Red Eyed Louie's West Coost DX Rulletin

SPRATLY Transportation on the Spratly effort disappeared at the last minute and left the group ready and willing but no way to get to the island. As of last week-end the operation was in the 'postponed' status until some other transportation can be lined up.

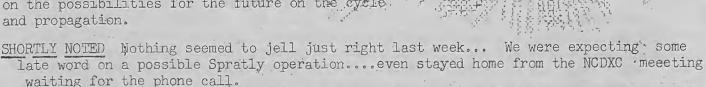
VS6DR on last Thursday indicated that they expected a two to three week delay in their plans but were still determined to go. Is soon as the logistics problems can be worked out, it is expected that the tent tive dates for the Spratly effort will be named. At this time it would appear that patience may be a virture....though not a very satisfying one.

- SYIMA WAIHAA and SVØWJJ visited the ARRL DXCC Desk last week trying to unwind the threads of the QSL situation. Apparently things were all worked out and Bill, WAIHAA is starting to mail out QSLs for the Mt. Athos effort.

 As of last Tuesday he was starting to put cards into the mails. It is expected that possibly the February QST will carry the date for the acceptance of the Mt. Athos QSLs for DXCC credit.
- UPPER VOLTA W1AM will be departing for West Africa this coming week and will be gone for three weeks. Art expecting to pick up XT2-license on arrival if he can satisfy all the paper requirements. Art plans to concentrate on 3.5mc and 7.0 mc efforts while on the trip and also hopes for 6W8-Senegal and TU-Ivory Coast operations. As of last week he had his visa for Upper Volta but was still waiting for the license. Should he not get his own license, he planned to use the facilities at some of the existing stations if
- MONACO The plans for a 3AD-Monaco operation by K4DJC and K4UWJ ran into the problems of licensing and was cancelled when they could not make sure that the license would be available on arrival. Initially, are mgements for the license were made last November but changes in the procedures as noted by Karl, VESRA, on his trip there a few months back, made the question of a license doubtful and the trip was scrubbed. It is possible that the trip will be reinstated at a future date...will the matter of a license is not a problem. In other words, they will have it clutched in their hand before heading for the Mediterranean.
- Ministry of Foreign Affairs there in Thimphu that there is a standing order from the Bhutan government that no visitors will be allowed to enter the country until the end of 1973. It was also noted that after the restrictions were lifted that only packaged tours of six to ten persons would be permitted. The JA-group are also looking to a A51-effort with the Japan DX Radio Club looking at both Bhutan and Sikkim for the Spring of this year. The JDXRC has already shipped gear to Bhutan and their plans include operation from 160m thru 10 mtrs.
- MIDDLE EAST W5ZD often acting as m.c. from 1500Z around the 14245kc country for a couple of the difficult ones including 9K2AU, MP4TEE and 4W1BC among others. Usually on the long path and peaking on the West Coast around 1745Z.

SUNSPOT LOUIE One spot was visible when this observation was made on January 14th. This one was about 10 000 miles in diameter. For a few days prior to this observation no spotswere seen and band conditions were not exactly jumpting.

Sun spots cycles are not exact 11 year periods and the '11 year cycle' may vary from a low of 7 years to a high of 17 years between peaks. The January CQ should have an article by W3ASK on the possibilities for the future on the cycle and propagation.



Saturday a letter from VS6DR giving the details. Rushed off a big issue...even sent it airmail out of state so that all the faithful would have ample warning to be on the alert. Wednesday night the phone call came...VS6DR called from Hongkong to say the transportation had evaporated at the last minute. A week earlier and things probably would have been slick...

Then the Monaco effort out of 4-land ran into licensing problems. Son of a Gun... Why does all of this happen to the DXers....who deserve better?? Anyhow, the Spratly effort is still alive and hopefully will come as soon as some new transportation is arranged. Keep hoping...everything comes to those who wait. it comes eventually. SUIIM having some difficulties and reports through KoKA that he has not heard any. W/K stations for over two months. His SUPER-PRO giving trouble and he hunts in the 12mhz to 15mhz area trying to find the amateur band. When he finds what shounds like twenty meters, he aims for a spot low on the c.w. end. A 100kHz oscillator would do little good..he needs a 1mhz oscillator. Ibrahim says he will say on the air as long as he can manage to make the SUPER PRC produce..but may have to go off the air. Also via KoKA is word that Yonten passes along the word that the government there has purchased some FT DX 401 transceivers and Pradham will continue to operate while Yonten is in Australiz. He was supposed to depart January 17th for a year in Sydney studying English and possibly some electronics.

