	27m	PZ1AV	14013/2045/Dc	21w	ZF1AA	21019/1625/Dc	26m
FK8KAA	14042/0600/Dc	28w	VA2UN	14031/1830/Dc	29w	ZP2KA	14048/0150/Dc	21w
FO8BJ	14006/1640/Dc	24w	VK2IC	14016/2030/Dc	25e#	ZP3CA	14010/0150/Dc	26w
HI3PC	14037/2245/Dc	27w	VK3ZO	14035/1940/Dc	25w	ZL2AFZ	14060/0500/Dc	18e
HC1KP	14011/0020/Dc	21e	VK5FH	14012/2200/Dc	27m			
KV4AA	14080/2305/Dc	21w	VP1AV	14037/1515/Dc	27w			
OB4EK	14040/0115/Dc	21w	VP2LAW	14059/2240/Dc	27w			

AFRICA....SSB

A2CAY	28563/1900/Dc	23e	FL8MM	21336/1625/Dc	24e	FH8CY	14213/1605/Dc	28w#
CR6JJ	28547/1505/Dc	24m	ZS3YK	21438/1600/Dc	26e	FR7ZN	14211/2110/Dc	22w
CR7R	28538/1930/Dc	23e	ZS3AV	21331/1940/Dc	22e	VQ9WF	14205/1645/Dc	19w
EA9EJ	28500/1710/Dc	22w	3B8CJ	21298/2000/Dc	23e	ZD7SD	14204/2200/Dc	29w
7P8AZ	28514/1850/Dc	23m	6W8AL	21313/1950/Dc	24e	5H3KA	14192/1445/Dc	26m#
7Q7AA	28547/1510/Dc	26e	7X2OM/3	21283/1425/Dc	24e	5V7GE	14255/1840/Dc	25e
A2CAY	21262/1650/Dc	17e	9J2PM	21282/1800/Dc	20e	5Z4ERR	14231/1625/Dc	28w
CR3KD	21275/1650/Dc	25e	9J2WR	21277/1810/Dc	28w	5Z4KL	14210/2010/Dc	26e
CR6PP	21269/1720/Dc	23e	9Q5BW	21385/1910/Dc	27e	5Z4DW	14215/2005/Dc	25e
CR6GA	21324/1705/Dc	25w	9Q5GE	21385/1910/Dc	27e	7X2BK	14209/2000/Dc	26e
CR7FR	21285/1700/Dc	28w	9Q5PF	21281/1810/Dc	25w	9G1ED	14215/2210/Dc	30m
CR7BO	21307/1950/Dc	24e	CR4BS	14212/2215/Dc	29w	9J2JC	14195/2220/Dc	24e
EL9C	21309/1635/Dc	27e	ET3JH	14208/1410/Dc	26m#	9J2LL	14332/2140/Dc	27e
ET3USD	21352/1600/Dc	25m#	ET3USA	14221/1500/Dc	26m#	9U5BB	14245/1530/Dc	28w#
						9X5GJ	14251/2030/Dc	20w

(e = eastern area      m = middle states      w = western reaches      kh = hawaii etc)  
 (# = long path)

## MORE RED EYED LOUIE.....The Watcher of Everything

ASIA...SSB

HL9UF	21368/0200/Dc	23m	MP4TDM	14237/1540/Dc	25w	VS6BF	14211/2340/Dc	23w#
JY9DC	21281/1305/Dc	27e	OD5FB	14248/1420/Dc	24m#	VU2HI	14214/1340/Dc	27w
EQ2WB	14221/1355/Dc	27m#	UAØZAR	14218/2325/Dc	25m	ZC4BJ	14240/1555/Dc	28w
EQ2FB	14271/1350/Dc	30m	UH8BO	14217/1300/Dc	26e	4Z4HF	14195/1420/Dc	24m#
HSØUDN	14224/1255/Dc	27e	UKØFAA	14240/0215/Dc	29m	9M2DQ	14197/0045/Dc	21e
MP4BIN	14231/1320/Dc	30m	VS6BS	14202/2345/Dc	23e			

EUROPE...SSB

CT1LN	28542/1730/Dc	23m	EA6BJ	21284/1645/Dc	25e	SVØWK	14219/1430/Dc	26m#
EA7DJ	28616/1615/Dc	22w	GW3EQL	21300/1655/Dc	23e	UF6CR	14215/1320/Dc	28m
GD3GMH	28551/1530/Dc	24w	GC3YLZ	21304/1700/Dc	27w	UK2BBK	14215/1305/Dc	25e
IT9SDN	28595/1510/Dc	24e	IS1MUA	21322/1620/Dc	24e	UK5MAF	14250/1500/Dc	28w
CT1JN	21273/1630/Dc	25e	M1B	21365/1640/Dc	26w	UT5RT	14204/1515/Dc	20w
CT2AC	21322/1950/Dc	22e	SP8XE	21321/1440/Dc	24e	YU3AJK	14203/1245/Dc	21e
EA7DT	21276/1650/Dc	24w	TF3EB	21329/1625/Dc	25e			
EA7BJ	21286/1700/Dc	24w	9H3B	21271/1545/Dc	27e			
GC3ZIP	21334/1610/Dc	24e	LZ2EE	14211/1515/Dc	26m#			

