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April 1, 1975
SPRATLY The plans for the Spratly operation have been prett well firmed and the present plans call for a departure from Brunei on April 17 th at dawn and they, hope to be on the air at or about April 3 zth from Amboyna Cay in the Spratlys. The plans are to operate until about April 18 th. Propagation forecasts are being prepared and forwarded by W9 amateurs trying to predict what the conditions will be for the mid-West and Eastern slope amateurs.
The change in the dates apparently came after the original charter hit a rock in the harbor there in Brunei and sank. At least this is one report. The plans call for Leslie Hickingbatham, VS5LH; Don Riebhof, XU2DX, Kevin Newberry, KA8OP to be in the operation if all their get-away plans jell. They will be well equipped with gear and the drinking water problem on the cay will be handled by twenty cases of beer. VSSMC makes the fourth operator in the group. There are some tentative plans for Marice Caplan, VSSMC, to be in the states later this year, possibly sometime in mid-August. It is possible that he may be W9-DX meeting about that time.
At the present time it appears that the gear will be four KWM-2s with adaptors for split frequency operation. QSLs will go to INDXA.
Amboyna Cay is 236 miles out from Brunei and has the approximate size of a football field. Height above sea-level is eight feet and it may be a problem to locate. The second day out the group will have an airplane on call for navigational assistance if necessary.
Recent gans included six SCUBA divers, four 1S5MC operators pius the crew of the vessel. There may be some indication of the logistic problems, there will be four tenss.......two for sleeping, two for operating. They plan to operate ten through eighty with no plans for one-sixty.
Late developments might be heard by monitoring $14272 \mathrm{kc} / 1430 \mathrm{z}$ on Wednesday where Maurice often joins the Royal Corps of Signals Net. You might also watch for the schedules W7PHO keeps with the SEAsia group, this generally around 14225 kc from $2300 Z$ or a bit earlier. The crystal control adapters engineered by W9KNI and K9WEH provide for twenty meter frequencies at $14020 / 14190 \mathrm{kc}$ and 14220 kc . As this most likely will be the long-haul frequency for most hopesfuls, it gives something to aim for.

GLORIOSO FRZAI, Yoland Hoarau, apparently will be on Glorioso a bit earlier than anticipated and in a note to K6GA passed the following information:
.....will be at the Glorieuses about end of May or early June until July 75.

For those who might wonder about FR7AM, it does appear that he is alive and living in Reunion. Beyond that there would seem to be little hope for any QSLs. FR7AI has operated in recent years from Tromelin and Europa and has come through quickly with QSLs.
For those who have thirsted long for a Glorioso QSiL the waiting may be nearing an end. FR7AI will be there...if all plans go well.....in June and July. Prepare!!!

SUNSPOT IOUIE The abservation made for this chart showed no sunspots and the single spot which was visible axound March 18 th was the last one observed at the W820K Q Observations have been possible on most days and po activity has been noted. DX openings have turned up but with no great signals coming through and the openings of limited duration. If you use W4UMFs articles in CQ magazine on the $\leq \leq{ }^{+}$ possibilities of short-range forecasts, the line up $\quad$, for the coming weeks would be as follows:

| April 1 st | Low Normal |
| ---: | :--- |
| 2nd | Below Normal |
| 3rd | Low Normal |
| 4 th | High Normal |
| 5 th | High Normal |
| 6 th | High Normal |
| 7 th | Disturbed |
| 8 th | Disturbed |
| 9 th | Disturbed |

 to make short-range foreqasts. This is where the chart is that refers to the above categories. If you have not already, start on Page 16 and go the whole route. W4UMF passed along the above to help those who may pe looking for Marice. Last week we ran the chart by W1AM showing graphically the 28 day cycle. Art has had some further information to add to his watch of the solar flux. Art wfites:
...you know, from my curves and the writings of others, how regular the spots are and how predictable the maximum and the minimuml! Well, the March minimum was supposed to be about the 18 th. The spots turned around and came up to a flux of 78 on March 13 th and wassill at 77 on March 16th. This was as good as an announced maximum on March 5 th. So much for assumptions. We must watch and learn in our frumility and in due course the flux will run high again.

