



West Coast **DX** Bulletin

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SAUDI/IRAQ NEUTRAL ZONE The possibility of an early bit of activity in the Saudi/Iraqi Neutral Zone was a development last week and the prospects for this rather rare area being activated appear good.

More word will be coming on this but the report is that HZ1TA, Prince Talal Bin Abdul Aziz along with Bill Porter, 7Z1AB, are definitely planning on a neutral zone operation in the next month. The rig will include a full KW and possibly a beam.

Information was being relayed by W4UL who is close to the picture. There should be additional information and possible dates of activity in the next week or so. This is 8Z4 country.

FERNANDO DE NORONHA J Alexandre Filho, PY7PO, will be on Fernando de N. sometime next month, the exact date waiting on word from the Brazilian Air Force.

The call-sign will be PY0FOC and he will be active on:

3505kc 7025kc 14025kc 21025kc 28025kc

There will be further word on this and also the question may be answered on SSB operation.

PY0AL is reported as presently on Fernando de Noronha and was active in the last few days of November, being at 14210kc from 2230Z.

MACQUARRIE VK0AC has been found on twenty SSB, being found around 14235kc in the 0400-0800Z period.

This is VK2ZQK who will be on the island for the better part of a year. The indication is that he will hold the logs until the end of his tour and will be QSLing on his return to Australia.

COCOS-KEELING VK9CCT was heard from Cocos-Keeling early in December, this being VK5CCT and not listed in the latest callbook.

At this point this operator should have returned to Australia. However, the report is that he will be going to Cocos-Keeling from time to time and may show again in a few months. For those with long-range patience, this operating frequencies were 14211kc....14195kc.....and 14165kc. These from 0800Z to after 1300Z.

Some east coast stations worked this one though the report was that the signal was not especially strong.

DXCC Rule 9 There may be a short delay in the implementation of the change in DXCC Rule 9 but it should be out sometime shortly after the start of the new year.

Apparently the change will have wording similar to...."...Country wide DXCC within the continental U.S. with retroactive endorsement only upon request".

Problems of getting set for the changes may delay things some weeks but the change in Rule 9 seems to be rather definite.

SUNSPOT LOUIE Since the disappearance of Old #757 which turned the corner at the western limb on 30 November, there has been no activity.

And the conditions have been disturbed at times with the K index getting up into the twenties. But even with this those who have tested conditions have found good DX at time.

The number given above refers to sunspot groups. These usually run for a year, starting anew with the New Year, but because things were a bit thin in 1975, that string was run into 1976. There probably will be a new series started this coming January. Even with these referring to groups, that is a respectable number to show for two years. However, things are shaping up so that the next two years will show even more.

This last activity, Old 757, was just under 12°N when it turned the corner and it does seem that this was action from the dying Cycle 20.

Looking ahead for a couple of weeks, things are looking good for the Christmas period with the geomagnetic field expected to be quiet. This should get things into the High Normal area and there is a two-day holiday there.....three if you figure a way to work Friday into the scheme of things.

Here's the BIG Picture. Make your plans now!!

December 14th	High Normal	December 22nd	Low Normal
15th	High Normal	23rd	High....but periods of LN
16th	High Normal	24th	Low Normal
17th	High Normal	25th	High Normal
18th	High Normal	26th	High Normal
19th	High Normal	27th	Low Normal
20th	High Normal	28th	High Normal
21st	High Normal	29th	High Normal

That should take you right up to New Years. The High Normal days should be because of low geomagnetic activity.

Starting in January QST will have the propagation predictions in the DX section. Apparently this will be the charts provided through the Institute for Telecommunication Sciences at Boulder, Colo. There will be information on this new item in the January QST.

