



# West Coast **DX** Bulletin

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CHAD TT8SM showed on the DX scene, this being W5CO, John Thomas, from Shelby Mississippi. Crystal controlled at 14237 around 2030, he reported being at Lake Chad and was on a list operation handled by WA2AYP. He showed a week back, operated a couple of days and then indicated that he would be again on from TT8 about in the middle of this week.

QSLs go to Gordon Fogg, WA5JMK, Box 626, Allen, Texas 75002. SASE or SAE/IRC requested. Apparently TT8SM/W5CO makes regular trips to some of the West African countries, like 5A-Libya, but there is no indication that he will be able to operate from 5A.

TONGA Baruch, 4Z4TT, was on from VR8-Tuvalu last week and is due to open from A35-Tonga the middle of this week.....possibly on May 3rd. He was being heard with a good signal out of Tuvalu on both fifteen and twenty and his stay in Tonga may be for several weeks.

QSLs still go to Box 22-272, Tel Aviv, Israel.

MARION ISLAND Gordon, ZS6AGV, the new operator on Marion is reported as having plans to get things cleaned up and ZS2-Marion back on the air. He indicated that by early May he might have things under control at the weather station there and would be on the air to help the Deserving DXers acquire a ZS2MI contact.

ZS5PG may be helping when the station is on the air. Look for them around 14220-14225kc around 1300Z....maybe later. As ZS6AGV will be on the island for some month, there should be ample opportunity to acquire this one.

WAKE ISLAND The recent operation by WA7VVU at KW6 probably was from aboard the vessel, the AMERICAN CHARGER.

K7SFN advises that he was thinking that Del was on the island and did not bring up the necessity of the operation being ashore to qualify for DXCC. Later, in discussing the matter he was dismayed to find that the operation had taken place from aboard the ship while at moorings. Apparently WA7VVU was unaware of this requirement and no especial thought was given to it.

Del very possibly will be stopping at Wake again in the future, he being the Radio Officer aboard the container ship. Three or more trips a year are made out that way enroute to the Orient. K7SFN will make sure the next time Del is headed that way that a briefing takes place.

QSLs will be available before long from K7SFN. They QSLs will specifically note that the contacts were from aboard the AMERICAN CHARGER.



SUNSPOT LOUIE The most recent active area, #807, turned the corner on April 25th and there was no activity noted on the day of this chart. But the portents are there.....anything labeled '807' must be good for something.....

There has been a bit of short-lived activity in the last part of April, all of it in the southern hemisphere. #807 showed on the 13th and was with us for about two weeks. It has been the one with the staying power. On April 20th #811 showed with two spots and 10/millionths but was gone the next day.

On April 23rd #812 had one spot and 10/millions and it was gone the following day.

The flux which got up into the eighties in mid-April is expected to stay around the middle to upper seventies for the current week.

Though things may not have been what we expected, you may be getting more of the same in the coming weeks. The recurring geomagnetic storm that came by in mid-April is expected back about May 15th. The last time around this storm produced an A index number of 103 in Alaska. The Fredericksburg number for April 20th was 34.....it was 35 on April 7th. Often these high Ap Index numbers are occasions for auroral activity. You might watch for these on such occasions.

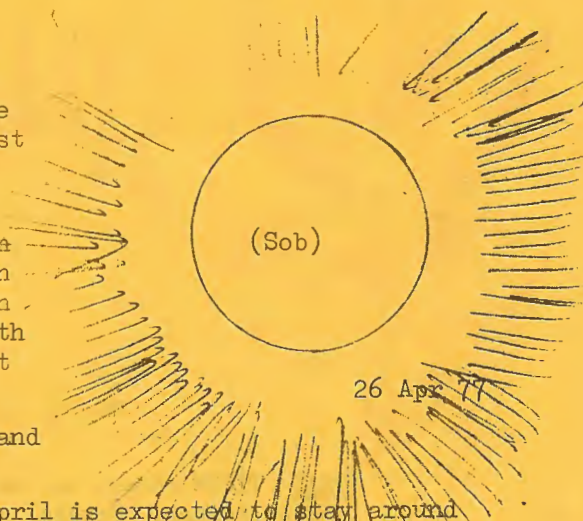
With all the good things to come, with it being Spring there on the banks of the Potomac, look for things to be a bit on the up side. And NLXX says that if you can survive this week, you will be high next week.....most of the time. Ted says it will be-----

May 3rd	Disturbed	May 9th	High Normal
4th	Disturbed	10th	High Normal
5th	Below Normal	11th	High Normal
6th	Below Normal	12th	High Normal
7th	Low Normal		
8th	Low Normal		

Things will be looking up. Right now you can rise before dawn and check the eastern skies where you will find a brilliant Venus as the morning star and close by will be Mars. From May 11th to June 12th these two planets will be within 2° of each other, from May 15th to 26th they will be within 1°. You should have no trouble telling which is which, Venus is 160 times brighter than Mars, attaining its greatest brilliancy on May 11th.

