

West Coast DX Bulletin



July 26, 1977

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EASTERN CAROLINES Ted Henry, W6UOU, along with his XYL, will be off in a week or so for a leisurely around-the-world trip which will include a considerable bit of DXing from a number of semi-rare DX spots.

The initial activity will open about August 10th from KC6-Eastern Carolines. The callsign is not known as yet but there will be a good deal more information in the coming weeks. Beyond the Eastern Carolines there is an good possibility of several days of operating from 9M6-land.

Ted, who is out of the Henry Radio Store on Olympic Boulevard in Los Angeles, has operated previously from DX areas in the South Pacific. This time out they will be swinging across the southern edge of Asia into the Middle East and on to the African areas. His XYL is also an operator and you will find them usually operating as a team.

Before the initial operation there should be more information available and this should include the rough plan for their itinerary. Meanwhile, two weeks from this Wednesday you will be hearing them out of the Eastern Carolines.

MADEIRA ISLANDS There is more information on the plan for Leif Ottosen, OZ1LO, to be active from CT3-Madeira Islands during the period August 9th to 22nd.

Leif is planning an all-band--CW/SSB effort during his stay and definitely will be gunning for a big score in the WAE c.w. test on the August 13-14th weekend. The frequencies to watch are:

CW	3503kc	7003kc	14030kc	21030kc	28030kc
SSB	3790kc	7080kc	14190kc	21290kc	28590kc

QSLs will go to---

Leif Ottosen OZ1LO
Bankevejen 12, Kong
DK-4750 Lundby
DENMARK

Look for Leif to spend a good deal of time on c.w. He favors that mode.

TOKELAUTS Mike Metzger, ZM7MM, and Marty Maessen, ZM7AT, were aiming to wind up their ZM7 operations this last Friday, the two having been active on a number of bands since opening up as scheduled.

There has been some question on the QSLing and each station does have a separate QSL Manager. Here is the true-blue QSL route.

ZM7MM QSLs to W6FWX, Dick Alfaro, 1812 Webster, Street, San Francisco, Calif. 94115. He has also handled other QSLs for Mike such as FOOPJM.

ZM7AT QSLs to WB6DXL, William Ellison, 16630 Lawnwood, Valinda, Calif. 91744. There has been some crossing of QSLs but this should get them straight and to the right QSL manager. The total number of QSOs should be keeping both managers busy for awhile.

SUNSPOT LOUIE Man may not live by sunspots alone but it sure does make it a bit more liveable to have them around. This week's chart shows that they were not.....

At least they were not there on the date of this chart. For those who just have to know, later in the week there was some activity. But that is working up towards next week's report.

The last active area was No. 845 and that was down to six spots covering 10/millionths on July 14th. The next day it was gone and there was nothing to the date of this chart. Nothing!!

The Zurich observatory reports that the mean number for June was 38.4 spots. June 15-16-17th were the low days with only 8 spots noted on those days..... June 25th, 26th and 27th had numbers in the seventies.

Looking a bit ahead, Dr. Waldmeier says that for the rest of this year you can expect Smooth Sunspot Numbers (SSN) to look something like

July 20 SSN
Aug 22
Sept 24

Oct 26 SSN
Nov 28
Dec 30

Remember that these numbers are the 12 month running sunspot number and not the monthly mean. While the mean sunspot number for June this year was 38.4, a year back in June 1976 it was 12.4 by the Zurich count. Dr Waldmeier was also looking for SSNs of 8/July, 7/August 6/October 5/November and 4/December. The cycle was heading for the bottom then and though things did not plunge as low as expected, they got low enough. And the numbers predicted for the rest of the year should be a pointer to the good days ahead when there will be DXers everywhere and the whole world will again have a chance to work those always elusive W/K/Ns. Know the greatness of being wanted. Prepare!!

But not quite yet. Just when it looked like things were escalating, we are back in the Low Normals. And as Ted, N4XX, looks for a way out, you can look for the next couple of weeks to be.....

Jul 26th High Normal
27th High Normal
28th High....slipping to Low
29th Low Normal
30th High...but periods of Low N.
31st High...but periods of Low N.

