

Red Eyed Louie's West Coast DX Bulletin

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SIKKIM Though it has been possible to get confirmation on the plans for YA1AH for an AC3-Sikkim operation, there has been no report of anyone hearing any AC3=activity up to last Friday.

YA1AH is Arne Hammer and he was due to depart Kabul on March 28th, traveling via India to Sikkim by automobile. Apparently he was hoping to operate from AC3PTs QTH.

Last Thursday there was reports of an uprising in Sikkim with the Prince trying to put things down and calling on India for armed assistance.

Latest word on frequencies were 14195kc...listening 14205kc and up. 21250kc and listening as directed, and 3785kc. Latter is a deduction as the information came through as 3395kc and that for sure is wrong.

Anyhow, the political trouble may finish up what band conditions started.....AC3 is still there and many are willing to work it.

MONTSERRAT W5QBM and W5MYA are back in Texas after operating VP2MYA right up to the end of March. In addition to VP2MYA, VP2MQB was signed by Joe Johnson while on the big effort.

They report that the European signals were quite strong during the operation, S-9 or better being heard most of the time. The total score in the WPX competition should be formidable and they believe they may have a new high total score.

The logs, before culling out any duplicates, ran something like this for QSOs.

<u>3.8mc</u>	<u>7mc</u>	<u>14mc</u>	<u>21mc</u>	<u>28mc</u>	<u>Totals</u>
160	456	1895	1475	120	4106

They will need to do a bit more cross-checking for multipliers before they can run up their tentative score.

All QSOs during the WPX Test should go to the Richardson Radio Club, K5RWK, Box 232, Richardson, Texas 75080. This is for VP2MYA and any QSOs after the close of the WPX Test on March 25th should go to the CBA of W5MYA.

Anyone working VP2MQB should QSL to Joe Johnson, 2508 Big Horn Lane, Richardson, Texas 75080.

The total QSOs during the stay on Montserrat ran just under 7000 for a seven day stay on the island. They are hoping that everyone who needed Montserrat got a contact with them during their stay.

MANIHIKI ZK1MA has been continuing his Tuesday schedules with W6KNH at 14240kc/1700Z.

Often ZK1CD and 5W1AU are also on the frequency. After finishing the schedule with Clyde, Tuatai has been dropping down to 14070kc where he works a goodly number on CW. W6TTS, Gene, who also is usually there on the schedule, reports that Tuatai has been facing some power problems....running out of gas for his generator. Last week he was down to about a week's supply and some efforts were being made to get a supply to him. Gene was asking for some small assistance to keep a supply of gas there and to buy some new tubes for the final in ZK1MA's HW-101 rig. Gene asks that anyone who would like to kick in with a small green one to forward it to W6KNH who will take care of things to keep Manihiki active.

SUNSPOT LOUIE Conditions have been spotty and when this observation was made a week ago there was one group of two, one group of five and a single spot visible on the sun. Conditions during the last week of March were not good but there were some good openings last week. The size of these spots range from 7000 miles to 15 000 miles in diameter. During the period when observations were not obscured by rain clouds, the large group in the center was very active and changes could be noted. During this period WWV was reporting disturbed conditions. By this time the large group will be gone..

GREAT CIRCLE Some months back there was an article in RSGBs RADIO COMMUNICATIONS on Great Circle Charts and you may have seen a mention of these charts in the April Ham Radio Magazine.

Briefly put, these charts are available for great circle paths to 660 DX locations and from 3500 plus locations within the U.S. Thus if you are in a city of 10,000 or more population the charts probably are already worked out. If you live in a rural area, if you give your longitude and latitude, they will supply you with the charts for the great circle bearings from that area.

The charts come on six pages....give the short-path bearing, the milage and the return bearing so that DX Station can zero in on you.

What does all this information cost.....\$1.00 for regular mail or \$1.75 to get it by airmail. You can send 7 IRCs for surface mail and 12 for airmail and it will be immediately sent to you.

