

Red Eyed Louie's West Coast DX Bulletin

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SPRATLY If all went well, and you have been listening, you should have been hearing some of the pileups on 1S1A by the time you receive this bulletin.

The Spratly expedition departed Saigon around 1000Z on Friday, dropped down the river to the sea and headed for Spratly. Initially it was figured that they would arrive in the vicinity of the island just under 48 hours but the weather in the China Sea was not exactly favorable and word Saturday morning off the SEANET was that they were figuring travel time to be about 72 hours.

All other plans were unchanged...the frequencies for SSB should be:

3805kc 7070kc 14195kc 21250kc 28550kc

with the group listening as directed. CW frequencies should be in the lower portions of the c.w. bands. QSL to W1YRC.

This effort which includes VS6DR, HS3DR, XV5AC, CR9AK, HA4AGN plus others has stuck to its determination to put on a Spratly operation in spite of recurrent road-blocks. The final one would seem to be the weather which might be expected to deteriorate in the Spratly area with the onset of the monsoon season. As of the week-end they were on the way.....

OGASAWARA/IWO JIMA A group of KAs will be on the island next month during the CQ WW WPX Test and will operate all bands, 160mtrs thru 10 mtrs signing KA1CQ. This is the group which operated on Marcus last year and they hope to improve the operation with the experience gained there.

Those scheduled to participate in the trip are: KA2AS, KA2BL, KA2DF, KA2BW, KA2DX, KA2RG and KA1IW. It is possible that there will be some more along on the trip.

The frequencies will be:

1900kc 3537kc 7080/7100kc 14195kc 21300kc 28580kc

Split frequency operation for 80 thru 10 mtrs is indicated. QSLs will be handled by Ruben, WA6AHF with the sase or sae/IRC routine.

Steve, KA2AS, presently is in Korea signing HL9TS and is on most evenings around 14220kc from 0230Z.

ALDABRA VQ9HCS will be finishing up two years on Aldabra next month and and probably will go to the U.K for a bit before returning to the Indian Ocean area. Band conditions have been improving and his signal has been getting through to the West Coast on some mornings.

Harry is also often found on the SEANET at 14320kc from 1200Z and also is found around 14240kc or 21325kc. His operating time is from 1200Z to 1800Z most days when bands are open. His birthday is this coming Saturday, February 17th and the 19th will be the end of his second year on Aldabra.

After finishing the tour on Aldabra, Harry has tentative plans to return to England and get his G-license and then return to the Indian Ocean some time in the future. Possibly Harry will be showing from another hard-to-get spot in the area there again in the future, his Aldabra operation which started last October has resulted in several thousand Aldabra QSOs....which go to WA1HAA for QSL purposes.

SUNSPOT LOUIE Conditions for making observations have not been exactly good in the last week or so, the cloudy skies effectively masking the sun. Thus this week there is no chart from the W8ZOK solar observatory.

Conditions during the ARRL DX Test a week back were not good but did improve noticeably in the week following. Those drumming their fingers on the rig while waiting for Spratly last week did note that conditions had improved. If all goes well and the sun breaks through, maybe next week we will be back with the spotted reports....



SHORTLY NOTED The ARRL ended 1972 with a gain in membership of 2.5% with the full membership totaling 84400 in the U.S. and 3576 in Canada. During 1972 the North-western Division had an increase of 7.1%; Roanoke of 6.6% and the Southeastern of 7.2% to lead them all. The Great Lakes and Pacific Divisions had fractional declines in membership and the New England Division was down 1.3%. The Atlantic Division has the largest membership, having 9959 full members, followed by the Great Lakes with 8577 members and the Central Division with 8078 members. The Rocky Mountain Division had the smallest membership with 2142 members.

9X5NA is on every Tuesday, Saturday and Sundays on a schedule at 14210kc at 1600Z and 2000 hrs. Also at 21325kc from 1800 hours. Al will be in Africa for five years and has plans for 9U5-Burundi when things quiet a bit there. Up in the Northwest Corner the Skagit Radio Club is handling his QSL cards thru W7LFA. The club is looking for a 30L1 linear in good condition to ship to 9X5NA..and would like to hear from anyone with a good one in good condition and they will talk prices. They need it by early March as they have transportation lined up to ensure its safe arrival...the transportation leaving in the early part of March.