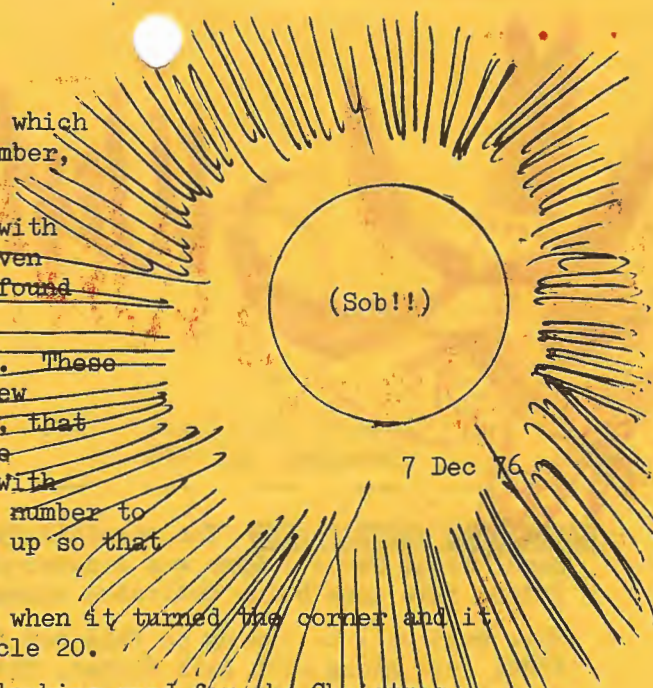
And up from the south at break of day comes the word from the WWV Watcher and K6EC is in there with both the Ap and K indices. We will restrain our enthusiasm and only run the Ap along with the solar flux.

	Solar Flux	Ap Index		Solar Flux	Ap Index
Nov 29th	72	1	December 3rd	73	2
30th	72	7	4th	73	9
Dec 1st	72	4	5th	72	4
2nd	74	4			

That's it! Just remember that the sun is now setting later each day and the solstice will be on the 21st. It usually it....

3Y-OPERION 3Y3CC will be activated about January 15th...give or take a few days and will operate for six weeks or until about February 28th...

This will be from Queen Maude Land in the Antarctic.



THE COLVINS Last week the Colvins were in Sint Maarten and checking with other stations in the Lesser Antilles on their next stop. Guadeloupe did appear to be the next stop for Lloyd and Iris. In Sint Maarten they were visiting PJ7RO.

From VP2VDJ in the British Virgins, they made over 9000 QSOs in 124 countries. This was a new record for a YASME operation, some 2000 QSOs during the WW DX Test at the end of November helping things along.

While in the Caribbean, the Colvins were advised that they have been elected to CQ's DX Hall of Fame. This honor recognizes their many DX efforts over the years and they join the select few which have been recognized as making a continuing and notable contribution to DXing.

SHORTLY NOTED Terry at HZ1AB advises that he only is active on Thursdays and Fridays, local time there, and is usually found around 14210kc from 1300Z on those days.

Bill Snider at 9D5A says that they worked hard in the recent WW DX test but managed only a handful of W/Ks. K6AO on forty meters was the single suffering Six to be worked. Bill feels that more could be worked if long-path would be checked. He notes that a 4J6A in Soviet Armenia was really racking up the contacts and the score from this station might be interesting.

Bill also notes that KV4FZ has been heard several times on 160mtrs in Iran but has not been QSOed as yet. Bill will be on LP on Saturdays and Sundays from 1430Z....usually around 14025-14030kc. You may catch him above 14200kc for SSB occasionally but mostly only by appointment.

The 9D-prefix was to mark the 50th year of the Pahlavi Dynasty, this including the Shah and his father before him. K4OD has been issued 9D5B. QSLs for 9D5A and EP2SV go to WA6AHF. 9D5B/EP2OD go to K4OD.

There have been some reports that eighty and possibly one-sixty may no longer be available to the Iran amateurs after March of next year.

4W9GR mentioned elsewhere has been found around 14003kc from 2000Z. This one QSLs to DK4PP. P29EJ has a schedule with WB6MPK most days at 2000Z and in the 14026kc country. Usually very accomadating. This is Keith and QSLs to Box 1486, Lae, Papua, New Guinea.

