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PROPAGATION: Aug 29, High/Low Normal; Aug 30, High/Low Normal; Aug 31, Low Normal; Sep 1, 2, High/Low Normal; Sep 3, High Normal; Sep 4, Above Normal; Sep 5, High/Above Normal; Sep 6, High/Low Normal; Sep 7, 8, High Normal; Sep 9, 10, High/Above Normal; Sep 11, Above Normal; Sep 12, High Normal; Sep 13, Low Normal. TNX N4XX.

## SAN FELIX POSTPONED

WB1GDQ/CEØ (ref. TDXB 103, 104) is postponed until at least the end of September. While the official word will be "equipment problems" actually it is politics which are snagging things down in Chile. Apparently some military maneuvers are taking place during September and no outsiders will be allowed on the island.

One major manufacturer has committed several transceivers to the operation and they are now stockpiled in Florida. This company will, in the future, limit its commitments to expeditions which are properly authorized in advance and which are to spots in the top twenty or so in the latest TDXB needed listing.

There now exists the possibility that the San Felix team will arrive Chile about the time originally intended (Sep 12), go to Juan Fernandez first, thence to San Felix at the very end of Sept. It is also intimated that the San Felix operation will be very short and might even be all CW. Also, they now expect to be signing simply "/CEØ" from both spots, without the "Z" and "X" appended.

## SAO TOME S9

Congratulations to Vince Thompson, K5VT, who did get licensed at and operate from Sao Tome last week as S9VCT. He did not know the length of his stay but expected it to be brief. Next action will be from Europe, most likely.

*"If everyone took tranquilizers, no one would need them."*

## MIDWAY ISLAND

Bill Myerson, NH6D, phoned to say he would be on from Midway and showed Aug 25. He forgot to specify how long the visit would last. Bill prefers CW but does have a mic along with his IC701.

QSL to 94-208 Kealahi St 172, Mililani town HI 96789.

## WALLIS ISLAND

All bands 80-6 Meters, CW, ssb, and RTTY is on tap from Wallis by FK8DH, FK8DJ, and FK8CL Sep 11-18. They'll use a pair of IC720s with linears and the usual tribander and dipoles. Calls assigned are FWØBE (cw), FWØBF (ssb) and FWØBK (rtty and 6 Meters). QSL to DJ9ZB; contributions would be appreciated.

## SABLE ISLAND

VE1AWS/1 is on from Sable until Sep 8. Hasn't shown on 80 Meters but was trying to get a dipole up for that band. He likes cw.

## RUMORS

An Albania operation by EA2JG, EA2OP, and EA2AFZ Sep 5-12, to sign ZA2HFM.

F2CL to sign FB8WG Crozet for a year beginning mid-September.

Laccadives by same JA's who signed VU7AL/AN (and which isn't going to count).

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About that Laccadives business mentioned on p. 1. TDXB now has word from two totally different sources that the Andamans operation two weeks ago was indeed unauthorized, as the Indian government acknowledges no current licenses for the Andamans. Additionally, it is known that there are real, live pirates in that vicinity who make their base of operations the Laccadives, which are thus unsafe for visitors.

The Radio Club's operation from CEØ Easter Island will be Sep 2-8 by CE3DZ, CE3GN, and CE3GF, among others. 80-6 Meters are planned on ssb, cw and rtty. QSL to the RC of Chile c/b address.

Further to DJ6SI (TDXB 104)...Baldur now expects to start operating Sep 11 from Togo, followed by Volta, Camerouns, and Gabon. He does not know how long each stop will be. Mostly cw, his preferred mode. QSL DK9KD.

WA6YOU (formerly OD5MX) will leave shortly for a three-year assignment in India; that would give him time to meet the one-year residency requirement for a license. Ron has thoughts of VU7.

Karl Renz, K4YT, who is a technician in the U.S. Foreign Service, awaits his next traveling orders. He will be making over a dozen stops in various African countries this fall, and might leave as early as next month. This time he will make the same swing as in 1978, for those who care to check their logs from that year.

W4FRU mentions that he is QSL manager for all recent W4LZZ operations in Africa, including TYA11 in June, 5T5ZZ, and 3X1Z.

We note with sadness the passing of David H. Houghton, who served the ARRL for fifty four years as QST Circulation Manager and later as treasurer of the League. He was laid to rest Aug 25. Mr. Houghton was not a ham, ever, in all those years.

W4MGN did, after all, finish his African tour as C5ACC, Gambia, despite the government's overthrow there (TDXB 102). The president is trying to regain his

control of things at this time. \*\*\*

FRØFLO is not talking about his rumored trip to Juan de Nova, either on the air or through the mails. Keep watching for the end of this month or first of Sep (TDXB 104).

Don't miss the September issue of QST; besides an Op News column on "DXCC Integrity" and a good How's DX section, the editorial by Assistant General Manager Sumner, K1ZZ, is crucial. It concerns RFI and the FCC's attempts to lay the blame on us...guilty until proven innocent, as it were. Page 58 of the same issue has more details, including suggestions as to what individuals can do to help. Deadline for comments is Sept 30.

