

WEST COAST DX BULLETIN



May 2, 1979

18-79

ABU AIL If OE6XG/A has not been heard by the time you get this issue in your hand, you should be alert for the time is near!

There have been some minor changes from last week bulletin. First, the Italian operator we could not nail down turned out to be Giampaolo Forti, I2FGP, home from his 601FG operation in Somalia and turning right around to head for Djibouti and the Abu Ail operation.

Those delighting in the c.w. mode were jumping with joy when it was learned that Giampaolo was part of the team. A top c.w. operator, it should be the answer to the c.w. man's prayer.

Some slight changes have been given for the operating frequencies, not of these much off the previously published frequencies. They are up-dated and should be -

CW	3505kHz	7005kHz	14027kHz	21027kHz	28027kHz
SSB	3798kHz	7085kHz	14195kHz	21295kHz	28595kHz

Even these are subject to some slight shifting one way or another but once they are organized, there should be little trouble in finding the action.

QSLs will be handled by WA3HUP. The Northern California DX Foundation will be printing the cards for the DXpedition and they will be ready as quickly as possible. The Foundation has also come up with support for the effort, advancing funds to help make the operation possible.

NEPAL 9N1EMK will be on the air from May 2nd to 6th, both on c.w. and SSB. This is an operation by JA8EMK, Hiroto Sasaki, who several times was reported in April. This is also a chance for working Nepal on c.w., a mode not often available.

Hiroto will be found generally around.....

c.w.	7kHz above the lower band edge, ten through eighty meters.				
SSB	14170kHz	21270kHz	28570kHz....	on twenty meters he may at times QSY up into the American phone sub-band.	

QSLs will go to:

Hiroto Sasaki JA8EMK
Box 150
Asahigawa
Hokkaido, 070-91 JAPAN

SAE/IRC needed.

FRANZ JOSEF Some spent a lot of April in anticipation but the expected Franz Josef operation did not show. Hope is not dead....yet. It seldom is when you need the country. Maybe it will come tomorrow. Then again, maybe it will not.

Recently UA10E advised W4ORT that there will be no Franz Josef activity until this July. Some of the UA-sources which in the past have advised on possible Franz Josef activity have not come through with any up-date and it is the waiting time. From the number and strength of Franz Josef reports a few months back, it does seem rather definite that something may be developing.

UK12AA who is in the Murmansk area, advised KH6GI recently that the only station on Franz Josef, UK1PAA, is crystal-controlled at 14030kHz but at this time is not active. However, the expectation is that the station will again be heard when Spring comes again to Franz Josef land.

SUNSPOT LOUIE The NLXX forecasts have been right in there in recent weeks and looking across the Abu Ail operation, it might be expected that things will improve towards the end of their run. Once you hear your call come back, things always do improve.

Even during periods of disturbed conditions you can encounter some spectacular DX happenings. Though these at times are brief, they can be interesting. Keep listening. Always the best way to hear one you may need.

NLXX notes that the sun seems at times to be strangely quiet for this period of Cycle 21. Often these lulls are noted as the increase in activity plateaus and after resting a bit, the line takes off for the high areas. No one is saying....yet....that the end is near. Most are saying that the rest of this year and through 1980 DX should be there for the Deserving. Some days good, some days spectacular and on some occasions even better than that.

Looking down the long road to the summer months and the times of the suburban dandelion hunt, NLXX says that the first part of May should be a time of unending delight for the DXer, the needle is stuck in the high ranges.

May 2nd Disturbed
3rd Low Normal
4th High Normal
5th High Normal
6th High Normal

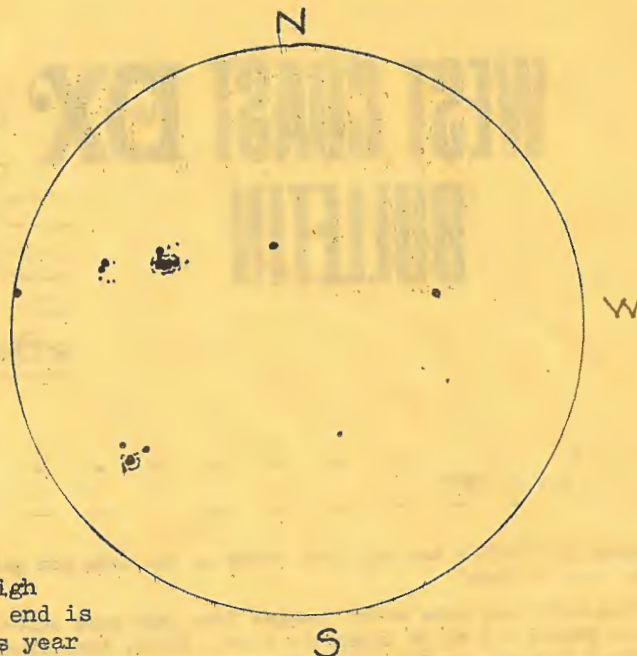
May 7th High Normal
8th High Normal
9th High Normal
10th High Normal
11th High Normal

We do not have the late KH6BZF solar data this week, Lee being away from the office and what was on hand was for mid-April. We will catch up next week, meanwhile just look at the chart and be convinced that the Great Days of DXing are here.

Down in the border country Ev keeps heaving at the flux line and says that he wishes that he could say that the Great Days of Solar Flux are here. The Ap is a bit higher than is needed but just stick around and the flux will be above two hundred, the Ap will be down and the loud signal QRMing your QSO will possibly one of the deep Russians. But for now, keep the charts up with.....

