

# WEST COAST DX BULLETIN



December 13, 1977

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WALVIS BAY ZS3WB has been on.....14205kc for awhile last week but there were some problems with equipment and the activity was not what was expected.

ZS6ANE was due back with some more gear and possibly a linear towards last weekend. Keep listening and the signal may improve. As far as country status, there is a bit more on that further on.....

BOPHUTHATSWANA The H5s showed on schedule and were worked by many though the signals to the western reaches were not especially strong. H5IND and H5XFT were being worked in good numbers on the west coast last week and the operation was due to continue into this week.

Some efforts to get a strong signal were going on. There was some planned action on 3777kc at 0300Z last week and you might check the band to see if they are still there.

H5XFT was saying to QSL to his home call, VE3FXT. George will be moving on and will be in 7Q7-Malawi for the Christmas weekend.

Like Walvis Bay and some of the other African operations, this status of this new homeland, Bophuthatswana, may be in doubt for some time. However, don't let that discourage you. Work them now....

MALI VE3HRS/TZ6 has been showing at times but the impact of amateurs from all over the world trying to work him has been cooling any enthusiasm to be rare DX. Last week he was feeling a bit battered and indicated that he may just turn on the rig and look for stations to call.

The only hopeful sign is that when the days work is over there, there is little else to do except try some beer and turn on the rig. He will frequently be heard talking with his father at 14185kc around 2000Z. After that he may shift up or down the dial looking for some low level action. Mostly what he gets is several hundred amateurs all calling at the same time. The deliberate QRMing definitely appalls him.

Ken is working on aircraft there in Mali and will be there for most of December. QSL to his home QTH,

KURE Len Prescott, KM6FC, and Mike Daugherty, WD8KLN/KM6, will bring Kure on the air again this weekend, December 17th thru 19th....Saturday thru Monday, give or take a bit.

The operation will be on fifteen and twenty meters, both SSB and CW. Much of the operation will be list operations with stateside list compilers. Look for them on the low end of twenty or possibly higher to catch the general classes. There will be enough of an uproar when they are on so that you should not have difficulty in locating them.

QSL information was not available last week but it will be announced during the operations. Also, the calls may be KM6FC/KH6 or WD8KLN/KH6...or maybe even both.

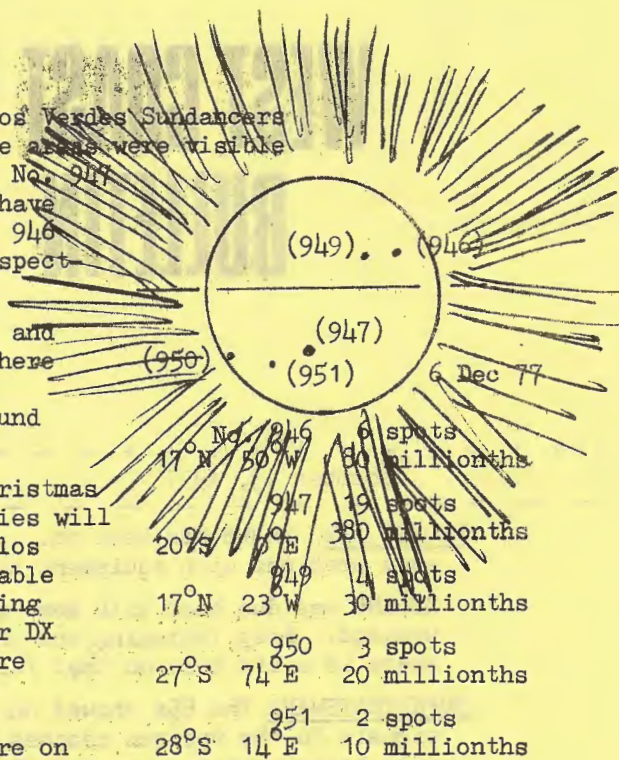


SUNSPOT LOUIE The lash laid on to the Palos Verdes Sundancers produced some quick results. Five active areas were visible on the sun the date of this observation, No. 947 being the kind that the Deserving DXers have have been watching for. Even that puny 946 on last week's chart developed into a respectable area.

The flux has been back over the 100 mark and is expected to stay there for awhile. There are problems at times with the polar and auroral paths but there is enough DX around to keep things interesting.

The outlook is that it will be a good Christmas season for DXers and the Sugar Plum Fairies will be glissading in the barrancas of the Palos Verdes country. And you will hardly be able to turn on your radio or TV without hearing the works of Peter Ilich T. Turn on your DX rig and work that DX. The sugar plums are everywhere...

And on the far banks of the Potomac, there on a stone where the waters flow, there is written in characters clear: "DX IS"...and N4XX come up from his muffler to note that the weeks ahead will bring an abundance of good cheer and a handful of HNs including one for Christmas Day. What more could the Deserving DXer want to fill the hole in his stocking? And Ted says it will be---



December 13th	Low Normal	December 19th	High Normal
14th	Low Normal	20th	High Normal
15th	Below Normal	21st	High Normal
16th	Low..but periods of High Normal	22nd	Low Normal
17th	High Normal	23rd	Low Normal
18th	Above Normal	24th	High Normal
		25th	High Normal

While there are some who look for high power and big antennas to bring the DX in, others are thinking of the dance and the example of the Palos Verdes group. You might try it yourself....and it takes not a big shack to try yourself on a fouette en tourant, possibly a grand jete, maybe even a cabriole and certainly a pirouette sur le coup de pied! After all, W6AM lives in the Palos Verdes country and look what it has done for him!! Start jumping!!!!