WA1HAA started handling QSLs for VP5LD on Trand Turks from January 7th. VP5LD only on twenty at this time. K4KA is looking for any DX Station that may need a stateside QSL manager. WA6AHF also handling the QSLs for OX5BA, WB4LDK/VR, VR1PA. 9M8OEA and 9M8SPD now in the Philippines and behind on QSLing after their gear was rifled enroute to them from Taiwan. Present address is Charles E Schaub, Regional Relay Facility, PSC #2, Box 19047, APO San Francisco 96274. They will be there until August 1973 and Suggest sending another QSL if you are still looking for a 9M8 card. If you have not a card for TTSAC yet, you might try WA4MUE or even DJ1LP.

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UCANDA 5%5NK plans to listen for W/K stations on 40/80 SSB this coming Saturday from 0000Z to 0400Z. The action will start in the 3790-3800kc area and then move to the 7085-7100kc slot for the 40 meter fans. The station is often on twenty meters from 1530Z just above the low edge of the American phone band and a chance to make schedules on 40 or 80 might be available.

This is 0000Z on January 27th

ELSEWHERES...SSB

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DU9VVL	14320/1200/Jan 7hs	VP1PA	14240/0630/Jan 14w	3D2AN	14265/0715/Jan. 9e
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FY7AE	21290/2015/Jan 6lu	VP2GRN	21304/1825/Jan 11m	6Y5RS	14207/1735/Jan 11hs
HC2LX	14279/1225/Jan 12e	VP2ME	14235/1330/Jan 11m	6Y5GB	14186/2310/Jan 10w
HR1RSP	14201/1245/Jan 9hs	VP2MW	14282/1210/Jan 12e	8R1UGF	21356/1800/Jan 9e
KP4DPB	28500/1930/Jan 6lu	VP2MJ	14202/1210/Jan 12e	WA 478R2	21337/1735/Jan 10e
KG4FM	21418/1455/Jan 14e	VP2SAB	14194/2250/Jan 11e	9Y4LF	14294/2345/Jan 9w
KH6HNR	28595/2050/Jan 11e	VPSLP	14205/0125/Jan 13w	9Y4VU	14230/1415/Jan 11w
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CARIBBEAN : NET

The Caribbean Net meets most days at 7160kc starting at 1030Z, this being the new frequency for this net. Generally conditions are open to all parts of the country at this time including the West Coast. A partial list of stations checking in more or less regularly follows:

PJ2CE.	VP2DAJ	VP2VAM	KV4FZ
PJ7RO	VP2GBL	VÝ2SAM	8P6AJ
PZ1DF	VP2LL	VP2SBH	9Y4T

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CQ 16Ontr TEST FRENCH TEST FRESNO INTERNATIONAL SPRATLY PY2WH still looking for early February from St. P&P, Fernando de Noronha and Rocas

January 26-28th

CW go-round .. January 26-28th

April 7th and 8th at the Fresno Hilton..the Big Weekend. ..Delayed. Possible after the 1st of the month

OOTC-FLORIDA K4NE has been organizing a Florida Chapter of the OOTC and would like to hear from OOTC members in Florida. The OOTC Net meets Sundays at 1900Z on 7254kc. K4NE reports 50 charter members with 40 more applications on hand.

YVØAA The station operated on all bands as advertised and reports of contacts on all frequencies from 160mtrs through 10 mtrs have been received. More information on the operation should be in hand shortly and will be reported.

GRAND TURKS W6MAR was in Turks/Caicos in connection with his work a few weeks back and shipped a 14AVQ with the equipment going there for the work assignment. This was delivered to VP5RF which improved his signal a bit.

VP5RF now has a dipole for 80mtrs and the 14AVQ and also works 160mtrs. He will QSY for 5BDXCC. His QSLs go direct to VP5RF at..Robin Francis, Bx 78, Grand Turk

Island, BWI.