ZS6QU/3 says that he will be moving around a bit and it would be best to QSL to the ZS QSL Bureau. He has also said to QSL to ZS6URS...which is not in the CB.

While some cheer the elimination of the portable and mobile attachment to the callsigns, it might be noted may still require it in some contests. Check the rules for any effort you are planning to jump in.

The National Contest Journal is being published by Pete Grillo, W6RTT, and the present mailing address is: 2018 South 8th Ave. Arcadia, Calif. 91006. The group presently putting out the Journal are making a determined effort to make a source of information available to the testers.

Subscriptions to the NCJ are \$4.00 per year. They need the support of the dedicated testers and would like to hear from more of them.....

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MORE SHORTLY NOTED The work on the QSL information is moving. We hope to spring something on the unsuspecting around the first of the year. Hold your patience!! PJ8CM said to QSL via the PJ QSL Bureau. Some east coast types were mentioning working a ZA a week back, this with the help of a Russian. Considering that the Albanians and the Russians are hardly on speaking terms, one might have some reservations. Also, the station was supposed to be visiting. Things really have not been placid in Albania ever since King Zog left.

VU2GDG has been coming through to the western reaches on twenty long path after 0130Z and has been asking about possible LP on forty.

VP8MS will be leaving South Georgia on Christmas Eve but VP8OT will be there for another six months or so. VP8ON in the Falklands go to WA4NRE. YK1AA a couple of weeks back was working into the East and Middle States on LP after 1430Z....maybe even before. Around 14215kc.

K6VY dropped down to the Richmond Long Wharf to look over one of the new g turbine powered tankers. Found that the 3rd Mate on the vessel was a yo. female type. Son of a Gun....Bob is still so speechless that he is sticking pretty much to c.w. As an former Tanker Skipper, he has to admit that things have changed! VP2LDU QSLs to WA7OTT.

Over in the middle eastern areas, there is a move to rename the Persian Gulf the Arabian Gulf. This is a serious matter and Iran recalled its ambassadors from the six Arab countries pushing the change. Might give you an idea in QSLing whether to send your letter via the Persian Gulf or the Arabian Gulf. Learn to carry water on both shoulders!! Or maybe leave any geographical reference out altogether.

Down in the Atlanta area, the new officers for the Southeastern DX Club are: President, W4Liam Barr, K4KZP; Stewart Woodard, K4SMX the vice-president; Secretary is Al Smarr, W4BTZ; and Jim Wilson W4MWT is the activity manager. We missed the treasurer but having had problems in the past, we are going to coast by this time.

A9XBD is on RTTY. This is Geoff Smith and he is the only station on RTTY in the Arabian Gulf area, having received this permission in October. He can only use a shift of 170hz in transmitting though he can receive most any shift. He has been found around 14220kc around 1800Z and also works in the 75 meter band. Good for a QSL, you can send them to Geoff Smith, C&W, Box 14, Bahrain, Saudi Arabia.

M1D has been showing regularly from around 1400Z in the 14210kc area and is fishing for a Wyoming contact. He says that he will be definitely on the air at 1430Z looking for stateside stations.

ZK1BA is reported to be still working on getting QSLs for the ZK1BA/Penrhyn effort of last July. Some 1500 QSOs are in the logs to answer. WA6QFO was on the YL SSB System a few weeks back and said that QSLs will be moving out about this time. There is still hope for those who are waiting.

W2BXA is sending VP1MPW a Johnson 6N2 and it should be be on the line by ;mid-January. This should open the door to some OSCAR activity.

W5QPX says he is a couple of months behind in the TA QSLing but is working at it. Everything will come to him who waits. That the way the case should always be. Often the logs are sent by surface mail as the bulk, and the weight, makes air service a real expense item. Gil also notes little sympathy for those who fail to include a sase. These will eventually go by the bureaus....eventually.

