

MARCUS/MINAMI TORISHIMA JA3GZN, Masa Katsusai, will operate JD1AJA during the coming CQWW TEST this weekend. Masa departed Tokyo Wednesday by ship for the run to Minami Torishima and will put up the gear and get into action as soon as he arrives. He does expect to operate over the week-end for the CQ WW Test. The frequencies he plans to use are:

SSB 3570kc 7080kc 14195kc 21295kc 28595kc GW 1910kc 3505kc 7005kc 14045kc 21045kc 28045kc

While not specified, CW activity is presumed to be the mode before and after the CQ Test as time and sleep allows. Gear will include a TA-33 beam, Dipoles for 160/80/40 meters, a FT101 transmitter. QSLs go to

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This is a change from some of the previous Call Books. SASE or SAE/IRC requested and any evidence of support would be appreciated. He does plan to do considerable low-band work from Minami Torishima. Previously he has operated as JD1ACH from Ogasawara.

JD1YAA is another station on Marcus/Miniami Torishima, this being the club station for the Japanese weather station on the island. Also sometimes available is KA1DX, a U.S. Coast Guard Station which is intermittently active.

XV5AC The W6 Group departed for Saigon last week and Chester was expecting them to be in Saigon in plenty of time for the CQWW TEST. There was plans to activate XV5AC on c.w. as quickly as possible and to concentrate on that mode up to the time of the contest. XV5AC is often on the low bands and continued action should be available there this week. Chester (John Lunsford) and Don Riebhof will be in on the action.

CAMBODIA The above group will move onto to Phnom Penh right after the CQ Test and expect to activate XU1AA around November 30th for two or three days. The problem of antennas probably will scratch some of the low band activity. There is a TH6DX beam at XU1AA and 20/15/10mtrs are solid for action depending on band conditions. Forty meters is a possibility though not positive. 80 and 160meters would appear to be out because of the difficulty in raising the necessary antennas. The indicators were this last week that 160mtrs from Cambodia in this effort should not be looked for...and the same for eighty meters.

SOMALIA There have been some persistent reports of a DL-station being active in Somalia/601-land and a report relayed from G3-land says that the station is DL3HA/601, handle is Ralph and he can sometimes be found at 21250kc/1330Z. It is reported that the station has been active in recent weeks.

SUNSPOT LOUIE W8ZOK put down his plumbing tools last week and decided that no right thinking DXer would stick around with the sunspot situat on the way it is. So he loaded up the XYL and took off. Florida to see if he might come up with a couple of groupers. Said to look for him down around the fishing piers at Clearwater Beach until the end of November.

And what has the Sun been showing? Nothing. Last Friday
there was a thin cloud cover in this area of the Western Reaches and at dawn we were
able to scan the Sun without worrying about filters. What did you supposed we saw?
As we searched the sun, we saw this black spot move across the lower area, zipping
right along. After a bit we finally decided that it was only a Boeing 727 about
forty miles to the east climbing northeast out of SFO. Son of a Gun! For a bit we
thought we had something.

WB4SIJ does some heavy thinking and points out that there may be a silver lining. He notes the high sunspot activity around August 30th to September 4th...and again on September 26-October 1st may bring some activity right over the CQ WW Test weekend if the 27-day recurrence cycle holds up. Do your dance!! Think Sunspots!!!!

SY5MA This one was noted once on forty meter c.w. a few weeks back and around the time that the hoped for Mt. Athos effort was due to come off. Nothing ever developed on that one...but this SY5MA may offer s me hope in a bleak world... The QSL manager for this station advises:

Heard from Bill/SY5MA and he advises that he is living in Greece on a permanent basis and hopes to fulfill the DXCC requirements for Mt. Athosomouring his stay. He at present is about 25 miles distant. He has a Tempo 1 which he is now operating around 14010kc and 21010kc from 0600Z to 0800Z; 1000Z to 1200Z and 1400Z to 1600Z. These seem like awkward hours but it seems that these are the hours when there are openings.

Best I can figure is that he is working on a job near Mt. Athos. I have QSL cards printed but so far I have received no logs.

I am writing to see if Bill can arrange to operate from Mt. Athos and to advise me of any possible schedule. I will advise of any developments...time/frequency/dates should mything develop. I would expect that any activity would most likely be on twenty meters. More later...

Leo /W4KA

JUAN FERNANDEZ K5QHS departed Little Rock Last Tuesday and was reported to have arrived okay in Santiago by mid-day on Wednesday. Over the air reports at the week-end were that he had the permission for Juan Fernandez and would open on his planned schedule. Most likely you who thirst for CEDZ-Juan Fernandez will have gotten the message by now... he did or he did not.

