

# WEST COAST DX BULLETIN



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COCOS There was no late word on the expected TI9-Cocos operation and if all went well, they should have been heard by this time.

As of Friday evening, there was still a bit of a nagging question as to who might be heard. The TI2-group seemed rather firm at last reports and they were expected to show over the weekend. However, last Thursday, one of those who were in the HB9-group who started talking Cocos back around the turn of the year, passed through 6-land and said he knew nothing about any license problems. On top of that, he roared off into the morning mists headed for Costa Rica on Friday and said that he expected to sail from Puntas Arenas in Costa Rica sometime Saturday headed for TI9-Cocos.

The information also was that three HB9s were already on the scene. Some have speculated that transportation might be the key if both groups were on the rails and headed for Cocos as the availability of suitable transportation on the Pacific Coast of Costa Rica does not offer a multitude of ready prospects.

Anyhow, by the time most read this, some of the questions may be answered. If you do not hear the callsigns you expected, do not let it stop you. Work them first and worry later.

CHATHAM ISLAND ZL2RN showed from Chatham a week or so back, being reported only on eighty meters last week. This was at 3802kc after 0630Z. Name is Brian.

NORFOLK ISLAND VK4AK/Norfolk Island has been active and Gil reports that twenty seems the best for contacts with fifteen good for some area. He tried ten meters and managed to work three stations. On forty and eighty meters he was not able to raise any W/Ks. Last week he was at 14230kc from 0330Z.

In case it has slipped your memory, Gil tries 3695kc from 0600Z; this being on c.w. For forty it is 7090kc transmitting and listening above 7200kc after 0600Z. On twenty look for him at 14200kc and on fifteen around 21300kc. QSLs go to W7OK.

ANTARCTIC From LU4EGE via WA5AUZ, comes the word that starting the first week in May, and for every weekend through July, LU1ZA/South Orkneys, LU1ZS and LU1ZR in the Antarctic and CE9AA on South Shetlands will be transmitting on 3740kc starting at 0300Z and running to 0900Z every Friday, Saturday and Sunday. The listening area will be from 3775kc to 3820kc.

John, LU4EGE, notes that the top of the band there in Argentine is 3750kc. If you are casting about in desperation on 75 meters, it may help to announce that you will listen down around 3740kc.

Also down in the Antarctic is FB8YC at a station near the South Pole. QSL this one to F9MD. FB8YC is Mike and his home call F6AGM.

CARIBBEAN W6HJP, Greg Olson from Sunnyvale, was in the Guadeloupe area last week signing FMQBQQ/FG7. This week she should be heard from Martinique. He likes around 14206kc for SSB and look for him around 14030kc for c.w. QSL to the CBA for W6HJP.

SUNSPOT LOUIE Another week has passed without any significant sunspot activity. Observations at the W8ZOK QTH have been possible on every day except the day of this report when a solid over cast was present. W8ZOK reports that this is the longest period of relative inactivity that has been noted in the many years he has been following solar activity. On this date WWV was handing out N-5 reports. The frequencies above 14mc have been practically useless and only brief openings on 14mc. The lower frequencies continue to offer the best action.

February 13th was the last date that any significant sunspot activity was noted.

The Swiss Federal Observatory Sunspot Bulletin for March shows seven days on which they detected no sunspots whatsoever. Generally speaking Louie is reporting sunspots of a size significant to affect conditions but the Zurich reports apparently points up the absence of even the smaller ones.

These days with no sunspots were:

March 1st, 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 25th 28th and 29th.

Only two days in March reached what might be called Low Normal, these being the 16th and 17th. The Zurich observatory gives the mean number for March at 12.0. Their prediction for the coming months are: April -19, May -19, June - 17 and down to September - 14. It appears that the numbers are sliding a bit lower sooner than anticipated though things are holding close to predictions.