And K6EC is jumping as the flux is back over the 100 mark and Ev says that the update is...as we work up to the hundreds --

Solar Flux Ap Index			Solar Flux Ap Index		
Nov 28th	88	5	December 1st	91	4
29th	88	5	2nd	94	37
30th	88	7	3rd	97	8
			4th	99	8

Check WWV at 18 minutes after the hour for the K index. On the Ap index, it was down to 2 last Wednesday with the Solar Flux at 109. Things are moving...



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FERNANDO DE NORONHA Gerson Rissin, PY7APS, will be on Fernando de Noronha in April to work all bands including a possible OSCAR operation.

Gerson has previously participated in operations from Fernando de...these back in 1967 and 1968. He still has the logs and can supply QSLs. The May 1967 was with PY7AOA and PY7AIN.

CONCURSO FRACAP 1978 This contest comes in January, a 24-hour effort on Sunday, January 15th. RS plus a three-figure contact number starting at 001 will be used. This is a SSB only effort

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ERIK SM0AGD in a note mailed from Stockholm a few weeks back indicated that he would be in Equatorial Guinea until December 5th. Prior to departure he was not sure if he could operate.....but you know that he did.

ARRL has already received a QSL for his YI activity. This from an SM station and it appears that most if not all of the limited number of contacts were with European stations.

The cards for the SM0AGD/S2 operation are going out, this being handled by SM3CXS.

It has been mentioned here before and we will run it by again. It is felt that Erik at this point is undoubtedly one of the most prominent DXers operating and if you stop and recap his operations for the last year you will come up with a good bag of rare ones. HK0-Baja Nuevo...HK0--Serrana Bank....S2-Bangladesh, 3C1-Equatorial Guinea...YI--Iraq. Just getting that latter on the air was an accomplishment even though the QSO total was minimal.

There were a couple of other stops in between and there will be more in the future. Watch for him.

SHORTLY NOTED W4JD ran into that C3PO a couple of weeks back. Beam heading put the station in the upper New York/New England area, possibly in the Boston area. He was rattling out QSOs at a great rate but disappeared when some started to take beam headings.

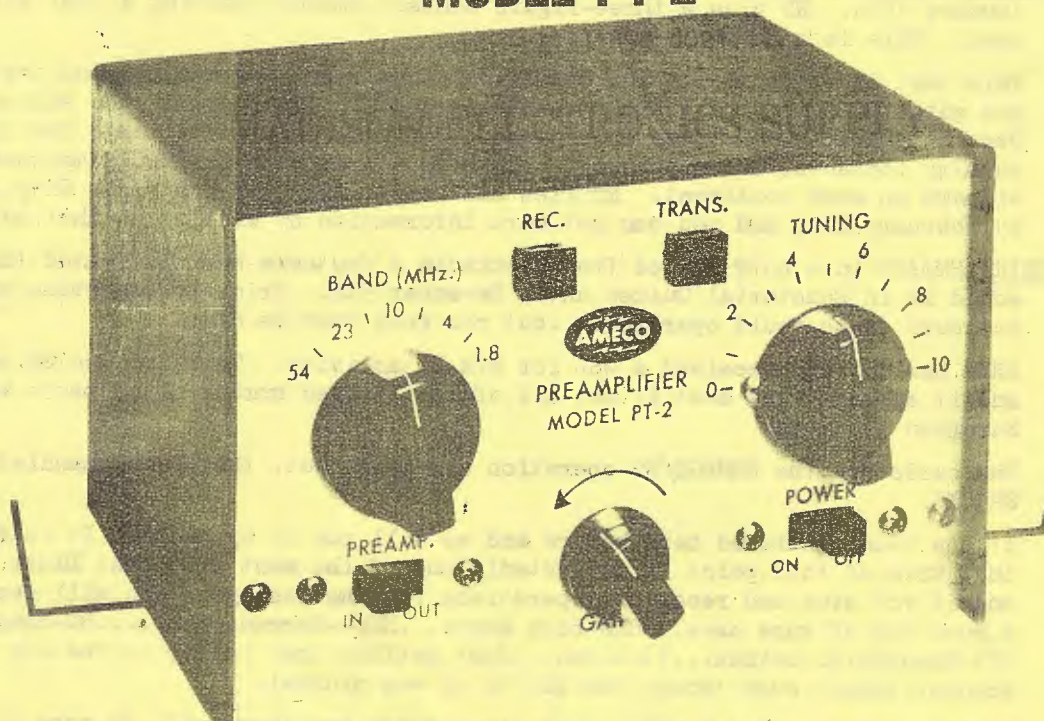
Some might think it was Slim. ZA1DX heard a few months back has been disowned by DJ9ZB. KS6CC is shutting down and returning to the states late this month. The activity from the KS6s has not been especially heavy recently, not as it was some years back. Also out in that area we need QSL information for KC6CH. We will be running the back lists of K5DB's QSL reasearch....No. 1 and 2...in the coming week and will supply the request for back issues....

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DXCC ITEMS STØ will not be....at least not now. There has been a change of mind on the addition of Southern Sudan to the DXCC list and though it was scheduled for acceptance beginning March 1, 1978, it will not. If fact, the possibility for acceptance would seem at this time to be some years in the future.