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VP5GR was signed by W6MAR, Glenn Rattman, during his stay there...this one QSLs to W6MAR CBA. Glenn was in Hawaii for the CQ CW Test, then to Grand Turks for $2\frac{1}{2}$ weeks and up to Wisconsin for a visit. The natives in Wisconsin could not understand why he did not consider their 18 weather a heat wave in January....

BRITISH PHOENIX VR1AA has relayed his operating habits through W2OVC and Dan has the following activity schedules:

0530Z 14 000kc to 14 225kc 0600 Either 14mc or 7084kc 0630 3785kc to 3800kc 0700 QRT

Weekends Dan operates ten and fifteen from 1800Z to 2400Z with the fifteen meter frequency around 21300kc-21325kc and ten meters around 28500kc+.

WC4SFF This call will be signed by the West Palm Beach Radio Club at the South Florida State Fair from January 26th to February 4th. QSL to W4HAW

OUR SPLENDID WORLD DX JA1KSO still seeking input for the planned publication of the Japan DX Assn. Nobs looking for DX Stories, recounts of DXpeditions and other DX information. Send to Nobuyasu Itoh, Japan DX Assn, Box 7, Aobadai, Yokohama, Japan 227.

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PANAMA RADIO CLUB A note from Juan Chen, HP1JC, advises why he has been absent from his usual haunts. Juan writes:

The YN-Nicaragua disaster took us as a surprise and in 18 hours the Liga Panamena de Radio Aficionados, dur up their last \$450.00 to buy a light, portable Honda 2.5kw generator, loaded some gasoline and drinking water and was in Managua and on the air by Saturday at 2300Z.

We ran traffic for twenty hours a day and most of this due to propagation conditions was on 40 and 75 mtrs and we operated with all the YN 3,4,5,6,7,8,9 etc calling us

just about all the time.

An FT-101 was donated to a Nicaraguan radio group, this handled some of the international traffic including an early request to Cuba for medical aid and medics. After the fifth day the U.S Communications facilities took over most of the load and we stayed on to handle phone patches and other calls for communications. A HC mobile left Managus the Saturday after the earthquake at 0230 in the morning a put out the news on 20 mtrs. A W6 and K4 refused to handle the emergency traffic and a kind K5 and a WB9 did pay for the long distance calls to Washington to the International Red Cross. By 1250Z there was a cargo plane loading medical and hospital personnel at Miami.

TNX to W1AM, WA1HAA, W1QV, WA2BCK, W2OVC, W3CDL, W4BRB, W4EH, W4HU, W4KA, K4NE, W4NJF, W4UF, W5PAQ, WA5AHF, W6APW, K6AQV, K6GLC, WDX6GXV, K6LAE, W6MAR, WA6MWG, W6OKK, K6RXZ, K6SX, W6TSQ, W6TTS, K6WD, K6UFT, W6VBI, K6WR, W6YHT, WB6ZUC, W6-6963, W7JHO, W7TE, W8OA, W8ZOK, W9DDL, W9MIJ/4, WA9VOL, W9JRN, W9YDB, KV4AM, KV4FZ, HP1JC, HS4AGZ,

JA3GZN, VE6BAA, LU7QB.

WEST COAST DX BULLETIN Published every week by the Marin County DX Group. One of the local QRPers came by last week, his crusader blood boiling. He got right to the point. "You know", he said, "I've been studying things and what the ARRL needs is leadership and initative and flexibility to meet the changing factors which face Amateur Radio. And unless we get some of these, Amateur Radio as we knew it, loved it and cherished it will be lost". We thought this over for a bit and finally asked: "What have; you done to advise your ARRL Director about this?". The QRPer beamed. "Say, we really do have a fine Director and he certainly understands our problems. And he works hard at the job but all his efforts mean nothing unless we have leadership and initative and flexibility in the ARRL. We must have it there in Newington". You know we thought this over for a bit and we finally asked the Old Timer about this. The Old Timer thought a bit and finally said: "Don't wake him up!!". Son of a Gun, what could we say??

We didn't even know that the QRPer was asleep. Some times we have trouble understanding that Old Timer but it's clear as the January moon that \$9.00 will bring you DX conundrums for a full year...\$10.50 brings it by airmail

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