



Stations Identified

"Wattle Bark" (Motumaoho): Your station on 1400 k.c. is probably KHBC, Hilo, Hawaii. They usually broadcast till 9.30 p.m.—370A. (Te Pahu).

DX Topics

An Experienced "Ham."

MY VK log now stands at 199. Latest cards back are from VK's 3AX, 3HL, 3OW, 2NO, 4WF, 5FM, and W20A, W6HAA, W9RUW, and W6BGH.

VK2NO sends a very fine QSL. This ham has had a very extensive experience since taking up radio in 1911. His history is as follows:—Commercial amateur radio in England in 1911; during European War, Royal Naval Air Service, in Eastern Mediterranean and Russia; G6XG, 1923; first G to work U.S.A. with low power, 1924; two years, afloat, P. and O. S.N. Co., Ltd.; B.B.C. engineer, 1925; quit Europe for Australia early 1926; licensed A2NO, QSO'd everywhere hams existed; radio journalist; 1930, VK6NK, at Wyndham, North-west Australia; station figured in rescue

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of bushed aviators lost while en route to England in 1931; built country B.C. station 2MO, in New South Wales.

The owner-operator of VK2NO has been a ham for twenty-three years, and is still going strong. He is a lieutenant in First Division Cavalry Signals, Australian Military Forces. He has had over 500 S.W.L. reports in the last four months, and worked 300 Americans and others. His power is 50 watts.—187M.C. (Timaru).

Loggings for 27 Days.

FOR 27 days' dxing I have reports out to the following stations: KOA, KFBK, XEMO, XENT, XEW, XEAW, XEB, KPO, KHJ, KGMB, KMOX, KGER, WOAI, WBT, KNX, KSL, KVOO, KFI, KGU, WBBM, KOMA, KGB, KRLD, W6XAI, W9XBY, 3HS, 4BH, 2MO, 2CH, 2KO, 2GB, 7LA, 2UZ, 2GZ, 2WG, 2BL, 2FC, 2AY, 2HD, 4BC, 2UE, 2KY, 4WK, 3TR, 3BO, 4GR, 8MB, 3DB, 2SM, 2WL, 2GN, 2UW, 4TO, 3XY, 3GL.

Americans have been improving rapidly around here, also the Aussies, 2KY, 2UE, 2FC, 2BL being quite good at mid-day, and 2SM and 2CH being just audible. Americans are coming in very early, one or two coming through as early as 2.45.

I am using a counterpoise aerial, 85ft. high and 600ft. over-all.

Could some of the "old hands" give us an idea as to when we should be able to pick up some 100-watt "Yanks" and their frequencies?—"Wattle Bark" (Motumaoho).

Eastern Stations at Good Strength.

CONDITIONS have been erratic for overseas reception lately, good nights being few and far between. QRN is usually severe in the early evenings, but better conditions prevail after midnight. The regular Americans are coming through well, but new loggings are scarce. WSMB (1320 k.c.) has been heard through KGMB some nights. KIEM is now closing at 5.30 p.m. instead of at 9.30 p.m.

The best hunting ground at present is to be found among the Easterns. The Chinese have been outstanding, most of the 100-watters and some of the 50-watters being heard at good strength. XH-HG, XHHA, XHHB, XHHV, XHHI,

XHHH, XHHU, XHHN and XHHR are the best of these. Several Japanese have been heard testing on their new frequencies with English recordings. Calls are given at frequent intervals, making identification definite. MTCY has not been up to usual strength. HSTPJ is good on Thursday and Sunday mornings, and HSP1 is very consistent.

Recent loggings are WFAA, WWL, WSMB, KWK, KPRC, KGIR, KFOX, JODK-1, JOBK-2, JOCK-2, JOFK, JOTK, PFZ, 4MK, 4WK, 4AY, 6ML, VK's 2QY (7.30 a.m.), 3DX, 3RI, 3LU, 3CR, 3FL, 3FW and 4QL. Verifications, Prague 1, Bratislava, WCAU, KOMA, W9XBY, XMHC, XHHG, HS-P1, JORK, JOBK-1, 2WL, 4WK, 4AV, 6ML, VK's 2KV, 3DH, and 4EC, who mentioned that he had received about a dozen reports from New Zealand. Letters written in Mexican and not yet translated have been received from XE-FO and XEBH.

2WL, Wollongong, advises that reports will only be verified if a self-addressed and stamped envelope (twopence in Australian stamps) is sent. Since increasing their power to 300 watts they have been deluged with reports from New Zealand, dozens of them with no return postage enclosed and some with New Zealand stamps, which are, of course, useless to them. New Zealand dxers should make a practice of sending return postage to all Australian stations, otherwise station officials will get chary of our reports and the number of "black-listed" stations will increase.—370A. (Te Pahu).

Exchange of QSL Cards.

AS everyone knows, the Aussies are coming in earlier and better than ever, when QRM and QRN don't step in

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N.Z. DX Club Meetings

HAWKE'S BAY.

In the new club room, Wood's Tea-rooms, Waipukurau, at 7.45 p.m. on Wednesday, July 15.

L. W. MATHIE (4HQ)

Branch Secretary.

AUCKLAND.

In the committee room, Scots' Hall, Symonds Street, at 8 p.m. on Wednesday, July 15.

H. SUTCLIFFE (198A),

Branch Secretary.

WELLINGTON.

In the offices of National Magazines Ltd., Third Floor, Dominion Buildings, at 8 p.m. on Wednesday, July 15.

F. J. REEVES (2HQ),

Branch Secretary.

MARTON.

At 97 Princess Street, Marton Junction, at 7.30 p.m. on Tuesday, August 11.

J. R. BAIN (217W),

Branch Secretary.

WHANGAREI.

All shortwave "fans" in and about Whangarei are cordially invited to attend the meeting of the Whangarei Branch, to be held in "Fulljames" Salon at 7.30 p.m. on Monday, July 20, as it is proposed to start a short-wave section.

R. A. ROYCROFT (222A),

Branch Secretary.

WANGANUI.

At 21 Lowther Street at 8 p.m. on Thursday, July 16.

F. CARR (150W),

Branch Secretary.

SOUTHLAND.

At the residence of Mr. J. Ure, 335 Tay Street East, Invercargill, at 8 p.m. on Wednesday, July 22.

L. C. McCORMICK (81S),

Correspondence Secretary.

NAPIER.

In the Club Room, Dickens Street, at 7.30 p.m. on Tuesday, July 28.

O. N. HALLETT (143HB),

Branch Secretary.

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