Up from the south at break of day comes the score from K6EC and Ev says that the Boulder reports were:

	Solar Flux	Ap Index		Solar Flux	Ap Index
Apr 18th	80	9	April 22nd	79	6
19th	82	32	23rd	77	6
20th	83	20	24th	76	6
21st	80	10			





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# NEEDED COUNTRIES--1st Report

W1AM has forwarded some figures on the 'Needed Country' Poll, these first to give a profile of responses. More will be coming in the next several weeks.

## Profile of WCDXB Poll Respondants

	Call Areas										
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	Totals
Number Received	24	26	16	68	66	95	34	27	44	29	429
Average DXCC Score	296	282	261	272	270	285	266	281	290	279	429 + 9 DX 438 278.5 Av.
No. on Honor Rl(+1CW)	2	7	2	10	7	20	5	9	8	6	77 17.6%
5BDXCC	4	6	3	21	4	6	2	5	7	1	59
6BDXCC				1							13.5% (5BDXCC)
2 Letter Calls	14	9	3	18	16	42	10	9	18		148 34.8%

SHORTLY NOTED South Orkneys with VP8PL is often on fifteen c.w. now. Look for him around 21052kc. VR1X on from the Gilberts recently QSLs to RSGB. Sliding back to VP8PL, he is also on SSB around 21300kc after 1900Z. VP2GAH notes that the CB has his address incorrect.....try P.O. Box 312, St Georges, Grenada.

5BDXCC are not exactly plentiful. W4VN recently received 5BDXCC No. 540. He also has 5BDXCC No. 245 earned as W0EXD/4. How about that? Two 5BDXCCs!!! Is he happy?? Not yet.....he wants the clue to VE8DC so that he can fill out a WAZ from his activity as YB0ABV. WB5NLC has the DXCC CW Certificate No. 224..... WA7HRE got in just ahead of Bob, Mike showing up with DXCC CW No. 249. DX is not dead!!.....just resting.

K2GMV will be at FO0PJM from June 10th....this will be on Moorea. FO0RS has lost part of his beam but still is strong on twenty. Says no QSLs available as yet but he will eventually take care of them all. KM6EA will be departing Midway in June.....finishing up twenty years in the Navy. Another KM6 will be heard, however.

A couple of VUs are still trying for permission to operate from the Laccadives but apparently nothing has come through.....yet. The word is that they will open within a week of getting permission. They have been trying for some weeks.

The JK-prefix is showing from Japan. That QSL No. 1 list which was turned out a couple of months back was in short supply...we just did have enough for the mailing that week. We are running some additional copies....and we have a supply of No. 2 and No. 3 lists. If you want to fill out your hand, send sase indicating which one you want.

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THE JACK ANDERSON ADMIRATION SOCIETY The righteous indignation expressed by the amateurs themselves has been the most noted...and most potent....action in the refutation of the April 4th column.

April 6, 1977

You will recall the mention of Congressman Levitas of Georgia in connection with the column, the Anderson column being based on a confidential report prepared for this congressman. Who might have prepared this 'confidential' report is not known at this time. However, two days after Anderson's column there was the congressman recorded in the Congressional Record in opposition to FCC allowing type-acceptance of gear manufactured overseas. Take a look at what the congressman had to say....

Most in their indignation can do little more than to write letters. However, and also down in the Georgia country, Larry Young, W4HNW, writes a column for the local newspaper. To refute Jack Anderson, Larry wrote his own column to point up the errors in the original Anderson effort.

Keep writing.....the feeling is that some quarters are a bit sensitive about the whole thing and continued letters to Anderson, the Washington POST and to any newspaper that did carry the column will be significant in not only correcting things but also to possibly avoid future repetitions of such.

MORE SHORT NOTES In California the Department of Transportation is pushing its annual effort to tax the call sign license plates. The bill has been identified as S.915 and sponsored by Senator John Foran of San Francisco. It is due for a committee hearing in Sacramento on May 18th.

In 23 minutes on April 18th WB4IUX managed to work....JH1AQP/5N2AAX/CT1QN/VK2JO/WA4AZD and YN5ELP. That would seem to be pretty close to a WAC.....that YN looks to be a bit to the north but it does show what conditions may be found if you persis. Remember that the Ap was up about this time.

EA8CI came through with a card for W7ISY after nine months. Seems like it goes better if you send it to Box 804, Las Palmas de Gran Canaria, Canary Islands. WB4QKE has headed for DL-land for a stay and WA4DRU is taking over the handling of the VP5M QSLs for that operation during some of the contests. Actually, Alan will handle both VP5M and VP5AH.....and has the logs for both contest and non-contest operations of VP5M

**FCC SHOULD NOT ENTER INTO COMPACTS WITH FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS WITHOUT CONGRESSIONAL OR PRESIDENTIAL AUTHORITY**

The SPEAKER. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Georgia (Mr. Levitas) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. LEVITAS. Mr. Speaker, on February 2, 1977, the Federal Communications Commission issued a public notice announcing:

New procedures concerning the type acceptance and certification of Japanese manufactured citizens band equipment.

