

WEST COAST DX BULLETIN



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LACCADIVES There was no late word of any possible changes on the Bangalore Radio Club plans for the VU4ARC-Laccadives operation and if all went as planned, they should have shown over last weekend.

The frequencies as noted in last week bulletin were confirmed by the Bangalore Club in their news letter except for the questionable 80mtr c.w one, they indicating the intention to use 3505kHz.

QSLs were to go to P.O. Box 5053 Bangalore 560001 DX. They ask for three IRCs for an airmail return. VU2JA, Joe Faithful, will be handling the QSL chores for the Bangalore Radio Club.

The indications were that the group intended to have a variety of antennas, these including German quads and dipoles and monobander beams.

Apparently there is another valid permit for a Laccadives operation but the other possible group is waiting developments before firming up any plans for an operation from the Indian island group. The Bangalore Radio Club were aiming to operate up to fifteen days though this may be subject to come change. They were definitely aiming to clean up the demand for the Laccadives, the last operation from the islands being by VU2KV, VU2RM and VU2DI back in 1971.

SPRATLY The tentative departure date for the Spratly effort has been nailed down, the group aiming to sail from Brunei on March 27th. This should put the planned operation's starting date about March 29th or 30th.

VK2BJL and ZL1ADI are again part of the crew, they having made the recent Mellish Reef trip together. The callsign to be used will be 1S1B and they plan to operate until they have passed the 30K QSO mark. Other members of the Spratly effort are being recruited and the full roster should be available before long.

The vessel will be the same one that went to Mellish Reef, the 'Banyanda' and some of the gear to be used will be shipped to Brunei later this month. There will be more information coming on this trip and at this point it is solid for late March. Early word on the plans will be released so that the Deserving can make their plans.

WEST AFRICA Early March will find a group of contest-type operators in West Africa to have a two week run on putting one and possibly a couple more countries on the air.

The group will include Ray Benny, N6VR who back in 1967 was signing ZD3G from Gambia. Also in the California group will be Joseph Hynarowski, WA6VNR who especially likes One-Sixty. Two PY-contesters are also expected to join the group which figures to open about March 8th.

At this time the operations from C5-The Gambia are rather definite. The group also trying to line up operations from Mauritania-5T5, Mali-TZ and Cape Verde Islands, these operations being dependent on licenses, operating permission or the availability of a local station. There will be more information coming on this one.

PALMYRA This may come this summer when one of the locals here heads out into the Pacific on a four month cruise on his yacht. Joseph Sutter of Sausalito plans to depart the Bay in mid-June for a four month sail on his yacht 'WILDFIRE' with stops at Hilo, Palmyra and Christmas Island. Joe is definitely planning the Palmyra stop and says that if the weather conditions are right, he plans to move over to Kingman for an operation.

An experienced deep-water sailor, Joseph Sutter operates a sail loft at Sausalito. He does advise that he plans to devote his operating time to the novice portion of the bands. Joe recently acquired his amateur license, signing a WD6 call.

Now wait!! It may not be what you are already thinking. Joe has a background in radio from service in the U.S. Navy, had a fairly good code speed already and there is a good possibility of upgrading before the departure this summer. Certainly with all the local experts here in Marin ready to tell everyone at anytime what to do, there will be some extensive briefings on the needs of the Deserving DXers and what to expect. There will be more coming on this planning.

TROMELIN FR7ZL last week advised that he would be on Tromelin in a couple of weeks, figuring to open there about February 4th or 5th for a two-month tour at the weather station. In a QSO with K1UO, Guy said that he should be active from Tromelin until the first week in April. The advice was to watch around 14050kHz for his Tromelin signal.

Guy also indicated that he probably will be on Europa (Juan de Nova) in early June or July. It might also be noted in Red Eye's reports that FR7ZN was reported from Juan de Nova on twenty SSB early in January. There are reports that there is current activity from the island group.

SUNSPOT LOUIE W6RQ was excitedly querying the locals on the two meter repeater last week, Al wanting to know if anyone was out in the sunshine because he was in a fog. The problem being that Al had been watching the very interesting developments on the east limb of the sun but his observations were being hampered by a storm front moving in, this one stretching all the way from California to Hawaii. Between the layers of clouds, the observations were managed and as has been noted: "Very Interesting". Though the official word out of Boulder showed something like eighteen active areas with spots and two without spots, any true-blue DXer knew that things were good. Not only good but going to get better. If you want to figure the sunspot count on the day of KH6BZF's data, you are going to come up with a count of something like 306....maybe even more. And any time you get a count like that, you can remember that it was the Palos Verdes Sundancers who were doing the Grand Gavotte to bring back sunspots when everyone else was saying we were in another Maunder Minimum. Or something like that.

