

WEST COAST DX BULLETIN



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OKINO-TORI SHIMA Word has come from the JARL on the up-coming DXpedition to Okino-Tori Shima to mark the Fiftieth Anniversary of the JARL. Naoki Akiyama, JH1VRQ, of the Foreign Affairs Section of the JARL supplies the information.

The JARL DXpedition will depart Tokyo on May 22nd and is scheduled to arrive at Okino-Tori Shima on May 26th. It is anticipated that it will take some time to get organized on this rocky reef, it being a 1000 square meter in area, and the operation is aimed at opening up on May 28th..

The operation is planned to operate as continuously as possible until 0300Z on June 1st. Because the reef is under water at full tide, it will not be possible to operate around the clock but only several hours a day when a landing is possible on the reef. This reef is located at 20°25'N and 136°05'E.

There will be several veteran DX operators in the JARL crew. The frequencies which will be used will be:

CW	3505kc	7005kc	14025kc	21025kc	28025kc
SSB	3795kc	7095kc	14195kc	21295kc	28595kc

There will be one-sixty operation at 1910kc and operations on 50mhz, 144mhz and 430mhz are also scheduled.

QSLs will be sent via the recognized QSL bureaus by the end of August 1976. The JARL plans are being made and based on the understanding the Okino-Tori Shima will be a new country for DXCC.

There probably will be additional information on this one but it might be noted that there will be only limited operation each day in this operation.

Several times there has been mention to Don Miller's operation and the correct call for that one was KG61D. There was an error in the telegram sent with the license authorization and he ended up with a two number call.

BILL RINDONE WB7ABK The Cocos-Keeling plans did not jell and last week Bill was heard briefly from Thailand and then he moved on to Nepal where he was signing 9N1MM on c.w. It was indicated that during his stay with Father Moran that he could concentrate almost exclusively on c.w. go give Nepal to those needing it on that mode. You may hear Bill from several spots in the Asia area during the next couple of weeks and he has a tentative rendezvous with W4BPD in Bhutan on May 20th.

LORD HOWE Word has come through that VK2FT will be back on Lord Howe Island again late last month. He has operated there previously, often being found on forty and eighty c.w.

SUNSPOT LOUIE One spot is shown on this chart, it erupting on April 22nd in a position where it would have been on the third day had it rotated into view on the right limb. This spot has been fairly active, changing its appearance since first coming into view and it is about 11,000 miles in diameter. This one should remain in view until about the first of May.

Many are still glowing from the band conditions that came in mid-April. Long haul DXing was almost back and there was a multitude of the deep Russians. Hopefully, the solar conditions which were responsible for these openings in April will return again in mid-May. This time you have had a chance to go around the track once. As Lord Baden-Powell, the Hero of Mafeking, would often say: "Be Prepared!!!".

Between April 9th and April 20th there were six (6) active regions on the sun, all this pushing the preliminary sunspot numbers to 30 on many days. The only fly in the spot was that all of these regions were located within 10° of the solar equator. That means they were from Cycle 20 and Cycle 21 is not putting out any signs...yet.

We checked with the Palos Verdes Sundancers to see what the beat might be. Instead of the thump of the bongos, all that was heard was Johann the Younger. "What goes?", we asked and the leader shrugged. "After that six-eight tarantella production in April, we were tired, tired, tired!. So we are working on some old-world themes. Like Johann Strauss Jr's 'Lagoon Waltz', Opus 405, you know. Something restful is what we need". We thought this over for a bit. "But that's three-quarter time and it was six-eight that produced all that DX in April. What are you going to do about that in these times of grievous need. It is time to act!!". The leader of the Palo Verde Sundancers leaped to his feet at this and shouted: "Bring out that bass bongo. This time we will really shake the welkin with our thump and jump. Prepare!!". And knowing that all the necessary scientific preparations have been made for a possible big session of DX in mid-May, we moved on to the south bank of the Potomac where W4UMF looks for a happy possibility. Ted says:

May 4th	Below Normal	May 12th	Low Normal
5th	Below Normal	13th	High Normal (Keep fingers)
6th	Low Normal	14th	High Normal (crossed....)
7th	Low Normal	15th	High Normal
8th	Low Normal	16th	High Normal
9th	Low Normal	17th	High Normal
10th	Low Normal	18th	High Normal
11th	Low Normal		

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PREPARE!! Sunspots will return one day....soon. Be ready for the Great Day!!