The operation of Bill Rindone opening up STØ back in 1976 was slated to be accepted as of March 1st but apparently there has been a change of signals at top levels and all this stemming from the political overtones and undercurrents there among the African nations. Putting it plainly, the move seems to be aimed at not disturbing any of the African nations which might be upset over any action and would not support the U.S position at WARC 79.

With Walvis Bay on the air and a change of administration taking place there the first of September, some questions might be raised on this one. It is understood that the DXAC is currently reviewing the status of Walvis Bay and it meeting the criteria for DXCC status. However, the odds are at this time that even should they vote to recommend it for DXCC status, the present policy of not rocking the African boat would put the delay clamp on this one.

And H5-Bophuthatswana, which came on line last week, will also probably be in limbo until after WARC 1979. The facts seems to be not to expect anything in the way of changes in Africa in the DXCC list and especially changes which may irritate nations opposed to the South African or Rhodesian current administrations. With Sadat chasing a lot of people home this week, things get a bit difficult in sorting things out.

How all of this affects or affected the autonomous southern provinces of Sudan and who might repercuss where if STØ was adopted into the DXCC is not clear. The feeling is that all of Africa will be placed on stand-by until around 1980 and there will be few if any changes made in the DXCC. It may be a very vivid demonstration of the reliable bureaucrat beatitude: "Blessed is he who does nothing, for verily, he will never be found in error."

However, Geyser Reef will vanish on schedule. As of March 1st, 1978, Geyser will be deleted. This will made the current valid DXCC country count at 318 with 45 deletions and the magic number of leaping onto the Honor Roll will be 309.

Along with all of this, and reading between the zigs and zags there in Newington, there would seem to be some friction between some of the Advisory Committees and the higher echelons at headquarters.

Again, last week Newington put it on the line that the Advisory Committees function was to advise and that Headquarters would make the decision. The Harry Dannals letter of last February on the subject was again sent to Advisory Committee members along with another letter from Dick Baldwin calling attention again to the ARRL policy in these areas.

The policy was reaffirmed and reemphasized in the mailing last week and it was made quite clear that just because an Advisory Committee might agree within their own circle on a subject, it would not necessarily follow that Newington would fall into line to adopt the recommendations of an Advisory group.

Those racking up the H5-Bophuthatswana contacts last week might be a bit discouraged by these developments. You can add S8-Transkei to the group in limbo. However, somewhere along the way WARC 79 will come and go and you will be two or three years older. And it is quite possible, almost a sure thing, that one bright glorious day, maybe in the Spring of 1980 or 1981, the sun will be shining there in Newington and they may decide that the WARC 79 is all behind them and serious consideration can be given to the important things of life....like DX. And a lot of middle-aged to old operations will be resurrected and dusted off and suddenly there will be a whole handful of new DXCC countries! Really!! And retroactive all the way back to July 1976!! Just you wait and see!!

It is obvious that the DXCC criteria is being interpreted in light of political problems in some areas. This is not surprising to those who have kept current with things and 7J1RL was an example of the criteria being trimmed to fit the need. It was to solidify Japan's support for IARU and ITU matters....hopefully. The Italians with their Pelagic Island did not fare as well even though that request came from the Italian National Society.

Anyhow, work them now and worry later. The odds are that there will be more changes along the way and probably some day all of them will be good DXCC counters. And at the same time you will lose some of the existing DXCC counters. You win a few....you lose a few and you wait for the rest. For that is the way it is and, as Sam would often say: "What else can I do?"



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FCC HEARINGS FCC held a hearing the first of December on its Dockets 21116 and 21117. The first on linear amplifier ban in the 25 to 35MHz area, the other on type acceptance for amateur gear.

There were presentations made both by industry and organizations. Bob Booth had 45 minutes to make the ARRL presentation. The EIA people were there in favor of both dockets. The feeling seemed to be that EIA would welcome anything that might help clean up the 27MHz area. They had a well-prepared and crisp presentation, they were the only ones there in favor of the dockets, everyone else found arguments against.

Heath and Drake made presentations against the dockets, these being termed as effective and Drake was pointing to the proof-of-license need at time of sale. ARMA made a presentation which was labeled not especially strong.

Dentron made a presentation...Wayne Green was there for 73 magazine...Al Dorhoffer for CQ, John Schroeder for HR REPORT and a good group numbering about ninety for other manufacturers, groups or interested parties.

The National Capitol DX Assn went and made their own presentation. In a well prepared argument, the National Capitol DX Association put forth the fact that the FCC was facing major problems in the illegal use of the radio spectrum and resultant RFI. The NDXA also noted that the two dockets addressed themselves to the effects rather than the cause of the problems and would solve little or nothing.

On the positive side, the National Capitol DX Association spokesman pointed out that simultaneous actions were needed to correct matters and that the FCC should....

1. Move on the proof-of-license at time of purchase proposal.
2. More and better enforcement of the present regulations.
3. Better design of home-entertainment equipment, especially TV receivers.

The FCC probably will not move on these proposals until possibly sometime in January. Along with Bob Booth was Hal Steinman, ARRL Washington's liaison.

You probably will hear more on this or read it in other sources. There was a strong presentation against the dockets and the action of the Capitol DX Assn in sending its own observers and spokesman is definitely a move that DXers throughout the country should appreciate. With the action tending to be more and more in Washington, organizations which will be alert to protect and support amateur radio interests there will be more influential and necessary in coming years.