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MORE SHORTLY NOTED That 9Y4A goes to W2AYJ. CT4AT....which continues to draw queries...goes to W1YRC. CT4AT is Don Riebhoff who used to be sought half a world away from where he presently is in Lisbon.

YB0ABV who is now in Florida as W4HV....is desperate for QSLs from 9J2BO/CT2AH/CN8BV/FP8DH/9H1BT/7Q7RM/PZ1AC/CR6WT/VP2MKJ/HL9KT/CR7GR/VS9MPH/4S7PB/XW8FA/9H1CD/ET3PG/HK6BRT/SM0CER/KS6FB/C9MIC/JA00AQ..... If you have the magic word on any of these....needed for a YB0 5BDXCC....Dick would jump with joy to hear from you.

7P8BC goes to WA9SMM....VP2LDU to JA1KSO. 9J2NL to IT9AF. VP2MT to JA1KSO ZD8AB to ZD8AR...KC4AAC to K7ODK, ZD8AA to WA4TLB and 3A0FY to F9UW.

Out of JA-land has come two DX items recently which are a couple of items of note. JA10CA has compiled a Readers Digest size book on DX which provides a mass of DX information for DXCC as well as for various awards. Partly in English, partly in Japanese, it is a slick publication which information even for those who cannot read Japanese.....or even speak it.

The second item to come will make most DXers wish they could read Japanese. This one via Akira Tani, JA1BN. It looks like the JA CQ/HAM RADIO magazine but the feeling is that this is a different publication. The whole book is DX.....nothing else. Even to the extent of listing the major dxpeditions along with the operators all the way back to 1958. Such as VQ8AJ was on Chagos in July and the San Diego DX Club on Clipperton from August 8th to 23rd signing FO8AT.

This book has some good photos of Malpelo. The terrain on the rock is easy to see and the high portion that blocks off the western reaches from any operation on the shelf where the landings have usually been made. It also does not appear that scaling the pinnacle would be especially difficult to anyone with some rock-climbing experience.

The two books are interesting. There is a lot of information in them in English, the overall contents certainly must be an encyclopedia of DXing.

TU4AK is in the Ivory Coast on a field problem for Honeywell. He will be there for seven weeks but about this time is home in Seattle for the holidays. He has previously signed ZD8RR and VP5RR. 6W8FP has shut down his operation, preparing to leave for the states. There is a 4W7KM showing around 21260kc at times but not too much more known about this one.

LU2AFH has shipped the logs for VP8MS to K4MZU. They should be there shortly. FY7AN has mentioned that he worked a 5A5LZ on c.w.....14110kc/Nov 23rd.

ZD7SD mentions that he is often around 3640kc or 3790kc from about 2100Z. S H Malcolm, ZS4LY, is reported to be a Silent Key.....November 19th.

The DXers in the Tulsa, Oklahoma, area have moved to make a formal DX organization. Seven charter members are on the rolls. Anyone interested might drop a line to Jess Strawn, W5ZWX, 3619 South Richmond, Tulsa, Okla 74135

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The certainty of power...

