

DhHLiK Another Red Sea Effort but not to the same islands as the ETZSU/i efforts which worked the territory a bit south. 9F3USi \& Co are reported as being prepared to operate from the Dahlak Group on May 18-20th with the frequencies mentioned as 14260 kc and 21370kc.
This group is east of Asmara, actually a bit northeast and offshore from Massawa. Like the Hanish group further south which was the site of the ET3ZU/A operations, there is question as to who owns the islands, in some cases it seems that ro, one realiy wants them.
Call sign to be used has been mentioned variously as 9 ETBUSNP1 or $9 F 3 U S N / P 7$. It would be best not to be particular when you hear them......work everything that looks right. This will be submitted for possible new country status. QSIs will go to WA5TKC.
ITBY 5 A-stations have been a bit on the scarce side since 1967 when there was some differences of opinion in the Middle East. However, there are reports that a station signing G5UJA/ $5 A$ has been operating from Libya. "No tires. no froquencies, just that he is on.

SOUTH YEMEN More rumors.... $70 \phi B$ reported as due to show sonetime in carly May. This has been rumored before.....various operators as reported headed for the area. If you hear them....work. them. If you check the DXCC Country List you, will, nate that $70 \varnothing$ counts the same as VS9A.

MELLISH The only thing really new is that we heard from one local QRPer whe said that he had not heard that W1A on the air. it first we thought he was funning....but he was serious. ipparently the $\operatorname{ARRL}$ is also waiting to hear W1A and no one wants to make the first, move. More confimation came through last weok that the ARRL was patiently waiting for word from the WIA and the Wireless Institute of Australia apparontly has not gotten the word through.
ill signs, indicators, rumors and intuition points to the clearing of all doubts on the VKgJW matter. Mellish is on the DXCC Country List and a valid operation will be accepted for DXCC counters. One party who wearics of waiting is threatening to go out to Mellish again and conduct another operation.
Possibly some day this will all be a momory.....but as one has asked. "Why does this have to happen to we DXers. Wo who certainly deserve the best?".
AGALEA $3 B 6 C F$, Jackie, apparently has received some needed gear and his now running the FT-DX 400. Fie has been heard at points other than 14232 kc and is reported as checking into the SEANET, $14320 \mathrm{kc} / 1200 \mathrm{z}$.

CHiGOS WB6VGI/VQ9 has been heard on ten meters from $1300 Z$ looking for QSOs. Has also been reported on some of the other frequencies. Chagos which was rolativoly hard to get a few years back, should not be really difficult now with the U.S. Navy building a commications base on Diego Garcia in the group. Band conditions will probably be the major problem in working Chagos.

SUNSPOT IOUTE....
Two group of sunspots are shown on this chart, the group on the left wais just about ready to go to the backside of the sun at the time of, the observation. The group on the right is in the small category, being about 7000 miles in dianieter.
The group that was disappearing to the backside of the sun had been an active group and changes were obvious when observed. Band conditions have been crratic, some fair openings but most of $t / 1, k, 4 \%$
conditions have been poor. The group did have sore fair-siak
 the third was about 7000 miles. Last August we wero noting some very disturbod conditions on the sun with a large solar flare the first part of August. This disturbance is now being called the biggest ever recorded and caused a small but measurable change in the length of the day on earth. There was an increase of ten-thousands of a second in the length of a day last August, this was followed by slowing down of the rato at which Earth days are lengthening. By the turn of the year things had stabilized and time was back to normal.

TARGA FLORIO IT57 AWARD The ARI Section at Palmcro, sponsored by the futonobile Club
of Palermo, has organized the 'Targa Florio IT57 Award' to celebrate the 57 th and last corapetion on the important sicilian automobilo track.
Fron May 1st to: May 31st, 1973, anateurs in Palermo nay use the prefix 'II57' and an award is available on the following basis.