	Solar Flux	Ap Index
Apr 16	172	13
17	169	10
18	155	7
19	158	7

	Solar Flux	Ap Index
Apr 20th	154	2
21	160	12
22	161	28



W6RQ
25 Apr 79

***** DIRECTORY OF QSL MANAGERS *****

QSL?

Computerized listing of over 3000 QSL managers.
Directory includes both stateside and foreign managers.
Updated weekly. Most accurate source available.
Cost: \$1.50 (U.S./VE/XE) - \$2.35 (Elsewhere)

Gary Yarus, WBØMSZ, 921 N. Clay., St. Louis, Missouri 63122

PALMYRA Peter Sutter will be departing Marin in a couple of weeks, heading out on his 36' sloop for Hawaii, Christmas, Washington, Fanning and Palmyra Islands. He expects to be at Christmas in mid-June and at Palmyra around the first of July.

The plan is to spend a good part of a week at Palmyra, operating WD6GHZ/KH5. His activity will probably be all c.w. and he is aiming to show on forty/fifteen and ten meters.

Look for him at 7050kHz/21110kHz/28110kHz. He is using an ATLAS 350XL, a trapped vertical ashore for the antenna when at Palmyra and will work split frequency.

QSLs will go to his home QTH, 214 Third Street, Sausalito, California 94965. Sase or Sae/IRC needed.

The 'WILD SPIRIT' will be maintaining schedules with some of the local Marin QRPers and the arrival at Palmyra will be up-dated in June.

PITCAIRN The VR6HI operation from Pitcairn Island by ZL1AMO and ZL1ADI produced an almost unbelievable QSO total.....33,115! The breakdown by bands was:

160 mtrs	80mtrs	40mtrs	20mtrs	15mtrs	10mtrs
170 QSOs	760	2095	9810	9395	10,885

We have in the past heard of DXpeditions running up twenty thousand plus of QSOs but this is the first instance we can recall where the total was up into the 30K bracket.

It is reported that the two operators left Pitcairn on the Yankee Trader when it came through along towards the end of April. Some have asked about the reported plans of ZL1ADI for a possible Manihiki effort but there is no late information on this. It is a definite possibility as Charles Rademacher, ZL1ADI, was aiming for a number of Pacific efforts during 1979.

On other recent Pitcairn activity, VR6BJ, Bruce Frahm, made 753 contacts during the stop there, 193 of these on RTTY. VR6DX made 1100 QSOs.

VR6 should be down a bit on the needed list for awhile, the c.w. activity certainly should have answered some of the demand for that mode.

FERNANDO de NORONHA This island at 3° 50'S and 32° 24'W will be on the air starting May 12th in an effort by PY1APS and PY1MAG.

Look for them to start showing around 1800Z on May 12th or within a short time either way of this time. PY1APS was there in 1967 signing PY7APS/ø and then made another run in 1968 signing PYøAPS. PY1MAG was there doing a few days of c.w. work in 1968 signing PYøMAG. The first DXCC ever earned by a PYø station went to PYøAPS in 1971.

There is a possibility of some six-meter operation. Many JAs have been asking about this one and PY1RO is working on accumulating the necessary gear and a 6-element YAGI for this band.

QSLs will go to their home QTHs.....PY1APS and PY1MAG/ SASE or SAE/IRC needed....

WEST COAST DX BULLETIN Second Class entry and postage paid at the San Rafael, California Post Office. Published weekly by the Marin County DX Group at 77 Coleman Drive, San Rafael, Calif. 94901 (USPS 090 570)

Subscription rates supplied on request. Previously published rates are not valid. Within the lower forty-eight, only second-class, (newspaper) new subscriptions accepted.

MORE SHORT NOTES JA stations have heard BY2CT at 14316kHz. They are not optimistic at all about that one. The regulations in India are reported to have been tightened. You now have to be eighteen years old to get a license, formerly it was twelve. In the 80mtr band, the 3600-3650kHz segment is reported as lost and only the slot at 3890-3900kHz is available to the VUs in the 75/80mtr country. Novices are found only on forty meters, they being identified by the 'Z' as the first letter in the suffix.

The address for GJ3MBS/GU3MBS is:

Steve Gibbs
151 Le Genats, Castel
Guernsey, Channel Islands EUROPE

GU3MBS is usually on c.w., phone being an occasional mode. Without going into a lot of details, it would be best to use this address for any QSLing for GJ3MBS/GU3MBS and no other route. Try anything else and there may be problems. Go direct, in this instance it may be about the only way. Some may recall that Steve was well known when he was signing VQ8CC. Just about this time ten years ago he and Gus Browning were on Rodrigues signing VQ8CCR.

New officers for the Mile-Hi DX Assn are: Roger Preece, WB0RTZ, President; Bob Pierce, WB0GJ, Vice-presy; WB0HAD, Joe Hart is the Secretary/Treasurer. The Mile-Hi group are quick to point out that the Delta DX Assn do an outstanding job with their QSL duties, one member noting that efforts to get a TR8AC QSL was frustrated until the Delta group took over the duties. Result...instant QSLs!! All this shows that, as had been said before, only one DXer really ever understands another DXer.

JR1EBD/JD1 on Ogasawara was due to pack up and return to the homeland in the last part of April. QSLs to JR1FYS. The correct address for TU2BX is: 01 BP 3557, Abidjan, 01 Ivory Coast. The callbook has it somewhat differently.

