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PROPAGATION FORECAST: Nov. 1, 2, Low Normal; Nov. 3, High/Low Normal; Nov. 4, 5, High Normal; Nov. 6, Low Normal; Nov. 7, Below Normal; Nov. 8, High/Low Normal; Nov. 9, High/Above Normal; Nov. 10, 11, High Normal; Nov. 12, Above Normal; Nov. 13, High/Low Normal; Nov. 14, Low Normal; Nov. 15, High/Low Normal. TNX N4XX.

UGANDA: Carl Henson, WB4ZNH, and Martha Henson, WN4FVU, were due back in the U.S. on Nov. 2 following their operations from 5X...they should have some interesting stories to tell. Word is that the elections there, slated for Dec. 10, may be postponed indefinitely due to internal strife caused by the invasion of thousands of Idi Amin's supporters. The invasions began early in October and have come from bases in neighboring Sudan ST2 and Zaire 9Q5. Amin is reportedly hiding in Saudi Arabia and is financially supporting the invaders. Tanzania (5H3) supplied troops which helped oust Amin last year, the troops remain in Uganda, and they may be used to repell the attempted invasion.

As we said, Carl and Martha may have some interesting stories to tell.

COCOS-KEELING... Alex, VK9CCT, appeared for apparently just one day on Oct. 22; as these pages have reported before, advance word of operations from C/K is not possible due to the nature of the circumstances in which operators get to the island (VK military missions). A letter recently from Ian Hunt, VK5QX, pinpoints some of the difficulties, which include amateur radio gear being packed at the very last minute with no assurance that there will be any time to use it. Alex still advises listening to 14195 in the 1000-1200Z time slot for him (VK5QX) for last minute word on these operations.

North American QSL manager for the VK9CCT operations is Bob Polhamus, WA9WWT, 703 N. Brentwood Lane, Muncie, IN 47304. All others should qSL to Ian Hunt, VK5QX, 8 Dexter Drive, Salisbury East, South Australia, 5109.

CQ WORLDWIDE PHONE CONTEST featured an extremely high MUF and rates of absorption; Ten Meters was probably the best band overall, with stations in the U.S. working over 130 countries there during the 48 hours. Meanwhile, the eastern U.S. was working Africa on Six Meters, California, Washington and Oregon were working Japan on 50 MHz, and we caught about twenty minutes of a W.C. Fields movie on TV channel 4 out of Florida (about 1500 miles!). During the contest, 40 Meter signals out of Europe were virtually the loudest ever heard on the U.S. East Coast, often approaching 40 dB over S9, but the Europeans had to contend with the high absorption and local signals there running 60 dB over.

KIJX operating at KIVTM and K7RI are the two highest single operator all-band scores heard so far, both potential new records. K7RI had a first hour of over 250 contacts into Japan!

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During the CQ Phone Contest (on Saturday Oct. 25) Connecticut had some strong winds: 60 MPH, which is a big blow around here. One of the locals lost his power but we haven't heard of any aerials downed. Watching the ICBM, with its marginal construction, toss and twist sent us to a recent issue of the W5YI REPORT (PO BOX 10101, Dallas TX 75207), for a blurb from Hy-Gain on antennas and winds. They say:

- 1) Best position is sideways to the wind; this allows the wind to see only the boom; the wind blows over the boom and creates a turbulence that has nothing to hit.
- Next best position is for the beam to point into or backwards to the wind; the more elements in line, the more turbulence resistance.
- 3) Worst position is cornerways into the wind; the wind sees the boom and all elements with turbulence hitting the elements.

Of course, with all the hills around here the problem is determining from which direction the wind is coming.