Down in Southern California they have new officers in the Southern California DX Club and Pete Hoover, W6APW is the new president; Larry Weaver W6JPH the vice-pres; George Torricelli, W6OK, is the Secretary; Wayne Gingerich, W6EUF, the Treasurer and Jack Hollander, WB6UDC, Irv Emig, W6GC and John Alexander, K6SVL, the club directors. In Northern California Iris Colvin, W6DOD, was voted in by acclamation as president to finish the present term of W6HVN who could not continue because of personal matters.

Sometimes we believe that we are getting programmed to the extent that things roll out not the way we intended but rather to cause consternation when we are unprogrammed.

CR9AK is still in Macao where he is the Postmaster General and the only CR9 station that is likely to be on the air for some time. CR9AH, John Alvares, is living in Vancouver, British Columbia. In this instance we even checked the QSL card on the wall from CR9AH and then cut it wrong. CR9AH left Macao when some of the people across the border thought unkindly of him after a bit of rioting in the streets of Macao a few years back.

There is a good possibility that CR9AK and VS6DR will make it to the Fresno International in April. Early in January Phil indicated that this was their plans. More should develop now that they are at grips with Spratly....April 7th and 8th at the Fresno Hilton.

W2OVC who is often in there with VQ9HCS is wondering if some would like to encourage Harry to make future operations in the Indian Ocean. What Lennie has in mind is providing an outboard VFO/Beam/Rotor/Linear kit for Harry when he returns to someplace in the Indian Ocean this Fall. Anyone interested in the idea might get in touch with either Lennie or W2CTO.

The 3E-prefix was started in use February 1st and will be used all month by the HP-Panama Stations to commemorate the 7th Bolivarian Games which will be off and running from February 17th to March 4th.

ST2SA was at 3790/0445 last week...some mid-west stations worked Sid. FP0DX will be on for 3 weeks from February 1st by VE3AYU...and will be on 8 hrs.

ARRL The March QST will carry an announcement which inform the toilers in the DX vineyards that the DXCC/PHONE Award is headed for oblivion. From now on it will be CW/Phone only for DXCC.

This will be on the advice of the ARRL DX Advisory Committee and the change will be effective September 1, 1973. The DXCC Phone Award will be discontinued and no further credits for phone contacts will be added to your DXCC totals after that date. From September 1st until the end of eternity, the DXCC Awards will be issued for CW/Phone only.

If you presently have only the DXCC Phone Award you will continue to get DXCC credit for new countries but these credits will be considered only as credits for your CW/Phone certificate. If you hold both CW/Phone and Phone certificates, you will only get credit for your CW/Phone certificate and nothing further will be credited to your Phone only certificate after September 1st.

This whole thing will be in the March QST and possibly the ARRL will put out a special official bulletin later this month, sometime around the time the March QST is going in the mails.

3B8DA QSLs Some of the suffering sixes can get a 3B8DA QSL by sending theirs plus the usual sase to Cliff Moore, K6KII. Among those on the list who can get a 3B8DA with hardly any effort are:

WA6s SOV, HAE, NGG, MOW, MWG, OET

WB6s LXS, MPA, AQF, ZUC, CSY, HHQ, FDD, VGF, JQP, CWD, CMX, HPJ.

W6s LYC, GGV, UA, OT, CYV, HRE, MUR, JWT, CUQ, YY, MCA, VN, RW, AAO, MAR, AM, LHN, AFI, RR, EJ, WH, UA, AD, AN, FSJ, TZD, QF, BZE, CUF, RTN, MI, MCA, ETM, CXK, MC, PT, CZQ, HRB, JNH, CZQ, WE, MZ, MBA, Kfv, KG, ABN, PM, GSP, EYR, ID, YUS, IAQ, ZTY, PW, EBC.