QSLs go to Sanford Hutson, Box 218, Broken Bow, Okla. 74728. Any support will be appreciated. For those who may figure that INDXA is moribund, San reports that INDXA has pledged some support for the expenses.

PITCAIRN VR6TC in QSO with W6DZK last week advised that the population on Pitcairn is down to 69 people with five deaths in the last year in the older population. The loss in population in the 'older' group is having a noticeable effect there. Tom's XYL is expecting a new baby around the turn of the year. VR6TC often found keeping a schedule with a W6 at 0600Z around 14223kc territory on Wednesdays.

BAHAMAS The West Palm Beach group headed by W4BRB have settled on opening up from Grand Bahama Island in the CQ WW Test this weekend with an all-band operation which will include 160meters. WB4NXR/VP7 will scan 10meters; ZF1GS/VP7 will listen hard on 160meters and WB4TAF/VP7 will cover everything else in between. QSLs go to WB4NXR, 236 Costello Road. West Palm Beach, Fla 33405

CQ WW DX TEST

From K4IIF comes a listing of the DX Stations that have indicated that they will be active this weekend in the CQ WW Test. K4IIF, John Attaway, the DX Editor of CQ, wants every hot=blooded DXer to be in theis weekend.

Station	80 Meters	40 Meters	20 Meters	15 Meters	10 Meters		
A2CJP	Tx 3780-3790 Rx 3800 up	TX 7080-7090 Rx 7173			*		
A4XFJ			14300 Transceive	21350 Transceive	28600 Transceive		
DU1JMG	TX 3795 Rx 3800-3805	Tx 7065 Rx 7205	Tx 14200 Rx 14180-14220	Tx 21300 Rx 21250-21400	Tx 28450 Rx 28450-600		
EP2BQ	Tx 3740 3750 Rx 3750 3800	TX 7050-7060 Rx 7200 up	(Also on 160mtrs	Tx 1826-1828) Rx 1800-1810)			
EP2WB	Tx 3770-3820 Rx 3770-3820	Tx 7050-7100 Rx 7200 up					
кс6нс			Tx 14210 Rx 14210 & 14280	Tx 21355 Rx 21355/21405	Tx 28620 Rx 28620		
KC6SK	3805 tranxceive	Tx 7085 & 7200 Rx 7085 & 7200		21305 Xceive	28595 Xceive		
KS6DY	Tx 3805 Rx 3810 (Also 160mtrs a	Tx 7080 Rx 7190 - 95 t 1805kx)	14210-14220 Xceive	21300 Xceive	28550 Xceive		
4^4UR	3795kc (Some 160meters 1825-1830kc)						
5X5NK	3785 Transceive						
6W8DY	Tx 3795 Rx 3795&3810	Tx 7095 Rx 7095&7250	14220 Xceive	21295 Xceive	28550 Xceive		
9M2LN	3800 Xeeive	7100 transceive	14210 Xceive	21 2 50 Xceive	28550 Xceive		
OTHERS							

FARQUHAR

XV5AC Multi/Multi....All BAnds, all the time VIETNAM SINT MAARTEN Sequential operation FGØAFA/FSY and PJ8DX/PJ7

MARCUS JD1AJA...All Bands....

VQ9/Farquhar operation

W3HNK on from VP2E during the Test. 10/15/20mtrs/Possibly 40/80 ANGUILLA

I8AA from Zone 33 during the Test....All bands to 80mtrs. IH9AA the call. RANTELLERIA

BRITISH HONDOURAS VP1SYL...all bands during the Contest

SAIPAN KG6SW...All bands in contest....

West Palm Beach Group working everything from 160mtrs thru 10mtrs. BAHAMAS Various variations with /VP7 suffixes for callsigns.

SAIPAN The Western Washington DX Crew (W7JEG and W50QQ/7) will activate KG6SW on Saipan in the Marianas during the CQ WW Test and will concentrate on the lower frequencies. To ensure that they will be heard, they plan to erect wire beams for forty and eighty meters. They advise to watch for them in the 7070kc and the 3800kc slots.

Before and after the Test, they will concentrate or c.w. action.

VS6-ACTIVITY DAY This VS6-extravaganza will run from 1100Z on November 17th and will end at 1100Z on November 18th. Single operator action with all bands, all modes and all power up to the legal limit. VS6AI is promised for SSTV if you insist on that mode.

The VS6s will compete for a trophy offered by SPN De Silva, VS6DS. This will be awarded at the annual HARTS Dinner.

lst WORLD-WIDE DX CHAMPIONSHIP This is a rear-long contest sponsored by the Brazilian DX Club. A trophy will be awarded by the club for the amateur who works the greatest number of countries during the year, to making a minimum of ten countries must be worked for at least ten months of the year. Full details can be obtained from:

Clube Brasileiro De DX
Box 842
50 000 Recife, Pe. BRAZIL

SHORTLY NOTED Somewhere along about Page 7 you will come across some discussions of the Christmas Season. We ran a bit short on space as you will note when you get that far. Sometimes we suspect we are like an Over-the-Hill After Dinner Speaker, easy to get started but difficult to shut down.

