

WEST COAST DX BULLETIN



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SOUTHERN SUDAN Frank Turek, DL7FT, and Thomas Mollere, DL7AV, plan to open from STV-Southern Sudan later this week, the target being the period between the 22nd to the 24th.

The group was aiming to visit ST2SA this last weekend at Khartoum before heading to the southern autonomous provinces. If all goes well, they plan to be on the air for a week, with a good possibility of a second/week.

They will only have power from 0500Z to 2100Z and this will confine any operations to this period. They will be watching for the Suffering Sixes and Sevens on the long-path from 0500Z. This is the time that they have been advised is good to the western reaches though it may not work out that way. As they will definitely be looking for the long-haul, it might be advisable to listen for them during the periods when experience has shown that the paths are open to East Africa.

DL7FT will be on phone....DL7AV on c.w. The frequencies to watch are:

CW 25kc above the band edge for transmitting....listening 5kc up or down.

SSB 14199kc 21300kc 28600kc will be the main frequencies but there may be excursions into forty and eighty. Again, they will be listening five up or down....or as indicated. They were trying to find an on board VFO for the effort and this may alter the pattern. Listen on their transmitting frequencies and you will quickly become acquainted with their operating patterns.

Unless you hear them advising otherwise, QSLs will go to DL7FT. Sase or SAE/IRCs will be necessary. If the whole plan jells, they will not object to some small support.

As of early last week, things were lined out and looking set. In addition to the above frequencies, DL7FT may be found at times around 14250kc. His address is: Frank Turek, DL7FT, (1) Berlin 47, Petunienweg 99, West Germany. Frank in other years has operated from 3A-Monaco, M1-San Marino and from Albania in June 1971 as ZA2RPS.

BOPHUTHATSWANA All the barrage of H5-activity did not seem to materialize as expected though there were a number of H5-stations on the air. The original operation was extended and you still may be hearing an occasional H5 station on the air.

W6MI recently visiting in South Africa noted that there is a heavy advertising program going on urging visits to the new country of Bophuthatswana....to try your luck in the new gambling casinos. There was speculation that the operators may have been diverted by other interests.

Sid Coosner, ZS4MG, who was there for the grand opening, is planning to return on December 30th with another operate to operate over the New Year holiday. Sid is reported to have only made a couple hundred QSOs from H5 over the Independence Day celebration on December 5th and 6th.

SUNSPOT LOUIE Cycle 21 inches up slowly and the feeling is starting to develop that this Cycle is not going to be a barn-burner. It may peak at a lower than normal point and for an average cycle the SSN number will be up around a hundred.

The monthly mean for November was 26.6 as figured by Zurich. Cranking this into the twelve-month average will turn up a smoothed-sunspot-number of 23.7 centered on May 1977. The SSN centered on April was 22 so you can see what the rate is...

Dr. Waldmeier of the Swiss Federal Observatory in Zurich is revising his predictions for 1978, lowering them. He now predicts the SSN centered on this coming January will be 42....it is going to take until next August to see if he is right. He usually is close and the indicators are that this Cycle is not going up at the expected or desired rate.

But there is still DX to work and better days to come. And heading into the winter solstice and the dark days of winter, there on the south bank of the Potomac N4XX is checking things and as DXers move towards the New Year, they will find enough to drive them away from the rig and back to the TV sets.

Looking beyond the Solstic, Ted says it will be;

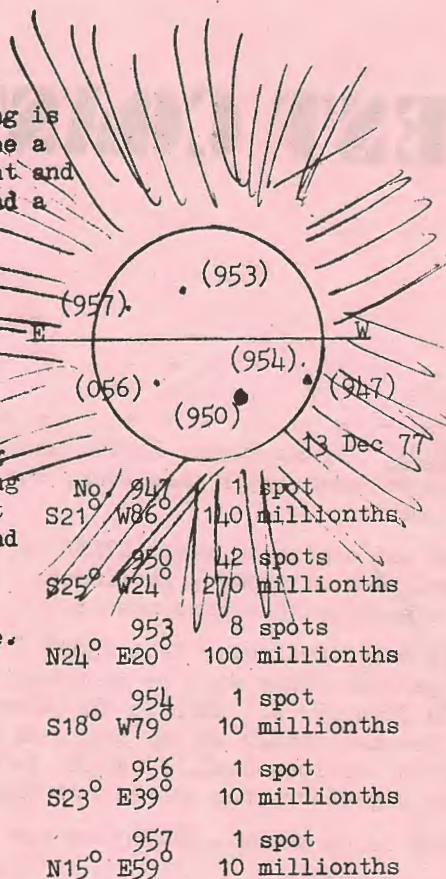
Dec 20th	High Normal	Dec 28th	High..slipping
21st	High Normal		to Below Normal
22nd	Low Normal	29th	Not good..possibly
23rd	Low Normal		disturbed
24th	High Normal	30th	Below..but Low at times
25th	High Normal	31st	Low Normal
26th	High Normal	Jan 1st	Happy New Year and a High Normal!! Enjoy
27th	High Normal		a good day with the New Year!!