K6s GLC, HN, OVJ, VA, ZBV, ZDL, RU, NA, LOM, SDR, PF, MQG, EIV, QPH, EC, SFC, SSJ, HTH, RW, UJS, QS, DC, MZB, UA, VNX.

Alex, 3D6DA, would like to have the QSOs confirmed and K6KII has plenty of QSLs. Cliff is also the QSL manager for 3D6A and business is not booming. He needs some mail to fill in those evenings when the bands go out.

VS9AWR!!! For too many of these lonely moons many have thirsted for a VS9AWR to confirm an Aden contact. INTERAM, the International Organization dedicated to tracking down missing QSL cards, has got a hot lead on this one. Wing Commander Reid has been in Holland but apparently has not been active. If you are one that thirsts for a VS9AWR QSL, try.....

Wing Commander W D Reid
Communications and Electronics Division
Hqtrs AFCEHT
BFPO 29
London, England

He will be in Holland until March.....still has the Aden logs..... He will be returning to England soon but does not know where he will be living.

Now if someone writes and asks us the address for INTERAM, we will have to admit that that we do not have it....they call us, we do not call them. Son of a Gun!!!

PREFIX... KV4AM, W4NF and their XYLs will be traveling in Portugal and Spain during most of February and while they are gone VP2MW will be staying at the St. Croix QTH of KV4AM signing VP2MW/KV4.

HAITI HH2JT was on page 70 of the January 29th Time Magazine. This was the picture of Jules Tomar displaying the major Haitian export. If you are wondering what that might be....its baseballs. Jules is showing at the end of a stretch of baseballs...in living color. Check it so you can tell him the next time you work him.

ANDRE/5Z4KL etc Andre will be leaving Kenya in June after spending nine years there and will be returning to Scotland after being 15 years away from the familiar skies there. Back there his call is GM3VLB.

In Kenya Andre has been on the air for six years and has worked 313 countries, needing but one more to make the Honor Roll.

On his hopes for Juan de Nova last December, he reports that right up to the last moment he had hopes of getting a license. Right when he was ready to go he got the word from the authorities in Reunion that they could not "...at this time give permission for FR7J as they were not in a position to welcome him there due to a lack of facilities".

Andre was not looking for the Fresno Hilton but the slowness of the ordinary channels of communication were such that he could not explain that he was a self-contained unit in time to get the license problem straightened out.

However, there is a possibility that Andre will make one more try at it and Juan de Nova may be a reality during the Easter Vacation in the latter part of April. If he does not make it then, he will have to scratch the hopes more or less permanently. 5Z4KL has been operating on 160mtrs for several months, running 70 watts into a 255' longwire which is 45' above ground level at its highest point. Andre still is or was looking for North and South America and Oceania for WAC at the time he wrote.

He is QRV on Saturdays and Sundays from 0230Z to 0330Z on 1826kc +/- and listening around 1800kc to 1805kc. He would like to get a 160mtr WAC before departing Nairobi. Along with VP1BH he has been running the Afro-Caribbean Net on Saturdays and Sundays from 0345Z around 7085kc and ST2SA is often on this lash-up.

The 5Y4X prefix will be used to the end of 1973 to celebrate the 10th year of Kenya independence.

Andre has a boy who is entering high school and a daughter who is not too far behind and his return to Scotland is to continue their education. He needs Tibet, China, Clipperton, South Sandwich, Kamaran, Burma, Iraq, Spratly, Bouvet and 8Z4-Neutral Zone and would appreciate someone getting these on the air before he leaves Kenya. During the six years he has been on the air he has made a number of trips and perhaps one that many will recall is the time he manned a check-point in Uganda for the African Road Race and was trying to do his DXing while keeping an eye for the cars roaring by.

Also, all those various rumors last December that had him going to Aldabra, Astove, Desroches, Farquhar, Glorioso plus a few others had little foundation. All he was trying for was Juan de Nova.

More should be surfacing on the possibility of Juan de Nova during the Easter Season. However, if anyone is going to AC4 during that period, Andre would like to know about it. It would not take much to please him.....