Aug 1st High....slipping to Low
2nd Low Normal
3rd Low Normal
4th Low Normal
5th Low Normal
6th Low Normal
7th Low Normal

And lost in the Low Normals, Ted is packing the steamer trunk and preparing to catch the packet down the Potomac on some vacation. Next week we may only have a repeat on that first week in August. And you may have to wait two weeks to get the news on Cycle 21! Keep the stiff upper lip required in such cases!!

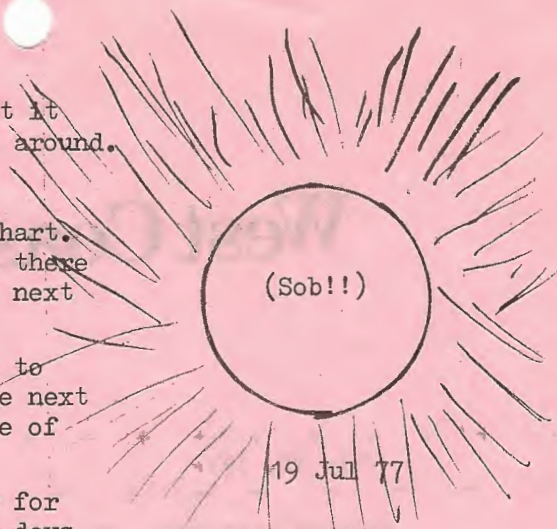
But K6EC will still be with us and Ev says that the WWV reports went....

Solar Flux Ap Index

Jul 11th	74	13
12th	73	5
13th	75	11
14th	74	23

Solar Flux Ap Index

Jul 15th	74	12
16th	74	16
17th	74	10



24 July 1977

RFI LEGISLATION There has been a companion bill to the Goldwater RFI measure introduced in the House of Representatives. The bill, HR 8079, has been introduced by Congressman Adam Benjamin of Indiana. This was done towards the end of June.

The Congressman's office has already requested that the House Sub-Committee on Communications plan for an early hearing on the measure. A few letters from interested constituents.....of any Congressman....might help get something moving on RFI legislation.

There may be changes coming out of the July Board of Directors meeting but it will still take a good deal of grass-roots effort to get anything accomplished. As each DXer is a potential 'do-it-yourself' legislative campaign, a bit of effort to write to your local Congressman could be effective.

After all, if DXers can get agitated enough to impress the Washington POST, they should find the Congress another good place for exerting their unleashed influence.

KP4CM With Spanish matters in the Florida area bringing increased need for close liaison with the Spanish-speaking amateurs, Larry Price, W4RA, of the Southeastern ARRL Division has appointed Mike Enciso, KP4CM of Coral Gables, Florida to work in these areas. A native of Cuba, Mike attended school in the U.S. and presently is awaiting issuance of a N4-call. In the past he has been the first Spanish speaking Official Observer in the South Florida area and has been monitoring the action in this area.

A graduate of the University of Havana, a veteran of the Royal Canadian Air Force in WWII and an airline captain with airlines operating in Central and South America, he will bring some valuable assistance in handling problems in the Southeast Section.

OGASAWARA A JA-group will be operating from Chichi-Jima during the second week in August. Mainly a c.w. effort, the group will test all the high frequency bands....almost....from one-sixty through ten.

Included in the group will be JA7RHJ/JA7UIH/JH7CSU/JH7IDA. Also with the group will be Tatsuo—JA7-6824.

The call sign will be JA7ZSQ/JD1. The QSL route has not been nailed down but should be surfacing before long. While no exact date is given, the period after August 7th looks possible.

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IJ7ONU This will be a one-day call used on July 28th to mark the 2nd Celebrative Day of the ARI. This will be during the outing to the Cheradi Islands by I7VCA, I7DPO and I7DLV out of Bari on the Adriatic side of Italy.

St Peter Island, which will be the scene of the operation, is at 40°27'N and 17°9'E. These islands are under separate administration by the Italian Naval authorities and have been assigned the prefix IJ7 by the Italian Ministry of Posts and Telecommunications. This will be the first ever amateur activity from these islands.

The advice on what frequencies to watch suggests:

3660-3670kc	4060-4070kc	14180-14195kc	21230-21240kc
3785-3795kc		14210-14220kc	21295-21305kc
			28580-28595kc

The 4060kc is not an error. This is given as one of their operating frequencies.

