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HOT NEWS? CALL THE DX BULLETIN: 203-871-6251; LEAVE A MESSAGE!

THIS ISSUE of The DX Bulletin is abbreviated due to illness.

PROPAGATION FORECAST: June 1, Above Normal; June 2,3,4, High Normal; June 5, Low Normal; June 6, High/Low Normal; June 7, Low/Below Normal; June 8, Low Normal; June 9, 10, 11, High Normal; June 12, Above/High Normal. TNX N4XX.

OSCAR PHASE 3 LAUNCH on Friday, May 23, failed. Lift-off took place with only seconds to spare before the "window" closed, and although all four engines started, one lost pressure. The vehicle could not be kept on course with only three of its four engines, and the range safety officer was forced to destroy the vehicle, which went down near Devil's Island, about 50 kilometers from the launch site at Korou, French Guiana. All the Oscar satellite telemetry was perfect at lift-off.

AMSAT officials estimate the loss at \$150,000 and about 30 person-years of work in the Phase 3 satellite. Between two and three years will be required to prepare another, a task which all concerned state will be accomplished. Some hardware and solar cells are already available for the next Oscar, plus the engineering has been completed.

MOUNT ST. HELENS VOLCANIC ERUPTION on Sunday, May 18, is believed responsible for abnormal static levels on all HF bands observed by West Coast amateurs following the event. Ash from the 18 May eruption reached the U.S. east coast on Friday, 23 May.

USA/CHINA DIPLOMATIC CONTACTS CONTINUE, including a recent visit to China by several Connecticut businesspersons. China has expressed interest in high-technology equipment from several Connecticut firms, and a Chinese engineering graduate student is expected at the University of Connecticut this fall. We hope to invite him to a local radio club meeting.

REF, W4MGN AFRICAN OPERATIONS (Issue 39, P. 2), N200 of the IDXF sends the following revision in schedule: June 20, 6W8; June 23, C5ACC; July 3, TU; July 10, TY9ER; July 14, 5V7; July 16, XT2AW; July 19, TZ; July 21, C5ACC; July 27, 6W8. QSL managers are the same as listed previously, and are for W4MGN operations only.

HEARD ISLAND UPDATE in a letter from Jim Smith, P29JS, indicates that permission to land should be possible if certain conditions are met, including observation of safety first, and no damage to the island's natural state. Negotiations are also underway for transportation to and from the island, a ten-day boat ride each way. A request has been made for a 14-day stay on Heard to ensure cleaning up the demand.

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BANDPASS: Call/Freq./UTC(Plus West, Central, East Coast Report)/Day of Month.

Low Bands

Africa

A22GV/14210/15C/17	FR7BP/14032/11E/20	ZD7HH/28577/19C/16	3B6CD/14242/14W/17
A22GV/14275/14W/18	FR7BE/14060/11E/25	ZD7SD/28590/19E/18	5N0MAS/28546/12E/20
CN2AQ/14041/04W/19	FR0FLO/21277/19E/16	ZD8TC/14026/22E/19	5V7GE/14212/00E/16
CT3AR/14220/08W/18	FR0FLO/21277/18C/21	ZD8MH/28540/12E/20	5Z4QS/21051/20C/18
CT3AB/21295/23E/22	S8AAW/14222/15W/18	ZE2JK/14211/14W/18	7X2AE/14201/01E/22
CSACL/28654/16E/18	TJ1AA/14238/05W/18	ZE2JS/14025/15W/17	7X2AE/14220/01C/19
D4CBC/14202/05E/18	TJ1AA/14218/05W/19	ZE6JC/28738/16E/17	7X2AE/14205/01E/23
EA9IB/21265/07E/18	TL8JM/14032/00C/16	ZS3LK/3/28592/16E/17	7X4AN/21016/21W/17
EC9AA/21027/03C/19	TN8MD/21333/20C/14	ZS3KC/28526/18E/18	8Q7AV/14235/12E/16
FH8CL/14220/04E/15	TR8CR/14220/07W/18	ZS3E/28514/19C/18	9J2KL/28029/12E/18
FR7ZN/14233/12C/18	TU2IN/28604/16C/17	ZS6DN/28025/17E/18	9X5LE/14031/04W/18
	XT2AU/14220/08W/18	3B6CD/14236/13C/14	