VIET NAM W1YRC has as of last week still not received the delayed XV5AC logs though he is definitely expecting them. Should you be one of those looking for a long awaited QSL for XV5AC, the logs have been promised and in time undoubtedly will come through but W1YRC has not received them as yet. With John Lunsford in on the 1S1A-Spratly effort, there may still be a few weeks of waiting.

The change in the set-up there in Viet Nam should not affect XV5AC as Chester is with the U.S. Embassy there and though the military will pull out, XV5AC should continue to operate. It is also possible that there may be additional XV5 activity surfacing in the future.

SYRIA YK1AA, Rasheed, is said to have retired and is spending most of his day working a bit of DX. He has been showing often just above 14200kc from 1430Z. Recently Rasheed has been saying to QSL direct rather than via INDXA...

CONTEST PUBLICATION A new bi-monthly publication specifically aimed at contestants is being organized in the Minneapolis area and should be announced shortly. The publication will be directed to fill a need for contest information and results and will also provide other information interesting to the contest groups. The first issue is expected to show within three or four weeks and the WCDXB will give you the details.

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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...

AFRICA...CW

CR6AI	28025/1440/Feb	3e	XT2AA	14025/2340/Feb	7w	5R8AA	21045/1800/Jan	27e
EA8URE	14047/2025/Feb	7w	ZE8JW	14048/2015/Jan	31e	5R8BF	14073/1815/Jan	27m
FL8RC	14015/1245/Feb	1e	ZE2KV	14016/1910/Feb	5w	5T5CJ	14043/2300/Jan	27e
TU2DI	21030/1735/Jan	27m	ZS6KT	14012/2010/Feb	1e	5U7AZ	14030/2200/Jan	27e
TU2DF	14089/1845/Jan	28m	3D6AX	14036/1900/Feb	2w	5U7AZ	21027/1750/Jan	27m
TR8PB	14059/2240/Feb	2w	5R8AG	14030/1800/Feb	5w	7Q7RM	28024/1435/Feb	3e
VQ9M	14005/1700/Often		5R8AG	21009/1500/Jan	28e	9L1GC	14011/2010/Feb	1e
7Q7RM	28024/1435/Feb	3e	6W8AL	14073/1815/Jan	27m	9J2XJ	21024/1240/Feb	3e

ASIA...CW

HZ1HZ	21025/1750/Jan	27m	OD5EJ	14035/1625/Feb	5w
JT4AE	14030/0050/Feb	6e	VU2DX	14008/1230/Feb	1e

EUROPE...CW

PC9VN	21022/1600/Jan	28e	HA5KJW	14048/1645/Feb	1w	OZ9UR	21018/1650/Feb	7w
GM6RI	21028/1705/Feb	7w	HA5LW	14045/1600/Feb	1w	PAØLOU	28028/1440/Feb	3e
GI5UR	14030/1820/Feb	5w	JW5CI	14022/1605/Feb	5w	PI1PT	21019/1645/Feb	7w
GW6YQ	14006/1245/Jan	31e	LAØAN	14037/1625/Feb	2w	UB5KAH	14037/1625/Feb	2w
GW3NJW	28025/1425/Feb	3e	LZ1KAU	14037/1645/Feb	2w	UP2OM	14034/1600/Feb	5w
HB9KC	14044/1755/Feb	2w	LZ1KCP	14032/1600/Feb	2w	UPOL-19	14031/1625/Feb	5w
HA3KNA	10445/1610/Feb	1w	OZ7MJ	14045/1550/Feb	1w	9H1BX	14030/2010/Jan	31e

ELSEWHERE...CW

CM8HT	14025/2215/Jan	28m	PY2BIB	21036/1235/Feb	3e	ZF1OC	28026/1520/Feb	3e
CO8HJ	14048/2010/Feb	1e	KC4UST	14021/1550/Jan	31w	ZF1OC	21025/1755/Feb	3e
FG7TG	28022/1445/Feb	3e	VO2AW	14018/1630/Feb	3w	ZL3IS	21026/1945/Feb	3w
FM7WG	14075/1800/Jan	27m	VP2ST	21032/1955/Jan	31e	ZL4FT	14015/1215/Jan	30e
FG7XZ	14037/0120/Feb	2m	VR1AA	21025/1945/Feb	3w	ZL3KK/C	14036/0420/Feb	7m
FO8DL	14027/0305/Feb	1w	WC4SFF	14051/1545/Feb	1w	8P6DR	28027/1420/Feb	3e
PJ2VD	28028/1440/Feb	3e	ZF1SE	14011/2010/Feb	1e			

