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BOUVET Word from John, 3Y1VC, is that the Norwegian group expects to be in the Bouvet area the last week of this month and a possible landing is tentatively set for February 25th.

Weather conditions will be the deciding factor. If it does not look good, the group will continue on to the next stop which should be Capetown.

The long awaited weather station on Bouvet is said to be due for installation next year, possibly around this time which is their summer and they want the balmy weather.

A number of the 3Ys were being reported last week. In addition to 3Y1VC who was at 14225kc/0015Z, there was also 3Y1VE at 14026kc/0050, 3Y3CC at 14028/0025kc and 3Y3CL at 14018kc/0105Z. Watch the barometer and hope for good weather along about the last weekend of this month.

LIBYA Though not reported by any of the W/Ks, a JA-amateur appears to have been rather active from the Benghazi area a couple of weeks back.

JA1TES was reported by the European Desk to have been located about 700km SE of Behghazi and was on twenty, fifteen and forty, signing JA1TES/5A. He expected to operate until about January 25th. QSLs were to go to his home QTH.

However, not all is lost...yet. JA1SNA is also due in the Benghazi area if not already there. He also will be looking for the action and permission to operate. Both of these JAs were working on a contract let by the Lybian government and both are on the staff of NEC. The handle for JA1SNA is 'Sin' and you might keep an eye or ear open....

There is still a bit more. 9H1FC, on a week or so back, is from the Houston area and with a petroleum company there in Libya. He made an application for a license some time back and it has not been rejected——yet. He is hopeful that he may be able to get on the air when he returned from a vacation in Malta.

HAITI 9H1EL, Jeff Morris, indicates that he will be returning to Haiti later this month and will put HH2EL back on the air again.

Look for him about February 17th. He will be there for four weeks this time, the operation will still be only on forty c.w. He will be crystal controlled at 7016kc and at 7023kc. He expects to operate most days from 2300Z to about 0200Z. QSLs will still go to K6KII

SUNSPOT LOUTE All those areas which were so dazzling on last week chart are gone! gone! And it is a lat world for the deserving DXer who waits for the joys of Cycle 21.

All those areas on the chart slipped out of the picture, shown law eek went with #772 turning the corner at right limb on January 28th...all the others just turned up their toes. In between there was No. 777 but arrived on January 27th, lasted to the 28th but never made to the corner.

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However, do not give up hope yet. Between January 12th and 25th there were eight active regions on the sun. Most of these were associated with new Cycle 21. The provisional count on January 24th reached a daily number of 67...uncorrected. Solar flux has been reaching up into the eighties, last Thursday WWV was saying 83.

The bottom of Cycle 20, as defined by the 12month running smoothed sunsplumber (SSN) should be available before long. Some are watching to see if the bottom had a SSN around 13 which would be something noteworthy in itself, their the highest bottom recorded.

There out High Normals showing in the next couple of weeks, a whole week of uning up to the ARRL CW Test. However the Sunday part of the test may f ags slipping down to Low Normal..... asybe. Here is the all line-up, light out of the icebox.

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Watch the 18-minute-after-the-hour broadcasts from WWV. When they start putting out Solar Flux figures in the eighties, it will be time to start jumping.....high!!

The Good Days are near....

Up from the South at break of Day, one of Ben Bailar's finest comes with the word from K6EC as to what it was and when. For the chartmakers, Ev says that it was.....

| | | Solar Flux | Ap Index | | | | Solar | Flux | Ap |
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| Jan | 24th | 81 | 7 | | Jan | 28th | 80 | | 6 |
| | 25th | 77 | 7 | | | 29th | 79 | | 12 |
| | 26th | 78 | 3 | | | 30th | 79 | | 22 |
| | 27th | 78 | 3 | | | | | | |

There it is, all ready to go. Be ready. For, as the Hero of Mafeking would often say: "Be Prepared!" Things are going to be brighter..tomorrow.