Asia

AP5HQ/14226/13E/15	HS1ABD/14030/11W/17	UI8LBA/21023/03E/22	YB0PG/21314/13C/18
AP5HQ/14222/01C/20	HS1ABD/21026/16E/17	UI8AEE/21272/02E/22	YB0AT/21030/14C/18
AP2MQ/21296/02E/23	HS1AMT/21306/20E/14	UJ8JAS/21032/01E/22	YB0ACL/21313/14C/18
A4XGY/14225/02C/16	HS1AMT/21308/16C/17	UL7MAR/21285/20C/18	YB0ACL/28583/14E/17
A4XIQ/21318/16C/17	JY9LG/14206/14W/17	UL7TA/21035/01E/23	4S7DA/14235/12E/16
A4XVK/21037/14W/19	JY3ZH/14222/02E/23	UK8MAA/14218/12W/20	4S7EC/14029/12W/17
A51PN/21308/16C/17	OD5MR/28608/16E/18	UM8MBA/21024/03E/22	4S7CF/14213/12C/18
A7XE/21024/20E/16	TA2HIA/14014/03C/16	VS5TX/14210/15C/17	4S7DJ/21293/19E/14
BV2A/21030/14C/18	TA1MD/14209/01C/19	VS5RP/14006/15W/19	N3JT/
DU1AC/14022/15W/15	TA1MD/14209/01C/19	VS6DX/14344/12C/17	4X/14203/01C/18
WD4KMD/	UA0QCJ/14043/16W/16	VS6EG/21320/16C/17	4X4BO/21340/00W/19
DU2/14024/16W/21	UA0JDC/14018/15W/19	VU2CRM/14210/02E/17	4X4XW/21310/01C/21
K5FSS/	UA0DP/28046/21W/16	VU2BK/21050/02E/18	9N1MM/21325/02E/22
DU2/21285/14C/18	UD6DFD/14212/01E/17	VU2CK/21293/02E/22	9N1MM/21026/03E/22
EP2TY/21294/01C/19	UD6DMC/14008/04E/19	VU2MKS/28510/18C/17	9K2DJ/14236/03E/18
EP2TY/21316/23E/21	UD6DLJ/21011/11E/18	VU2MKS/28540/20E/17	9K2DR/21270/03E/22
HL9TH/14299/12C/17	UG6AI/14249/03C/22	YK1AA/14225/22C/17	9K2DR/28011/16E/17
HM1KN/21319/16C/17	UG6JJ/21295/02E/23	OE3REB/	9M2FR/14026/12W/17
HL9UG/21405/14C/18	UH8HBR/21007/03C/19	YK/14240/23E/22	9V1UD/14034/14W/13
	UI8GAF/21312/03W/17	YC2BLI/21375/14C/18	

Europe

CT2CJ/14221/02W/17	PA3ADJ/	OH20T/	UK1PGO/14065/01W/17
CT2CE/21338/23C/18	LX/14029/03W/18	OH0/21030/03E/22	(F.J.L.)
CT2DE/28508/21C/16	PA3ABA/	OJ0RA/21014/19W/18	UA2EC/21015/17C/17
ON6TW/	LX/21030/11E/18	OY1R/14012/07W/16	UC2AFA/14200/03W/17
C31/14026/03W/15	PA0INE/	OX3BA/14240/03E/15	UK2BBB/21351/19W/19
GD5UG/21338/03E/18	LX/21028/17E/18	SV1NL/14249/01C/19	UK2RDX/14231/13W/20
GD2HCX/21318/17W/18	M1C/14026/00C/19	SV1GR/14062/03E/19	UO5ODB/14035/01C/21
GD2HCX/21310/23E/18	M1C/14213/23C/20	SV0AU/21021/05W/16	ZB2BU/21299/17C/17
GJ2LU/21010/17C/17	M1C/21315/00E/17	SV0BC/21281/15C/17	ZC4MT/14234/15W/13
IS0IKR/21013/04E/16	M1C/21315/23E/18	SV0BC/21309/17E/18	ZC4MT/21310/04C/18
IS0XYB/28007/17E/18	OH4PU/21055/15W/15	SV0AW/21354/21E/18	3A8Z/14008/03W/19
	OH20T/	SV0AW/21355/00W/19	9H4Q/21289/21C/16
	OH0/14021/00E/23		9H1EL/21012/19C/19

Oceania

C21BS/14218/11E/17	H44CF/14233/12C/18	KC6RM/14280/11E/18	T2XYL/14220/08W/18
C21BS/14279/07E/22	H44AJ/14344/10E/18	N4ADJ/	T3LA/14202/03W/17
C21BS/21345/01E/22	H44WH/14279/06E/22	KH2/14028/09E/18	T3LA/21272/16C/17
	KC6BS/14223/13C/18	KG6JFO/21027/02W/13	T3LA/28578/00E/18

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T3LA/28565/02E/22	VK9NV/14008/11E/21	3D2BM/14210/13C/17
VK9CCT/14210/13W/22	VK9NNW/28522/02C/18	3D2ER/14211/07E/18
(Cocos)	VR6TC/21350/01C/21	
VK9NV/14011/11E/20	ZL1AYO/28016/22W/16	
Elsewhere	FY7BF/14005/09E/25	TI2PI/28057/16E/17
CP7GM/21007/00W/22	HH2VP/14036/02E/20	VP2MH/14245/11E/22
CP1FF/28570/17W/19	KC4AAA/14222/13C/17	TI9CF/14208/05W/19
FG7BG/21013/02W/14	PZ1DR/14239/11E/18	XE1XF/28029/22W/16
FG7AS/21026/04E/16	TG9AL/28592/22C/17	TI9XXX/14205/01E/19
		YZ2AB/14005/22C/14
		TI9FAG/21253/21E/18
		8P6GG/14018/10E/25
		TI9CF/28595/19E/18
		8P6AW/28560/16W/17

NOTES...