Gears will include Drake gear including an L4B.....an FT-277B with a SB220. An IC-211 with a Nag linear, transverter for 432mc. Antennas include a Hy-Gain tri-bander, dipoles and two-meter and 70cm antennas.

QSLs go to I7VCA, Box 1, 70100 Bari, Italy. Sase or Sae/IRC requested.

The island is in the Mediterranean and is a counter for the IOTA and the Italian Islands Award. WPXers will be interested in the prefixes. They were on last Friday and drawing a good bit of attention.

SAIPAN A JA-group will be on from Saipan next month, planning a weeks operation from August 19th to August 26th.

Included in the group will be Yoshiaki Maruyama, JA2KLT, JA2NJG, JH2AUF and JR2KRD.

This group will be looking for action at both the top and bottom bands.... or something like that. They are planning activity on 1.9mhz and 50mHz. Both c.w. and SSB.

Gear will include a FT-101, FL-2100, TS-820 and antennas will be a TA-33 and dipoles. Though not mentioned, the antenna line-up would indicate that it will not only be one-sixty and six that they will work but some of the bands in between.

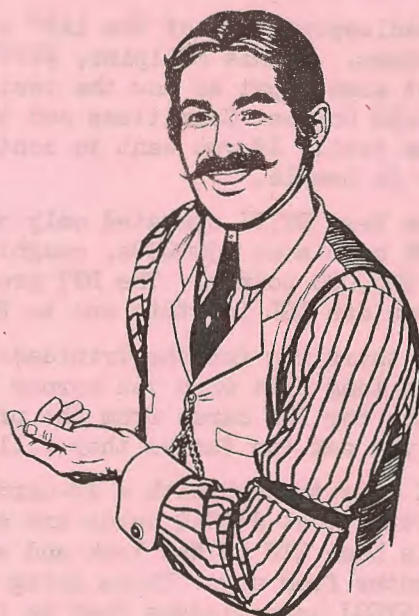
QSL to JA2KLT.....204 Gonaka, Shinozuka, Kozakai, Hoi-gun, Aichi, 441-01 Japan. Look for the group signing KG6RE.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND K1DRN will be on Prince Edward Island and signing /VE1 from this Tuesday, July 26th to the coming Sunday, July 31st.

Vern will be on vacation and on twenty SSB. Look for him around 14230kc. This is no great thundering DXpedition but someone is always looking for something and this may help in the search.

Early in July Vern and his XYL were on Grand Bahama Island and on twenty worked all states and 56 different countries. He reports that there was a good demand for C6A, a good many noting that while they had previously worked the Bahamas the getting of the QSL in their hot hand had not been a successful endeavor. Within a week after return home, 114 QSL cards had arrived, this being a good deal more than received after an FP8-St Pierre et Miquelon operation of a bit back.....in fact he has made three FP8 trips. Operating from the 12th floor of the Xanadu Princess Hotel in Freeport, he made 521 QSOs, worked all continents and caught the Pacific DX Net a number of times. K1DRN/C6A QSLs are back from the printers and available for sase or sae/IRC.

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SHORTLY NOTED Dale Justice, K7WW, has resigned as Vice-Director of the Northwest Division. Ronald D Mayer, K7BT, of Portland has been named to fill the vacancy.

The Radiosport Test of the IARU a couple of weeks back drew some mixed responses. Dennis McAlpine, W2FVS, has a questionnaire being circulated to get some input as how the test was received. He is also on the ARRL and IARU Contest Committees and they are looking for some frank comments on the test. If you want to contribute and have not the questionnaire, write to Dennis.

In the Test DT7DK operated only on phone and the operators...DM2AYK and DM2DUK made some 2300QSOs, caught 101 multipliers and scored something over 900,000 points. The DT7 prefix was first used in this IARU Test and you can QSL for this one to DM2DUK.

Those thirsting for the Trinidade card from PYØZAE can get some up-date on the long wait when you corner PY1ZAE on the bands. Ask! Says he is waiting for the cards from the printers. There is a feeling that the more you ask the faster they will come from the printers.

