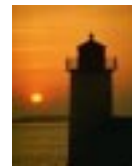




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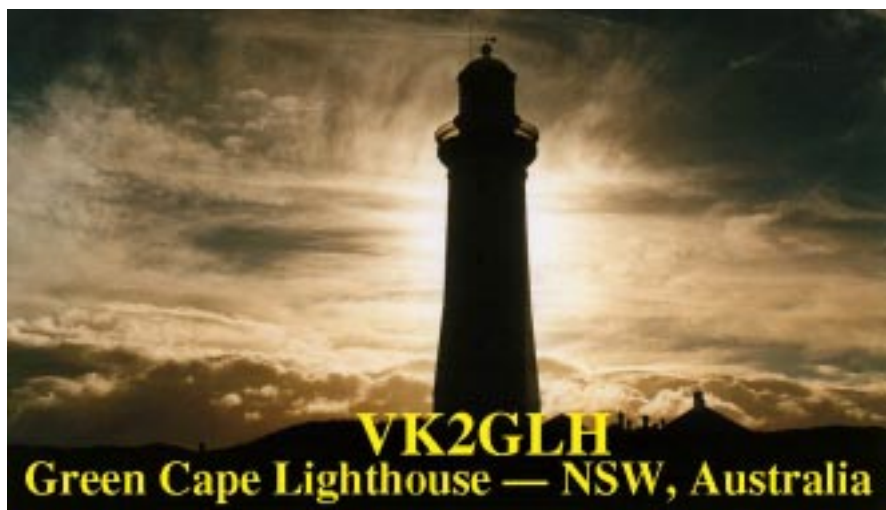
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Green Cape Light, Australia. Photo by Pam, XYL of Kevin, VK2CE

FEATURED LIGHT

Green Cape Light, NSW, Australia

The Green Cape Lighthouse was built in 1883 and was the first cast concrete lighthouse tower in Australia. At 29 metres it is the state's second tallest light. The lightstation is situated on a point of land projecting from Ben Boyd National Park. It is the southernmost lighthouse in New South Wales. Problems occurred during construction when a 6 metre white clay belt was discovered, forcing the foundation to be dug to 9 metres altogether. The original Chance Brothers revolving lantern was fuelled by kerosene and mantle, and produced 100,000 candelas for a radius of 34 km. The light was electrified in 1962 and upgraded to 1,000,000 candelas in 1967. The tower has since been replaced by the latest automated steel lattice skeleton tower with a solar powered light.

LOCATION: Latitude 37° 15' S
Longitude 150° 03' E
OPERATOR: Australian Maritime Safety Authority
LIGHT SOURCE: 1000W 120 Volt tungsten halogen
INTENSITY: 1,000,000 cd
RANGE: 40 kilometres
HEIGHT: 29 metres



Member News

New Event for Winter 2000: “Lighthouse Christmas Lights”

December 18 thru January 2
Sponsored by the

Amateur Radio Lighthouse Society

This is a special event, not a contest, and you do NOT have to operate from a lighthouse in order to participate.

Purpose: To promote public awareness of ham radio and lighthouses; to contribute to the recognition that lighthouses, lightships, and their keepers deserve; to foster camaraderie within the ham fraternity; and to provide fellowship amongst the members of the Amateur Radio Lighthouse Society.

Time: 0001 UTC on December 18, 2000, through 2359 UTC January 2, 2001

Modes: Any and all! — SSB, FM, SSB, PSK, SSTV, even light beams and semaphores. Repeater operation is also allowed on all bands.

Bands: Any authorized bands including WARC. Suggested frequencies (+/- 20 kHz): 1.970, 3.970, 7270, 14.270, 21.370, 28.370

Procedure: Call CQ Lighthouse or CQ/LH

Exchange: ARLS members give out call sign, sequential serial number [slash] membership number (see your newsletter mailing label for yours if you don't know it), your name, and state/province. Nonmembers give call sign, sequential serial number, name, state/prov.

Awards: Certificate for working 10 or more member ARLHS stations. Send log info to ARLHS, P.O. Box 2178, Cinnaminson, NJ 08077. Include SASE 9x12-inch envelope for

return of certificate. Send questions via E-mail to Jim, K2JXW: weidner@waterw.com



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From the Lightkeeper's Lamp

About “The List of Participating Stations in the NLW and ILLW”

I began the list last year by taking data sent to me by the originator of the ILLW event, Mike (GM4SUC). Since I was already keeping a list of USA lighthouses, I had a list of NLW participants; so last year I added the NLW group to Mike's list and thus evolved the “Master List” for both events.

This year I also added E-mail and web site addresses where they were available. My list was intended to list only stations at lighthouses and lightships, but inevitably a few “applicants” misunderstood and sent me their listing even though they were working the event from their home shack. They evidently thought that if they were “participating” in the event that they should be added to the “List.” This misunderstanding was undoubtedly my fault for giving the title “Participants” to the list — leading to the misconception that ANY participant would be listed, when it was intended to list ONLY those on LH's or LS's. Next year I'll change the title.

The second thing is that many forwarded to me the address of their personal web site for listing. What I intended was to list the URL of a LH or LS web page so that those contacting it could, perhaps, see a photo or get more details about its structure, location, etc. I may drop this URL feature next year. It is very time consuming to type each URL for the sites. The E-mail address is proving useful for those looking for more information; so I will probably retain this feature.

As most of you know, I began the Amateur Radio Lighthouse Society. So far there are over 130 members, and each has been given a member number. Quite a few have asked if it is all right to use the ARLS logo on their QSL's along with their ARLS number. The answer is YES. And we are now producing small, inch-round self-stick seals that can be used on QSL's or envelopes. The seal shows the ARLS logo and identifies the sender as a member of ARLS.

Someone suggested adding numbers to the stations on the list. The ARLS member number *could* be used in the NLW and ILLW event QSO's, but there are a few potential problems with this:

(1) Only a *very* small percentage of event participants are members of the ARLS (don't ask me why!)

(2) Most of the members are USA hams. (There are only 5 members outside of the USA so far — although the list grows by one or two new joiners each day). The overwhelming majority of light stations on the list are outside of the USA; they're from at least 40 other countries.

(3) The members are both home and light stations; so the number will not be at all useful for identifying lighthouse stations.

(4) There is also the possibility of using the WLH award list of lighthouses and the number issued by that group (much like the IOTA number), but their list of recognized lights is severely limited in the sense that they do not recognize any light that is on an inhabited piece of land, and this sort of disqualifies

many coastal lights — such as New Jersey's famous "Old Barney" on Long Beach Island, a famous and popular summer resort area that is on a highly populated island.