LOW BAND LOUIE

FM0MM 1802/0500/Dec	2m	KP4EKI 1827/0405/Dec	4m	W4EV/VP9 1806/0330	3m
G3UBR 1808/0530/Dec	4m	WB4ZNH/KS6 1807/1200	4e	VR1AA 1803/0700/Dec	3m
KH6CHC 1997/0600/Dec	4m	KV4FZ 1802/0425/Dec	4m	VR3AH 1809/0550/Dec	4m
KL7GKY 1813/0540/Dec	4w	VP1MPW 1805/0245/Dec	4m	YS1WPE 1827/0230/Dec	3m
CE0AE 7030/0545/Dec	4m	LU2ZA 7003/0210/Dec	4e	YV3AGT 7006/0245/Dec	6w
CO2RU 7032/0340/Dec	3m	PY2GZY 7025/0510/Dec	1e	ZP5AO 7003/0220/Dec	6w
CO5GU 7018/0434/Dec	1e	SP7HT 7015/1455/Dec	1w	ZS1ER 7006/0345/Dec	4w
DK8GD 7006/1700/Dec	5e	UH8HAB 7006/1240/Dec	3e	ZS4AK 7003/0420/Dec	1w
EA8BF 7007/0030/Dec	1w	UA0BBN 7008/1225/Dec	2e	ZS5A 7003/0250/Dec	6e
EF 7004/0315/Dec	2e	VP2LDT 7027/0245/Dec	6e	ZS6QU/3 7002/0235/often	
FR7AT 7001/0300/Dec	1e	VP2LDU 7004/0150/Dec	6w	ZS1HF 7009/0350/Dec	6e
G4FOC 7026/2140/Dec	4e	VP8MM 7008/1730/Dec	5e	6Y5ET 7003/0035/Dec	2w
HA9KPU 7005/2300/Dec	3e	VP9HW 7029/0445/Dec	6e	8P7GO 7038/0415/Dec	1e
HI7JM 7032/0405/Dec	2w	VU2LE 7012 0100/Dec	5w	8P7AG 7020/0425/Dec	1e
KL7HHX 7030/0055/Dec	2e	VU2GDG 7098/1225/Dec	5e	9J2WR 7005/0450/Dec	4m
P29JS 7001/1220/Dec	5e	YU3GIJ 7005/2255/Dec	3e	9Q5SW 7005/0330/Dec	4w
EA8LO 3783/0715/Dec	2w	KG6JIH 3792/1415/Dec	1w	U05BE 3505/2350/Dec	2e
FR7AT 3503/0330/Dec	1e	ON4UN 3799/0615/Dec	1w	VS6DO 3790/1440/often	
EL2FP 3515/0850/Dec	5m	PA0TVB 3507/0240/Dec	2w	YB7AAU 3807/1420/Dec	2w
EL2AK 3799/0600/Dec	3m	SP7CTY 3502/0250/Dec	2e	YN1AA 3504/0420/Dec	4e
G2PU 3780, 0110/Dec	1w	TF5TP 3799/1115/Dec	5e	5T5CW 3795/2340/Dec	4e
G3KFT 3799/0730/Dec	7w	UC2ABT 3508/2325/Dec	5m	6W8DY 3787/0745/Dec	7w
GM3CFS 3505/0850/Dec	5m	UB5WE 3648/2320/Dec	5m	8R1AG 3802/0235/Dec	5e
I6FLD 3783/0610/Dec	2w	UB5BAZ 3514/2340/Dec	1e		

AFRICA CW

EA8CS 14051/1800/Dec	1e	ZS6QU/3 14033/2015/Dec	4w	5Z4NI 14016/1935/Dec	3e
FB8XO 14026/1455/Dec	3m	ZS6QU/3 21028/1715/Dec	5w	9G1JN 14025/2025/Dec	4w
FB8BG 14032/2000/Dec	4m	ZS6KO 21033/1530/Dec	3e	9J2NL 14052/2005/Dec	3e
ZD8TM 14047/2100/Dec	4w	SM4ATE/4U 14029/1325	4m	9L1BH 21042/1630/Dec	6w
ZS1OU 21032/1545/Dec	2w	5N2FAX 14028/2020/Dec	1e	9Q5SW 14036/1900/Dec	6w
ZS5WT 14023/1915/Dec	3w	5Z4LW 14027/1955/Dec	3w		