4S7KK by David Schoen, N2KK, was active in the CQ Contest, but not primarily on the Low Bands as he had planned. Locals worked him only on 20, 15, and 10 Meters. David is a professional free-lance photographer now on an extended world trip, and he worked up an itinerary just moments before leaving for Sri Lanka. It is:

8Q7BC Oct. 29 - Nov. 12; Sunset 1305Z, Sunrise 0111Z, QRV Longpath 13-1500Z, 3789

FRØCGP Nov. 16-24; Sunset 1440Z, Sunrise 0155Z; QRV L.P. 1430-1530Z and 01-02Z

J2ØKK Nov. 27 - Dec. 8, CQ WW CW 80 Meters; Sunrise 0330Z, Sunset 1449Z; QRV S.P. 0230-0330Z, 3799; QRV L.P. 1430-1600Z, 3789

4W??? (maybe) Dec. 8-15; Sunrise 0330Z, Sunset 1439Z;

ST2 Dec. 15-22; Sunrise 0430Z, Sunset 1530Z. QRV S.P. 0330-0430, 3799; QRV L.P. 1500-1630, 3789

STØ Dec. 22 - Jan. 15; Sunrise 0353Z, Sunset 1551Z. Q\$V 03-0400Z and 1530-1630Z.

OD5KK Jan. 15-Feb. 4; Sunrise 0436Z, Sunset 1436Z. QRV S.P. 0400-0445Z, 3799; QRV L.P. 1400-1600Z, 3789.

5B4KK Feb. 4-11; Sunrise 0439Z; Sunset, 1457Z. QRV 0400-0445Z, 3799Z.

There were no CW frequencies specified for these proposed operations.

K2UO, George Oliva, will operate from Lord Howe Island, probably as a VK3 /VK2, Nov. 14-18, with extensive CW on all bands, as follows: 3505, 7005, 14025, 21025, and 28025. Also phone on 7085, 14170, 14205, 21270, 21295, 28470, and 28525. Look for him on 40 and 89 around the local sunrise and sunset times of 1830Z and 0810Z. All this will follow George's operations from Melbourne Nov. 1-14. QSL to K2UO, 5 Windsor Drive, Eatontown, NJ 07724.

K200 is also TA12B's QSL manager and the suggestion regarding sending letters to Turkey is still to hold off for at least a little while more. While no word has been received concerning the recent TA4A operation by TA12B and others, it has been surmised that it took place from a remote spot rather than from any of the operators' homes. Much of Turkey is under martial law now.

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

Low Bands
CE6CFX/7010/03E/21
CM1HJ/7003/00E/21
D4CBC/3795/02E/22
EC8DP/7023/01E/23
EA9GT/7022/23E/17
FG7AU/1804/03E/17
FM7WQ/3800/10E/20
FG7AM/1807/02E/21
FG7AM/1806/02W/23
FOØDX/7090/09E/26
FRØFLO/3795/02E/25
GD4BEG/3512/04E/19
GJ5DPU/7010/01E/23
HH2PR/3790/01E/20
HI8JAG/3793/01E/20

H44SH/7075/09E/26 H44SH/3787/12E/26 ISØOMH/3504/02E/18 JF3FWJ/3508/11E/23 JAØCVV/7001/12E/23 J73D/1806/03W/23 J3AH/3790/02E/18 J73D/7004/11E/22 KC6YC/3804/14W/18 KC6ZR/7005/13W/18 KC6ZR/7203/11W/18 KC6ZR/7079/10E/26 KG4WM/3795/04E/20 N2KC/ KH4/7008/12E/19 KHØAC/7080/12E/26

KP2A/1805/03W/23 LX2BQ/7003/02E/22 OA4AWD/7005/01E/20 OH6JW/3789/14W/21 W6EUF/ OHØ/7005/03E/21 W6EUF/ OHØ/7016/04W/23 OX3CO/7004/01E/22 PJ2CC/1805/04W/18 PJ2CC/1807/04E/19 SM5AHK/7003/04W/23 T12PZ/3507/01E/18 T19CF/7085/07E/22 T15EWL/3797/11E/20

UK9UAO/7060/11E/26

UAØAG/7002/01E/17 UQ2GFM/7005/04W/23 UK2RDX/7006/04W/23 UI8ADN/7013/01E/17 VK6IR/3693/11E/26 VP1FB/3800/10E/20 VP2EEK/7015/02E/20 VP2VGF/7042/05W/19 VS6DO/7079/11E/26 5T5CJ/3785/07E/25 5W1CY/7004/05W/18 5W1CY/7003/11E/18 5W1DA/7054/11E/26 9G1KK/7012/22E/21