ELSEWHERE...SSB

FY7AE	28553/1730/Dc	23w	KG4AC	21286/2130/Dc	24m	KJ6BZ	14213/0230/Dc	22w
KC6BK	28541/2225/Dc	23m	KG4AM	21444/2110/Dc	24m	KJ6CW	14327/0250/Dc	24m
KJ6BZ	28557/2135/Dc	18m	PJ9AD	21297/1425/Dc	23m	OX4AG	14244/2130/Dc	26e
KS6DT	28598/2035/Dc	22e	VP2GBL	21277/1800/Dc	20e	PZLAN	14226/1330/Dc	23m
KW6GM	28550/2145/Dc	23w	VR1AA	21278/2135/Dc	27e	VK3JW	14250/1630/Dc	28w
TG9FS	28550/1600/Dc	27w	VR1AB	21326/2355/Dc	18e	VK9SH	14203/2010/Dc	22w
VO1JK	28608/2015/Dc	22e	XP1AB	21387/1630/Dc	25e	VP2ME	14229/1345/Dc	23m
VP2ME	28602/1930/Dc	27e	ZK1CD	21252/2135/Dc	24m	VP2SG	14203/2330/Dc	21e
VP2MM	28584/2100/Dc	23m	8R1Q	21268/2005/Dc	26e	VP8ME	14260/0220/Dc	29w
CO8QS	21297/2010/Dc	26e	C21TL	14201/0145/Dc	29w	VRLAB	14259/0320/Dc	27w
DU7VD	21280/0000/Dc	24w	DU1FH	14222/2300/Dc	25m			
FP8CS	21286/1930/Dc	28w	FO8DF	14204/1620/Dc	30w			
HI8CMC	21286/1610/Dc	24w	KG4EQ	14338/2200/Dc	24w			

BAHIA ANEGADA ISLES LU5DL, LU3DGX and LU1DJU plan to operate from this group in late January or early February. They will be signing LUØDGX, LUØDJU and LUØDL while there.

Transportation is the problem and it has to be arranged through the Argentine Air Force. LU5DL is asking for letters, these being needed to convince the Argentine Air Force of the public relations interest in the trip. Any such letters should be sent to Enrique L Miranda Varela, Bx 23, Dolores, (BS AS) Argentine.

QSLs Etc VP1AV which surfaced recently goes to V4VPD. ZF1AA to K2OLS. ZF1RT to K2FO. UL7ZAR shows up regularly around 14215/2200Z...QSLs via UL7GG who also is good for UL7GAG. 4Z4HF logs from 1315Z on 28 November 1970 to end of contest on 29 November apparently lost permanently and the logs for the ARRL February 1971 Contest have not been received as yet by WB2WOU. Logs for 4Z4GV up to Sept 11, 1971 on hand at WB2WOU. 9H3B QSLs to VE3MR...the 9H3 prefix given to visiting firemen. A "CEØXZ" showed up on 80mtrs before Christmas...said to QSL to CE3ZN. Some doubts on this one. FP8CS goes to Bx 2, St. Pierre. 9H1AF goes to 8 Capwey Flats, Luqa Briffa St, Gzira, Malta. ZL5AX in Graham Land goes to ZL1SV. ZC4BJ to Bx 215 Famagusta, Cyprus. YV5BU's QSLs to Spring 71 CBA kicked back marked "desconocido". IG9XGY does not go to W2GHK and JY6FC goes to Bx 2353, Amman, Jordan. CR5AJ to Bx 251, Sao Thome. SVØLL QSLs to WB4KZI and 9U5BB goes to ON5KY. PYØAD of last Spring still gets inquiries...goes to Box 2, Fernando de Noronha, Brazil. SVØWLL goes to Sgt R.W.Grigg, 2140-3, Comm Dept, Bx 302, APO NEW YORK 09291. PJ9AD goes to W2VIA. Need QSL info for EA9EO. VQ9WF departs Chagos in the middle of this month. The next winner of the CQ DX Hall of Fame Award will be announced at Fresno. Be THERE!!!!

