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Prez' sez "Who cut de lights out!"

- De John Youell, WA4QDM

The contest season is now upon us. As I write this, the 2001 CQWW SSB 'test is history. Unless there is a M/M sleeper out there, W4MYA should win the 4th call district. Bob had 13.1 M raw points to NQ4I's 10.8 M. The score is even better if you know there were **3 hours of prime time "dead time" on Saturday morning, when we had a power outage.** Conditions were great (especially Saturday morning) and a couple of station records were set, including 40 zones and over 1900 Q's on 10 M (and a 200+ QSO hour may be a record)! Paul (K4JA) posted a super FB 10.7 M effort as a M/S entry. Paul's score is #1 USA, so far, from what I have seen. More information on the contest will probably show up elsewhere in this issue.

Bob (W4MYA) has been doing some recruiting and we had Aaron, W4JST, age13, join us both days. He was very excited about contesting and seemed very comfortable around all the "old timers". His parents were also very supportive (and brave) dropping him off with all the RF crazies! Aaron lives in the Goochland area and has an Icom-706. I think he said he hooked up with Bob on 2 meters. It is nice to see some new blood getting into ham radio.

The WU4G packet cluster gear has been relocated to W4MYA's. Sunday night after the SSB contest, Ronnie (WU4G), Dennis (N4DEN) and Bob (W4MYA) got the packet station on-line. I tried it out Monday night and connected FB (S7 in Chester, about 40 +/- miles away). The frequency is 145.09. Good job guys!

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How to find me

-De Bill Cox, W4DAA

I am looking forward to having you all come on Tuesday night the 13th!

My firm's name is Productivity Point International.

We are in Suite 126 in the Winchester Building, located at the intersection of Midlothian Tpk and Koger Center Blvd. Whichever way you are coming down Midlothian Tpk., turn in as if you were going back to the Holiday Inn. Then take the first possible right about 100 yds up, and you are looking at our building WEST entrance. HOWEVER, the doors lock at 7:00 automatically. So to enter, keep walking to the right as if you were going around to the SOUTH side of the building facing Midlothian Tpk., and go to the first door you see propped open. Go in that door. Then take the first door on the right once you are in the inside corridor. You will be there!

If you arrive before the doors lock, just come to #126 on the first floor. We will be there.

73, Bill W4DAA



Those who thought the sunspot cycle peaked last year were badly mistaken. Last fall 6 was dismal. This fall a completely different story.

On October 24 between 1600 and 1615 Z I worked my first ever middle east countries, ZC4FL, 5B4AGM and 4X1RF. On October 30 I managed two more new ones, E3ØNA and D44TD before having to leave for work, but W4MYA and WK4Y didn't have to go to work and Bob picked up FR, D4, OA, E3Ø, ISØ, LZ, YO, UT5, YU and T7. Roy who uses 100 watts and a wire dipole for all bands worked EH2, F6, CT1 and amazingly UT5JCW! On November 2 Bob and I both worked 5R8FU around 1240 Z and I finally caught up with Z22JE for my #128 on the "magic band". W4MYA is now up to 104

worked in only 6 years of activity.

Other bands have obviously been good as well. W4PK and N2QT were observed working 5WØMO on 160. N4CH surfaced briefly to get a new one on 75, K3J. W4MYA added 3D2CI on 30, 3XY6 17, 3D2CY 12 and 9N7RB on 10.

WK4Y continues to run away with the 2001 band/country competition. In October he scored 65 new ones to make 368 for the year. The prime catches on his list: 5W0, VK3 160: TA, HL, 3D2CI, 5WØ 80: E3ØNA 40: DS4, C98 30: 9N7, T2DX 20: AP2 17: XWØX 15: and A52DA, XWØX and EP3SMH on 10. Remember all of this without an amp or a beam. Roy thinks he may put up a 6 meter beam soon.

Watch out for Duce Island near Pitcairn beginning November 19..that will be an all time new one and should produce the mother of all pileups.