SV0AA/5 should be heard in early May. This is SV0WTT(ex) and Jack expects to be in the islands for a couple weeks. You should check the c.w. bands, this is where it is almost always found. The islands in this instance being the Dodecanese Islands. The SV5 is the Dodecanese, SV9 is Crete. Later this year, in mid-summer, SV1JG also expects to go to the Dodecanese to sign SV1JG/SV5. This is Cliff who was heard last year from both the Dodecanese and Crete.

VR1BE in British Phoenix is: Ed Bennett, P.O. Box 1337, Canton Island 96736, via Hawaii. Again, note that this is a U.S. postal address. VR1AY goes to Box 274, Tarawa Atoll, Gilbert Islands, Western Pacific. This is a foreign address. You QSL VR1BE with a 15¢ stamp, you QSL VR1AY with a 31¢ (airmail) stamp. Both of these often found on ten meters, usually within the first 10kc above the band edge, after 0100Z. 3D2MD is expected to be in A35-Tonga in mid-May and then later moving onto to VR1-British Phoenix.

Some have asked where YI1BGD has been. There it was Friday around 1430Z working even into the Western Reaches on twenty meters phone. Earlier in the night, around 0400Z they were taking a list for the Arabina Knights Net. The station is active, Friday is the best day to watch and with the FT-500 and a beam the signal is good. Majiid was doing a good business last Friday at the 1430Z time and was on his own....no list.

SABLE ISLAND Some VEs are planning a Sable Island effort for this summer, they already having authorization from the Department of Communications for the operation. There are a few more permissions needed for any Sable visit but the prospects are good. At this point definite details have not been released, however, the time period is July or August. More will come.

Modernize Your Amplifier With An Electronic Bias Switch

Now Models for the SB-220 and the 1L4B

Reduce heat generated in tubes and plate transformers due to idling current
Extend tube life by 20% to 30%
Reduce generation of shot noise. CW break-in possible.
Conserve energy Reduce your power bill
Professional Quality circuit board 5.6"x 1.6"..installs in 15-20 minutes
Soon!..models for other amplifiers

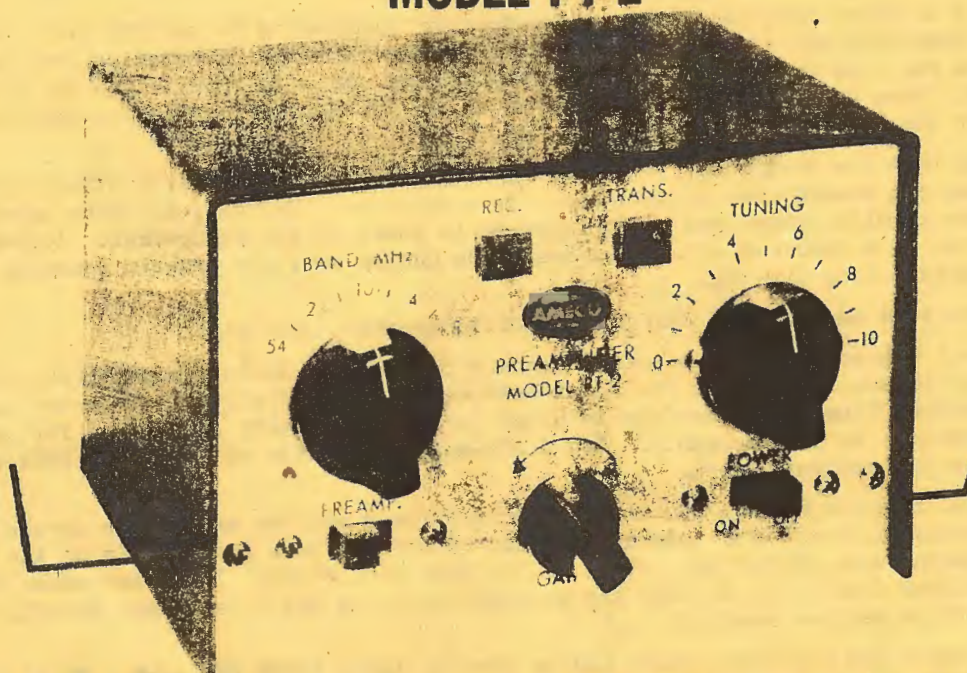
SB 220 \$39.50 1L4B \$41.00 .. plus \$1.50 shipping charges

90 day warranty. Same day shipping if accompanied by money order

CHALMETTE COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY
Box 1240 Chalmette, Louisiana 70044

MADISON ELECTRONICS SUPPLY

Now you can receive the weak signals with THE ALL NEW AMECO PREAMPLIFIER MODEL PT-2



A CONTINUOUS TUNING 6-160 METER PRE-AMP SPECIFICALLY DESIGNED FOR USE WITH A TRANSCEIVER

- Improves sensitivity and signal-to-noise ratio while receiving.
- Bypasses itself automatically when the transceiver is transmitting.
- FET amplifier gives superior cross-modulation protection.
- Improves immunity to transceiver front-end overload by use of its built-in attenuator.
- Provides master power control for station equipment.
- No modifications required to transceiver.
- Simple to install.
- Advanced solid state circuitry.
- For AM or single sideband.
- Boosts signals up to 26 DB.

\$74.95

Especially good for transceivers. Other Palomar Products available. Call Don at Madison Electronics on the DXers Hot-Line. Need help with questions on DX gear.....Call (713) 658 0268. Ask for Don.....he will help!!