Bob Ferrero K6AHV

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BAJA NUEVO Erik Sjolund has been licensed to operate from Baja Nuevo during the period May 15th to June 15th. Erik/SMØACD, operated as 7P8AG along with Anders Larsson, 7P8AH, back in January. Andy will be in the U.S. shortly and if the Baja Nuevo plans jell, the two will team up in another operation.

The call-sign HK/AA has been assigned for the operation. This may raise some question as the same call was used from Serrana Bank last year.

The plans are for a six day operation if the plans jell. Erik has been in touch with Francisco, HKØBKX, on the planning and the overall operation would be for two days travel going....six days of operation and two days return for a total of ten days. Some support is being needed to help with the boat charter. As of the last weekend, the Northern California DX Foundation was reviewing the support matter.

If everything falls into place, the effort will head out of Miami for the Caribbean and San Andres. Andy, whose home call is SM4CNN, will be in the states in a week or so and definite word on this one can be expected next week. As of last weekend the only big hurdle was the matter of swinging the boat charter. As the license is good for the month to June 15th, the operation will have to come off by then..... There will be more next week.

THE COLVINS Lloyd and Iris were preparing to shut down their operations at FKØKG last week and make another attempt to storm ashore in the New Hebrides. Their plans should bring them on from YJ8 early this week and they will be there for a couple of weeks.

They have cancelled out their plans for the Fresno International and will not be making the DX meeting this year.

SOLAR FLUX AND STUFF We got wound up a bit and edged out the regular space for the chart material. But here it is, up from the south at break of day from K6EC. Ev sends the report....

Solar Flux			A Index		
April 20	79	4	April 24	75	12
21	79	6	25	76	10
22	76	16	26	75	7
23	77	8	27	75	-

ABU AIL This one refuses to die. Reports still filter through that it is still on and that the weather, etc. is the problem and that it may come in mid-May. Inasmuch as the effort was to be tied in with the regular servicing run of the maintenance vessel....and a mid-month period was initially mentioned....this may be the time to chew those knuckles. It might be a time for those recurrent good conditions we had in April. Prepare!!

CR8P This was on the island of 'Goa' off the 'west coast'....of somewhere. Handle was 'Pau'. Was at 21012/1400Z beam heading about 25° from the western reaches. Might be good.....might be Slim!! Just spell that call aloud.....

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MELLISH Because there has been recurrent rumors on a VK9/Mellish Reef operation, an inquiry was directed to John Martin, VK3JW, who put Mellish on the air originally. Getting to Mellish and operating proved to be the easiest part, it was getting it accepted as a DXCC counter that was tough.

Anyhow, John indicates that while he is planning for a return, there is nothing going to happen like right now and it probably will not until next year. This may be sometime in the summer of 1977 which would be the dead of winter down in the antipodes.

For now, it is a time for patience. If you need Mellish John is planning to go back. But it will not be until next year.

SHORTLY NOTED Bill Rindone's showing from Nepal week kicked his schedule into a bit of disarray. Along about this time he had been aiming for Thailand, a check into some possibilities in SEAsia including the Andaman Islands and a cross-country path towards Bhutan and a rendezvous with W4BPD.

As the end of last week came Bill had not been heard for a couple of days. It may not be the time to be complacent as it is quite possible that he may come up with a surprise or two. He spent several years planning this trip and allowed himself a number of alternatives. Keep aware of what he is doing just in case something unusual may develop.

A recent poll in the ARRL Pacific Division had a ten question format and one of the questions was: "Should the 20 meter slow-scan band be moved to 14.0 to 14.05mhz?". You may think we are kidding but even if you are not in the Pacific Division you might want to have a word with your own Director on that one. Over in the Comoro Islands, now independent and the 143rd member of the United Nations, things are not exactly quiet. Mayotte voted against independence and has been at odds with the other three islands in the group since then. The new government has rejected any French aid because of the Mayotte question and refuses to have anything to do with the former home country. France, on the other hand, apparently was relieved to get rid of the economic burden of the islands but has to maintain Mayotte because the constitution requires it to. In an election in February, the vote was 17,845 to 104 against independence. Economically, the independent islands seem to be sliding into a chaotic condition.

The OY-Faroes Radio Club has been working on some new members and 14 have passed their technical examination and last week were to take their code examination. It is possible that you may be hearing some new OY-calls on the air shortly.

More on the China situation. KA6YL passes along the information that KA8OP worked BY5TT, Li, at 14004kc on April 6th....1200Z. W7VB was given as QSL manager. BY5TT was working a number of stations, mostly JAs but with some Russians and a KL7. The station was heard again on the following evening.