There it is, all in one-syllable prose that makes for easy understanding. And even if there are some dark days ahead, the sun on the day of this observation was trying hard and even #950 was putting out a flare. It had also flared on the twelfth and has been a bit rambunctious since it first appeared. It covered but 20/millionths with three spots when it showed on December 6th...on the 9th it was covering 340/millionths with 33 spots...on the 12th it had 71 spots!

And K6EC has managed to keep the flux above the hundred mark for a whole week. Ev says that the report from WWV is..

Solar Flux Ap Index			Solar Flux Ap Index		
Dec 5th	100	15	Dec 9th	117	3
6th	109	4	10th	118	3
7th	109	2	11th	111	32
8th	110	2			

No matter how you look at it, things are improving. But what DXer will say: "Stop! I have all the DX I need."



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HAITI The recent contest operations by the North Florida DX Assn apparently is going to open up Haiti to a lot more operating by amateurs. The word last week is that a decree has been signed, opening the HH-country to amateur radio and getting permission to operate from Haiti should be relatively easy in the future.

A number of government officials in the Haitian government were contacted by Ham Robinson, W4ZR, and other members of the North Florida DX group during their visit. The operation was observed for some time by government observers to get some idea what amateur radio might be and what it's impact would be.

President Duvalier is already reported as signing the decree and the Haiti Amateur Radio Club has been authorized to monitor the amateur bands as a self-policing operation.

Among those observing the operation was the Minister of Communications who probably will be in Geneva in 1979 to cover the Haitian interests. The feeling is that the group made a good impression and helped considerably to open the door for more amateur activity in Haiti.

The Haitian Amateur Radio Club is at Box 501, Port au Prince, Haiti. If you are thinking of visiting Haiti to operate, you should write the HARC at least a month before the scheduled arrival, enclosing a passport photo and a photocopy of your license. Operating documents are expected to be ready on your arrival.

CLUB NOTES The Faroes Radio Amateur Club has 123 members. Some who seek an OY-station may be surprised at the number of amateurs there. During the CQ Test the club station OY6FRA in the c.w. action made 1900 QSOs for some 700K points. Four operators did the work....OY2H/OY2J/OY5NS and OY7K. They complain that the European QRM kept them from working all the Deserving W/Ks! Well, they did say they could not hear DX....and aren't W/Ks DX from OY?

OY1A/OY2A/OY2EL/OY2H and OY7ML are the the committee members for the coming year.

A bit closer to home the Southern New England DX Assn elected and they have as their leaders:

President Tom Bell W1XS/W1HCO
VP/Sect'y Bob Rudko, W1HSS
Treasurer Bob Dzajkowski, WA1TAI
Activities Mike Samarco W1JZ//W1JFL

The Southeastern DX Club elected and they have:

President	Wayne Mueller W4LVM
Vice-prex	Ron Stange WA4PYF
Secretary	Dave Rogers WA4JTC
Treasurer	Dave Thompson K4JRB
Activities	Stew Woodard K4SMX

And the Michigan DX Assn has Peter Hanson, W8TWA as President. If there are any Deserving Michigan DXers interested in the Michigan DX Assn, they can get information from N8JW or K8IA

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SUNSET A couple of weeks back we tossed the ball up in the air on the earliest sunset of the year. Last year we got a lot of skeptics in the net. This year we got W1VV interested.

Bill dug out his Nautical Almanac to check and came up with some figures. Most DXers know....most but not all....that the days of earliest sunset depends on the latitude. Sunrise also depends on the latitude and a couple of years back on the first Kingman effort a lot of DXers were scurrying around trying to find out at what time it would be sunrise there on the 1st of July so they could be ready. They refused to believe that at the equator there is little variation in the sunset or sunrise during the year....

Anyhow, W1VV came up with some figures:

Latitude 35°N (About San Luis Obispo) (or Cape Hatteras)	Earliest sunset in the year is at 1648 local time from November 30th to December 8th
Latitude 40°N (Just south of Cape Mendocino) (or near Philadelphia)	Earliest sunset at 1635 local time from Nov 30th to Dec 14th
Latitude 45°N (About Salem, Oregon or just) (above Eastport, Maine)	Earliest sunset at 1618 local mean time from December 9th to 11th
Latitude 66°N	Earliest sunset at 1321 local mean time from Dec 18th to 20th. On these days the sun does not rise until 1033.
Latitude 68°N	Give up....the sun does not rise at all.....