A compact was reached between the FCC's chief engineer and an official of Japan's Ministry of International Trade and Industry—MITI—in which laboratories in Japan would test Japanese manufactured CB radios for FCC type acceptance.

I find it strange and, at least unusual, if not illegal, that the compact reached between the chief engineer and MITI changes the FCC's rules regarding type acceptance and certification without compliance with the Administrative Procedure Act's requirement for a public rulemaking process. The Commission's rules permit the Commission to "require an applicant for type acceptance or certification to submit one or more sample units for measurement at the Commission's laboratory." The so-called compact would allow inspection and testing at the Japanese laboratories.

This may be another example of where the bureaucrats are making decisions and rules rather than the duly established authorities doing so. Did the Commissioners know of and appraise this action? I would like to know.

Of further interest is that it appears that some of our bureaucrats are permitting agencies controlled by foreign sovereignties to handle some of the load confronting the Commission's testing laboratories here in the United States. Assuming the Commission had the authority to delegate its equipment authorization responsibilities to nongovernmental parties, then the Commission should at least consider delegating that authority to U.S. testing laboratories to maintain U.S. employment of engineers and technicians.

Finally, I question the propriety of the staff of the FCC conducting our relations with foreign governments and entering into compacts with foreign governments without congressional or Presidential authority.

I trust the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce will look into this matter and determine what occurred and whether it is proper.

Ray Spence  
W4QAW



Close up the casement, draw the blind  
Shut out that stealing moon,  
She wears too much the guise she wore  
Before DX was ruined.....

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# REPORTS FROM RED EYED LOUIE

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## LOW BAND LOUIE

HB9RM 1829/0300/Apr 16m	OE5KE 1826/0330/Apr 16m	UA4KBO 3502/1020/Apr 26w	ZL4LR/A 3527/1015/Apr 24e
EDLBBQ 1826/0500/Apr 18m	OH1MA 1827/0315/Apr 17m	ZL3TA 3503/1020/Apr 24e	ZL3NE 3809/1110/Apr 20e
KH6CHC 1997/0945/Apr 16m	VK3CZ 1804/0945/Apr 17e		
HC5EE 3506/0810/Apr 24e	VK2QL 3511/1045/Apr 24e		
KJ6DL 3803/0925/Apr 19w	VK2ID 3690/1035/Apr 26w		
VE7DIY/SU 3780/0245/17e	VR3AH 3803/0920/Apr 19w	ZL4IE 3500/1025/Apr 24e	
TI2BY 3800/0700/Apr 22m	VS5WM 3790/1325/Apr 24w	ZL4BR 3526/1040/Apr 24e	
CN8AD 7024/0600/Apr 19e	HC2SL 7020/0755/Apr 19e	VK5FH 7001/2225/Apr 22e	VR4EC 7003/0545/Apr 15e
CT2EZ 7016/2345/Apr 19e	HB9C 7031/1430/Apr 24m	VK6WT 7025/1130/Apr 24e	9H1EE 7026/0135/Apr 22e
EL1F 7153/0640/Apr 22e	UL7GG 7030/0805/Apr 24e	VK9RH 7009/1120/Apr 19e	ZS1XR 7003/2215/Apr 22e
EL2FY 7003/0815/Apr 24e	UG6AW 7026/0130/Apr 22e	VK8AC 7028/1230/Often	9K2DR 7002/0250/Apr 18e

## AFRICA CW

CN2AQ 14004/1345/Apr 21e	OH7TB/SU 21034/1815 23e
CN8CF 14050/1550/Apr 16e	ZD8TM 14055/2045/Apr 20e
EA8GQ 14026/2330/Apr 17w	5Z4NT 14020/2100/Apr 16e
EL2FY 14007/2100/Apr 22e	9J2BO 21053/1805/Apr 22e
Z86OS 21028/1435/Apr 24w	

## AFRICA SSB

CN8MD 21320/2015/Apr 21e	S79R 14220/0315/Apr 23e	ZS6BN 21309/1525/Apr 24e	5N2AAX 14210/2310/Apr 18e
CN8MB 14230/0005/Apr 24e	S79R 21310/1910/Apr 18e	ZL4PB 21275/1710/Apr 17e	5N2NAS 21395/1800/Apr 16m
CT3AF 21312/1945/Apr 24e	TT8SM 14238/2010/Apr 25e	5Z4RP 21275/1710/Apr 17e	7X4MD 14223/1110/Apr 17m
EA8CP 14217/2300/Apr 16m	TU2GI 14210/0000/Apr 23m	5Z4LW 21309/2025/Apr 21e	7X5AB 14218/1110/Apr 20e
EA9EP 14213/2055/Apr 19m	W4YHK/VQ9 14245/2040 22e	5Z4RG 21281/1740/Apr 17e	7P8BC 14219/1430/Apr 25w
EL1F 21320/1945/Apr 21e	ZS1EZ 21254/1715/Apr 17e	5Z4PG 21280/1800/Apr 17e	9G1KB 21280/1700/Apr 17e
VE7DIY/SU 14215/2300 15e	ZSL4J 14231/1315/Apr 24e	5Z4GQ 14222/2330/Apr 16m	9G1KP 14217/2210/Apr 23e