UY5LK came through with a JT-card for W6RQ in just two weeks. Others are reporting that JTØOAQ cards are emerging via the bureaus. KC6CG QSLs are at his home QTH in New York and will wait there until he comes home a couple of months from now. Those going via 5T5CJ for a QSL for 6V8DF/5A are finding that 5T5CJ acknowledges that he is the QSL Manager but says he does not have the logs. At least that was the story about a month or so back

On that cw/SSB matter which has some DXers at the boiling point, some are taking some strong stands. Some are mad....some say you cannot change things now because you will not allow others to use the same ploy.....others say that they were forced to use the maneuver to protect their standings....others saying that a lot of the heat coming from those who did not have enough savvy to figure out what you could do within the rules.

If you have any ideas, it might help the DXAC in their deliberations. Even there a few strong opinions are being noted....and not necessarily complementing each other.

K6ZDL handles the QSLs for 5T5CW since November 1976....for ZE6JJ since 8 Sept 74, for P29FV from Jan 1973 to August 12, 1975....this one was also VK9FV. Also for VK9MC/P29MC from February 73 to June 74.

W7OK is the QSL manager for VK4FJ/Lord Howe for the action last March 24th to April 6th. Reggie worked about 2300 QSOs. Sase or SAE/IRC needed.

July 24, 1967

DX 10 years back

Band conditions were good. Some of the common DX being heard....a bit not too common in some instances.....was ZD3G,

VS9MB, XW8AC, VK9DJ, 9M8RY, VS9ARS/Aden, OY5S, EA9EJ, VQ9TC, etc. Lloyd and Iris were headed for Sierra Leone. W3DWG was headed for Pitcairn. Herman was headed for Spanish Guinea....Herman would be TJ8QQ. Don Miller was headed for Rodriguez. Wayne Green was headed for a special DX issue of 73 Magazine.

Madison was offering a DRAKE TR4 for \$599.95. 4-1000As for \$60.00 and RG8-U for 14¢ a foot.

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REPORTS FROM RED EYED LOUIE

To have DX is nothing, if you've not the chance to show it,
And to work DX is nothing, unless others know you've worked it.....

LOW BAND LOUIE

VKØAC 3528/1315/Jul 15w	CEØAE 7085/0610/Jul 18w	GM6RV 7008/0420/Jul 11w	TR8MG 7001/0045/Jul 15e
ZL4LR/A 3528/1330/Jul 15w	CT1QN 7011/0510/Jul 16w	HKØBKX 7027/0010/Jul 14m	YU4BJC 7036/0130/Jul 14m
	CO6UPC 7027/0345/Jul 14m	HM5LJ 7003/1345/Jul 14w	YV2BE 7040/0155/Jul 14m
PT2CW 1805/0445/Jul 14m	F3NB 7013/0500/Jul 19w	PY1FO 7004/0445/Jul 11w	ZS6AK 7006/1425/Jul 17w
LU8DQ 1805/0420/Jul 14m	FO8EX 7009/0400/Jul 17w	PY7AOW 7033/0040/Jul 14m	4K1F 7001/0320/Jul 11w

AFRICA CW

SU1IM 14015/0455/Jul 11e	ZS5DE 14034/1405/Jul 12w#
OH9TH/SU 14025/1930 11e	ZS6JK 14032/1225/Jul 10w
OH8NQ/SU 14033/1710 7e	ZS6ME 14027/1240/Jul 10w
ZS5OE 14036/1405/Jul 12w	5N2NAS 14011/0220/Jul 10w

AFRICA SSB

C5AAB 21285/1615/Jul 13e	TU9GP 14202/2015/Jul 15e	5Z4QD 21303/2045/Jul 18e	7P8BC 14245/0800/Jul 16w
CN8CW 14220/2330/Jul 15e	W4YHK/VQ9 14223/0430 13w	7X2BK 14212/2245/Jul 11e	9U5BA 14205/2235/Jul 15e
S79R 14217/0245/Jul 12e	ZS6BNU 21351/1615/Jul 16e	7X2HM 14228/2040/Jul 14w	9U5CA 14205/1940/Jul 12e
TU2EF 14215/2030/Jul 13e	5V7GE 14227/2010/Jul 12e	7X2FL 14217/2140/Jul 14w	
TU2GA 14255/0650/Jul 16w	5Z4HZ 21303/2045/Jul 18e	7X2LS 14227/2220/Jul 14m	