For Italian stations...10 IT57 contacts...for European stations 8 contacts
For all other continents... 5 contacts with IT57 stations.
On May 13 a special callsign will be used, IT57ARI and any contact with this station will count 3 points and there will be a special QSI with a special philatelic stamp. There will be throe prizes given in the Italy/Europe/Elsewhere eategories for the most contacts with IT57 stations. Scnd applications te: A.R.I, Scziono di Palcrmo Via Catiania 42/C 90141, Palermy, Sicily....or Box 420, Palerro. Include 10 IRCs or \$2.00 for U.S. Stations. Send by Deceraber 31 st.
SHORTLI NOTED G10618, Dave J Beale in Cambridge, England, reports that he has yet to receive logs fron $14 F D$..... Dave has the QSLs all ready to go but necds the logs to confirm the contacts. Ho asks for patience.
ARRL finished the lst Quarter of 1973 in about the same position as last year...in 1972 the expenses were $\$ 490757.00$. in 1973 they were $\$ 535585.00$. Income was up becabse of tho dues increase, but expenses also were up. When all the pluses and minuses are thrown together, in 1972 there was a not of $\$ 72766.00$.. in 1973 it was \$69 628.00. The FCC is asking for coments on the RACES Program..cffoctiveness, abuses ctc. This is Docket 17315.

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AFRICA...CN..
$\overline{\mathrm{EZ} 8 \mathrm{AT}} \overline{14042 / 0100 / A p r 26 e}$ ELDS 14026/2000/Apr 27e EL2DO 21023/1605/Apr 25kv

ASIA...CW
HS3AIIL 14004/1610/May 1e JA2JW 14036/1210/Apr 25e. JD1 ABX 14045/1145/Apr 28e JT1AO 14052/1610/Apr 28w JTOLAE $14034 / 0030 / \mathrm{Apr} 30 \mathrm{kv}$ KA8NE $14034 / 0120 /$ Apr 29 w UA9DU $14047 / 0405 / \mathrm{Apr} 29 \mathrm{w}$
EUROPE. CW
G6IC $14064 / 1.520 / \mathrm{May} 1 \mathrm{w}$ HA2RV $21018 / 1600 / \mathrm{Apr} 25 \mathrm{kv}$ HadKLe 21044/1510/Apr $24 e$ IIIGR: 14033/0100/May 2w IZ1KSV 21031/1220/Apr 28e IZ1KAU 14075/0335/May 2w BLS WHERES:..CW
CI1 $14013 / 1900 / \mathrm{Apr} 23 \mathrm{~m}$ CE3BF $14017 / 2325 / \mathrm{Apr} 25 \mathrm{w}$ CP3CN 14025/2330/Apr 25w DU10R 14006/1645/Apr 27w FK8KA 14032/0935/Apr 30kv FK8KAn 14027/0455/Apr 29w FMPWF 14026/0210/May 1w

TR8PB 21082/1730/Apr 28e VQ9M 14051/1110/Apr 29e 5T5FP 14061/2225/Apr 28w

UA9ES 14070/0340/May 2w UA9US 14011/1615/May 1e UAфYT 14016/1540/Apr 28w UAфCBII 14030/1210/Apr $27 e$ UI8ABJ 14043/0100/Apr 26e UJ8AQ 14019/1610/Apr 28w UJ8AB 14013/1520/Apr 28w

LZ2RW 14021/1955/Apr 27e OK1MMK 14070/0450/May 2w OZ7ZX 14071/1105/May 1e UA6NY 14028/0320/Apr 28w UB5DV 14070/0410/May 2w UB5TQ 14047/0440/Apr 29w.