How to get this bargain? Write to "Great Circle", 1808 Pomona Drive, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88001. You will be surprised what you will get for that dollar...and it is worth it.

Mt. ATHOS More information on the upcoming Mt. Athos effort should be available next week but at this time it does seem that the date has been put back a week or so and will be either late in April or early in May.

Some W6s airmailed a small amplifier to DL-land last week to be used on the trip. The effort is developing....

VE8RA Karl came out of the Yukon, traveled to the Caribbean and South America and ended up back in British Columbia after having a nice visit in Brazil but little chance to run up a big total of QSOs from any DX spot.

Karl left Canada assured that he could get a PZ-license on arrival in Surinam. After being stalled for four days, they told him that he could not have a license...no reason given. His plans for VP5LD were then hanging in mid-air, all his reservations being some ten days in the future. So Karl cancelled out everything, went on down to Sao Paulo to visit Eva and some other friends there and then came back to VE7-land. Last week Karl was at Fresno for the big DX round-up. One thing, Karl is convinced that there is an advantage to having a license in hand before taking off on a DXpedition. It does save some trouble.

MORE MANIHIKI W6GQU and K6GUY, who were VR3AC last Fall, are planning a trip to Tongareva in last June or early July. They have applied for a call and expect this operation to count as a minum as Manihiki but at the same time they are asking about possible new country status. This island is shown as 'Penrhyn' on some charts and is northwest from Manihiki. If you are trying to locate it on a map, check at 9°S and 158°W....and you will be right in the lagoon.

SLIM... The old boy showed up at least twice in recent weeks. There was 1X1XA at 14007kc/1145Z on March 28th. Said he was 42°N/70°W..on a scientific expedition and those coordinates would have put him somewhere around the tip of Cape Cod. On March 20th there was TY1ON at 14033/1540Z. Said to QSL to K6OZL. K6OZL says he must have a lot of friends but this is not one of them. Sound out that TY1ON and you will get the idea...

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REPORTS FROM RED EYED LOULE

Make me over, Mother April,
When the sap begins to stir!

AFRICA...CW

CR7IZ 14022/1705/Mar 30w
EF3USE 14032/1720/Mar 30w
TU2DQ 14029/2135/Mar 31e
TY1ON 14033/1549/Mar 21??
VQ9M 14050/1225/Often
3B8DA 14041/1610/Apr 5w
9H1HE 14048/1735/Mar 30e

ASIA...CW

JH1YTW 14041/0320/Mar 27w
JE1HJJ 21007/0100/Mar 29w
JT1AO 14050/1210/Apr 2e
UH8DK 14025/0340/Mar 30w
UK7NAA 14020/0335/Mar 30w
UK9CCJ 14021/1155/Mar 28e
UVØEN 14034/0335/APR 3w

UV9DX 14050/0220/Apr 5w
5B4AM 14004/1810/Mar 30w
9M2CW 14031/1600/Mar 28w
9V1RF 14046/1500/Apr 2w

EUROPE...CW

CT1IT 14024/1950/Mar 30w
GW4BCA 14019/1900/Mar 30w
G3KTJ 14008/1730/Mar 29w
HA25KF 14026/1600/Mar 29w
IO8CQF 14043/1715/Mar 27w
JW4EJ 14063/1830/Mar 29w
EA4CR 14023/1605/Mar 28w
LZ2RW 14020/1600/Mar 29w

ON4GU 14010/1725/Mar 30w
ON5IG 14004/1850/Mar 30w
OY2O 14030/2230/Mar 31e
SMØPX 14040/1945/Mar 28w
TF3AW 14015/1855/Mar 30w
UA1PAA 14043/1805/Mar 29w
UA6UO 14035/0250/Apr 4w
UB5SS 14040/1730/Mar 29w

UB5LI 14043/1810/Mar 29w
UB5FAP 14043/1820/Mar 29w
UC2LP 14056/1730/Mar 30w
UK3QAE 14009/1830/Mar 29w
UK5LAO 14012/1830/Mar 29w
UZ2RV 14016/1925/Mar 30w
YU4AVW 21032/1300/Mar 28e
YU3WO 14040/2000/Mar 28w

