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PROPAGATION: Jun 6, High/Low Normal; Jun 7, 8, Below Normal; Jun 9, 10, Below Normal; Jun 11, High/Low Normal; Jun 12, High Normal; Jun 13, Below Normal; Jun 14, Low Normal; Jun 15, High Normal. TNX N4XX.

Flux (81)	Flux (82)	Date	Flux (83)	Alpha (83)	K (83)
173	142	5/25	135	14	2
169	154	5/26	129	9	4
172	171	5/27	127	15	3
177	171	5/28	130	9	2
166	170	5/29	135	7	1
164	139	5/30	130	7	3
195	152	5/31	134	18	2

**TDXB COUNTRIES-NEEDED SURVEY SHEETS:** Please write or phone if you received a blank Survey sheet (ref Issue 192). When you fill out your sheet, don't forget to indicate in the circle on the BACK how many spaces you marked (ref. Issue 191). Some of you who received blank sheets have been very resourceful...you can talk to a local friend and get the "key" from him or her, for example. One person simple filled in space #1 and wrote ZA next to it. And a few have written the prefixes they need in the center and suggested we fill in the proper blanks for them (which is okay as long as there aren't too many).

**TUVALU:** Ian Anderson, J87BD (also GM4JAM, ZD9BT, and VP8CZ) left May 31 for Fanafuti and will be active with a T2 callsign shortly. He has a low-power rig to get by with until his big rig arrives in about three months.

**BV2B** showed Wed, Jun 1, for the usual 14225 operation at 1500Z, but only worked West Coast despite an opening to the Suffering East. He has promised next week (Jun 8) to show first on CW, 14040, then move to SSB, and concentrate on the East and Midwest.

**Al, FB8ZQ,** is currently using an 80-Meter centered, as his beam is broken and on the ground. He's been trying 160 Meters, 1810, at 0200Z (his sunrise) and he also listens on 80.

**SOUTH SHETLANDS:** 4K1F will be switching to a new callsign, 4K1GDW soon. Same location. It's now winter down there and Serge will be very active on the Low Bands for a while.

**OH2BH** reports more activity on tap from the Aland Islands...OH6CT, OH6LK, OH7JR, and OH7JT

(average age 18) will operate Jun 10-19, including the All Asia Contest Phone. They'll probably sign OH0W, QSL manager OH2BH.

3505	7005	14030	21030	28030
3795	7095	14225	21300	28525

**MALPELO:** Radio Club of Colombia is now, under direction of leader HK3TF, recruiting fifteen Colombians for the October Malpelo effort. No need to apply unless you're a Colombian and member of the club (LCRA).

**KANSAS CITY DX CLUB** estimates that over 500 DXers visited their hospitality suite at the Dayton Hamvention each evening it was open for business. For the first time, they awarded door prizes. Top scorers in the CW pileup copying contest were W3LPL/K1KI (tie), K5ZD/K9BG (tie), W9KNI, K1VR/K8MFO (tie), W9WI, KC8C, W1WEF/W1REG (tie), N4DW/W3GG (tie), W4WJ.

**INDONESIA:** our correspondent in Jakarta reports that two thousand prospective "YD" licensees showed up to take their exams on a recent weekend. Some greasing of palms is part of the ritual, especially where the CW test is concerned, so a great explosion of Code activity from Indonesia is not to be expected soon.

**DID IT OCCUR TO ANYONE** other than us that the mysterious Morse Code message which reported that the Spratly survivors had been picked up by a "Soviet submarine" might have been a smokescreen put up by the Vietnamese on Amboyna Cay? And how is it that the heavily-armed Vietnamese were unable to blow an unarmed, helpless dinghy out of the water? Some South China Sea sailors are also wondering how the dinghy managed to drift 220 km against both wind and currents.

**LIBERIA:** special callsigns A81LC, A82LC, A85LC, A87LC, A88LC, and A89LC are on now to Dec 31, to "draw attention to the plight of the Ganta Leprosy Colony." QSL manager for these callsigns is Bob Johansson, SM4CWY, PO Box 134, S67101, Arvika, Sweden.