The bottom line is that I am not going to get too excited about all this. After all, this is not DXCC or some big contest event (we have stubbornly resisted making it so in spite of some suggestions and requests). The NLW and ILLW are EVENTS that are meant to be enjoyable for hams and their families. I even suggest packing a picnic basket and taking the family on a "Lighthouse Day Outing at the Beach" where possible. But there are other lighthouse events throughout the year. F5OGG reports to me on lighthouse expeditions and on-the-air events. He's a member of the list here and he posts notices of these throughout the year. Also, South America has summer when winter socks in the North; so look for some activity from them in December and January, particularly from Brazil and Argentina.

[By the way, rather than a station number, I give out a QSO sequential number. First, it helps me keep track of how many stations I have worked; and second, it helps me find the entry in the log when I receive a QSL. (Using the date and time can be frustrating. Many hams don't use UTC time; some don't use daylight savings time; and some just plain have clocks that are several minutes off.) When you are working several QSO's per minute and someone gives a time that is 3 or 4 minutes too fast or too slow, you can see having to go through 50 or so log entries to find them. A QSO number makes it easier to find the entry. And yes, I know, I should have an automated logging program, but since I operate from the galley of my boat, there is no room for a laptop and it's tuff to type, talk, and rock and roll with the waves all at the same time.]

OK, none of these lighthouse event things are hard and fast. I purposely titled the procedures as "Guidelines" and not "rules." (In fact, the suggested ILLW frequencies on 40 and 20 meters can't apply to USA participants because they are out of the USA phone bands.) So I am open to suggestions. Naturally, if a suggestion involves the ILLW, Mike (GM4SUC) is the person to decide. But as far as the "List" or the NLW is concerned, send your ideas to me at K2JXW@amsat.org or weidner@waterw.com

Dit Dit de Jim, K2JXW / Editor & founder ARLHS

Letters to the Lightkeeper

Aloha from KH6 land!

I'm a former U.S. Coast Guardsman (although I'm trying to get back in now as a reserve officer). From the apartment, I have a view of the Barbers Point lighthouse and Diamond Head lighthouse; the Makapu'u lighthouse is about a 20 minute drive away. The Diamond Head light is located at the residence of the admiral of the 14th USCG District.

As you might know, the Makapu'u light has the largest lens in the Coast Guard's

inventory — it's designated as a hyper-radiant lens. It's the first landfall west-bound ships see when traveling from the West Coast of the U.S. to Hawaii.

It's wonderful to have a list that combines amateur radio and lighthouses! Thank you to the list owner!

73 from the Central Pacific and Semper Paratus, Jeff, KH6O

From: K1WY [klwy@earthlink.net]
 Sent: Thursday, September 07, 2000
 To: hamradiolighthouses@listbot.com
 Subject: K1WY DX Association Lighthouses
 For all that are interested there are photos of the four Lighthouses supported and operated by Association members for the International Lighthouse Weekend 2000. The photos can be found on the Association's web page at:

www.klwydxa.org

73 Bill - K1WY / ON9CAT

FROM: The K1WY DX Association
 Email: klwy@klwydxa.org or klwy@ibm.net
 Current stations managed:

4LØDXP, 4N1DX, 4N1YL, 5A21PA, 5A30, 5R8ET, AX1TX, BV4FH, CY9/KT1J, FP/KT1J, FP/N1JEZ, ET3BT, GBØLSP, GD3LSF, GI3MUS, GI6YM, GIØPCU, HBØCZS, K1L, K1WY, KW1JY, KW1WY, N1JY, ON4CAT, ON4CEL/LGT, ON9CAT, P29CC, RUØAK, S21J, TF7GX, TF8GX, TF7RX, TF8RX, UAØACG, UAØAOZ, UAØDC, UAØZBK, VK1TX, YO6AVB, ZD7VC, ZL3KIM

QSL card requests may be sent to the either of the offices listed below. Self-addressed envelope and postage would be appreciated.

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European Office:

The K1WY DX Association
 POB 90
 Eeklo 9900, Belgium
 Operations Manager ON4CAT/KW1WY
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 Fax: 32-9-377-3781

73, Bill, K1WY

NLW and ILLW Reports from Around the World

K7L / W7LL

This was a single operator station this year and we used a FT-900 barefoot at 100 W. Antennas were two G5RV's up about 50 feet, one running E-W and one N-S, switchable. The station ran full time except for shutting down at 1 AM to 6:30 AM Friday and Saturday nights (had to sleep sometime). Conditions were great the first day with big 10M opening. Second date was much slower and band condx were least than the day before. Already planning for next year. USCG had given us permission to utilize 2 nearby and unused 70 ft poles. Used one this year as one end of our N-S antenna setup. Wx was beautiful.

K7L Results:

561 contacts

31 countries contacted

43 US states worked

13 lighthouse/lightships worked (most exotic for K7L was

J41LH in Greece and AX2000 in Australia but also appreciated the two South Africa LH contacts - never heard Africa last year. Great ZL, VK, and PU lighthouse effort. Never heard any North European LH/LS's. 73 de Don, W7WLL / K7L



Denotes ARLS member

WA7OBH

Jupiter Lighthouse operation saw seven operators for the two days of operation as WA7OBH/Jupiter Lighthouse. We only made 52 contacts for the weekend, but managed to put Jupiter Lighthouse on the air for the first time during International Lighthouse Weekend. Six countries were worked in addition to numerous lighthouses. Our antenna and connections gave us problems, and this handicap plus not-so-good conditions accounted for not working more stations. We plan to rectify what we can for next year and resume operation again from WA7OBH/Jupiter Lighthouse.



W3L / K2JXW

For the NLW event we operated from the now-defunct Barnegat Lightship, which is not to be confused with "Old Barney," the Barnegat Lighthouse found on New Jersey's Long Beach Island. That QTH was on the air as N2OB. Barnegat Lightship, however, is berthed in the Cooper River, just north of Philadelphia, along the Delaware River. The lightship has a long and glorious history, and it is sad to see it sinking gradually into the mud.

Following its service as the Five Fathom Bank Lightship for almost 20 years, the Barnegat Lightship was established as LV79 WAL506, and began service on station in 1927. Built at a cost of \$89,000 in 1904, the 129-foot vessel originally used oil lanterns; later these were converted to electric. In 1942 the ship was removed from station because of World War II. After the war, it was returned to service until 1967, when it was discontinued.

The ship was decommissioned and given to the Chesapeake Maritime Museum in St. Michaels, MD. After 3 years the Museum sold it to the Philadelphia Ship Preservation Guild, and it now "resides" at Piney Point on the Cooper River in Camden, NJ. *(Continued on next page.)*



W3L (continued)

We operated as W3L from our 30-ft *Sandy Claws*, anchored next to the lightship. The wx was beautiful, and we made 136 contacts, mostly on 20 and 40 meters. Some interesting contacts were with Crisp Point on Lake Superior (KC8HZZ), Morris Island Light (N4ZN), and St. Marks Light in Florida (AD4DO). We also worked W5OXA, who was later to become W5B at Biloxi (MS) Light in the ILLW event. DX included 8P6GD (Barbados), ON5KL (Belgium), 4Z4DX (Israel), OM4JD (Slovakia), F6FHO (France), I1BUP (Italy), PY5PS (Brazil), DN2WAT (Germany), EA1ALE and EA1AIQ (Spain).