As some has noted, maybe we'd better give more attention to the disco and less to the statistics. Or was it more time at the disco and less at the shack? But that can't be right. While we figure out the mental imbroglia we have fallen into, lets hear from N4XX and how suburban life is on the south bank of the Potomac during these cold and snowy days of the new year. Ted says it is not yet time to be seeking the crocus blooming in the snow but it is time for DXers to live. And Cycle 21 is taking you where many DXers felt they would never go again. And every DXer's shack is a daily disco as the Deserving caper about dodging the onslaught of new DX. And Ted says that you can look for....

Jan 16th	Low Normal	Jan 23rd	High/Low Normal
17th	High Normal	24th	High Normal
18th	High Normal	25th	High/Low Normal
19th	High Normal	26th	High/Low Normal
20th	Above/High Normal		
21st	Low Normal		
22nd	High Normal		

Those capering about waiting for the delivery on the new propagation book, THE SHORTWAVE PROPAGATION HAND BOOK by George Jacobs, W3ASK, and Ted Cohen, N4XX, can expect it to be available before the end of the month. Cowan has promised it by then.. Positively!

And with W6RQ hailing the interesting developments on the east limb, K6EC was counting the flux. The provisional figures for the 8/9/10 of January were again over the 200 mark, and you will note that EV pried them up over the 200 mark for the first five days of the year. With everyone working on a bull market in flux, what can you expect but the Great Days of DXing....they are here!! And a careful listening to the sounds out of WWV says that your charts should say:

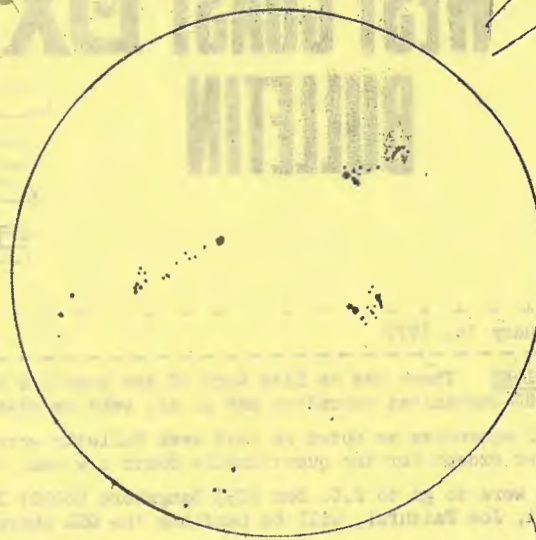
Solar Flux Ap Index			Solar Flux Ap Index		
Jan 1st	203	8	Jan 5th	200	16
2nd	208	9	6th	196	13
3rd	220	5	7th	194	4
4th	205	16			

Who watches these figures? Those who may wonder should note that this week brought a query from ZE-land on them.

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No. 1482	6 spots 240 millionths
1483	1 spot 80 millionths
1484	11 spots 280 millionths
1487	15 spots 150 millionths
1488	1 spot 60 millionths
1489	4 spots 130 millionths
1491	2 spots 30 millionths
1492	11 spots 200 millionths
1493	12 spots 100 millionths
1494	15 spots 90 millionths
1495	7 spots 40 millionths
1496	12 spots 260 millionths
1498	5 spots 50 millionths
1499	1 spot 20 millionths
1500	3 spots 20 millionths
1501	2 spots 20 millionths
1502	4 spots 40 millionths
1503	2 spots 40 millionths

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BOUVET There was a strong c.w. signal last Friday, this one signing 3Y1VC and located initially just below 14030kHz. Operating split, the signal was booming into the Western Reaches.

With all the DX Entrepreneurs showing with a variety of signals on cw and all full of assurances they are the true-blue frozen type Bouveteans, there is and has been some doubts. But this one was using a straight key, had a bit of the arctic flutter on the signal and was working the W6s. As most everyone knows, this has to be good signs.

It is possible that the ICOM gear is on line and they have improved the set-up a bit. The station was working split-frequency, showing about 0030Z and was around for about an hour.

IRAQ YI1BGD in a QSO with JA1BK advised that they do have the FT-101E on line and they do have approval to use the FTDX-500 shipped by the Northern California DX Foundation. JA1BK was particularly interested in the status of the FT-101E, Kan having shipped that item himself some months back.

The improved signal has been noted in Japan and is definitely readable. It is reported that the crew at the Baghdad Radio Club now includes a YL operator, this being Auroba.

CHAGOS VQ9JJ has been heard, this one operating the MARS station on Diego Garcia and he says he will be there for a year.

The station has been showing on twenty SSB, showing a couple of times between 14225-250kHz and after 1300Z. He said to QSL to W5RU, the Delta DX Assn at Box 73, Metairie, Louisiana 70004. Sase or Sae/IRC needed.

SAO THOME DL4CBS indicates that he will be in S9-Sao Thome about March 1st. This trip has been planned for almost a year and things have kept Angelo from showing at this spot. Now he says that the time is near.