On the predictions on the W4UMFs DX Sun Dancing score, they go like this for the next couple of weeks:

April 21st	Low Normal
22nd	Low Normal
23rd	Below Normal
24th	Disturbed
25th	Below Normal
26th	Below Normal
27th	Low Normal
28th	Low Normal

April 29th	Low Normal
30th	High Normal
May 1st	High Normal
2nd	High Normal
3rd	High Normal
4th	Low Normal
5th	Below Normal
6th	Below Normal

The conditions in the period from April 30th through May 3rd are borderline LN/HN. Do not expect anything great but it may certainly pay to take a look at the bands on these days.

W6TTS whose favorite station for listening is WWV, passes along the K Index and the Solar Flux numbers for the last week

April 10th	K 3	Solar Flux	72
11th	3		70
12th	2		70

April 13th	K 3	Solar Flux	70
14th	3		69
15th	2		69

These being 1900Z reports and on the air at 1914Z. Gene says that if you cannot catch WWV on the hourly broadcasts, these figures will help you keep your own charts. Also, check the article by W4UMF on Page 19 of CQ Magazine. This and the previous article are definitely important guideposts to the serious DXer. We checked with the Palos Verdes Sundancers recently. The report was that they had been spending so much time working out new dance routines that they had not done much of the necessary work... Son of a Gun!! Everyone wants to be Fred and Ginger when all we need are jumpers and jigglers.

(Sob!!!!)

1800Z  
15 APR 75  
W6TOK

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The ARRL Docket #20282 SURVEY A couple of weeks back we ran some material on the FCC's Restructuring Docket #20282 and this was especially with some references to Questions #10, 14, 19, 26 and 35 of the ARRL Survey.

Dave Sumner, W1ZND, feels that we may have misled some on a couple of the items and especially on #26. Dave points out that the reason this one is 'true' is because over a dozen countries issue code-free licenses that conform in every way to the International Regulations. They are restricted to VHF, which means that if the prefix-hunters want to work a ZR6, F1, IW5 or DC6, they'll have to get on two meters.

Question #26 was the one in the ARRL Survey which asked: "Other countries have issued no-code licenses". What we had in mind was the situation which has been reported in some countries whereby if one member of a family qualifies for a license, the whole family is covered under the umbrella of the license and get a free ride without meeting any requirements themselves. There have also been some reports that possibly the FCC is not too keen on this arrangement and especially when it comes to reciprocal licenses for some areas. Anyhow, that was what we had in mind when we were figuring our answers for #26. It seems that we were possibly working a different side of the street than was those who may have worked on the survey and we are giving their side.

If you have not forwarded your survey by this time, there is not too much time left before the special Board Meeting of the ARRL. Get the survey in so it can be fed into the Great Green Computer...

SIKKIM The referendum on the Sikkim monarchy and union with India is reported to have gone in a landslide against the king and for statehood with India. The vote is reported to have been 59,637 votes in favor of ending the 300-year old monarchy government and statehood with India and only 1496 votes in opposition. That would figure out to about 97.5% in favor of the change. During the balloting, China got into the act by accusing India of trying to annex Sikkim by Force. Indian Prime Minister Indira Gandhi replied that India was only responding to the popular wishes of the Sikkimese.

SHORTLY NOTED HH2WF who is with the U.S. State Department down in Port au Prince will be leaving permanently for the states this month. SV0WEE is now down in the San Antonio area signing K8APP/5. Should you need a QSL, that is Floyd Spencer, 6219 Indian Valley, San Antonio, Texas. 78242.

Down at Antigua, the Delta DX Group left a 4-element 15 meter beam and a 4-element 20 meter beam, along with the necessary co-ax and other items, so the indigenous VP2As can have a little better antenna than the verticals they have been trying. That correct ZIP Code on KH6EVM/KP6-Palmyra is 96817. The address again is 1427 Dillingham Blvd, Suite 209, Honolulu, Hawaii 96817.

We received a letter from Erik Sjolund, SM0AGD last week, Erik writing from Kinshasa in Zaire. I jumped to get an up-date on the 3C1AGD-Fernando Poo effort and was happily working through the letter when I realized it had been written last February 23rd and mailed at that time. Though meant to be airmail it was possibly handled from Zaire via surface routes. Son of a Gun!! All our happy anticipation blown. Erik figures to be in the Miami area within a few weeks and maybe something a bit closer to home will develop.