ASIA CW

UAØBBJ 14018/0200/Jul 14e	UK6GAA 14006/1730/Jul 16e	UL7OAO 14025/1755/Jul 13w	9M2FK 14036/1715/Jul 13w
UD6DFD 14016/1845/Jul 16e	UL7PBE 14017/0120/Jul 16e	UV9SA 14030/1805/Jul 12w	
UD6DKW 14008/0500/Jul 12w	UL7QB 14036/0150/Jul 14w	VU2BAI 14022/1350/Jul 12w	
UI8IF 14003/1735/Jul 16e	UL7EAC 14008/1440/Jul 13w	4X4FU 14001/0400/Jul 12w	

ASIA SSB

ALXGX 14222/0400/Jul 15e	OD5EM 14272/1850/Jul 16e	VU2HI 14202/1650/Jul 11e	9K2EW 14225/0045/Jul 16e
ALXCB 14205/2130/Jul 13e	UA9DT 14206/0210/Jul 14e	VU2BX 14206/0230/Jul 14e	9M2AE 14245/1500/Jul 12w
A9XCC 14202/2240/Jul 14e	UF6UAG 14205/0345/Jul 13e	4X4RH 14215/2135/Jul 17m	9V1SN 14216/1415/Jul 12m
A9XAB 14230/2235/Jul 15e	UL7EAJ 14208/1440/Jul 13e	4Z4MQ 14217/0105/Jul 16e	
HS1WR 14201/1300/Jul 12e	UL7OAO 14206/0225/Jul 14e	5B4EU 14220/2240/Jul 18e	
JY9CR 14221/0500/Jul 19w	UWØLI 14203/1445/Jul 13e	5B4PA 14253/2105/Jul 17e	

EUROPE CW

CT1QL 14004/2010/Jul 13w	OJØAM 14020/1735/Jul 14m	UA2FAI 14065/0455/Jul 12w	UO5OGP 14034/2105/Jul 15e
ETØCY 14009/2000/Jul 13w	OZ5DX 14025/1400/Jul 10m	UB5ZAT 14031/0520/Jul 18w	UO5OAG 14044/2145/Jul 14e
G3EJV 14011/1420/Jul 13w	SV1AA 14025/0445/Jul 13e	UK2TAD 14011/1835/Jul 13w	UO5OWA 14030/1850/Jul 13w
HA6KVB 14031/0525/Jul 18w	SP2IW 14019/0350/Jul 13w	UK2RBA 14025/1240/Jul 10m	UP2BDP 14030/1750/Jul 13w
DJ8NX/HBØ 14032/2305 14e	SP2AOB 14025/2300/Jul 14e	UK2BBY 14025/1625/Jul 14e	YO7NK 14007/1615/Jul 11e
I3SUS 14033/0520/Jul 19w	SP2KAC 14031/0515/Jul 18w	UK5MAG 14030/1235/Jul 10m	9H1FG 14078/2100/Jul 8e

EUROPE SSB

CT2BK 14215/0215/Jul 14e	LX1BJ 14330/2055/Jul 9e	SV1DH 14221/0450/Jul 13w	YU2BCM 14201/0500/Jul 13w
CT4BY 14222/0055/Jul 14m	OH2BH 14206/0435/Jul 13w	SP8YA 14272/0445/Jul 13w	ZB2BL 14288/2300/Jul 7e
FG9UC 14204/1445/Jul 12m	OH2RI 14221/0500/Jul 19w	UB5MCD 14213/0415/Jul 13w	9H1FF 14216/2220/Jul 17m
GD3KGC 14217/1145/Jul 15e	OHØNJ 14222/1400/Jul 14e	UC2WE 14201/0335/Jul 13e	
DJ1EP/HBØ 14206/2130 14m	WA2VOA/TA1 14206/2055 8e	UK2FAD 14210/1415/Jul 14e	
JW7BK 14298/2100/Jul 9e	TA1MB 14217/2135/Jul 14m	YU1US 14210/0445/Jul 13w	