Bob W4DR



***DX*PEDITION INFO**

INFORMATION GATHERED FROM MANY DIFFERENT SOURCES

<u>Dates</u>	<u>DXCC</u>	<u>Callsign</u>	<u>QSL Info</u>	<u>More Info</u>
<u>DXpeditions</u>				
10/04/01-11/30/01	Laos	XWØX	XWØA	By Hiroo, JA2EZD
10/15/01-11/15/01	Guadeloupe	FG/N4CD	N4CD	By N4CD as FG/N4CD; All bands; CW SSB; QSL OK via CBA or US Buro
10/15/01-11/30/01	Solomon Islands	H44MA	VK2GR	By VK2GR fm Malaita Is (OC-047); 40 20 15 M; CW PSK31 SSB
10/15/01-11/30/01	Trindade & Martin Vaz	ZWØ(TB-TW)	TBA	By PU2RYW PY2NW PY2QI PY2KQ fm Trindade Island as ZWØTB(SSB) and ZWØTW (CW); for 2-3 days some time during Oct/Nov 2001
10/16/01-12/06/01	Mauritius	3B8/ON4LAC	Homecall(s)	SSB and RTTY
10/24/01-11/10/01	Marquesas I.	FO/SP9FIH	SP9FIH	By SP9FIH and SQ9LR - 80-6M; SSB RTTY
10/27/01-11/15/01	Austral I.	FO/HG9B	HA8IB/Direct	Bt HA group from Rurutu Is. IOTA OC-0150
10/31/01-11/12/01	Maldives	8Q7QQ	HB9QQ	By HB9QQ fm Gan Is (AS-013); emphasis on 6 M (50.098 MHz beacon), but HF also; QSL OK via HB Buro or direct
11/01/01-11/26/01	Kermadec Is.	ZL8CW	ZL3CW	By ZL3CW Call may end up as ZM8CW. Operating when work schedule permits
11/01/01-11/14/01	Madeira Islands	CT3	DL7DF	By DL7DF; 160-10 M; SSB CW RTTY - casual operation
11/01/01-11/12/01	South Cook Islands	ZK1	Home Call	By Western Washington DX Club fm Rarotonga Island
11/01/01-11/08/01	Tuvalu	T2ØT OR T22T	See other info	By JA Group 160-6 meters. HF QSL to JN1HOW, 6 Meters to JH7OHF - http://www1.famm.ne.jp/~ndxa/pedi/t2-2001/t2-2001.html
11/04/01-11/08/01	Easter I.	CEØY/HOMECAL	Homecall(s)	By HB9JOE and HB9AAQ
11/07/01-11/11/01	Eastern Malaysia	9M6	TBA	By SP9PT SP9EVP fm Borneo; all bands; CW SSB RTTY
11/08/01-11/15/05	Seychelles	S7?	DF8AN	By DF8AN
11/11/01-11/23/01	Cameroon	TJ2RSF	EA4AHK	By EA group HF bands
11/15/01-11/17/01	Kenya	5Z?	DF8AN	By DF8AN
11/16/01-11/23/01	Pitcairn I.	VP6 ?	VE3HO	By various ops from Ducie Island. May be new DXCC entity. Log search at http://www.big.or.jp/~ham/dx.html
11/17/01-11/22/01	South Orkney Islands	VP8SIG	GMØHCQ	By GMØHCQ
11/20/01-12/10/01	Samoa	5W?	TBA	By W7TVF 160-6, mostly CW more at http://www.air-internet.com/~w7tvf
11/20/01-11/27/01	Turks & Caicos Islands	VP5ED	WA3WSJ Direct	By WA3WSJ; All bands; CW; QRP; Include SASE w/ QSL request
11/21/01-11/27/01	Morocco	CN2JS	F6BEE	By F6BEE in CQWW CW
11/22/01-11/27/01	Mariana Is.	NHØ(SEE INFO)	See info	NHØS (QSL JF2SKV) - NHØV (QSL JG3VEI) - KHØ/JE6MYI (QSL JW6MYI) - KHØ/AD6VH (QSL JQ1UKK) and KHØ/JK2VOC (QSL JK2VOC) http://homepage2.nifty.com/jg3vei/
11/22/01-12/04/01	St Kitts & Nevis	V47UY	KJ4UY	By KJ4UY fm V44NK's shack