On that Danny Weil, FO8AN, effort back in 1960, W6ABA passes along the information that there was only one session of FO8AN with some 600 QSOs made. Jack says that Danny had planned to stay several days but lost the anchor to the boat and had to leave.

On that KC4AF which showed a few weeks back, apparently there was nothing inhibited about the fellow, he freely admitting that he was located in Boston, Mass.

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UPPER VOLTA W1AMs plans for the Big Upper Volta DX List have run into a couple of delays but at this time it seems like things will hold together for May and June. The plan now depends on W1AMs son returning to Upper Volta and this has been delayed. This last week he was expecting to be in Upper Volta for the months of May and June and Art trying to line up schedules with XT2AA and XT2AE. What makes everyone apprehensive is the reliability of the schedules and with a DX Agent on the scene, perhaps things will stand still. Right now W1AM has about 50 SASE envelopes on hand and anyone who might wish to get in on the Upper Volta action should send a sase to Art. This for the notification when the great day approaches. Patience!! You may not know the day or the hour but it is coming.

CHAD A week ago this last Sunday the Army in TT9-Chad revolted, killing President Ngarta Tombalbaye and taking over the government. Tombalbaye had been the president of Chad since 1962. The attack on the presidential compound was made by the Army and the National Police. It started shortly after dawn in the center of the capital city of Mdjamena. This was Ft. Lamy when the country was under French administration. This coup continues the trend towards military government in the African Republics south of the Sahara with 19 countries now ruled by generals. These are Ghana, Togo, Dahomey, Mali, Nigeria, Upper Volta, Zaire, Arego Republic, Sudan, Somali Republic, Niger, Sierra Leone, Madagascar, Ethiopia and now Chad. In Western Africa Chester has been making plans for some months to make a trip to TT8-Chad. However, last week Chester was nursing a broken toe. As they say on the Sport News, Chester will be out for a couple of weeks. Or at least careful where he steps.

PALM ISLAND Last week we had hardly mentioned that we were puzzled by this one and in came the word right from 8P6ES. He says:

The Amateur Radio Society of Barbados is planning a DXpedition to Palm Island off St. Vincent in the British West Indies. This will be from Friday, June 20th, to Sunday, June 22nd inclusive. The coordinates for locating Palm Island on the map are 12°8'N and 61°4'W.

Six licensed members of the Barbados Radio Society will be planning to make the trip and the call will be VP2SPI. Operations will open about 2000Z on June 20th and will run to 2400Z on June 22nd. The group will try 160/80/40/20/15 and ten meters, both SSB and CW. QSLs should go via the 8P6-Bureau, Box 814E, Bridgetown, Barbados, BWI. The call of the club station there is 8P6AW and all this comes from the secretary of the club, Allan Watson, 8P6ES.

MORE NOTES Some of the DXers in SEasia have been moving. Like John Van Lear moving from Jakarta to Balikpapan on the east side of Borneo. Also moving has been Roland Fisk, 9M2CJ, who has moved to Shah Alam, Selangor in Malaysia. In the recent WPX Test Roland made about 800 contacts and before the next DX Test rolls around, he will be headed for Europe via Pacific points. This will include a stop in Los Angeles in early June and then on to Newington for a visit before heading for Sweden.

Over in Europe OH1VR reports 1002 QSOs and 278 multipliers for 548,216 points in the CQ WPX Test. All this from a single band effort on twenty. Seppo reports he could only find one of the elusive Sixes, catching K6BCE. "Where are all the others?", Seppo asks. Son of a gun!!, you can understand how one feels when they are hunted by all.....elusive but wanted.

From Amsterdam PA9WRR says he teamed up with PA0SMK and worked WA5VDH as the only fifth-call QSO/W00XN and the only zero and again, K6BCE as the only elusive six. 750 QSOs made with plenty of UF6/UM8/U18/UJ8 and UL7s available from Amsterdam in the WPX.