## ASIA SSB

CK9AJ 14218/1350/Apr 23m	UK9MAA 14206/1340/Apr 23e	VS6GG 14254/1305/Apr 22e	9M2HP 14207/1325/Apr 24e
HS1ALC 14212/1340/Apr 20e	UK9OAZ 14226/0215/Apr 19w	LX4NJ 14240/1550/Apr 21w	9N1MM 14221/0220/Apr 24m
UA9CBO 14212/1350/Apr 23e	UL7QF 14203/0220/Apr 24m	5BLDI 14214/1745/Apr 19e	9V1OI 14244/1530/Apr 23w
UA9KBA 14234/0225/Apr 24w	VU2HI 14215/0215/Apr 24m	9M2LS 14254/1430/Apr 22m	
UK9CAE 14220/0225/Apr 24m	VU2YX 14206/0210/Apr 24m	9M2TT 14195/1535/Apr 23w	
UK9ADY 14209/1425/Apr 20e	VS6HJ 14232/1400/Apr 23e	9M2FH 14226/1530/Apr 23w	

## ASIA CW

A9XS 21025/1405/Apr 22ep	UA9QWB 14052/1255/Apr 23e	UJ8AG 14023/0145/Apr 23e	UM8NNN 14003/0235/Apr 23w
A9XBC 14015/1800/Apr 22e	UA9KBI 14042/0650/Apr 24w	UK9SAY 14039/1450/Apr 20w	VU2TS 14013/1750/Apr 21e
EP2SV 14025/1505/Apr 22e	UD6DKW 14005/0440/Apr 18w	UL7GAP 14007/0240/Apr 22e	VU2CK 14031/0050/Apr 22e
EP2VW 14034/1815/Apr 22w	UD6DKK 14072/0355/Apr 18w	UL7FP 14021/0150/Apr 22e	VU2GW 14026/1600/Apr 22w
HM2JN 14018/0235/Apr 22w	UF6QAG 14040/1420/Apr 22e	UL7JBH 14021/0140/Apr 22e	VU2BK 14055/1455/Apr 20w
JK1AFA 14016/0810/Apr 24w	UF6FAG 14008/0430/Apr 18w	UL7QH 14022/1255/Apr 23e	LZ4NMB 21044/1820/Apr 23e
OV5LX 14026/1805/Apr 21e	UH8HR 14024/0345/Apr 19w	UL7FAP 14015/0420/Apr 18w	9V1RP 14028/1610/Apr 22w
UA9AAX 14007/0240/Apr 22w	UH8CX 14020/1600/Apr 22w	UM8MAD 21025/1615/Apr 22ep	
UA9CEW 14020/1250/Apr 23e	UI8ADF 14015/0445/Apr 18w	UM8MBA 14020/1420/Apr 22w	

## EUROPE CW

IM2CHM 14019/1500/Apr 18w	I3KHG 14043/1450/Apr 21w	OY1R 14020/1740/Apr 16ep	U69A 14030/1420/Apr 22e
EA1JO 14032/1740/Apr 22w	I2XX 14012/1815/Apr 24w	OZ7BW 21025/1330/Apr 22ep	UK2BAS 14025/0520/Apr 22w
EA6DD 14011/2025/Apr 23w	LA1K 21025/1600/Apr 22ep	SV1FT 14029/2145/Often	UK2PAF 14058/1220/Apr 24e
EA6AU 14056/1935/Apr 24e	IG5LG 14009/1455/Apr 23w	SV1FT 21028/1220/Apr 24e	UR2ZN 14043/1535/Apr 16e
F6DJT 21018/1910/Apr 23w	EZ2BZ 21051/1945/Apr 23w	SV0WX 14003/1345/Apr 19e	YO3RT 21025/1620/Apr 22ep
GW2DPD 14012/1710/Apr 23e	LZ1KRA 21025/1625/Apr 22ep	U4LYAT 14058/0345/Apr 23w	9A1AD 14012/1840/Apr 16e
GW3INW 21025/1635/Apr 22ep	LZ2KEF 21040/1920/Apr 23w	UA3ADY 14026/1440/Apr 20w	
HA1TJ 21025/1555/Apr 22ep	M1I 14015/2100/Apr 16m	UO2WP 14020/0515/Apr 22w	
HAKKZ 14025/1635/Apr 22ep	OH8UY 14025/1950/Apr 23ep	UC2WBA 14025/1745/Apr 22ep	
HB9ZE 21018/1905/Apr 23w	OK3KFF 14023/1445/Apr 18w	UK1ZAS 14043/1425/Apr 22w	