524IP $14075 / 1750 / \operatorname{Apr} 24 e$

U050BA 14049/0520/Apr 30kv uvges $14038 / 1550 /$ May $1 e$ ULTHD 14012/1624/Apr 28w 9V1RP 14027/1605/Apr 28w 9V10K 14051/1600/May 2w

AFRICA. SSB
AटC $\overline{C Y}$ 21317/1730/Apr 28e CN8Fic $14234 / 2315 / \mathrm{Apr} 29 \mathrm{~m}$ CN8BO $14239 / 2130 / \mathrm{Apr} 28 \mathrm{~m}$ CN8BO 21348/1905/Apr 28e CiNBHD 21314/1910/May te CR4BS 21310/1750/May 1e CR5AJ 14209/2140/Apr 28w CR60R 21315/1800/Apr $24 e$ CR6QR 14222/0005/Apr 27w CR6JO 14213/2150/Apr 28w CR6RC 14201/2145/Apr 28m

ASIA...SSB
A5XF-14208/1925/Apr 27e EP2DO 14221/0245/Apr 24w JD1ABY 21301/0000/May 2e JABIG 14210/0525/May 2w JD1ABX 14201/1625/Apr, 28w KA6EI 21350/0055/Apr 27W
EUROPE... SSB
CT2/C 14234/2230/Apr. 29m EA6BG 14202/1950/Apr 27e FABIE 14208/2140/Apr 28e GC3EML 14222/1940\%/Apr 28m HA25KIC14215/1940/Apr 25w

KG6/KX6 14040/1220/Apr 25 e
KV4AA 14080/2305/Apr 25w KX6BB 14031/0255/Apr 29w KZ5IT 14028/1440/Apr 20w PJ4VD 14022/2230/Apr, 25w TI2PZ 14017/2230/Apr 25w VE8DJ 14038/0210/Apr 29w

UK2GAT 14055/2000/Apr 27e UK2RAN 14070/1750/Apr $24 e$ UK6AAY 14051/1755/Apr 24e UW3RE 14047/0405/Apr 29w UY5EQ 14070/0340/May 2w

CR7PK 14210/1415/May 2w EA8GZ 21289/1650/Apr 28 e EL1G 14295/0010/May 1w. SU1MA $14207 / 2000 /$ Apr $24 e$ TJ1BF $14272 / 2300 / \mathrm{Apr} 29 \mathrm{~m}$ TR8AB 21310/1700/Apr 25 e VQ9R 21306/1735/OIten VQ9MC 21306/1810/Apr 24e XT2AA 14265/2200/Apr 27e XT2AF: $14214 / 2300 /$ Apr 22 m ZE1ED 21287/1750/Apr 28e

MP4BJP 14202/0000/May 1 m OD5HC $14230 / 2030 / \mathrm{Apr} 28 \mathrm{~m}$ UAMSS 14236/1420/Apr $26 e$ UK9AFN 14207/0330/Apr 24w UW9WR 14203/0435/May 2w NU2DK: 14210/1540/Apr 28 e

HA25KYB 14198/2020/Apr $24 e$ HA $4 \mathrm{KX} \quad 14241 / 2045 / \mathrm{Apr} \cdot 28 \mathrm{~m}$ LZ1QR. 14279/2325/Apr 29m OK3KFF $\quad 14243 / 2025 / \mathrm{Apr} 27 \mathrm{e}$ SV1EE $14202 / 1935 /$ Apr $27 e$

VKK3AUY 14030/0630/Apr 26m VK3ZZ 14080/0300/Apr 26m VA3JJ 14025/1740/Apr 28m VP2IAW 21037/1725/Apr 23m VF2SU $14027 / 0100 /$ Apr $24 m$ ZM2AFE 14083/0640/Apr 26m ZP9BG 14019/2325/Apr 25w

2D7BB ZS3JJ 5T5NG $5 B 4 A C$ 7X2BM 7Х2BK 9G1AR 9J2MA 9U5CR 9 K 5 VA

14202/0000/Apr 25m 21358/1735/Apr 28e 14333/2025/Apr 28e 14224/2120/Apr 28m $14234 / 2340 / \mathrm{hpr} 25 \mathrm{~m}$ 14231/1945/Apr 27e 14215/0020/Apr 25e 21322/1815/Apr $24 e$ 21302/1810/Apr $24 e$ 21308/1820/May 1e