FRENCH INDIAN OCEAN ISLANDS The changes have been made at the weather stations and the line up goes something like this.

FR7AI has gone QRT from Europa, finishing up at the end of January and he will be replaced by FR7ZQ/E.

FR7ZL. Guy, is now on Tromelin and will be there until the end of April. The first of May FR7AI will go to Tromelin to replace Guy and you will then hear FR7AI/T. Now you are hearing FR7ZL/T.

FB8W-Crozet, will be activated late in March by FB8WE and/or FB8WJ. This one will have F6APG handling the QSLs.

SUDAN We still have not heard anything further on the possible activity by WLJBZ in the southern autonomous provinces but there has been some other action noted. Besides radio, there was a short-lived revolt in Juba last week.

DKØGD/ST, Wilhlem, was at 21204kc on SSB in mid-January. He said he was in Khartoum and was being worked around 1030Z. Said to QSL to DL9IL.

ST2RK was reported as being on a Sunday schedule, 21203kc about 0950Z. This is supposed to be a new station in the Sudan, the handle is Hans. You might find CT2BB scheduling this one.

WILLIS VK9ZM has been found just above the edge of the phone band from after 2130Z, sometimes sliding down a handful of kcs when the pile-ups get too torrid. QSLs go to VKLABW and the activity from Willis should be good for four or five more months. VKHABW's address is: 9 Lady Bird Place, Kallangor, Queensland 4503, Australia.

St VINCENT WB8JEY is presently active on St. Vincent signing VP2SZ and will be there for some weeks yet. If you have not caught him so far, activity is planned for the second go-round in the ARRL DX Test the first week-end in March plus the up-coming c.w. test in a couple of weeks.

QSLs go to WB80BA.

MacQUARRIE VKØAC, Art Coolidge, keeps a schedule with his father most days around 1100Z, the father being W2TEY. Sometimes K8ZBY is also in there on the schedule, this being around 7030kc....sometimes a few kc one way or another and sometimes an hour earlier.

Art is on MacQuarrie doing some atmospheric research and probably will be. there for the lest part of a year. His home call is VK3ZQK. Those looking for VKØAC are asked to stand by when he is trying to work his father, otherwise Art generally is happy to have visitors. As noted previously, QSLs may not be handled until his return to Australia at the end of the year. Some suggestions for other alternatives have been mentioned but at this time the route is a years wait. It may change.

FW8CO is reported as active often down in the lower portion of the twenty meter band....usually below 14140kc and sometimes down ten or fifteen kcs further. Look for him from 0830Z.....QSLs to F6AXY. Also might be on 40.

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Cycle 21. Rejoice! The Good Days are on the delivery truck..and almost here!!

WARC 79 The meeting of the Amateur Advisory Committee on WARC 79 late in January brought a decision to continue to press for new amateur frequencies between ten and 25mhz, there being three new bands initially proposed but dropped from the latest package out of the FCC. The group felt that the bands are needed and will, work up a strong case to justify them,

Apparently some work has been done on the fifteen meter band which will not necessitate the change down in frequency for the amateurs. Somewhere along the line there may also be a decision as to whether the CBers will be assigned space in the 220mhz or 900mhz areas.

A group of amateurs involved with these studies, these being from the Washington area, will work on a final draft for presentation by the deadline of February 7th. There is also expected that another FCC Notice of Inquiry will be out shortly, this being the Fourth Notice and this is expected sometime in late April or May.

While amateurs may be concerned mostly with their own bits of the spectrum, recognition must be maintained that other groups are also out battling for their own suggested needs for expansion and are not reluctant to make pointed references to where more spectrum might be obtained.

There have been voices raised from within the broadcast industry noting that that their services address millions of people every day of the year while the total number of amateurs in the U.S. is less than 300,000 ...

They also note how much spectrum is assigned to amateurs and maybe some could be better utilized if assigned elsewhere....like broadcasting or other needs.