ELSEWHERE...CW

CE3RF 14022/0110/Apr 2w
CP1JV 14023/0310/Mar 30w
FK8AI 14028/0715/Apr 2m
HKØBKX 14052/2350/Mar 20w
HI8LPN 21040/1950/Mar 29m
HI7JM 14026/2100/Apr 1m
KG4FG 21020/1730/Mar 30w
KG6JAR 14031/0525/Mar 31w
KP4DIW 14035/2120/Mar 30w

KS6EM 14055/0330/Mar 29w
KV4AA 14080/2255/Mar 28w
OX3AX 14027/1740/Mar 31w
PY4AHH 21050/1235/Mar 28e
PY7ND 14028/1210/Apr 1e
PZ9AB 14029/1220/Apr 2e
TI2WX 14026/0100/Mar 30w
TI2CF 14069/2345/Mar 30e
TI2LA 14068/2320/Mar 30w

VK3RF 14092/0740/Apr 1m@
VK7ZD 14041/0830/Apr 1m
VK6WT 14078/0730/Mar 31m
VK9DH 14016/1530/Mar 31e
VK9MH 14050/0700/Mar 31m
VP7BA 14038/0115/Apr 1w
VP9GK 14005/2100/Mar 30w
1X1XA 14007/1145/Mar 28??
8P6AE 14042/2300/Mar 30w

AFRICA...SSB

CN8BO 21354/2040/Apr 1e
CR6OY 14215/2350/Mar 30m
CR6OR 21270/1920/Apr 2m
CR6RJ 21279/1850/Apr 1e
CR6HI 21279/1930/Apr 1e
CR7FR 21312/1830/Apr 1e
CR7FS 21315/1830/Apr 1e
CR7AF 21375/1840/Apr 1e
CT3AS 14212/1145/Mar 31e
EL2DM 21377/1755/Mar 31e
EL7D 14201/1930/Apr 2m

ST2SA 14227/0340/Apr 6e
ST2SA 14240/1400/Often
SU1MA 14316/1620/Mar 31hs
TU2DV 14208/2255/Mar 29e
TJ1BB 14245/2020/Apr 4ke
VQ9MC 21300/1750/Mar 28e
VQ9R 21309/1840/Mar 28e
VQ9R 14240/1400/Apr 3e
XT2AA 14265/2200/Mar 30e
ZD3M 14331/2000/Mar 27m
ZD8RR 21295/2115/Mar 28w

ZE4JH 21353/1930/Apr 1e
ZE1ED 21308/1840/Apr 1e
3B6CF 14232/1630/Apr 4w
6W8AL 21354/1950/Mar 26w
9J2PS 21301/1850/Mar 31w
9J2WS 21301/1850/Mar 31e
9X5NA 14210/2030/Mar 31m
9X5VA 21308/1850/Mar 29e
9X5JC 14200/2010/Apr 1ke
ET3USF 14210/2235/Mar 28w

ASIA...SSB

EP2RR 14221/0330/Apr 5w
EP2DD 14305/1350/Apr 3w
EP2DO 14227/0330/Apr 6w
HS4AGZ 14246/1450/Mar 30m
HM1AQ 14230/0815/Apr 1w
HM1DK 14230/0815/Apr 1w
JR1ISM 21321/0155/Mar 31w

MP4BIN 14213/0405/Apr 5w
OD5GU 14230/1450/Mar 23hs
UKØAAC 14227/0225/Apr 5w
UK9AAN 14208/300/Apr 3e
UL7BAB 14215/0235/Apr 31m
UL7BG 14209/0210/Apr 5w
UK9CAE 14234/0330/Apr 5w

UW9CC 14211/0330/Apr 5w
4X25NJ 14231/1450/Mar 31w
5B4KP 21290/1420/Mar 31e
5B4AO 21327/1535/Mar 31e
7Z3AB 14240/1400/Often
9M2FH 14194/1555/Mar 31m

(e = eastern states m = middle states w = western reaches ke = caroline islands.)
(hs = thailand etc.. all times in gmt @ = rtty ?? = Son of a Gun..it's Slim again!!)

