## WEST COAST DX & BULLETIN

July 22, 1975

MT ATHOS In spite of the alarms and rumors, Mt. Athos was rather definite as the weekend started, SV1GA and friends planning to depart Athens last Friday. A possibility was existing that they would show up a day ahead of schedule last Saturday.

The effort is expected to run to this Wednesday, July 23rd and SV1GA/A would be the call sign. On SSB the usual DX frequencies should be watched, for c.w.

14080kc and 21080kc were given as the ones to watch.

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that might be.

FERNANDO DE NORONHA Apparently this effort did take place The station was worked in Europe on twenty SSB around 1330Z. A check of reports found only KP4 reporting working the effort on twenty meters while on one-sixty W4BRB, W1BB and W8LRL are reported to have worked the station.

The sparse reports indicate activity on July 8th/9th and 11th. Apparently the operation did run on schedule but was not heard much in the states with many stations asking about the operation. It was there....as hard to believe as

LIECHTENSTEIN DK7PF and DK7PV will be in Liechtenstein for the first two weeks of September and will work everything available from eighty through ten, both c.w. and SSB. The operation plans to open on September 1st and to run through September 16th. DJ7OM will handle the QSLs.

ARRL DXCC DESK The DX Advisory Committee placed the following item on its June 1975 agenda for consideration by the committee in October. Written comments are solicited from all DXers. Your comments should be sent to ARRL Headquarters and will be distributed to all members of the DXAC. The item for consideration is:

1) Is there sufficient interest in the country criteria used in considerations for the ARRL Countries List to warrant the printing of the criteria on the Countries List?

The criteria that is used was published in the October 1972 issue of QST on Page 131. A copy of the criteria is available upon request to ARRL Headquarters.

ELLICE ISLAND VR1AT has been showing on a number of bands, this one being heard on 75mtrs at 3806kc/0845Z...on twenty at 14265kc/0640Z and on fifteen at 21280kc from 0130Z. For QSLs the advice is to QSL direct by airmail, surface mail being on the erratic side if it ever reaches there at all. The QSL should be sent c/o Weather Station, Funafuti, Ellice Islands.

RODRIGUEZ Planning for the 3B9DL operation from Rodriguez has been shelved temporarily as Roddy no longer has access to the HW-16 he was using. The report says that Roddy can go to Rodriguez anytime he wishes to make the trip and a tri-bander beam is waiting for him when he gets there. But without a rig the problem is mostly a waiting one until something surfaces.... WA5ZWC says that he expects Roddy to show up there one of these days but no definite dates are even possible to speculate on at this time.

SUNSPOT LOUIE Last was no activty to repor situation changes an that day two spots appeared at a point where they would he been on the sixth day after rotating into view. Five hours later a second spot erupted = at a spot 1830Z which would have been its location on the second after rotating into view were about 9000 miles An A: the sunspots still visible and forming a group of three, this later fueing inte showing at the lower end of the group. Hourly checken changing and each time the spots were in different formations. On July 13th the spots had reduced to three individual spots and on July 14th, last Monday, the three spots had reduced to two and another spot had rotated into view, this making a total of four spots visible at that time. The top group of spots were continually changing and the group was approximately 50,000 miles long at maximum. Individual spots were eight to eleven thousand miles in diameter. The hopeful indicators are that something is brewing up there .....

W4UMF comes through with the long-range view and takes all of us well into August. Until well into next month, you should expect the following conditions:

July	22nd	High Normal				July	30th	High Normal	
	-23rd	High Normal			MI SHED	0 10	31st	Low Normal	
	24th	High Normal				Aug	1at	High Normal	
	25th	High Normal	(Maybe	Above	Normal)	100	2nd	High Normal	
100	26th	High Normal			1		3rd	High Normal	
		Below Normal			1		4th	Low Normal	
		Below Normal					5th	Below Normal	
					4		6th	Below Normal	

The sunspot count for June turned out not to have been as low as expected and the mean number for June was 11.4 spots. This will give a 12 month smoothed number of 25.2 centered on December 1974. During June there was 9 days with no spots and the highest sunspot number recorded in June by the Zurich observatory was 38 on June 27th.