Africa CM8MC/28523/16W/19 CT3AB/21267/13C/19 CT3AF/21283/02E/22 C5ACA/21292/23C/18 C%ACL/28597/12C/20 D4CBC/21303/22E/18 D4CBC/28594/00C/18 EA8AT/21021/01C/19 EA8ZJ/21042/08E/20 EC9AC/21042/01W/22 EA9EO/28510/11C/20 EA9IE/28750/12C/21 EA9IE/28593/11C/22 EL2AV/14224/00W/24 EL2AM/14224/02C/24 EL2CA/28750/12C/20 ET3PG/14227/14C/18 FRØFLO/14215/13W/19

FRØFLO/28750/14C/19 FR7BE/28506/11C/22 K5LBU/ STØ/28750/12C/21 TJ1CK/28581/21C/21 TJ1CK/28573/00C/21 TL8JM/28042/22C/20 TR8JCV/14204/22C/22 TU2JJ/14202/04W/18 TU2JJ/14208/03W/24 TU2HW/28588/15C/20 TU2AA/28027/01E/25 VQ9TT/14251/14W/19 VQ9RS/21355/18C/20 VQ9RS/21355/14E/23 ZD7HH/21277/21C/21 ZD7AL/21267/21E/22 ZE2JS/14030/04E/21 ZS3JAM/14216/04C/18

3B8DB/14029/11C/22 3B8DB/14218/12C/23 3B8CF/21027/04C/18 3B8CF/21026/05W/20 3B8CF/21027/04E/23 3B8RS/28595/14E/24 3D6BP/21319/20E/23 5H3PA/28501/18E/23 5N2ØFAV/21296/22E/18 5N2ØRMJ/28505/13E/18 HB9AOX/ 5N6/28620/00E/18

5N6/28620/00E/18 5T5JD/28581/00C/20 5T5GW/28520/12E/23 5V7HL/14220/06W/17 5V7HL/21357/22C/19 5X5UA/14025/21C/23 6W8IA/21279/02E/22 6W8IH/28044/11C/20 6W8AR/28750/12C/20 6W8FZ/28587/21C/22 7X2BX/28553/13C/19 7X2BK/28537/12C/21 7X2HM/28590/19E/23 8Q7AV/14208/12C/19 8Q7AV/14214/12C/20 9G1KB/14204/00E/24 9G1RF/21330/21E/17 KA5HID/

9G1/28526/13E/23 9J2B0/28580/11C/20 9U5DS/21295/17E/22 9X5MH/21267/21C/18 9X5MH/21332/20C/19

Asia AP2MQ/14204/02C/20 AP2FI/14201/12E/24 AP2ZR/28750/12C/21 A4XIY/21291/20E/22 A4XIH/28544/17C/20 A&XM/14211/23C/17 A7XM/14237/14W/19 A&XM/14219/00C/24 A7XD/21284/19E/23 A7XD/28751/13E/23 A9XDB/28656/12C/20 KP4KK/

DU2/21026/23C/20 DU1POP/28560/00W/17 DU1POP/28560/01C/18 HL9TS/14023/11E/23 HM2JD/28600/01W/17 HMØU/28532/23E/19 HM1QD/28575/00E/19 HL9UB/28648/22C/19 HL9UB/28567/23W/20 HS1AMG/14205/15C/18 HS1AMI/14206/11E/21 HS5AID/14030/10E/24 HS1AMI/28570/00W/17 HS1AMI/28555/00C/21 HZ1HZ/14203/00W/18 HZ1AB/14225/13E/18 JD1BAH/28507/01W/17 JT1KAF/14013/12E/22 JT1AN/28573/01W/17 JT1KAI/28531/02W/17 JY5AR/28601/14C/20 JY1/28539/15E/21 TA4A/28522/14C/18 TA4A/28522/17W/18 TA4A/28030/16C/19

TA2TAT/28022/12C/20 UAØLBY/28536/01C/21 UD6DKW/14026/03E/25 UF6DZ/14221/03C/21 UF6FAG/14009/01E/22 UI8ZAC/28630/15E/18 UI8ZAC/28615/13C/21 UJ8BQ/14011/01C/20 UJ8SAD/28550/12E/20 UL7LBE/28583/14E/19 UL7TBC/28531/02W/17 RL7PCV/28542/12E/20 UM8NAP/21020/02C/16 UM8MDZ/28531/00C/18 VS5RP/28003/00C/19 VS6DD/28553/01W/17 VS6CT/28568/01W/17 VS6DD/28555/00C/19 VS6JR/28035/16E/19