SHORTLY NOTED Bophuthatswana may not be what everyone desires, only two nations showed up for its Independence Day celebrations. These being Transkei and South Africa. In October last year only South Africa showed for Transkei.

Being a number of areas separated by South African territory, the question is being asked whether there is any area separated by 75 miles. Our maps are not big enough or to scale but some are asking about Item 3 of the countries criteria.

K2BT who has patiently been working on those VR3AH QSLs is getting a lot of KX6LA QSLs and he is not the QSL Manager! Forrest says it is taking all his time trying to stave off the flood of KX6LA cards and he cannot get to the VR3AH ones. Forrest has all the cards he needs right now for VR3AH and does not want the KX6LA ones. KX6LA QSLs to: Box 494, APO San Francisco 96555

On top of that, he is also getting cards for A51RG who was Slim for sure! Forrest does not want any A51RG cards either.

We are always get a quiver of doubt when we mention Slim. We suspect that there are those who believe that he is a figment of an overactive imagination. Well, if you will take a look, you will get a bit of information on the book written about Slim and his activities in KZ-Burma. Take that! You doubters...

3A2HB QSLs direct. He needs a large envelope as his QSL card is 4 1/2 x 6 3/8". Send a green stamp and he will supply the envelope and return the card by air.

The PVRC made about 6.5 million points in their FM/FC operation. Those who went to Martinique were N7ZZ/CTLAT, N4MM, K4GKD, N8II and FM7AV was there to help. QSLs for this one go to W1JFL.

On the H5 action, VE3FXT goes to Box 551, Cambridge, Ontario...and he was the one signing H5FXT. H5IND goes to W9MZA....but some say only for WB9QNT/Tom, or Rolly/K9VCM. How you can sort them out is another one of those things. W9MZA is Box 74, Knox, Indiana 46534.

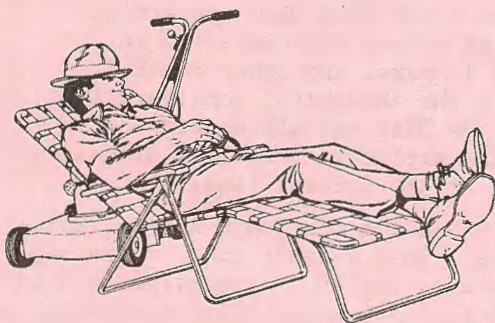
Something did not work out right this week and we ran out of space. Anhow, we will try harder next week. Or reduce more...or something. We have the latest list from K5DB for QSLs and have to get that in. You may find something in the way of excess paper....or verbiage....in your Christmas stocking.

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DXCC Etc The item last week on the withdrawal of STØ from country status definitely is part of a policy decision on the part of the ARRL and stems from a recent visit of the General Manager to an IARU conference in Monaco.

Last week General Manager Richard Baldwin noted in a Director's Letter...

There have been recommendations to the staff from DXAC concerning the addition to the DXCC Countries List of certain countries in Africa, including South Sudan and the Transkei and other South African homelands. While I appreciate the thoughtful consideration which has been given this subject by the DXAC and all concerned DXers, I am also very much aware of the explosive political situation that exists in that part of the world at the present time.

An IARU conference had recently been scheduled for South Africa, and only one country was willing to attend. On the other hand, there was direct criticism from more than one source for even attempting to hold an IARU conference in a country which has been banned from participation in ITU meetings.

I have just returned from a trip to Europe where I discussed with a number of IARU officials the possible adverse consequences of adding some of these 'countries' to the DXCC list. It appears to me that the stakes in WARC 1979 are too high to justify creating a possible political problem in an area which is already beset by strife, division and antipathy.

I have therefore put a hold on any further DXCC country additions in Africa until I can be reasonably certain that such action will not be injurious to our 1979 preparations. I hope that all those concerned may share my belief that a favorable decision in 1979 far transcends any immediate addition to the DXCC list.

You can take all of this as the official word out of Newington and it will, with little doubt, prevail as policy for the next year or so.

It does not close the door to future certification for DXCC purposes. WARC 79 is obviously considered as more important than any immediate additions to the DXCC list. But there is a good and solid possibility that in those African countries where the criteria for country status is met will be placed on the DXCC Countries List sometime in the future....but maybe not for about three years.

What should you do? Work 'em now, worry later. There definitely would be consideration of what you work now sometime in the future when some of the pressures are off. By then you might have enough to get new country credits in bunches.

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REPORTS FROM RED EYED LOUIE

I will show you friendly places now,
DX places, known only to us.....

