



CW. The whole scheme of split operation was still a work in process as evidenced by VK2AYY/LH (the rare Lord Howe Island) who announced his operating plan as looking for w/k's 10 Kc down and the rest of the world 10 Kc up. He will work three W/K's, then two DX, then three more W/K's, etc.

The ham community is anxiously awaiting the fate of W3ZA/3W who put out strong SSB signal before having his operating permit yanked. Two well known U.S. Amateurs were touring Europe and activating stations. They were Bill Orr, W6SAI, and Wayne Green, W2NSD.

Other DX tid-bits for the month included China's BY1PK, but working Eastern EU stations only. Pakistan's AP5HQ is easy to work, but QSLing is a problem as Amein has not been able to establish a valid postal address in his country. For some reason highly populated Egypt sported only one ham, SU1IM, who managed to fill the log of top DXers world-wide. There were 25 stations on the Honor Roll list.

Turning to VHF DX, on six meters the emphasis was still trying for WAS as the DX achievement where 51 people had made the grade to date. On two meters the WAS record was held jointly by W9KLR and W9WOK with 40 states each. Interesting is that the greatest 2 meter WAS DX was held by a station working only two states! KH6UK's HI to CA QSO was good for 2540 miles.

In an unprecedented four page, full color ad in the pages of the November 1958 QST, Collins radio introduced their newest amateur equipment they called the "S-line."

### November Contests

ARRL Sweepstakes, CW	-----	2-4 Nov
Japan International DX, SSB	-----	8-10 Nov
Worked all Euro DX, RTTY	-----	9, 10 Nov
RSGB 160m, CW	-----	16, 17 Nov
ARRL Sweepstakes, SSB	-----	16-18 Nov
CQ Worldwide DX, CW	-----	23, 24 Nov

### December Contests

ARRL 160m, CW	-----	6-8 Dec
ARRL 10m, CW/SSB	-----	14, 15 Dec
RAC Winter Contest, CW/SSB	-----	28 Dec
Stew Perry Topband Distance Challenge, CW	-----	28, 29 Dec

### RDXA Contest Soapbox

### ARRL Sweepstakes CW

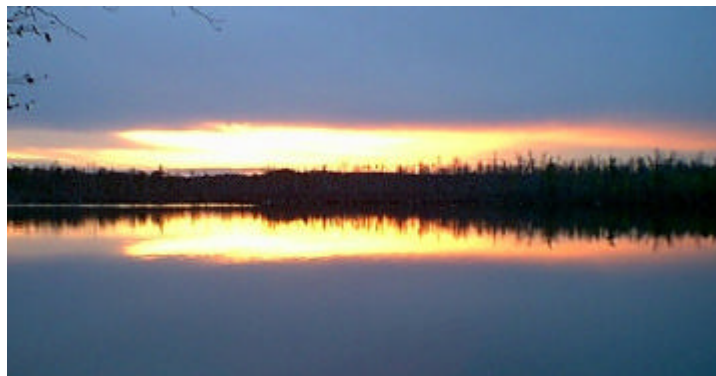
*This issue of the RDXA Newsletter kicks off a new column: **RDXA Contest Soapbox**. Send your comments, log summary, station info, digital photos, whatever, and I will assemble into a column each month. If you work more than one contest in a month, send whatever you like on one or all, just indicate which contest your submission references. Ed.*

**Call: N2WK**; Class: Single Op QRP. QTH: WNY. Operating Time: 17 hours. Station: Omni VI Plus @ 5W, Mosley Pro-57A/67A, Sloper for 80m. Total: Qs – 490. Sections – 76. Total Score - 74,480. Club: RDXA. Comments: Lots of activity and loads of fun. Some year I will work the entire 24 hours. I spent time with my grandsons Sunday morning and watched football on Sunday afternoon. I tried for VY1JA but no joy. I don't have any plans for SS Phone but I will try to get on for a while.

**Call: K2NNY**; Class: Multi Op, high power. QTH: NNY. Ops: K2DB, K2CS, W2FE, NG2P. Operating time: 23 hours. Below, photos of the CW operation by these members of the Hickory Lake Contest Club, HLCC. Photos courtesy of K2CS.