## EUROPE SSB

EI1CN 14224/2305/Apr 24e	HB9ARA 14025/1240/Apr 24m	M1B 14201/1350/Apr 18e	SV1DO 14214/2350/Apr 23e
EI7CR 14212/1650/Apr 20m	IS0KPF 21346/2100/Apr 21e	OB6MBQ 14205/1425/Apr 23e	U69A 14220/1650/Apr 22w
GW1NFS 14216/2000/Apr 21m	JW2CF 14210/1420/Apr 26w	OB8OS 14215/1245/Apr 24w	UK2GAG 14203/2100/Apr 23e
HB9AUS 14254/2200/Apr 24w	JW9WT 14223/0405/Apr 18w	OY5J 14212/1310/Apr 23e	YU1EXY 14207/1540/Apr 20e
HB9AGW 14203/2315/Apr 24w	LX1FW 14234/2210/Apr 20e	PA0SMK 14240/2120/Apr 24w	

## ELSEWHERE CW

K9PNT/DU2 14020/1650 24w	HC5EE 14009/0250/Apr 25w	JA1PIG/PZ 14016/0300 21w	VK7RO 14037/0630/Apr 21w
FG7AS 14007/0010/Apr 25w	KG6JFO 14055/0405/Apr 21w	JA8UI/PZ 14029/0120 22e	VS5MC 14049/1445/Apr 22e
FG7YA 14018/2230/Apr 24w	LU6JDX 21025/1635/Apr 22ep	VQ1EM 14012/2240/Apr 24w	ZF2AB 14039/0400/Apr 21e
FY7YE 14053/2155/Apr 21w	NFLA 14030/0120/Apr 22w	ZD2BN 21022/2250/Apr 23e	8P6DW 21006/1455/Apr 24w
HK0BKX 14049/1310/Apr 21e	FY7PHZ/PP6 21023/1800 24w	VK2AH 14030/0530/Apr 22w	8P6GQ 14011/0145/Apr 21e

(e = eastern states m = middle states w = western reaches ep = extra points all times in gmt)  
(# = longpath + = sstv ??? = Slim.....heard on Norfolk Island recently)



MORE RED EYED LOUIE

CE1BG 21361/0110/Apr 17w	HI8NPR 21270/1930/Apr 22e	VK3MO 14220/1245/Apr 21m+	YB1ACA/3 14222/1305
CE6BGZ 21350/2035/Apr 20e	HR69MA 21335/2100/Apr 22e	VK1JP 28570/2300/Apr 16m	YB2CR 14208/1245/Apr 23e
CP6EL 14220/2350/Apr 24m	KC6KO 14284/0510/Apr 24e	VK9XW 14210/1420/Apr 26w	YB3FG 14204/1335/Apr 25e
A35DG 14206/0500/Apr 21w	KC6BS 14253/1445/Apr 19w	VK9ZM 14247/0540/Apr 21w	YB3ACK 14205/1525/Apr 23w
W8GQP/06A 14226/2135/ 23e	KGLDX 14220/1530/Apr 23w	VK9XI 14212/1330/Apr 20e	YJ8EW 14209/0600/Apr 16m
DU9FB 14211/1530/Often	KL7LEH 14213/0225/Apr 24w	VK0BU 14222/1350/Apr 25m	YB8ARC 21310/1900/Apr 18e
DU6EG 14219/1425/Apr 24w	K86OC 14208/0700/Apr 24e	VP2MW 14308/2105/Apr 24e	YS1HW 14203/1530/Apr 23w
DU1REX 14230/1330/Apr 25e	K36DV 14278/0800/Apr 15w	VP2SQ 21297/1750/Apr 16e	ZF1HA 14200/1425/Apr 24w
DU1FB 14207/1330/Apr 25e	LU1HE 21258/1945/Apr 23w	VP2GAH 21333/1810/Apr 17e	ZL3OG/C 14269/0525/Often
FK8CP 14257/0455/Apr 23e	K25HP 28598/2245/Apr 21e	VP8PL 21299/1720/Apr 24e	ZP5ES 14222/0040/Apr 20e
FK8KAA 14222/0225/Apr 27w	QA8CM 28550/2130/Apr 22e	VR3AK 28585/0440/Apr 18e	ZP5CBL 14295/0735/Apr 24e
FK8CN 14225/0625/Apr 26w	P29OK 21314/0230/Apr 18m	VR3AK 14265/0730/Apr 15m	ZP5PX 14295/0740/Apr 24e
FO8DP 14234/0610/Apr 24e	P29JS 14210/1530/Apr 29w	VR3AR 14205/0145/Apr 24e	3D2DM 14250/0650/Apr 24e
FY7YE 21311/1750/Apr 17e	P29DV 14238/1330/Apr 25w	VR1X 14264/0530/Apr 24e	5W1AT 14289/0650/Apr 21m
K0WIC/DU2 14263/1540 23w	P29H 14280/0720/Apr 25w	VR4DX 14207/1630/Apr 17m	8P6GN 21281/1800/Apr 17e
HE2MC 14220/2345/Apr 24m	JA8UT/PZ 14202/1310 21e	VR8N 14266/0320/Apr 23e	9W6MA 14213/1630/Apr 17m
HK0BKX 21310/1845/Apr 18e	PJ3JHH 21304/1515/Apr 20e	VR8N 21288/2145/Apr 21e	
HK0LE 14201/0055/Apr 23e	TG9KV 21297/2240/Apr 23w	YB7AAA 14235/1445/Apr 24w	

SHORTLY NOTED This issue marks the start of the 10th year of publication of the bulletin, that last issue completed nine full years. That is nine years without missing a weekly issue....figure it out quickly and it will be somewhere around 470+ consecutive issues.