Another Sep 30 deadline is for the QST annual listing of DXCC members; get your latest cards into Newington for credit before that date.

It was mentioned that Gus Browning, W4BPD, will attend the DXPO 81 in Atlanta next month. Obviously, Gus has not met his schedule to leave on a long, 'round the world cruise and expedition. He had been talking about a July departure date and now is saying November.

Several A6 stations from the U.A.E. have been appearing again, but none count for DXCC until something changes within the country's licensing structure.

Look for a new prifix for Belize, now VP1, on or about Sep 21, their independence day.

Do you read the "Correspondence" in QST? S9VCT suggested to the pileup on 20 CW the evening of Aug 25 that they do, just before he gave up in disgust. He was referring to page 61 of Aug QST, titled "DX Rag."

One or two of you might be interested in knowing that the editor of this publication served as an air traffic controller (high altitude, Indianapolis Center) 1970-1973. Maybe that's how I learned to love pileups!

\*\*\*The president of Gambia.



TIPS

XZ5A list M-F, 1030Z,  
14225. XZ5A shows 1130Z.  
XZ5A also 14225 @ 1400

XZ9A 14030 1200 22  
JT0WA 21010 0300 23  
UJ8JAL 21035 1245 23  
5T5ZZ 14210 1000 18  
ZK1CV 14215 1000 18  
9V1UY 14002 2215 18  
G3MUV/CE0 14205 0200 19  
3D2BC 14225 1000 19  
VQ9PD 14213 1030 19

9V1UZ 14203 1100 19  
A35RX 14230 1000 20  
FO0FB 14215 1000 20  
HS5AID 14025 1100 21  
T30DB 14220 0930 22  
KX6OR 14215 1100 22  
DK6NJ/ST2 21020 2300 22  
S9VCT 21025 0100 23  
3D2DB 14206 0900 23  
4S7RM 14010 1100 23

VQ9QA 14030 1100 23  
EL2AT 14250 0900 20  
EA8YA 14005 0900 20  
A35RX 14230 0900 20  
ZD8TC 28020 2000 20  
J87RS 28610 2100 20  
OH0DX 21015 1600 22  
J87WW 14015 1100 25  
DF9FM/ST3 28020 2200 25  
S9VCT 14015 0000 26

9V1UQ 14220 1100 26  
S9VCT 28015 1700 25  
5N2CRR 14201 0200 23  
A22YV 14025 2000 19  
UI8ACG 14025 2000 19  
HS5AID 14025 2200 19  
DK6NJ/ST2 21022 2300 19  
HZ1AB 21305 1615 17  
EA8AK 21015 1600 17  
AP2HB 14225 1800 17

ZB2GW 14236 1800 17  
EA9GK 21020 2100 17  
A6GWH 21312 0000 18  
HM1AB 14212 1500 18  
VU2BBJ 14260 1200 19  
OY5NS 14215 0800 16  
KH6LW/KH7 14220 1100 17  
9M2MW 14205 1130 19  
VQ9TD 14212 1100 19

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FM0EOM 14210 1200 19  
HM1AQ 21025 0100 17  
9M2LN 14040 1100 17

VU2KM 14025 1100 17  
OE8AJK/YK 21280 2000 17  
3B8DZ 14015 0300 18  
VK9ZG 14220 1200 18  
9V1UY 14008 1000 19  
A22YV 14030 1400 19  
HZ1AB 7011 0100 21  
A22YV 7002 0400 21  
UM8NAP 14012 0100 19

9Q5SL 21020 2200 21  
CN8BJ 14211 0100 19  
H44DX 14204 1200 20  
FR0FLO 14220 1300 20  
8Q7AZ 14215 1200 13  
OH1TD/4U 21270 0000 22  
DU1CPL 21280 1700 16  
7Q7LW 21290 2100 17  
HL9FR 14210 1200 20  
VS6CT 14345 1000 20

FO0FB 14215 1000 20  
VE1AWS/1 14015 0100 21  
FB8YH 14020 1000 20  
UA1OCT 14030 0300 21  
(F.J.L.)  
VK9ZG 14220 1200 18  
FK8CE 14020 1200 21  
AP2SQ 14220 1200 21  
A22ZM 21290 1900 18  
7X2LS 21290 2000 18

7Q7LW 21350 2000 19  
KH6LW/KH7 21344 0000 20  
AP2MQ 21300 1800 19  
UK1PGO 14203 1750 20  
(F.J.L.)