Dusk Saturday, just after the start of the contest.



Sunset Saturday, beginning the long, cold night.



Brrrrrrrr. Sunday morning: 7am, 16 degrees, 2 inches of snow.

### Riley-isms

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### “Good Amateur Practice” Means Never Having To Say You’re Sorry”

FCC Special Counsel Riley Hollingsworth has endorsed a list of several points that he feels help to define the concept of “good amateur practice.”

Section 97.101(a) of the Amateur Radio Service rules refers to “good engineering and good amateur practice” – considered to

refer to maintaining the highest standards of engineering and on-the-air comportment. But the rule lacks specifics.

“Good amateur practice is a hard thing to define,” Hollingsworth conceded. “I’d have to say it’s operating with the realization that frequencies are shared, that there’s going to be occasional interference and that’s no reason to become hateful and paranoid.”

Hollingsworth says amateurs have to realize that more people than ever are listening in, especially since September 11, 2001, and that amateurs always need to remember that “our rights end where another person’s begin.”

A Michigan Amateur Radio club has been credited with distributing a list of “Riley-isms” culled from Hollingsworth’s various talks at conventions and hamfests and club meetings around the US. Hollingsworth – who verified that he had been cited accurately – says his various comments represent an effort to flesh out what “good amateur practice” consists of for the considerate Amateur Radio operator. According to Hollingsworth, good amateur practice means:

- Giving a little ground – even if you have a right not to – in order to help preserve Amateur Radio and not cause it to get a bad name or hasten the day when it becomes obsolete.
- Respecting band plans, because they make it possible for every mode to have a chance.
- Being aware that we all love Amateur Radio, and there’s no need to damage or disgrace it just to save face.
- Keeping personal conflicts off the air. Settle your arguments on the phone, the Internet or in person. Just keep them off the air.
- Cutting a net or a contest a break, even if you don’t have to and even if you have no interest whatsoever in nets or contesting.
- Realizing that every right carries responsibilities, and just because you may have a right to do certain things doesn’t mean it’s right to do them in every circumstance.
- You don’t “own” or get preference to use any frequency.
- Not operating so that whoever hears you becomes sorry they ever got into (or tuned in on) Amateur Radio in the first place.

Hollingsworth notes that the list “doesn’t touch on a lot of other technical issues, such as using 1500 W when your signal report received is 40 over 9.”

Good amateur practice, he said, “just means a lot of things that can’t always be quantified.”

Thanks to Riley Hollingsworth.

## When It’s Over, It’s Over

By Vic Gauvin - K1PY

The October RDXA Bulletin included an article by NØAX concerning contest log submissions. Among other issues, this article raised the question of log submission deadlines. At the October RDXA meeting a quick survey of RDXA members present yielded the following opinions on this topic:

Log Submission Time from Contest End	Votes
1 hour	1
24 hours	1
48 hours	2
1 week	1
2 weeks	2
15 days	1
Month	9

Clearly, in spite of the logging advances afforded by computer technology, the consensus seems to be that log submission within 30 days is soon enough.

## Top Ten DXpeditions How’d They Do?

By Ed Gable - K2MP

The following table lists the Top Ten DXpeditions by number of QSOs – a pretty standard measure of DXpedition success.

DXpedition	Total QSOs
D68C	168,722
ZL9CI	96,004
K1B	95,127
A52A	82,087
KH5K	80,841
VKØIR	80,673
XZØA	79,784
TI9M	79,495
FOØAAA	75,107
TXØDX	72,654

However, another way to rank DXpeditions is to look at the number of QSOs, the number of operating days, and the number of operators or QSOs per operator per day. Viewed according to these criteria, the top ten results look much different, as follows:

DXpedition	Total QSOs	QSOs / Op / Day
TN3W	14,717	2102
5V7VJ	15,080	2022
H44RD	18,220	1786
TN3B	11,253	1508
S21VJ	10,358	1322
8Q7XX	15,355	1280
XU7AAV	17,347	1262

Thanks to Thanks F5NOD data at [www.qsl.net/f5nod](http://www.qsl.net/f5nod)

## Free Business cards

By Mike Rundle - N1OKL

Looking for a ham business card to add a professional touch to those eyeball QSOs? Check out the free business card offers at: <http://www.vistaprint.com/vp/ns/default.asp>

You can get 250 full-color business cards for the price of shipping (about \$5). 30 or so designs are available. Click on the “free card” link near the top of the page to view the designs. Click on the card you want and the site takes you to a layout template for that card. You enter your info and the site displays the card as it will be printed. Delivery takes about two weeks.