AFRICA SSB

C5AZ 21300/1420/Dec	1e	VE2ZM/SU 14206/1240	3e	5T5CW 14316/1505/Dec	5e
CN8MB 14201/1800/Dec	1e	K6JMZ/VQ9 21301/1530	1e	5T5ZR 21271/1525/Dec	5m
EA8BA 14202/1430/Dec	2m	XT2AG 21301/1725/Dec	5e	5U7AG 21416/1600/Dec	5e
EL1A 21376/1740/Dec	1e	ZE6JL 14208/1855/Dec	3m	7P8BC 14215/2150/Dec	4w
EL2ES 14241/2140/Dec	5e	ZS1FY 14203/2040/Dec	4w	7XLMD 14209/1330/Dec	2e
EL2EE 21416/1540/Dec	5e	ZS1EZ 21260/1730/Dec	4e	9J2TJ 14250/1800/often	
EL80 14270/1630/often		ZS2MX 21289/1705/Dec	4e	9J2JN 14203/1830/Dec	3e
FR7BE 21313/1400/Dec	1e	ZS4PB 21289/1710/Dec	4e	9G1HZ 21297/1600/Dec	1e
TU2DF 14216/2205/Dec	5m	ZS4PB 14208/2015/Dec	2w	9G1KB 14242/0025/Dec	5w
TU2GG 21291/1715/Dec	4e	ZS6AF 21281/1835/Dec	5m	9G1HD 21362/1655/Dec	2m
TU2EF 21313/1500/Dec	5e	ZS6BOG 14204/2035/Dec	4w	9X5SP 14295/1600/often	
TU4AK 21313/1500/Dec	5e	5N2NA 21271/1530/Dec	5m		
ZS1OU 21326/1545/Dec	1e	5N2NAS 21295/1740/Dec	4e		

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ASIA CW

EP2FE	14011/1430/Dec	3m	UH8BAV	14045/1240/Dec	5e	UK9WAP	14045/1230/Dec	1e
HM0U	14026/0015/Dec	3w	DJ8JCA	14018/1230/Dec	4e	VU2ARC	14011/1415/Dec	4m
JY9CR	14014/1505/Dec	3m	UF6IN	14025/1510/Dec	3m	VU2OK	14008/1345/Dec	2e
UF6FCZ	14053/1435/Dec	6e	UF6FCR	14031/1325/Dec	4m	5B4TS	14012/1420/Dec	2m
UA9HM	14012/1350/Dec	3e	UL7PBK	14014/1555/Dec	3m	9D5A	14025/1545/Dec	5w#

ASIA SSB

BV2B	14225/0015/Dec	5w	JY9RA	14215/1420/Dec	3m	VU2BX	14210/1330/Dec	5e#
CR9AJ	14225/2330/Dec	1m	UF6DZ	14222/1330/Dec	5e	VU2CAN	14226/1335/Dec	43#
EP2PW	14207/1345/Dec	6e	UK8BAJ	14218/1300/Dec	3m	VU2LE	14221/0230/Dec	7w
EP2NC	14204/1300/Dec	2e	UK9AAN	14206/1705/Dec	3m	VU2GDG	14222/0150/Dec	7w#
EP2DC	14211/1245/Dec	3e#	UW0LI	14226/2345/Dec	2w	YK1AA	14202/1445/Dec	1e
HL9KW	14225/2240/Dec	4m	VU2YY	14213/1335/Dec	6e	9M2DW	14225/2345/Dec	4w
JY6ZZ	14212/1320/Dec	3e	VU2GO	14205/1300/Dec	2e#	4Z4GH	21289/1450/Dec	6e
JY9CR	14215/1730/Dec	4m	VU2UK	14208/1310/Dec	4e#			

EUROPE CW

GMLCHO	14036/1625/Dec	6w	OH9NQ	14044/1725/Dec	5w	UK1ZAO	14038/1625/Dec	2w
IS0LYN	14034/1545/Dec	4w	SV1OR	14041/1600/Dec	4w	9H1CH	14026/1640/Dec	4w
OH4RH	14012/1700/Dec	4w	UB5ZD	14071/1430/Dec	6e			

