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CLUB NEWS

Hopefully, as you read this, your Editor/Secretary will be sunning himself on the Carribean coast of Florida!! Unless he is kidnapped and taken screaming to the St. Brigitte's Home for Tropical Nymphomaniacs he should be back in loony-land around 25th April.

RSGB NATIONAL CONVENTION Don't forget - 28th and 29th April at NEC, Birmingham. HF Convention on the Saturday afternoon. If you go, don't forget to mention CDXC to other DXers.

MEMBERSHIP LIST A list of fully paid up members is attached. Please check your listing and advise the Secretary of any amendments. A letter has been received from Cris, G4FAM, explaining that he is QRT while he moves to a new QTH but hopes to renew his CDXC membership once the dust settles. The last few membership cards are enclosed with this Newsletter and all members should now have one.

KERMADEC ZL8 A note of thanks, for the CDXC donation, has been received from Ron, ZL1AMO, who reports that the DXpedition made 30,000 QSO's!! Ron promises to send further information and maybe some pics later. If a slide/video programme of the DXpedition becomes available a further gathering might become necessary! The US DX bulletins are in agreement that Ron and the boys did a very good job inspite of the problems with their boat. On the subject of Kermadec, and thanks to Peter, G3YJI, photocopies are now to hand of the correspondence between NZART and the Lands and Survey Dept. prior to the permits being issued. The action by NZART was not so damning as we had been led to believe..... Nevertheless, it is unfortunate that a national society should become involved in what was basically a licensing matter. On Wednesday 12th, Warwick was on Jim Smith's net and worked many Europeans. During the net his signal peaked S6 around 0800z. After Jim had gone QRT Warwick continued working alone until late morning using split frequency, doing an excellent job and several CDXC members had mini ragchews. He told Jim that he expects to be QRV again next Wednesday.

PROSPECTUS The only reaction to the prospectus, which was distributed with the last Newsletter, has come from Nick, 63PEC, who suggests that the elected officers of the Club should not be referred to as "the Committee". The Club Secretary, who was involved in preparing the prospectus, confesses ignorance of the finer points of committee etiquette but offers these definitions from his dictionaries: Webster's Dictionary defines Committee as: "a body, or person, to whom some charge or trust is committed or some particular business is delegated." The Smaller Oxford Dictionary defines it as: "a body appointed to discharge a special function by (and usually out of) a (usually larger) body." These definitions appear to be eminently suitable in the case of the CDXC officers and, unless further objections are received, the prospectus will remain unaltered. The word "Committee" will also be used in the Newsletter as a generic term for the elected Chairman. Treasurer and Secretary of CDXC.

JUNE 3RD Firm acceptances have been received from ten CDXC members, from Martin, G3ZAY, and from Bob Treacher and his Wife (who is also a keen SWL). No objections have been received from members in connection with the planned Honorary Membership Certificate which it is proposed to present to Joe and Darleen and GADYO will design and arrange printing of same during the next few weeks. The Committee, subject to no objections being received from members, envisage the presentation of similar certificates to other noteworthy DXers from overseas who are quests at a CDXC functions. The number will amount to less than about five per year and, as stated before, will afford no Club privileges. The "ideas" for this gathering mainly originate from G3KMA, G3LQP and G4DYO. If anyone else has suggestions please contact G4DYO. On the subject of CDXC functions, will anyone knowing the travel plans of Father Moran, 9N1MM, please contact G4DYO on his return from holdiay. Lastly, G4CRB, who was very QRV on LF from IC4 some years ago, who resides in Bahrein and is trying to get a licence there, may be able to come on June 3rd.

BRIAN. G3COJ writes that the telephone number for him on the Club Wants List is no longer applicable. He maybe contacted during office hours on 01-927-4581. Brian also reports that he recently worked F6IDC who turns out to be G4ZU living in retirement in SW France. He has invented a new Mini-beam and hopes to have details published soon.

WANTS LIST DON'T FORGET to keep Peter, G3YJI, fully up to date on new ones worked.

Trio R1000 general coverage RX - excellent condition. QRK around £200. Please contact 64DYO.