TANZANIA 5H3BP has been showing on both fifteen and twenty SSB, usually after 1330Z and he advises that a SM5 will be arriving there within a week or so and will be on the air as 5H3GK. This will be a mostly c.w. operator.

NLUM/C6A Send your QSLs to: Bob Patten, NL4BP, 2311 West Nssau Drive, Miramar, Florida 33023. Sase or Sae/IRC needed.

MALDIVES HB9TL, Jakob C Laib, will be in the Maldives for a weekend operation in March. Not quite definite as to the schedule, you can look for the activity on one of the first three weekends in March. This figures out to March 2/4th; March 10/11th or March 17/18th. The exact weekend may be available for March rolls around.

Crystal-controlled, you can look for the activity at:

CW: 14020/21020/28020kHz

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28595 or 28520kHz

QSLs will go to home QTH..... Jakob C Laib, HB9TL, Einfangstrasse 39,
CH-8580 Amriswil, TG Switzerland. Sase or Sae/IRC needed.

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THE FRESNO INTERNATIONAL DX MEETING The meeting will be on the April 7/8th weekend and at the Hilton Hotel in Fresno, that much is definite.

Room rates at the Hilton have slid a bit, in the upward direction. It will be, it is reported, \$27 for singles and \$35 for doubles.

As far as pre-registration, this figure has not been nailed down as yet. Like most everything else, the dinner and breakfast will cost more. On the everlasting cocktail party on Saturday evening, there was a court decision last year in California which held the host responsible for damages if a guest got smashed and then went out and did more smashing to himself. This liability is expected to be ended by the legislature but it has been a complicating factor in making the arrangements.

Pre-registration will be over \$20 and under \$25.. and the final figure will not be known for some weeks yet. WA6AHF and XYL Ferne will again handle the pre-registrations for the Northern California DX Club which is the host club this year.

There will be more advice when things get a bit solid. The dates and location are solid. Most everything else is negotiable....within some narrow limits.

CLUB NOTES We have some more lists of the valiants who lead their DX groups through the Valley of DX and towards the always elusive DXCC. These are:

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NEEDED COUNTRY LIST If all goes right, next week you'll get the full call-area 'needed list', this will run to about three pages in the bulletin. And, if all goes well, you'll get the K5DB latest QSL list. All of this in one big bundle which will go out via second-class mail in the states. The figuring is that it will run to about sixteen pages in the bulletin and this would take a lot of 1st class postage. One of the reasons why we are anxious to dump the 1st class label. It is confining.

There will also be 'needed lists' for East Asia, Europe, South America and Canada. Some are most interesting. Would you figure XF4/KP6KR/CE4X/Aves/Glorioso being in the Top Ten? They are on some lists. These will come in the future.

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BARUCH 4Z4TT will open from FW8 next Wednesday, January 24th, and he plans to be on Wallis Island for at least fourteen days.

This will be SSB only and he says to look for him at 3795/7085/14180/21300 and 28600kHz. He will have a triband beam and dipoles for antennas and a TS820 plus an ATLAS for gear. He will be looking for strong signals and a steady business in QSOs.

Baruch has hoped to operate from the Phoenix Group but plans did not work out for that one. He has previously operated from VR1AT, from Tuvalu as VR8N and from Tonga as A35TT. QSLs go to Box 22572, Tel-Aviv, Israel. Because of the problems in the past with IRCs, he asks that \$1.00 be enclosed to cover the postage costs.

There may be other stops in the Pacific if things work out. Returning he plans to make stops in Los Angeles, San Francisco and New York.

St MARTIN K1CO. Chuck O'Rourke, will be in St Maarten across the ARRL Phone Test, he planning to open about February 28th and running to March 12th.

Visitor licenses being somewhat a thing of the past, he plans to sign K1CO/PJ7. QSLs will go to W8AEB. In the ARRL Test it will be a full-throttle, big-bore, flank speed multi-multi operation with seven operators. This may sound big but he says it is only a trial run for the CQ WW Phone Test later in the year. You may even hear of a Caribbean aurora when they get going. Absolutely!!

SHORTLY NOTED Albania? When will you hear a true-blue ZA again? Some have thought maybe never but things may be changing. The first visit by an Italian official delegation to Albania was concluded recently, this being the first since WW II. That's over thirty years! The Chinese mainland government ended their economic and other aid some time back and there has been a switch on the Albanian axis towards the west. Something may come...it usually does if you wait long enough.

Afghanistan, which has not been heard these many years, is rising in the needed lists. OZ1CRH, Masood Kahn, will in Pakistan and then into Afghanistan later this month and he will be making inquiries on the possibility of operating. This may be a tough one but there are always someone in there pitching for the Deserving.

