

SOUTHEAST ASIA A letter from John Van Lear, 9M2IR, is printed below and may give some insight into problems facing the amateur in some of the countries there on the lower edge of the Asian continent.

I have just returned from Burma and Cambodia and would like to pass on some news. I visited XZZKN in Rangoon, and thanks to some louse that bootlegged with his call and caused people to send QSLs; and the fact that some rebel undercover station was operating in Tara's area, the Burmese Police confiscated all of XZZKN-Tara gear and his oldest son is now in jail as Tara was not at home at the time of the police visit. This is very serious as Tara has not operated for several years.

I get a little upset with people that want to get someone on the air from Burma so they can get one more country for DXCC and ignore the fact that the person operating from Burma runs the risk of going to prison. This is NO JOKE and it would be a good question to ask those who apparently need this country so bad if they are willing to compensate a person for the time spent in prison.

I did warm up my 'analyzer' a bit and the 'propagation' from Rangoon to Malaysia is good....but I was not prepared to risk my freedom for some guy who is going to write to the Burmese Telecoms and try to get permission to operate like me. This is the biggest drawback to operating undercover from Burma....not the monitoring stations but the eager letter writer who blows it.

There are several of the local hams in Rangoon trying to get permission to operate from the University there but any real operation is not likely for sometime. The Burmese government just does not like people to operate transmitters.

Should anyone work a station signing an XZ2-call, and the call is in the Call Book, DO NOT SEND HIM A QSL DIRECT. This may have the holder of the call ending up in jail and this is not funny at all.

The licensing of XU1AA has been finalized and there will be no more general use of the call XU1AA. The station will only be operated from the licensed location at the University in Phnom Penh and mainly by Yong, XU1VS.

A telegram to the ITU from Cambodian authorities should be sent any day now, giving the green light for all XU1 operations instead of only XU1/A. When I get to Phnom Penh again I will operate as XU1IR.

please advise that there should be no one writing direct to the cambodian authorities for a possible license as it may only fuul up things generally. The Cambodian Government is not inclined to issue any licenses for Dxpeditions so this can be forgotten for the time being.

One of the problems encountered by hopeful QSL senders was the inclusion of cash for QSLs...this generally meant that the card request did not get to XU1AA at P.O. Box 484 as the mail is being opened and censored due to the war conditions prevailing in Cambodia.

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I have been sending out QSL cards for XU1AA but I am still waiting for the logs for Tony's operation from 9 June to 26 June and Chester's (XV5AC) operation of XU1AA in mid-July. Otherwise I have all the logs and will try a 14-hour turn around of QSL cards when I am home.. Hi...

73, John

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NORFOLK ISLAND VK2BCV, A H Sandilands, will be signing VK2BCV/VK9 from Norfolk Island for three or four weeks commencing September 8th or thereabouts. No frequencies are given but it is suspected that SSB may be the most prevalent mode.

QSLs go to the Golden Gate QSL Bureau, 71 Surrey Street, San Francisco, Ca. 94131.

Sase or sae avec IRC is a must...

IRCS W6ISI at last report still had about 1500 QSLs left and is selling them in blocks of 20 at \$3.00 a block...sase needed along with the remittance. Also with a few to accomodate the needy QSLers is Fred Shidel, Bx 932, Idyllwild, Calif. 92349 who has an excess on hand which he will graciously dispense for the \$3.00 per 20 IRCs. Send sase etc. Buy 1000 at a time and you may dispense with the sase.... \$150.00 will bring the 1000 postpaid.. Red Tag Lays for sure!!

SHORTLY NOTED CR9BK was heard in the All Asia Test....14036kc at 1540z on the 27th.

JY9FB who was on recently QSLs to Bx 500, Willowgrove, Fenna 19090. TJ1BF goes
to WA4WTG.

Another station./..FHOCE showed to add to the comoro availables with FHODL still in there. QSLs for JY6FC are being handled by K6AQV. ZS2MI has been back on the air....some say one receiver was out....but complain not. Just work him. Some unusual conditions last week....ten meters opening up well and 15 meters open from the West Coast to SEAsia almost to 2000Z on some days.

speaking of IRCs, one fellow reports that he went to his post Office and asked for a w...fifteen cent stamp and a R.Cu. The clerk gave the stamp but advised that they did not have soft drinks. Son of a Gun, rather hard to believe. Everyone in the postal service knows what IRCs are...right??