TEN METERS NEEDS HELP!

J3AA	28022/1450/Dec	4e	PT7BC	28545/1445/Dec	4e	ZB6JL	28565/1840/Dec	9w	3D6BE	28553/1555/Dec	4m
PJ2VD	28017/1930/Dec	10m	0A1ER	28552/1435/Dec	4e	ZF2AG	28511/1550/Dec	10m	6Y5HJ	28555/1435/Dec	4e
TI2PZ	28023/1925/Dec	11m	TR8MG	28650/1515/Dec	7e	ZS6AHN	28532/1430/Dec	4e			
			ZD7SD	28547/1420/Dec	4e	3D6BP	28592/1920/Dec	8e			

AFRICA CW

C5AT	14027/0000/Dec	5m	KL2FT	14033/2230/Dec	7e	TU2GU	14018/1700/Dec	6e	3C1X	14024/2035/Dec	10w
CN2AQ	14039/1755/Dec	3m	FB8XQ	14050/1515/Dec	6w	ZD7BW	14025/1905/Dec	11w	5T5PG	14019/2245/Dec	9w
CN8CW	21002/1715/Dec	10w	H5IND	21050/1455/Dec	6e	ZS10U	21025/1505/Dec	8m	5T5PG	21009/1945/Dec	11w
EA8BF	14031/0030/Dec	10e	H5IND	14049/2215/Dec	8m	ZS1XR	14040/2200/Dec	4e	6W8EX	14023/2030/Dec	11e
EA8BN	21055/1625/Dec	6m	ZSLMG/H5	14022/2240	5m	ZS6BPJ	14061/2300/Dec	11m			
KL2EV	14027/2040/Dec	6e	TU2GA	14029/2110/Dec	8m	TU2CK	14052/2130/Dec	10e			

AFRICA SSB

A2CSB	14210/1840/Dec	7m	H5AWV	14214/1410/Dec	11m#	ZD8RG	21272/2115/Dec	9e	WA6QFO/3D6	14218/0220	9m
A2CBW	14228/2000/Dec	5e	ST2SA	14204/1440/Dec	11m	ZD8RW	21300/2300/Dec	11w	3B8DS	21300/1810/Dec	5m
C5AAB	14207/0125/Dec	10m	WB7TKB/SU	14236/1430	5m#	ZD9GG	21319/1840/Dec	4e	5T5KG	21308/1816/Dec	5m
C5ABK	14216/2145/Dec	7m	KL1MCP/SU	14236/1415	7m#	ZE1ED	21281/1850/Dec	5e	5V4AH	14220/0800/Dec	7ka
C5AT	14210/2005/Dec	6m	KL1SQT/SU	14240/1500	8m	ZE6JL	21355/1930/Dec	7e	5L2WAC	14229/2340/Dec	4m
C5AR	14202/1850/Dec	8e	TU2FH	21355/1905/Dec	9e	ZS3KC	14213/1940/Dec	9e	9G1HZ	14208/2230/Dec	8e
D4CBS	14205/2300/Dec	12w	TU2FW	14252/2035/Dec	6e	ZS3MT	14205/1330/Dec	7e#	9G1MB	14207/0020/Dec	5e
EL2E	14259/2035/Dec	6e	VE3HRS/TZ6	14186/2120	11e	ZSLPB	21284/1800/Dec	6w	9G1JG	14220/1935/Dec	5e
EL2I	21355/1805/Dec	7w	TR8MG	21302/1530/Dec	9w	ZS5YB	14215/0345/Dec	8e	9J2JN	14226/0430/Dec	8m
FB8XR	14108/1415/Dec	5ka	TR8MF	14197/2330/Dec	5m	ZS6HJI	14195/1950/Dec	5e	9J2WR	21355/1845/Dec	9w
FB8ZL	14205/2000/Dec	3e	WD9FCC/VQ9	14237/1255	8e	ZS6ANE	21301/1735/Dec	1w	9L1SE	14214/2350/Dec	7e
FR7ZS	14204/0110/Dec	10m	WA6OXZ/VQ9	14212/1140	10m#	ZS6HAM	14201/2130/Dec	7w	9L1SL	21374/1910/Dec	9e
FR7BG	14202/1900/Dec	4m	XT2AE	14205/1855/Dec	8e	3C1X	14207/1925/Dec	8e			
H5FXT	21303/1745/Dec	8e	ZD7PV	21355/1930/Dec	often	3C1X	21315/1500/Dec	11m			
H5FXT	14195/0055/Dec	9e	ZD7SD	14224/2105/Dec	9e	3D6BL	14204/2005/Dec	6e			
H5IND	14227/0615/Dec	7m	ZD8BZ	21320/1445/Dec	2m	3D6BP	21355/2000/Dec	10m			