Here’s the style of card I ordered. The website says delivery is 20 days, but I received mine in 10. When you submit your order for cards, you will get an offer for matching return labels for \$3. Pretty cool.

Well, in a word, *miserable!*

Other than the fact it's phone contest, the bands were less than favorable. Did you happen to look at the "A" index before you got on the air? Does the number 36 send chills down your DX spine?

I started the contest "on time" (much to the dismay of my contest Elmer, K2FR) and was rewarded with the absolute lack of any signals on 10 meters within the first hour. Shortly thereafter, 15 meters went bust leaving all to duke it out on 20 meters or much more enjoyable, 40 meters (spell that "split").

I worked a hundred or so Qs before turning in (no need for that shot, W2TZ).

Early Saturday morning found the upper bands dead, so even though the sun had risen, off to 40 meters I went. Since time precluded my purchase and installation of the 40-meter add-on to the C3, the faithful G5RV was once again used for the low bands.

Screaming and shouting produced a VK at 7:00 am local time, as well as KH7 and a bunch of VEs. Off to 20 meters.

A JA here and a VK there, 10s gotta open soon! Well, late, very late but things were starting to look up.

9G, 1 call, (1<sup>st</sup> Q on 10), 3V8BB, 4L0G, 6W/F6HLC, 5U7JK, D44TD, 5Z4IC, FR5DX and a few others during the day on 10 meters. Well, even though the "A" is higher than most Democrat's IQs, good DX was there and workable.

Sticking with the highest open band and anticipating the JA run on 10, I stuck it out until the LUs and PYs were the only signals on the band. A few JAs and it was time to go.

15 meters had the JAs but many less than past years. XX9C, D44TD, 5U7JK, TY3M, ZK1MA, ZD8Z in there for the mix. The JA run totaled 25 but was well worth it.

20 meters held JT1DA, CN2R, and ZD8Z before a short nap.

40, 80 and 160 are always a job. Overnight hours, never enough antenna and small bandwidth make it a challenge. DX is Europe (or in the case of 160, VE), Zone 8 is king and (at least for now) check 20 meters!

Amongst the Zone 8 crowd (on 80m), I found ZL7C and ZK1CG on 20 meters at 0900z. They were weak but only one call both times.

A one hour nap, shower and off to 8am mass.

Raymond and I got back about 9am local and off to the races!

After a short run on 20m, 10 meters was hopping again so I went waaaaay up to 29 MHz.

YI9OM was holding a "CQ Contest" court without many suitors. 2 or 3 calls logged him. I was shocked.

A61AJ (2 bands, he didn't hear me on 20m), AH2R calling CQ, 6W, D4, ZL7C, ZK1MA on multiple bands have to be highlights.

Nice to see VP2M back, miss the Bs (China and Taiwan).

Well, now to the gist of the article, my first time operating with a beam. Having paid my dues for double-digit years on the wire, this was quite an awakening. The "aim and shoot" mentality didn't take long to sink in.



K2CS Beam. Force 12 C3 on a 9-foot Glen Martin rooftop tower. Nothing fancy or tall, but it beats a wire on the high bands.

I noticed a distinct handicap though. Never having a beam means never having to point one. I found myself looking for all beam headings. A few degrees off does make a difference (when you're at 30ft with *all* the leaves on the trees still). A "tweak" here and there found peaks where they shouldn't be (the skewed path deal). Almost all signals sounded aurora like due to the high A index (nothing new for an aurora hunter on 2 meters).

Long path is cool!

I did flip to the wire for comparison and in most cases, a 1 or 2 S-unit difference was heard. Not rocket science, but I dare say most if not all of you have contested with beams and amps throughout your contest careers. I liken it to the time I used my first keyer, as opposed to the straight key I used for the first 2 years of my CW infancy.