There are many excuses for post-midnight operations but one southern california amateur claims an earthquake woke him and before he could get back to sleep at 3:00 a.m. he worked ZS2MI/457AS/YBØAT/VK9AJ.

AC3PT was working Z56s on August 27th....14252kc/1415z. The station is on a lot more often than one would suspect. In the Florida DX club DX REPORT, YA1GNT tells that AC3PT is quite active and that he has had several Q50s with him, one being a half-hour rag chew. YA1GNT says he often hears AC3PT calling 'CQ' with no takers. The best hours would be in the 1500=1600Z slot. This confirms what JAs have reported. AC3PT is often on the air. Some suspect that the main lobe of his signal is straight up....

KM6AY....ex KR6AY....will be coming home this December and will pick up the accumulated QSIs from the erstwhile QSI manager. This one got married and lost interest in his QSI duties. Some have a strange sense of values....

VK9JW QSLs are being received in large quantities but many asking about OJØSUF/ PYØWH and UK1ZFI. We have tried inquiries in recent weeks on some of these...but no word as yet. Hold on....tomorrow may be a brighter day!

FH8CE on comoro is on Mondays/Wednesdays/Fridays at 2200z for running a list taken by W8BT...14219kc etc. OSL direct the time being...there may be a QSL Manager before long. Some prais & K6ZTF for the fast turn-around on 9M6HM QSLs.