The bulletin was started because we thought we needed something to do on a Saturday afternoon. Last week the mailing was:

369 Foreign copies  
539 First-class  
992 Second-class

1900 Total

Those figures are reflected in our morning activity when, on arising, we look into the mirror, groan, and say: "Ah, we will never be young again!"

We checked the mailing figures for a year ago and the same week they were:

171 Foreign  
810 First Class  
216 Second-Class

1097 Total

Now we know why we are tired. We also know that we cannot take that much growth in the coming year. We have also received word from the staff that they would like a week-end or two off during the year and it is possible that there will be some weeks when the bulletin will be some terse reports on the notable activity in DX with little else. In other words, some small, brief reports....

Though the old grey staff here is but two, the bulletin would not be possible without the regular suppliers of information. W1AM and his work on the 'needed list'....K5DB and his QSL research....K5OVC who goes to the Post Office twice a day to keep the reports current....W4KA who is always there....W2FP who double spaces a full sheet of reports every week....K6LAE who seldom misses a week....W5AK....K6JG....K6JD....W4UF....W1MV....K7ABV....W4OBH....W1DA....EP2VW....W4HU....W4LEDD....W4KN....K4RTA....W4TYE....KH6BZF....W0SFP....K0KES....W7LR....W6ZUC....W6TSQ....W6TLA....K6UFT....W6VD....W2AG....W5USM....W4BAA....K6VY K6AC....W7BCT....W4HRE....W7ISY....K8IA....K8IP....K9UIY....W4JTI....W4ZR.... The list is long. And the regulars such as N4XX with the pioneering forecasts on conditions that should come in the next couple of weeks....K6EC who watches Boulder for the reports each week....and W6SP who comes through with the charts of the active areas on the sun.

That's a rather long list. If we stop and think a bit we could come up with a lot more and probably did miss a few of the deserving. The point here is that bulletin is the result of a lot of people putting in a bit of effort to bring the good days of DXing back.

There's been nine years and we did not anticipate such a long stretch. We are getting our strength together for a run at another handful. Come, run with us.....

Wilmer Allison, W5VV, passed away a week or so back. He was 72....but some may remember him as a Davis Cup Team member and a big time tennis player back in the thirties. He was living in the Houston area. Also a Silent Key on March 29th was W7DEG, J P C Robertson of Salem, Oregon. He was a W4 in the Carolinas a few years back.

Twenty meters, long the hope and mainstay of the Deserving DXers at the bottom of the cycle, is finding that fifteen is starting to open up and help a bit. It may be a bit premature but you can anticipate that 40/80 will decline as the higher bands improve and REL is already indicating this trend. Four or five years back...four or five years before we bottomed....it was difficult to scrape together enough 40/80 reports to make it worth while. Ten was so good that often a third to a half page of reports would be in the bulletin. Things change, bands change, we all grow a bit older but DX is still there if you dig. Take a glance at the following--

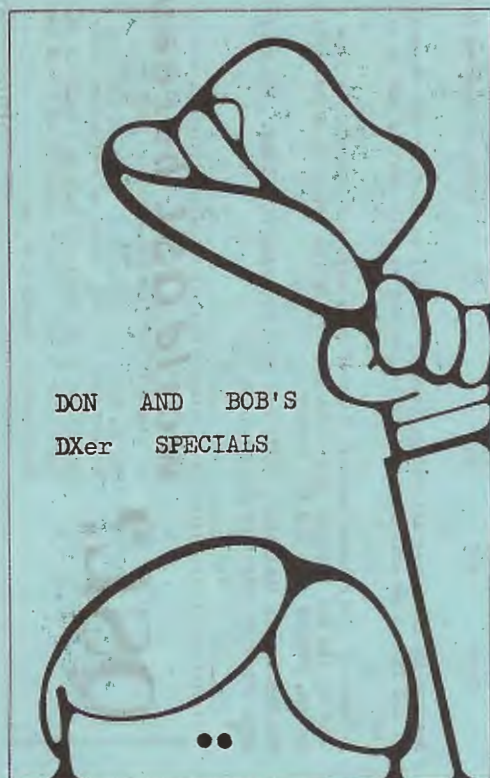
## DX 10 years back

And ten years ago this week Lloyd and Iris were looking to operate from Mali. PY7AOA was planning to head for Fernando de Noronha during May 1967. K6KA was visiting in the Middle East and looking for activity from QSEK, YK1AA and from YI-Baghdad. It did not jell!