I only missed a few that I heard, S9 (N2RD and "call area 1 only (N1OKL) did get him), KL7 on 15 meters, A6 on 20m, the JA's on 40m (tons but the wire and 100 watts just doesn't cut it).

OK, the numbers for about 38 hours operating were:

Band	QSOs	Points	Zones	Countries
160m	4	6	3	2
80m	26	56	8	17
40m	29	68	10	17
20m	171	470	29	82
15m	225	628	26	78
10m	429	1230	26	99
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>884</b>	<b>2458</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>295</b>

Final Score: 975,826. Missed the million but with the A where it was, I don't feel too bad.

Thanks as always to all of you that have divulged your "secrets" thru the years and as always to Fred Gern, K2FR, for all that you were and continue to be to me and the club.

Hope you all had fun.

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**RDXA Financial Update**      **By Charlie Kuhfuss - WB2HJV**  
RDXA Secretary-Treasurer

As of November 6, 2002 the Club's financial status is:

Checking	\$1727.86
Petty Cash	\$155.50
Total Funds Available	\$1883.36
<u>Less Memorial Fund</u>	<u>(\$826.89)</u>
Operating Funds	\$1056.47

RDXA currently has 48 paid members for the 2002/03 season.

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**RDXA By-Laws Amendment Proposal**

At the October RDXA Board meeting, Mike Rundle, N1OKL proposed that the Club consider offering a discounted student membership to licensed amateurs who are full-time students. Discussion on the proposal resulted in a BOD vote to submit the proposal, as follows, to the general membership for consideration.

1. An addition to the RDXA By-Laws creating a student membership class is proposed.
2. Student membership would be available to any licensed amateur who is a full-time student for an annual fee of \$5.00.
3. The membership would carry full voting privileges.
4. Hard-copy RDXA Newsletters would not be mailed to student members. Student members would only receive electronic versions of the Newsletter.

There has been considerable discussion of the merits, or lack thereof, of this proposal on the RDXA Yahoo email reflector. So as to give all members adequate notice of the proposal, it is here reproduced. A vote on adoption of the proposal will be taken at the December 2002 general meeting.

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**Student Membership**      **By Mike Rundle - N1OKL**

There has been much discussion on the RDXA Yahoo reflector, and elsewhere I suspect, regarding my proposal to create an RDXA Student Membership classification. This membership class would be available to full-time students only, at an annual cost of \$5. The RDXA newsletter would only be mailed to student members in electronic form.

The rationale for the proposal is simple: attract new, young members to the Club from the various high schools, colleges and universities in the Rochester area.

Much of the opposition to the proposal has focused on the reduced membership fee. Many of those writing in opposition have stated their belief that our \$15 annual dues are not excessive or a deterrent for students. Actually, I agree with these statements.

The proposed student membership classification is less about money and more about recognition, encouragement, and extending the warm hand of amateur fellowship to students in the area. In this sense, the reduced fee for a student member functions simply as a tangible expression of the Club's desire to welcome and embrace new, young members.

Even if you differ with this opinion, think about this: what will it cost us versus what might we gain? If we pick up a couple of new members this way, isn't that a plus for the Club? I think so.

I urge you to vote in favor of the proposal at the December general meeting. Once passed, let's then use the initiative created by a student member classification as an approach to recruit new RDXAers from area schools, colleges and universities.

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**Conversation**      **By Jim Neiger - N6TJ**  
Reprinted by permission      "The Contester's Rate Sheet"

Since N6TJ will be yet again at ZD8Z putting Zone 38 in a lot of logs this coming weekend, it seems appropriate to include another of Jim's "Secrets of Contesting." This one conclusively demonstrates that contesting is good for you! Ward Silver, NØAX, Editor, "The Contester's Rate Sheet."

Many have probably heard of the Yale University research findings that if you *think young*, you will extend your life (on the average) *another seven and one-half years*. And further, that this singular habit is more important to your health than factors such as blood pressure and cholesterol. Can you imagine this?

Thusly, I hereby announce that I have extended my personal goal of *serious* contest expeditions until I am Age 100. That's another 37 years, or *another 3 solar maxima!* Wow. And then when I reach 100, I'll decide if I'll go another 5 years, or not. And another 5, and so on. I hope you all will be around to celebrate this with me.