There is a further report that the latest issue of the Finnish Radio Club Bulletin has a photo of a QSL card received from BY5TT by an OH-station. There are reports that the station is only allowed to work 1.5 hours a day from 1200-1330Z on 14017kc though the station has been heard at 14004kc and 14026kc. The station is said to be in Peking.

The St Pierre and Miquelon Radio Club has new officers and they are: FP8HL/President; FP8ML/Vice-prex; FP8FU/Secretary; FP8DX/Manager of Club Station and FP8MX/Public Relations. The SPM Award is getting closer and should be available in about two months.

Wrangel Island is being heard with UKØKAA and an "UØAFX" also being reported as being on the island. There was question as to possible country status on this one at one time. Another one which has been around a few times is Isla da Rocas off the coast of Brazil. PY7YS has been talking of possibly visiting this one in the July period plus St Peter and Paul. Rocas has been on several times in the past but did not qualify.

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BRACE YOURSELF!! Last weeks issue completed eight full years of the WCDXB and this issue marks the start of the ninth year. There has been a bulletin every week and at this point we are around 418 consecutive issues.

The mailing last week was exactly at the 1200 copy mark. Where it may go when the sunspots return is a matter of concern but for now the big staff is able to handle it. It is still the two persons.....one doing the news copy, the run on the printing press and the collating and stapling. The other one puts on the labels and postage.... However, the help from all the interested DXers is what makes the whole thing possible...

It does appear that the off-set press has been mastered and we are getting reasonably clear copy. Outside of a tendency to experiment with various colored inks to see what might happen, things seem to be close to control.

Second-class subscriptions are now over the 200 mark, this in the six months since these were available. Looking ahead it is quite possible that the mailing will eventually go almost all second-class as the postage rates escalate. There is another problem and this is the fact that the bulletin often pushes the limit for the first-class single rate of postage. If there are to be any additions to the bulletin there will be a postage problem. While first-class mail is figured by the piece, second-class is figured by the pound plus a fraction of a cent per piece. It was possible to cut the price per bulletin close to 10¢ a copy for those going second-class mail and it may be possible that this will loom as a more and more important factor in the next couple of years.

We are moving back towards a mid-week-cut off with an aim of an eventual Friday mailing. The new report forms will be used this week and they ask that the reports be aimed for a Wednesday arrival in San Rafael.

For those who may sometimes wonder how the criteria for Red Eyed Louie goes, the general rule is to include those reports which will be two weeks or-less old at the publication date. Also, it will be necessary to start dropping the common DX reports if the multitude of Red Eyed news continues. Common means mostly Western Europe and some of the more available Asia types. However, this is not a firm rule as a GC is still considered needed DX in some areas and that may give some idea.

It is intended to improve the printing process. It is also hoped to start getting some photos into the bulletin. While five and six sheets....ten to twelve pages... has been our limit in the past, a trend to second-class may make possible even more in this area....or on the other hand, we may start compressing with different printing techniques.

This is the annual report, which you will have to suffer through again next year. It must be admitted that there is a certain degree of enjoyment in working on the bulletin...and that's what keeps us going.

DAYTON HAMVENTION The big amateur get-together continued to set new records and the attendance this year was in excess of 13,000!!

All the various happenings and technical sessions were packed. The attendance at the Saturday evening banquet went over 2000, K6DUE the NBC news correspondent being the principal speaker. He related some of the details of his news assignments for NBC including many of the NASA space efforts.

Unless one has been to Dayton, the extent of the goings-on is hard to comprehend. Though the auditorium and the surrounding supportative areas are extensive, there were wall-to-wall amateurs. Each year it attracts a bigger crowd, each year it seems to be a bigger event.

FRESNO INTERNATIONAL DX MEETING Though it has not been officially announced, it has been learned that an ATLAS 210-X will be the pre-registration prize. This closes May 5th...all the expected speakers have been confirmed..VU2GDG will not make it.

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REPORTS FROM RED EYED LOUIE

My heart goes back to wander there,
And among the dreams of the days that were,
I find my lost DX again.....