Our rig on board is a modest 100-watt Icom 706II into an SGC-230 antenna tuner feeding a 23-foot helical wound marine whip. In spite of a very poor grounding system (the boat is fiberglass), this set-up seems to work incredibly well on all bands from 160M thru 10M. And, of course, it also has 2 meters -- we made some contacts via local repeaters to give the gang a certificate. N2KPC was kind of unique: LLOYD followed us from 2 meters to 10, 15, 20, and 40 — the only station to work us on more than one band.

Two weeks later, we had cruised our boat down the Delaware River, through the C & D Canal, to the Chesapeake Bay. We made a few contacts from Turkey Point Light in the north end; then continued south to several other lights. August 19th (ILLW) we tried Baltimore Light, Thomas Point Light, and Love Point Light (extinct). Reception was terrible! We hardly heard anything, and I assumed the rig was dead.

Before we left home port I had made a list of what we needed to take along. One of the items was a backup rig, Icom 740. Naturally, I not only forgot the rig but I also lost my list!

Anyway, I pulled anchor and made a short run to St. Michaels, MD, where we were able to dock next to Hooper Straight Light (see photo). Reception improved immensely and I can only assume that at the three previous locations we had been so close to the US Naval Academy at Annapolis that their megawatt submarine transmitters (?) were blocking out the front end of the Icom 706. Maybe someone in that area can tell me if that is normal or even possible.

St. Michaels was great — the weather and food and amenities more than could be hoped for. We docked at a marina each night and discovered a courtesy copy of the Washington Post newspaper on our boat's deck each morning. Not only that, but our slip was within 20 feet of the marina's swimming pool. Hooper Straight Light was about 300 yards away; so in the morning I took the boat over to it while the XYL (who has no interest whatsoever in ham radio but loves to shop) went into town to explore the gift and antique shops.

Back on board, I was next to a boat called "Mister Jim" and attracted some attention from tourists — Hooper Straight Light also functions as a maritime museum. One of the highlights was a QSO with my old high school buddy of 45+ years, Tom (W7QF) who was operating from St. Augustine (FL) Light as W4L. We also worked KP4ES, the Cajo de Muertos Light in Puerto Rico; WA7OBH (Jupiter Light in Florida), W5B (Biloxi Light), K4L (St. Marks), N2SEX (Ontario Lake light), W2AMC (Long Island Light, NY), W2T (Tuckerton Light, NJ), K1L (New London, CT), and NC3DX (Jones Point Light on the Potomac River in Alexandria, VA).

We ended our event with 178 contacts, not as many as hoped owing to the reception problems mentioned earlier, but satisfying anyway considering I got to work a lot of lighthouse fans that I have been exchanging e-mails with in setting up the "List of Participating Stations" web site over the last 6 months. I hope y'all found the list useful, and I look forward to wrking you all again throughout the winter months.



Hooper Straight Lighthouse and maritime museum in St. Michaels, Chesapeake Bay, MD. We "parked" our *Sandy Claws* at the dock in front and worked the world as W3L from this QTH

OZ7DAL

Wasn't ILLW fun? On *Fyrskib XXI* we were frustrated that we could not be QRV as much as we wanted to be. Reason: a few weeks before, we suddenly experienced s9+ QRN on 80m. The EMC specialist that I called would, yes, very much like to help, and best time for him would be — you guessed it, ILLW weekend.

OZ1BGP and OZ2LIF (with their wives and 2 lovely dogs) were manning the lightship and did what best they could during the day to keep the call on air between all the testing. I covered the nite btwn Sat and Sun where I sat having a good time "fishing" Light stations and new countries for the future collective Lightship DXCC. But mostly I enjoyed the "rose-fingered dawn." It was an unforgettable morning. Ebeltoft Bay was like a mirror. Seagulls and other "early birds" going out to check on their nets. After a morning like that you feel born anew.

A lot of testing, measuring, and analyzing took place both days and we are fairly sure we have found the cause of most of the QRN, but there is still some testing to be done. That will be taken care of by the time you read this.

We worked 30 Light stations in 17 countries: OZ, LA, SM, TE, OH, DL, PA, F, EA, SV, SP, RZ, GM, EI, FY, PW, and the USA. QSEs for ALL contacts have now been written and are in the buro.

We sadly missed North Carr, Nordhinder, Jupiter, and Cape Canaveral lights — Special greetings to you (and to Svenner in LA). Hope to meet u nxt yr. Did anyone hear any JAPANESE stations? Also I have had contact with a number of JA's since last ILLW hoping to create activity. Were we lucky??

Thank you all for joining the ILLW; hope you had fun too - also hope that some of the surprisingly many "5-9 QRZ stations" occasionally slowed down to get a ragchew and a salty tale. Next year I promise OZ7DAL will be on air for more hours. C U then. Meanwhile, read about *Fyrskib XXI* and OZ7DAL on our web page at www.qsl.net/oz7dal vy 73 es 88 de OZ3AE, Anne

EI5ML

Mizen Lighthouse — for the first time, and we had a great event. The team consisted of: EI5IY, Stan, on cw; EI2HY, Anthony; and EI2IB, Michael, on ssb.

The weather was fantastic for both days — sunny, warm, and almost without any wind. We operated in the cabin used by the Mizen Vision Visitor Centre, overlooking the Atlantic, with the Fastnet Rock lighthouse clearly visible.

We had a huge number of people call in to see what we were doing. The Mizen Lighthouse has a very interesting visitor centre, with access to parts of the lighthouse. This lighthouse is fully automatic, as are all Irish lighthouses.

Two stations were on the air, and consisted of a JRC JST245 on ssb and a TenTec Corsair II on cw. Antennas were W3DZZ and two Trap Verticals. We went on air at 1130Z Saturday, and closed down at 1245Z on Sunday. Both stations closed down 0030-0500z.

Total number of QSO's:

350 on ssb

150 on cw (but that is because I'm a ragchewer!)

Lighthouses worked: 19

Countries worked: 63

Continents worked: 6

Bands used: 80, 40, 20, 15, and 10 by both stations.

All QSEs received by me will be answered. We are certainly proposing to be active again next year.

73 de Stan — EI5IY & G3LQI

Kealties, Durrus, Co. Cork, Republic of Ireland

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W5B / W5OXA

Well, here it is again, August, and the temperature is in the upper 90's and climbing, with a heat index of 110 degrees. I have a truck-



load of equipment and another old dude like me to help with putting up the antennas. Kim, N5XGI, my old faithful buddy, is always there to help me with these situations that I get myself into. It did not take too long to put up the antennas, but we would have to work for about 10 minutes and then drink water for a half hour. After all the antennas were installed, we then moved into the building, which, to our relief, was air conditioned.