ASIA CW

ALXGE	14038/1330/Dec	7e	JY9RA	14031/1410/Dec	8m	UL7EAJ	14038/1720/Dec	6m	VU2RM	14030/0155/Dec	11w#
EP2LA	14040/1305/Dec	9m#	UA0BAD	14038/2150/Dec	10e	VU2BK	14057/1420/Dec	8m	VU2UGI	14026/0150/Dec	11w#
HM2JN	14036/0145/Dec	10m	UA0CGW	14051/0005/Dec	8m	VU2RAK	14010/1255/Dec	5e#	VU2CP	14040/1255/Dec	12e#
HM0K	14014/0150/Dec	8m	UA0PJ	14027/0055/Dec	10m	VU2KMK	14003/1300/Dec	5e#	4Z1MB	14021/1615/Dec	12m
JA7AS	14038/2310/Dec	10m	UA9XSQ	14031/0040/Dec	10m	VU2BX	14011/1340/Dec	7e#	4Z4UW	14052/1350/Dec	10m
JA8AA	14036/0145/Dec	10m	UK8KAZ	14029/1330/Dec	7e#	VU2JN	14030/1310/Dec	10e			
JR1RNC	14038/0000/Dec	11e	UK9AAN	14028/2020/Dec	4m	VU2AWL	14030/0135/Dec	9w			

ASIA SSB

A6XB	14213/1510/Dec	10m#	CR9AJ	14225/0025/Dec	8e	OD5FB	14202/1410/Dec	often	YK1AA	14204/1500/Dec	11w#
A9XGC	14206/1315/Dec	1ve	HZ1AB	14209/1515/Dec	11w#	OD5BC	14270/1415/Dec	7m	OE6DK/YK	14245/1445	7w#
A9XBJ	14205/1410/Dec	4m	HS1ALC	14202/1200/Dec	8e#	OD5EP	14237/1525/Dec	11w#	ZC4MT	14207/1315/Dec	7e#
AP2AU	14211/1325/Dec	5e#	JT1AN	14225/0030/Dec	8e	UK8BAJ	14233/1325/Dec	6m#	4XL1MX	21368/1415/Dec	6e
AP2MQ	14233/1200/Dec	6e	JY3ZH	14216/1400/Dec	10m#	UF6DZ	14233/1320/Dec	8e#	4XL4CW	14220/1345/Dec	5m#
AP5HQ	14218/1300/Dec	often	JYLMB	14207/1315/Dec	7e#	VS6AK	14205/1210/Dec	5e	4XL4OC	14227/1500/Dec	10w#
EP2GT	14216/1330/Dec	5e	JY5US	14216/1500/Dec	10w	VU2JNA	14201/1345/Dec	12e#	4Z1MB	21320/1415/Dec	6e
EP2MS	14209/0415/Dec	5kh	JY5HH	14201/1335/Dec	6m	VU2BX	14215/1300/Dec	7e#	9K2BE	14216/1400/Dec	10m
EP2RL	14209/1355/Dec	11e#	JY9DI	14205/1445/Dec	8m#	VU2VX	14213/1315/Dec	7e	9K2QX	14203/1350/Dec	8m
HL9TJ	14225/2310/Dec	6m	JY9OD	14206/1430/Dec	7e#	VU2XX	14201/1325/Dec	5e#			
HZ1BS	14216/1400/Dec	6m#	JY9BR	14221/1325/Dec	8e#	VU2HI	14207/1305/Dec	6e#			

EUROPE CW

CT2BO	14046/1250/Dec	8e#	GW4CZK	21040/1550/Dec	8m	OH6KT	14035/2240/Dec	4m	UK2GAZ	14048/1505/Dec	7w
EA2GF	14011/1810/Dec	11m	HB9WZ	14013/1415/Dec	8m#	PA0RA	21030/1400/Dec	6m	UT5PK	14032/1400/Dec	9m
EA6DF	14052/1640/Dec	4m	IS0PPH	21010/1635/Dec	10w	SM4AWC	14024/2040/Dec	11m	4U1ITU	21034/1700/Dec	10w
F8FE	21008/1430/Dec	7w	I3SUS	21052/1515/Dec	8m	TF3KM	14013/1620/Dec	11m	9H1FG	21027/1520/Dec	8m
G3OCA	21037/1525/Dec	8m	IT9QDS	14002/1525/Dec	10m	TF3CW	14007/1250/Dec	8e#	9H1ED	14017/1610/Dec	11w
GD4AM	21027/1545/Dec	6w	JW5IJ	14002/1500/Dec	10w	UK1AOP	14029/0115/Dec	10m	9H1CH	14041/1725/Dec	3m
GJ3EML	14078/1620/Dec	11e	JX9UT	14044/1900/Dec	8m	UA1QAV	14027/0045/Dec	10m			
GJ2LU	14026/1515/Dec	9w	LA4ZC	14020/2230/Dec	11w	UK2FAH	21018/1430/Dec	10m			
GI3YMT	21007/1705/Dec	10w	LZ2KRE	14013/1415/Dec	8m#	UA2TBQ	14029/0120/Dec	10,			