## Wh AM....

Boulder says that conditions around Aprillst should be unsettled with geomagnetic conditions reaching a near storm level. \$olar activity was expected to be increasing over the last weekend. Moderately disturbed onditions will exist April 6th to 10th, the probability of a moderate imnospheric storm being put at 70\%.
Check the WWV forecasts on the solar flux and the K index. Last saturday it was 3 on the index and 68 on the flux. You can be closer with these from WWV..

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CHECK! With Bob Ferrero, K6AHV, or Howard Hale, WGBC, for the best in top trades or cash deals. Check the fuli factory/dealer YaESU warranty!
PREPARE! There are some big ones coming up. The cycle will be bottoming soon....perhaps within months. Be ready for the upswing in DX....

MEET! The other Big Guns at HRO.....the Northern California leading supplier of amateur radio gear.

THOSE DXCC FEES Some weeks back there was the mention of the announcement by ARRL Headquarters that effective June 1st there would be a charge of $\$ 10.00$ for any single application for a DXCC Certificate, \$2.00 for any endorsement of a DXCC Certificate and $\$ 20.00$ for the five-band DXCC award.
Being a bit curious, the staff at the WCDXB dashed off a note of enquiry about some other items being charged for....the enquiry went something like this:

Dear Mr. Baldwin:
With reference to Minute 25, January 1975 Board Meeting, coula you advise me what fee is intended to be collected for the following items:

1. Brass Pounders Medallion
(I would like to request the cost of processing and procuring the) (BPL Medaliion
2. A-1 Operators Club
3. Rag Chewers Club
4. Old Timers Club
5. Code Proficiency Award
6. Worked All States
7. Public Service Award
8. Public Service Honor Roll

I would also appreciate some clarification of Minute 50 . As distributed the only laction mentioned is the authorization of the e.w. only Dxce and the effective date for c.w. contacts to start. While there is a reference to "...splecific regulations for the award to be developed by the Commications Department", the noun 'award' is in the singular and presumably refers only. to the c.w. only award. Could I be advised if this singular usage was construed to mean all DXCC Awards?
I would appreciate a reply on this as quickly as possible.
Hugh Cassidy Wa6aUd (Life Member)
This was written on February 27th and it must be noted that there was an error in the reference to Minute 50. It should have been the same number as in the opening paragraph, or Minute 25. Anyhow, we did get a repiy which may help to understand things. It follows:

The enclosed excerpt from OPERATING NEWS, April QST, may help explain the rationale for the new DXCC charges.
Now let me try to answer your questions. Minute 25 says nothing about fees, so I don't see how you attach fees for ell the other awards to it. However, I can say that at the present time no fee is intended for the various awards you mention. Most of them are awards for public service or for the betterment of amateur radio and in my opinion should not be subject to fees. You asked specifically about the cost of the BPL Medallion. I haven't done any research on this, but my horseback estimate would be about five bucks a throw. If detailed cost analysis were undertaken, it would probably come out higher than that; it usually does. A detailed eost analysis of DXCC, for example, shows that charging $\$ 10$ a throw under present procedures stixl doesn't quite

## DXCC FEES... (cont'd)

pay for the whole thing, and the cost is likely to go up, not down, the way our economy is headed.

Your reference to Minute 50 puzzled me at first but I.guess you'ze still talking about Minute 25, since 50 has to do with the National Convention in San Diego in 1978. Yes, Minute 25 has to do only with CW-DXCC, and has nothing to do with fees, or other awards. Specific regulations for operating awards have always been developed by the Communications Department, so the clause really wasn't necessary. I presume it was put in merely to show that the Board was setting the policy and instructing the headquarters to implement it, which is quite proper corporate procedure.
You ask "if this singular usage was construed to mean all DXCC awards." No, it was not. Specific regulations for other DXCC awards have already been developed by the CD, and are not being revised in accordance with a new realization that the League cannot continue completely to underwrite all awards, that some of the less-obviously-beneficial ones will have to pay their own way. This general feeling surfaced during the Board Meeting several times, but found its way into the minutes only in Minute 41.73.