VK2AVA and VK2EX were expected to open from Lord Howe this week and W2RAU was preparing to handle the QSLs. Ken Montgomery, W5ABY, had just been elected President of the West Gulf DX Assn. There was some sort of controversy going on with someone named Don Miller....not the current ARRL Director from the Central Division W5LES....now K5RC....was the editor of the West Gulf DX Bulletin



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**DX NETS** DARC recently ran a list of DX Nets and it should be interesting to those looking for something in this area of activity. Acknowledging that some nets are delicate things that come and go, the DARC list is given for guidance and information.

Day	GMT	FREQUENCY	MODE	Net Control	Name of Net
Sunday	0200	3815	SSB		Arkansas DX Net
	0300Z	3775kc	SSB	VP1BH	Central and South America DX Net
	0345	7085	SSB		Afro-Caribbean Net
	0400	14265	SSB		Pandora's Box Net (Possibly inactive)
	0600	14115	SSB	S79DF	Indian Ocean Net
	0700	14180	SSB	TU2DO	Africa Net
	0700	21225	SSB	ZL1BKX/VK3PA	VL/ZL/African Net
	0800	3780	SSB		HB Net
	0900	3660	SSB		DM DX Net(2nd and 4th Sundays)
	0900	3702	SSB		OK DX Net
	0930	3570	CW		ISWL Net
	1100	14175	SSB		Asia/Caribbean Net
	1730	14280	SSB		Africa/Europe/AMSAT Net
	1800	14280	SSB	W3ZM	International AMSAT Net
Monday	1800	21250	SSB		Antarctica Net
	1900	21280	SSB	W3ZM	International AMSAT Net
	1400	14250	SSB		Arabian Knight Net
	1800	3750	SSB	DK4DX	South German DX Group Net
Tuesday	2100	3720	SSB		ISWL Net
	2400Z	14310	SSB		International/Pacific Maritime
	0200	3845	SSB		North Carolina DX Net
	0600	14265	SSB		Pacific DX Net
Wednesday	0830	14305	SSB		Micronesia Net
	1500	7 mc	SSB		SE Asia Net
	0900	3650	SSB		VK Net
	1100	14175	SSB		Asia/Caribbean Net
Thursday	1700	14197	SSB		Caribbean DX Net
	1900	3700	SSB		YU DX Net
	2400Z	14310	SSB		International/Pacific Maritime
	0200	3815	SSB		Arkansas DX Net
Friday	0430	14250	SSB	UW9WR	World DX Net
	0500	14195	SSB	7Z3AB	Arabian Net
	0500	14250	SSB	JY3ZH	International DX Net
	0600	14265	SSB		Pacific DX Net
	1100	14175	SSB		Asia/Caribbean Net
	1330	14195	SSB	JY3ZH	Arabian Knight Net
	1400	14250	SSB	UK5MAF	DX Net
	1500	7mc	SSB		SE Asia Net
	1740	3750	SSB	DK4DX	DX Rundspruch/DL
	1900	3750+	SSB		SDAG Net
	2120	3602	SSB		Dutch DX Information Net

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Saturday	0200	3845	SSB		North Carolina DX Information Net
	0345	7085	SSB		Afro/Caribbean Net
	0500	14347	SSB		Pacific Net
	0700	21225	SSB		VK/ZL/Africana Net
	1000	14250	SSB	UI8LL	USSR DX Net
	1000	14280	SSB	G3IOR	Western Europe AMSAT Net
	1100	14175	SSB		Asia/Caribbean Net
	1100	14280	SSB		African Net
	1130	21280	SSB		African Net
	1800	21250	SSB		Antarctica Net
Daily	0530Z	14313kc	SSB		Mickey Mouse Net (South Pacific)
	0700	14315	SSB		Inter-Island Net (Western Pacific)
	1030	3815	SSB		Antilles Weather and Emergency
	1100	7158	SSB		Caribbean Net
	1100	21320	SSB		SE Asia Net
	1200	14320	SSB		SE Asia Net
	1430	21354	SSB		British Commonwealth Net
	1600	14312	SSB		Coast Guard Net (Gulf & Caribbean)
	1700	14333	SSB		YL International SSB System
	1730	21355	SSB		Africana Net (Possibly inactive)
	1800	14170	SSB		French Net
	1800	14120	SSB		Atlantic/Mediterranean Net
	1900	21355	SSB		Africana Net (Possibly inactive)
	1930	21300	SSB		West Africa Net
	2030	3780	SSB		DX Information Net
	2000	3790	SSB		Asia Net
	2100	3620	SSB		USSR Net
	2100	3795	SSB		European 80mtr DX Information Net
	2100	21360	SSB		LX4 Net
	2230	3815	SSB		Antilles Weather Net

Bearing in mind that all things change, we will be looking for corrections. Sometime in the future we will run another listing and we will want to add to or delete from the list.