MADISON ELECTRONICS SUPPLY

1508 MCKINNEY
HOUSTON, TEXAS 77002

SHORTLY NOTED AP2MQ, Mansur, has asked that the word be passed that the inclusion of green stamps, or similar items, in the envelopes sent for AP-QSLs can have some very embarrassing results for the AP amateurs.

Incoming mail is often checked (opened) by the Pakistani postal authorities and when currency is found, they take the matter officially up with the amateur, the importation of foreign currency into the country being prohibited.

This is not an unusual condition in some countries and while the intent may be good, the results are something else.

There is a report that the number of 'Woodpecker' complaints to the FCC are up noticeably. Sometimes the effort to report interference is a bit frustrating and especially when you run into someone during the off hours who tries to shuffle you on to another. Persist. Some have found that the person at the FCC Monitoring Station has never heard of the Russian Woodpecker.

Some say that the Woodpecker is not being found as often these days, others believe that following him around does little good. Be a believer! Matching his code speed usually gets some results, sometimes a big increase in power by the Woodpecker. It has been noted that if a combined effort had been made months ago, the problem probably would have disappeared a long time ago.

Watch the band edges....but don't flee the Woodpecker, join him.

The recent volcanic eruptions on St. Vincent in the West Indies found VP2SQ providing emergency communications for the local authorities. The station is reported as having phone-patched Prime Minister Cato to other islands when there was a need for quick communications in the emergency. Two forty-meter nets were set up at 7152kHz and 7164kHz to handle the emergency work.

Those c.w. frequencies for Abu Ail on twenty/fifteen and ten meters are crystal frequencies. You probably will not find them elsewhere. There are more dropping in on the Wednesday night meeting with VK2AGT/LH....this at 14255kHz from 0630Z. In recent weeks there have been stations from Fiji, Eastern and Western Carolines and a few other Pacific stops. Drop in for a relaxed meeting.

WA6AHF, Rubin and XYL Ferne, have had to give up their YASME QSL work. Their doctor said that it might be best to ease the burden. While giving up YASME, they will continue to handle the cards for the list of stations for which they are QSL Managers. While speaking of QSL Managers, a good way to arouse one is to work a station on a number of bands and modes, include a handful of cards in an envelope and only send one sase for their return.

Many apparently do not realize that in high total QSO operations that often the work is farmed out and handling such multi/single QSL SASE is a continuing irritation. Often these are tossed into the corner to await the time when the rest are cleared up.

With several workers scattered over a fifty or so mile radius, the multiple/singles have to wait. If you want to make a QSL Manager smile, include a sase per QSL card enclosed. One on one....it works faster.

SAVE EVEN MORE

ALL NEW!! In sealed cartons. Get the TS-820S for \$849-factory direct rebate of \$50.
DRAKE TR/DR 7 \$1195.00 PS7 \$212.00 TS120S \$599.
ALPHA 76PA \$1395.00 IC-701 ac mic \$1289.00
FT-901DM \$1189.00 FT-101ZD \$749.00 Ask for prices on TELREX/HY-GAIN RF Engr 2m 3/4KW \$842.

IC-280 by case of five - \$329.00 each

Dollar volume discounts

THE KEY WORKS

Mike - WB5USV 1604 Crabb River Rd, Richmond, Texas 77469
From 6:30-10:00p.m. CST...(713) 343 0487. Phone your need

REPORTS FROM RED EYED LOUIE

What do DXers talk about?
What is their mystic theme.....

TEN METERS.....Where most everything is....

ALXHI 28017/1535/Apr 21w	HS1ABD 28025/1545/Apr 20w	UI8OAA 28031/1400/Apr 20e	VU2LHO 28026/0240/Apr 21m
BV2A 28034/0125/Apr 15m	HI8MOG 28011/2340/Apr 20e	UL7CBR 28040/1520/Apr 19e	VP1MT 28008/1850/Apr 15m
G6ZY/CN 28035/1515/Apr 21e	IS0OMH 28015/1505/Apr 21e	UL7OAO 28035/1420/Apr 15m	4XLPA 28016/1705/Apr 20w
FY7BF 28026/1410/Apr 18e	PT2VE 28025/2005/Apr 17e	UL7PEI 28028/0220/Apr 21w	7XLAN 28012/1400/Apr 20w
GW3OSL 28027/2145/Apr 20w	UA0IBI 28017/0250/Apr 21m	VU2GO 28027/1830/Apr 19e	
ALXHI 28610/2040/Apr 18e	FY7YE 28598/1230/Apr 14m	ST2SA 28589/1500/Apr 21e	ZK1BD 28543/0000/Apr 15e
A2CKB 28534/1240/Apr 14m	H7H 28519/1145/Apr 20e	VE1WP/SU 28515/1250 20e	ZS3LO 28545/1345/Apr 21e
A9XBE 28523/1455/Apr 21e	H44PT 28513/2230/Apr 15e	UB5LDP 28636/1250/Apr 20kh	3D2DI 2537/0100/Apr 16e
C21LB 28594/0510/Apr 16kh	H44JD 28630/0200/Apr 17m	UM8MAQ 28544/1225/Apr 20e	3D2MD 28505/2310/Apr 19w
C31UN 28575/1940/Apr 21e	DF9HB/HB0 28530/1950 14m	UL7DBD 28508/1450/Apr 21e	4U1ITU 28615/1610/Apr 15e
CT2GR 28584/1240/Apr 20m	HS1ABD 28515/1800/Apr 20w	UA0FCK 28533/0000/Apr 18e	5W1AX 28547/0025/Apr 21e
OK3TAB/D2A 28625/1515 21e	IS0QDU 28569/1845/Apr 20w	VR1AW 28506/2310/Apr 19w	7X1MD 28520/1345/Apr 21e
EA9TE 28511/1440/Apr 15m	KA1IW 28551/0235/Apr 21w	VR1BE 28502/0130/Ofen	9HLN 28584/1615/Apr 20w
FO8DT 28501/2310/Apr 22m	LU2KAK 28637/1915/Apr 22w	YC1IW 28555/1640/Apr 19e	9J2BC 28544/1900/Apr 19e
FR7BJ 28514/0440/Apr 16kh	S8AAM 28508/1430/Apr 16w	OE2SWL/YK 28543/1340 19e	

SOME FAINT SIGNS OF SIX METER LIFE!