EUROPE...SSB

I6TJR	14203/1535/Apr	1m	M1C	14270/1345/Mar	26hs	ZB2CO	14230/1445/Mar	23w
IV5ZWW	14206/1700/Mar	27w	OZ7PH	14210/1620/Mar	31m	9H1C	21306/1840/Mar	31e
ISØME	21307/1425/Mar	31e	UA1AAW	14233/0415/Apr	5w	9H5D	21271/1845/Mar	31e
LZ1QQ	21309/1430/Mar	31e	UK4WAC	14230/1220/Mar	28e			

ELSEWHERE...SSB

CE3YY	21366/1730/Apr	1m	PZ1DR	14185/0010/Mar	31m	YN1AZ	21294/2350/Mar	30e
C21DR	14218/0845/Mar	31w	PZ6AA	14337/2055/Apr	1e	YN8AJC	21399/1850/Apr	1e
C29ED	14214/1420/Mar	31w	VK6MK	14204/1415/Apr	1w	YN1URI	21386/1930/Apr	1e
FK8BR	14214/0725/Apr	3e	VK6JJ	14221/0725/Mar	31w	ZK1CD	14217/0310/Mar	28e
HP1JE	21286/1700/Apr	1m	VK9FH	21293/2200/Mar	26w	ZK1CD	28596/2210/Mar	31w
HP1XMM	14219/0225/Mar	31w	VK9FV	14265/0640/Apr	3e	ZF1JA	21347/1600/Apr	1e
HKØBKX	21354/1940/Apr	1e	VP2AA	14173/2150/Apr	2m	ZF1JA	14214/1750/Apr	3e
WA4/HC8	21323/2305/Mar	31e	VP2KH	14233/0115/Apr	2w	6Y5DL	14337/2045/Apr	1e
KG4EI	21290/1730/Mar	30e	VP2DH	14331/0740/Mar	30w	8P6BG	21255/2105/Mar	31kc
KG4FG	21414/1710/Mar	29m	VP5DD	21240/1725/Apr	1m	8R1W	14173/2150/Apr	1m
KG6JAR	14247/1520/Mar	31w	VP5LD	14205/0240/Mar	4w	8R1W	21282/1700/Apr	1m
KZ5JF	21255/2055/Mar	31kc	XG1J	14198/0310/Apr	5w	9Y4VU	21255/2105/Mar	31kc
OX5AA	14215/0100/Apr	4w	YJ8FM	14265/0630/Apr	3e	9Y4PH	14196/2230/Mar	28w
OX5AY	14220/1605/Mar	31w	YJ8EE	14265/0630/Apr	3e	9Y4MFY	21304/1850/Mar	31e
PJ2MI	21312/1945/Mar	26w	YJ8DE	14265/0630/Apr	3e	9Y4MH	14337/2045/Apr	1e
PT2EYD/7	14208/0030/Mar	30w	YN1SM	14226/2340/Mar	30e	9Y4EH	14183/2150/Apr	1m