SILENT KEYS Bob Harris, K6VY, became a Silent Key late in November. A retired skipper for Standard Oil tankers, he returned to amateur radio about 1971 and was an avid DXer. He was a member of the Northern California DX Club.

Joe Bohla, VP2SN, was killed in the crash of a light twin-engined aircraft into the water off the Grenadines the morning of November 26th. A native of Guyana, Joe had been living in St Vincent and working under contract with the St Vincent government.

Very SHORTLY NOTED Jack Moss, who has signed EL2DT recently, and HS1WF and SV0WF at other times, has been trying for a year to get a CN8 license. He finally has and will be signing CN8CX and is being heard from Tangiers. He is on SSB on fifteen and twenty, presently using a 14AVQ but will have a beam before the snow flies there. QSL to Gary Yarus, 921 No Clay Ave, Kirkwood, Missouri 63122.

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TEN METERS

HG8KCK 28025/0925/Nov 19ep	VK6WT 28025/1020/Nov 19ep	HP1PK 28600/1715/Dec 2e
JA1KF 28037/2320/Nov 25m	ZL1SR 28025/1045/Nov 19ep	KP1AHQ 28610/1600/Nov 27e
PY2KN 28025/1810/Dec 3m	ZS3LK 28044/1530/Nov 26e	KZ5RV 28576/1850/Nov 29e
VK3QP 28025/0935/Nov 19ep	9H1CH 28025/0910/Nov 19ep	
VK3ABR 28025/0950/Nov 19ep		

AFRICA CW

C5AAD 14030/2135/Nov 27m	FB8ZL 14099/1805/Nov 29w	ZS6KU 21014/1615/Dec 4w	5Z4JE 14046/1830/Dec 2e
C5AT 14027/2345/Dec 4w	J28AY 21044/1605/Nov 30m	ZS6SM 14038/1835/Dec 3m	7X4MD 14069/2030/Dec 4e
EL2ET 21048/1515/Dec 4e	K9VCM/S8 14052/2100 20w	ZS6AZ 14040/1930/Dec 3m	9J2WS 21041/1945/Dec 4e
EL2ET 14005/0000/Nov 30e	WA6QXZ/VQ9 14095/1330 26m	3C1X 14023/2350/Dec 4e	
FB8XR 14033/0145/Dec 1e	ZS3LK 14008/2015/Nov 28m	5T5PG 14024/2005/Dec 2e	

AFRICA SSB

A2CCV 21301/1830/Nov 30w	S79D 14205/1610/Nov 29m#	ZD9GG 21319/1700/Dec 4e	3B8AR 14219/1345/Nov 29m
C5AT 14193/2130/Nov 29m	J28BD 14217/2300/Nov 28w	ZE1FH 14210/1950/Dec 3m	3B8DS 21300/1715/Dec 5m
C5M 14195/2135/Nov 28m	SUOMA 14235/1520/Dec 4w?	ZE6JL 21355/1830/Dec 6w	5L2WAC 14228/0110/Dec 5e
C5ABK 14210/0205/Dec 2w	WB9QNJ/S8 21302/1730 1w	ZS3WB 14205/1930/Dec 4m	5H3KS 21317/1800/Dec 1m
EL2BS 14241/2105/Dec 4e	TR8MG 21299/1700/Dec 5m	ZS3AW 14156/1635/Nov 29e	5H3KS 14220/1545/Nov 28w
FB8ZL 14206/2000/Dec 3m	TU2HH 14201/2330/Nov 30m	ZS5JY 21304/1850/Dec 3e	5Z4QM 21283/1625/Dec 3e
FB8WE 14115/1600/Nov 3w	TR8BJ 14222/2045/Dec 2m	ZS5PG 14235/1610/Dec 1e#	5Z4RT 14209/2020/Nov 28w
FR7BE 21275/1750/Dec 1m	TR8MFB 21292/1725/Dec 3e	ZS6AEN 21277/1800/Dec 3e	6W8DB 21294/1950/Dec 4e
FR7BG 14202/1900/Dec 2m	TU2GL 14216/1935/Nov 30m	ZS3KC 21280/2035/Dec 4e	9G1HZ 14201/1945/Nov 29e
FR7BP 21280/1610/Dec 5m	TU2EF 14205/2335/Dec 1w	3C1X 14190/2210/Dec 4e	9G1JQ 21355/1900/Nov 30w
K9VCM/S8 14225/1955 29e	TU2GA 14276/2025/Dec 2e	K9VCM/3D6 14228/2040 2e	9G1MB 14205/2130/Dec 4e
VE3FXT/S8 21300/1945 30e	VE3HRS/TZ6 14182/2120 4e	3D6BL 21355/1835/Nov 29w	9G1MK 14189/2025/Nov 28e
S8FXT 14225/0430/Dec 1e	WA6QXZ/VQ9 14245/1250 28e	3D6BP 21355/1910/Dec 4m	9J2TU 14222/1445/Dec 3m
K1SQI/SU 14237/1500 29e	ZD7PV 21355/1900/Often	3D6BT 21364/1745/Nov 29m	
WB7TKB/SU 14237/1445 2m	ZD8BZ 21282/1840/Dec 3e	3B8DA 14215/0325/Dec 2e	