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REPORTS FROM RED EYED LOUIE

AFRICA CW

EUROPE CW

CT1TT 14013/2215/Apr 12m  
 CT2BO 14005/2145/Apr 19m  
 DM2DNB 14022/1615/Apr 12m  
 EA6AU 14009/2120/Apr 11m  
 HB0AFI 14001/1055/Apr 3w

ELSEWHERESS CW

CE1LN 14035/0350/Apr 8m  
 CO7SG 14021/2110/Apr 10w  
 FK8CA 14028/0145/Apr 13m  
 FK8BV 14029/0210/Apr 13m  
 FM0BQU/FG 14029/2310 12m  
 FO3EH 14053/0450/Apr 10m

ASIA CW

UL7OF 14023/1630/Apr 4W  
 UL7PGE 14032/0130/Apr 17W  
 UV9AX 14006/1225/Apr 16e

VU2GW 14016/1615/Apr 2W  
 4X4NJ 14011/1840/Apr 13m

IS0SNL 14014/1340/Apr 16e  
 M1C 14007/2220/Apr 11m  
 DZ1LO 14020/1615/Apr 12m  
 PA0CEN 14042/1530/Apr 17W  
 UK5JAA 14033/1415/Apr 15e

UK5EDQ 14017/1555/Apr 2W  
 UB5CD 14028/1805/Apr 2W  
 Y07AWN 14005/2040/Apr 5W

KS6SFA 21040/2110/Apr 6m  
 KZ5WB 14026/0100/Apr 11m  
 OX3RA 14026/1335/Apr 13e  
 PY2EJL 14041/0200/Apr 13W  
 PY2GO 14039/0150/Apr 13W  
 OX5BW 14029/1530/Apr 14W

VK4AK/9 14027/0310 Ap 13m  
 YN9FS 14034/1235/Apr 13m  
 YS1GWE 14004/0425/Apr 11w  
 ZP5AL 14058/0150/Apr 9m

AFRICA SSB

CT3AF 14009/2040/Apr 12e  
 CR6WT 14210/2120/Apr 13e  
 CR6MA 14216/1820/Apr 9e  
 EA8BW 14191/1330/Apr 13e  
 EA9ES 14205/2200/Apr 8e  
 TU2FG 14211/2230/Apr 13e  
 TU2EP 14204/2340/Apr 8w  
 TU2EF 14205/2320/Apr 11e  
 TR8RS 14217/2100/Apr 8e  
 TR8VE 14211/2215/Apr 14e

ZD7SD 14252/2145/Apr 8e  
 ZD7SD 21205/1940/Apr 11e  
 ZE6JJ 14233/1905/Apr 7W  
 SL2FT 14217/0045/Apr 12e  
 SL2DT 14217/2305/Apr 13e  
 SL2FT 14250/2050/Apr 11e  
 SL2FS 14215/0030/Apr 14m  
 SL2FC 14284/1620/Apr 12m  
 SL2FI 14210/2200/Apr 12m  
 SZ4PR 21355/1745/Apr 12m

6W8FP 14217/2305/Apr 13e  
 7X2BK 14333/2010/Apr 11w  
 9G1GK 14212/2015/Apr 12m  
 9G1JC 14217/2125/Apr 10e  
 9G1JD 14259/2310/Apr 13e  
 9G1AR 14215/2320/Often  
 9X5NA 14213/2000/Apr 12e

ASIA SSB

HZ1AB 14134/2300/Apr 9m  
 OD5FB 14107/2040/Apr 11e  
 OD5HQ 14207/2045/Apr 11e  
 UK9AAN 14202/1625/Apr 16m  
 VS6EF 14113/1245/Apr 5e  
 VS9MAS 14108/1920/Apr 14m  
 VS9MB 14125/2125/Apr 11e

EUROPE SSB

EI2BV 14133/1635/Apr 7W  
 IV0WCP 14170/1930/Apr 2W  
 LX1BJ 14133/1915/Apr 11w  
 LX1BW 14170/1345/Apr 12e  
 ON6MP 14133/1900/Apr 7W  
 OZ8SS 14204/1710/Apr 16m  
 SV1DE 14208/2035/Often