## 4W1AF 21317/1735/Apr 28 e

 4W1AF 14275/1935/Kpr $28 e$ 4X4HX 14203/1950/Apr 27e 4X25NT. 14235/2100/Apr 28m $424 \mathrm{LK} \quad 21298 / 1610 /$ Apr 25 kv 9V1QW $14270 / 0245 / \mathrm{Apr} 24 \mathrm{~W}$SVøVY 14220/0210/May 3w SP5BT 14239/2130/Apr 28m UK3MAF 14245/2220/ ipr 28m YO2BM 14234/2135/Apr 29m ZB2BL 14220/2145/Apr 28m

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ELSEWHERES.0.SSB
CI1AQD 21305/0120/Apr 29e CI1AGI 14197/2040/Apr 28m CIBPY 21325/2230/May 2w CX4 4 R $28600 / 2200 /$ Apr 28 w
C29ED 14234/0830/Apr 29w
FG/RX 21296/1920/Apr 30e
FGØRX $14244 / 1945 /$ May $1 e$
FGDEE 14257/1325/May 1m
FO8DY 21315/0400/May 5w
FO8DY $14250 / 0330 /$ /ipr 26 w
F08理S 14249/0400/Apr 28w HII8XI 21336/1700/Apr 28e FP8DH $14211 / 1645 / \mathrm{Apr} 23 \mathrm{~W}$ Ks6DI 14246/0410/Apr 25e FORTI/BIGHTY DESK

CMEAF 7049/0325/ipr 28e CM3HG : 7167/0315/Apr 27w
DM2BJD $7008 / 054 \theta /$ Apr 28w
ELZDK 7012/053-/Apr 28w
EL2DO 7156/0720/Apr 29w
EL2DO 7020/0520/npr 28w
FK8KMA 7002/1135/Apr 27e.
FMFWU 7010/0350/Apr 27w.
FK8BT 7024/0615/Apr 28w
F8HV 7006/0540/May 2w
G6ZO 7018/0450/Apr 28w
G8BD $\quad 7007 / 2225 /$ Apr 25 kv
HC2TV 7070/0630/ipr 25w
HK5KX 7006/1215/A표 $27 e$
A2KJP 3777/0435/Apr 30e
CT2AK 3778/0610/Apr 28e
HC1NWW 3804/0420/Apr 29e
HT\&FP 3801/0420/Apr 29e
KS6DI 3838/0600/Apr 29e

KS6ER 14280/0545/Apr 29w KG6AOL 14293/1500/Apr 28w KC6SK 14202/1505/Apr 28w OX5AY 14219/1530/AOn 28w PJ2CL 14202/0045/hpr 28w PZ1BG 14204/0120/Apr 26n VK3CR 14287/0600/May : 1 w VK 4 MK 14229/1200/May $2 e$ VK6FM 14205/1515/Apr 20w VK9FH $\quad 14223 / 1450 / \mathrm{Apr} 21 \mathrm{w}$ VK9MH 14225/0745/May 3w VK9DU 14244/1600/Apr 28w VK9GO 14238/1230/Apr 28m VPEGQ 14213/0055/Apr 28w

VP2DAI VP2VBG 14179/2210/Ar 28 m VP2nzA 14192/2310/ Apr 30m VP2DH 14205/1320/May 1 m VP2AB 14211/2355/Apr 24 m VP8UV 14224/2355/Apr 24m VP9DC 14 $178 / 0030 /$ May 1 m YBøABB 14226/1500/Apr 28w ZP5HZ 21350/0055/Apr 27W ZK1CD 14251/0350/Apr 25e 3D2GK 14246/0530/ Apr 29e 3D2AR 14275,'0540/May 7w 6Y5LA $14185,2345 / \mathrm{Apr} 30 \mathrm{~m}$ 8R1W