AFRICA...SSB

A2CEW	14214/1950/Feb	2e	TJ1BG	21325/1720/Feb	1e	5Y4XNH	21222/1810/Jan	28e
A2CEV	21325/1915/Feb	2e	TR8VE	21305/2220/Feb	1e	5Y4XKZ	21325/1820/Feb	5e
A2CCY	21222/1410/Jan	28e	TU2DO	14228/2030/Feb	5m	5Y4XLW	14262/2120/Feb	2m
A2CEW	21287/1800/Feb	4e	TY5ABK	21325/1800/Feb	2m	5H3JL	21324/1755/Feb	2e
CN8CG	14273/2230/Feb	1e	VQ9HCS	21276/1650/Jan	30e	5N2ABG	14216/2030/Jan	31e
CR4BS	21300/2010/Jan	28m	VQ9M	14204/2000/Feb	2e	7P8AD	14227/2030/Feb	1e
CR6RM	21358/2025/Feb	1e	XT2AA	14202/2155/Feb	7w	9G1HE	14207/2230/Feb	5m
CR6HI	14200/2145/Jan	28m	ZS3XQ	14209/1955/Feb	1e	9J2HE	21274/1850/Feb	1m
CR6CN	14195/2200/Jan	28m	ZS3XO	21312/1630/Feb	2e	9J2BL	21310/1840/Feb	5e
CR6OR	21286/1650/Feb	5w	ZD3M	14210/2200/Feb	5m	9J2MA	21326/1815/Jan	30e
CR7RC	21306/1730/Feb	5e	ZD7SD	14216/2020/Jan	31e	9X5VA	21325/1915/Jan	31e
CR7IK	28540/1720/Jan	28e	ZD8RR	14213/2030/Jan	31e	9X5NA	14212/2000/Feb	1e
EA8DY	14252/2020/Feb	5m	ZD8RW	14240/2135/Feb	4e			
EL4E	14221/2250/Feb	1c	ZD9BM	20570/1350/Feb	3e			
EL4D	14205/2150/Jan	28m	ZE6JL	21358/2025/Feb	1e			
ET3USA	14225/2110/Jan	28m	ZS3CJ	28600/1640/Jan	28m			
SU1MA	14212/1600/Feb	5m	3D6AM	21336/1750/Jan	31e			

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AND MORE RED EYED LOUIE.....ASIA...SSB

A4FD	14246/1400/Often	UA9VB	14206/0145/Feb 6w	VU2DK	14212/1315/Feb 1m#
EP2YL	14215/1430/Feb 7w	UA9NT	14220/0145/Feb 6w	YA1OS	14220/1450/Feb 3e
EP2DO	14230/1320/Feb 4e#	UK9FAI	14193/0150/Feb 6w	YB9ABB	14203/1500/Feb 3m
HS4AGZ	14202/1305/Feb 3e	VU2AAA	14207/1435/Feb 4e	YK1AA	14202/1435/Often
HS5AFJ	14205/1250/Feb 4e	VU2SRE	14206/1300/Feb 2e	9C9DO	14211/1340/Feb 2e
MP4BIN	14246/1400/Often	VU2KV	14202/0130/Feb 10m#	9C9RB	14211/1340/Feb 2e
MP4TEE	14246/1410/Often	VU2JM	14208/1450/Feb 1m#	9C9WB	14230/1435/Feb 1m
		9K2AU	14245/1435/Feb 7w	9K2AT	21259/1325/Feb 3e