VS6JR/28035/00C/20 VS6IC/28580/00C/21 VU2HI/14210/12C/18 VU2BBJ/14202/12C/18 VU2KV/14215/12C/20 VU2BK/14056/22C/21 VU2BK/21029/22C/19 VU2BK/21026/14C/22 VU2BK/28024/12C/20 VU2JPN/28549/12E/20 VU2BK/28025/12E/24 YC2BLI/14225/13C/19 YBØPG/14215/12C/20 YBØGF/28531/02W/17 YK 1AO / 14209 / 15C / 18 YK 1AA/14210/14W/18 YK 1AA/14203/14W/19

More...

More Asia	4S7KK/14206/01C/23	9K2EW/28547/13C/18	9M6BE/28586/00C/20
ZC4DY/28590/16E/18	4Z4WQ/28524/17W/18	9K2DR/28750/14C/19	9N 1MM/14215/12C/17
4S7CF/14212/12C/18	5B4HN/14201/03C/20	9K2EW/28540/15C/20	9N1MM/21044/03E/18
4S7EA/14201/01C/20	5B4HF/14216/00E/23	9K2DR/28750/12C/21	9N1MM/28531/02W/17
4S7EA/14212/12C/20	5B4JP/28003/14C/19	9M6BE/14226/14C/18	9V1UH/21345/03E/20
4S7CF/14203/12W/22	9K2EW/14225/03C/20	9M6BE/28579/00W/17	J 1011/ 21343/ 0311/ 20
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Europe	GJ5DPY/28530/18W/22	OX3CO/21346/00E/22	ZB2GH/14026/23C/23
C31PS/14025/23E/17	HV3SJ/28598/14C/19	OX3CO/28510/18E/19	ZB2EO/14014/23E/24
C3 IUN/28578/15E/18	HV3SJ/28597/17W/19	W6KG/	ZB2GH/28026/18C/23
C31MM/28595/20E/22	ISØVMB/28510/17W/18	SV9/14207/05W/18	3A2CX/21355/14E/23
EA6BH/14039/08W/21	M1C/21315/10E/20	SVØAM/14245/05W/19	4U1ITU/21291/20W/22
EA6DW/14233/12E/21	W6EUF/	SVØAT/21024/20C/18	9H3JAM/14017/02E/19
EA6DI/14017/22E/24	OHØ/21295/17W/18	SVØAA/28025/15E/19	9H4B/14202/00E/23
EA6DE/28544/17W/18	W6EUF/	SVØBC/28600/11E/20	9H1FN/21355/14E/23
EA6DE/28543/19C/18	OHØ/21295/15W/22	TF3YH/21300/12C/18	9H4L/28582/17C/19
GJ2LU/28027/15E/19	OX3CO/14209/04E/20	TF3SA/28025/12E/20	JH4H/20302/17C/19
	,	20011, 20013, 121, 20	
Oceania	KG6JJH/14033/12C/22	T2AAE/14024/05C/18	ZK1BD/21038/06E/21
C21BS/28565/01W/17	AH2E/28512/00C/19	T2AAE/14024/05C/19	ZK1CE/28560/23C/18
FK8CP/14208/12E/18	K4II/	T2AAC/21025/02W/17	ZK1CE/28559/00C/19
FK8DD/21026/05C/21	NH6/21025/03C/20	T2AAE/21026/02W/20	3D2ER/21306/22W/19
FK8CE/21027/02E/25	AH8A/21355/14E/23	T2AAD/21024/01E/24	3D2ER/21037/03C/19
FO8DP/14227/05C/18	KC6ZR/28552/22W/17	T@AAE/28025/23E/19	5W1CY/14025/04C/18
FO8HA/14031/05C/22	KC6YC/28593/01W/18	TsAAE/28016/02C/21	5W1CY/21037/04E/19
H44PD/28507/00C/21	KC6PM/28613/02W/20	T2AAD/28024/01C/23	3102/2103//042/19
H44HB/28505/02C/23	P29NRL/28532/00E/22	VK9CCT/14225/12E/22	
Elsewhere	HKØBKX/14195/12C/18	TI9CF/21293/00C/21	W3OGY/
CE9AH/21337/02C/18	HKØFBF/21355/19C/17	VP2AJ/14032/01E/21	VP9/28030/15E/24
CE9AH/21315/01C/20	HKØBKX/21080/00C/20	VP2AJ/14032/03C/22	ZF1DA/14210/02E/24
CE9AH/21345/00E/22	HKØBKX/21023/19C/23	VP2EEK/14026/03E/25	ZP5PX/21047/02E/25
CE9AH/21345/03C/23	J73D/14004/10E/19	VP2MZ/28586/17E/23	4K1F/14012/08E/23
CE9AH/21345/02C/24	J73D/14025/01C/21	VP2SAV/14201/02E/24	4U35UN/14028/12C/24
CO5DM/14037/02E/23	J73B/14203/11E/21	VP2VDH/14025/01E/25	4U IUN/28029/13E/22
CX7AF/21008/02C/22	J3AJ/28555/17E/16	VP5B/14203/03C/22	8P6JQ/28527/00E/24
C6ADV/14204/03C/20	J73PP/28502/23E/23	VP5B/21270/01C/23	8R1K/14020/01E/21
FG7AS/28511/20C/19	J73PP/28502/00E/24	VP5RIT/28670/14C/20	8R1K/21293/00C/24
FP8HL/28033/19E/19	KG4AH/14016/05E/19	VP8AI/28010/21E/18	8R1J/28015/20C/19
FY7BC/28506/21C/18	KC4AAC/14227/03E/23	VP8QG/28515/22E/19	8R1RBF/28505/15C/20
HC8GI/21344/02E/18	LU3ZY/14213/11C/18	VP8PP/28537/22E/19	
HC8GI/21345/03E/20	LU3ZY/14210/10C/21	K2TO/	
HH2MC/14208/04C/22	LU3ZY/14210/09C/23	VP9/28538/21E/18	