> Sincerely,
> /s/Geo
> George Hart W1NJM
> Communications Manager

There was a reference to the rationale being published in the April QST. An advanced copy of the rationale was supplied along with the letter and it is:

NEW DXCC CHARGES Elsewhere in this section is an operating note detailing the new charges being levied for DXCC awards commencing June 1, 1975. Based on the assumption that the increase in the charges may be shocking to many, we herewith offer background and explanation.
DXCC was originally offered as a membership service, pure and simple: You worked the countries, collected the cards, sent them in, Headquarters checked them over and you got your certificate. In the course of time, DXCC becamse a most coveted award, and partially as a result, partially as a cause, its standards of integrity and conscientiousness in checking applications became high -- especially when it was discovered that some cards had been altered, cards belonging to a very few then well-known DXers and amateurs of otherwise-prominent stature. Much detective work became involved, some of it professional. It cost the League a lot of money.
Money wasn't so much a problem in those lush post-war days, and nobody gave a thought of trying to get it back by charging for the service. Several timid suggestions that DXCC processing be made less exacting were emphatically booed down by the DX fraternity and the members in general. So the rules became tighter, the processing more meticulous, investigations of alleged cheating more expensive, often bordering on litigation and occasionally actually involving same -- but still a free service of the league to all amateurs, foreign and domestic.
Today the climate is rapidly changing. The charging of fees of various kinds to cut dow costs has become desireable, then necessary, and now becomes imperative. In fact, as the demand for this service increases

## MORE ON DXCC FEES (cont'd)

and the costs rise, and as your League continues to operate in the red (hopefully not for long), eigher economy of operation or recovery of costs (or both) to bring an equal balance between revenues and expenditures loomed as a basic necessity to our economic survival. This means, as far as DXCC is concerned, either reducing processing to perfunctory fundamentals, or maintaining the present standards and recovering operating costs through increased fees.
So, with the advent of CW DXCC, which figures to add considerably to operating costs, the whole situation was reassessed on the basis of what it actually costs to administer DXCC and all its cupola awards and applied to the fees that would have to be charged to recover those costs. The new schedule of fees announced elsewhere in these pages, is the result. These fees apply to all DXCC submissions received at headquarters subsequent to May 31, 1975 -- W1NJM

The foregoing an excerpt from QST 'OPERATING NEWS', April 1975
At this point it might be best not to attempt counter-arguments. $H_{o}$ wever, take a
look at some of the points clearly evident.

1. DXCC appears not to be "..for public service or for the betterment of amateur radio."
2. Some of the less-obviously-beneficial ones (DXCC) will have to pay it!s own way.
3. Some DXers are dishonest. The ARRL has to do detetective work ..."some of it professional' to catch their dishonesty.

There are a few more obvious points. But don't write here, write someone else. Like maybe your Director. He plans to be in Newington in May. And don't you dare say anything about their being two Director Meetings a year when for years they only had one.
FCC RELEASES NEW PREFIXES The ARRL announced in Bulletin 527 on March 29th that the FCC in an Order adopted March 11, 1975 and released on March 18th, made several new prefixes available for use in the amateur radio service.
The prefix blocks NA1 through NZ $\varnothing$ will be available for assignment to amateur stations after April 25, 1975. Call signs with a single letter as the suffix will also be available for the first time to U.S. amateur stations.
Call signs with the letter ' X ' as the first letter after the call area designator continue to be assigned only to stations in the experimental radio service. This FCC action sets the stage for special cali signs using the 'AA' through 'AL' prefix block during the 1976 Bicentennial year. Details on the Bicentennial call signs have not been released. That's the ARRL bulletin. Recently an inquiry to the FCC concerning the issuance of special ITU prefixes brought the information that a new special call-sign law would be coming out, a month or so being passed as the expected time for this to surface. The information at that time that any special call...such as WW4ITU, plus any commorative calls would cost $\$ 29.00$. This being $\$ 4.00$ for a license and $\$ 25.00$ for the special call.
Alack!! The good days of freebies are over. Don't ask what we can do for yourg just tell us how much money you have to spend!!
We type the foregoing earlier last week and then W6PXC came through with the asiv bit of additional information on these call signs. You will find the additional bit a little further along. The next page in fact.....