EUROPE...SSB

EA5AX	14215/1610/Feb 7w	LX1DV	14220/1330/Feb 6e	SV9WE	21415/1515/Feb 4e
EA6BJ	21329/1715/Feb 5w	LX1BR	14223/1610/Feb 5w#	SV9WK	14240/1615/Feb 5w
EW3GR	14210/1200/Feb 1e	M1C	21290/1530/Jan 27m	SV9WU	21415/1500/Feb 4e
HA8KUC	14212/1715/Feb 7w	OE1ZGA	21415/1505/Feb 4e	UK2AAO	14205/1520/Feb 3m
HV3SJ	14211/1900/Feb 5e	OE3XR	21299/1550/Feb 3m	YU1XH	14223/1425/Feb 5m#
IV5ZNY	14206/1715/Feb 5w	OK1AWZ	14215/1430/Feb 5w#	YU4EBL	14203/1645/Feb 5w#
IV5DOF	14201/1620/Feb 5m	OK5IBM	14208/1330/Feb 2e	ZK2CO	21325/1600/Often
IT9ZHA	14221/2005/Feb 1e	PA9ELG	21292/1650/Feb 5w	9H5D	21267/1455/Feb 4e

ELSEWHERE...SSB

CO6RL	21305/1745/Feb 7m	PJ8DX	14209/1230/Jan 31e	VP8KF	14210/0230/Feb 5m
CP1JV	14205/0235/Feb 5m	PJ8DX	21328/1605/Feb 1e	VK6MK	14204/1405/Feb 5m
DU6SF	14221/0315/Feb 9w	TL2KH	28640/2210/Jan 28m	ZF1JF	14248/1245/Feb 2e
DU6JP	14221/0315/Feb 9w	PY2WH	14190/0100/Feb 2m	ZF1RF	14248/1250/Feb 2e
CX4AR	28620/1925/Jan 30e	VK6SD	14205/1320/Feb 1w	ZF1CA	14235/1205/Feb 6e
FM7AB	21324/1740/Jan 31e	VP2SDH	14202/0000/Feb 10w	ZK1CD	14210/1730/Feb 2w
FG7XL	21347/1940/Jan 30e	VP2KH	21287/2205/Jan 29w	ZK2BD	14205/0400/Feb 9w
HI8XHR	28605/2210/Jan 28m	VP2GRN	21306/2010/Jan 31e	ZL2KK/C	14243/0400/Feb 9w
KQ4AM	21430/1850/Feb 2m]	VP2GNE	21380/2355/Jan 28m	6Y5GB	21265/1920/Jan 28m
KQ4USB	14290/0235/Feb 1m	VP2VAN	28540/1840/Jan 27m	8R1U	14220/2325/Jan 28m
KP4AZJ	28610/1730/Jan 27m	WA2/VP7	14276/1230/Jan 31e	4M4AGP	14210/1430/Feb 2e