We installed all the equipment and checked out the systems: everything was within Mil-Specs. Now all we had to do was wait until 0001 UTC and start wailing away. I took the first shift, and we racked up some 100 contacts. By that time I was so tired, wet, and hungry that I took my body home and put it into the shower for an overhaul; then to bed I went.

Saturday I was up at the crack of dawn and off for the usual breakfast at our local greasy spoon with the local hams. Kim followed me



to the Biloxi Chamber building (our hosts), and we started again. The bands did not seem to be in very good shape, but the old stand-by, 20 Meters, was hot! Later that morning, Randy, N5UE, a member of our DX club (The Magnolia DX Assn.), dropped by and volunteered his talents in operating. He hung in there for the remainder of the weekend. Darryl, KD5CQT, also of the DX Assn., dropped in and operated for a long time, along with another local ham, Frank, WA5GDF. Using four operators and one station by 0251 UTC on August 19th, we had racked up 607 QSO's, and we called it quits for the night.

On Saturday we had several visitors stop in, which added to the excitement of the event. The

Executive Director of the Biloxi Chamber, Harry B. Joachim, dropped by and chatted with us for a while. He presented us T-shirts with the new Biloxi Chamber Logo on them. He also said that we would be able to use the building next year and in the years to come.



Harry B. Joachim, Executive Director of the Biloxi Chamber and friend to the ops at W5B and the ILLW and NLW events.

To promote the International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend, we have tossed around the idea of sending NTS (National Traffic System) messages from the lighthouse. Our lighthouse is sort of unique because it is on the historical register, and the city conducts tours of the structure. Lots of tourists visit the structure. Harry told us that he would have a banner made for us, and all we needed to do is tell him what we wanted on it. I have never heard of a city that helped hams out as much as Biloxi, MS. I am certainly glad that I stumbled onto this event.

Sunday was a slow day for participation. I arrived at the site around 7 AM and started operating the station. I added 50 QSO's to the list before I had to leave to attend church. I returned to the site around 1733 UTC and started calling CQ again. It seemed like everyone in the world was waiting for me to get there. First, I checked the bands, and the only one that was producing Q's was 20 meters. Around 1800 UTC Randy, N5UE, showed up and relieved me for a couple of hours; after that we took turns operating. Randy and I were the only operators for Sunday, but Kim, N5XGI, my old stand by came by to help take down the station.

Well, as you would have it Murphy's Law took over at the end of the event and here came a thunderstorm. We could see hundreds of

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W5B (continued)

boats coming in from a boating event that took place on Ship Island. "By the way there is a new lighthouse on Ship Island, but I don't know much about it yet. It was reconstructed after it was destroyed." I knew that something was in the wind, so I went outside and looked around, and there it was, "big black clouds heavy with water and lightning"; so we decided to cut the weekend short instead of taking the antennas down in the rain and lightning. One good thing about the storm: the temperature dropped from the high 90's to the low 80's. I don't think that I even worked up a sweat taking the station down.

With the close of the day and a weekend well spent we were very proud to have accumulated 933 QSO's and 17 lighthouses with one station running and 4 operators. We are all looking forward to a better International Lighthouse/Lightship weekend next year. Maybe we will be able to put up two stations and work more bands. By Monday, the writing of this article, the QSL cards were rolling in, and I guess that is a sign that it is all over with except for the paper work.

73 de Ernest "Ernie" Orman Jr. — W5OXA /W5B / KP2

W7LY / Lightship Columbia

We had 161 contacts. Worked 31 States; 15 DXCC countries; 7 U.S. Lighthouses; 2 foreign, including GB2LO at Orkney Islands and ZL2GT, Whirinaki, New Zealand. Station manned 18H on 20 M. Sidelight: Had QSO with W7AXD in Salem, OR. He has been on the air for 72 years and doesn't consider himself a Ham. Old CW Man? Sure would like to use a amp, but in doing so we get into USCG ships com 30 to 40 feet from the Lightship *Columbia*. See you next year for sure!

73 from W7LY, Ed, Trustee W7BU.

VK2GLH / VK2CE

(For particulars and photos of VK2GLH, Green Cape Lighthouse, see the "Featured Light" article on page 1 of this issue [Ed.]

From "Down-under" — What a great weekend we all had. Twelve stations in VK-land took part with 3 in Tasmania, 1 in Victoria, 4 in NSW, 3 in Queensland, and 1 in South Australia.

The Taree ARC gave AX2000 a good airing at Crowdy Head Lighthouse and the callsign was much sought after by the overseas stations. Over 300 contacts I believe.

Propagation was a lot better this year, and there were some good contacts into the States and Europe. Public relations and publicity over the past 6 months have paid off as we had seven more lighthouses on the air this year than last year.

Because of time constraints, the trend in VK seems toward being on air until Sunday night and then closing down. The operating hours on our East coast are from 10 AM Saturday to 10 AM Monday, and quite a few have to work on the Monday. (As all you Northerners know, we have to read the newspapers upside down as well.) [Do your toilets flush backwards, as well? — Ed.]

Some web sites to have a look at are:

www.qsl.net/vk2glh — Green Cape Lighthouse

www.qsl.net/vk3owl — Cape Otway lighthouse

www.ozemail.com.au/~vk4len/scarc/lighthouse.html — VK4WIS, Double Island Point

73, Kevin VK2CE / VK2GLH

VK Area Lighthouse Coordinator

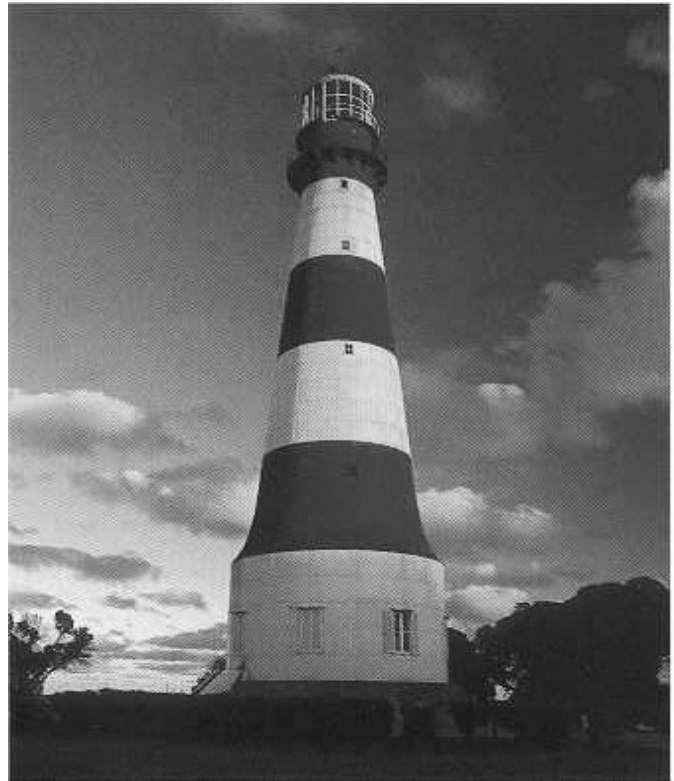
LU2DT

In the past ILLW weekend LU2DT, *Radio Club Mar Del Plata* activated the "Faro de Punta Mogotes." The equipment was a Kenwood TS 450 SAT, an ICOM 731, and a YAESU FT 747; the antennas were a G5RV and a dipole with coils to 20, 15, and 10 meters. Our log shows 300 Qso's in SSB and CW in 80,40,20,15, and 10 meters bands.