Zurich also tosses in the predicted smoothed monthly sunspot-numbers for the rest of 1975 and they figure they will be:

July	9	October 6
Aug	8	November 5
Sep	7	December 4

Project this a bit further and you might think that the sunspots will disappear from the ken of man along about March 1976. Don't worry! They are working on a new plan....

W6TTS comes up with the hot solar flux numbers for the last week and they went:

•	Solar Flux	A Index		Solar Flux	A Index
July 8	72	24	July 12	80	5
9	71	26	13	88	8
10	71	11	14	86	13
11	75	17			

- USA-WPX 76 CQ Magazine is expected to shortly announce a special WPX Award to mark the United States Bicentennary celebration. This will be for working 200 U.S. Amateur Stations during 1976, the stations using the distinctive Bicentennary prefixes.

The award will be issued without charge. Two hundred stations must be worked and they must include at least 35 different prefixes.

The plans on this are not final and may be revised before final adoption. It definitely is in the works and CQ should be making the announcement sometime in the next month or so.

SHORTLY NOTED Jim Brookman, WA4PXP, has been honeymooning in the Virgin Islands and plans to be active again this Fall. Jim will be moving from Atlanta to Marietta. The July issue of the VIRGIN ISLANDER had an article on Herb Schoenbohm, KV4FZ, and his DXing. Gave him a full page.

K1DRN is back in Massachusetts after his FPØXX effort earlier this month. Vern reports that he made 1163 contacts with 46 states and 61 countries, all on twenty SSB. Vern used the station of FP8DH which had a 204BA at 60 feet. The QSLs for the effort should go in the mails late in August.

WA1NRF and W1VV out on a Field Day effort still kept their ear open for DX and on the Saturday night of Field Day worked ZK1CW on ten meters. That TF7V was an effort of several operators on a memorial operation. FYØBHI headed north and west out of Miami a week or so back and was aiming for Atlanta, New Orleans and points west. He probably will be at the ARRL National at Reston, Virginia in September but will be visiting DXers in between. Possibly will get as far as California before heading east to Reston.

W1WQC passes along the information that QSLs might be possible for LU2DZ/SU through Box 593316, Miami International Airport Station, Miami, Fla 33148. 5T5GS gets off his work about 0130Z but sometimes has to hang on from thirty to 90 minutes beyond that time. He keeps a daily schedule with W4UL at 14248kc/0200Z...if he is through work. When the band is open to the west, they often indicate they are looking for the Deserving Sixes and Sevens. W6KTE handles the QSLs but presently is bare of cards and is waiting for the primer to ship a new supply.

TI9DX cards are being received. W3HHV handles the QSLs for 9J2SJ/9J2TJ/9J2WK and 9J2KC. A35AK goes to W6KLI as we expected...only the late Call Books has the correct address....16933 Loukelton, Valinda, Calif. 91744. HC8GI goes to W3HNK.

5N2NAS has been heard low on twenty SSB around 1230Z. This one QSLs to Nigerian Army Signals Radio Club, Lagos, Nigeria. Kule the usual operatot. W4BRB looking for present whereabouts of 'Georges Marchal' who was TT8AN in 1968. Gene waited a couple of years before QSLing...a couple of years too long. JY6DKM/YI was rumored as being at 14025kc/1200Z a week or so back....

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Howard Hale W6SC

SHORTLY NOTED H.R. 7052 is not exactly a sure thing and if you want to see this legislation on RFI get anywheres besides a referral to a House Sub-Committee, letters to your congressman are urgently needed.

Mail to the Congress has been running medium to heavy on this measure but certain elements within the electronic industry apparently are moving to toss a few roadblocks in the way. The measure may never move very far towards being enacted into law unless there is strong support. A matter of self-interest alone should make every amateur write to support this measure. This 94th Congress will not last forever, few do last longer than two years. Soon it will be the 95th Congress and amateurs may be faced with the task of starting all over again.