KV4AA finished up 1978 with 48,100 QSOs. You can figure this out yourself and it will come to about 132 QSOs per day. Shows what a little effort can do for you in using up log books.

Anyone with a good address for Ron Maples, W2INB, the QSL route for 5N2RG. Cards sent to the Willow Pond address in Penfield, New York are being bounced back. George Collins who has been signing S8FXT expects to open from H5FXT on January 21st. This one should come with a good signal, George has the tower up and waiting. H5AC, John, who has been showing, expected to be back again this last weekend. Often around 14228kHz from 2200Z.

HE2Q ran up 5,277,000 points in the recent CQ Test, this should be more than enough for a new North American record in the Multi/Single category. If you worked the station, K4UTE is the QSL route for the Phone Test, W4ORT is handling the cards for the CW Test. Sase needed and they say they have just warmed up. Wait for next year!

HFY/POL secured the operation in the South Shetlands on December 31st and is enroute back to Poland. He probably will not get there until late January and will get to work on the QSLing. These should start going out in late February or early March.

Documents for the Mellish Reef, VK9ZR, operations have been delivered to the ARRL. Some have asked about the QSLs. Harry Mead does have them, this being VK2BJL, and he is working on them. As he is doing most of the work himself, they probably will be awhile in coming....but they are. Willy de Roos was reported tied in behind an island in southern Chile a week back waiting out a storm. He should be close to Peter Island in a couple of weeks. There is a report that a Chilean ice-breaker may help with the approach to the island and will stick around long enough to see if they can get established ashore.

We have run out of space again. Next week things are going to be different. Positively!

16 January 1979

REPORTS FROM RED EYED LOUIE

Drink deep of life's fond illusion,
Gaze on the storm cloud and flee
Swiftly through strife and confusion,
Leaving the DX to me.....

LOW BAND LOUIE

JE2LPC 1909/1515/Dec 31w	CT1FL 3795/0630/Jan 5w	HB7ANT 3798/0620/Jan 4w	SM7LQ 3789/1440/Jan 2w
JA3ONB 1909/1520/Dec 31w	CT2QN 3797/0600/Dec 4w	HH2MC 3801/0430/Jan 8w	UF6FAE 3506/0315/Jan 4w
KZ5GXJ 1801/0335/Jan 3w	KØAX/DU2 3501/1200 3w	HS1ABH 3517/1215/Jan 5e	VE3BWK/LU 3778/1500 7w
	HA3KMA 3505/0415/Dec 2e	OZ5KF 3789/1450/Jan 2e	8P6AH 3794/0330/Jan 5w
GE3BWT 7023/0335/Jan 3m	HKØBKX 7004/0025/Jan 3m	UAØZCP 7002/1355/Jan 6m	ZD8TM 7002/0125/Jan 1e
FM7FM 7023/0240/Jan 2w	I5YT 7014/0220/Jan 3m	UB5UBR 7026/0350/Jan 2e	ZS6AK 7006/0405/Jan 5m
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HB7AMO 7004/0100/Jan 1e	SM4CAN 7005/0340/Jan 5m	VK3XJ 7090/1215/Jan 7e	
HB7BPC 7023/2100/Jan 1e	S8FXT 7005/0330/Jan 2e	YU1BCS 7003/0615/Jan 2w	
HG2HM 7006/0245/Jan 3m	TG9ML 7014/0525/Jan 6w	YU5GYZ 7001/0035/Jan 4e	

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CE3ZW 28035/2145/Jan 5w	TK7G 28010/1645/Jan 7w		
EA8FO 28033/1615/Jan 4e	YI1BDG 28604/1450/Jan 3e		
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LZ1BK 28034/1545/Jan 1e	7X4AN 28031/1310/Jan 2m		
C5ABK 28589/1600/Jan 7e	GI3GAL 28533/1645/Jan 6e	KG6JBE 28512/2335/Jan 2e	YB7AAU 28601/2300/Jan 2m
CT2CJ 28544/1745/Jan 1e	FW8AC 28585/0230/Jan 7w	KX6BQ 28578/2035/Jan 1e	5H3BP 28685/1915/Jan 6m
CT3AX 28545/1740/Jan 1e	HB7EMR 28588/1345/Jan 1m	LX1GM 28560/1330/Jan 1m	5N2NAS 28513/1520/Jan 4m
CT3BX 28603/1645/Jan 6e	HG3KGC 28522/1630/Jan 1m	PZ1AR 28505/1740/Jan 1m	6W8AT 28589/1315/Jan 1m
EI6S 28562/1640/Jan 6e	JX9WT 28599/1345/Jan 1e	SP9AI 28520/1450/Jan 3e	DL7SU/5B4 28527/1415 1m