FORTY/EIGHTY DESK

CO8RC	7017/0640/Mar	28w	JH1MHI	7010/1205/Apr	1e	UK3MAV	7024/0430/Mar	28w
CM2AF	7075/1220/Mar	31e	LZ1KDP	7002/0400/Mar	30w	YU1BKL	7000/2330/Mar	30e
CR4AG	7010/0320/Apr	3e	LU7WH	7005/0400/Apr	2e	YV1AD	7018/0725/Mar	28w
CT1QN	7017/0700/Mar	30e	OA4AKL	7095/0625/Apr	2w	YV1AOT	7007/2300/Apr	1e
DL1FF	7002/0520/Mar	30w	PY1SJ	7017/2240/Apr	1e	ZK2BD	7030/0620/Mar	28w
EL2DO	7008/0240/Mar	30w	VK2WC	7078/0730/Mar	31w	ZL2AI	7020/0705/Mar	30e
FK8BO	7010/0640/Mar	28w	K4/VP7	7204/0400/Mar	27w	ZM1AMQ	7007/1205/Mar	28e
HKØBKX	7175/0420/Mar	27w	UAØLAM	7004/1455/Apr	4w	ZP5AL	7008/0250/Mar	30w
HKØBKX	7003/0150/Mar	29w	UC2WAN	7023/1510/Mar	28w			
CO2AA	3810/0555/Apr	1w	HR3AC	3788/0430/Apr	4w	YU2APR	3798/0250/Mar	28e
CT1QN	3778/0600/Mar	30e	KG4FO	3804/0520/Apr	1e	ZP5AL	3802/0225/Mar	28e
CX9BT	3790/0910/Mar	31w	TI2CF	3804/0520/Apr	1e	8R1J	3805/0950/Apr	2w

SHORTLY NOTED XF1J, Jose Levy, who signed XF4J from Revillagigedo last month was signing XG1J last week. Over in the Seychelles, VQ9R, slaughtered a cow so that he could welcome VQ9HCS from Aldabra and a diet of a couple of years without fresh meat. Carl was ensuring that Harry dined in fashion. No meat boycott pickets were around. 3B6CF will be on Agaloga for a year. Last week he was crystal-controlled on 14232kc after the FT-DX 101 blew the finals. VQ9M shipping out the parts to get the rig back on the air. Logs for 9E3USA in the CQ Test last Fall still have not shown up at the QSL Managers. Charles Thomson, G5BAU (ex-TJ1AW) was operating from Gurnsey recently and K4ZCP has the logs for the G5BAU operation....if you thirst for a card, send sase, otherwise Less will eventually forward the cards via QSL bureaus. This week we may be mailing late on Friday night so we can scamper down to Fresno on Saturday morning and sit in the sun with the other old tired DXers.....HA!! WA5EMH is visiting in JA-land ab out this time. The U50 QSLs have started to surface and some were reporting last weekend of having received 1S1A QSLs through the mails. K7NEQ wondering if anyone has received a QSL for any FB8ZZ contacts...especially those last November. Some also asking about the QSLs for the OH/African effort in Dec 72. Any information will be appreciated. HS4AGZ looking frantically for a Wyoming contact to complete WAS. Gary will be leaving Thailand in another month....and would hate to come home with a 49 state WAS. A4FE handles the QSLs for Oman. An order was recently placed for a full amateur station including a log periodic antenna for the Sultan of Oman.

CALENDAR

GRAND CAYMAN April 14-10th...all bands by WA2BCK and WA2EKW.
 SIKKIM YA1AH was supposed to be there last week.....Also there were some bits of rebellion there in Sikkim. Keep hoping....
 Mt. ATHCS PREPARE!! Late this month... April 21st to 25th
 OGASAWARA JARL group planning 160mtr thru 2mtr...April 27th to May 6th
 WY4AFZ Virginia Azalea Festival...April 24-29th

THE BIGGEST DXPEDITION OF THEM ALL The Japanese Field Day is the first week-end in August and JARL is planning a DXpedition which will include 200 amateurs operating from Ogasawara Island. TWO HUNDRED!!!!
 This is really supplying the demand. And it should be noted. The WCDXB will award the Jacques Bonet Memorial Plaque to the amateur who works the largest number of the amateurs on this DXpedition. Not the largest number of contacts but the largest number of individual amateurs worked. Jacques would be proud of this effort!!
 More details later.

SOME QSL INFORMATION VE6AYU, Armand Michaud in Calgary, passes along the information that he is the QSL Manager for

FP8DH FP8YL ZF1JA VP7BL FP0DX

Armand operated FP0DX himself and advises that as yet he has not received the logs from VP7BL but last week got assurance that the logs would be on the way soon.