KZ5NW 50.105/2000/Apr 17w
TI2NA 50.080/2055/Apr 17w

LOW BAND LOUIE

CT4TE 3512/0430/Apr 23w	CE3BWT 7001/0030/Apr 20e	SV0AA 7006/0445/Apr 18m	ZE2JS 7011/0415/Apr 15m
EI9J 3501/0350/Apr 16m	CT2SH 7081/0630/Apr 15m	UG6GAI 7005/0305/Ofen	DK6AS/3A 7004/0505 18m
VP2AR 2798/0635/Apr 21e	GU5CIA 7002/0240/Apr 16m	VQ9KK 7003/1350/Apr 19w#	3V8BN 7004/0050/Apr 14e
ZF2CL 3523/0500/Apr 17w	GU5CUC 7005/0620/Apr 23w	XT2AV 7155/0615/Apr 22w	VE2BEK/4U 7003/0300 22w
	KG6SW 7081/0630/Apr 15m	XE2AV 7160/0630/Apr 15m	4XLUH 7004/0240/Apr 16m

AFRICA CW

EA8QE 14027/0130/Apr 20e	SU1IM 14013/0200/Apr 22m	3B8DB 14040/1225/Apr 20m	9J2BO 14022/1355/Apr 22e
FH8CL 14003/1400/Apr 22w	VQ9MR 14036/1400/Apr 23w	3B8FA 21070/0720/Apr 19kh	9J2BO 21025/1900/Apr 21w
FR7BP 14015/1505/Apr 20w#	ZS5BF 14029/1420/Apr 18w#	5H1GK 14021/0445/Apr 22e	
FR7BW 14052/1430/Apr 18m	3B8CD 14022/1415/Apr 23w	5Z4JE 14057/0425/Apr 19m	
S8AAB 14019/1455/Apr 21w	3B8CF 14031/0310/Apr 23e	7P8AF 14048/1440/Apr 19w	

AFRICA SSB

EA9FD 21278/1810/Apr 20w	K5AON/SU 21330/2040 18e	VQ9JJ 14222/1400/Apr 22w	9L1MD 21323/2320/Apr 19e
EL9A 14191/0735/Apr 19w	S8AAA 14240/1505/Apr 21w#	ZE8JW 14207/1445/Apr 22w#	9X5FM 14205/1530/Apr 21w#
FB8XV 14224/1430/Apr 21w#	S79WHW 14225/1500/Apr 22w	ZE4JW 14180/1355/Apr 22w	
FH8OM 14201/1430/Apr 21w#	TU2NJ 14216/2150/Apr 18e	XT2AV 14212/0840/Apr 22e	
ST9RK 14222/1415/Apr 22w#	TU2FH 14220/0800/Apr 21w	7P8BC 14222/1330/Apr 22w#	

ASIA CW

HM1KO 21007/1645/Apr 19e	UH8BI 21034/0305/Apr 21w	UK6GAA 14018/1405/Apr 19w	VU7FQ 14019/0030/Apr 19w
JR1EBE/JD1 14034/1410 18m	UH8HAS 21007/1610/Apr 18w	UK8FAA 21028/0410/Apr 21w	VU2EK 14019/0110/Apr 19e
JA7JT/JD1 14040/0845 21e	UH8HCH 14016/1410/Apr 19w	UL7CBR 14037/0400/Apr 22e	VU2KMK 14028/1255/Apr 18e
JY9BB 14006/1455/Apr 20w	UJ8AQ 21015/1610/Apr 19w	VS6EN 21052/1545/Apr 20e	9M2FR 14026/1415/Apr 18w
UD6DLA 21054/2005/Apr 20e	UJ8BQ 14064/2330/Apr 17e	VS6BB 14025/1545/Apr 18w	9V1TL 14014/1445/Apr 18w
UF6CK 14020/0200/Apr 20e	UK8AAC 21021/0420/Apr 20e	VU2RMS 14006/0000/Apr 19e	

ASIA SSB

A7XAH 14225/1500/Apr 19w	KA1IW 14211/1255/Apr 20e	UF6HE 14207/0255/Apr 19m	4S7EA 14208/0015/Apr 19e
AP2TN 14201/1315/Apr 18e	KA1MI 14266/1100/Apr 19e	UH8JAD 14202/0350/Apr 19e	4Z4IG 14243/0515/Apr 20e
AP2MQ 21310/0245/Apr 20m	KA1NC 14225/1410/Apr 22e	UK9AAN 21320/1715/Apr 20m	5BLFP 14235/0330/Apr 18m
BV2B 14225/1500/Apr 19w	UA0AAK 21320/0015/Apr 18e	VS6CR 14213/1345/Apr 18e	9N1MM 14225/0120/Apr 19e
HS1AIV 14215/1305/Apr 21e	UA0CCW 14258/1625/Apr 18w	VS6DO 14206/1135/Apr 20e	9N1MM 21280/0025/Apr 21m
JT1AN 14258/1625/Apr 18w	UD6BR 14225/0315/Apr 18w	VU2LQA 21309/1655/Apr 18e	9M2FK 14320/1305/Apr 18m
JT1KK 14202/0100/Apr 18e	UD6BQ 21222/1455/Apr 18m	YI1BGD 14025/1500/Apr 19w	
JY3ZH 14217/0405/Apr 19e	UF6HV 14233/0340/Apr 19e	4S7JD 14212/1235/Apr 21w	