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11/24/01-11/25/01	Ascension I.	ZD8X	VE3HO	CQWW CW by N6TJ
11/24/01-11/25/01	Burkina Faso	XT2DX	G3SWX	CQWW CW by G group http://www.voodudes.org
11/24/01-11/25/01	Cape Verde	D44TC	IV3TAN	CQWW CW by Marconi Contest Club
11/24/01-11/25/01	French Polynesia	FO8DX	W6UFT	CQWW CW by various U.S. ops
11/24/01-12/01/01	Midway I.	KH4/VK2IR	VK2IR	80-6 Meters
11/24/01-11/25/01	Morocco	CN2JS	F6BEE	CQWW CW by F6EBEE
11/24/01-11/30/01	South Georgia	VP8SGK	GMØHCQ	By GMØHCQ fm King Edward Point, Cumberland Bay West
11/24/01-11/25/01	Tanzania	5H1X	KQ1F	CQWW CW effort by K1XM
11/24/01-11/25/01	The Gambia	C56/DL5XAT	Homecall(s)	CQWW CW effort by DL5XAT and DF4XX. Also will operate before and after contest.
11/26/01-12/02/01	St Martin	FS	Home Call	By W2AZK KF2HC as FS/homecall fm NA-105; 40-10 M (80 + 160 possible)
12/08/01-12/15/01	Thailand	E29AL	HSØGBI	By various HS ops

Ongoing

04/15/01-02/03/03	Saudi Arabia	7Z1AC	WA4JTK	By W5FJG mostly upper HF bands
10/01/01-04/01/02	Belize	V31JP	Homecall(s)	By Joe, K8JP
10/01/01-10/01/02	W. Kiribati (Gilbert Is.)	T3ØES	See other info	By Eric, N1JSY. QSL via operator instructions
10/13/01-03/15/02	Antarctica	KC4/N3SIG	AI3D	SSB 20/18/15 2000 - 2100z. Op. Chris
11/01/01-05/11/02	Jan Mayen	JX7DFA	LA7DFA	Per, LA7DFA, will be QRV for about 6 months



MINIPROP PLUS SHORT-PATH PREDICTIONS 11-18-2001 Path Length: 8863 km
 SSN: 137.6 Flux: 185.0 Radiation Angle: 6 deg for Minimum No. of F Hops: 3
 TERMINAL A: 37.50 N 77.50 W Richmond, VA Bearing to B: 227.0 deg
 TERMINAL B: 25.07 S 130.08 W Pitcairn Is. Bearing to A: 39.8 deg
 Terminal A Sunrise/Set: 1158/2153 UTC Terminal B Sunrise/Set: 1348/0303 UTC
 K: -1

More information about the Pitcairn/Ducie DXpedition can be found at:

[Http://www.qsl.net/wd4ngb/ducie.htm](http://www.qsl.net/wd4ngb/ducie.htm)

Solar Flux continues to remain high. Original predicted poor conditions for the CQWW SSB contest failed to materialize. Saturday conditions were excellent with some deterioration on Sunday.

---- QUICK-LOOK SIGNAL LEVELS IN dB ABOVE 0.5 uV (Tab for S/N) ----						
UTC	MUF	3.5 MHz	7.0 MHz	14.0 MHz	21.1 MHz	28.1 MHz
0000	25.5		11 a	31 a	38 A	37 D
0200	16.8	30 a	35 a	38 A	42 D	
0400	15.4	47 a	42 A	41 B	43 D	
0600	14.4	47 A	42 A	41 B		
0800	14.5	47 A	42 A	41 B		
1000	12.9	47 A	42 A	41 D		
1200	15.8	41 a	39 a	40 A		
1400	24.8		7 a	30 a	38 A	37 D
1600	34.3			20 a	33 A	34 A
1800	38.9			15 a	30 a	33 A
2000	39.9			15 a	31 a	33 A
2200	34.1			21 a	34 a	35 A

Signal levels suppressed if below -10 dB or if predicted availability is zero
 Availabilities A: 75 - 100% B: 50 - 75% C: 25 - 50% D: 1 - 25%
 a, b, c, d: Same as A-D, with high probability of reduced signal levels.