ELSEWHERE SSB

CX4CR 21290/0206/Jul 9w	KX6AU 14208/0325/Jul 17e	VK6RU 21243/0255/Jul 17m	YB7ABZ 14215/1500/Jul 14m
W7UO/DO2 14210/1140 7e	KX6DC 14273/0325/Jul 17e	VP1WCS 14206/1250/Jul 11e	YJ8JW 14211/0520/Jul 19e
DU8JJ 14218/1150/Jul 7e	KX6BU 14201/0415/Jul 19e	VP1WS 14205/0350/Jul 13e	YJ8KW 14212/0505/Jul 14m
FK8KAA 14218/0430/Jul 16e	W6RDF/KW6 14207/0415 15e	VP1SM 14205/0335/Jul 13e	YJ8KM 14216/0520/Jul 12m
FK8CH 14217/0545/Jul 14e	OX3DW 14206/2130/Jul 14m	VP2MVB 14225/0320/Jul 14w	ZK1BA 14139/0440/Jul 14w
FK8CR 14213/0435/Jul 17e	P29MM 14219/1205/Jul 14e	VP5GS 14227/0230/Jul 21w	3D2IM 14257/0355/Jul 15e
FOØEG 14280/0515/Jul 16w	P29CC 14265/1130/Ofen	VP8ML 14202/0045/Jul 15e	WB4FMB/6Y5 14243/1300 11e
HH2MC 14245/1935/Jul 16e	PJ2FR 14210/0200/Jul 7w	VP8ON 14202/2355/Jul 17m	8P6IM 14208/0230/Jul 10w
HP7XAM 14265/0315/Jul 14w	PJ9XX 14236/0410/Jul 13w	VP9HS 14280/2215/Jul 14m	
KG4AN 14250/0350/Jul 15e	WB6EMA/TG9 14215/0020 17e	YBØACF 14224/1250/Jul 12e	

(e = eastern states m middle states w = western reaches etc, all times in gmt)
(# = long path ??? = Slim.....often on from the rare ones.....seldoms QSLs)

MORE RED EYED LOUIE

The Watcher of the Lonely Night.....

ELSEWHERE'S CW

FG7XA 14051/0200/Jul 16e	KZ5EK 14022/0200/Jul 14w	VP2MBB 14034/1610/Jul 11e	5W1BH 14029/1050/Jul 14e
FK8CG 14028/0425/Jul 16e	OX3VI 14006/1745/Jul 12w	VP9AD 14024/1820/Jul 13w	
FK8CC 14052/0355/Jul 17e	PJ9XX 14038/2300/Jul 17w	VS5MC 14009/1300/Jul 11w	
FM0CO 21010/0110/Jul 9e	KS6FF/HR3 14043/1405 14e	ZF2AU 14038/0455/Jul 16e	
FO8EX 14020/0600/Jul 17e	VP2ST 14015/0145/Jul 16w	3D2ER 14031/0550/Jul 13w	

TEN METERS

LU2EE 28632/1723/Jul 10e	DL6GB 28025/2200/Jul 12e	I1UBI 28025/2255/Jul 12e
WB2CHO/VP9 28586/1655 10e	G4DUX 28025/2220/Jul 12e	OZ7AN 28032/2300/Jul 12e
	G13JEX 28025/2235/Jul 12e	

ENN -- UR2AR Enn Lokh, UR2AR, has been visiting in California during this last week, attending a luncheon in the Los Angeles area hosted by W6AOA and was the main attraction at a dinner meeting in northern California last Thursday. Some sixty-five or so DXers turned out to greet Enn at this one.

His facility in the use of the English language certainly was a notable bit and the background he gave on amateur radio in the Baltic was a vivid insight to the problems of amateurs in that area. Enn, a Vice-president of the Estonian Radio Sport Federation, noted that they are able to pick up the television programs out of Helsinki across the Gulf of Finland and the locals there keep up with the activities of the Six Million Dollar Man.

Here on a visit to relatives, Enn brought his mother to Chicago to visit a sister there and he came on to California to visit a niece in the San Jose area. Bob Thompson, K6SSJ, arranged for the dinner meeting, Bob over the last several years has tried with no success to date to get some of the Russian amateurs over for the Fresno DX meetings. As one DXer noted after this meeting, having a prominent Russian DXer here for a visit probably did more to help understand their problems and the amateur radio situation in Russia than all the written items in magazines.