THE FCC CALLS
The following is right out of the Haroh $24 t h$ Federal Register and gives a bit more information on the new call－sighs wheh will be available． The following is directly quoted：

## 2．302 Callsigns

The table which follows indicates the composition and blocke of inter－ national call signs available for assignment when such call signs are required to be transmitted for station identification the rules per－ taining to particular classes of stations．When stations oreratin，in $t$ two or more classes are authorized to the same licensec far the same loc－ ation，the Commission will assigh a separate op7t signto each station in a different class．（In addition to the U．S．call sign allocations Iisted below，call sign blocks AAA through AEZ and ALiA through AEZ have been assigned to the Department of the Army；call＇sign block AFA through AKZ has been assigned to the Department of the Air Force；and call sign block NAA through NZZ has been assigned jointly to the Department of the Navy and the U．S．Coast Guard；however，amateur format call signs are excluded from the block assignments made to these departments）．

|  | Glass of Station Composition of Callsign | Cailsign Block |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Amateur | $\begin{aligned} & \text { (letter 'X' may not follow) } \begin{array}{l} \text { i letter, } \\ \text { (digit } \end{array} \quad 1 \text { detter } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{ll} \text { K1A thru } & \text { K } \varnothing Z \\ \text { N1A thru } & \text { N } \varnothing Z \\ \text { W1A thru } & \text { W } \end{array}$ |
| Do | －letter， 1 digit， 2 letters | K1AA thru KøZZ N1AA thru NめZZ WTAA thru Wめzz |
| Do | 1 letter，1 digit，3－1etters | K1AAA thru Kø安Z N1AAA thru NøZZZ W1 AAA thru WøZZ |
| Do | 1 letters， 1 digit， 9 Letter | AA1A thru AIDz <br> KA1A thru KZめZ <br> NA1A thru NZめZ <br> WA1A thru．WZ $\varnothing$ 总 |
| Do | 2 Intters， 1 digitam 2 letters | AA1AA thru ALめZZ KATAA thru KZめZZ NATAA thru NZめZZ WA1AA thru WZ $\varnothing Z Z$ |
| Do | 2 letters， 1 digit， 3 lettors | AA1AAA thru AL $\varnothing Z Z Z$ KA1AAA thru KZ $\varnothing$ ZZZ NA1AAA thru NZ $\varnothing$ ZZZ WA1AAA thru WZ $\varnothing$ ZZZ |

There you have the whole lash－up．There might be some feeling that the FCC is anticipating a need for a lot of amateur callsigns．
SHORTLI NOTED We were gone most of the week and hove been playing catch－up since our return home．We did not cuite make it and part af the niding will be a bit late this week．We will mail some on Sundays．
The Fostal Service is seriously planning to end armallag separate service sometime in the middle of the year．If you are renewing，we hould prefer you not renew as airmail．They are also figuring to speed things up e hit and presently they are encountering situations where first－class As overruming airmail and arriving first when mailed at the same time．
As usual，out of space before we ran out of news．We will try harder next week． Danny Weil as FO8AN was the last Clipperton Operation，this being in Nov／Dec of 1960，he being there a few years after the San Diego DX Club．

REPORTS FROM RED EYED LOUIE
My days among DX are past; Around me I behold, Wher'er these casual spots are cast, The mighty CQs of old.....

## FORTY METER IOUIE

CE8AA 7008/0330/Mar 21 w CR7CN 7003/0400/Mar 25w CR7IZ 7005/0330/Mar 18w CT2BK 7031/0105/Mar 23e CX5CB 7009/0410/Mar 19w EA1EH 7017/0015/Mar 22m EA4ED 7019/0000/Mar 22m EA7WW 7036/2300/Mar 21e EA8HJ 7034/2340/Mar 23e EI3CP 7034/2300/Mar 23e GC5BLG 7026/0220/Mar 26m. HB8KL 7025/1435/Mar 21w HB9BBL 7004/0115/Mar 23e HН2WF 7007/0335/Mar 25w HI8RHM 7015/0400/Mar 24w HK3CTJ 7008/0410/Mar 19w НК $\varnothing$ ВКХ 7005/0045/Mar 23 е