FORTY/EIGHTY/ONE-SIXTY DESK

A2CCY	7003/0250/Jan 28w	LZ1KDP	7012/2345/Feb 2w	VP2SH	7160/1115/Jan 30kv
CO2DR	7002/0305/Jan 28w	OA4OS	7208/0510/Jan 30w	VQ9M	7014/1420/Feb 2w
CR6NA	7094/0220/Feb 5w	PY7VHB	7031/0310/Jan 28w	VQ9T	7004/1550/Feb 2w
FK8KAA	7016/1220/Feb 3e	TG9CD	7010/0500/Feb 6w	VP2MW	7190/1130/Jan 31kv
W1/HK3	7173/0150/Feb 2w	UA9MAX	7006/1220/Feb 2e	VS6DO	7003/1520/Feb 1w
HC2HM	7002/0305/Jan 31w	UA9FGM	7010/1235/Jan 31e	YU3EU	7009/1545/Feb 1w
HI3AJL	7008/1225/Jan 30e	VK2VA	7025/1235/Jan 30e	YS1AG	7041/0550/Jan 31w
HM5EE	7007/1430/Feb 1w	VK6ZE	7003/1510/Feb 2w	ZF1WE	7160/1120/Jan 31kv
HP1AH	7005/0535/Jan 31w	VP2DH	7170/0215/Jan 29w	5X5NK	7003/1515/Feb 1w
KG6JBO	7091/1150/Feb 2w	VP2LK	7160/1110/Jan 30kv	6W8DY	7092/0800/Feb 7w
KZ5BH	7010/1230/Jan 31e	VP2SBH	7160/1110/Jan 30kv	8P6AO	7160/1110/Jan 30kv
CO2DL	1828/0845/Jan 27e	HB9NL	1828/0125/Jan 28e	VP8KF	1826/0800/Jan 27m
G3SZA	1827/0100/Jan 28e	HR2HH	1828/0125/Jan 28e	YV5CKR	1826/0750/Jan 28e
G3YUV	1827/0210/Jan 28e	KP4AST	1815/0425/Feb 24m	VO1FB	1807/0830/Jan 27e
G6BQ	1827/0516/Jan 28e	KP4DLW	1809/0545/Jan 27m	ZP9AY	1829/0715/Jan 27m
G6UW	1827/0525/Jan 28e	KV4FZ	1809/0405/Feb 4m	6J9AA	1827/0610/Feb 4m
G3XVX	1828/0600/Jan 28e	KZ5LS	1826/0000/Jan 28e	8P6DR	1829/0700/Jan 27e
G3KMI	1827/0655/Jan 28e	LU5HFI	1828/0840/Jan 27e		
G3ZEM	1828/0725/Jan 28e	OA8V	1829/0900/Jan 27e		
G3ZTQ/A	1827/0730/Jan 28e	PJ2VD	1827/0015/Jan 27e		
GM3WDF	1829/0050/Jan 28e	PY1DVG	1828/0630/Jan 27m		
GM3IGW/A	1828/0715/Jan 28e	W4/VP7	1810/0555/Feb 4m		

80 METERS

REPORTS W6CLS, John Steventon, has been hospitalized recently with a heart problems but late word is that things are going well and he should be going home shortly. The Big Signal from the Bay Area should be back plowing through all the QRM before long. Down in Texas W5RG, Tom Gentry, has been visiting the local hospital during January but says that things are now so good that he is thinking of heading to Europe on a month long trip in April.

Max W5GJ Don K5AAD Mary W5MBB Dave WA5ZNY

W1AM/XT2 Art operated from Upper Volta last week but was unable to look for the action on 80/40mtrs as he had planned. On arrival at the airport at Ouagadougou he was shown a letter denying licenses to three French citizens. Art's name was not on the list but that did him little good....he did not get a license. Anyhow, he operated from XT2AA on 15 and 20mtrs, transceive only. There was no c.w. filter and during some efforts to work c.w. last week he had to give up in exasperation. Its not the best way in the world to operate. Anyone who worked Art from XT2AA should QSL to W1AMs CBA as Jack there at XT2AA has all the QSLs he desires. Art was not able to get on during the DX Test and was supposed to wind up things this last week-end. He was there in Upper Volta visiting his son.

BHUTAN Though the possibility of any outsiders getting into Bhutan for an operation this year seem to be hopeless, the Japan DX Radio Club is still aiming for an effort there in 1974. Yonten, A51TY, is presently in Sydney at the English Teaching Center and during 1973 it would seem that A51PN is the sole hope for a Bhutan QSO. A51PN often on the SEANET....14320kc at 1200Z.

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WEST COAST DX BULLETIN Published every week by the Marin County IX Group. Some of the local QRPers were pounding each others ears last week after the club meeting and they started going over their plans for the future when the ice jam breaks on the river and it is Spring all over again. One local Big Gun was aiming to put up long-boom monobanders so that he would ensure that he would catch those four he needs if they ever show up. Another was moving to a hilltop QTH with a horizon at least forty miles in any direction. Then they asked the QRPer who has the problems with the squirrels what his plans were. The QRPer thought for a bit and then smiled. "You know", he said. "I think I'll buy about ten acres of walnut orchard up the valley and invite all the grey squirrels in the county to move in with me" Son of a Gun. Did that break them up....they were hysterical. Everyone but the QRPer. And the more he thought about it, the more he wondered who was expressing a proper sense of values. Imagine feeding squirrels when one might seek a new one that has not been on for twelve years!! \$9.00 for a full year of DX values...\$10.50 brings it airmail..

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