MORE RED EYED LOUIE REPORTS

Now, DXers, whoever you may be,
If you want to rise to the top of the tree,
If your soul is not fettered to a balky mule
Be careful to be guided by this Golden Rule-----
Stick close to your lists and never loose your hold,
And you all may be atop the Honor Roll!

EUROPE CW

DM2FNL 21117/1645/Apr 18w	LZ2KSB 14028/1455/Apr 23w	SV1JG 21028/0515/Apr 20w	U05SM 21032/1615/Apr 18w
GB2RN 21013/1600/Apr 19w	OE6MKG 14021/0520/Apr 19w	SV1IW/9 21030/1730/Apr 19w	YO3CR 14020/0640/Apr 20w
GW2DPD 21021/1750/Apr 19w	OK2KB 14009/0215/Apr 18m	SV1AA 14024/1805/Apr 20w	ZB2WV 21023/1500/Apr 18w
EA6DD 14003/0540/Apr 18w	OS5MF 14004/1525/Apr 20w	TF3CW 21021/2320/Apr 20e	ZA1PT 14020/0240/Apr 19e??
HB9BQT 21000/1630/Apr 21w	OS7EJ 14037/0815/Apr 20kh	TF3GCN 21035/1945/Apr 20e	9R79ED 14028/0635/Apr 18w
LZ3TI 14035/0645/Apr 21w	OY9K 14038/1525/Apr 19e	UK1ZAA 14019/0325/Apr 20e	

EUROPE SSB

EA3BKV 14201/2345/Apr 18e	IS0IFF 14285/0630/Apr 18w	OH0NL 14245/2140/Apr 20e	TA1RI 14227/2155/Apr 20e
EA6AA 14209/1530/Apr 22w#	JX1NA 14231/0315/Apr 18m	OH0NA 14243/2050/Apr 20e	UP2PC 14236/0400/Apr 19e
GD5DZ 21333/2055/Apr 21e	LX1JE 14241/2150/Apr 20e	OS6VL 14217/0030/Apr 18e	UQ2MU 14232/0400/Apr 19e
GI5FV 14215/0010/Apr 18e	LX2MG 14225/1845/Apr 22w	SV1EX 14206/0450/Apr 20e	UR1FQ 14206/0150/Apr 20e
GJ2LU 14205/0655/Apr 20e	LZ2KPS 14209/0405/Apr 19e	SV8JE 21277/2040/Apr 18e	U0CR 21377/0435/Apr 20e
GU3MBJ 21306/2055/Apr 18e	OK1FAR 14214/0230/Apr 18m	SV9JI 14288/2150/Apr 20e	YU9MI 14209/0625/Apr 19w

ELSEWHERE CW

FP8HL 21009/1545/Apr 19w	LU3ZY 14024/1015/Apr 22m	VS5SS 14025/1345/Apr 18w
FP8EE 14012/0545/Apr 18w	OX5AF 21026/0125/Apr 18e	4U1UN 21031/1745/Apr 19w
FP8FJ 14002/1625/Apr 22w	VP9JY 21033/0120/Apr 21e	9M8HG 14026/1410/Apr 20w
FY7YE 14053/0100/Apr 18w	VR1AY 14050/1155/Apr 22m	
FO8EI 14025/0635/Apr 18w	VR1CA 21040/0650/Apr 19kh	
HK0BKX 14009/1250/Apr 19e	VR3AH 21007/1830/Apr 20w	

ELSEWHERE SSB

AX6YL 14225/1650/Apr 19w	H44CF 14291/1300/Apr 22m	P29JS 14220/1345/Apr 19e	VR3AH 14235/0720/Apr 19m
CE0AE 14225/1535/Apr 21w	HH2J 14192/2200/Apr 19m	P29DP 14226/1640/Apr 20w	VR3AR 14203/1100/Apr 19e
CE0AE 21338/0100/Apr 18e	J3AAE 14204/0620/Apr 18w	VK6RL 14226/1345/Apr 18e	VS5MS 14219/1345/Apr 20w
CE9AT 14280/0030/Apr 20e	KC4AAD 14242/0530/Apr 19w	VP2SAZ 14288/1235/Apr 20m	VS5DX 14239/1505/Apr 22w
VE2AKQ/DU1 14222/1450 18m	KG6SW 14220/0745/Apr 17kh	VP8QP 21325/0045/Apr 18e	XE1VW 14281/0315/Apr 20e
K5PSS/DU2 14214/1240 18w	KG6JJP 14224/1245/Apr 20e	VP8SO 14240/0455/Apr 20w	XP1AB 14210/2120/Apr 18m
WD6CAO/DU9 14203/1230 18w	K6SAD/KH2 14228/1310 20e	VP8NL 14242/0405/Apr 20m	ZF1SV 14211/0324/Apr 20e
FP8BJ 14210/0000/Apr 19e	KH6JHJ/KH4 14265/0415 19e	VR1AF 14257/0630/Apr 19w	ZK1BD 14230/0525/Apr 20e
HC7RU 21300/2300/Apr 19e	PZ1CZ 21410/2045/Apr 21e	VR1AW 14231/1100/Apr 22m	9M8HG 14225/1515/Apr 22w

(e = eastern states m = middle states w = western reaches kh = hawaii etc. all times in gmt)
(# = long path ??? = Slim....usually on c.w. often from the exotic.d...always draws the trusting!!)