Some are probably saying, "How silly is this? Neiger has definitely and finally gone over the edge!" My challenge to *all* of you: please sign up to this plan of (1) thinking young, and (2) dumping pathetic excuses of why you cannot hit the contest DXpedition trail this fall, or putting in major efforts from home this and every year.

What if Yale is right? You, at least may benefit the most. And the rest will derive great benefit from your activity, and many more multipliers! And having our radio friends with us for so many more years, we all win. And what has been on many of our minds, the bad notions that ham radio, and contests are dying (at least in the USA), and have a limited future, are, as they say "a little premature."

Maybe we can't attract many youngsters into the hobby. But we certainly have the potential to *extend* our useful contesting lifetimes. And I may not make the Top Ten every year, but at least if won't be for want of a serious effort. Please join me in this quest. And thank you for reading this far.

Vy 73, Jim Neiger N6TJ

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**Propagation**      *AD5Q's notes from Cycle 22, November 1991*

**Solar Flux Range** ----- 131 – 230

**General** – The fall DX season is in full swing on all bands. Propagation over daytime paths is excellent on both 10m and 15m; 20m & 40m are good for nighttime paths, and there is some DX activity on 80m every night for those that need a new challenge. Solar fluxes are trending down, and this will effect some of the bands that are at the peak of their seasons.

The lower MUFs on 20m will not effect paths that traverse the southern hemisphere, and several months of great longpath are expected. At least 80% of long path activity from the States is on the morning path to the Middle East and Europe. The other end of that path occurs near our sunset. Tune carefully for Antarctic stations and for exotic longpath from S.E. Asia.

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**High Bands** – We will likely have periods where the solar flux dips below 150. Though this is plenty high enough to keep 15m in fine shape, on 10m it will narrow the windows over high latitude paths. In the morning, this would shorten the openings to Russia and Eastern Europe. After sunset, 10m would close too soon for an opening to remote S.E. Asia. As long as the ionosphere is not disrupted by geostorms, 15m will remain a good choice on days when 10m propagation is off due to lower solar numbers.

**Low Bands** – Lower fluxes would mean better signals on 40m and 80m, but we will likely pay a price for this as we move into winter. We would not have enough solar activity to keep 20m open at night. Last year's fall 20m season was disappointing, and this year's should be very similar. Evening paths to Europe and Russia are reliable for most of the year, but moving into winter we can expect early band closings to effect our primary DX paths. The DX activity will move to 40m (especially CW) and 80m (especially SSB). Propagation on 40m, and also on that WARC Band at 10 MHz, should be excellent.

73, de Roy - AD5Q / Houston  
<http://www.qth.com/ad5q/>

## Twenty-seven Day Space Weather Outlook Table

Issued 2002 November 05 US Dept. of Commerce NOAA

UT Date	10.7cm Radio Flux	Planetary A Index	Largest Kp Index
2002 Nov 08	160	10	3
2002 Nov 09	165	8	3
2002 Nov 10	170	10	3
2002 Nov 11	170	10	3
2002 Nov 12	170	10	3
2002 Nov 13	180	10	3
2002 Nov 14	180	10	3
2002 Nov 15	180	10	3
2002 Nov 16	180	8	3
2002 Nov 17	180	8	3
2002 Nov 18	180	8	3
2002 Nov 19	165	10	3
2002 Nov 20	165	20	4
2002 Nov 21	165	25	5
2002 Nov 22	160	20	4
2002 Nov 23	160	15	3
2002 Nov 24	160	12	3
2002 Nov 25	160	10	3
2002 Nov 26	165	12	3
2002 Nov 27	165	12	3
2002 Nov 28	165	12	3
2002 Nov 29	165	15	3
2002 Nov 30	170	20	4
2002 Dec 01	175	15	3
2002 Dec 02	175	15	3

## Pings

**Dues are due** – It's time to renew your RDXA Membership for the 2002-03 year. See Charlie, WB2HJV at the meeting or S&S. Or mail him your check direct; address on the back of the Bulletin.