AFRICA CW

J28AY 14031/0215/Jan 7e	TR8RG 14008/2245/Jan 7w	ZS2CW 14044/0400/Jan 3m	6W8EX 14027/2300/Jan 2e
J28AZ 14029/0445/Jan 7e	F6DXE/TU2 14055/0410 6e	DJ1WR/5N2 14020/2150 2e	
J28AG 14017/1915/Jan 7e	ZE1FE 14018/0535/Jan 4e	5T5FG 14007/0330/Jan 1e	
WA7JRL/SU 14040/1630 6w	ZS1XR 14034/0200/Jan 6m	5T5BZ 14002/2220/Jan 2e	

AFRICA SSB

C5ABK 14201/0225/Jan 5e	FR7ZN/J 14312/2045/Ja 3e	TU2DJ 14212/2015/Jan 1e	7P8BH 14209/2230/Jan 3m
CN8CW 14202/2320/Jan 2m	FR7ZL 14227/1405/Jan 5m	VQ9JJ 14251/1355/Jan 6e#	7P8BC 21355/1915/Jan 3w
CN8AK 14225/1610/Jan 1w	FR7BE 14195/1345/Jan 6m	XT2AT 21331/1815/Jan 6w	7X2KAR 14251/1955/Jan 6e
DL4BS 14240/2210/Jan 5e	H5AA 21307/1815/Jan 4e	XT2AV 14202/2305/Jan 7w	9G1TF 14214/2350/Jan 5e
DL4BS 21298/2010/Jan 5e	H5AC 14227/2300/Jan 6m	XT2AV 21280/1730/Jan 3e	9G1JG 14204/2115/Jan 3e
EA8CR 21294/1800/Jan 3e	J28AZ 14206/0500/Jan 5m	ZS1OU 14231/0515/Jan 2w	9J2JN 14242/0330/Jan 6w
EA8LD 14252/2140/Jan 5e	S8FXT 21280/1730/Jan 3e	ZS3AG 21325/2145/Jan 3w	9Q5MA 14297/2035/Jan 2e
EA8JP 21356/1815/Jan 14w	S8FXT 142 9/0435/Jan 5m	3D6BP 14212/0455/Jan 4m	9L1CA 14212/2130/Jan 5m
EA9EO 14221/2250/Jan 5m	S79MC 14210/0420/Jan 2w	5N2A ^{AY} 14201/0100/Jan 4e	9X5PP 14275/1605/Jan 4w#
EL2AE 21350/1900/Jan 3e	S79MC 21312/1710/Jan 6m	5H3BP 14218/1350/Jan 8m	9X5NH 14280/0450/Jan 7m
EL2BS 14217/0320/Jan 3e	ST2SA 14250/0600/Jan 5m	5H3BP 21320/1735/Jan 6m	
EL2AV 14286/0235/Jan 7e	STØRK 14275/1550/Jan 5w#	5Z4RH 14237/1945/Jan 2e	
EL2FZ 14282/0655/Jan 4w	TR8RG 14204/2250/Jan 3m	5Z4NH 14225/1600/Jan 2w#	
EL1I 21356/1820/Jan 4w	TU2IF 14310/2055/Jan 3e	5Z4TV 14249/1515/Jan 7w#	
FB8XV 14209/0515/Jan 7m	TU2HJ 14212/2015/Jan 1e	5Z4QT 14203/2245/Jan 2m	

ASIA SSB

AP2MQ 14214/1315/Jan 1e	HS1ALT 14205/1300/Jan 1e	JY9DI 14280/1530/Jan 3m	YI1BGD 14222/1425/Jan 6w
AP2TN 14204/1200/Jan 7e#	HS1ALP 14210/1610/Jan 4w	UI8ACQ 14241/0420/Jan 6e	LX4FQ 14208/1430/Jan 6m
AP2AU 14227/0400/Jan 6e	HS1WR 14206/1550/Jan 4w	UJ8BQ 14204/1445/Jan 8w	4S7DA 14201/1310/Jan 3e
AP2UR 14205/1305/Jan 7m	HL9TJ 14225/2315/Jan 3m	UL7UF 14210/0250/Jan 6m	4S7EA 14227/1150/Jan 5e
AP2MQ 14202/0235/Jan 6m	JT1BF 14203/0055/Jan 1e	UL7QF 14208/1300/Jan 5e	9K2DX 14224/1625/Jan 7w#
A6XB 14225/1330/Sat-Sun	JT1BK 14225/0040/Jan 5w	VU2GDB 14213/1410/Jan 2e	9K2EW 14226/1540/Jan 8w
A7KAH 14268/1335/Jan 7m	JY3ZH 14211/1415/Jan 7m	VU2GBG 14204/1305/Jan 3e	9N1MM 14218/1240/Jan 7e
A9XBD 14210/1500/Jan 8w	JY3ZR 14216/1350/Jan 3m#	VU2AIK 14210/1150/Jan 7e	9V1SY 21440/2300/Jan 2e
A9XGB 14202/1600/Jan 5w	JY5ZM 14218/1350/Jan 7e	VU2YY 14220/1220/Jan 7e	9V1TF 14215/2345/Jan 5m
BV2B 14216/0030/Jan 2e	JY9OD 14222/1510/Jan 6w#	VU2CK 14210/1340/Jan 6e	VE3BWK/LU 14225/1415 6m#
EP2RI 14209/1145/Jan 7e#	JY9VK 14243/1505/Jan 4m	VU2XW 14221/1420/Jan 7m	
EP2LI 21295/1405/Jan 7e	JY9YD 14243/1400/Jan 7m	VS6EG 14202/1515/Jan 7w#	