UK2GAG 14206/1350/Apr 11e  
 UR2AR 14211/1700/Apr 16m  
 ZB2CF 14333/2140/Apr 8e  
 9G1HX 14262/2145/Apr 8e

FORTY METER LOUIE

CM2RF 7012/0500/Apr 11e  
 CP5GK 7011/0330/Apr 9e  
 CO2SM 7005/0000/Apr 10e  
 CO5DM 7005/0320/Apr 14w  
 CO5VM 7012/0430/Apr 13w  
 CX1AAC 7010/0225/Apr 5m  
 EA1FD 7007/0435/Apr 17w  
 EA8HJ 7018/0435/Apr 10w  
 FG7AM 7001/0720/Apr 12w  
 FM0BQQ FS7 7006/0450 12e  
 FY0BHI 7012/0420/Apr 11e  
 G6CJ 7002/0620/Apr 17w

HA8DE 7002/0420/Apr 17W  
 HB9AFI 7003/0445/Apr 17W  
 HC0ARC 7189/0325/Apr 9e  
 KM6EA 7049/0435/Apr 9W  
 KS6SFA 7090/0900/Apr 12e  
 OE9AHI 7003/0545/Apr 17W  
 OK3OKFF 7002/0345/Apr 17W  
 P29KE 7020/0935/Apr 5e  
 PY7BXC 7000/0150/Apr 11W  
 PY7AGS 7001/0220/Apr 11W  
 SM3EAG 7005/0520/Apr 17W  
 SP5GH 7002/0405/Apr 11W

TG9QA 7214/0345/Apr 9W  
 VK6RS 7008/0925/Apr 13e  
 VK2KD 7030/0915/Apr 12e  
 VP2SAI 7010/0440/Apr 11e  
 VP9HO 7014/0210/Apr 12W  
 YS1GWE 7004/0500/Apr 11e  
 ZS5AP 7008/0440/Apr 12W  
 ZS6KO 7020/0500/Often  
 ZS6RH 7007/0400/Apr 17W  
 ZD2RM 7004/1050/Apr 13e  
 4K1F 7005/0440/Apr 9e

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MORE RED EYED LOUIE

ELSEWHERE'S SSB

CP1DN	14315/1505/Apr	13e
CX5BC	14206/0125/Apr	12w
CX7BF	14287/0240/Apr	12w
C6ABC	14202/2120/Apr	11m
FGØGE	14214/2130/Apr	13e
HPØDHX/HR1	14333/0000/Apr	12e
W6JP/FGO	14207/2155/Apr	10e
FG7AN	14230/2025/Apr	8m
HKØBKX	14191/0000/Apr	12m
HC2RM	14315/1530/Apr	13e
HP1DXC	14315/1520/Apr	13e
HP6AH	14332/1750/Apr	11w
KG4CA	14323/1340/Apr	13m
KG4AM	14314/1425/Apr	13m
KM6EA	14333/2145/Apr	11w
KS6SFA	14218/1350/Apr	10e
KV4AD	14218/1350/Apr	10e

KZ5IT	28697/2150/Apr	12m
LU1OD	14160/2335/Apr	4w
P29AA	14194/2135/Apr	12m
PZ1DR	21291/2035/Apr	12m
TG9DF	14315/1550/Apr	13e
TG9EP	14333/1840/Apr	7w
VC1HH	14170/2135/Apr	5w
VE8RE	14202/2125/Apr	11m
VK4AK/9	14230/0325/Apr	12e
VKØDIG	14200/1650/Apr	5w
VP2LA	14207/2240/Apr	12m
VP2LBR	14293/1255/Apr	12m
VP2ABA	14205/2025/Apr	12w
VP2AYL	14333/1820/Apr	11w
VP2AR	14282/2205/Apr	8e
VP2DM	14219/1750/Apr	11e
VP2KS	14216/2355/Apr	14e