LOW BAND LOUIE

KV4FZ 1805/0005/Apr 27m	I1ANP 3780/0435/Apr 22e	KL7EBK 3814/1040/Apr 25e
VR4CW 1803/1135/Apr 22m	JA5CPI 3510/1020/Apr 20e	LU2FFD 3802/0950/Apr 26e
ZE2KV 1827/0420/Apr 27m	KG4GG 3803/0505/Apr 22e	UAØIBB 3510/1000/Apr 20w
CT1MK 3799/0500/Apr 22e	WA6EVX/KG6 3806/1110 26e	VK5NO 3502/1125/Apr 22m
DK2QL 3796/0415/Apr 22e	JA8STJ 7003/1110/Apr 20w	VR4CW 7004/1230/Apr 22e
G3TJW 3780/0500/Apr 25e	JAØDSH 7004/1135/Apr 26m	YU3TJV 7004/0355/Apr 26w
G4BAN 3783/0440/Apr 22e	OE5KE 7003/0425/Apr 21w	ZL2AL 7003/1325/Apr 23e
AH7EB 7236/1015/Apr 24e	ON5MF 7003/0410/Apr 21w	ZF1JH 7030/0950/Apr 22m
CE2BDV 7012/0045/Apr 23m	OX300 7003/0410/Apr 23w	ZS6BNF/3D6 7004/0310 26w
DL1OV 7006/0400/Apr 21w	KC4AAC 7017/1130/Often..	6W8EX 7001/0040/Apr 23e
EI8BS 7006/0045/Apr 25m	VK7CM 7004/1200/Apr 19m	9Q5QR 7007/0950/Apr 22m
FK8CJ 7003/1200/Apr 19m		
HM1GP 7025/1345/Apr 24w		
I2NJ 7001/0330/Apr 26w		

AFRICA SSB

EA8JJ 14231/1100/Apr 25e	VQ9R 14239/2035/Apr 17e	9G1FG 14201/1425/Apr 18e
EL2FT 14212/0010/Apr 24e	ZS3QA 21298/1455/Apr 25e	9GØNR 14203/1425/Apr 18e
EL2F 14025/1900/Apr 24e	5N2WAS 14241/0105/Apr 20e	9J2AB 14204/1220/Apr 23e#
EL2R 14220/0000/Apr 25m	5Z4NH 21367/1805/Apr 25e	9L1JM 14207/1840/Apr 26m
FR7BB 28551/1025/Apr 17ka	5Z4PP 14333/1840/Apr 25e	9Q5DM 21310/1820/Apr 26m
TU2EF 14208/2130/Apr 23e	5Z4RT 14217/2050/Apr 26m	9X5TC 21300/1800/Apr 16m
VQ9MHS 14235/2040/Apr 21w	6W8FP 21415/1540/Apr 25e	

ASIA SSB

A9XT 14221/1640/Apr 26m	UJ8SAJ 14223/0235/Apr 21m	VU2AIK 14265/0240/Apr 20m
AP2AD 14225/0235/Apr 20m	UK7PAL 14255/0145/Apr 22m	VU2YY 14212/1510/Apr 20e
BV2B 14225/2300/Apr 25w	UK7LAH 14221/0400/Apr 21w	4X4RH 14225/2250/Apr 20m
CR9AJ 14226/1500/Apr 20e	UK8HAA 14237/0230/Apr 20m	4X4HT 14220/1245/Apr 26m
HL9TO 14238/1250/Apr 25e	UK9CAE 14234/1315/Apr 22e	5B4DA 21301/1430/Apr 25e
HL9TL 14202/1250/Apr 19m	UK9AAN 14219/1230/Apr 25e	5B4DA 28569/0946/Apr 19ka
HM1FM 14224/1300/Apr 18e	UK9MAA 14214/1445/Apr 20e	9M2AT 14219/1240/Apr 19m
HM1AQ 14230/1250/Apr 19m	UKØBAE 14209/0200/Apr 21m	9N1MM 14222/0215/Apr 21m
HM2JN 14241/0500/Apr 20e	UKØLAB 14225/0450/Apr 25w	9V1SI 14208/1355/Apr 19e
HMØB 14210/0600/Apr 20w	UKØSAJ 14209/0050/Apr 24e	9V2SH 14207/1300/Apr 25e
HS1BG 14226/1320/Apr 20m	UL7PAO 14237/0220/Apr 24m	9V1NR 14205/1500/Apr 24w
HS5AKW 14233/1345/Apr 26m	UL7GAZ 14240/0205/Apr 24m	9V1QM 14215/1530/Apr 24w
JT1AT 14211/1305/Apr 19e	UL7TA 14225/0250/Apr 21m	9V1SV 14215/1550/Apr 24w
JY9CS 14229/0615/Apr 21w	UL7NW 14223/0225/Apr 20m	
JY9CS 21311/1845/Apr 25e	UL7JA 14244/0145/Apr 20m	*****
JY9CS 28569/0935/Apr 19ka	UL7BF 14234/0235/Apr 18e	***
UA9CBO 14215/0415/Apr 20w	UM8AP 14206/0145/Apr 24m	***
UAØFCK 14201/0315/Apr 22w	UWØNE 14220/0530/Apr 22w	***
UØAFX 14204/0400/Apr 21w	VS6BQ 14210/1355/Apr 18e	***
UF6HS 14228/0420/Apr 24m	VS6DO 14239/1240/Apr 20m	***
UH8DL 14236/0150/Apr 22m	VS6EG 14210/1405/Apr 18m	***
UI8FFF 14225/0210/Apr 21m	VS6BL 14205/1200/Apr 21e	***
UI8MV 14207/0130/Apr 21m	VU2ACD 14215/0205/Apr 20m	***