CALENDAR

EGYPT SU1MI now active....14055kc/1500Z. Work all the XYLs in Egypt.  
 REVILLAGIGEDO XE1JPL/XF4 January 16th for 48 hours. 40/20/15mtrs SSB  
 SPRATLY Might be on this week....if all goes well.  
 SO.ORKNEY VP8ME moving there around March 1st....will still sign VP8ME  
 FRESNO January 7th closing date for Preregistration. \$14.50 to WB6UDC will  
 make you eligible for the Signal 1 Pre-reg prize. Hurry!! The  
 Big Week End is January 22/23rd at the Del Webb Towne House/Fresno...  
 Latest winner to spot in CQ DX Hall of Fame to be announced.

FORTY/EIGHTY DESK

F3AT 3508/0739/Dc 25e	HC2HM 7007/0225/Dc 22e	VP2LAW 7013/0410/Dc 22e
VP9BK 3510/0335/Dc 26e	EA9EO 7006/0230/Dc 22e	9L1VW 7005/0455/Dc 24e
W6EJJ/VP7 3502/0350/Dc 26e	OM0BDE 7008/0325/Dc 25e	ZF1RT 7017/0400/Dc 25e
DJ6RX 3508/0400/Dc 27e	FM7AI 7006/2320/Dc 23e	UK5LAZ 7012/2325/Dc 23e
CO2DR 3512/0455/Dc 27e	HB9ADQ 7008/2330/Dc 23e	HA7LO 7002/2240/Dc 23e
UK5UAR 3503/0510/Dc 27e	FO8BY 7051/0518/Dc 30w	ZL1OI 7026/0600/Dc 30w
OM0KZ 3504/0540/Dc 27e	ZP5TTY 7026/0345/Dc 29w	VP1AV 7005/0355/Dc 29w
SP5PWK 3517/0350/Dc 25e	ZF1AA 7010/0355/Dc 25w	OH2BDC 7010/0020/Dc 22w
5R8BD 3501/0210/Dc 25e	YU3DM 7020/0714/Dc 23w	VP7CQ 7002/0125/Dc 23w
CE0XZ?? 3500/0335/Dc 21e	UT5AA 7007/0320/Dc 25w	HC8FN 7003/1525/Dc 28w
UG6AD 3500/0420/Dc 21e	LZ5KSF 7004/0445/Dc 27kh	
JALBK 3550/1145/Dc 25e		
KG6SI 3805/1225/Dc 26e		
KG6JBD 3806/1555/Dc 27e		
CO2DR 3535/0740/Dc 21w		
VP2LY 3798/0400/Dc 22w	UA0FAF 3506/1140/Dc 28w	
SM5BCO 3794/1440/Dc 23wff	UA0IT 3506/1025/Dc 28w	KR6IX 3502/1130/Dc 28w
ZS6DW 3797/0340/Regular	VR1AA 3802/0615/Dc 28w	ZL2BT 3805/1025/Dc 28w
PJ2CW 3806/1025/Dc 25w	VR1AC 3819/0950/Dc 23w	KP4AN 3805/1010/Dc 24w
ZF1GC 3809/0230/Dc 26w	XW8DO 3803/1505/Dc 22w	WB6/KB6 3819/0950/Dc 23w
VS6DO 3805/1150/Dc 27w	PJ2MI 3810/1100/Dc 21w	KV4FZ 3803/1-25/Dc 22w
DU1FH 3806/1245/Dc 29w	KZ5JF 3809/0505/Dc 21w	HK0BKX 3805/1050/Dc 21w
CO2AA 3814/0405/Dc 29w	DJ5PN 3796/0520/Dc 29w	SM5BLA 3797/1515/Dc 29w

FCC Random sampling of mail-examination licenses are continuing through call-ups for examinations at FCC examination points. Also being undertaken is inspection of log books in several situations. One is where SSTV "Playboy" picture transmissions is alleged; another is in a case of interference with net operations and a third is a random sampling in connection with license renewals to ascertain that activity requirements have been met.

Some feeling that the FCC is putting a bit of teeth into their enforcement procedures.

INTRUDER WATCH As a result of the JA-Quiet Hour early in January, spectrum photographs and summaries are being made available to some of the Intruder Watches around the world. JALAN is handling the distribution of the study.

USSR Intruders are reported to be down recently in the twenty/fifteen meter bands, though this is possibly a change in frequency usage due to winter conditions. However their teletype is attempting to fill all the crevices between the broadcast stations in the 7mc band.

Recently attention has been given to some twenty meter phone groups, and these may possibly be in other bands, which include at least one woman and usually speak in Spanish. These are running phone patches at times but call-signs seem to be entirely absent. Some of these appear to be an XEL running business traffic with an a.m. signal in the 14070=14095kc area. This may be rather widespread and beam headings indicate possible stations in California as well as Central America. Often the traffic being handled is commercial business in the medical field.

Write the ARRL if you are interested in helping with the INTRUDER WATCH. Its the positive way to help clean up the bands.