**Old Field day Pins** – Charlie Kuhfuss, WB2HJV writes: I'd like to add a short note to the November RDXA Newsletter regarding Field Day pins. There are five that have not been picked up. Irv has

one from 2002 and I have four from 2001. If you ordered a FD pin and have not received it, please see Irv or myself at the November general meeting.

## OPDX Bulletin Excerpts

4 November 2002

**3XY, Guinea** – A team of German operators are now active as 3XY7C. The team consists of: Tom/DJ6TF, Dirk/DJ7UC, Manfred/DK1BT, Wolf/DL4WK, Frank/DL7UFR, Tom/DL7BO and Sigi/DL7DF. Activity will continue until November 13th on 160-6 meters on CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK31 and SSTV. They expect to have more than one station active. There was plenty of activity this past weekend on many bands including the WARC bands and 6 meters. They have with them 4 transceivers (two IC-735 and two IC-706), two kW amplifiers (possibly 3), and an arrangement of antennas: TH3 for the 20/15/10m, A3WS (17/12m), 2 Vertical Titanex V80E low bands, GP on 40/30m, and R5 Multibandes GP. QSL via DL7DF. Check <http://www.qsl.net/dl7df/3x>

**5R, Madagascar** – Just a reminder that Phil, G3SWH, is expected to be active this week as 5R8HA through November 19th (see OPDX.580). He expects to be active from various places on the main island (IOTA AF-013) between November 5-13th, and from Nosy Komba (IOTA AF-057) as 5R8HA/P between November 14-19th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters, CW only. Also, his activity will be limited (holiday type operation). QSL via G3SWH, either direct with SAE and return postage or via the RSGB bureau.

**6W, Senegal** – Jean Marc, F8IXZ, will be in the National Park of Djouj, in North Senegal, near the Mauritanian boarder, from December 14-22nd. He has asked for a 6W callsign, but if he can't get it, he will be signing as 6W4/F8IXZ as guest operator. On the way, at the beginning and at the end of his trip in Senegal, he will have short stays in Dakar where he will sign 6W1/F8IXZ. His equipment consists of a FT847 and a G5RV antenna. He plans to be active on 40-10 meters, the WARC bands included and mostly on CW. QSL via F8IXZ.

**6Y, Jamaica (QRP)** – Team Vertical will head back to Jamaica from November 16-26th. Operators include K2KW, KE7X, N6BT, N6XG, W6FOG, W6NS and W7CB. While the main goal will be QRP single band entries in the CQ WW CW Contest (November 23-24th), this will be a well-rounded DXpedition covering many bands and modes. Most modes will be covered: CW, SSB, RTTY, and some PSK31. There will be a dedicated 6m station (W6NS/6Y5 w/ breakable beacon on 50.101) and 2 dedicated Satellite stations (W6FOG/6Y5) on AO-7, AO-27, AO-40, FO-20, FO-29, and UO-14. QSL all QSOs via WA4WTG. QSL exception - USA satellite QSOs will be sent via AMSAT. Check: <http://www.k2kw.com>

**7Q, Malawi** – Joe, G3MRC, is active as 7Q7BP possibly through next spring. He was heard this past week on 20 and 10 meters CW. Watch for activity on/around 14021 kHz after 0400z and 28025 kHz after 1830z. QSL via G3MRC: Brian J. Poole, 18 Grosvenor Avenue, Kidderminster, Worcs., DY10 1SS, England.

**8N, Ogasawara** – Special event station 8N1OGA continues to be active to commemorate the 75 years of the Japan Amateur Radio League (JARL) until the end of January 2003. QSLs will be sent out via the bureau unless you QSL direct to JA1MRM. The log search and more details at: <http://www.fivenine.com/8n1oga/eng/>

**9K, Kuwait** – Bob, 9K2ZZ, was active this past week on 28004 kHz around 1300z, 14003 kHz around 2145z and on 14200 kHz around 0315z. He was also active in the CQWW DX SSB Contest as a Single Op/Single Band (10m) entry last weekend. He made 3802 QSOs with 154 countries on 10 meters. QSL via W8CNL: Ray McClure, 5 McKenzie Circle, North Augusta, S.C. 29841-4319.

**9N, Nepal** – Yasu, JA9LSZ, reportedly has arrived in Katmandu for work and will be here until November 9th. He is expected to be active as 9N7SZ during his spare time on 80-6 meters. QSL via JA9LSZ.