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What I aspired to be,
And was not, comforts me.
Therefore I summon age
To grant DX's heritage.....

ASIA CW

AP2TN 14028/0245/Jan 7w	UD6DLA 14042/0525/Jan 6e	UJ8AC 14019/0500/Jan 8e	UM8NAG 14074/0435/Jan 6e
EP2IA 14027/0425/Jan 4e	UF6FAG 14006/0535/Jan 6e	UJ8AG 14042/0255/Jan 7e	UL7FP 14028/1150/Jan 4e
HL9TG 14029/0455/Jan 7e	UF6BN 21032/1250/Jan 2e	UK8LAA 14022/0445/Jan 4e	VU2BK 14028/2200/Jan 5e
JT1BH 14048/0310/Jan 7e	UH8AW 21077/1240/Jan 2e	UK8FAA 14075/0445/Jan 6e	VU2BX 14026/0245/Jan 7e
JT1AO 14029/0200/Jan 2e	UH8BU 14058/0415/Jan 6e	UK8AAA 14033/0610/Jan 6e	
JT1KAA 14022/0250/Jan 4m	UI8ADQ 14009/0320/Jan 7e	UK8LAD 14026/0515/Jan 5m	
UA0YAD 14029/0220/Jan 7e	UI8TAA 14015/1450/Jan 4m#	UM8MAD 14018/0440/Jan 7e	

EUROPE CW

DM2BGC 14020/1400/Jan 2m	HB7FT 21014/1525/Jan 6m	LX1YZ 21014/1620/Jan 4e	TF3US 14002/0050/Jan 4e
EA3EU 14039/2130/Jan 3m	HB9AFI 14029/1535/Jan 2w#	ONSMT 14011/1340/Jan 2m#	TF0AA 14023/2040/Jan 4e
EA4QB 14050/2140/Jan 3m	HV1SL 14007/2240/Jan 4m??	OY9J 14047/0105/Jan 2e	TF0DF 14034/0115/Jan 2e
EA6DD 14003/1640/Jan 4w	IV3JGP 14014/1530/Jan 7w	OY9J 21019/1705/Jan 4e	UK1ABR 14026/1600/Jan 1m
GD4AM 21030/1730/Jan 6w	LA7JO 21048/2045/Jan 2w	TF3YH 14010/0135/Jan 2e	UK2BCI 21033/1515/Jan 6w
GW6AQ 21008/1635/Jan 4e	LB2NA 14004/1500/Jan 3e	TF3UA 14019/0250/Jan 7e	UV3FO 14006/1330/Jan 2m#

EUROPE SSB

CT2BT 14207/0145/Jan 7e	IS0VZS 14222/1530/Jan 6w	M1C 21279/1545/Jan 6m	SV1AE 14267/1335/Jan 5m#
DM3JMO 14209/1540/Jan 5w	JXLGN 14240/2330/Jan 5w	OH1TY 14194/1510/Jan 7w#	TF3CW 21303/1615/Jan 1m
FC9UC 14204/1645/Jan 5m	JX9WT 14240/2250/Jan 2m	OH5OF 14206/2345/Jan 6m	UA6JAD 14208/0515/Jan 2w
GW4HAT 21301/1650/Jan 6e	HV3SJ 21277/1625/Jan 6m	OK1AGH 14210/1530/Jan 6w	UR2RBR 21291/1405/Jan 7e
HB7ALX 14204/1530/Jan 6w	LZ2SC 14216/1455/Jan 1m	OK3KAG 14246/1530/Jan 7w#	YOLWU 14230/1510/Jan 5w#
I5NPH 14207/1525/Jan 6w#	LZ2RF 14222/1540/Jan 6w#	ON5YR 14260/1535/Jan 7w#	F9UW/3A 14210/1555/Jan 5w#