ASIA CW

A6XB 14028/2155/Nov 30w	JD1YAA 21060/2145/Nov 26m	UAØKAP 14027/2330/Nov 29m	VU2TS 14029/1350/Dec 2e
EP2LA 14041/1310/Dec 6e	UAØLU 14022/0050/Dec 5e	UAØCEJ 14011/0035/Dec 5m	
EP2SV 14020/1330/Dec 1e#	UAØCED 14022/0050/Dec 5e	UAØQAH 14025/0130/Dec 2e	
HM2JN 14016/0150/Dec 6w	UAØQWJ 14022/0045/Dec 5e	UL7MAM 14005/1235/Nov 30e	
JA1TLK 21027/2155/Nov 28m	UAØMX 14022/0045/Dec 5e	VU2TH 14022/1240/Nov 30e	

ASIA SSB

A6AB 14232/1350/Dec 4m	EP2UH 14222/1615/Nov 27m	UK8BKG 14230/1315/Dec 1e#	5B4DI 14256/1445/Dec 1w
A6XB 14215/1420/Dec 3m	HS1WR 14214/1715/Dec 1w	UKØCBG 14220/0045/Nov 30w	9K2EZ 14224/1310/Nov 30e
AP2AU 14215/1340/Dec 3m#	JT1AN 14225/0115/Dec 1m	VU2BX 14206/1325/Dec 3e	9K2DJ 14242/1530/Dec 4w#
AP2MQ 14217/1245/Often	JY3ZH 14200/1315/Dec 1e#	VU2XX 14240/1315/Dec 4e#	9K2EV 14225/1350/Dec 5m
A9BXJ 14205/1930/Dec 2m	JY5HH 14201/1505/Dec 3e#	VU2AID 14203/1355/Dec 3e	9K2AN 14228/1435/Dec 4m
A9XCC 14206/1350/Dec 1w	JYLMD 14203/1405/Dec 3m	VU2JNA 14202/1215/Dec 4e	9M2DQ 21345/2350/Often
AP5HQ 14215/1300/Often	JY5AR 14243/1435/Dec 4m#	VU2XW 14216/1350/Dec 2w	9M2DW 14225/0125/Nov 30w
EP2ER 14211/1255/Dec 2e	JY5HW 14219/1330/Nov 30m	LX4JS 21385/1330/Dec 3e	9M2DQ 14225/0135/Nov 30w
EP2EY 14224/1325/Dec 3e	JY9VK 14229/1415/Dec 2e#	LX4UH 14210/1510/Dec 2e#	9N1MM 14240/0115/Dec 1m
EP2DB 14219/1250/Dec 5e	JY5US 14203/1405/Dec 3m	LX4LMQ 14210/1410/Dec 2e	OE6DK/YK 14247/1425 3m
EP2GT 14217/1325/Dec 5e	JY9DH 14215/1455/Dec 2w#	LX4RH 14265/1425/Dec 2m	
EP2DD 14215/1445/Dec 2w#	KA6KN 14224/0040/Dec 1m	L87NB 14225/1255/Dec 4e	
EP2RL 14204/1430/Nov 28w#	LI2B 14204/1255/Dec 3e	8Q7AD 14231/1530/Nov 21w	
EP2SV 14204/1330/Nov 30m	OD5EP 14207/1425/Dec 3e	8Q7AD 21344/1540/Nov 20m	

EUROPE CW

CT2AQ 14040/1825/Dec 2e	HV3SJ 14078/1705/Nov 29w	OH6TZ 14029/2100/Nov 30m	UK2TAK 21019/2030/Dec 4m
DM4PIH 14042/1535/Dec 2w	OF4QN 14040/2130/Nov 30m	I3HDH 14038/1745/Dec 3m	ZA5FB 14042/1350/Dec 2e???
GDLAM 21032/1520/Dec 4e	OH2PQ 21028/1900/Dec 4e	UA1ZAQ 14029/2040/Nov 30m	4U1ITU 14026/1710/Nov 30w
GJ2LU 14004/1525/Dec 1w	OH6UA 21051/1845/Dec 4e	UA1ZYW 14029/2340/Nov 29m	
GW4ANK 14020/1605/Dec 3w	OH8OR 14089/1620/Nov 29e	UK2TAD 14037/2345/Nov 29m	

EUROPE SSB

CT1QG 14205/1915/Dec 1w	EA4JF 14215/1630/Nov 29m#	LA6M 14202/1420/Nov 30e	UA6HZ 14205/1245/Dec 1e
CT2BB 21300/1720/Dec 1m	EA6EM 14227/1355/Dec 1e	LZ1KWS 14226/1425/Dec 1w	UK2RAW 14201/1425/Nov 29w
CT2AK 21310/1730/Nov 30m	EL4DA 14256/1445/Dec 1w	M1D 21300/1525/Nov 28m	UK5MAF 14215/1325/Nov 30m
CT2BD 14212/2005/Nov 30m	EL6S 14210/1845/Nov 30m	OF6WY 14203/1425/Dec 2m	UK6LEZ 21280/1255/Nov 28e
CT4FU 21289/1745/Dec 3e	EL8H 14210/1845/Nov 30m	OE6MBG 14203/1535/Dec 3w#	YU1AEK 14232/1440/Dec 1w
DJ8SW 14215/1605/Dec 1m	HA9KPU 14203/1615/Nov 29w	ON4UN 14209/1600/Dec 3w#	9H4G 14207/1525/Nov 30m
EA3OJ 14227/1540/Dec 3w#	GM3WBZ/HB 21315/1725 30e	SP3DOI 14212/1410/Dec 1w#	
EA3AOW 14210/1515/Dec 4w#	JX9WT 14203/1720/Nov 30e	SV1AE 14216/1450/Dec 4m#	