CQWW,SSB,2001 Multi-op Rumors

<u>M/S</u>	<u>Score</u>	<u>Tot QSO/Z/C</u>	<u>160 QSO/Z/C</u>	<u>80 QSO/Z/C</u>	<u>40 QSO/Z/C</u>	<u>20 QSO/Z/C</u>	<u>15 QSO/Z/C</u>	<u>10 QSO/Z/C</u>
K4JA	10.758	4329/178/687	30/11/26	143/24/81	300/28/107	977/39/152	1284/37/159	1595/39/162
K1KI	9.978	4263/172/645	19/06/16	112/23/72	161/27/92	947/39/145	1115/38/154	1909/39/166
N3RS	9.836	4066/177/672	22/6/18	121/25/73	121/25/92	1159/40/159	1073/39/161	1605/39/169
KR1G	9.078	3896/167/642	12/5/10	98/19/68	134/28/97	1053/38/152	929/37/151	1670/40/164
K8AZ	8.500	3641/176/654	20/9/18	61/21/58	132/28/107	929/40/156	1024/38/150	1475/40/165
K0RF	7.200	3239/184/613	21/11/17	73/25/54	364/31/100	548/39/140	1113/39/146	1120/39/156
N4PN	7.025	3539/161/562	8/4/6	75/19/50	177/26/90	558/36/130	989/37/140	1732/39/146
N5TW	6.060	2982/173/596	21/10/19	60/21/53	179/28/82	619/38/140	891/38/141	1222/38/151
N0NI	6.099	2826/170/612	32/9/18	62/17/44	117/27/98	602/40/144	993/37/147	1010/40/161
K5NA	5.006	2378/166/607	16/8/12	46/18/44	134/27/100	456/39/147	748/39/145	978/39/159

M/M

KC1XX	25.957	9819/188/782	136/11/28	569/25/98	674/33/125	2868/40/178	2827/40/177	2745/39/176
W3LPL	21.7	8406/190/762	327/16/36	408/25/90	545/30/120	2018/40/172	2494/40/175	1614/40/175
K9NS	19.349	8066/184/704	240/13/28	197/21/59	472/31/117	1928/40/164	2403/39/164	2826/40/172
N2RM	15.910	6643/173/684	29/8/19	507/25/88	327/25/97	1666/38/156	1891/38/157	2223/39/167
W4MYA	13.119	5458/182/700	110/9/23	221/24/80	469/31/113	1050/39/156	1689/39/163	1919/40/165
N4TO	12.682	5827/175/660	31/08/13	193/21/70	397/30/112	1511/39/153	1397/37/152	2298/40/160
W1FJ	11.330	4686/174/575	29/9/20	314/22/87	318/22/87	1242/39/152	1121/36/148	1662/38/160
W4KZ@NQ4I	10.828	5054/174/656	222/09/17	224/22/64	353/27/104	1245/38/147	1455/38/157	1555/40/167
W3PP	10.712	4722/165/644	39/6/17	158/19/66	274/26/98	1392/37/149	1233/39/155	1626/39/159
W2AX	10.641	4896/161/607	50/7/14	126/16/57	275/25/100	1352/38/145	1352/38/146	1736/38/145
W6KK@W6KP	10.094	4926/178/604	35/09/10	152/22/51	544/30/85	765/38/146	2002/39/153	1428/39/159
KB1H	8.746	3898/163/637	12/4/6	154/20/76	237/24/98	993/38/148	1281/38/152	1221/39/157
K3NM	8.725	4364/154/564	16/6/10	121/17/53	170/20/75	1032/36/134	1596/37/151	1492/38/141
N4RV	8.416	3952/161/588	31/08/20	104/18/56	151/24/81	910/36/138	1242/37/148	1514/38/145
N2RD	7.209	3306/159/608	17/5/10	91/16/55	170/24/89	544/37/139	1055/38/154	1469/39/161