HM1IG $7024 / 1425 / \mathrm{Mar}$ 24w IØHCJ 7036/2320/Mar 21e I2BZN 7023/0245/Mar 26W JA8FSZ 7022/1230/Mar 20m JAбAT: 7018/1230/Mar 20m LaфAP 7036/2325/Mar 21e OА4АНО 7009/0435/Mar 19w OK3 ${ }^{2}$ APV 7026/0050/Mr 23e PY7ADL 7007/0345/Mar 18w TG4JR 7008/0310/Mar 23w TG9XM 7008/1320/Max. 21w TF3IM 7036/0000/Mar 22e TF3AW 7034/2350/Mar 23e UADUBH 7007/1400/Mar 18w UA3AFL 7004/1425/Mar 24w UB5ZAT 2027/0015/Mar 17m UB5DAE 7034/2330/Mar $23 e$

UK5MAF 7011/0340/Mar 21w UR2TAX 7006/0500/Mar 20w UW6MP $7034 / 2320 / \mathrm{Mar} 23 \mathrm{e}$ VK3YD 7002/1400/Mar 21w VK5II 7006/1325/Mar 26w VK5LU 7008/1230/Mar 24m VK7LH 7090/1145/Mar 26m VP1FF 7173/0300/Mar 22e VP9HO 7005/0320/Mar 20w VS6DD 7003/1410/Mar 26w YU3TKN 70.19/0245/Mar 23w YV5AXX 7004/0325/Mar 19w ZFIMA 7197/2340/Mar 18w ZLI 1 CD 7090/1000/Mar 24 e ZS1A 7011/0445/Mar 26w ZSTNG 7019/0445/Mar 19e 9Y4DS $\quad 7019 / 0400 / \mathrm{Mar} 20 \mathrm{e}$
EIGETY METER...

CN8HD 3808/0650/Mar 24e CT2BP 3767/0715/Mar 24e G3ZYY 3789/0515/Mar 25e G6IF 3789/0520/Mar 25e DJ6TK 3789/0515/Mar, 25 e GW4BVN 3789/0440/Mar 25e EI8BY 3765/0635/Mar 22e
AFRICA CW
CN2AQ 14059/1940/Mar 23m 3B8DO $14044 / 1745 / \mathrm{Mar} 24 \mathrm{~m}$ 5T5ZR 14027/1220/Mar 26e 5Z4PQ 14014/1930/Mar 25m 5U7AW 14026/2335/Mar 22m

KG4DS 3803/0235/Mar 22w DK5AD/OE 3789/0510. 25e ON4IJ 3765/0535/Mar 22 e ON5SY 3526/0510/Mar 19m P29FV 3620/1300/Mar 20w UAфFGM $3629 / 1030 /$ Mar 22 w YN1MAB 3779\%430/Mar 20w
ASIA CW


| ZB2CF | $3795 / 0030 / \mathrm{Mar}$ | 26 m |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| ZS6DN | $3765 / 0.445 / \mathrm{Mar}$ | 22 e |
| ZS6DW | $3777 / 0315 / \mathrm{Mar}$ | 20 W |
| ZI2BT | $3891 / 1110 / \mathrm{Mar}$ | 23 e |
| 557F | $3790 / 0620 / \mathrm{Mar}$ | $24 e$ |
| 6W8DY | $3795 / 0740 / \mathrm{Mar}$ | 24 e |

ULTCH 14040\%305/Mar 23w UL?PAO $14031.0135 / \mathrm{Mar}$ 24W vUZGW 14013/1450/Mar 22m XW8HP: $14030 / 1416 / \mathrm{Mar} 28 \mathrm{~m}$ WA8UZZ/4X4 14332/1755 : 24w 9K2DR 14058/1615/Mar 22m

EUROPE CW

DK6AS 14046/1410/Mar 23m DM2CUJ 14032/1635/Mar. 17e DM2ADC 14042/1520/Mar 20w EI3CP 14029/1730/Mar 24w EITCR 14038/1645/Mar 17e GC5BLG $14033 / 1515 / \mathrm{Mar} 26 \mathrm{~m}$ G2RF $14030 / 1605 / \mathrm{Mar} 17 \mathrm{~m}$ GC2LU 14022/1730/Mar 17e HA3 $\varnothing$ KVB 14022/1730/Mr 17e HA3ØKKN 14019/1730/Mar 20e OK3ØBHE 14013/1700/Mr 17e HBØAHA 14019/1240/Mar 16e PAØSOL 14009/1830/Mar 22w IøMDP 14027/1235/Mar 21e SQ5PSL 14017/1230/Mar 21 e