|  | pr 29e | VK2BNR | or |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $B X$ | 7004/, 440/May 2w | VK2NS | 7005/0700/Apr |
| D1AFC | 7003/1515/Apr 28w | VP7BA | 7005/1135/ipr 28 |
| D1YAF | 7008/1505/Apr 28w | YU4PI | 7028/c440/Apr 24m |
| KS6DY | 7079/0620/4pr 25w | YU4ACS | 7007/2225/Apr 25kv |
| OK5BEH | 7011/0520/Apr 28w | YU3DCK | 7038/0010/hpr 26kv |
| OA 40 S | 7210/0500/Apr 29e | ZLIAQ | 7023/1200/Apr 35e |
| 2CW | 7087/0655/Apr 26w | ZLI2OD | 7041/1520/May 1w |
|  | 7007/0335/May . j'w | ZS6AK | 7002/c500/Apr 28w |
| SV1DB/ | 7019/0420/Apr 24ra | zs60S | 7018/0440/Apr 23w |
| SVめWTT | 7033/0325/apr 28e | 9L1GC | 7017/0045/Apr 26e |
| TG9CD | 7005.430/apr 19w | 9M2KA | 7003/1430/May 2w |
| UB5 | 028; - 230/A |  |  |

PY4BTK 3776/0j20/Apr 30e
TI2RK 377960515/Apr $27 e$
ZS6DW 3777/0'10/hpr 30e
9J2WR 3777/0440/Apr 30e

Mt. Athos From Athens, Frank Turek, DL7FT, sent a card telling of the SV1DB/A operation. Frank, who was one of the operators, report that the group made nearly 5000 QSOs on $15 / 20 / 40$ mtrs....with a scarce few $6 s$ and 7 s getting through.
QSLs can be sent to DJ6SI for cowo contacts..for SSB they can go to DL7FT....all others to NaRUG. This is the way it came through though that NARUG throws us. The December QST shows the QSL Bureau for Greece as RAAG, Box 564, Athens, Other times there have been indications that if in doubt try SV1DB.
Mit. fithos is on the Chalcidice Peninsula and the card from DL7FT shows several of the large monasteries on the peninsula. The area has always been famous for its monasteries and is a autonomous monastic territory, at one time it was part of European Turkey. Russia maintained a post office in this area in the 1909-1910 period. The peninsula is 30 miles long $6 \%$ miles wide at the broadest point and the highest point is 6667 above sealeveI.
CARIEBEAN DJ5RT showed from Les Saintes which is just south of Guadoloupe, handle is Wilfried. His schedule called for him to sign $F G \not \subset R X$ until May 10th; then on to Guadeloupe until May 15 th still signing $\operatorname{FGD} \mathrm{RX}$. On the 16 th he should be in St. Martin signing $F S \varnothing R X$ and will be there to the 18 th. Sint Maarten is due on May 19th to 26 th , the call- 35 zin . 10 announced yet and then possibly on to Martinique signing FMDRX. Wilfried speaks fluent French and English.....probably all the QSOs will be in SSB, however Me was on last week on both fir en and twenty meters.

DIKLAK
RUSSIIN TEST
AFRICA
SOUTH YEMEN
LIBYA
TONGAREVA GUADELOUPE
St. MIRTIN

9F3USA/P̀ due May 18th from this Red Sca group.....possible new one: May $12 / 13$ th....c.w.
K5QES looking for operations from many spots this summer
Rumored...70øB possible early May
G3UJA/5A reported as active...
One week from June 30th...
EGORX frort May 10th by DJ5RT. .
FSøRX from May 16th......Sint Manrten from May 19th...

MORE NOITS Those tilling 80 neters might check around 3610 kc around 2230 for Faroe Islands with the OY-stations often showing up about that tine.
SVøWIL is at Suda Bay in Crete... SVØWU who has been a mainstay in Rhorles for many years will be gone by mid-May, being reas igned. SVøWLI sometimes found around the low edge of twenty SSB when the bands are open. He will be gone from Suda. Bay by late summer.
Down in Malta, 9H1G is the Chief Radio Inspector there. There are about sixty anateurs in and around Malta, about fifty on Malta itself and around eleven on Gozo. The 9H5 profix is British Military, others the local indigenous types. HS4hGZ has left Thailand and will surface next from Germany. Gary says that he had a. eroat year from HS-land working on DXCC/WAS/WAZ/WPX and WCDXB.