(e = eastern states m = middle states w = western reaches ka = okinawa kh = hawaii kp = puerto rico, etc)
(all times in gmt # = long path ??? = Slim....still in Albania last week....Yurislim!!)

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MORE RED EYED LOUIE The Watcher of the Lonely Night....

EUROPE SSB

DF2DQ	21259/1530/Dec	8w	GD2FXN	21310/1525/Dec	8m	I1VGC	14209/1520/Dec	10w#	OH8OS	14192/1520/Dec	10w#
CT1SX	21290/1545/Dec	8w	GJ2LU	14209/1200/Dec	7e	IS6LBU	14233/1200/Dec	8e	OH8NA	14242/1410/Dec	8m#
EA3ADW	14210/1515/Dec	4m	GU2HML	21345/1530/Dec	8m	IT9KTW	14202/1535/Dec	10w#	UK5MAF	14209/1245/Dec	9e
EA6BG	14215/1720/Dec	3m	HB9AYX	14233/1525/Dec	11w#	IT9GCQ	14233/1510/Dec	10w#	YU3SO	14218/1525/Dec	10w#
EI2CV	21270/1435/Dec	6w	I2NJ	21258/1430/Dec	6w	LJ2M	14225/1400/Dec	6w	3A2HB	14239/1315/Dec	6e#
G4EMN	21257/1525/Dec	7w	I0RBJ	14206/1410/Dec	8m#	LZ1JW	14227/1415/Dec	7m	9H1CH	21258/1505/Dec	7w

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K0AX/DU2	14021/0145	8e	FP8JP	14033/1850/Dec	6e	KG6JIP	14036/1525/Dec	9m	N4GC/C6A	21025/1925	5m
WA2HYF/CP1	14025/2215	7e	FY7AS	14027/0025/Dec	6e	KL7IYH	14035/0140/Dec	10m	VK3RJ	21030/2045/Dec	8m
FG7AS	21031/1810/Dec	6m	WALUAZ/HC1	14007/1410	7w	KL7RW	14007/0035/Dec	5e	W2HWS/VP2A	14007/1940	7w
FM7BB	14026/0130/Dec	12e	HK0BKX	14050/2350/Dec	11w	KP4BC	21007/1845/Dec	10m	ZL1AH	14027/1930/Dec	6m
FM0COO	14013/1920/Dec	8w	HI8MOG	14017/2130/Dec	11e	KZ5EM	14031/2220/Dec	4m	ZP5AO	14025/0050/Dec	9w
FP8IP	14012/1920/Dec	8w	J3AAG	14012/0150/Dec	5e	LU9CV	21009/1900/Dec	10m	ZF2AG	21027/2035/Dec	8m
FP8AP	14037/1855/Dec	9e	KG4HP	14035/0055/Dec	9m	PY6AIQ	21028/1825/Dec	10m	9Y4VU	14050/2000/Dec	8m

ELSEWHERE'S SSB

CO2FA	21265/1645/Dec	9m	HP1PK	14201/1445/Dec	10w	OALAZW	14195/0130/Dec	6m	VP9IF	21321/1745/Dec	1w
DU7DG	14225/2310/Dec	6m	J3AAG	21286/1840/Dec	5e	TK7GAS	14213/0220/Dec	1m	VR4DH	14289/0920/Dec	5ka
K0ADY/DU2	14220/1130	10m	KG6RT	14223/2100/Dec	often	VK9NI	14201/0710/Dec	2km	VS5DX	14195/0030/Dec	1w
FY7AN	21355/1930/Dec	8w	KM6FC	14209/0100/Dec	5m	VK2BB	14200/2140/Dec	6e	XE1ET	21295/2145/Dec	6e
FY7YE	14202/2335/Dec	9m	KP4DKC	21411/1950/Dec	5e	VP2SQ	14225/2300/Dec	6m	YB0ABI	14202/1325/Dec	12e#
HI8XDJ	21355/1930/Dec	often	KV4AA	14206/2135/Dec	4e	VP2SZ	21355/1920/Dec	7e	YB0ADI	14224/2350/Dec	13w
HI8BML	21354/1830/Dec	5m	P29JS	14196/2025/Dec	5e	VPVEF	14239/0000/Dec	8e	5W1AU	14232/0300/Dec	7e
HK3AYG	14231/1450/Dec	11m	PJ2CR	14203/2300/Dec	4m	VP8OW	14258/0210/Dec	8e	8P6FU	21355/1805/Dec	12w
HK0QA	21355/1920/Dec	12w	PZ1CA	14210/0455/Dec	7e	VP8PM	14291/1045/Dec	7ka			