73 de Fernando A. Gonzalez, LU5DD

Chairman Competitions and Emergencies, LU2DT

<http://www.qsl.net/lu5dd>



Faro de Punta Mogotes, activated for ILLW as LU2DT by the Radio Club Mar Del Plata

W8L / K8PT

Marquette Harbor Lighthouse, Michigan, Lake Superior

We had a wonderful weekend with at least 30 members of the Hiawatha Amateur Radio Assn coming out to the lighthouse during the weekend. Thanks for sponsoring a great club weekend. Here are some stats.

We worked AT LEAST

27 Lighthouses or Lightships

44 States

53 Countries

And we had at least 3 young hams operate HF for an extended time (for their first time). Now they are hooked!

73 and were looking forward to next year.

Pete — K8PT

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Web page: <http://www.qsl.net/k8lod/light.html>

K1T / K1JD

The subject weekend this year was a vast improvement over last year's event where a solar flare completely wiped the bands. The weather was exceptional, in the mid-70's and dry both days. Sunday AM the wind picked up to about 30 kts which is not unusual at Beavertail.

Ken K3IU and I operated sporadically, completing 119 QSO's and working 29 countries. All HF bands except 80 meters were used. Ken operated PSK31 Sat/Sun mornings on 20 & 10 meters using his K2 #920, laptop, and a Kanga SQ mast supporting an inverted V. Living here on the island, I operated mornings with Ken and returned for a few hours in the afternoon and evening. I worked all CW, except for 3 QSO's on (gasp) SSB, using K2 #139 and an Outbacker 12' Outreach on a big mag mount. Both K2's have the built in ATU which worked great.

Two hams stopped by mid-Sunday afternoon and their desire to play with the K2 accommodated. Neither had ever seen one "in the flesh". Both were aware of the lighthouse event and had decided to drive by to see if they could spot an antenna - hard to miss the 12' Outbacker on the roof of my car or truck.

The bands were on and off. Everyone has experienced conditions where there are many stations but none are very strong. This was the case for a large portion of the weekend. For example, 15 meters was at times filled with JA's but only a few were S3 or better (Shin, JA1NUT to name one). Conditions like these are not very good for QRP. but every now and then we could be heard and heard well! Could have used a few extra dB for specific stations over the weekend (read: K2 PA would have helped - hi).

The Kanga mast was very easy to deploy, but it sure does bend and sway in the wind! The inverted V did better over the shorter paths and

netted a total of 10 PSK31 QSO's, all stateside except for EA7FTR on 10 m. Not bad for 5 watts! The Outbacker Outreach worked extremely well (UA9's, 4Z4, etc) with excellent reports over the long haul. For example, two of the three SSB contacts were with G3GBS and GB2LO on 15 m. They gave "solid S 7" and "S 9" reports, respec-



tively. Late Sunday afternoon, K1T was the subject of a big pileup on 14.060 with mostly European stations calling. It's a strange feeling to be operating QRP with a mag-mounted antenna *and* trying to pick callsigns out of a pileup! A quick check of DX Summit after returning home revealed several K1T spots by DX stations.

Thanks to the many op's who worked us. Pictures will be posted to our web page in the near future. Meanwhile, visit us at

<http://hometown.aol.com/k1jd/index.html>

73, John, K1JD / K1T (Beavertail Lighthouse)

Jamestown, RI IOTA NA031

N4XGI / N4XGJ

St. Simon Island Lighthouse, Georgia — The following is a summary of our weekend during the International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend Special Event. Both Amateur Radio and Lighthouses received plenty of local news coverage.

In the weeks leading up to the event, The Coastal Georgia Historical Society, located at the St. Simons Island Lighthouse, published an article in the newsletter and in the *Brunswick News*.

The Florida Times Union came and took pictures of our station and wrote an article about the special event and also about Amelia Island Light.

Bob West, N4XGJ, and Jeff Cole, N4XGI, operated amateur radio station N4XGI from St. Simons Island Lighthouse on Saturday, August 19, from about 11 AM until 3 PM and on Sunday, August 20th, from 9 AM until 3 PM during the weekend's Special event.

On Saturday, we started work at 8 AM installing the radio and antenna on the top of the lighthouse. Running the coaxial cable up the 100-foot lighthouse turned out to be more difficult than expected.

We had about 15 visitors on Saturday, including a reporter from the *Brunswick News*. The following web site has the article that was written about our operation. Just follow the link to read it:

[http://www.thebrunswicknews.com/cgi-bin/Live!Que.acgi\\$rec=39609?TBNsearchAbout](http://www.thebrunswicknews.com/cgi-bin/Live!Que.acgi$rec=39609?TBNsearchAbout)

Half of the visitors heard about it in the Georgia-Times Union newspaper and the rest came over from the museum. We had about 20 visitors on Sunday, most heard about it from the Brunswick Newspaper article.

Using only 100 watts of power and a small vertical antenna, We made many contacts with other Lighthouses and Amateur Radio stations around the world on 40-10M. Our operating plan had us searching for other lighthouses and making contacts while visitors were present.

The lighthouses contacted:

CO2FRC -Morro Castle Light, Cuba	K2L -Buffalo NY
OZ9HBO -Bovbjeerg Denmark	W2D -Miah Maull NJ
OH6MMC -Tankar Finland	W2L -East Point DE
DL0PJ -North Sea Germany	W2T -Tucker's Island NJ
KP4ES -Caja de Muertos Puerto Rico	W4DXP -Amelia Island FL
GB2LO -Orkney Islands Scotland	W6ABR- Point Arena CA
EI9KLH -Old Head of Kinsale Ireland	N7L -Yaquiana Bay OR
N1L -Cape Neddick ME	W8L -Marquette MI
W1NPP -Marshall Point ME	KOSV -Splitrock MN
N2L -Navesink Twin Lights NJ	N4XGJ -St. Simons GA

7 countries and 10 different states, 20 total lighthouses.