Don't figure that things will fall into your lap because you are naturally deserving. The FCC preparatory work is only the start, there will still be a lot of negotiating when the action moves to Geneva. Letters written at this time to comment on the FCC Notices of Inquiry could be vital.

A WARC meeting convened in Geneva in mid-January to consider a global master plan establishing technical and operational parameters for broadcasting from satellites. The ITU was sponsoring this meeting. What was wanted was a plan providing for broadcasting-saltellite servce in the broadcast bands and to work up a criteria for sharing these bands with other services.

The U.S. was bucking worldwide support for a rigid global plan, this being to provide each nation with an assigned orbital position in geostationary orbits as well as frequencies. The FCC said that the assignment should be on need and that the proposal for assignments would have each nation with its name on a part of the geostationary orbit, a sort of reserved parking lot in orbit.

WARC is definitely a complex arena. Amateurs will have to enter to protect their needs. Sharpen that pencil!!!!

SHORTLY NOTED ZK1BA is planning to be on Manihiki sometime in April. If Trevor's plans all jell, he will be heard about 0300Z on April 12th and will operate non-stop through April 13th He has to depart the island on April 14th so you can see what the picture is on this one. As these dates are in the middle of the week, it is time now to plan.

Trevor most likely will be on Manihiki again in July and October. WA7HRE will handle the QSLs...last time out ZK1BA got home to find his mail box jammed and about 200 QSLs showing each day to add to the load.

VRØCX has been showing on the Pacific DX Net and says that he is in the Ellice group and to QSL to HB9AJA. Some wondered if this might be the VR7 group...many say that this one is definitely suspect, east coast stations saying that the beam says it is towards South America. Don't hesitate to work 'Arnie' should you hear him, work 'em first, worry later. There will be plenty of time for that. There always is.... Some saying that this is South Pacific Slim....

REPORTS FROM RED EYED LOUIE

Haul up the flag, you DXers,
Not half-mast but all the way;
The Cycle is done and ended;
DXers will have their day!

LOW BAND LOUIE

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MORE SHORTLY NOTED F8VJ showed on 1826kc during the One-Sixty Test the last weekend in January. This was an operation made under a 48-hour permission given by the French government and just for the contest.

The operation was restricted to a 10kc segment and with only ten watt of power. Lucien was worked by many of the deserving, it being #102 country for WhBRB on one-sixty and KVhFZ found F3AT for his #118, Herb also finding OH1CG for #117.

F8VJ has requested that any W/K who worked a French station during the one-sixty test to write a letter with some favorable remarks and some appreciation for the permission to put F-stations on the air for two days in the top band. The letters are needed to support continued efforts for priviliges on one-sixty by the French amateurs. Letters should go to Lucien Becquet, Villenueve, 49540 Martigne-Briand, France. F8EX and F3AT will other stations active during the two days.

ONSTO looks for 9USBS on the last wednesday of the month....14203kc from 1300Z. He has not found him yet but is persisting, there apparently still being some licensing problems there in 9US.

The Colvins are in Antigua. SMØAGD has been delayed in his CR3 effort and will not be there until after the ARRL Phone Test....that was this last weekend. Erik was not quite sure when he would go, the indicators being that it would be sometime in February. But it is rather definite that he should show up sometime in February.

Senator Goldwater has indicated to some that inquired that he will again introduce Radio Frequency Interference legislation in this session of the Congress. Last Congress it was introduced both in the House and Senate but never got moving. Sometimes it may appear that an amateur is within the circle of wagons, fighting for his existence and armed only with a pen. And that might be a mite more true than you would suspect. Your voice raised and embodied in a letter can be significant in swaying actions.