K5ETA is operating from Montego Bay in Jamaica this week, Clark planning to be there until July 26th. He may be signing K5ETA/6Y5 though he did make application to be issued 6YØETA. He also notes that in the last year he went from 130 to 214 countries in his DXCC total. 86 countries worked for new ones during the back curve of the sunspot cycle certainly shows that about everything can be accomplished if one tries hard...and long enough.

One of these days we may try photos but mostly at this time we have some line drawings and charts. The efforts on the charts are not always successful, the graph paper often printing heavy when reproduced on a metal plate. We tried it this week but were only partly successful.

CQ in their July issue has some information on sunspots, the news being that perhaps things will bump along the bottom for a couple of years. That's carrying things too far.

W4UL who often schedules HZ1TA has been dropping the idea that perhaps a bit of action in the 8Z4-Saudi/Iraq Neutral Zone might draw some attention. The realignment of the border probably will neutralize that hope. HC8GI is looking to try 160 meters this Fall. 5L4D goes to WA5ZWC. PJ8DZ is KØSGJ who was reported as headed that way a few weeks back. KC6QM to W7PHO. VR6TC has been scheduling W6HS around 14225kc/1600Z on Thursdays. If we back up a bit it might be mentioned that W4UL's schedule with HZ1TA is most days at 14248kc around 2100Z.

The YL-SSB System often has some surprising DX with ST2SA/EP2SN/C21NI/KM6EA/C31GN/VP2SG among those showing in the last week or so.

TR8SS will be going to the 8Q-Maldives in August according to reports. VP2DH goes to W8HM. There usually is a drumfire of criticism on the QSL bureaus though often few volunteers. DA2QW will be headed for HBØ-Liechtenstein for the WAE Test. OD5IO is headed for New York for a month or so. P29JS goes to P.O. Box 2087, Konedobu, Papua/New Guinea.

K90TB will be headed for St. Pierre/Miquelon on August 1st and he will be visitng FP8HD. Jack expects to be on the island by August 5th and will be there until August 16th.

K90TB will make schedules with FP8DH at 14245kc/1545Z and 2330Z daily while enroute, possibly shifting to 3795kc as he gets closer. FP8DH and K90TB will join in a trip to Miquelon and Langlade Islands this year and aim to operate mobile from both islands, signing FP8YL/FP8CW for the IOTA seekers. This island jaunt will be on August 9/10/11th. Jack will drive there for the vacation but plans to return by air. K90TBs address is only correct in the last Call Book or so. The full and correct address is:

Jack McNutt K90TB 10432 Lawnhaven Circle Indianapolis, Indiana 46229

## REPORT FROM RED EYED LOUIE

In those days said Red Eyed Louie,
"Lo! how all things fade and perish!
From the memory of the old DXers.
Fade away the great traditions....