*** NEXT WEEK !!!!

*** What time is low tide
*** on Okino-Torishima??

*** Next week's WCDXB will
*** tell you...

MORE RED EYED LOUIEEUROPE SSB

CT1MC	14202/2100/Apr	21e	HA5DR	14211/1555/Apr	21e	OZ7BB	14210/1600/Apr	21e
CT2BS	14215/0050/Apr	21w	I1OKC	14216/1100/Apr	25e	PAØADC	14227/1215/Apr	25e
CT2BB	14261/1200/Apr	25e	IT9SEZ	14203/1600/Apr	21e	SP5PWK	14218/1915/Apr	21w
EA3ADW	14205/2225/Apr	23w	JW5NM	14212/0035/Apr	20w	SP7HT	14262/0510/Apr	21w
EA6BG	14204/1820/Apr	21w	LZ1ZZ	14228/1610/Apr	20w	SVØWZ	14220/1930/Apr	25e
EA3JE	14207/1120/Apr	21e	LZ2SC	14229/0025/Apr	21w	TF3SB	14238/0150/Apr	21m
EI5A	14236/2035/Apr	21e	OE5Ø/1SSW	14232/2150	20e	UA3AQ	14214/0320/Apr	22w
EI9CB	14204/0040/Apr	22w	OH6KA/OHØ	21300/0400	25af	UA3SAP	14218/1545/Apr	21w
GC4CHY	14249/1230/Apr	25e	OH2OV	14235/2015/Apr	20w	UC2OAV	14217/0525/Apr	24m
GI4BUJ	14245/1850/Apr	20w	OH6JW	14216/1555/Apr	17m	UK2BAS	14218/1605/Apr	21e
GI6VU	14204/1120/Apr	21e	OK1TA	14220/1124/Apr	21e	UK5QBH	14207/1240/Apr	25e
GM4EIW	14204/2100/Apr	21e	OK1FAR	14226/2240/Apr	20e	UK6LAZ	14202/0435/Apr	20w
GM3KEZ	14223/2020/Apr	21e	OK1HA	14242/2135/Apr	20e	UO5OAK	14223/0420/Apr	20w
GW3AHU	14223/2035/Apr	21e	OK2KOS	14226/2050/Apr	21w	UO5OWK	14195/1800/Apr	25af
GW4BWE	14207/1210/Apr	26e	ON5SY	14226/2125/Apr	20e	UR2DE	14205/0500/Apr	20w
GW4BVN	14205/1540/Apr	23w	OZ3RM	14218/1920/Apr	21w	YO4WU	14205/1650/Apr	20w