ZF1JA has been used at time by Caribbean Slim on twenty c.w. but the true-blue operator at ZF1JA, Les, does not operate c.w. During the recent ARRL DX Test the only valid FP8-calls on during the first weekend were FP8DH and FP8CT. During the second week-end FP8DH and FP0DX. Those who worked FP8CQ during the test worked Miquelon Slim.

From out of the high desert, W6ANN advises that he is not handling the cards for YJ8GH. Bill offered to do the chores about a year ago but since then his letters have been unanswered and no logs have been received...no logs, no cards, no nothing. Bill continues to handle QSLs for 4Z4LI, KD6USA, W06BSA and WA6GLD/6Y5.

Getting aback to that FP8 information, the address for VE6AYU is Armand Michaud, 4416 Bullock Rd NW, Calgary 48, Alberta. SASE or SAE/IRC needed.

MT ATHOS There is a need for some financial assistance for the upcoming operation and a request has been forwarded from DL7FT asking for a bit of help. Some of those in on the effort have limited means and it is hoped that it will be possible to avoid having the effort be a financial burden...or disaster...to them.
 Anyone wishing to help in the effort, which late word put at the week following Easter, can forward any assistance to Sam Canter, W6TSQ. Sam will forward everything to the European Theater. W6TSQ was instrumental in getting the linear shipped....

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OGASAWARA/JD1 There will be an operation from JD1=Ogasawara from April 27th to May 6th by a JA-group, the effort including six operators and two complete stations. One facet of this operation will be facilities for working through OSCAR plus some 6 meter operation.

Included in the group will be JA1KSO, H1OTD, JA1SSL, JR1DHK and JR1USV. They will sign JD1ABX, JD1ADK and possibly JD1YAD. There is a possibility that other calls will be used on this effort which plans for an around-the-clock operation on both CW and SSB. The frequencies will be:

CW	3503kc	7003kc	14045kc	21045kc	28045kc	1910kc
SSB	3570kc	7055kc	7080kc	14170kc	14195kc	14250kc
	21250kc	21320kc	28590kc	50.11mc		

For OSCAR they will be transmitting c.w. 145.92--145.98mc. There will be two stations, one on top of the mountain there and one near the shore...they will have both beams and dipoles....and a plentiful supply of blank logs.

TNX to W1AM, W1MQK, K2BT, W2OVC, W4EH, W4HU, W4KA, K4KQ, W4NJF, K4ZCP, W5AK, WB5CBC, WA5EMH, W5QBM, W6ANN, WA5ZUH, K6AQV, W6BJT, K6HTM, WA6FYC, W6ID, W6KYA, WA6MWG, W6TSQ, W6TTS, K6UFT, K6UJS, K6WR, WB6ZUC, ACE, W7MCO, K7NEQ, K7NHG, W7YTN, W8ZOK, W9ZTD, W9DDL, KC6SK, HS4AGZ, JA1KSO, YA1GNT, VE6AYU, 5W1AL/W5.

WEST COAST DX BULLETIN Published every week by the Marin County DX Group. A couple of the local QRPers came by last week and got mired down in their own conversation. The bands being dead, we listened. One QRPer obviously had something on his mind. "It's this dream I had the other night", he explained. "There I was listening on the DX Clubs two-meter FM frequency when this big, tremendous voice came on and announced that he was the Archangel Gabriel. And when he would hear a mighty blast from his horn, it would be the end of everything. It was quite a vivid dream and just as the first sign of a blast from his horn started, someone broke the frequency to advise that it was the DX Club's repeater and only members were welcomed on the frequency". The QRPer turned an anxious face to the other. "What do you think that this dream meant?". The second QRPer was most serious and after a moment of thought, leaned forward. "You know", he said, "This may be a warning to us. Maybe we had better talk to the club's membership chairman. We already have enough fellows in the club who are always blowing their own horns without letting any more in". Son of a Gun, what could one say in a situation like this? Only that for \$9.00 a year we will bring you advance word of when Gabriel might blow the Mighty DX Horn....\$10.50 brings the blast by airmail...

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