Many found the evening highly enjoyable. The necessity of coping with home-brew in the construction of their equipment and the difficulty in locating components of a specialized nature was a matter of special interest to those attending the dinner meeting.

Enn also put on a slide show of the UK1ZFI Franz Josef DXpedition of 1972, a big effort that he put on with Tom, UR2DW.

SHORTLY NOTED W4VN is looking for a handle on how to get a QSL out of VE8DC to complete a WAZ for his activity a year or so back from Indonesia when he signed YB8AEV from Jakarta. The QSO was on 17 Mar 1975, he has tried via VE800 but with not success so far. This is the single remaining zone for a WAZ from YB-Indonesia. Some may think that Zone 18....or Zone 34 may be tough at times. It is also a bit difficult at times to get Zone 2 nailed down.

If you have a hot clue as to how to get a QSL on this VE8DC, rush it to

Lt Col Richard J Brown W4VN
11104 Seaglade Drive
Pensacola, Fla 32507

We thought that no one would ever ask but finally some one did. They asked why it was that the note was that Slim almost never QSLs.....rather than just '..never QSLs'.

Strange as it may seem, there was an instance some years back where Slim did provide QSLs though they could not get by Bob White. This was five or six years ago and WA5UHR, Scott Freile, was running Scott's QSL Services down in the Texas country. This station came on and our recollection is that it was "124NG". Scott worked the station and offered to handle the QSLs. The station was properly evasive as to location but promised to explain all in a letter as the details could not be given over the air.

A month or so later in comes the log sheets and a bundle of printed QSL cards. Outside of the fact that they were mailed from an APO in Europe, Scott had no idea where they came from or any details on the the operator and the operation.

So he QSLed all the contacts in the logs. These were in turn rushed to the DXCC Desk where W1CW stonewalled the whole issue.

Slim does QSL.....sometimes. Though they may not be the true-blue type, most enduring DXers will end up with some 60-pound cardboard stock that does not wear well. In this instance we have never ceased to find a bit of delight in the willingness of Slim to carry a hoax so far. You might as well laugh about it as the tears of frustration will have long dried.

There has been a station set up at the International Girl Scout Jamboree on Cape Breton Island and this will run for another week yet signing CG1CR. They were looking to work all bands....eighty to ten....and you can QSL this one to VE1AEM.

OE2WSL/YK will be there until this November. You will find his favorite frequencies are in the vicinity of 14245kc and 21245kc. That's what his indicated preference but he is found in other areas. A couple of weeks back he was found at 14205kc at O230Z. Listen and you will hear. Seek and you will find. Call and you will be answered. Work and you will be rewarded.....for the reward of good work is more work! Just shows you can find a cliché for about everything!!

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CALENDAR

St. PETER	aka San Pitro...to the weekend. IJ7ONU for one day..Jul 28th
MARCUS	KAs will be signing KA1S from August 18th
EASTERN CAROLINES	Ted Henry there from August 10th to work a few needy DXers
MADEIRA ISLANDS	OZ1LO from August 9th to 22nd. Big effort in WAE c.w. TEST
OGASAWARA	JA7ZSQ/JD1 by JA group from second week in August...mostly c.w.
SAIPAN	KG6RE by JA-group from August 19th to 26th
PRINCE EDWARD IS.	K1DRN/VE1 from July 26th to end of month
KERMEDEC	Still looking like October. ZL effort.
SEA-Q DX MEETING	This coming weekend in Seattle...K7JA for information
EUROPEAN CW TEST	August 13-14th
SEANET PHONE TEST	August 20-21st
NEW JERSEY QSO	August 20-22nd....does not operate the full period.
ALL ASIA CW	August 27-28th
EUROPEAN PHONE TEST	September 10th/11th
CQ WW PHONE TEST	The Contest Season really begins with this one! Oct 29-30th
SEANET CONVENTION	In downtown Bangkok! HS1WR will ensure you have a good time
INTERN'L SHORT WAVE	Romanian Test that comes each year.....1800 Aug 6th to 1800 Aug 7th

MORE SHORT NOTES FOR SHORT DXERS The Radio Club of Saipan (KG6RE) has a new
QSL Manager. This goes to

K7ZA
20711 238th SE
Maple Valley, Wash 98038

Note that this is the call the JAs are planning to use in late August. Catch their QSL information should there be a variant.