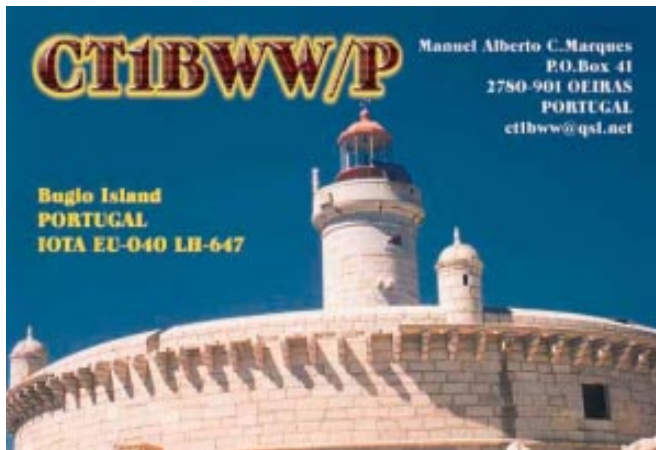
In addition to the above, we heard or spoke to stations in Slovenia, Russia, Italy, Sweden, The Netherlands, Lithuania, Poland, Turkey, China, Zambia, India, Indoneisa, Greece, Crete, Cyprus, England, France, South Africa, Canada, Spain, many states and even Jekyl Island.

For our modest station it was a successful weekend. We will be back next year. Be sure to visit our web site at

<http://www.saintsimonslighthouse.org>

73, Jeff Cole

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*The Qsl Card of CT1BWW/P,
Bugio Island Lighthouse, EU-040, WLH-647
Big 73s from Marq, CT1BWW*

TF1IRA

Operators were TF3AO, TF3GB, TF3HP, TF3VS, and TF3DX. We operated from 1200 UTC/Local on Saturday until 0100 on Sunday morning and again from 0630 till 1740 on Sunday. Partly we operated Multi-Multi, but most of the time the operation was Multi-Single. Equipment used was: Yaesu FT1000MP with Yaesu FL2100B, Alinco DX-70, and Yaesu FT-900.

Antennas were: Sloping Dipole on 20M and Inverted Vee for 40/80M, used with tuner on 15M. For ZL contacts on Sunday morning we erected a 160m LongWire (Villi's TF3DX idea), which was end fed and gave great results. Nearby the lighthouse, we used a 10 metre high vertical.

We had a wonderful weather both days. Around 15 degrees C on Saturday, and we operated outdoor for a long time on Saturday. Conditions were great both days, and we ended up with 878 QSO's in the log; and of these 25 were with lighthouses in Europe and N-America. Operation was mostly on 15M and 20M, but few on 40M, 80M, and one on 30M. We had a big pileup most of the time as many need TF1 prefix in their logs.

We plan to get the log on the Internet soon, as well as pictures from the event, at the club's web page:

www.nett.is/~tf5bw/ira/ira.html

All cards received will be replied to with a card showing the lighthouse. We're certainly looking forward to the next International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend.

73's

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GB2APL

Anvil Point Lighthouse — we had a great weekend, especially as two Brownies (yet to be Girl Guides) took their radio badge exam and passed with flying colours, including a QSO with GB2PB, 2E1HSI, G3UZU, and G3OTW.

The highlight of the weekend came at 12.06 UTC on 28.35 MHz when Lima, PY1NEZ/P, Farol de Punta Negra, suddenly came out of a dead band at 5-9!

The Operation at GB2APL is a Yaesu FT840 and full-sized G5RV. 73 to all, looking forward to next year's ILLW.
Collis Bird, G0WZK

EI9KLH

Old Head of Kinsale Lighthouse — Declan, EI9HQ; Frank, EI2GS; Bob, EI5CK; Tony, EI3GU; Shay, EI6FMB; John, EI4CK: SIX members of the Wicklow Wireless Society travelled the 205 miles in three cars, leaving at 6:00 AM in a 4x4 with a 100-ft mobile tower leaving at 5:00 AM on Friday, the 18th, from the counties On Dublin and Wicklow. We all met up at Waterglass Hill around 10:00 AM and had some breakfast and moved on to the lighthouse, arriving around 11:00 AM. The 4x4 and mobile tower made such good time on the road that we arrived 2 hours ahead of our scheduled time of 13:00.

We started to put up the 3 antennas for the stations. Station #1 had a 3-el tribander for 10/15/20M on a mobile tower. Station #2 used a 7-band vertical, 10/40m, and went up an 80-ft mast that was on site. This took a lot of time to put up. Station #3 had a wire windom for 10/80m from the top of the lighthouse.

With all the work done by 19:00, we went for a meal in the Speckled Door Restaurant; after being well fed we went back to the lighthouse to set up the radio equipment for the three stations. Station #1: Kenwood TS870, 100 watts, Heil HC4 headset. Station #2: Kenwood TS440S, 100 watts, Heil HC4 headset. Also, Kenwood 940TS set up for RTTY and PSK31 modes. Station #3: Yaesu FT990, 100 watts, with MFJ-989C tuner to the wire windom.

All station logs were kept on a laptop, using EI5DI Super-Duper SDX programme, which is free for dxpeditions or special event stations.

Breakdown of weekend:

Modes: mostly SSB with some RTTY and PSK31.

Total number of qso's: 2445.

10m = 219 qso's (9%)

20m = 1078 qso's (44%)

15m = 994 qso's (41%)

40m = 146 qso's (6%)

DXCC 88 countries, 26 ITU zones, 39 USA states, 628 prefix's, IOTA EU115. Country's with more than 100 QSO's: USA 564, Germany 382, Italy 159, England 134, Japan 104.

This was the first time we did the lighthouse/lightship weekend, and we all had great fun with it. Band conditions from 10 through 20 were great, but 40 was poor with us. The best part for me was working VK on Saturday around 0700 UTC. All ops were kept busy for most of the weekend, although we had to close down both afternoons as we had thunder and lightning very close to us for about an hour and a half. Other than that, wx was great, with temperatures between 22 and 25 degrees C.

Thanks again for all the calls and hope to hear you next year.

Yours in radio,

from EI2WW, the Wicklow Wireless Society.

Declan, EI9HQ, QSL Manager for EI9KLH



KP4ES / WP4LNY

KP4ES Contacts:

CW = 710 QSOs

46 Zones

118 countries

SSB = 1847 QSOs

45 Zones

104 countries

TOTAL = 2557 QSOs

20 Zones US



The KP4ES group that participated in the ILLW 2000 event.

Left to Right Back Row: Angel Morales, KP4KOE; Rudy Torruella, KP4RAT; Jay (CHUO) Santiago, KP4EOP; Fernando Diaz, KP4DX; Julio Medina, WP4LNY. Front Row: Héctor Morales, NP3IR; Jim Vázquez, WP3A; José J. Terrasa, WP4LJG.