UB5IAM 14023/1830/Mar 22m UB5MCS 14005/1900/Mar 22w UK2PAR 14008/1630/Mar 18e UK3AAO 14033/1335/Mar 21m UN1BR 14031/1510/Mar 22m U050WK 14035/1850/Mar 22m UP2DV $14006 / 1625 / \mathrm{Mar} 17 e$ YO3RF 14037/1640/Mar 17e YO7DL $14010 / 1500 / \mathrm{Mar} 25 \mathrm{~m}$ YU4WE - 14037/1740/Mar 17m SK3CIJ 14031/2200/Mar 22m SP8GQU 14021/1900/Mar 22w

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## ELSEWHERE CW

DU1P0I 14094/0045/Mar 23w HI8CNT 14025/1620/Mar 25w HKøBKX 14025/1620/Mar 25w VK2EO 14038/2300/Mar 22m

V01MK 14053/1945/Mar 23 m VP5CW 14026/1215/Mar 26e YB7AAU 14027/1245/Mar 25e Y\$1CHE 21050/1340/Mar 23m

ZFIBD 21010/1340/Mar 23m 8P6DW $14008 / 1625 / \mathrm{Mar} 17 \mathrm{e}$

| AFRICA | SSB |
| :---: | :---: |
| CN8BX | 14204/2035/Mar 22w |
| CN8HD | 14333/2010/Mar 11w |
| C5AR | 14216/1920/Mar 24e |
| CR4BS | 14333/2000/Mar 28m |
| CR7AF | 14218/1920/Mar 17w |
| CR7VR | 14207/2230/Mar 24w |
| EA8GZ | 14333/2030/Mar 17w |
| EL2P | 14226/2150/Mar 23kv |
| EL2CY | 14276/2150/Mar 21e |
| TR8BJ | 14247/2345/Mar 19e |
| VE3CUD/ | SU 14260/1735 26w |
| VQ9M | 14206/2015/Mar 22e |

ASIA SSB
BV2B 14230/0100/Mar 23w. HLGUK 14225/2325/Mar 18w HS2AIG 14210/1450/Mar 25w HZ1AB 14228/1955/Mar 22e JT1AN 14315/0000/Mar 23w JY9CS 14227/1945/Man 23m OD5CN 14271/1725/Mar 22w

| VQ9R 14227/1910/Mar 23m |  |
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| GE |  |
| 1XG | 21312/1540/Mar |
| ZS6AN | 21293/1540/Mar |
| 3B8DM | 14290/1350/Mar |
| 9A | 1745/Man |
| LTE | 5/Mar |
| 5 LTE | Mar |
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SNZAAE 14260/21350/Mr 23 m 5U7BA 14269/2215/Mar 19m 5 Z4IN $14253 / 2000 / \mathrm{Mar} 23 \mathrm{~m}$ 5\%4PP 14215/1925/Mar 23m 6W8BR 14220/2200/Mar 23kv 6W8FP 14220/2055/Mar $23 e$ 942SJ 14235/1900/Max $23 e$ 9び2dr. 14201/1615/Mar 25w 9G1AR 14213/2200/Mar 21w 9G1JC 14221/2150/Mar 21e 925BG 14204/2245/Mar 21e

UA9IBB $14291 / 1215 / \mathrm{Mar}$ 22e UAфCBO 143.15/0000/Mar 23w UADFGM $14225 / 2315 /$ Mar 22W UK9AAN $14208 / 1530 / \mathrm{Max}$ 2áe UK9CAN 14216/1310/Mar 21w पK7GAL 14210/0210/Mar 22w UVDEX $14225 / 0000 / \mathrm{Mer} 20 \mathrm{~V}$

WABJIZ $/ 4 \mathrm{X} 4$ 14332/1530 15w HS3MJ 14230/1340/Mar 23e XW8FA 14218/0110/Mar 22w XV5AC 14206/1530/Mar 25w XU1DX 14228/0010/Mar 27e 4S7PB 14208/1915/Mar 22e $9 \mathrm{KPDR} 14202 / 1630 / \mathrm{Mar} 25 \mathrm{~m}$
EUROPE SSB