**ST KITTS** operation Jun 17 to Jul 4 will be by K8EFS, N8AKY, WB8BKC, and KA8LDO; they'll pick up their callsigns upon arrival and operate 160-10 Meters. Also in store is some 6 Meter work, with a 50.110 CW beacon running 24 hours a day. QSL all to K8EFS.

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BALDUR, DJ6SI, sent a tape recording regarding the Spratly attempt for playing at a recent club meeting in Danbury Connecticut. Our spies report that the tape was in German, and translation was sketchy, but no information was revealed which has not already been carried here.

DXCC HONOR ROLL deadline is June 30 for your QSLs to be in Newington. Although the ARRL Communications Department expects to be hooked up to the League's computer in the future (the computer is now mostly for circulation data), it will be ages and ages before DXCC records can be entered. Millions of keystrokes will be required. When that day comes, we expect ARRL will be able to provide all sorts of juicy data and breakdowns on DXCC.

ZF2FR was pirated on Feb 20, 1983, says licensee KJ8G, who hasn't signed the call since September 1982. For those needing XULAA cards, try John Van Lear, Box 2453, Melbourne FL 32901. A route for XW8AS is Clay Sherrod, 1475 Woodberry Av, San Mateo CA 94403. A 1978 contact with "HS3DR" would not fit... Don Riebhoff held that call in the late 60's but Thailand was on the FCC "Banned Countries" no-no list at the time. KM9J is looking for a W1ARF/KS4 QSL (68). And TA2E cards can reportedly be had from VE3ABG. Does anybody know the story on KM5D/1C1 (4/17/83)? Your editor got his VK0CW card (via N2DT) today.

On a related topic, someone noted that U.S. one-dollar bills are now the Coin of the DX Realm...the reasons are obvious if you've bought IRC's at the post office lately. While U.S. currency is difficult to obtain in many countries, you still can't go wrong by using it, as the bills simply keep circulating among DXers. A good practice is to just NEVER mention amateur radio on envelopes going to other countries.

N5UR (Buzz Jehle, 31 Park Place, Darien CT 06820) will be in England the next couple of years and wants to close out the following logs: W8TFJ/YV6 ('74), ZF1RE ('76), VP1AJ ('77), VP2LGR ('78), and VP1UR, V3AUR, V3UR, VP5BJX, N5UR/VP9 (all '79 on).

DELETION of SPRATLY information has been sent to ARRL DX Advisory Committee members for their consideration. A four-month waiting period is normally called for, followed by official announcement in QST (if deletion is recommended and OKayed). It is unlikely that any such deletion would become effective before the end-of-December Honor Roll deadline.

MORE information on Kampuchea is filtering in (TDXB 192), concerning JA efforts to get a station set up. This could likely become a situation similar to the activity out of Burma's Karen State, as the amateur station would be set up in an area over which the government in Phnom Penh has little, if any, control. Son Sen may be "Prime Minister" of his area but Pol Pot's in control in the capital.

FINALLY, we have thought long and hard about this next item and whether to publish it. We think it is time to let the cat out of the bag regarding How to Work China. Recent visitors to Peking have seen a bulletin board covered with requests from around the world for radio schedules with BY1PK. These requests are being honored whenever possible and have resulted in at least 50 percent of the North American contacts with BY1PK. The schedules are conducted in such a way, i.e., very wide splits in frequency, so that casual listeners have great difficulty figuring out what's going on. The schedules amount to a "list operation by mail." If too many people write for schedules, the whole system will collapse under its own weight, and if nobody writes the Chinese will probably think nobody loves them.

If you'd like to get in on this action without writing, try listening for BY1PK 0000-0200Z, 1530Z, and 0700Z, in the area of 14.010. Listen for people calling them around 14.040-14.050...they likely won't be calling BY1PK, but rather just dending "DE (callsign) K."



(l-r) SM0AGD, W4VQ, SM3CXS  
Orlando, 5/83



ZP5XDW (N4PW), at W4VQ 3/83  
What?  
A microphone in W4VQ's shack!?