DLCBS says he often is on from 0800Z just below 3800kc. CEØAE says that TKØRH is also being heard from MacQuarrie. May be showing on the Pacific DX Net about February 18th...QSLs to VK5WV. ZL3FM who was /VR1 last June says that all cards have gone out via the bureaus. VR6TC says he will be at 21350kc.lor thereabouts....from 2230Z every other Tuesday. He was there on January 25th. Says he is pouring the foundation for a new tower. Also reports some British engineers working on a dock and jetty for the island. Mail service a bit erratic....last ship had 12 sacks of mail picked up in the Canal Zone but because it was running behind schedule, did not stop at Pitcairn. Look for VR6TC on February 22nd.....

And a commission holding hearings on the U.S. Postal Service is dropping broad hints about a 16¢ first-class rate by Christmas. Ah, it will be a joyous season!!

A petition has been filed with the FCC asking for more distinctive prefixes for Kure/Western Carolines/Marianas and Kingman. The petitioner says it would help if it were possible to more easily identify the areas. WB6EXW who was in Polynesia a month or so back, and says it was FOØGC and not FO8GC he was signing....says that he worked 1000 QSOs in two weeks while there and got a lot of help from some of the locals like FO8DR/FO8CX/FO8DF and FO8CI.

MORE RED EYED STUFF

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TRANSKEI A station signing S8AAA continues to be reported. Some have inquired about the possibility validity of this one, wondering if it might be the true-Blue. Son of a Gun! We wished we knew....

But there are other games in other rooms and VE3FXT will be operating in Transkei as S8A starting about February 20th. George says he operating frequency will be around 14200kc, maybe a few kcs above, maybe a few below. This may be your chance to work a true-blue S8. All Deserving DXers should have such an opportunity.

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CJ3BLU 14026/2215/Jan 30e JA1PIG/PZ1 14046/2130 23e YB1KW 14026/1315/Jan 29e CX7BBB 14025/0130/Jan 25w 14025/0030/Jan 28w# 21022/1645/Jan 30w VK6WT YV 3AG 14026/0050/Jan 25m FMØC00 21044/1630/Jan 29e VK9ZM 14025/0230/Jan 29e 3Y1VE FY7AS 14008/0105/Jan 30w VP2KA 14052/2050/Jan 29w 3Y3CC 14028/0025/Jan 27e H18MOG 14040/2215/Jan 30e H18XPT 14022/1755/Jan 31m HKØBKX 14025/1330/Jan 27e VP2SZ 21037/1625/Jan 29e VP2MAR 14020/1315/Jan 31e VP8AI 14009/0100/Jan 29w 14018/0105/Jan 27w 3Y3CL 14010/2255/Jan 29w 14048/2000/Jan 23e 8P6AE 8P6GN JA8UI/PZ 14005/2215 24w VP9HT 14018/1420/Jan 27w 14016/1415/Jan 27w 9Y4VU ELSEWHERES SSB CE3AX 21303/2125/Jan 28w HK1IZ 21278/1655/Jan 30e KS6CC 14216/0510/Jan 30w CP1AT 21278/1715/Jan 30e 14150/1715/Jan 15on HKØLE LU1ZA 14219/0150/Jan 30m 14225/2300/Jan 21e 14225/2330/Jan 28m 14225/2325/Jan 28e DU1XKE 14225/2325/Jan 27e FP8DX 14203/1630/Jan 27e 21315/1330/Jan 30e 14219/1600/Jan 23e KC6SP LU2NH KC6CG OX3EL FK8AH 14213/0410/Jan 29m OX 3PN 14202/2125/Jan 24w KG6SW 14204/1655/Jan 27w 14278/0840/Jan 18on PJ2JP 14220/2145/Jan 30m FP8ZZ KG6RI F08EX 21297/2245/Jan 30w KG6JHC 14225/2235/Jan 29m 14224/2240/Jan 24m# VK6RU KG6JIE 14225/2250/Jan 29m 14205/2210/Often FM7WE 14210/2140/Jan 30m VK9ZM КРЦОСТ 14221/1340/Jan 30e КРЦЕЕУ 14221/1230/Jan 29e 14235/0635/Jan 27e 14248/1715/Jan 23i 14207/2255/Jan 28e VKØKH FY7AD FY7WE 14210/2140/Jan 30m VKØTB VP8PC VP2MNK 14228/1310/Jan 29e 14211/0245/Jan 27e 3Y1VC 14225/0015/Jan 25e VP2MNK 21294/1810/Jan 30e VR6TC 5W1AT 14279/0450/Jan 29m 21353/2330/Jan 25m VP2GAH 21290/1945/Jan 30e VRØCX 14264/0415/Jan 25m 5W1AX 14223/0410/Jan 27w YBLACJ 14225/0040/Jan 30w VP2GAH 14194/2250/Jan 28e 6Y5PM 14208/2355/Jan 27w VP2DAC 14198/1630/Jan 14on YS1SC 14205/1530/Jan 29w YS1WLE 21278/1705/Jan 30e 9M8GHP 14225/0015/Jan 27w VP5MB 14160/1735/Jan 20w 9M8HG 14225/2355/Jan 26w VP80T 14209/0130/Jan 27w ZK1BA 14260/0600/Jan 25e PSAI 14230/0230/Jan 25e ZP6CR 21277/1315/Jan 30e