ELSEWHERE SSB

CEØAE	14224/2240/Apr	25m	W7JRH/KG6	14214/0455	25w	VP2LBR	14210/2350/Apr	22w
CP1DN	14315/1525/Apr	25e	KP4EAZ	14257/0150/Apr	23e	VR1AF	14204/1000/Apr	23m
C6ANO	14226/1225/Apr	25e	KS6EZ	14226/0240/Apr	26e	VR8A	21310/2300/Apr	18m
CP1JV	14292/1200/Apr	24e	KX6LP	14213/1155/Apr	19m	YBØPG	14201/1200/Apr	21e
DU6BG	14226/1325/Apr	20m	KX6BU	14275/0235/Apr	22m	YBØIN	14208/1440/Apr	20e
DJ9FB	14227/1555/Apr	17m	OX3EA	14217/1440/Apr	24w	YBØACG	14232/1505/Apr	24w
FCØDH	14198/0445/Apr	25w	P29DA	14211/1200/Apr	21e	ZP5WU	14208/0450/Apr	25w
HC1XG/HC8	14220/2215	25e	P29CC	14207/1240/Apr	24e	YJ8AN	14310/0515/Apr	22m
HH2JT	14220/1845/Apr	20w	P29DJ	14207/1400/Apr	25e	ZK1DA	14253/1150/Apr	21e
HP1KC	14203/1300/Apr	22m	P29CD	14201/1240/Apr	20e	5W1AU	14215/0405/Apr	21e
HP1XDC	14315/1515/Apr	25e	P29MJ	14239/0640/Apr	25w	6Y5DE	14205/0320/Apr	24e
KS6DV/KB6	14278/1200	24e	P29MM	14228/1240/Apr	24e	3D2ER	14210/0505/Apr	25w
KC6DK	14224/1150/Apr	24e	P29HC	14241/1425/Apr	21e	9M6MA	14205/1545/Apr	24w
KC6MW	14310/0500/Apr	22m	PJ2CW	14265/1255/Apr	25e	9M8HB	14202/1250/Apr	22e
KG6JAR	14221/1450/Apr	20e	PZ5AA	14206/2350/Apr	19w			
KG6JFE	14204/0445/Apr	25w	PZØGA	14213/1245/Apr	21e			
KJ6CF	14310/0505/Apr	22m	VK6CF	14213/1305/Apr	20e			

AFRICA CW

EA8BF	14041/0025/Apr	22w	TU2DX	14024/2010/Apr	25e	9J2BO	21025/1435/Apr	25e
ZD8TM	21020/1810/Apr	20w	ZS5ZI	14018/1215/Apr	24e			
ZS5DE	14024/1250/Apr	26w	ZS6BNF/3D6	14025/1520	25w			

EUROPE CW

CT4BQ	14007/2230/Apr	20w	TA1ZB	14023/2135/Apr	25e	UK2BBK	14043/1425/Apr	21w
DM2DGO	14011/1720/Apr	20w	TF3AX	14038/2325/Apr	21e	UK6LAZ	14062/0345/Apr	22w
EI8AJ	14047/1920/Apr	22w	UA2FBR	14050/1720/Apr	19m	UO5GQ	14035/1715/Apr	19m
GM4DKO	14038/1420/Apr	26w	UA3SZ	14069/0420/Apr	21w	UQ2IC	14011/1710/Apr	20w
GW3SB	14076/1340/Apr	19m	UA6LLT	14045/0400/Apr	22w	UQ2GDQ	14045/1425/Apr	26w
HB9BPN	14045/1405/Apr	19m	UC2ABT	14026/1410/Apr	19m	UY5YK	14045/0415/Apr	22w
IT9ZGY	14035/2155/Apr	20w	UK1PAA	14028/1100/Apr	22e	UW1YY	14068/1350/Apr	19m
JW2CF	14004/1620/Apr	26w	UK2GJB	14028/1220/Apr	20e	3A2FB	14027/1130/Apr	21e
OK2BCC	14022/1420/Apr	26w	UK2BBB	14020/1910/Apr	21w	3AØEED	14005/1340/Apr	17e

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RED EYED LOUIE GONES ON FOREVER!! Almost--

ASIA CW

BV2A 14026/1200/Apr 23e	UK7LAA 14058/1505/Apr 22w	UL7BAB 14030/1800/Apr 19m
EP2SN 14025/2020/Apr 25e	UK8JAA 14067/0355/Apr 24w	UM8FM 14015/1605/Apr 20w
JT1AA 14004/1515/Apr 20w	UK8HAA 14032/0430/Apr 20w	UV9AX 14036/0435/Apr 22w
JT1KAA 14036/1045/Apr 20e	UK8LAA 14048/0405/Apr 22w	VU2BK 14039/1505/Apr 21w
UD6DKE 14032/0335/Apr 25w	UK8KAA 14030/1325/Apr 27m	4X4FU 14046/2240/Apr 20e
UH8DL 14026/0440/Apr 24m	UK8CBW 14011/1335/Apr 21e	4X4JU 14045/2245/Apr 20w
UI8MK 14029/1750/Apr 20m	UK8ZAD 14012/0720/Apr 21w	4Z4TA 14025/1745/Apr 25e
UI8ACC 14032/0130/Apr 20m	UL7QF 14007/0100/Apr 21m	5B4DA 14012/0230/Apr 22ka
UI8IZ 14017/0355/Apr 22w	UL7PBE 14026/0150/Apr 24m	9N1MM 14027/0130/Apr 27m
UI8ACZ 14011/1445/Apr 23w	UL7TA 14026/0155/Apr 24m	9M2ON 14032/1440/Apr 20w
UJ8AC 14046/0140/Apr 20m	UL7FAE 14027/0220/Apr 24m	9V1OK 14025/1440/Apr 24w
UJ8AE 14008/0200/Apr 27m	UL7JAA 14026/0230/Apr 24m	9V1RQ 14044/1500/Apr 20w
UJ8JCL 14055/1525/Apr 23w	UL7EAJ 14026/0255/Apr 24m	
UK6LAZ 14029/0410/Apr 24w	UL7PBA 14053/1620/Apr 26w	