EUROPE SSB

CT1WB	21318/1500/Dec	4e	JW7FD	14211/2020/Dec	2w	UB5WE	14227/1630/Dec	3m
CT1SX	21296/1530/Dec	1e	M1D	14212/1400/Dec	7e	UK2PAB	14220/1350/Dec	6e
DL6ID	21292/1545/Dec	1e	OH1RF	14211/1615/Dec	4w	UK5QAV	14219/1525/Dec	3e
EA4CR	14215/1640/Dec	4e	OH0NJ	14259/1455/Dec	6e	UK5QBE	14203/1400/Dec	2m
GM3MBP	14205/1530/Dec	3w	ON4LJ	14208/1540/Dec	2e	UK6GAV	14251/1400/Dec	2m
GM5APC	14214/1520/Dec	4w	PA0KJJ	14206/1640/Dec	1e	3A0FY	14202/1545/Dec	2e
GW4DWN	14227/1630/Dec	3m	SV0WZ	14219/1600/Dec	4w	9H4H	21310/1450/Dec	5m
HB9ARC	14228/1350/Dec	5m	TF3CB	14206/1830/Dec	3e	9H1EF	14206/1500/Dec	6e

ELSEWHERE'S CW

CO2BB	21041/1445/Dec	6e	P29EJ	14027/2025/Dec	4e	VP2LDU	14022/2230/Dec	5e
CO2JM	14027/1615/Dec	4w	PY0ZAE	14030/2150/Dec	5e	VP9IN	14006/2055/Dec	4w
FG7AS	14009/2050/Dec	3w	JA8UI/PZ	14006/2010	4e	VP9GD	14005/2055/Dec	4w
FY7AN	14012/2045/Dec	4w	VK6WT	14021/0000/Dec	4e	YB7AAU	14034/1545/Dec	3w
HI8LC	14005/0015/Dec	2w	VP2MT	14017/1355/Dec	1e	ZP5NW	21039/1445/Dec	6e
KG4AN	14016/2220/Dec	6w	VP2ST	14024/2200/Dec	5e	4K1B	14006/1730/Dec	3m#
KZ5VV	21030/2050/Dec	4w	VP2LDT	21036/1705/Dec	6w			

ELSEWHERE'S SSB

CE0AE	14223/1425/Dec	3m	PY7AMX	21301/1455/Dec	1e	VP2LCT	14201/2135/Dec	3m
CX5AP	28595/1815/Dec	5m	PY0ZAE	14203/2255/Dec	4m	VP2MF	14183/2240/Dec	3m
DU1XKE	14226/2300/Dec	4m	PZ5AA	24321/1730/Dec	1e	VP8PC	14233/0155/Dec	4m
EK8CN	14218/0435/Dec	5m	VK9CCT	14209/1400/Dec	6e	VP8HA	14209/0125/Dec	3w
HC0HM	21290/1910/Dec	5m	VP1JJ	21415/1650/Dec	4e	VP9BK	14239/1515/Dec	5w
KC6AQ	14266/2320/Dec	4m	VP2LDY	14201/1315/Dec	2e	VR3AR	21295/2050/Dec	5e
KC6QM	14225/2250/Dec	3w	VP2GAH	21316/1730/Dec	1e	YB0ABP	14227/2355/Dec	3w
LU1DVT	14206/2330/Dec	4m	VP2MT	14215/1635/Dec	4e	ZD5DP	21254/1800/Dec	5m
LU2ZA	14222/0205/Dec	4m	VP2SQ	14210/2345/Dec	2w	8P7GN	14205/2150/Dec	4m
PJ4CR	14226/1500/Dec	3w	VP2LDU	14225/2325/Dec	3w			

(e = eastern states m = middle states w = western reaches etc. all times in gmt)
 (# = long path ??? = Slim.....not heard recently, however)

14 December 1976

CALENDAR

SAUDI/IRAQ NEUTRAL ZONE
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Something developing. More information soon....
PY7PO aiming for January action
PY0ZAE active...should be on 40/80 late this week.
FR7AI presently there....until January.
Reported as expected from Guadeloupe.....
January 8/9th
January 28/30th
February 26/27th
February 5/6th
January 29/30th

SHORTLY NOTED A couple of issues back we ran that French Phone Test as coming on February 29/30th and no one screamed. Then we got to thinking that maybe most have not acquired their 1977 calendar. However, in case you might be interested, there will be no '29th' or '30th' in February in 1977. That's good information to know.