CT2CG 14209/1910/Mar $23 e$ DJ9Y0 14235/2010/Mar 22w DK6VB 14333/2000/Mar 17w EA5AX 14333/2015/Mar 18w EA2CX 14227/2145/Mar 21e EI2BV 14333/2025/Mar 17w EI5CN $14333 / 1640 / \mathrm{Mar}$ 20w F2SI 14221/1855/Mar 19w G3HVA 14202/2055/Mar : 22w GI3NVW 14298/1800/Mar 24w GW4BNJ 14333/1850/Mar 21w GM4ALK 14214/1540/Mar 23e EB9SL $14333 / 2035 / \mathrm{Mar}$ 18w ISøMFE 14334/2015/Mar 23m

IVØSSV 14332/2000/Mar 18 ITIPA 14201/2100/Mar R2w LA1SH 14332/2015/Mar 18w: IASIS $14333 / 1710 / \mathrm{Mar} 20 \mathrm{w}$ LA7CO 14212/1640/Mar 25 LX1BU $14333 / 1710 / \mathrm{Mar} 20 \mathrm{w}$ LZ2KPD 14221/1400/Mar $22 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$ M1D $14220 / 1145 / \mathrm{Mar} 26 e$ OH2AW 14215/1350/Mar 22m OK3 AGH $14235 / 1540 / \mathrm{Mr}$ 22e ON6DX 14203/1610/Mar 23m ON6AG 14333/2030/Mar 17w ON8FC 14333/1900/Mar 21w

PAøAEO 14203/1710/Mar 25w
 SM2FKM 14220/2230/Mar 23w UAAB $14212 / 1430 / \mathrm{Mar} 22 \mathrm{e}$ UK3QAA 14225/1345/Mar 21m UK3ABR 14216/1650/Mar 22m UKS.ABO 1.4234/1710/Mar 25m Uбू 10 14212/1420/Mar $22 e$ U050AK 14227/1425/Mar 22m UW1LW :14224/1440/Mar 22m YO7AWN 14215/2025/Mar $24 e$ ZBCBI 14209/2030/Mar 23e
( $e=$ eastern states $m=$ middle states $w$ - Western neaches, ka japan , ) (kv = virgin islands, etc. \# = long path $2 l l$ times un gint ?? = Slim...who ) (was not there in Albania signing ZABPC....he was signing it from somewheres else)

SPRATLY
EASTER ISLAND
COCOS
NORFOLK ISLAND
SOUTH SHETLANDS
UøBAM
CHAD
GIORIOSO
WAB TEST
H-22 TEST
DAYTON HAMVENTION
FRESNO INTERNATIONAL
FERNANDO DE NORONHA
BERMUDA TEST
GUERNSEY

Maurice now aiming for April 23 rd
Wayne Warden, W9Mr, in the midale of April
HB9AQM and friends from April $22 n d$
.VK4AK from April 9th signing VK4AK/NI
CE9AT may find time from work to be active in April
From April 1st....special call out of Siberia
Chester and friends still danning
FRTAI there with QSLs in July
CW h.f Test...this weekend April 6 th
April 12/13th
April $25 / 27$ th
April 19/20th at the Fresno Hiliton
PYØYS possible in mid-April for a few days
April 19/20th
GC8HT working 75 and 8omtrs Apric 7/8/9th

THE END OF RED EYED LOUIE (For this week, anyhow)
ELSEWHERES SSB

DU3BS 14225/2315/Mar 22w FYTYR 14225/2235/Mar 25w FYøIBBI $14207 / 2110 / \mathrm{Mar}$ 24e HC1 WW $14333 / 1750 / \mathrm{Mar} 20 \mathrm{w}$ KC4USP 14224/2330/Mar 15 m WA6ICH/KG6 14225/2315 22w KZ5ED 21375/1900/Mar 23w OA1D 14263/2310/Mar 24 m VE8CFS 14200/1800/Mar 22m VE8RCS 14221/2345/Mar 24e