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ASIA	SSB		11:205/0270/ 20-	** (A T)*	vs 14251/0235/Aug 24w
AC3PT	14252/1415/Aug 27zs	MP4TDM	14285/0230/Aug 27e	Y1.1B	
EP2TW	14225/1330/Aug 26m#	OD5FU	21349/1750/Aug 28w	4s7A1	
HL9TV	14218/1230/Aug 30w	VU25DX		4s7A	
HM1 AQ	14227/1050/Aug 25e	VU25AA.			7
HM1DK	14215/1320/Aug 23w	vs6d0	14252/1225/Aug 26m		
HS3AGP	14225/1440/Aug 29w	VS6BS	14202/1400/Aug 29w	723A	
JTØAE	14212/1530/Aug 23w	V\$9MB	21330/1530/Aug 20m	9K2M	
JD1 ADG	14263/1210/Aug 30w	XV5AC	14247/1415/Aug 23w	9K5VI	
JY9FB	14275/2325/Aug 24e	UK7NAM	14205/1605/Auh 28w		
JY4IA	21272/1750/Aug 25e	YATIM	14200/0200/Aug 26e	HS4AI	HV 21319/1945/Aug 29w
JY9YL	14244/1415/Aug 23w	YK1 AA	14207/1430/Aug 25m	#	
EUROPE.			11.191/05/15/15	TTO ETTE	14205/0410/Aug 23w
Ç31BY	14214/0205/Aug 25e	OE1JRW	14181/0545/Aug 28w	UO5PK	
C31BL	14213/2235/Aug 23e	OZ7PH	14266/0615/Aug 23w	UR2MG	14213/0435/Aug 28m
C31BY	21310/1520/Aug 25e	SV1FT	21300/4920/Aug 24w	UT5FN	14207/0355/Aug 25e
CT1GQ	21252/1900/Aug 24w	SVØWU	14212/0400/Aug 24m	UY5ZT	14215/2105/hug 26w
CT2BH	14201/0410/Aug 23w	SVØWUU	21286/2030/Aug 29w	AO5BW	14205/2130/Aug 26w
EA6BJ	21355/1650/Aug 26m	SVØWU	21350/1940/Aug 28w	YO3JA	21276/1800/Aug 24w
GC2TR	21280/1920/Aug 24w	WA4/TF	21353/1720/Aug 23e	ZB2A	14208/2340/Aug 27m
IT9SPW	21324/1620/Aug 26w	UB5AIX	14205/0420/Aug 24w	ZC4DS	21267/1945/Aug 24w
LX1BW	21325/2020/Aug 26m	UD6ER	14208/0330/Aug 23w	5B4KP	21289/1910/Aug 24w
LZ1CC	21.325/1535/Aug 20e	UK2GAF	14212/0600/Aug 24w	4U1ITU	21295/1515/Aug 26m
M1I	21360/1545/Aug 24e	UK3AAO	21370/1610/Aug 23e	9H4D	21353/1600/Aug 24w
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	RES SSB		10.04.01.5/		11.054 /071/5 /
A35WT	14202/0500/Aug 23w	KG6JBC	14210/1245/Aug 26w	Abs AVW	14251/2345/Aug 22e
CO2FA	14225/2200/Aug 26w	KG6SL	14210/1215/Aug 24e	VP2KF	14222/2240/Aug 20e
CO8GL	14213/0150/Aug 20m	KP4DEX	28555/1830/Aug 26w	VR4EE	14245/0645/Aug 27w
co8os	14163/0335/Aug 25w	KP4DLW	21365/1955/Aug 29e	WR4USA	14317/1615/Aug 21w
CX6AM	28560/1720/Aug 29e	KX6KD	14320/1120/Aug 25e	YB31.AY	14280/1120/Aug .24e
DU1FB	14208/1430/Aug 26m	LU9EAK	28560/2115/Aug 29e	YB9UA	14250/1225/Aug 26m
DU1UST	14218/1230/mug 30m	OX3AF	14190/2235/Aug 2 2e	YBØJC	14250/1240/Aug 26m
DU1REX	14205/1225/Aug 22e	TI2IT	28595/1730/Aug 29e	YBØABE.	14251/1310/Aug 28e
FP8CZ	14205/0130/Aug 28e	PT2MI	14220/0050/Aug 20w	VJ8BD	14206/1415/Aug 24w
FP8DH	14205/0200/Aug 28m	UA1GZ/mm	14228/0750/Aug 24w	YV5DIH	28605/2045/Aug 28e
FM7WE	28618/1920/A g 25e	VK9CC	14264/1105/Aug 24e	ZK1CD	14281/0705/Aug 26w
FM7WN	14225/1120/Aug 23e	VK9ZB	14218/1300/Aug 26m	ZK1CD	21275/0135/Aug 25w
HKOOA	14262/0105/Aug 24e	VK9XI	14205/1735/Aug 28w	3D2FM	14281/0705/Aug 26w
HKØBKX	21355/1840/Aug 21e .	VK9AJ	14250/1030/Aug 27w	SP6AE	14215/1400/Aug 27w
HISUT	14269/0105/Aug 26e	AKQJA	14182/1230/Aug 26m	8P6EQ	14210/2020/Aug 23e
ксбнс	14245/1450/Aug 26m	VP1BH	21283/2030/Aug 26w	8P6AJ	28573/1930/Aug 24e
KG4FS	21357/1540/Aug 30w		28582/2110/Aug 28e	9Y4T	28616/1820/Aug 26e
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FORTY & EIGHTY DESK					
C21TL	7228/1120/Aug 19w	C21DC	3806/1040/Aug 24w	KP4AN	3807/1000/Aug 27w
JY9FB	7090/0140/Aug 23e	CE8AA	3807/1040/Aug 27w	KX 6VV	3805/1020/Aug 24w
KC4USN	7237/;0625/Aug 28w	CP1EU	3807/1040/Aug 27w	LU2FCB	3807/Q950/Aug 27w
PJ2AF	7030/0325/Aug 18e	DU6BG	3807/1300/Aug 27w	VK2RS	3695/1200/Aug 18w
VP7co	7030/0230/Aug 19e	HK3VK	3807/0940/Aug 28w	VK6CF	3695/1240/Aug 18w
VP8ME	7228/0840/Aug 21w	кс6јс	3807/0800/Aug 21w	VP7CQ	3530/0240/Aug 19e
VRAAA	7088/0625/Aug 29w	KG6JBD	3807/1050/Aug 27w	VP8ME	3805/1020/Aug 19w
9V10P	7013/1400/Aug 27w	KG6SL	3806/1025/Aug 24w	VR1AA	3825/0630/Aug 29w
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(e = eastern states m = middle states w = western reaches zs = south africa etc)
(# = long path all times in gmt ???? son of a Gun, it's glim on Cray Island again!)

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NORFOLK ISLAND
EASTER ISLAND
SERRANA BANK
BRITISH PHOENIX
LORD HOWE
MARCUS

EUROPE-DARC TEST RSGB 21/28mc TEST LU AMERICAS TEST VK/ZL OCEANIA TEST VK2BCV/VK9 from Sept 8th for three or four days...
September 9/10th by CE6EF
October 26-31st by KZ5ZF & Co.
VR1W from mid-September
October 12-18th by VK2BQQ
Contest activity due last part of October. JD1ADG on right now.
Phone portion....September 9/10th.