Caja de Muertos Lighthouse, Puerto Rico

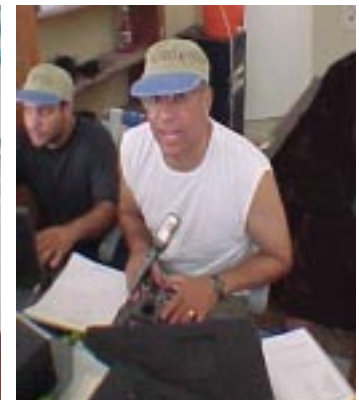
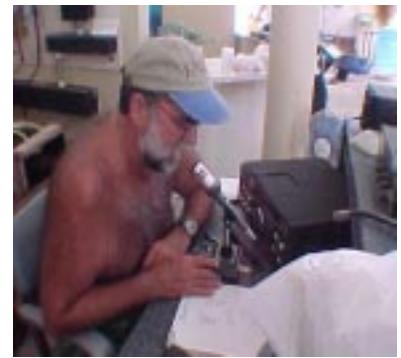
The activity that was celebrated on the island of Caja de Muertos (box of the dead) was very successful.

We wish to express our thanks to the radio fans that in one form or another participated in this activity that placed our name once more at an international level.

Activities like this require precise organization and a well-oiled machine. The planning took many months of work and required many hours of valuable time from many.

The Puerto Rican League of Radio Aficionados salutes Jaime Vazquez, WP3A, who was in charge of the activity; the work team that cooperated in an effective manner; the friends that traveled from the United States to be with us; the operators of station KP4ES/LGT, official station of PRARL, that spent three days on the island; the officials of the government agencies that gave us a hand and were there to make us feel welcome; the Nautical Club of Ponce; Michael Serralles, who gave us great cooperation with the transportation; all those that gave us their equipment to make this activity a reality; the friends that visited us and gave us water, ice, and other treats; and, of course, all the stations that made contact with KP4ES/LGT.

We will confirm all the QSO's for which we received a QSL via the bureau. To those that sent us a preaddressed envelope with stamp, we will send the QSL direct.



DQØKBM

We were on Borkum Island, EU-47, at the Dutch-German border in the North Sea. There are four LH's on Borkum, as well as the IV "Borkumriff" (which was activated as DLOBRF by DF9YG).

Our station, DQØKBM, was situated in the engine room of the so-called "Little LH of Borkum" and on the floor under the lantern (vhf only). For more info about this exclusive prefix, pse see our web site at <http://www.qrz.com/callsign.html?callsign=dqokbm>

Operators were DL1BFE and DL1BIZ; guest op's were DL5KUD, DL8HBB, DL1SER, PA3GBE, DD1BV, and DG3YMT (vhf).

We had nice, sunny wx; we enjoyed swimming in the sea at the white, sandy beaches of the island, gathering the special island blackberries (blue ones!), and talking with other LH stations or exchanging at least more info than "You're 5-9."

Our stations were

40m: JRC, 150 W, dipole abt 25 m over sealevel

20m: TenTec Omni 5, 100 W, dipole abt 45 m over sealevel

The following is a brief statistic from DQØKBM:

Stations contacted by DQØKBM:

7S0SFJ	-- IV Finngrundet	GB2LO	-- LH Orkney Isl
7S1LGT	-- LH Hoburgen	GB2LZL	-- LH Lizard
7S5LH	-- LH Vinga Isl	GB2PB	-- LH Portland
9A3VM/p	-- Sveti Andrija LH	GB2SL	-- IV Spurn, Hull
DAØLGT	-- LH Pilsun	IQ3V	-- LH Victory
DAØWLH	-- LH Warnemuende	K2L	-- LH Buffalo, NY
DFØWLG	-- LH Greifswalder Oie	LU2WA	-- LH St. Jorge
DLOUX	-- IV Elbe1	IY1CM/A	-- LH Cape Vente
DLOEM	-- LH Campen	IY1FW/p	-- LH Sventoji
DLOPJ	-- LH Norderney Isl	OH8AAU	-- LH Ulkoalla Isl
DLØRUG	-- LH Dornbusch	OH8T	-- LH Marjaniemi
ED3PGT	-- LH Torredembarra	OZ7DAL	-- IV XXI
EI5ML	-- Mizen Signal Station	PB6KW	-- LH Katwijk
EI9KLH	-- LH Old Head of Kinsale	PI4ADH/A	-- IV Texel
F6FYK/p	-- ?	RZ1AK/p	-- LH Kolgompja
GBØLCW	-- ?	SI2SSA/LH	-- ?
GBØSBL	-- LH Sutton Bridge	SP6ZKD	-- ?

73 & cu next ILLW

Greg

PY1NEZ

Ponta Negra LGH Operation, located on land near the city of Maricá, RJ - Brazil. WLH #1262 — 22° 58' S / 42° 42' W — Grid GG87.

We had 584 QSOs, working 49 countries and all continents, including at least 21 LGH /LGS stations, such as K1L, K7L, KD5LEJ, W5B, K9S, IW0 (was this a joke?), LU2WA, FY/F5AEG, SK2AU, GB2APL, GBØSBL, ZB2LGT, ED3PGT, I1QL, OZ4B, PA6VEN, DAØLGV, DLOUX, DF2WF(?), SP6TRX/2, and 9A2GA/p(?).

Band condx were fair to good. The best band was 10 m, with openings to Asia and Oceania during the evening. Rig was a FT-101E (Yaesu) and a DX70T (Alinco), running 100 watts to a vertical tri-band antenna.

The crew consisted of PU1NEZ/p, Carl (son), and PY1NEZ/p, Lima (father).

Best wishes de Rogaciano De Lima Correa Filho, "Lima," PY1NEZ

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OH8AAU

Thanks for your all information. Our expedition to Ulkokalla Lighthouse was very succesful. Many hams around the world were interested because of the new Iota number, EU-184. We made over 1000 QSO's to all continents during the weekend. Hope to be on the air again next year.

QSL via bureau or Box 75, FIN-85501, Nivala.

Best 73 de Risto, OH8MTM

W2GSB

Thank you for your support of W2GSB/LH at Fire Island Lighthouse [NY]. I trust you had a great time and enjoyed the beautiful weather along with the good radio conditions and the company of your fellow radio amateurs and their families.

I did a quick scan of the logs and here is the initial report:

779 QSO	• 5 Canadian Prov.
37 Lighthouse Stations worked	• 45 DXCC Counties
40 USA States	•

We had 24 operators/loggers operating from three HF stations. W2GSB/LH was on the air for about 19-20 hours.

There were an estimated 1000-1200 visitors at Fire Island Lighthouse during Saturday and Sunday.

Our thanks to the FI Lighthouse Preservation Society, FI National Seashore for their hospitality. Special thanks to Larry Turk, Lighthouse Keeper, for his time and assistance during our stay at the lighthouse. I am looking forward to next year's Lighthouse Weekend, which is August 18 & 19, 2001.