VK8CW	14204/1250/Apr	5e
VP9HR	14186/2150/Apr	12m
VP9GD	14202/0035/Apr	13m
VP9GE	14333/0000/Apr	12e
VP8ML	14230/0130/Apr	10m
VR6TC	14228/1700/Apr	10e
YN1WB	14333/0000/Apr	12e
YN1LAS	14332/2215/Apr	12m
YN1SFL	14332/2220/Apr	12m
ZK1DX	28616/2005/Apr	6m
ZF1WE	14271/1315/Apr	10e
8P6FU	14218/1820/Apr	9e
9Y4CR	21300/2140/Apr	12m
9Y4CR	14225/1250/Apr	12m
8P6AH	14333/1825/Apr	11w

EIGHTY METER LOUIE

CR4BC	3799/0735/Apr	13w
DL8MM	3797/0420/Apr	11e
EA1FD	3795/0255/Apr	15e
FC6CXT	3795/0440/Apr	15e
FP8DH	3799/0400/Apr	12m
HC1SC	3788/0410/Apr	11e
HC2VN	3795/0745/Apr	13w
HH2V	3813/0310/Apr	14m
HI8XRG	3780/0425/Apr	11e
HR6SWA	3780/0510/Apr	12w
JA8CDT	3802/1055/Apr	13e
JA1EOD	3798/0815/Apr	12w

JH1ITB	3798/1005/Apr	13e
KG4DS	3814/0410/Apr	14w
KM6EA	3802/1030/Often	
HI8CCA/KP4	3818/0835	13w
LU4EGE	3740/0925/Apr	13m
PJ9BB	3714/0215/Apr	11e
KV4BV	3812/0620/Apr	13e
UAØFGM	3620/1330/Tuesday	
VP2ABC	3815/0215/Apr	14e
VP2LAN	3805/0240/Apr	14e
VP2LGH	3789/0605/Apr	10w
VP2DM	3802/0215/Apr	14m

VP9HM	3815/0515/Apr	13m
YN1WB	3781/0510/Apr	12w
ZF1WE	3780/1050/Apr	14w
ZL2BT	3791/1050/Apr	13e
ZL3NR/C	3808/1025/Apr	16w
8P6AJ	3796/0400/Often	
9M2DW	3796/1330/Apr	14w
9V1SH	3796/1350/Apr	14w

(e = eastern states m = middle states w = western reaches kv = virgin islands etc)  
(all times in GMT # = long path ??? is Slim....often worked but never QSLed!! )

MORE NOTES A2CCY has been on vacation here in the states. A week or so back he was visiting W8CNL and plans to make the Dayton HAMVENTION this weekend. Those who never give up often come up with some surprises. In the middle of the magnetic storm on April 9th W1AM hears HI8ZKE coming in loud at 3798kc. The paths seem to be N-S openings as VP8BN was coming in rather well at 1829kc about the same period.

Those who may never tire of hearing DX items might try some of the DX information nets. Like the Southern California DX Club which meets at 0200Z on Thursdays at 14265kc. The time has been shifted a bit trying to find conditions open to the Midwest and Eastern areas. Those Sixes are always trying to help the Deserving Dxers! The Arkansas DX Net meets Sunday nights at 0100Z. At this point we do not have the frequencies but should shortly.

Speaking of some of the other events coming up, the Rochester HAMFEST will be on May 31st and VK8CW will be dropping in. At the Orlando HAMFEST on June 14-15th, Gus Browning, W4BPD will be the guest speaker at the DX Forum. Gus says he is planning to hit the out-trails looking for some rare DX in March 1976.

K4KH has the logs for the February and March 1974 operation of ZD8NC, now QRT. QSL either via DOTM, Box 7388, Newark N.J. 07107 or to K4KH, George Faatz, 4513 Keswick Dr., Raleigh, No Carolina 27609. That HS2AIG was in fact HS3AIG who also was WA1ALT, KL7FMM and HS3AB.