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**ELSEWHERE'S SSB**

CE0AE 14193/2310/Dec 2e	HI8XKC 14221/0115/Dec 5e	KC4USV 14202/1320/Nov 29e	VP9IT 14211/0045/Dec 3e
CE0AE 21355/1805/Dec 5w	HI8XDF 14332/2310/Dec 2e	KG4AAA 14332/0240/Nov 30e	VR4DN 14210/0500/Dec 4e
DU1MEL 14224/2310/Nov 29w	HI8XDJ 21355/1830/Often	P29JS 14208/1940/Nov 29m#	VS5DX 14196/0045/Dec 1m
DU1XRE 14224/2310/Nov 29w	HK0QS 14217/0500/Dec 1m	TK7GAS 14227/0430/Nov 30e	YB0ADI 14206/1225/Nov 30e
K0AX/DU2 14218/0040 6w	HK0BKX 14224/0035/Dec 1m#	VK2SC 14215/1445/Dec 4e	ZP5RS 14305/0230/Dec 2w
K0WIQ/DU2 14224/1425 1m	HK0BKX 21355/1900/Dec 6w	VP2SQ 21301/1900/Dec 3e	ZF5PX 14247/0445/Nov 29e
FM0AMF 14221/0115/Dec 5e	HP6FU 14198/1605/Nov 29e	VP2GFA 14220/2120/Dec 2m	ZF2AG 21355/1905/Dec 8w
FK8CU 14244/0545/Dec 3e	J3AAG 14214/2135/Dec 4e	VP2SZ 21355/1825/Nov 29w	3D2DM 21306/2105/Dec 5w
FY7BC 21287/1855/Dec 3e	KC4AAA 14227/1305/Nov 30e	VP8ML 14207/0040/Dec 3w	9M8HG 14225/0015/Dec 2w
HC8GI 14219/2040/Nov 29e	KC4USB 14225/0155/Nov 28m	VP8OW 14225/0150/Nov 28m	

**ELSEWHERE'S CW**

FG7AS 21040/2040/Dec 3e	J3AAG 14011/0145/Dec 5w	VO2WL 14017/1645/Nov 29e
FG7AS 14035/0400/Dec 2e	J3AAG 21034/1745/Dec 4w	VP1AH 21022/1730/Nov 28e
WALJAZ/HC1 21030/1740 26m	J3AJ 14013/2010/Nov 30m	VS5ET 14041/1345/Dec 4e
LU7AOK 21044/2030/Nov 29m	VK3BBT 14025/2055/Nov 28e#	6Y5GB 14075/1630/Nov 29e

**LOW BAND LOUIE**

CE0ZE 1826/0505/Nov 23m	G3RTY 1827/0730/Nov 25m	VP2DD 1803/0230/Nov 23m	ZE7JX 1827/0310/Nov 25m
G3MYI 1826/0630/Nov 23m	HI8JAG 1825/0600/Nov 24m	XE1AN 1826/0030/Nov 25m	ZF1CD 1803/0245/Nov 24m
GD4BEG 1827/0615/Nov 23m	JA1PIG/PZ 1823/0445 24m	YV5AW 1806/0320/Nov 25m	ZF2AY 1828/0310/Nov 25m
DM2EKH 3511/0140/Dec 2m	HB9UO 3502/0505/Dec 3e	PY2FCF 3503/0135/Dec 2m	ZE6JL 3795/2330/Often
DJ6RX 3520/0510/Dec 3e	I1BWI 3508/0540/Dec 3m	UA3EAL 3510/0500/Dec 3e	ZL3NR/C 3790/0705 1w
DK7SU 3512/0540/Dec 3e	KG6JIH 3505/1300/Nov 26w	UB5BAZ 3505/0525/Dec 3e	ZS6DW 3778/0340/Dec 4w
EA7ON 3783/0730/Dec 1w	KG6JIH 3789/1450/Dec 2w	UK2TAD 3522/0300/Dec 1m	4AAFR 3803/0450/Nov 25w
EA8QR 3787/0700/Dec 1w	LZ1KDP 3509/0055/Dec 2m	UK5WBG 3522/0255/Dec 1m	9K2DR 3502/0205/Dec 1m
F6QZU 3505/0500/Dec 3e	OE6MKG 3517/0535/Dec 3m	VK7AE 3687/1220/Nov 30w	9Y4NP 3783/0835/Dec 1w
G3WFF 3501/0125/Dec 2m	OK1IBP 3516/0540/Dec 3m	VP2LDB 3795/0350/Dec 1m	
GW3AX 3798/0820/Dec 1w	OK5CRC 3522/2235/Nov 27e	YU1EXY 3789/1520/Dec 2w	
HA7KIG 3505/0235/Nov 26e	ON5DO 3783/0720/Dec 1w	YU2CLM 3517/0500/Dec 3e	
HK0BKX 3510/0320/Nov 30m	ON6VN 3505/0230/Nov 26m	YU2EO 3523/0150/Dec 2m	
CE2AP 7020/0055/Dec 3m	LZ2EV 7006/0340/Dec 2m	TF3JB 7002/2305/Nov 27e	YU3EO 7024/0320/Dec 3m
CM2HYG 7090/1235/Dec 5e	PJ8JM 7011/0930/Nov 29m	UD6AZ 7020/2350/Dec 3m	ZF2AW 7013/2245/Nov 26e
EA3EF 7006/0100/Dec 3m	JA2PIG/PZ 7008/0215 26e	UK6LEZ 7004/0425/Nov 30e	ZD8TM 7014/0120/Dec 4w
EL2ET 7023/0550/Nov 23m	K8VCM/S8 7010/0215 1e	UK5XBA 7025/0400/Dec 1e	ZS5DE 7016/0335/Dec 3m
H5IND 7008/0110/Dec 6w	VE3EXT/S8 7005/0335 30e	UB5UCJ 7019/2315/Nov 27e	ZE6JL 7028/0430/Often
JA7JAA 7001/0505/Dec 4m	K5OFO/TG9 7284/0230 29e	UK0AAB 7022/0145/Dec 3m	ZS6BNS 7014/0300/Dec 3m
J28AY 7001/0245/Dec 5w	TG9ND 7289/0230/Nov 29e	VP9HO 7005/2255/Dec 4m	K9VCM/3D6 7012/0315 3m
J3AAG 7005/0250/Dec 5e	TI2AD 7174/1215/Nov 30e	YV5AGS 7024/0340/Dec 2m	