Anyhow, we intended to include the names of a couple of foreign DX Bulletins. These are:

VERON Box 1166, Arnhem, Holland (Published in English with VHF supplement)
DX-MB Box 262, 895 Kaufbeuren, West Germany (Published in German)

When you get to the bottem of Page 7, add in the above. If you wonder how we are able to anticipate on this page what is going to come some pages later, it is because we do not cut the pages in sequence. It may be infusing but that's the way we work. Anyone with QSL info for OX3YY which was a tive around the ARRL DX Test in 1973? We hesitate to mention it but TN8BK has been reard. Was at 21110kc at 1540Z on Oct 13th. Said name was Joseph, son of Bernard. DT2.PA was a special call celebrating again the twentieth anniversary of Amateur Radio in Germany. PY7ZAH/PYD QSL surfaced from WB8FDF for a Fernando de Norchha effort. SYDWHM is on Crete...sometimes heard on fifteen. We also are looking fof QSL input fof VP7EK. He's in JY6FCs log three times and the QSL Manager K6AQV would like to deliver a card or two. HH2JT who manufactures all those baseballs you've been watching last week on TV generally is found at 14305kc around 2300Z...but Julius is gone until the end of November. KV4AA down that direction often at 14081kc from 2300Z also.

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DJ2AKN	14036/1420/Oct 12		14004/1124/Oct		SP9FDS	14056/1425/Oct
DLØOD	14050/1735/Oct 12		14086/1900/Oct	11W		14033/1935/Oct
DM2BEO	14086/1850/Oct 1		14082/2015/Oct		SP9EMV	14078/1230/Oct
DM4ZEL	14038/1615/Oct 1		14050/1810/Oct		TF2AW	
DM3AIC	14045/1355/Oct 1	4e OH6KF	14086/1840/Oct		SV1DO	14086/1820/0ct 14010/1830/0ct
DM4YEL	14044/1340/Oct 1	4e OH2BEG	14062/1425/Oct		UC2WAL	
EI4A	14063/1855/Oct 10	Oe OH2DS	14086/2005/Oct	11w	UK1 AAN	14050/1425/Oct
EA5BS	21025/1300/Oct 1	4e ON4GU	14037/1830/Oct	13w	UK2WAF	14058/1510/Oct
GW3UCB	14065/1230/Oct 12		: 14035/1150/Oct	10e	UK2SAA	14025/1145/0ct
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HA25KSG	- 1-		14040/1640/Oct	14W	UR2PZ	14041/1240/Oct
HG5A	14013/1225/Oct 1		14050/1530/Oct	14w	UR2T'AX	14029/1600/Oct
HA5KC	14033/1905/Oct 10				YO4ASM	14015/1720/Oct
IT9ARU	14003/1240/Oct 1		14037/1845/Oct	13W	YO6XI	14086/1745/Oct
ISØMTB	14041/1900/Oct 1		21035/1315/Oct		YU3EC	14063/1610/Oct
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A2CCY	21307/1710/0ct 1		21310/1655/Oct		5U7BA	21313/1920/0ct
A2CAE	21340/1805/Oct 1:		14227/2030/0ct		5V7GE	14218/2210/Oct
CR4BS	21350/1605/0ct 1			11kv	5Z4NH	21355/1755/Oct
CR5AJ	21318/2040/0ct 1		14203/2155/Oct		9G1 AR	14233/2345/Oct
CR6LP	21271/2045/Oct 1		21301/2215/0ct		9G1GG	14333/2000/Oct
CR6UE	21311/2055/Oct 1		21297/2120/0ct		9J2EP	21358/1900/0ct
CR6QS	28599/1855/Oct 1		21357/1945/Oct		9J2BL	21380/1740/Oct
CR6TD	21288/1845/Oct 1		14202/2245/Oct		9J2DT	21316/1240/0ct
CR6NO	14203/2120/0ct 1		14205/2340/Oct		9L1JT	14212 2050/Oct
CR7IC	21276/1640/Oct 1				9X5VA	21309/2005/Oct
CR7RM	21355/1800/Oct 1				9X5NA	21362/1940/0ct
CR7GJ	14228/1320/Oct 1		21308/1740/0fte		9U5CR	21355/1900/0ct
CN8BO	21326/1545/Oct 1		14216/2200/Oct		5Z4CK	21330/1740/0ct
CN8HD	21355/1905/Oct 1		21307/1720/0ct		JUTUIL	21770/11/10/000
EA8JJ.	21355/1925/Oct 1		21275/1935/Oct			
EA8IH	14224/1150/Oct 1		14207/2145/Oct			
EA8JJ	14207/1440/Oct 1	0 -	21258/2055/Oct			
EA8BQ	21297/2010/Oct 1		21360/2050/Oct			
EA9EJ	21295/1950/Oct 1		21270/1750/Oct			
EA9JE	21312/1955/Oct 1	6w 3D6AM	21300/1625/0ct	1 27.7		

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(e = eastern states m = middle states w = western reaches kv = virgin islands etc) (# = long path all times in GMT ??? = Son of a Gun!! Is that you Slim?