**C2, Nauru** – Rex, VK8RH, will once again be active from here as C21RH now through November 22nd. Activity will be on HF and 6 meters. His

primary frequency will be on 14260 kHz, however, he will also listen to 18125, 28885 and 50110 kHz. QSL via VK4AAR: Alan Roocroft, P.O. Box 421, Gatton 4343, Australia. Check <http://www.users.on.net/rpearson>

**C9, Mozambique** – Frosty, K5LBU, will be heading back to South Africa for a week in November. He will leave Houston on November 23rd and will arrive in Johannesburg on the 24th. Andre, ZS6WPX, will pick him up, and they will travel to Mozambique. They are not sure what the callsigns will be, but Frosty is hoping to have something like C9(?)CF and Andre may use C9(?)WPX. Activity will only be for about 4 days.

**CE4, Chile** – Juan, CE4USW, will be active as CE4U in the CQ World Wide DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single Op/Single Band (15m)/Low Power entry. QSL via CE4USW.

**CT8, Portugal** – Operators Timo, OH1NOA, will be active as CT8T from the QTH of CT1DVV/CT1ESV for the upcoming CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single Op/All Band/High Power entry. QSLs automatic via Buro. Check <http://www.qsl.net/oh1noa/ct8t/ct8t.htm>

**D4, Cape Verde** – Al, 4L5A, who was recently active as D44TT, is expected to be active as D4B in the CQ World Wide DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single Op/All Band/High Power entry. E-mail QSL requests for Bureau QSLs OK per 4L5A on QRZ.com. For QSOs on 3+ bands an E-mail request can be sent for direct QSL.

**D4, Cape Verde (IOTA Op)** – Look for Nicolas, F5TGR, to be active as D44TR from Sal Island (AF-086) through November 12th. Activity will be on 20-10 meters CW/SSB. He was heard this past weekend on 21280 kHz around 1115z. QSL to F5TGR, via the Bureau or direct to: Nicolas Quennet, 8 bis Rue de la merne, 95220 Herblay, France.

**EA6, Balearic Islands** – Biel, EA6DD, plans on being active in the CQ World Wide DX CW (November 23-24th) as a Single Op/All Band/Low Power entry. QSL via the Bureau or CBA. Also, visit his Web page at: <http://www.qsl.net/ea6dd/english>

**FO, Austral Islands** – Antoine, 3D2AG, is expected to be on air as FO5RK from Rapa Island (IOTA OC-051, DIFO FO-123) now through November 28th. Activity will be on CW and SSB with some digital modes during his late afternoon, night and early morning hours. QSL direct to: Antoine de Ramon N'Yeurt (attn. C.E. Payn), Laboratoire Terre Ocean, Universite de la Polynesie Francaise, B.P. 6570, 98702 Faa'a, Tahiti. For more details on Rapa Island and Antoine's operation, check the website at: <http://www.sat.net/~iref/rapapage.htm>

**GJ2, Jersey** – Richard, K2WR, is expected to be active as MJ0AWR between November 20-25th. However, during the CQ World Wide DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) he will be active as GJ2A as a Single Op/All Band/High Power entry. QSL MJ0AWR via K2WR. QSL GJ2A via GJ3DVC.

**K8, American Samoa (IOTA Op)** – You still have a few days left to work K8T and K8O by the multi-national team of DXers from American Samoa (KH8). The team has activated two islands: Tutuila Island (K8T on IOTA OC-045) and Ofu Island (K8O on IOTA OC-077). There are 3 operators on each island. The team on Tutuila Island (K8T) will go QRT on November 8th and the team on Ofu Island (K8O) will go QRT on November 6th. QSL K8O via AH6HY. QSL K8T via GW0ANA. Check <http://www.ukdxers.co.uk>

**KH8, American Samoa (IOTA Op)** – Mike Young, KM9D, reports that there will be an amateur radio DXpedition to activate Swains Island, American Samoa. Swains Island is located approximately 200nm NNW of Tutuila Island, near position 11S, 171W. Validation material will be submitted to the IOTA committee for this rare category island. The reference assigned for the "Islands on the Air" award program is: OC-200. The single operator/single transmitter, favoring CW, will sign KM9D/KH8. The operation is expected to begin on November 4th and continue for at least one week. Activity will be limited to the HF bands, 40-10 meters. QSL via OM2SA.