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A35DG	7031/0620/Dec	1m	HG8U	7008/0325/Dec	11w	SV0WTT	7005/0405/Dec	9e	ZA3AC	7006/0440/Dec	7e???
CO2DW	7021/0530/Dec	1m	HK3CTJ	7002/0300/Dec	9e	UY5YK	7005/0330/Dec	7e	ZD7BW	7008/0310/Dec	10w
CT10I	7016/0425/Dec	7e	HK7UL	7011/0220/Dec	8e	UB5AU	7031/0510/Dec	1m	ZD7AF	7005/0330/Dec	7e
CN8CC	7004/0430/Dec	5e	I2XES	7019/2315/Dec	8e	UL7CAD	7004/0335/Dec	10w	ZE2JS	7016/0450/Dec	5e
EA8HJ	7018/0300/Dec	8e	J3AAG	7008/0100/Dec	7e	UL7JG	7003/0245/Dec	11m	ZF2AG	7023/0540/Dec	7m
EA7QT	7005/0245/Dec	11m	L22EV	7021/0300/Dec	8e	VK3IM	7001/1315/Dec	6e	ZS6DL	7005/0350/Dec	7e
EL2ET	7003/0500/Dec	6e	OE5GD	7004/0240/Dec	8e	VP2VU	7015/1220/Dec	9m	ZS5A	7028/0245/Dec	8w
F6ARC	7001/0235/Dec	11m	OK3KFF	7019/0310/Dec	12e	VP2SZ	7004/0140/Dec	10e	VU2GW	7004/0040/Dec	10w
H5FXT	7001/0250/Dec	12e	OZ5EL	7009/0245/Dec	11w	YO3AAQ	7016/0430/Dec	7e	K9VCM/3D6	7011/0330	4m
HA8KOB	7011/0300/Dec	11w	P40AAC	7015/0800/Dec	3m	YO8KAE	7010/0155/Dec	7e	8R7YK	7011/0615/Dec	11m
HC2AO	7026/0230/Dec	11m	PZ0DX	7009/0250/Dec	6w	YS10	7003/0255/Dec	7e	9K2DR	7017/0335/Dec	10e

AND A FEW ASSORTED SHORT NOTES VP8PM can be QSLed to Box 197, Port Stanley in the Falklands. This is Willy Wilson, G3NUF, who was VQ1GDQ/VQ4IT/VQ8AQ along the way.

OB40 was a special event station during the 10th Pacific International Fair at Lima. The QSO number is needed for a card.....goes to Radio Club Peruano, Apartado 538, Lima Peru. 3A0GY goes to WB2EZG.

Newington is apparently not ready to accept cards for 9U5CA. Don't throw them away but they are asking about authorization to operate.

The Russian QRM was back...or is back. Hardly missed at all, it was there between 14090kc and 14100kc around 1400Z on the 8th. YK1AA has been reported recently, he was not for a long time. OE6DK is being found around 14245kc from 1530Z. This one QSLs to the OE bureau.

TK7GAS and FG7AS are the same person/station, Jean Sahi, goes to Box 444, Pointe-A-Pitre, Guadeloupe; this mentioned before... And we think that the address may need something more....like a town. The new Callbooks are out....slightly smaller in format this time... K4SQT/SU goes to: Mel Broe, E-Systems, Sinai Field Mission, Box 10, FPO New York 09527. You can also send it to his home QTH. Actually, all those SU stations with the Sinai Field Mission go to this Box 10. Not the 4U though. That's a different organization. N4VV/CE3 which was on during the CQ Test goes to WA3NGS.

ZS6HAM was a Hamfest Station. If, during December, you work ZS6HAM and six other 'ZS's, you can get a free award. Send a list of confirmed contacts to Box 3037, Capetown 8000, Republic of South Africa. UG6GAG was on twenty recently. Calling 'CQ'. Would you answer that one?

ZS2MI on Marion Island says he will be at 14210kc from 0520Z to 0600Z every weekend starting this last one to receive calls from his friends and other interesting people.