(e = eastern states m = middle states w = western reaches ep = iran, etc. all times in gmt)  
 (# = long path ??? = Slim! Last week someone called 'CQ Europe' and Slim answered from ZA5FB!!)

**SOME HOUSEKEEPING NOTES**

The first of January we plan to again use the business reply envelopes for reports. We cut them out back in 1976 to try using postage-affixed envelopes but at this point figure that the business reply envelopes may be more flexible. The distribution will start with the last December issue and disregard our previous requests not to use them.

We may also touch on the reports at this time. In gathering the material for Red Eyed Louie, a cut-off date is established, this usually two weeks...or fifteen days....prior to the publication date on the up-coming bulletin. Thus a bulletin for a December 15th date would have a cut-off on reports set at December 1st. Reports prior to the cut-off are considered to be a bit too far in the past to be relevant. Also, we try to get the furthestest and latest reports. East Coast is favored over the Western Reaches for the Pacific and East Asia. Western Reaches favored for the Middle East and Africa. The thinking being that the area in between will have a reasonable chance....but we know that it does not consistently work out that way. But then DX is a state of mind and not an exact science....or is it? Anyhow, we know that conditions in southern Rhode Island are not the same as those in Northern Rhode Island but continued refinement and duplication of reports trying to cover all areas may not be leading to the leisure life we seek. We would also like call-signs on all reports. We are getting some each week on yellow, legal size sheets that we are not able to figure where they are coming from.

Ten Meters has been in a decline as far as reports. Recent activities by the Palos Verdes Sundancers should be bringing things back. Once in awhile we run into someone who is a bit skeptical about these people. Be a Believer!! They do exist. All of them....the QRPers, the Old Timer.....and Sam is on all the time on all bands.

DX is for real! And a mighty serious business. Certainly everyone understands that in these times of shifting band conditions and perilous threats to our DX way of life, that there is neither time nor place for levity!!



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# CALENDAR

KURE	KM6FC and WD8KLN there is weekend...twenty and fifteen
WALVIS BAY	ZS3WB may have a stronger signal....listen
BOPHUTHATSWANA	VE3FXT should be there though a part of this week
MALAWI	VE3FXT signing 7Q7PV over the Christmas period...
FERNANDO de NORONHA	PY1RO reported there in January....PY7APS in April
MALI	VE3HRS/TZ6 at times after 2000Z. Skittish about pileups...
CALIFORNIA DX MEETING	The annual big gathering....April 15/16th at Visalia
ARRL DX PHONE TEST	February 4/5th.....first go-round
AMERICAS QSO PARTY	Guanatamo ARC Test.....Phone January 21st...CW the 22nd

MORE SHORT NOTES The ARRL Test seems to be relatively the same as last year.  
The double-barrelled test will soon be on us.

FG7AS goes to Box 444, Guadeloupe and you need a sae/IRC. TK7GAS also goes to Box 444, Guadeloupe. That is the way the information has come in but we suspect that Pointe au Pitre should be part of the address. Anyhow, the TK7 prefix has been heard for some weeks though what the reason is or was, we do not know.

From Ecuador there are two stations on from the U.S.Embassy in Quito. N4JI/HC1 and WA4UAZ/HC1. Both often found on 80c.w.....and 160 c.w. QSLs to WA4QMQ.

Some have asked where was Chile in the recent cw test. They must have been somewhere. The multi/single operation from N4VV/CE3 made 2300 QSOs and 1.7 million points. W7IR who was part of the team stopped at Rio on the way home. Lis says he had no problem with a PY0ZAE QSL. He visited Hal and picked his up. He also reports that Hal had at least three sacks of QSLs yet to go through. A formidable task, just keep hoping patiently and some day yours will come.