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| VP2DAR | $14333 / 2210 / \mathrm{Mar} 21 \mathrm{w}$ |
| VP5CW | $14209 / 2245 / \mathrm{Mar} 25 \mathrm{w}$ |
| VP8ML | $14208 / 1315 / \mathrm{Mar} 24 \mathrm{w}$ |
| VP80C | $14206 / 0055 / \mathrm{Mar} 25 \mathrm{w}$ |
| VP9H | $14333 / 1810 / \mathrm{Mar} 20 \mathrm{w}$ |
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| VR1AC | $14300 / 0910 / \mathrm{Mar} 25 \mathrm{ka}$ |
| VS5MC | $14220 / 1535 / \mathrm{Mar} 25 \mathrm{w}$ |

Vo1AW $14333 / 2015 / \mathrm{Mar} 22 \mathrm{w}$ XK3EUP $14205 / 1925 / \mathrm{Mar} 20 \mathrm{w}$ IS1GB 14215/1600/Mar 26w YS2RU 14227/0010/Mar 25w YBめABK $14225 / 2315 / \mathrm{Mar} 22 \mathrm{w}$ YBøABV 14225/2315/Mar 22w ZEIMA 14227/1325/Mar 24e ZP5GB 14269/2310/Mar 19m $8 \mathrm{RTX} \quad 14207 / 2135 / \mathrm{Mar} 16 \mathrm{~W}$ 9Y4 $28548 / 1730 / \mathrm{Mar} 23 e$ GUERNSEY GC8HI will be working the 75 and 80 mtr territory the start of next week. This will be Richard H Taylor, a permanent resident on Guernsey and licensed over fifty years. Since 1923 to be exact.
On April 7th Dick will be checking the Novice termitory at 3713 kc from 0600 Z . AT 0700 Z he will be at 3793 kc . On April 8 th and 9 th , he will be at 3773 kc from 14002 . All QSLs go direct to him at P.O. Box 100, Guernsey, Channel Islands.. via U.K.

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Write Don, K5AAD, and ask about any gear you may ned. Anything!!

INDIAN OCEAN AREA Dick Barnes, VQ9D, writes from the Seychelles that whil there are rumors popping up from time to time on plans for the VQg-amateurs, there is no basis to them. Dick notes that there have been reports that Farquhar.....or Rodriguez....or anything in the Indian Ocean is about to be activated by the group who went to Desroches last year. As Dick says: "Nobody is going anywhere for the next few months; We have not made any decisions on this years plans yet!".
Anyhow, maybe that will quiet things down for a bit.....
Last weekend there was the story that DJ7TI who had been operating maritime mobile would be on from Jabal at Tair in the Red Sea during the weekend and lurking just below $14200 \mathrm{kc} . . . .14175 \mathrm{ke}$ to 14190 kc . This was the one first brought on the air by ETHZU a few years back. If there was anytling to this story you may have heard the QRM.

TNX to W1AM, W1JAA, W1JFL, K2GBC, WB2LOF, W3HFV, W3RX, K3ZOt, W4BAA, W4UF, W4HU, W4KA, W4UMF, WB4SIJ, WB5KWU, W5RG, W6APW, WA6CPP, W6DAB, K6DG, K6GA, W6GC, KGHTM, W6ID, WA6MWG, WA6OWM, W6PT, W6TSQ, W6TTS, WB6ZUC, W7BCT, WATCOQ, WA7OBH, W8BQU,
 KA6DE, KV4AM, JAøCUV, VQ9D.

WEST COAST DX BULLEIIN Published every week by the Marin County DX Graup. One of the local QRPers came by last week and we talked of the restructuring survey. At this the QRPer smiled his ifttle beady-eyed smile and he explained. "They are not catching me", he said, "I couldn't fead that ittymbitty type very well so I played things right down the middle.....marked everything right in the center. It's the way I fixed my survey". We thought this over for a bit for there was something here which we were apparently missing. How do you figure that?", we asked. "That means you did not give any opinion on any subject at all". The QRPer stood himself straight. "I certainly dia", he said. "I gave them my opinion...marked every single question with an answer. What they do with it now is their responsibility. I did my part. That for dertain" Son of a Gun! We thought this over for a bit for as Henry would often say: HHere's a difference without a distinction". For while this QRPer may never be fully right, he certainly will never be comepletely wrong. While we meditate about the Mystery of the Ages, $\$ 13.00$ will bring you a full year of right DX information.....anything wrong is due to our high-speed typing. $\$ 15.00$ roars it in my turbo-jet.... Right or wrong-t...it sure is shaping up to a confused year.

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