KM6FC is working One-Sixty. Look for him at 1911kc and 1995kc. KP4 calls are being issued to Novices in Puerto Rico. A General Class got WP4DSZ which he had held some years ago. PP7JQ/0 has been heard from Fernando de Noronha. Bastos, he speaks little English. Very good, however, in Portuguese. QSLs to PP7IE.

20 December 1977

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MALAWI
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VE3FXT signing 7Q7PV over the Christmas weekend
ZSLMG back for New Years.....from December 30th
PY1RO reported as there in January....PY7APS in April
VE3HRS/TZ6 should be there for another week or so
KH6JFI going for first leg of ARRL Phone Test..
Eights there for a week over the ARRL Phone Test....
Maybe 9N1NFO....there over the holidays
DL7FT & Friends from about December 22nd for two weeks
Jan 27/29th
Jan 14/15th
Sponsored by Guantanamo Radio Club..Jan 21/22nd
1st go-round....February 4/5th
Feb 18/19th

KURE By this time you know whether the plans of KM6FC/WB0ARA and WD8DLN jelled over this last weekend. As of Thursday they were holding their breath as the hoped-for transportation was a bit doubtful after an accident to one of the helicopters there on Midway.

If they did not make it over the weekend, they will aim for a mid-January effort. KM6FC/KH6 was to operate 55kc up for c.w. on 40/20/15meters and at 14204kc/21355kd and 28580kc for SSB. Also, the plan was to check the Pacific DX Net. QSLs will go to K5RU/Delta DX Assn, Box 73, Metairie, Louisiana 70004. SASE or SAE/IRC needed. KH6JFI is aiming for the ARRL SSB Test, figuring to open about February and run for a week or so after the Test.



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ARRL Membership continues to climb, the count as of the end of November totalled 161,630 members and such.
This breaks down to:

Full Members	130 791
Associate Members	26 754
Subscriptions	4 085

The gain over the previous month was 600...and Newington feels that the growth is leveling off.

Eight of the IARU societies meeting in Monaco earlier this month were reported by the General Manager as voting to continue support of the world-wide position that had been adopted in preparation for WARC 79 and to continue to work closely through 1979.

NEPAL WB4NFO departed last week for Nepal. This is Pat Rana and he hopes to operate from Father Moran's station. He may show with another 9N1 call....

WB4NFO was one of Father Moran's first pupils there in Katmandu many years ago. Today he has a son who is attend the St. Xavier School that Father Moran operates.

He may show anytime now...he is a native of Nepal and hoped to check into the W7PHO activity around 0000Z a couple of times a week. He was also planning to ask for 9N1NFO as a call. QSLs on return to Virginia

TNX to K1AA, W1AM, W1HSS, W1MV, W1NG, W1VV, K2BT, WB2RLK/VE1. W2FP, N3ED, W3UO, AA4AA, WB4EDD, W4GTS, W4KA, W4LCL, W4QDP, N4QQ, WB4RIS, W4UF, N4WX, N4XX, K5AO, W5DD, W5FL, K5HWO, W5IMJ, K5JII, W5JW, N5KC, W5OSJ, K5OVC, K5RO, WB5VZA, W5YZ, WA6BJS, WB6BPZ, WA6DNM, W6IA, K6JG, W6KPC, W6MI, W6PT, W6UY, WA6TLA, W6TSQ, K6UFT, WB6ZUC, N7MW, WA7OBH, N7UT, K8IA, K8IP, W8JXM, K8NA, W8VHY, WA9FFZ, W9GW, K9UIY, WA9KDI, K9KES, K9LST, W9MEK, N9RF, KA6PS, KH6BZF, KM6FC, KP4AM, DL7FT, XE1XR, W6SP, W6BH.

WEST COAST DX BULLETIN Published every week by the Marin County DX Group. We got it from an indignant QRP'er last week. "What this noise about me being a 'Young Marconi'", he demanded. "Don't you realize that I am fifty-three years old?". Son of a Gun! what does one do when the jocular word was heard as said and not as meant. "Oh! it was not your age we were thinking of", we said hastily, "it was your technical skills and accomplishments." And everything was right again. And we thought of other days when someone we knew would often say what he had once heard: "...wouldn't it be great to be sixty again?" If Marconi was living today he would be about 102 and it is a sure thing that anyone who may be remembering him must be called 'young', relatively speaking. For like DX and other things, age is a relative thing and a state of mind. And a full year of relative DX, sometimes a bit ancient and sometimes not, will come your way for a full year in the U.S. for \$14.00. \$18.00 flings the word out by first-class mail to the U.S./VE/XE areas while \$20.00 takes it far beyond the horizon to those lands where one never grows old...only wiser. All the way to all the DX lands. And while you and I are still in the prime of life, let us go together and work that DX! Come to think of it, did you ever talk with a DX'er who was not prime?

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