SHORTLY NOTED On that British Virgin Islands operation that has been on this week, there is a correction on the QSLing address....we were close, a couple of doors off on the street and up the road a bit on the ZIP Code. It goes to.....Woody Charlton, 515 Curtis Street, Albany, Calif. 94706. They were looking to sign VP2VEN....or something similar.

9V10I who has been on the injured list, got the fractures when he fell through the roof on the oil drilling rig on which he was working. He has been released from the hospital for further convalescence and he's moving his QTH there in Singapore. He was looking for an apartment house where his tower would be more appreciated. Being unable to do much of the work, he supervised while the local Singapore amateurs provided the muscle.

KH6IJ continues to be in the rehabilitation unit there in Honolulu, continuing to receive treatment for the stroke which has hospitalized him. He is visited daily by KH6D (KH6AI) who checks on the progress of his long-time friend. KH6IJ has his right side affected and is not able to speak. The convalescence looks to be a long one.

I6PQO is looking for DX Manager duties for a DX station. He currently is handling the QSLing for I6NOA and would like more work. I6PQO is Olimpio Porcellini, Via P.A Valignani 119, 66100 Chieti, Italy. Call Books prior to 1977 do not have his address listed correctly.

PY5WD has the logs of D2AZB from Independence Day there in Angola, November 11, 1975, to December 15, 1976, and is ready to confirm contacts. All you need is send a Sae/IRC to: Waldemar C Dias, PY5WD, P.O Box 63, 80 000 Curitiba Pr. BRASIL.

601FG says that if you worked someone using that call on twenty c.w. back in March you probably were working Somali Slim. Giampaolo says that he was only using SSB on twenty meters, it was c.w. on fifteen meters.

CALENDAR

ABU ALL Should be on now.....OE6XG/A until next week
FERNANDO DE NORONHA May 12th by PY1APS and PY1MAG.....
BRITISH VIRGIN IS. From May 5th for about five days....possibly VP2VEN
LIECHENSTEIN From May 24th....HBØ by the Wiesbaden Radio Club
NEPAL 9N1BMK from May 2nd to 6th by JA8BMK....cw and SSB on most bands
PALMYRA WD6GHZ/KH5 around July 4th
BANGALORE HAMFEST The 'ALL INDIA HAMFEST'.....May 12-13th in downtown Bangalore.
NEW ENGLAND DX MEET Prepare! October 6th at the Holiday Inn in downtown Waltham, Mass!
USSR TEST "PEACE TO THE WORLD"...starts 2100Z May 12th.....24 hour run
CQ WW WPX TEST-CW May 26/27th
ALL ASIA PHONE June 16/17th
VK/ZL/OCEANIA TEST June 16/17th
MARTS SEANET TEST CW Test....July 21/22nd....Phone Test Aug 18/19th

MORE SHORTLY NOTED The Warrington and District Amateur Radio Society will be out in force on July 1st signing GT4EJA on both SSB and CW. The special prefix will mark the 1000-year anniversary there on the Isle of Man.

The GT4EJA effort is aimed at some fund raising for work with handicapped children and any contribution sent with the QSL will go to that work. QSLs for this effort will be handled by G4EJA and the address is: P.O Box 59, Isle of Man, United Kingdom.

There are a number of 9N1-calls showing up, these being apparently freshly minted types, and while some do not seem to ring just right, some apparently are the true-blue tupes. HS1ABD says that the callsign 9N1YU was used by a Yugoslav mountaineering team who were on an effort in the Mt. Everest area. Fred also confirms that 9N1BMK was by JA8BMK who was in Nepal on business.

Also, some new STs are showing.....ST2FF and ST2MM were heard around 14253kHz at 1500Z a week or two back. Also, it is reported that the Italians heard the 6U-prefix mentioned in last week's bulletin. Also, some of the EP2-stations are being heard again, this indicating that things may be settling down a bit.

.....

NEW - FACTORY SEALED CARTONS - DX 'ER *PRICES*	
HY-GAIN:105BA 5 EL 10M.....\$89.	HY-GAIN:155BA 5 EL 15M BEAM...\$129.
204MK5 CONV. KIT.....\$75.	TH3MK3 3 EL 10-15-20..\$169.
14AVQ 10-40M VERTICAL...\$50.	18AVT/WB 10-80M VERT..\$ 75.
153BA 3 EL 15M BEAM.....\$59.	DRAKE: MN-7 10-160M ANTENNA TUNER
DRAKE: WH-7 WATTMETER.....\$69.	250 WATT W/SWR-WATTMETER &
B-1000 4:1 BALUN.....\$19.	BUILT-IN COAX SWITCH..\$139.
AUX-7 (TR-7 PROG.UNIT)..\$37.	MS-7 SPEAKER.....\$ 26.

DEMO- DENTRON MT-3000A DELUXE TUNER \$265.	ATLAS RX-110 RECEIVER.....\$199.