The ZF2AW operation in the contest and other times made about 9000 QSOs while there on Grand Cayman. They operated for nine days. During the contest they figure they did more than 4800+ QSOs. QSLs for ZF1CD/ZF2AW/ZF2AZ and ZF2BA should go to Ralph W Schoener, W8TPS, 1205 Lincoln Way NW, Massillon, Ohio 44646. The cards for ZF2AY go to John S Comella, N8AA/W8QXQ, 27241 Markbarry Drive, Euclid, Ohio 44132.

Back in the CQ SSB Test, N6CW/K6SDR operating as VP2VDH made 4600 QSOs and 2.9 million points....this with a vertical and inverted Vee's. Terry has plenty of cards and they are available at: Terry Baxter, 4639 Katherine Place, La Mesa, Calif. 92041. Sase or sae/IRC needed.

GM3WBZ who was /HB a week or so back is....or was...due to show from 3A2. If he has not already, it will be this week. He will be heading across to Africa before long.

We have some comment on China and prospects for any amateur operations there. One is a letter from a recent visitor to mainland China. We will run them in a future issue. We also got some sparks on the early sunset items and we will run that in.

"The Shortwave Propagation Handbook" will be out in early 1978...probably February or March. This is by Ted Cohen, N4XX and George Jacobs, W3ASK. You might want to watch for this one. Those who watch the forecasts and the propagation matters are often catching some of the exotics. Exotics meaning anything you need but do not have. Or even JAs on ten meters from the East Coast at 1350Z. Or at 0500Z on forty....

Gerry, ZE6JL, says that he is on 3795kc from 2330Z and at 7028kc from 0430Z on Fridays and Saturdays. He is looking for some technical information on some Texas Instrument type transistors. Gerry says they have house numbers on them and he needs some help in identifying them.



ARRL Newington notes that the U.S. has agreements with 48 other countries under which amateurs of one country may obtain permission to operate in the other. The latest to be signed is between the U.S. and Liberia. Such an agreement was signed with the Republic of Ghana effective November 2nd.

The present list of countries where third-party traffic is allowed follows. Often overlooked is the proviso that the agreements limit such traffic to personal messages not important enough to justify the use of public telecommunications system.

Permissible prefixes for such traffic are: LU, CP, PY, VE, VO, CE, HK, TI, CM, CO, HI, HC, YS, 9G1, TG, 8R, HH, HR, 4X4, 4Z4, JY, EL, XE, YN, HP, ZP, OA, 9Y4, CX and YV.

It might be easier to note that there no European prefixes in the list. In Asia there is 4X, 4Z and JY. In Africa there is EL and 9G1.

ST LUCIA Bruce Delimore, VP2LL, is presently traveling and his QTH is available for rental for full weeks up to a maximum of four weeks.

Bring your own rig and hook onto the existing 3 element tri-bander and 40/80 dipoles. The QTH is 300' above sealevel and about a half-mile inland from shore. Rate is \$100.00 per week. If you might be interested, contact Clem Bobb, VP2LCT, Box 390, Castries, St Lucia, BWI

TNX to W1MV, W1VV, W2AX, W2FP, W3CDL, WA3DMH, W3ODJ, W3YX, W4BAA, W4LEDD, AA4GM, K4IQN, W4JD, W4KA, W4LCL, W4LOUF, W4QDP, W4QMQ, N4QQ, W4RIS, N4RJ, N4UF, W4UF, W4UG, N4WX, N4XX, W5AK, K5AQ, W5HNS, K5HWO, K5JII, W5JW, N5KC, K5OVC, K5RO, ADXA, W5USM, W6BJS, K6DT, K6JG, K6EC, W6Sugar Plum, W6TSQ, K6UFT, K6XT, W6ZUC, W7IR, W7OBH, W7UJR, N7UT, W7YR, W8GE, K8IA, K8IP, W8JXM, N8WW, W9DH, W9EQP, N9JL, W9KB, K9RL, K9BJ, W9CM, W9KDI, K9KES, W9SF, KA6PS, KH6BZF, KP4AM, KZ5JM, KZ5FR, EA8CR, EP2VW, HI8XDF, HI8MFP, PY7APS, SM9AGD.

WEST COAST DX BULLETIN Published every week by the Marin County DX Bulletin. One of the local QRPers came up the hill last week and, it being the edge of our winter here, we sat where I was warm and talked of important things. "I guess that Spring is not far off," the QRPer said, "for I am already thinking antennas and trips to make. Why do we always think of these things when the days get short and we have already passed up the possibility of doing them this year?" Son of a Gun! We hardly knew the answer to this one ourselves for we knew of a number of jobs waiting for us to get around to. "Maybe it's the season," we ventured sagely, "the short days are almost over and the first flush of Spring will not be long in coming." And actually little of this meant anything at all for both of us knew that the way to enjoy the good old days is to enjoy them now and not ten years hence when you get to thinking of them. DX is back and what more could a DXer wish? Only an early rising to hear the trumpets of tomorrows dawn and to work the longpath. Enjoy the good seasons of the year and remember there is no sound more joyous than a child's laughter on Christmas morning. Enjoy today. And if you need the bad news, a full year of direful forebodings on the state of DX will come your way weekly for \$14.00 in the U.S.....and it comes by second-class mail. \$18.00 will rap it down the long trail by first-class mail to the US/VE/XE areas. \$20.00 will fling across the night and beyond the light of tomorrow's dawn to all the DX lands. But remember that today is the day to enjoy things.....maybe!

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