A7XD 21280 1900 20  
C5AR 21295 2000 20  
P29BS 14265 0600 18  
TF3YH 21020 0100 21  
CR9JA 21290 1900 13

OD5RZ 21300 2000 13  
D4CBC 21265 1900 18  
JW7XB 14035 1800 16  
8Q7AV 21295 1800 16  
EA9JV 21290 0000 18  
TR8IG 21010 2200 16  
CE0AE 28030 2300 16  
PZ1AR 28545 0000 21  
HF0POL 21015 1900 16

TIPS

UJ8JCL 7010 0000 22  
ZD8TC 7007 2300 15  
ZD8TC 1809 0100 16

DF4GV/HB0 7006 0100 16  
ZD8TC 3509 0000 16  
XT2AW 3503 0000 16  
4X4UH 7010 2300 16  
ZB2EO 7010 0000 17  
SV0AA 7002 0000 17  
KA3BUJ/8R1 7005 0100 19  
TL8CN 7003 0100 20  
J87WW 7008 2300 20

7X2MD 7001 0200 21  
HZ1AB 7010 0200 21  
9Q5L 21020 2100 21  
S79RD 21280 2200 21  
ZB2EO 3502 0200 22

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*Its that time of the year again and activity reports are starting to pour in. The issue after next we will have some sort of order to the Tips again, with more of them and back to reduced type size.*

PLEASE let us know what sort of order you would prefer...by time, by continent, by band, or by mode (cw/ssb).

*In order to maintain the fastest turn-around time, please mail your reports according to the following schedule, if you can:*

W1, 2, 3: mail no later than Saturday.

All others: mail no later than Friday.



# CALENDAR

# CONTRIBUTORS

Montserrat	VP2MMR	Now to Aug 30; I 104
Midway	NH6D/KH4	Now to ??? I 105
Sable	VE1AWS/1	Now to Sep 8 I 105
Grand Cayman	ZF2DZ/FF	Aug 30-Sep 7; I 104
Juan de Nova	FR/J	Rumored early Sept I 103, 104, 105
Bangladesh	S21	Rumored early Sep by JA8MWU
Revilla Gidedo	XF4	Rumored Sep 1-10 by WD6DRM
Albania	ZA2HFM	Rumored Sep 5-12 I 105
Easter Is	CE0AA	By RC of Chile Sep 2-8 I 105
Crozet	FB8WG	Rumored to start mid-Sept I 105
Togo	5V	Sep 11 by DJ6SI I 104, 105
Wallis	FW0	Sep 11-18 I 105
Contest	WAE	Phone Sep 12-13
W9DXCC	Chicago	Sep 12 I 102, flyer I 104
Convention	DXPO 81	Sep 19-20 Atlanta I 103- 104
Juan Fernandez	CE0Z	Mid Sept by SV0BV I 105
Jersey	GJ5	Sep 19-25 by Germans
Belize	VP1	Prefix change Sep 21
Deadline	DXCC	Annual list...Sep 30 I 105
San Felix	CE0X	Early Oct by SV0BV I 103, 104, 105
Laccadives	VU7	Rumored Oct I 105
Convention	Houston	Oct 2-4 I 103
Bermuda	W3OGY/VP9	Oct 5-12
Luxembourg	DA1WA/LX	Oct 24-25 I 102

KH6BZF, K5CSG, KA3R,  
K6LPL, KA1KD, N8BKB,  
KB4BU, K6IR, XE1NI,  
K1RM, K9MM, AJ3H, W5DV,  
K0PCG, W2HAZ, WA4YZF,  
WB8ZRL, WB0OQV, K8IP,  
WD5AAM, W3ODJ, K3MRT,  
KK5I, W0UQD, W9QWM,  
WB6ZUC, W7YF, KE1F,  
VE1BNN, WD4RAF, N1AKX,  
W8UVZ, WA2SON, W4FRU,  
W1VV, K4YT, WD8CRY,  
OZ1BHQ, W4VQ, W0BW,  
DJ9ZB, KC4ST, NH6D,  
WB2IZN, K1TGX, WA1CCR.

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Please let us know how  
you feel about the TIPS  
(Bandpass) section...  
how you want it ordered.

## PROPAGATION

August date	Flux (1980)	Flux (1981)	Alpha (1981)	K (1981)
1	128	176	21	3
2	128	174	12	4
3	129	153	17	3
4	127	181	14	3
5	129	174	13	2
6	146	170	16	1
7	139	168	10	2
8	142	174	4	2
9	155	145	8	2
10	169	177	21	4
11	179	199	14	4
12	185	198	10	3
13	190	203	8	2
14	192	203	9	3
15	187	219	7	2
16	191	219	10	2
17	200	223	20	3
18	211	--	-	-
19	197			
20	189			

## EDITORIAL

ARRL's DXAC is pondering the proposed tightening of the CW mode DXCC award... some are wanting to require 2-way QSOs for credit to be given. Nothing may happen but the Board of Directors meets next month and talk is that some on that august body are hot for change and may force the issue.

It is strange that today voices are calling for encouragement of cw in much the same way that others hoped to foster voice operation thirty years ago. Remember "listen for my 'phone"? In light of what the bands sound like these days, and keeping in mind that everyone is free to choose their mode, is it legitimate to push one mode over another?

An argument can be made that asking another station to work 2-way cw might get the operator to dust off his key and then keep using it. But does it take a special award requirement to encourage such?