USED- HEATH SB-610 MONITOR SCOPE....\$ 75.	NEW-SHURE 444 DESK MICS....\$ 29.
TRI-EX TOWERS - BIG DISCOUNTS ON ALL MODELS	
CASHIERS, CERTIFIED CHECKS - MONEY ORDERS - CHARGE CARDS (VISA-MC)ADD 3%	
CALIF. ADD 6% SALES TAX - SHIPPING CHARGES C.O.D.-PRICE & AVAILABILITY	
SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE- THANK YOU!	

M-TRON PO BOX 833, ALTAVILLE, CA. USA 95221 (209) 736-2612 DOUG-W6HVN

SPRATLY We've heard but one growl on the Spratly operation, this one tried but did not get through to 1S1DX. Disappointment is always a sharp spur but, as Albert would often say, all things are relative, some more so. And the appraisal of any DXpedition is usually based on whether or not you were able to work it. The good ones are the ones you worked!

When the crew departed Barque Canada there in the Spratlys, they left no trace behind of their stay. They did not want to arouse their neighbors. Jack, the skipper, spent a good deal of his time while on the reef in scanning the horizon for any drop-in types. None came.

The FT-901DM performed like a super-rig. Voltages varied from 150v to 280v and the rig handled it all. At one point the rig was dropped off the table but continued to work well. The guys for the antenna had their anchors in the water at high tide, the operating spot did manage to stay dry.

All the participants ended up with a good-size debt from the expense of the operations. It is still possible to help....send any assistance to K2TJ.

TNX to W1DA, W1DO, WA1EOT, W1HRI, WA1WTP, W1MV, W1RR, W1YY, W2FP, W2GHV, W2HAZ, W2NC, WA2SON, K2UO, KB3CQ/KH6, WA3DMH, N3ED, W3HXO, K3ND, W3YX, W4LEDD, K4GPX, W4KA, W4HU, W4LCL, W4WJ, W4LND, W4ORT, W4QMQ, AF4V, N4VZ, N4XX, W4ZR, K5AQ, K5DB, W5DV, W5MOJ, K5OVC, K6EC, W6JD, WA6BJS, K6JG, N6JM, K6LAE, W6MI, W6MUS, N6OB, W6PT, K6RV, W6TSQ, K6UFT, N6UW, W6VD, W6VQD, WB6VTE, K6WR, K6YK, W6YO, K7ABV, W7BCT, W7CNC, W7IL, N7MW, WA7OBH, N7RC, N7UT, WD8AHS, K8IA, K8IP, W8JXM, K8PYD, W8MAW, K8NA, K8RD, W8UVZ, WB9ZJY, W9DRL, W9LOF, K9MM, W9MCJ, W9SC, W9SS, W9TC, W9BW, WA9WWT, W9JRN, WA9KDI, W9PT, WB9RTZ, W9SF, KH6DL, KH6GI, KH6JWK, GU5CIA, HS1ABD, JA6HK, PY5WD, I6PQO.

WEST COAST DX BULLETIN Published every week for over eleven years by the Marin County DX Group. One of the local QRPer was up the hill last week, and, as often happens, this one came bearing a problem. "It's all these calls I'm working," the QRPer explained, "I work one and I am sure I know where it is. Then I work a second and though it looks the same, they tell me it is someplace else. By the time I work the third I am really wondering. Can you help me?" We were properly sympathetic for often it is not just the young and trusting who are confused but a lot of the old fogies are showing the symptoms. "Tell us about it," we advised and the confused light faded a bit in the QRPer's eyes. "First," the QRPer starts off with, "I worked this station signing KA1IW, where might that be?" We had to smile, this was going to be easy. "Two Jima," we snapped right back, "next one." The QRPer had a list. "How about KA1MI," he asked and our smile was broad. "Undoubtedly Minami Torishima, also known as Marcus," we reeled it off, "you will find it under foot-note 6 in the country list." The QRPer checked that one off. "Where is KA1DC," he asked, "which one of the islands would that one be?" For a moment we thought he might have impaled us but we did a fast shuffle and came up with the answer. "Oh, KA1DC is Dave there in downtown Allston, Massachusetts," we said and we started to see the return of the bewildered look in the QRPer's eyes. "You are beginning to lose me," he said, "but let's try another. Years ago I worked this station signing 7J1RL. Along the way some DXer told me that it was Baldwin's Reef but I cannot find it in the country list. Does that one count for anything?" Our smile of a practicing erudite DXer was shining even more. "That's the one you will not find listed among the prefixes in the country list, there is no 7J listed at all. But if you check you will find it listed with the JDs....JD for Minami Torishima, JD for Ogasawara and JD for Okino-Torishima though no one ever signed JD from Okino. Check the footnotes and though you will never see 7J1RL mentioned, footnote 26 does refer to this operation. Actually of this is easy when you understand it." At this point we were sure that the QRPer was understanding the logic of all of this and would be a happier, contented and more understanding QRPer in the future. We may have been wrong. "I don't think that I will ever understand it," he advised us sadly and tore up all his notes. We held up a hand to get his attention. "Let us run through them again, we will review the JD's, the KA's and all the various aberrations like 7J1RL. Ready?" The QRPer shook his head. "I may be a young one," he said, "but I doubt if I will have enough time to learn them all. I will just continued to be confused." And with that he was on his way down the hill, perhaps never to return. All of this is simple once you understand those call signs, the problem is getting to understand them. But for practice you might scan our moveable subscription rates, we printed them up a year in advance. We may have been puzzled only once, others have been for the full year. But write if you want the test.....

USPO 090 570

West Coast DX Bulletin
77 Coleman Drive
San Rafael, Calif. 94901

Second Class Postage Paid
at San Rafael, California

NEWSPAPER

(Postal Manual 125.4)