BANDPASS: Call/Frequency/UTC (plus West, Central, East Coast report)/Date

May 21: Flux 146  
Prediction: Low Norm

TR8DR 7003 01C 21  
TR8DX 21310 23C 21  
UK1PGO 14220 16C 21  
(F.J.L.)  
ZK9WCY 21295 23C 21  
(Niue)  
ZL3PA/C 14219 08E 21  
5N8ARY 14201 22E 21  
6W8DS 14222 06E 21  
9J2BO 14202 12C 21  
9U5JM 21290 21C 21  
9V1VP 21295 17C 21

May 22: Flux 148  
Prediction: Low Norm

FB8ZQ 14029 11C 22  
FGØEQC/  
FS7 14023 13C 22  
OX5RM 14027 21E 22  
P29BR 14039 12E 22  
TR8JLD 21046 20E 22  
UI8OK 14027 01E 22  
VE8DH 14157 19C 22  
VK9NS 14029 12C 22  
VU2DER 14024 01E 22  
YBØAFA 14027 12E 22  
ZB2J 21255 19E 22  
ZD7CW 28567 17E 22  
ZD8RB 28621 14E 22  
ZK2RS 14310 03C 22  
Z21GJ 28525 15E 22  
3D2CJ 14008 12E 22  
5T5RY 14198 23W 22  
9J2LG 28617 17E 22  
7X2KEM 21264 18E 22

May 23: Flux 140  
Prediction: Low Norm

CEØZAD 21346 23C 23  
CT3DJ 14030 01W 23  
FB8WI 14018 12C 23  
FB8ZQ 14018 12C 23  
FRØFLO 14199 11C 23  
DALWA/  
HBØ 14023 19C 23  
HD8GI 21346 23C 23  
KX6QC 14024 12E 23  
OY2J 14024 22E 23  
P29CB 14208 12C 23  
T3ØDB 14310 03C 23  
ZK1CG 14310 03C 23  
3D2CJ 14010 12E 23  
4S7WP 14031 02W 23

May 24: Slux 137  
Prediction: High Norm

CT3DJ 21032 21E 24  
DULAU 14183 02W 24  
EA9GK 14024 01C 24  
H44IA 14183 12C 24  
J6LOV 50130 23E 24  
J88AQ 21308 19C 24  
VS5HG 14201 12E 24  
VS5HG 14212 14C 24  
YBØADW 14180 01W 24

YV4ABC 50115 22E 24  
ZC4BI 14023 21E 24  
3D2CJ 14028 12C 24  
LZ2EX/  
3X 21334 19C 24  
4S7WP 14039 01C 24  
4Z4UR 14202 04W 24  
5NØHAS 21024 19C 24  
6W8DS 14212 11E 24

May 25: Flux 135  
Prediction: High Norm

BV2A 14041 12C 25  
C21BD 14176 01W 25  
C6AEY 14190 11E 25  
EL2P 14022 01E 25  
JWØA 21021 22E 25  
J73RM 21033 22E 25  
KS6CQ 14308 04C 25  
OX3UD 14041 11E 25  
PY1EFW/  
PYØT 14217 23C 25  
TT8AD 21060 21C 25  
4K1F 21022 15C 25  
(S. Shets)  
VS5HG 14221 02W 25  
VU2DZ 14200 11E 25  
3B8FE 14032 11E 25  
3D2CJ 14012 11E 25

May 26: Flux 129  
Prediction: Low Norm

CT2AK 14213 03W 26  
EA8ZS 14014 01E 26  
JY3ZH 14227 03E 26  
J5HTL 14182 23E 26  
J6LT 14210 03E 26  
OX5AR 14197 05W 26  
TL8ER 21045 22E 26  
VK9NS 7006 11C 26  
VS5GA 14215 14W 26  
YB5ASO 14025 12C 26  
ZS5WX 14235 14W 26  
ZS5ET 14211 14W 26  
3B8CF 7006 02C 26  
3D2DB 14151 11E 26  
4S7WP 14040 01E 26