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CX4CR 14037/0430/Apr 25w	HC1XG/HC8 14022/0340 26w	VP2KK 14025/0000/Apr 26e
FM7AZ 14027/2350/Apr 21e	KG6JDR 14051/0445/Apr 24w	VP2MB 14043/0410/Apr 23e
FG7AQ 14005/1330/Apr 21e	KV4AA 14029/1140/Apr 23m	VK5FM 14030/0415/Apr 20w
FK8BG 14038/0535/Apr 25w	P29JS 14034/1330/Apr 25w	WP4EFS 21141/1850/Apr 22e
FK8KG 14034/0545/Apr 25w	PT2JB 14032/0445/Apr 22w	WP9HY 14024/0355/Apr 22kp
FK8KAA 14070/0530/Apr 25w	TI2BEV 14027/0045/Apr 22e	ZF1JH 14025/0010/Apr 24w
FO8AZ 14044/0235/Apr 23w	VE1BFV 14041/2025/Apr 22w	3D2EU 14020/0545/Apr 25w
FP8JP 14034/2015/Apr 19w	VK6WT 14008/0840/Apr 20w	8P6GO 14027/1235/Apr 24m
FY7YE 14052/2200/Apr 22kp	VK8HA 14018/0035/Apr 24w	8P6ES 21105/1535/Apr 25m

(e = eastern states m = middle states w = western reaches ka = japan af = africa, etc)
(all times in gmt # = long path ??? = Slim...last seen at the casino in Monaco!!)

ARRL The lawsuit in Los Angeles County over alleged interference with the WESCARS operations was not dismissed as earlier reported but rather is still alive. The late word is that the the Superior Court sustained the defendant's Demurrer but gave the plaintiff WESCARS 30 days to file an amended complaint. The Motion to Dismiss was then ordered off the calendar. The matter will be back in the court in the next several weeks and, determined to end the interference activity, the attorney for WESCARS indicates that suit will be filed in Federal Court should the present suit be dismissed in the California Superior Court at Los Angeles.

John Huntoon, W1RW, has been hospitalized for surgery since mid-April but is expected to return to the counting house soon.

Kenneth Bolin, WA1SSH; and Victor Shields, K9UIY, have been appointed to replace WA1KID and W9LT on the Contest Advisory Committee, both to fill out terms which will expire in December 1977.

Financially the ARRL appears to be going well with gross revenues for the first quarter up about 34% and expenses up around 22%.

A new film has been produced by Dave Bell and will be released sometime later this summer. The film, 12 minutes in length, is aimed at the CB market and is looking to encourage more of the CB types to investigate the greater opportunities in amateur radio.

Speaking of CB, the FCC is reported as having some serious reservations about allowing the CB Service to expand as rapidly as some groups are urging. They probably will get 100 new channels but not before next year. The FCC is studying the CB problems including inter-modulation interference. On the retailer issue license, the FCC fear it would turn the existing chaos into a mess....

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JARL effort.....at low tide on May 28th for about 3 days..
 SM0ACD and SM4CNN looking for action after mid-May
 HC1XG/HC8 on several bands until about May 9th
 Still being expected.....mid-May
 FR7ZL to open sometime this month
 VK200 on the low frequencies about this time
 ZF1BT by W5UFF from May 26th
 HB0XAA from May 26th by the Wiesbaden Radio Club
 DL7FT says May 10th....SP6RT says sometime....
 PY7YS says maybe July
 Keep watching! Was in Nepal last week.
 It's almost here. May 15/16th at the Fresno Hilton
 June 4th to 7th in Auckland. ZK1BKL for details...
 June 24/27th..Long Island City. W0UUE for details.
 Aug 7/8th...Vancouver, British Columbia
 Washington, D.C. area....Sept 25th

QSL UP-DATE The correct route for HC1XG/HC8 QSLs is: Joe Lynch, WA6PDE, Box 73, Bonita, Calif. 92002. Last week we gave another. Cards sent in that direction will get to Joe but the Bonita Post Office Box is the right route. HC1XG/HC8 was being heard in several bands last week and the chirp noticeable on their c.w signal during the early day or so was gone.
 K3KWJ operated 4U1ITU on February 7/8th in the first round of the ARRL phone Test. The last of some catch-up cards were put in the mail on April 21st and should anyone still be thirsting for a 4U1ITU for the contest period Feb 7/8-1976, QSL to K3KWJ. ALSO if you worked 4U1ITU in the period Jan 18/Feb 6, 1976 and the operator was 'Dex'...it's K3KWJ again. But only if it was 'Dex'.