VR1X will be leaving the Gilberts in about a month. Don Miller, W9WNV etc, is still alive and living in Indio, Calif. He continues to donate trophies each year in some DX Tests, says he will get back on the air one fine day but apparently is too busy with the medical group with which he is associated to show again on the bands. CT4AT who is back in the states also holds a French call...F0FC and may show from the Caribbean one of these days. C21NB, who gives F9AP as his QSL Manager, is apparently is Grande Tenue Slim!

Rumors are that a number of Big Guns are putting up those new KLM beams for eighty. Even W2HCW flinging the aluminum cloud up. ZM7AT cards are coming through for the operation about three months back. Somehow QSL information got out on the present operation that is incorrect....ZM7AT still goes to WB6DXL. ZM7MM goes to W6FWX.

ZK1BA is heading back to New Zealand at the end of next week....August 6th. He will take the station apart on August 3rd. Trevor was on Penrhyn on July 14th but the few hours there did not allow for setting up a station and operating.

9U5CA shows most days around 1900-1930Z. Terry will be there for some months yet....check around 14208kc where you will often find a list operation going. A key is on the way to him so he should be showing on c.w. QSL to WA2QNW. FL8OM apparently is headed for FH8-land. Look for FH8OM and FH8YL to be heard.

ARRL Kenneth Widelitz, WA6PPZ, is the new president of the Personal Communications Foundation.

The Fourth Notice of Inquiry on WARC-79 (Docket 20271) is out.....the ARRL has responded. Gross income of the League will be around five million this year and an accountant has been hired for financial management.

SOME FINAL FILLERS STORM was heard last Friday.....14030kc before 1500Z. Some of the stations in the Western Reaches got through to this one. The Irish Radio Transmitters Society which has gone out to the Aran Islands over the years, made but 206 QSOs in 1974. This year signing EJA they made over 3000!

TNX to WA1IJC, W2AG, W1MV, W1NG, K2BT, W2GHV, K3DH, W4BV, N4NW, WA4OUF, W4UF, K4UTE, N4WF, N4XX, W4ZR, K5OVC, ADXA, WB5BJS, K6EC, W6GVL, W6JD, N6JM, WA6KCK, K6LAE, WA6TLA, W6TSQ, W6PT, K6UFT, W6VD, K6XT, K7ABV, W9LXU, N7MW, W7OK, W6SP, W7OM, WA7UVO, W8JXM, K9AJ, W9EQP, W9GW, W9KNI, W9TKV, WA9WKA, W0KMN, JA2KLT, OZ1LO, DM2DUK.

WEST COAST DX BULLETIN Published every week by the Marin County DX Group. The local QRPers were together for their Thursday luncheon last week, some showing a bit of indignation that Don Miller at times has been raised from the obscurity of the years, others somewhat willing to admit that they had put all their money on blind trust. And some got to talking of Dave Baker, W6WX, who had passed from the DX scene seven years ago this month. "I still think that one of these days I will go to a DX meeting," one of the QRPers said, "and Dave will be there like he used to be. After all these years I still find myself looking for him." And the group was quiet in thought for a bit for while many are ready to admit that nothing changes, they also know that the years do. "I will long remember Dave," another QRPer said, "and I would like to think that he will live as long as there are DXers to remember him." For even today there are those DXers who will be remembered and those happenings which will be recalled down the long line of the years. DXers will always need more of the Dave Bakers within their ranks. For these are still the Great Days of DX and while we will long remember W6WX, we will also hail those who are doing the great things today in DX. And you can get all of it for \$14.00 for a full year in the U.S. by second-class mail. \$18.00 brings the message by first-class mail to the U.S./VE areas. \$20.00 flies it down the long slope of the night to where the heavens and earth meet.....always a bit further on.....to Mexico and all the far DX lands where there are those who still remember Dave Baker..... We still do.

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