October 7/8th
October 8/9th
October 7/8th

PREPARE!! The busy days are ahead. As Lord Baden-Powell, the Hero of Mafeking, would often say: BE PREPARED!!!!

SEE HOW WE RUN.... A half century ago there was a fable in one of our school books about the man who tried to please everyone and ended up by pleasing no one. Sometimes we suspect this has happened to us.

For a number of years we ran the pages of the WCDXB reversed, one side in one direction, the other side in the other. We did this so they could be filed on arch=board files with the file-holders at the top. You flip the pages to read and the reverse print kept everything in order.

so some kept asking to change so it could be filed for posterity in side-ringed binders. Trying to be accommodating and figuring that perhaps we were the only ones wishing the flip-top method of filing, we changed the printing runs so that they were all in the same direction....

Did we find happiness Heck No!!

We immediately got and continue to get complaints and imprecations....and requests that we return to the former system of running the bulletin. We figured that after a while most would get used to the new s stem and the complaints would dwindle...they have notees

so being naturally devious....we are returning to the reversed system of printing.... which is real convenient for those filing in top binding. If you do not bind it makes little difference....

We tried to please everyone but ended up with a lot of complaints that we figured we could not satisfy and definitely we can not satisfy everyone... so at this point all we can say is to try the top binding....you will like it. We are printing the bulletin back in the original format to make it easy for you. Awfully kind of us, we think.

FANNING VR1AQ/VR3 showed up from Fanning unexpectedly the last week in August....seems like Hank had engine trouble and had to put in for some work on the propulsion unit. He expected to be there until the end of the month. Hank was at the low end of twenty on c.w. and said to QSL to K3RLY should you have caught him. He was at 14003kc at 1130Z on August 26th..

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SUNSPOT LOUIE

There are five scattered spots on this chart, all in the small to medium size category. It will be noted that they are evenly distributed along the sun's equator.

previously it has been noted that most spots appear within 30° of the equator and that is the reason for the close alignment of these spots across the sun. The bottom spot was just appearing and the upper one disappeared to the back of the sun on the day of the observation. The large 40,000 miles in diameter spot which appeared July 31st disappeared to the back of the sun on August 10th. If still active it

Remains of larger spot that caused disturbed conditions in Aug 72 May 18zok

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Direction of rotation ...

was due to reappear on August 24th. One spot did appear on that date and is indicated chart. It is now only an ordinary small spot and there does not appear to be any likelihood of magnetic storms at this time from this one. Conditions have improved in the last week with 15 mtrs real good and 10 mtrs opening on N/s paths.

TNX to W1AM, WA2BCK, WA2DHS, W2FXA, WB2YQH, WA2MBP, K4FRY, W4HU, WB5KZG, W4TUC, W4UF,

WASEMH, WASLES, WSQBM, WSUBW, K6AQV, K6EC, WDX6GXV, W6HRE, W6JZS, W6KYA, K6LAE, W6OKK, WA6MWG, W6ONZ, W6TCQ, W6TSQ, W6TTS, W6VBI, WB6WIM, W7PFZ, W7QK, W7TE, W7VRO, W7YTN, W8OA, W8COG, W8ZOK, W9DDL, W9DRL, WØJRN, WØYDB, OK3BG.

VEST COAST DX BULLETIN published every week by the Marin County DX Group. One of the local QRPers was feeling rather low last week, saying: "seems that whatever I do, I am always being told that it is either wrong or not quite up to expectations". We thought of this a bit as it would seem to run counter to the odds they used to print in the Morning Telegraph. So we asked the Old Timer about the matter. The Old Timer thought for a bit and then said: "part of the problem is that the QRPer has a lot of very smart friends who are prepared to always tell him what he is doing wrong. The rest of the problem is that they are determined to exercise their inherent rights to display how clever they are". Son of a Gun, what could we say? We are still not sure what the QRPer can do with his smart and clever friends...but \$9.00 will bring you the DX news for a full year. \$10.50 brings it airmail. Frankly, we don't know whom the Old Timer was referring to but we are sure that it's none of us.....

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