**KH6, Hawaii** – Bill, W8QZA, will be operating as KH6/W8QZA in the CQWW DX CW Contest as a Single Op/Single Band (20m)/QRP entry. QSL via CBA.

**OH0, Aland Island** – Jukka, OH2MA, plans to activate OH0Z again this time in the CQWW CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single Op/All Band category. QSLs are via Ari Korhonen, OH5DX (ex OH1EH), Kreetalank.9A1, FIN29200 Harjavalta, Finland.

**P5, North Korea** – Ed, 4L4FN, must be feeling better because he showed up this past weekend on 21225 kHz around 0000z (Sunday). QSL via KK5DO.

**PJ7, Sint Maarten (FS also possible)** – Dave, KM3T, informs OPDX that he will be active from PJ7UQ's QTH. He will sign PJ7/KM3T and possibly FS/KM3T before and after the contest. He is expected to sign PJ7A in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single Op/All Band/High Power entry. QSLs for Dave's PJ7 operation go only to K2PF. However, he does not handle cards for prior PJ7 operations.

**PY0F, Fernando de Noronha** – Tony, PY8IT, will be here from December 8-10th and plans to be active as PY0FT. He will concentrate on the digital modes (RTTY, PSK31, SSTV). QSL via JA1ELY.

**S2, Bangladesh** – John, KX7YT, is expected to be active this week as S21YV between November 8th and December 4th. Activity will be on 20/15/10 meters SSB and PSK31. QSL via his home callsign.

**S9, Sao Tome And Principe** – Paul/K1XM and Charlotte/KQ1F will operate as S9MX from Principe from approx. November 19-27th. They may operate from Sao Tome from November 28th through December 1st. Activity will include the CQWW DX CW Contest.

**TJ, Cameroon** – A report states that Christian, ex-TT8DX, should be going here and will be active between November 15th and until the end of the year. QSL via F5OGL.

**TN, Congo** – Paul, ON7UR, is reportedly in the country as of October 30th. He is expected to receive a callsign. His length of stay is unknown at this time. QSL via ON4ACA.

**TT, Chad** – Pascal, F5PTM, is currently in Djamena and is active as TT8ZZ until possibly December. Activity will be on 80-10 meters on SSB/CW. He was heard this past weekend on 15/12/10 meters CW sometime between 1200-1700z. Watch around 24910, 21016 and 28024 kHz. QSL via F5PTM.

**WP3, Puerto Rico** – Look for Alfredo, WP3C, to be active in the CQ World Wide DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Single Op/All Band/Low Power entry. QSL via W3HMK.

**XW, Laos (Update/Change)** – Champ, E21EIC, reports that he will not be operating as XW1LLR in the CQWW CW Contest as first announced. He will now be active as XW1IC and as a Single Op/All Band/Low Power entry. Champ will only be using a 100 watts and plans to be active before and after contest. His activity will also be on the WARC band. QSL via E21EIC; OK for direct or RAST QSL Bureau.

**XY, Myanmar** – Hiroo, XW2A, was not able to be active as XY1M during the CQWW DX SSB Contest weekend due to a bad cold. However, he is now active until November 12th from Yangon. Activity will be on 160-6 meters CW/SSB. He was heard this past weekend on 15 meters (21295 and 21031 kHz) between 1245 and 1545z. QSL via XW2A: P.O.Box 2659 Vientiane Laos.

**YA, Afghanistan** – The last of the YA5T crew (Mark, VK4KMT) has now left the country. As per the YA5T Web page, "the operators are now all on a break, prior to going on another assignment, or already there." This completes this phase of their operation in Afghanistan.

**ZF, Cayman Islands** – Dan, N9XX, states he will be active as ZF2RR outside of the CQWW CW Contest between November 17-26th (as time permits). However, he will be involved in a Multi-Op entry as ZF1A during the CQWW CW Contest. QSL ZF2RR (2000 and 2002 ONLY) via N9XX CBA/QRZ/Buck.

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