AFRICA CW	ASIA CW			
EL4CY 14216/1250/Jul 13e	EP2SN 14060/1925/Jul	11kp UI8IZ	14028/0135/Jul	14e
5A2DT 21060/1446/Jul 10e	UD6DGG 14033/0150/Jul	7m UI8CB	14022/0120/Jul	7e
5T5ZR 14011/2130/Jul 11w	UD6DJX 14028/0225/Jul	4e UM8FM	14029/0105/Jul	14e
5Z4LW 14007/2100/Jul, 11m	UD6DKE 14026/2025/Jul	6m VS6BL	14024/1340/Jul	6m
5Z4PP 14040/1915/Jul 11kp	UF6FAD 14014/2040/Jul	6m VS6EY	14047/1140/Jul	13e
	UG6EA 14061/1225/Jul	13e 9K2DR	14024/1645/Jul	10e
	UH8BZ 14026/1910/Jul	12e UIBACZ	14016/0315/Jul	13m
EUROPE CW				
C31IR 14008/1425/Jul 7m	IT9RAN 14050/2055/Jul	8e UA1ZBW	14023/0015/Jul	13w
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CT2AK 14020/2215/Jul 8e	M1C 14007/2340/Jul	7m UK1QAA	14040/0130/Jul	6m
EA1BC 14010/2050/Jul 8e	OHØPA 14028/1240/Jul	12e UK5MBP		12w
EA6DD 14037/0020/Jul 11m	SMTACB 14027/0505/Jul	13w, 9H1ED	14060/2310/Jul	10e
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HL9KZ 14223/1200/Jul 5e	UI8CD 14250/0250/Jul	6e 5B4PP	14284/2130/Jul	13e
HL9VP 14280/0730/Jul 13w	UK9AAN 14220/0340/Jul	13m 9N1MM	14202/0040/Jul	14e 6m
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	4220/0600/Jul 11w	UK2BAS	14240/0445/Jul	5m				
	4207/1725/Jul 7e	UK1ZAA	14210/0510/Jul	13w				
	4244/1235/Jul 12e		14251/1320/Jul	13e				
	4220/0320/Jul 6m	UK6FAA	14203/0200/Jul	60				
	4220/0640/Jul 6m	UA 1MU	14204/1950/Jul	3m				
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	4333/1915/Jul 10w	YJ8DE	14265/0615/Jul	11e				
	4220/1130/Jul 15w	ZK1CV	14210/0325/Jul					
	4240/1925/Jul 8e	ZK1DA	21286/0300/Jul	14e				
	4210/0250/Jul 14w	ZL1FE	14271/0405/Jul	18e				
	4207/1940/Jul 11ki		14211/0410/Jul	14m				
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	4209/0410/Jul 14m	ZP9AH	21280/1520/Jul	13e				
	4205/0330/Jul 10m	YB2SV	14236/1315/Jul	6m				
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Mt. Athos...in spite of rumors and alarms...SV1GA/Agis expected this week.....seek the pile-ups!! KH6GKD with /KB6 and VR1PE through APOLLO/SOYUZ mission Two weeks on all bands by OH3XZ and friends from Aug 1st From September 1st by DK7PF and DK7PV.... PJ8AA from August 6th...including VP2ES K5ETA there this week..../6Y5 or possibly 6YØETA...there until July 26th ZK1DA on Sunday sked...21285kc/0000Z with WA50CN 1975 National.... Reston, Virginia September 12:14th August 2/3rd....Doubletree Inn, Seattle, Wash August 9th ..... Reno, Nevada September 20th...23rd Annual Meeting..Itasca, Ill October 4th ... Holiday Inn, Waltham, Mass.

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COOK ISLANDS ZK1DA has been keeping rather regular Sunday schedules with Tom, WA50CN, and the next one is expected on July 28th. The usual Sunday schedule is around 21285kc from OOOOZ. ZK1DA is expecting to be on forty c.w. soon and will be trying 7005kc at 0700Z on Sundays. QSLs go to WA50CN.

HERB LEHMANN WA6BJS Herb, who was often found anchoring the western end of the Africana Net, is presently in the Veterans Hospital in Palo Alto, Calif. Herb has been hospitalized several times in recent months with psoriasis and is not exactly feeling well or comfortable these days. If you want to drop him a note, just send it to him c/o Veterans Hospital, Palo Alto, Calif. 94504. Herb is limited for any communication whatsoever and probably would appreciate a note from his friends.

ARKANSAS DX NET The time has been changed for the summer months, the ADXA Net now meeting at 0200Z rather than 0100Z. On September 30th the time will revert back to 0100Z. The days are the same ... Monday and Friday. Some weeks back we ran the frequency....but we suspect that if you do not have it you might as well give up for you probably will have as much trouble as we did trying to relocate

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AIR MAIL Etc The tents re August 1st on the changes in the airmail have been put back a bit though the Postal Service is still aiming for a discontinuance of air mail as a separate service...for letter mail...some time this Fall. When the change does come we will figure out a way to adjust the airmail subscriptions. The Postal Service has not wavered in its plan to seek a raise in rates this Fall, this after the decision is reached on the recommendations of the Postal Rate Commission. You undoubtedly will hear more on this when things happen. It takes a bit more than 90 days to get things to go....they give 90 days notice of intent and if the Rate Commission does not act the raise can be put in as a 'temporary' increase. It is 90 days plus 10 more the way it works out. The present 10¢ rate stems from a 1973 'temporary' increase that has yet to be made permanent. This is what the Postal Service is waiting for...

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