(e = eastern states m = middle states w = western reaches on = belgium) (i = italy, ja = japan, etc. all times in gmt # = longpath ?? = You!! Slim!!!!)

TLY NOTED On the QSL supplement No. 2 which was flung to the winds last week, you can scratch VR3AX....KH6AHZ says that there is no such animal. He is, however, the QSL Manager for VR3AK. Also, that F08GC should have been F0ØGC... We will run a corrected version in the next supplement but this may help those who check things closely.

Steve Pensick, WALKMY, in the Miami area, became a Silent Key last month. In his early thirties, he suffered an aneurism.

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CALENDAR

BOUVET Norwegian scientific group will be in vicinity Feb 25th.. HAITI HH2EL back on next week..Feb 17th...for several week run
TRANSKEI VE3FXT in Transkei as S8A from February 20th

AALAND ISLANDS OH-Amateurs on all band effort for ARRL CW Test EUROPA/TROMELIN FR7ZL/T....FR7ZQ/E.....both should be heard now WILLIS VK9ZM there for some months.....twenty ssb

MacQUARRIE VKØAC there until late this year. Active most days

PITCAIRN VR6TC back on schedule...every other Tuesday WALLIS FW8CO reported as active....twenty low down.

MANIHIKI ZK1BA planning a couple of days operation starting April 12th TOKELAUS W9MR in Samoa this week....will be at ZM7 if he can make it.

IWO JIMA HL/KA group planning April action.
ARRL CW TEST February 19/20th....first go-round

FRENCH PHONE February 19/20th...

ARRL PHONE Second-go-round. March 5/6th. Get your rest now

CQ WPX/SSB TEST March 26/27th.....Train for this one!!!

CONTESTERS

Big round-up in downtown Housgon. April 2nd. W5ZSK for info...

FRESNO!!!

Every DXer wants to go to Fresno...at least once before he

cashes in. Join all the Big Guns at the Hilton on April 2nd!!

MORE SHORTLY NOTED We are working down on the last page to be typed and we still have not cleaned up all the DX information this week. Things are a bit more on the interesting side....most DXers should find something to interest them.

JH1KSB would like attention called to the fact that he was /JD1 from Minami Torishima from May 1076 to August 1976. His operations from October 76 until he secured as /JD1 were from Ogasawara. QSLs go to: H Fukushima, c/o YOKOKAN, DD 10/2 Yukikaze, Nishi Henmi-cho, Yokosuka City, Kanagawa, Japan. 2 IRCs will bring a card back by airmail.