Mail BANDPASS on Fridays; phone hotline anytime. THANKS!

South Africa has banned Pink Floyd's latest album The Wall; rebelling students there adopted as their slogan the lines "We don't need no education, we don't need no thought control." Interestingly, at the same time S.A. finally removed the D.H. Lawrence classic Lady Chatterly's Lover from the no-no column.

A reader has suggested we use TDXB as a clearing-house for top contest scores immediately after major DX contest weekends; big guns could call the Hotline here and we could publish the tentative big scores more quickly than anywhere else. Comments?

Some OLD FRIENDS have reappeared on the bands lately: 9N1MM is one. Father Moran has been worked on 10, 15, and 20 Meters. A fine article about him by WIQMS is in the November issue of 73 Magazine.

ET3PC has also reappeared and best time to find the station is 14210+ at 1400Z.

T12CF made another one-day stand from Cocos Is. as TI9CF on Oct. 21.

LU3ZY on South Sandwich has been on 14210 at 0900Z with a list opn. by LU3AJW.

The Geoff Watts newsletter says try a LU3ZY QSL to W6RKP but we can't comment.

YASME travelers W6KG and W6QL finished up on Crete Oct. 27 and are now /SV5 Rhodes.

CR9B Macao by Bill Hatcher, KP4KK, not heard here yet; was due there before the CQ WW.

N4HX is reportedly in Benin and hopes to be signing /TY shortly.

G3JKI/5A is scheduled to be active until Nov. 10, working from lists by F6CYL...see
BANDPASS. He is saying to QSL to G3JKI this time instead of to F6CYL.

KIMM was the operator at F0ØDX during the CQ WW for an all-band effort.

The upcoming PYØ P. and P. Rocks operation in Dec. is said to include six operators.

A9XDB has a schedule Saturdays with AF4K, 1200Z on 28660.

DAIWA/LX during the CQ WW was by the American Club of Wiesbaden W. Germany; QSL to DARC bureau or to DJØSL; that group is working on a one-man, one week 3V8 opn. next Feb. PJ2CC will be operated by John Laney III, K4BAI, 20 Meters only in the CQ WW CW.

HPIJC Juan Chen will be using new prefix H9 this contest season.

N2KC/KH4, Tom Reid, is on Midway for an extended stay, and plans a KW on 40 and 80.