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CALENDAR

EASTER ISLAND W9MR there this week.  
COCOS - TI9 Someone should be there this week. Who? Listen!  
FERNANDO de NORONHA This summer...June or July...by PY7YS  
GLORIOSO FR7AI late next month or early June  
NORFOLK ISLAND VK4AK presently active from Norfolk  
CHATHAM ZL2RN being worked on seventy five.  
SOUTH ORKNEYS/SHETLANDS LU1ZA from So Orkneys and CE9AA from So Shetlands..with weekend schedules starting 1st weekend in May  
St VINCENT VP2SP1 June 20th by Radio Club of Barbados....on Palm Island  
SIKKIM AC3PT said he was making last QSO on April 11th  
DAYTON HAMVENTION This weekend---April 25/27th  
GUERNSEY GC8HT at 14213kc/0800Z Apr. 28th. On YL-SSB System at 14333kc at 1800Z on April 29th

QSLs With the list of the Bicentennial prefixes adding better than eighty to the available lists, those who work on the WPX range at times find things just a bit difficult. One toiler in the WPX vineyard writes of his problem...

When I worked the ITU Week last May, I sent all my QSLs through the stateside bureaus via WBKT. After eleven months of waiting, I am about to send out SASEs for the prefixes still out...an expensive proposition. Here are the statistics on the returns....

Call Area	ITUs Worked	Rec'd	%	Call Area	ITUs Worked	Rec'd	%
1	5	2	40%	6	11	10	91%
2	8	4	50	7	2	1	50
3	5	2	40	8	4	3	75
4	6	1	17	Ø	3	0	Ø
5	5	1	20				

AC3PT JA1KS0 reports working AC3PT on April 11th and the King saying that it would be his last QSO from the station. He had been unable to get any correspondence out of the country since the taking over of control by the Indian Army. JA1KS0 had a 25minute QSO which he taped. At this point he is not expecting a QSL.

CHAGOS VQ9SS, Alva, has shown on fifteen with a fair signal. Last week he was at 21300kc from 1600Z. He says he will be there for ten months and plans to see what he might find in the way of 75 meter activity. QSLs go to G4DII

Madison Electronics Supply 1508 McKinney Ave. Houston, Tex 77002 [713] 224 2668  
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NEW RAYTHEON 811As \$15.00/pair EIMAC 3-500Z \$50.00 each

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DRAKE TR4C and TX4C

Write Don, K5AAD, and ask about any gear you might need. Anything!!

Max W5GJ Don K5AAD Mary W5MBB Dave WA5ZNY John W5AB

ARRL Amateurs looking to apply for reciprocal operating permission in other countries where they may travel this summer should not delay sending applications. QST in November 1974 carries a list of addresses where information can be obtained for most countries of the world and ARRL headquarters can supply information on others. Check page 92 in November 1974 QST.

W4CF, Fred Schnell, became a silent key on April 11th at Bradenton, Florida. In 1920 he organized the Transatlantic Tests and later operated aboard the USS Seattle with his own gear signing NRRL. He was an ARRL Director from 1920 to 1924. The FAA has withdrawn a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking which would have exempted electronic pocket calculators from the general restrictions on the use of electronic devices in aircraft. However, specific instruments may be cleared for use on specific aircraft after tests. WB4Y TU has filed with the FCC for permission to operate reduced-bandwidth fast scan ATV repeater using 439.25 in and 427.25 out.

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WEST COAST DX BULLETIN Published every week by the Marin County DX Group. One of the local QRPsers came by last week and, unfortunately, he had a question. "Look", he started right off with, "you know that what goes up always comes down, right?". We thought this over for a bit and it looked and sounded right and we finally gave a cautious nod. The QRPer was right off again. "So, if the sunspots went up and now they are coming down, what's to prove that they will ever go back up again?". We thought this over for a bit for these esoteric items always slow us up. So we took everything over to the Old Timer and the QRPer, that bright little fellow, stood straight and put the question again. "What's to prove that they will ever come back up again?", he demanded and the Old Timer thought for awhile. "They always have", he finally said and that was it. One does not argue with the imponderables and \$13.00 will bring a full year of DX imponderables. \$15.00 roars it in my jet airmail.....it always has.

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