CALENDAR

JUAN FERNANDEZ

K5QHS should have opened this last week-end ... Hurry!

Still seems solid for this week ... FARQUHAR

JD1AJA on Minami-Torishima October 27th...by JA3GZN MARCUS

VK4AK/Lord Howe from November 2nd LORD HOWE

VR1PC from November 1st PHOENIX ISLANDS: This Week-end....GO GO GO CQ WW TEST

COCOS-KEELING Next Spring Most likely in April

Getting near....Marco Polo Hotel...Singapore--November 9/11th SEANET CONVENTION

Ft. Smith ... At the Hilton on December 8th. ARKANSAD DX MEETING

XU1AA on sustained around the clock operation November 30th CAMBODIA

THE CHRISTMAS SEASON As W6TSQ was saying last week; "I got my property tax bill so I knew for sure that Christmas was getting near". A check of the calendar showed that Sam was right....Christmas will be on December 25th this year in case you are in doubt.

From time to time we get some pointed insight into problems of overseas amateurs and especially in areas where there is not a super-abundance of amateur publications. Here we are used to CQ, QST, 73, Ham-Radio and a number of the specialized bulletins. The JAs have two magazines, the CQ-HAM RADIO in size looking more and more like a Sears Roebuck catalog. England has the RSGB Journal but beyond that the reading material is often limited. Because of personal finances or international monetary problems, often the normal run of publications taken for granted here are simply not available to many overseas.

Recently a note from one of the more prominent DXers in Northern Europe...a DXer who put on a major DXpedition within recent years, noted that he really only had a limited access to information as he could not read any of the usual run of magazines as these were simply not available. He mentioned a number ...

So it is this is what we are working up to. Many DXers have over the years developed some close friendships with overseas amateurs. Maybe about the 20th of December a mateurs. stray thought may have developed that perhaps you should have remembered them during the Christmas Season....but being too late, you may try harder next year. This year we are on the mail early program ...

We are not going to call attention to the major magazines...we are trying to take care of the noble breed of DXers. And we are joining the seasonal rush to get the merchandise up in the air for your attention. Maybe you have thought of taking care of that DXer.... Heres the lineup:

Geoff Watts EX News Sheet 62 Belmore Rd, Norwich NOR72-T England Long Island DX Assn Box 73, Coram, N.Y. 11727 Semi=weekly Gus Brownings DXER, Cordova, South Carolina 29039 West Coast DX Bulletin 77 Coleman Drive, San Rafael, Calif. 94901.

ARRL Ballots for the voting in those ARRL Divisions where any contests exist were in the mail last week and should have been received by members by now. Balloting ends on November 20th and the results should be announced early in December. The League is engaging in some informal discussions with some IEEE management circles on the possibility of having an Amateur Radio Symposium at the March Convention in New York City of the IEEE and a half-day at the convention has been scheduled. Some concern is being felt at Newington over rising costs. Paper costs have risen and effect this December will cost 25% more than at present. This will figure out to about \$40 000.00 annually. The backlog in processing repeater applications by the FCC is causing some concern and the ARRL has discussed the matter with the FCC. The FCC has agreed to give priority to applications for new repeaters if a list can be supplied for checking against their over-stuffed files. The ARRL wants to hear from anyone with a planned repeater not in operation solely because they are awaiting FCC Action. They want:

1. Name of Applicant (Trustee) 2. Name of Organization 3. Address 4. Date of filing.

TNX to W1AM, WA2BCK, W2OVC, W2FPM, W3CDL, K3ZOL, W4EH, W4GTS, K4IIF, W4KA, WB4SIJ, W4TUC, W4UF, K5FKD, K6AQV, W6BIL, W6DZK, K6EC, W6EIF, K6JB, K6KA, W6KYA, K6LAE, WB6RIU, W6TSQ, W6TTS, K6UFT, K6WR, K7NHG, W7YBX, W7YR, W8IBX, K8RWL, K8WOT, W8ZOK, WØJRN, KV4AM, WØOL/BV2, G3BAU, VS6AW, W6VVM.

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