ELSEWHERE CW

CX1EK 14029/0200/Jan 5e	HI8FMB 21029/2020/Jan 5e	OX2OB 14014/0115/Jan 3e	VP9GG 14010/1250/Jan 5e
K0AX/DU2 14028/2135 4e	HI8XDF 14030/0120/Jan 3e	P29JS 14030/2030/Jan 6m	YB0ADT 14030/0000/Jan 7w
PO8FO 14062/0515/Jan 6w	J3AJ 14011/0025/Jan 7w	FY7ZZ 14032/0235/Jan 3m	VP9GG 21046/1725/Jan 4w
FY7BF 14006/2350/Jan 6w	KL7MF 14022/1450/Jan 3e	TI2PZ 14021/1405/Jan 5w	ZF2AF 14031/0345/Jan 8m
FY7YE 14051/0130/Jan 8w	KZ5ZE 14061/1345/Jan 5w	VP2SZ 21025/2230/Jan 5m	8R1J 21016/2020/Jan 5e

ELSEWHERE SSB

C21IB 14202/0830/Jan 7e	HI8ADI 14296/0510/Jan 5m	P29PN 14213/1330/Jan 4m	VP8PJ 14217/0115/Jan 5e
CE3XV 14225/0245/Jan 5m	HK0BKK 21299/1545/Jan 7m	PJ3BB 21327/0045/Jan 3w	VP8SB 14274/0155/Jan 7e
CE0AE 14225/1505/Jan 6e	HP6HX 14227/2315/Jan 3w	PY9ZAF 14300/0100/Jan 2w	VP8JB 14210/0500/Jan 5m
CO2CI 14205/1410/Jan 4m	WB9VXK/HR1 14210/0200 1w	PZ2AC 14228/0220/Jan 5e	VP9JM 14250/1355/Jan 7e
CO2DC 14205/0330/Jan 5m	KOLUSA 14225/1500/Jan 6w	TG8DX 14201/1815/Jan 5w	WB3KBZ/VP9 21355/2010/ 3w
CW3BR 14215/0045/Jan 4e	KOLUSB 14235/1515/Jan 6w	TG8DX 21355/1815/Jan 5w	YB0PG 14203/1330/Jan 6e
DU1MEL 14202/1330/Jan 4m	KC6MJ 14300/2000/Jan 1e#	TI2COG 14257/0705/Jan 5m	YB0ADI 14212/1440/Jan 7e
K0WIC/DU2 14202/1450 6e	KV4KV 14208/0250/Jan 5m	VK9XW 14263/2305/Jan 6w	YB0WR 14210/0030/Jan 5e
KK8CR 21355/1915/Jan 3w	KG4HC 14211/0300/Jan 7e	WK2AGT/LH 14232/0750 3e	YS9RVE 14299/0215/Jan 1w
FM7WE 14208/0215/Jan 1w	KX6BQ 21355/1900/Jan 3w	VE1DI/V02 21355/2010 3w	ZF4SV 14214/1330/Jan 2m
FY7AN 21355/0215/Jan 2m	KV4KV 14208/0250/Jan 5m	VP1WS 14206/1300/Jan 1e	ZP5LOB 14225/0300/Jan 4w
FO8EW 14237/0315/Jan 7m	LU3ZY 14220/0130/Jan 8e	VP1HK 21355/1515/Jan 3w	5W1BD 21295/0300/Jan 8m
FW8AC 14225/1645/Jan 4m	OX3BA 14207/0000/Jan 5e	VP2SQ 14221/1315/Jan 3e	6Y5MC 21355/1925/Jan 5w
HC8GI 14217/0125/Jan 8e	OX3CO 14215/0015/Jan 5e	VP2SZ 21355/1900/Jan 3w	6Y5YL 14219/0250/Jan 2m
HH2A 14225/0330/Jan 5m	OX3AK 14230/0400/Jan 6m	VP8QV 14215/0230/Jan 1m	8P6JJ 14204/0340/Jan 4m

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If all fell into place, VU4ARC should be on now.
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Possible June operation.....Kingman also if weather is right
CW activity last week. The station will be heard
Lots of H5 activity scheduled....this week and next.
W1RED there next week....from January 22nd
LU3ZY being reported again.....new crew
Transportation problems.....maybe next month
HI1RCD on January 25th
W0SH and K0XD for a week from February 13th
VR6BJ in short operatinn about April 19th
Something might develop.....P29JS looking for handle
Willy getting further south. Still looks like next month
DL4CBS expecting to operate from S9 starting early March
FR7ZL from about February 4/5th for two months
VQ9JJ being heard.....there for a year
Getting close! Downtown Gent on February 10th. ON5NT for info....
Downtown Norfolk, Virginia...February 19th. K4JNM for info
January 27/28th
K1CO from February 28th across the ARRL DX Test
January 27/28th
January 27/28th
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ARRL The ARRL Board of Directors will be meeting in Miami late this month and you might as well brace yourself for some changes. There are definitely some financial problems that will have to be attended to and decision on the level of services to be provided the membership and the charges, if any, which will be levied. There have been increases in membership rates and advertising rates, these to the point that further increases may bring a negative reaction and it does appear that the ARRL will be seeking ways to match the expenses with the cash input, in recent quarters the expenses have been getting a bit of an edge.