Bill Gardner, s chemical engineer in Chicago, has invented a soda straw called "Montezuma's Avenger" which can be used to sip water in places where the purity is in question.

Cleaning Time: if you want any back issues of TDXB, send a large SASE with plenty of postage and put the issue numbers in the lower left corner; we will fill the request. An October news release from FCC says the new bands will be available in 1984 or '85; the Senate must ratify the treaty and then present users of the segments must be phased off of them before amateurs are allowed in.

W9GW was scheduled to open up first from T3, then as T2AAD, but the sequence was reversed. SVØBP/SV9, Mark, Box 301, Iraklion Crete, will be there three years.

KP2A, John Ackley, will put J73A on again from Dominica, Nov. 17-24, under the auspices of the IDXF; IDXF is also assisting with this week's PYØZDX/PYØOD F.N. operation.

Harold Henry, ZD7HH, who hopes to stage an operation Tristan de Cunha early next year, is a native of St. Helena, a 35-year old government examiner. His QSL manager W4FRU says that Hal has never seen an airplane nor a television but will get his chance if the Tristan expedition comes off.

VEIAI did not make it to Sable Island for the CQ Phone weekend but still has hopes for CW the last weekend of this month.

No reports yet on a return of 600DX, whose manager I2YAE was suggesting the end of Oct. for another stint. Somalia is one of several AFrican countries (others are 5T, 6W8, C5, TZ, 5X, ST, 5Z4 and ET3) which border on the major northern deserts and are experiencing severe drought. The U.S. Agency for International Development has been sending food aid but much of it has reached various warring armies instead of the starving citizens, especially in Somalia. 600DX (IØYDX) is an agricultural expert helping Somalians with new food products growable in the dry areas.

CALENDAR

Maldives 8Q7BC by N2KK now through Nov. 12; this issue Libya G3JKI/5A now through Nov. 10; this issue

Rhodes W6KG/SV5 and W6QL/SV5 now through end of Nov; this issue

Niue ZK2 by PAØGNN now through Nov. 4; Issue 60

Tarawa By W9GW might be on now, through Nov. 5; Issue 58 and this issue

W. Samoa 5Wl by PAØGMM one day, Nov. 5; Issue 60

Fijis 3D2 by PAØGMM starts Nov. 6 for five days; Issue 60

Fernando d. Nor. Nov. 2-7; Issue 61

Reunion FRØCGP by N2KK Nov. 16-24; this issue Tonga A35 by PAØGMM Nov. 12-16; Issue 60

Dominica J73A by KP2A Nov. 17-24; this issue Lord Howe VK2 by K2UO, Nov. 14-18; this issue

Tonga Starts Nov. 25 by DL1VU and OE6BVG; Issue 58

Amer. Samoa KH8 By PAØGMM, Nov. 17-20; Issue 60

Sable Island VEIAI still hoping for last weekend of Nov; this issue

Djibouti J2ØKK by N2KK, Nov. 27-Dec. 8; this issue

Wallis FWØ by DL1VU and OE6BVG, starts Dec. 15; Issue 58

Abu Ail Dec. 5-7; Issue 61

Yemen 4W By N2KK Dec. 8-15; this issue

Peter and Paul R. PYØRA and PYØSA Dec. 12-14; Issue 61

Sudan ST2 by N2KK, Dec. 15-22; this issue South Sudan STØ by N2KK Dec. 22-Jan. 15; this issue

Heard Island January by P29JS, K6EPL and others still developing; Issue 56

Lebanon OD5KK by N2KK Jan. 15-Feb. 4; this issue Cyprus 5B4KK by N2KK Feb. 4-11; this issue

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The price increase for TDXB is going for more than just the additional cost of mailing the Bulletin each week. We needed to cover the small cost of the envelopes which have, happily, improved transit time to you through the USPS. Also, our weekly postage bill for the business reply envelopes, sample copies, correspondence, etc., runs about \$30.

We have been informed that ICOM's new IC-720 rig will have a limited production of only 10,000 units; they have decided there is not enough profit margin in the rig. Remaining radios are being sold at full list only by those dealers lucky enough to get them.

This will be the LAST ISSUE for October expirations who have not renewed.