W4NJF has used up the supply of cards sent him for 3V8DQ. These came via W2GHK. No cards have been received by W4NJF for 3V8WO.

K2PAY is the QSL manager for ZD7HH. Though Jerry took on the duties in April, he can supply QSLs for past contacts. ZD7HH often on SSB on twenty and mostly in the evenings.

In the up-coming ITU week, WA6PDE will be signing NE6ITU. It also seems that the FCC did issue some ITU calls good for the month, had a change of mind and reissued them for the week.

N31TU will be operated by the Dept of State Radio Club, W3DOS, from May 15-23rd.

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FCC There is more information on the two letter call signs. Effective July 1, 1976, Extra Class licensees currently holding two letter calls or eligible for them under present rules may apply for specific two letter call-signs of their choice. October 1st licensees who held an Extra before Nov 22, 1967 may request a specific two-letter call. Jan 1, 1977 those who had an Extra before Jul 2, 1974 may apply and Apr 1, 1977 those who held an extra before Jul 1, 1976 may apply. After Jul 1st of 1977 anyone who obtained an Extra after Jul 1, 1976 may apply. FCC will not accept applications prior to the above dates. 1x3 calls will be considered later.

TNX to W1DAL, WA1LJC, W1JAA, K1TZQ, W1WQC/4, WA2AUB, W2FPM, K2PAY, W3CDL, W4BAA, W4HU, W4KA, W4NJF, WB4SIJ, W4UMF, W4WRY, W5AK, WA5AUZ, WB5CEW, W5LTY, K5OVC, W5UFF, W5USM, K6AN, W6CLM, WA6CCP, W6DZK, K6EC, W6EJJ, W6FF, K6KA, W6KPC, K6LAE, W6MTJ, WA6PDE, W6PN, W6PT, W6PTS, W6MAV, K6UFT, WB6UJO, K6VY, WB6ZUC, K7ABV, WA7COQ, W7UR, WA7UVO, W8BQV, W8JXM, W8OA, WB8OFG, W8ZOK, W9BG, WDX9JFT, WB9LHI, WA9UCE/6, K9UIY, W9YRA, KA6RI, KA6YL, KP4EAJ, YB0ABV, JH1VRQ, SM0ACD.

WEST COAST DX BULLETIN Published every week by the Marin County DX Group. There was a bit of a north wind last week but we found a protected spot and the visibility was spectacular. And while the two of us were industriously passing the happy hours watching down the bay, the bane of all lazy DXers showed up. This was one of the worrying type. "You know something?", this worrier asked. "I've been reading all about the Bermuda Triangle and those mysterious things that have happened there. I believe that there is something to it. And I further believe that we probably have the same thing right here. I sure do!". It was obvious that we would not get rid of this one until we said the magic words so we said: "How's that?" and the QRPer beamed. "Well", he said, "last night about midnight I was watching the sky and I see this plane headed north out over the bay. It was quite visible with its bright lights and I watched it head north, away up high. But it went behind the trunk of a tree that was in front of me and I never saw it come out. It just never came out!! Somewhere behind that tree something happened. Just like it has happened in the Bermuda Triangle!". We both slowly nodded in agreement with the worrying one and soon he was off on his patrols. After awhile the other lazy DXer stirred a bit and asked: "Why didn't you tell him that it was just a plane climbing north out of SFO with it's landing lights on as an anti-collision procedure? And the pilot just happened to turn them off when the plane was behind the tree". We thought this over for a bit and then threw in our clincher. "But can you prove that?" and we both laughed. For there is a lot one must do on faith and logic. And maybe we cannot prove that the sunspots will return one day....but we think they will. For they always have and \$10.00 will bring you the great news of the great day by second-class mail for a full year. \$14.50 flips it at you by first-class mail and for the jet-set DXers, \$17.00 flies it to Mexico and all the DX lands on the UPU!

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