JA10ED is looking...on 75 meters...for Maine, Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Delaware. Says he is in the 3795kc area most days from 1100Z. Aki is not a bit reluctant to work counties as he goes...he wants those also. 9G1JN is looking for South Dakota and Alaska to complete a WAS. Found most days around 14012kc from 0000Z to 0300Z. Sometimes is crystal bound at 7006kc. Hard to understand why these are looking for those ones when we elusive sixes are always a stunning catch. We will have to figure that one out. Some problems...not production.... kept us on the road and in hospitals waiting rooms last week. If we are late, you may suspect why. As Dr Welby would say..."...some cardio-vascular problems' involving family member... Patience. We will catch up...some day.

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ALAND ISLANDS Three stations will cover six bands for the ARRL CW DX Test next weekend, February 19/20th. Look for Matti-0H3FE/OHØ...QSLs to OH3FE. Also, Ted, OH3XT/OHØ and this one QSLs to OX3XT. Jorma, OHØXZ will QSL to OH3XZ. The group will be arriving on February 17th at 1600Z Actually, this is ALAND ISLAND-OHØ ACTIVITY WEEK, the ARRL CW test just happens to be a happy coincident. Jorma, OH3XZ/OHØXZ says he aims to guarantee an OHØ-QSO to everyone and if you miss, it will not because they were not trying. They plan to be around 1829kc..listening 1802-1809kc. 3512kc or 3530kc. 7005kc or 7030kc. 14030kc/21030kc/28030kc. Last week it was -24°C. in Helsinki. Just like Buffalo, N.Y....almost

TNX to W1AM, W1DA, W1MV, W1OT, K1TZQ, W1WY, W2AG, K2BT, K2GBC, WLBAA, WBLEDD, KLKA, WLHU, WALJTI, WALMAV, KLRTA, KLSMX, WLBRB, WLTYE, WLUF, WLUF, WLZR, ADXA, K5BZU, K5OVC, W5OSJ, WB5OXC, W5USM, WA5WEY, K6AC, K6CBL, K6EC, WB6EXW, WB6IXC, N6NA, W6SP, W6JD, N6CW, WA6TLA, W6TSQ, K6UFT, W6VD, WB6WHM, WB6ZUC, W7BCT, WA7HRE, W7LR, K7SE/2, WA7UVO, W7YTN, W8FYP, W8JXM, W9DH, W9MR, W9ZM, WØSFU, KVLFZ, KH6AHZ, CEØAE, OH3XZ, I2DPO, JAØCUV, ON5NT.

WEST COAST DX BULLETIN Published every week by the Marin County DX Group. It has been two years of drought here in Marin and last week a couple of we true-blue DX types were back up in the timber, pounding on our own ceremonial hollow logs and scanning the skies for rain clouds. We were doing our bit to communicate with Mother Nature. She was not hearing. So we continued trying, beating a bit harder, a bit faster and with a bit more intricate beat. "It's got to rain someday", we assured ourselves, "it always has." But rather than cumulus-nimbus, all we got was one of the traffic types who climbed the ridge to corner and wither us with scorn. "Heck", this traffic types says, "you guys are not even using the numbered message groups. And not once have I heard you assign a precedence to a message. What makes you think that DXers are smarter, cleverer, more erudite ... whatever that means, or more anything else than most other amateurs? Just how do you figure that?". We true-blue types paused to look at each other and then we put the question. "You don't understand?" we inquired politely and there was firm acknowledgement that our inquisitor did not. "Then you probably never will!" we advised haw and we were back beating the rhythm on our logs, rolling the beat down the valleys, and over the ridges. For it has been a truism of the ages that: "Only a DXer can understand another DXer. Only a DXer can understand DX" And that's the way it has always been, that's the way it will always be. And if you are a DX aspirant without the needed broad-guage understanding that a true-blue DXer always needs, a full year of DX hints, rumors, alarums and like trivia will come your way by second-class mail for \$11.00. \$14.50 slides it down the pike by first-class mail to the U.S/VE areas while \$17.00 a year will roar it down the tarmac behind some GE 6FSs, far down the curve of the dawn to Mexico and all the DX lands ... all the way by airmail. Those DX lands where DXers are like all DXers.....full of the knowledge of most everything!

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