Sweepstakes CW	Scores Rcv'd 11/07/01				
	QSOs	Points	Sections	Score	
W4TNX	338	676	79	53,404	
W4HJ	160	320	49	15,680	
W4PM	221	442	69	30,498	
W4ML (W4MYA)	987	1974	80	157,920	Clean Sweep!
K4TX	614	1228	73	89,644	

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The November meeting will be on 11/13 at 7 PM at Bill's (W4DAA) place on Midlothian (Route 60) near Johnson-Willis Hospital (directions elsewhere in this issue). The program for the November meeting will be a "roundhouse" discussion on packet status, recent contest results and upcoming contest plans. For those who like to "Eat & Meet", I would suggest the "Olive Garden" restaurant at 5:30 PM (they are a mile or two north of Bill's place on Midlothian).

It looks like I will have to be out of town on business the week of 11/12, so I will miss the November meeting. Roy (WK4Y) has made reservations for the Christmas dinner at the Steak and Ale at West Broad Street. Hope to see you at that one.

Good Contesting and may the SFI be with you,

John - W4TNX

The CVCC Christmas Dinner is has been scheduled and reservations made for the second Tuesday of December, Dec 11th, at Steak & Ale at Glenside and West Broad Street, from 6:30 P. M. to 8:30 P.M. There is a (2) hour window for dinner parties. This should be ample time to order and leisurely eat.

As before, we will be able to order from the menu, have separate checks, and the salad bar available. A 15% gratuity will be added to each person's check.

If the room is vacant before our time, say 6:00 P.M., we can go in and use it. Also for early arrivals the Bar is available.

I asked for a downstairs room and had them note on the reservation, not to move us upstairs as we have handicapped persons in our group. I will check with them as time gets near to insure this.

I told them to expect between 30 and 40 people. closer to 40. A head count will be needed and called in to them by Monday, Dec 3rd. I know it is months away, but I wanted to insure a suitable place, time and space. **Please contact me by Mid November (per restaurant request) or by Dec 3rd AT THE LATEST, if you plan to attend and the number in your party.** If you schedule and need to cancel, a call to me by that date would be appreciated. (804) 741-9315.

Thanks, Roy - WK4Y

Accept that some days you're the pigeon, and some days you're the statue.

Colin C. Que



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The deadline for submission of news or articles for the December newsletter is December 2, 2001.

Contests

Nov-09 -Nov-11 Japan Int. DX Contest - Phone
Nov-10 -Nov-12 CQ Western Electric Contest
Nov-10 -Nov-11 WAE Contest - RTTY
Nov-10 -Nov-11 ARRL International EME Competition
Nov-10 -Nov-11 OK/OM CW DX Contest
Nov-17 -Nov-19 ARRL Sweepstakes - Phone
Nov-17 -Nov-18 RSGB 1.8 MHz Contest - CW
Nov-17 -Nov-18 LZ DX Contest
Nov-24 -Nov-25 CQ Worldwide Contest - CW
Dec-02 Tennessee QSO Party (Postponed from September)
Dec-07 -Dec-09 ARRL 160-Meter Contest
Dec-15 OK DX RTTY Contest
Dec-15 -Dec-16 ARRL 10-Meter Contest
Dec-15 -Dec-16 Croation CW Contest
Dec-16 RAC Canada Winter Contest
Dec-29 -Dec-30 Stew Perry Topband Challenge

CVCC Events

Nov-13 CVCC November Meeting (at Productivity Point Southside)
Dec-11 CVCC Holiday Family Dinner (Contact Roy, WK4Y by mid November at 741-9315)

Hamfests

Nov-10 Myrtle Beach, SC Hamfest (<http://www.w4gs.org> - Email: beachfest2011@hotmail.com)

Special Events

November 2001

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	



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THIS MONTH.....

- CVCC Meeting 11/13/01 At Productivity Point!
- DX Nuz/CQWW Phone Rumors
- Holiday Party Plans

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