P.S.: I have received an email QSL from an SWL in the UK, not to mention a post office box full of QSL requests!

73 de Tom Carrubba, KA2D

Len Battisa, W2FX

(Rich Tygar, AC2P - SK)

F5ØGG

What a supernatural Lighthouse weekend we had! Many Thanks to Mike, GM4SUC, and to Jim, K2JXW, for their work all along the year for the preparation of these activities.

Thanks to all Checkpoints of the WORLD LIGHTHOUSE Award for their precious work. And thanks, too, to all OM's that have activated lighthouses on the earth, but equally to all OM's that were on Lighthouses for the WLH Award. Thanks to all OM's that have called them making sometimes pile up.

Expeditions that have passed a number of LH have now to make valid their expedition by sending a photograph showing the lighthouse, the antenna, and the OM's; and by sending the file of approval of the expedition.

The expeditionary on a LH will see to give a card of validation that is valid for their personal WLH award as well as for medals of the expeditionary. Those that would wish to have a number for their LH on their expedition can address the request to Checkpoints or to the Management Committee of WLH Award .

Best 73's de

World Lighthouse (WLH) Award

Management Committee

http://perso.worldonline.fr/wlh_dplf

E-mail : [wlv-award@worldonline.fr](mailto:wlh-award@worldonline.fr)

Delaware Bay Ham Radio Lighthouse Association: W2C, W2D, W2E, W2L, W2R, W2S

These are many of the lights of the Delaware Bay, which is the mouth of the Delaware River. This is the river that flows past Trenton, NJ; Philadelphia, PA; and Wilmington, DE. It's the one that George Washington crossed on that Christmas Eve surprise attack on the Hessian soldiers during the Revolution.

The group was active during both the National Lighthouse Weekend (830 contacts) and the International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend (972 contacts). Two area newspapers, *The Courier Post* and *The Bridgeton News*, did a feature article on the DBHRLA activities.

Here's the QSO breakdown by station:

W2C — Brandywine Light, DE — 135 SSB, 26 CW

W2D — Miah Maull Light, NJ — 324 SSB, 10 CW

W2E — Elbow Cross Light, DE — 252 SSB

W2L — East Point Light, NJ — 554 SSB, 24 CW

W2R — 14-foot Light, DE — 201 SSB

W2S — Ship John Shoal — 346 SSB

Totals: 31 countries; 47 states; several islands, including Kodiak, Alaska; 10 lighthouses, including Nantux Lighthouse, Africa.

Thanks go to the following for the help and support:

Bud and Fran Babb for the hospitality in their home and for their help with *The Courier Post* interview; Joe DiNovi for putting the certificate together; Ray Martin for the loan of his equipment; Tony Scandurra for the use of his radio; John Sielke for the use of his boat at Brandywine Light; Wes Gosbin for the use of his boat at 14-foot Light; John Rowe for the use of his boat at Brandywine; Ed and Barbara Kubiski for the use of their home at Fortescue; Fred Munzenmayer for making the antenna; Rick Connors for the use of the Jersey Devil repeater on 145.390; Sandy Deluca; Al Lorence; Merrill Brown; Hal Fisher; Nick ProlinWayne Jones; Kim Mulford, reporter for *The Courier Post*; Jean Jones, reporter for the *Bridgeton News*; Willie; my wife, Barbara Calhoun; Carol Reily, President of the Delaware Bay Lighthouse Keepers Association; and Jim Weidner (K2JXW) event coordinator and President of the Amateur Radio LightHouse Society.

73 to all,

John Calhoun, KC2ATK



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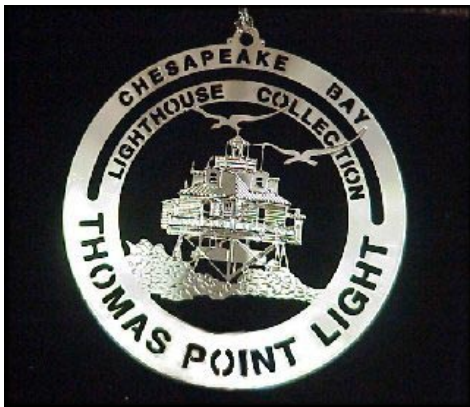
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QSO Exchange: The minimum QSO exchange will include a call sign, QTH, weather, and signal report. If time permits, longer QSOs are encouraged. For more information, visit the event web site at

www.nws.noaa.gov/event2000

Sabine Pass Lighthouse To Be Featured in PBS Film

by Geneva Griffith, Special to the American Press

Oregon Public Broadcasting plans three visits to the Sabine Pass Lighthouse for a film about lighthouses along the Gulf Coast. The company is the one that produced for the Public Broadcasting Company other documentaries featuring lighthouses from the Florida Keys to Maine, the Great Lakes, and Harbor Lights lighthouses.

Carolyn Thibodeaux, who heads the Cameron Preservation Alliance-Sabine Pass Lighthouse Inc., made the announcement during a recent meeting. She said the production company's tour will include 20 Gulf Coast lighthouses but the local lighthouse is the only one that is accessible by road, one that, after 143 years, just recently opened nearly to the sight.

The Sabine Pass Lighthouse has been on the National Registrar of Historic places since Dec. 17, 1982. The Alliance was formed to restore, preserve, and maintain the history of Cameron Parish. Its first project is the Sabine Pass Lighthouse in Johnson Bayou on the east side of the Sabine River.

At the meeting, the nonprofit group made plans for the second annual Sabine Pass Lighthouse Hayride that is scheduled for Oct. 21. Thibodeaux said the Southeast Outdoors Writers Association will take part in the hayride as part of weekend convention activities in Lake Charles. By the time of the hayride, Thibodeaux said, it is hoped a bridge will be built across Lighthouse Bayou so that those visiting the lighthouse will not have to cross the bayou in a boat.

Endangered Lights

Anclote Light - FL
 Avery Point - CT
 Boblo Island Light - Ont., Canada
 Cape St. George Light - FL
 Cedar Island Light - NY
 Charity Island Light - L Huron, MI
 Clark's Point - MA
 Coffin Island - Nova Scotia
 Crisp Point Light - L Superior, MI
 Dutch Island Light - RI
 Esopus Meadows - NY
 Fishing Battery Light - MD
 Fort Carroll Light - MD
 Franks Island Light - LA
 Galveston Jetty - TX
 Grand Harbor Light - NB, Canada
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 Minnesota Point Light - MN
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 North Brother Island Light,
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 Pass a L'Outre - LA
 Pelee Island Light - L Erie, Can
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 Plum Island Light - Long Isl.
 Snd, NY
 Poverty Island - MI
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 Rubicon Pt. - CA
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 Sabine Pass - LA
 Sankaty Head - Nantucket, MA
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 Sharp's Island Light - MD
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