Fred Regennitter is the operator at KZ5FR and Judy Regennitter is KZ5UH. Both go to Box 44, Ft Davis, Canal Zone, APO New York 09829.

SV0WZ has passed along some of the good DX being heard regularly and Hans notes that 9J2TJ is often on around 14250kc/1800Z. 4W9GR is being heard at 14205kc. 7P8BC from 2000Z at 14220kc. 9K3TC is on twenty SSB, sometimes around 14220kc....other times around 14300kc. He works a shift in Jidda and the operating time varies.

9X5SP in Kigali is on most days at 14296kc from 1600. A4XG is on often at 14295kc but his operating time varies. FR7ZW is heard around 14230kc and SV1HA is around 3600kc...plus or minus...from 2000Z. Hans says that the East Coast is heard sporadically around 1500-16600Z in the eastern Mediterranean.

SM6DHU who tries forty on his lunch hour found W6TSQ on shortpath at 1100Z last week. Matt says it was the first forty QSO into the western reaches in an awfully long time.....

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QRM!! The Big QRM still is heard in these winter months, the petitions of the various international agencies apparently going unheeded. At the first of the month it was on 7mhz around 0300Z.....Ch..Ch..Ch..Ch..Ch..Ch..Ch.....
If this persists they are going to have to realize that they may not have our support at WARC 1979!! That should fix them.....

VE8RA/Karl Gamper Karl has retired from Pacific Western airlines and is now in Nova Scotia signing VE1BJJ. He expects to be on the air shortly and will figure out ways of DXing to enjoy the available time he now has.

TNX to W1AM, W1DAL, W1MV, K1TZQ, W2AG, K2BT, W2FP, WB3CDE, W4BAA, W4HU, W4KA, K4KZP, WB4OXD, K4SMX, W4TYE, W4UF, W4UMF, W4VN, W4ZR, W5AK, WA5AUZ, ADXA, WB5EIN, K5OVC, W5USM, W5ZWX, W6DMJ, K6EC, W6GVM, K6HTM, WB6IXC, K6JG, W6KG, K6LAE, W6PN, W6PT, W6TCQ, WA6TLA, W6TSQ, K6UFT, W6VD, K6VY, K7ABV, W7BCT, W4UL, WA7OBH, K8HLR, W8OA, W8KNI, W9SS, W9VW, W0SFU, KH6BZFff_f KH6CZ, KP4BDL, KV4FZ, KZ5UH, SV0WZ, VE1BJJ, 9D5A, EP2VW.

WEST COAST DX BULLETIN Published every week by the Marin County DX Group. One of the local QRPers came by last week, and he was skeptical. "Tell me", he demanded, "that picture of Santa Claus in the Madison advertisement. Just how does he manage it just sitting there in mid-air. I'd like to know that!" Son of a Gun!! What does one say when the questions are sharp? So we just kept silent for a bit. And after awhile we asked: "You've heard of Dasher and Dancer and Prancer and Vixen? And Comet and Cupid and Donner and Blitzen?" The QRPer was sharp. "Sure I've heard of them", he said. "Everyone knows that they are the reindeer for Santa Claus' sleigh. They've been flying the pattern out of the north every Christmas Eve for years. Why, I can remember waiting for them when I was a small child. Often heard the bells but never did see the sleigh." We were silent for a bit after this for we are in the good season and one that we should enjoy. Finally the QRPer spoke again. "Say, I get it. Santa Claus is there in the advertisement the same way the reindeer are in the sky. Right?" And right he was for this is the season for all DXers to have faith. The New Year and the new cycle are upon us and DX will be there for those who believe. Christmas will bring the best times of the year to those who believe in the spirit. Be a Believer!! They are the best of DXers....

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