May 27: Flux 127  
Prediction: Low Norm

BY8AA 21049 01C 27  
C21BD 14177 11E 27  
C53DF 14265 06W 27  
NØZO/  
DU2 14027 04C 27  
D44BC 14215 06W 27  
EL2ED 14207 01W 27  
H44SH 14203 13C 27  
KC6HA 14310 04W 27  
KX6OD 14200 11E 27  
P29SO 14152 11E 27  
TF3JO 21005 13E 27  
TR8DC 21011 19C 27  
UI8ADQ 14038 01E 27  
4K1F 21026 17E 27  
VP8ANT 21012 16E 27  
ZK1CX 14265 06W 27  
4X6DX 14195 01W 27

5N3RTF 14265 06W 27

May 28: Flux 130  
Prediction: High Norm

Z4XJO 14011 00E 28  
N1BTP/  
WHØ 14030 12E 28  
ZD7BW 28483 12E 28  
3D2ER 14310 05C 28  
W6YB/  
3D6 14040 12E 28  
7P8CT 28489 14E 28

May 29: Flux 135  
Prediction: High Norm

A4XGY 14238 00E 29  
A4XJO 21034 13C 29  
A6XJD 21330 23E 29  
EL2AL 28582 18E 29  
HZ1HZ 21030 14C 29  
AH2AN 14190 12E 29  
N1BTP/  
WHØ 14028 12C 29  
KG6DX 21030 14C 29  
TT8AD 21015 00E 29  
T3ØDB 14310 04C 29  
ZK2RS 14310 05C 29  
5N2LED 14188 01E 29  
5Z4MX 21036 13C 29  
5Z4RL 28700 19E 29  
6W8DS 28597 16E 29  
7P8CM 28549 16E 29  
9J2BH 28589 18E 29  
9V1TL 21030 14C 29  
9V1VP 21289 15E 29

May 30: Flux 130  
Prediction: High Norm

BY1PK 14041 07E 30  
(That's right:  
0700Z East)  
FB8WH 14028 12E 30  
TG9NT 28520 19E 30  
VS5HG 14208 12E 30  
5Z4CQ 21277 20E 30

May 31: Flux 134  
Prediction: Below Norm

A71AD 21285 18E 31  
C6AEY 14243 00E 31  
VU2GI 21308 18E 31  
ZP5MJO 21311 18E 31  
3V8PS 21317 21E 31  
5Z4DA 21275 20E 31

June 1: Flux n/a  
Prediction: High/Low

EA9KQ 14005 00E 1  
BV2B 14227 15W 1  
PZ1AP 7006 09E 1  
UK1PGO 14227 15E 1  
UI8LBA 14036 01E 1  
UL7FD 14033 01E 1  
VR6TC 21350 01E 1  
ZL2BKM/C 7009 11E 1  
5T5RY 14180 02E 1

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TDXB; we are grateful  
for all information re-  
ceived. Several newer  
subscribers have been  
sending in copious  
quantities of Bandpass.  
The winner for May is  
a repeat performer:  
George Adkins, AD1S,  
who sent the clippings  
which resulted in last  
issue's Spratly wrap-up.

FROM ALASKA

AP2SQ 14197 01W 27  
A92P 14176 04W 26  
CT2EK 14194 20W 29  
C21BD 14227 16W 22  
EL2BE 14219 07W 21  
TO5RV/  
FC 14202 06W 21  
F9HR 10106 04W 27  
DALWA/  
HBØ 14208 01W 27  
KH6IJ 14161 02W 27  
LX1BW 14273 06W 21  
OX5RM 14272 20W 21  
KA4EIN/  
TI4 21345 02W 1  
VK9NS 14309 15W 22  
VK9XI 14204 15W 23  
VR6TC 21350 02W 1



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MELPELO October! I 188, 193

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 EL2BA, ABØX, OH2BH, W8UVZ,  
 N4FJL, KB8BJ, KB8KW, XE1NI,  
 K1XM, KJ9N, WØJRN, K4BAI, W1GG,  
 AB8K, W7HRD, WD5AAM, KB1BE,  
 WB8ZKR, N5EYF, NN4R, W8MFB,  
 W9DH, K8UNV, WB8ZRL, W1TN,  
 K2OLG, K6IR, K2UFM, WØBW.

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