THE DX SCENE

TELE-MAIL-BOX The system, which was outlined in the last edition, continues to operate satisfactorily apart from the odd idiot inserting churlish comments. Martin, G3ZAY, advised your Editor that the full cost of the service would amount to around £35 per quarter and it is hoped to find the cost from DXNS or RSGB funds. The system is more complex than one might imagine. Various instructions - including deletion of messages - maybe be passed to the computer by means of a tone-encoder and the system can be arranged to operate GPO Radio-Pagers when new messages are inserted. Hopefully Martin will be able to provide more information on June 3rd. In the meantime, please use the system for any topical DX information but remember that it should not be used to pass messages to particular individuals as those messages may be deleted automatically before the addressee hears them.

WWV President Reagan's 1985 budget provides for a reduction in funds for the NOAA which would cause termination of WWV's broadcasts of the "Weekly Preliminary Report and Forecast of Solar-Geophysical Data." If members feel strongly enough CDXC could write a letter of complaint. Otherwise, take it up yourselves with: Harold Leinback, Acting Director, Space Environment Laboratory, NOAA, 325 Broadway, Boulder, CO 80303.

CHILE The Chilean PTT are now issuing licences for the various Islands with suffixes other than those we might expect. If you work a CEOZ.. or CEOX.. it might well be on Easter Island. Check at the time of contact.

ALBANIA ZA All reported ZA stations of late have been pirates. A Finnish group visited Albania during March primarily to discuss commencement of airline operations between the two countries. The hoped for discussion with the "radio-people" during the visit failed to materialise so we are as in the dark as ever.

ETHIOPIA ET3 (DFW,PEC,YMC,FXT,GED,PEO) Ian, G4LJF recently worked ET3PS and immediately wrote to Tensai asking for a sked for CDXC members as follows: 18th, 19th or 20th April at 1630z on 21mhz. Contact Ian for fuller details.

AFRICA Jack, WALZZ, anticipates revisitng Guinea as 3X4Z shortly. This will be an extended trip and will include trips to Angola (D2) and Sao Tome (S9) where he has been "assured licences"......

TCHAD TT F&BFN/TT only had verbal permission to operate so it is unlikely that this operation will count for DXCC.

BURMA XZ/1Z Although this information was published in DXNS it is of sufficient importance to warrant duplication here. JA1BMK has experienced great difficulty in obtaining logs for XZ9A, 1Z9A, etc, and after May 1st he will no longer handle QSLs. After May 1st. all unused cards will be destroyed. Precisely how one QSLs 1Z9, etc, thereafter remains to be seen. When Heinz, DF8MP/XZ, recently visited the USA he explained that while the Burmese Government had given him verbal permission to operate, they are on record with ARRL as opposing amateur radio in Burma. He returns to Burma shortly and will again attempt to obtain formal documentation.

SVALBAARD SP5EXA commences operation as SP5EXA/JW in June for one year.

ODDS'N'ENDS

John Sweeney, K9EL, who has recently visited the Far East, reports that nothing has been heard from or of A51PN for some considerable time.....

SVOAA apparently only QSLs via his Manager N200 - either direct or via bureau. Don't send to Greece.....

The Washington (W7) DX group has 750 members. CDXC has a little way to go yet.....Are there 750 serious DXers in the UK?

The Alaska DX Association charges \$10 initiation fee plus an annual sub of \$12 and checks QSL cards of applicants or will accept the number of their DXCC certificate.....

905JE, who continues to be very QRV on LF, maybe QSLd via the bureau to DJ5TY or direct to : John Erlacher, POB 12646, Kinshasa 1, Zaire.

GRAY LINE

WORKED IN EUROPE: VP2KCA 3785khz 2315z HZ1HZ 3790khz 1718z CP1PR 3787khz 0145z ZL7DY 3791khz 0528z J6LF 3798khz 0220z KH6CF 7005khz 0536z HP3FL 7095khz 2354z DA4JL 7085khz 0605z FK0AQ 7060khz 0645z 9U5JB is "often" around 7052khz.

WATCH FOR:...Believed active now: BV by OH2BH,etc. T31 by T30DB? 3X4X by W4LZZ CY9SAB "several times this Spring"