Because of their local nature, 2-meter nets were not listed. We know of some others that we did not include this time, some we got no reply to request for exact information, others just did not bother.

The feeling is that these lists can help the desperate DXer. The more desperate you are, the more help they may be.....

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You can be there, too. You can travel to the far Pacific. To Japan and Hong Kong. To Macau and Bangkok. Again this year, Vince Chinn K6KQN and Golden Sun Tours Agency is taking a group to the SEANet Convention. Last year the amateurs who came on the tour from Texas and Kansas and California and a lot of other states all had a fabulous time. Some are going again this year. You can go with them for a DX trip that you will never forget.

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Hugh Cassidy  
West Coast DX Bulletin

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# CALENDAR

TONGA	4Z4TT due to open today or tomorrow for several weeks
MARION ISLAND	ZS6AGV may be activating ZS2MI along about this time
CHAD	W5CO indicated that he may be back signing TT8SM this week
KERMEDEC	Rather definite planning by ZLs for October
BAHAMAS	W5CPI and W5CJZ there from this weekend....May 7th
ANDORRA	PA-amateurs planning week of C31 operation from June 12th
St BRANDON	3B7DA reported...but not by many. Not strong signal
PALMYRA	KH6CHC may be at KP6 in June.....enroute to VR3
MARCUS	JA operator there now.....will be there 'til June...CW.
WORLD TELECOMMUNICATIONS	Brazilian sponsored test....ITU Zones..May 14-21st
ITU WEEK	8J1ITU by JARL for a week....May 14th to 22nd

SHORTLY NOTED If you worked that I8KUT and I8SRP in mid-April, you can QSL via I8YRK....Gennaro Casaburi, P.O. Box 4034, Napoli, Italy. The operation was from the Tremiti Islands in the Adriatic and count for the IOTA Award.

The petition to open the twenty meter phone to Extra Class licenses down to 14150kc has been designated RM-2870. Word is that the ARRL Headquarters in a letter to K8YRV, Ted Pauck of Troy, Michigan, has indicated that they will support the petition. If you are interested in this matter you should prepare to write the FCC on the matter.

We are getting some inquiries on delayed QSLs. ZD8C should go to KP4EKI, Ed Kinkelaar, Box 'S' 2029, San Juan, Puerto Rico 00903. That box may show up on more than one KP4's address as it is the mail receiving spot for the whole Coast Guard operation in San Juan.

Some have also asked about PY0ZAE and PY1RO/0 cards for recent efforts. We have no information on these and would like to hear from anyone who has received a QSL or knows something about them.

On Norfolk Island, VK9RH says that he generally is not only but in the time slot from 0830Z to 1830Z....sometime in that period. If you hear someone signing VR9RH at some other time than these, approach them cautiously as there has been someone signing the call lately and it is not the true-blue VK9RH. W6ZH returned home after basking on the sands at Maui to find that Slim again has named him as QSL Manager for Fanning Slim-VR3A0. Pete says that not only is not the QSL Manager, he has yet to work and confirm VR3!!

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ARRL The ARRL National Convention in 1977 will be in Toronto, Ontario, on June 3-5th. The Sheraton Center will be headquarters and if you are planning to head north, the ARRL can supply you with the necessary Canadian DCC Form 16-52 which you will need to apply for permission to operate mobile or portable while in Canada.

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WEST COAST DX BULLETIN Published every week by the Marin County DX Group. A traveling QRPer was visiting here last week, and when departing, mentioned that he might want to visit Sam, W6TSQ. We pointed out Mt. Tamalpais bulking above the ridges to the southwest, advising that Mill Valley could be found on the east side. "It's in a valley below the mountain," we advised, "and the valley is considered an 'energy area' by the Vedantas. It is the site of the first Aikido dojo north of the Golden Gate and there you will find the Lomi School for experiential education." We were getting some questioning looks at this point. "Go west past the Wholistic Health & Nutrition Center to the Wellness Resources Center, turn left at the Polarity Health Center, passing the Neo-Reichian and Feldenrais spots to your right until you come to the Physical Therapy Enclave and you will spot Sam's QTH on the ridge to the south." The QRPer was obviously losing some of his enthusiasm to visit parts of exotic Marin. "What sort of a place is this Mill Valley?" he asked and we knew that truly this was a pilgrim, new in these western reaches and far from the familiar skies. "Well," we said carefully, trying not to alarm him further, "it is well known as a center for rolfing," and right there we lost the QRPer for sure. "Thanks," he said, "but I am a regular church-goer back home and I think I should stick to DXing." And away he went....but not to the southwest. But there still may be those who seek the weekly word on the exotic DX areas and for a full year, \$18.00 will bring you the weekly word by first-class mail in the U.S./VE areas. \$14.00 will bring it by second-class mail....almost at the speed of light...or something.....for a year in the U.S. \$20.00 will carry it high in contrail country to Mexico and all the far DX lands beyond the edge of tomorrow....flat out all the way.

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