Heinz, DJ8FS, who frequents 21075-080, 16-1800Z wants to sked WYO for WAS. Help?

KP2A appeared from 9N1MM on May 22 according to schedule. The info that he was there the first week of May was erroneous. QSLs to K2UQ.

WB9TTM handles TN8AJ cards only for when he handles a list; otherwise, DM2XLO.

FRØFLO has been on the Afirkanner Net (1800, 21355) regularly; Reunion Island.

ZS3LK/3 was operating at Walvis Bay and although he thinks Walvis should be granted DXCC country status it is unlikely. Further, little possibility exists for status for any of the "homelands" (S8, etc).

LA5KC/3X Republic of Guinea made about twenty contacts on 15 SSB recently, to test some commercial equipment he had installed. That was it and he is home in Norway now.

ZS2MI leaves Marion Island this week (about 10 June); look for him on 10 SSB 1400-1800 and on 14240 in the evenings, often as late as 0600.

K4YT, Karl Renz, is traveling in Asia and has been operating HSIAMT; additional stops expected are Maldives 8Q7, Pakistan AP, and India VU.

OE3REB/YK, is with the United Nations peacekeeping force in the Golan Heights; says he will be quite active for an indeterminate time, including CW.

Rasheed, YK1AA, has had TVI problems as well as antenna rotator difficulties; could use some help. He is often on lately at 2200 on 14225 with JY3ZH.

AB8L meets FK8CR Thurs. and Sunday at 0645Z on 14217, after which they move to General class band segments or down to 40/80 meters on request.

DL7FT, recently operating /CT3 Madeira Island, says he thinks he can renew his ZA2RPS Albania license and operate from there, but it will require two trips. One time into Albania to get the permission and make arrangements, another to actually operate. He needs money, too.

June 15 is the DEADLINE for filing comments with your ARRL director concerning the February/March DX Competition rules (*The DX Bulletin*, Issues 12 and 29).

QSLs from DK9KD for the recent Glorioso operations FRØACB and ACC/G are expected out about the first of July. ON6BC has started sending TZ4AQS cards. We still have no indication that any WA2FIJ/KH5K QSLs have been answered.

CALENDAR

W6AM Visitor's Day	8 June at Rancho Palos Verdes; Issue 38
Leichtenstein	DA1WA/HBØ, 24 May-1 June; Issue 38
Aland Islands	K5KG/OHØ, 13-20 June; Issue 39
Senegal	6W8 starts 20 June by W4MGN; Issues 39, 40
Gambia	C5ACC starts 23 June by W4MGN; Issues 39, 40
All Asia Contest	PHONE, 21-22 June
Ivory Coast	TU starts 3 July by W4MGN; Issues 39, 40
Dahomey	TY9ER by W4MGN, starts 10 July; Issues 39, 40
Guernsey	GU5AEG by DJ9NX, 18-30 July; next issue
National Convention	ARRL, 25-27 July, Seattle, Washington; details coming

PAST DX...

May, 1960 (from West Gulf DX Club Bulletin): OD5CT's operation on SSB from ST2AR, Sudan, postponed two weeks. OD5CT and W3ZA both operating from Iran. W2FZY reports that Danny Weil and YASME are awaiting permission to operate from an island called Bajo Nuevo, "(about 140 miles southwest of VP5) which they figure should count for new country." W5AZB turns over editor duties to W5KBU and W5GNG.

May, 1970 (from The DXers Magazine): Gus Browning leaves June 4 for Madagascar to find a boat to take him to Juan de Nova and the Geyser Reef. W4JUK worked BY1C and wonders if it is a real one. K1OTA says he will operate from 3A, C31, LX, 9H1, and 3V8 in July and August. OH2BH and friends list frequencies for their impending Market Reef operation, and Marti OH2BH says they are still working on an Albania operation starting 10 July; if they can't operate they hope to at least get into the country to scout around.

THANKS TO...

N200, WB9TTM, W1RBU, K1SA, W6HXW, K1HTV, KL7IWE, WB8ZRL, AG8B, W1NG, W7CNL, WBØØQV, P29JS, WB6APX, K6HHD, N4NW, WØJRN, JARL, WA2PHA, WØBW, W5CPI, N7NG, N6UW, WAØVKF, W5GAI, KØCS, WA7OBH, KB8KW, K4NV, W7QMU, VE2ANE, W7ULC, AA4EH, K8IP, KC4BR, AA4NC, K6IR, K5RC, WA4DAN, KP4EQF, K4JST, K5BLV, VE7APE, K6SX, WA4QMQ, N9KW, WD8KKF, K7AZG, W5ZPA, KV4FZ, KA1DTV.

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