AZCCY has been advising to QSL direct rather than a stateside QSL Managor. Says to send card to Box 298, Francistown. VQ9R has a new linear and it worls....a FL-2500. 9U5CR continues to show in reports... ON5TO should be the QSL route for this one. ZfidX showed on twenty $S S B$ around $0200 Z$ le st Saturday. Many frantically looking for this one or whore he went. Sonc with skenticism.....feeling that no UA is going to rop up unannounced and unheralded. Anyhov, if you hear a ZÁ or a VI ta a 3 Y....work then first and worry later.
The FCC turned down. the request of the Virginia Azalea Festival far the call WY4AFZ. One reason given was that they:could not operate from the center of tre botanical gardens located close to the airport. Tho word was not handed down until the last minute....and might be an indicator of the changing FCC attitude toward spocial event callsigns.
Those China prefixes mentioned last week will go something like BF1/Bhenshi (BF1fBC) F for Honan and Shensi, G for Nanking, H for Shanghai, 0 for Canton, $P$ for Peiping ctc. Thore are 17 . lettors added to the B to make the prefix and after the numeral there will be an ' $A$ ' and more lottors. What all this adds up to is the possibility that mainland China will be on the air with some unusual combination of profixes. If it begins with a 'B', work it first and worry later. BAA to BZZ is assignod to China by the ITU Treaty.

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DAYTON HAMVENIION Attendance at the Dayton Famvention the last weckend of April went well over the 6000 mark with the final counting edging over 6400 . 900 were saated at the Grand Banquet on Saturday evening, 900 being all the Arena Center can scat for dining.
John Lunsford, XV5AC, and Don Riebhof, HS3DR, were present for the DX Forum which was handled by W8ZOK. The men from Spratly ran off the films of the 1S1A cffort, the presentation marked by muffled sobs from the audience.
The Dayton Hamvention this year is believed to have established a record for the attendance at any amatcur convontion. There has been a report that one in Europer: brought some 6000 out but this years Dayton cffort went over all previous marks. There was a group of JAs visiting the doings to observe the operations, a similar mecting being planned for JA-land.
Arthur K Meen, VE3RX, the VE-Associate Cpunscl to the MRRI, was the koynote speaker, his subject being: "Influence of Amateur Radio on International Friendship":
TINX to WhAM, WZOVC, W4EH, WLGIS, W4HU, W4KA, W4NJF, W4UF, WA5ZUH, WGAAO, WGAPW, WDX6GXV, WA6FYC, WGGVM, W6OL, WB6QAS, K6SE/2, W6TSQ, W6TTS, K6UFT, K6WR, WB6ZUC, W7NCO, W7YIN, W8ZOK, W9DDL, W9YRA, W9WKU/4, W9ZID, KV4AM, KV4FZ, DLPFT, DA1IZ, HS4AGZ.

WEST CAST DX BULLETIN Published every week by the Marin County DX Group. Onc of the castern seaboard cousins strayed to the western reaches recently and mocting one of the local QRPers, irmediatcly fell into the age-old argument about powor. The local QRPer protested. "You eastern types have it all wrong. It is not power here in California......it's the millimhos in the soil. Nothing but millimios in abundance. Nature smiled on California when she distributed millimhos". You know, when you run into something like this, what can you do but smile? So the Eastern-type essayed a weak smile. Ho should have stayed home. The local QRPer launched full bore into his dissertation. "Why back there in the East....there on Long Island you have but zero point five millimhos per meter. But as you travel into the Western Reaches you find more millimhos and here in Marin County wave thirty....thirty, mind you...thirty millimohos per meter. That's what it takes....not power but millirhos. And as you get west of the Mississippi, you get into Millimho Country! Big millimhos!!". By this time the eastern cousin was thoroughly confused. "What do you think?", he asked us. Son of a Gun, what could we say? Everyone knows that there are more millimhos west of the Mississippi....nore west by government test. "Boost your power", we advised, "you're stuck with stunted millimhos". \$9.00 for a full year of proof that millimhos draw DX... $\$ 10.50$ brings the millimhos news by airmail

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