There has been information that the headquarters staff intend to propose that the DX Awards be reduced to a single award and that alone. The feeling in this matter is said that DXCC does not bring a proper or adequate return.

It might be noted that HR REPORT noted in a recent issue that DXCC applications are up 35% in the last year, this including endorsements and that the post-World War II DXCC now number 26,000. It might also be recalled that DXCC was once a free service but a convoluted motion slapped a charge on DXCC while others, such as traffic awards and medals, did not get the bite. Be Prepared!
TNX to W1AM, K1CO, W1DA, WA1EOT, W1GL, W1JR, W1MY, W1RED, K1UM, K1UO, W1VV, W2FP, W2HAZ, W2NC, K2OF, WA2RLQ, WA2SON, K2UFM, K2UO, N3ED, K3ND, WA3SXH, WB4FOT, W4HU, KE4I, W4KA, W4LCL, W4ORT, WA4OUF, WB4LEYX, W4UF, W4UG, N4XX, W4ZR, W5AQ, K5AQ, W5CPI, K5DB, K5DUT, K5GL, K5GZ, K5IH, W5IMJ, W5JW, K5NA, W5OSJ, K5OVC, AI5Q, K5VT/3, W5YH, K6ARE, WA6BJS, K6DT, K6EC, N6EM, WA6FIT, W6JD, K6KA, W6KPC, N6MM, N6OB, W6PN, W6RQ, K6SSJ, K6SX, W6TSQ, AE6U, K6UFT, N6UW, W6VQD, K7ABV, W7BCT, N7AI, N7UT, N7MW, W8GT, K8DA, K8IP, WD8LXV, W8MAW, WA8MOA, K8RD, W8JVZ, W8UVZ, W8ZOK, W9RN, W9SS, W9TC, K9XJ, W9BW, WA9KDI, N9RF, W9PT, KH6BZF, CE9AE, KZ5JM.

WEST COAST DX BULLETIN Published every week by the Marin County DX Group. It was raining last week and one of the local QRPers was up the hill and in out of the rain. This one came with the indescribable look of fulfillment. "Bet you worked Bouvet," we ventured and the QRPer smiled. We expected more but all we got was that enigmatic smile. Finally we just had to ask questions. "Oh, it was not hard," the QRPer expounded grandly and somewhat in contradiction to what others were saying, "all you really need is a plan. That does the trick." This was telling nothing and we were getting a bit anxious. "But just what did you do?" we demanded, "use that group plan where the bunch would spread out one kilocycle apart from two-ninety to three-ten and call simultaneously until someone caught the Bouvet station, then throw in the list and everyone could coast home easily? Is that what you did?" The QRPer laughed, a bit condescendingly we were thinking and a bit irritating we were sure. But then again, how does one treat a station that has worked Bouvet? And with low power to boot? We had to know more. But there was the QRPer, all nonchalance, carefully flicking a bit of dust off his knee. "Oh, that was not it at all," he said, "not that at all." We had to bring in another supply of patience, finally lapsing into a silence that we knew the QRPer could not endure, he wanting to enjoy the luxury of the moment. Finally he got to the point. "Actually it only took two of us," he explained. Only two. One went up above three hundred, acknowledged the 3Y5DQ, gave a signal report and asked for his in return. With the instant QRM on frequency, he kept saying he could only get part of it and kept asking for a fill. Naturally, within a matter of seconds everyone just about was on the frequency, calling Thorey and yelling and hollering and things like that, all of it non-stop. The normal set-up that came everytime the Bouvet station came back. You know how it is." Of course we did, any true-blue DXer who has been awake in recent weeks knows how it is. "But how does get you to work Bouvet?" we demanded and again the QRPer was all smiles. "Well," he continued, "while everyone was up above three hundred trying to tail-end or something like that, the other one of us would drop down below ninety-five and call. With our low power no one would pay any attention to us, not while things we being torn apart up the band. Of course they could not hear anything, neither could Bouvet. We figured he'd come looking for something he could read. And we were right. It was easy." There was something that did not seem right in this and we were not to let things go unnoticed. "Do you think it fair to give those signal reports and Bouvet not being on the frequency?" The QRPer shook his head. "Certainly not," he said earnestly, "and we are not going to do it again. That's for sure." We gave up at this point for there are a lot of things about Bouvet that makes one wonder and especially how the island station can hear anything with everyone on the same frequency non-stop. We will have to consider this DX 'bait and switch' routine before giving a measured judgement. Meanwhile, a measured subscription rate comes if you ask.....no other way. DX is for the strong and loud and belligerent.....isn't it? And as W6PHF often says, "Operating ability and DX techniques are directly proportional to the height of your tower and the excess of your power".

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