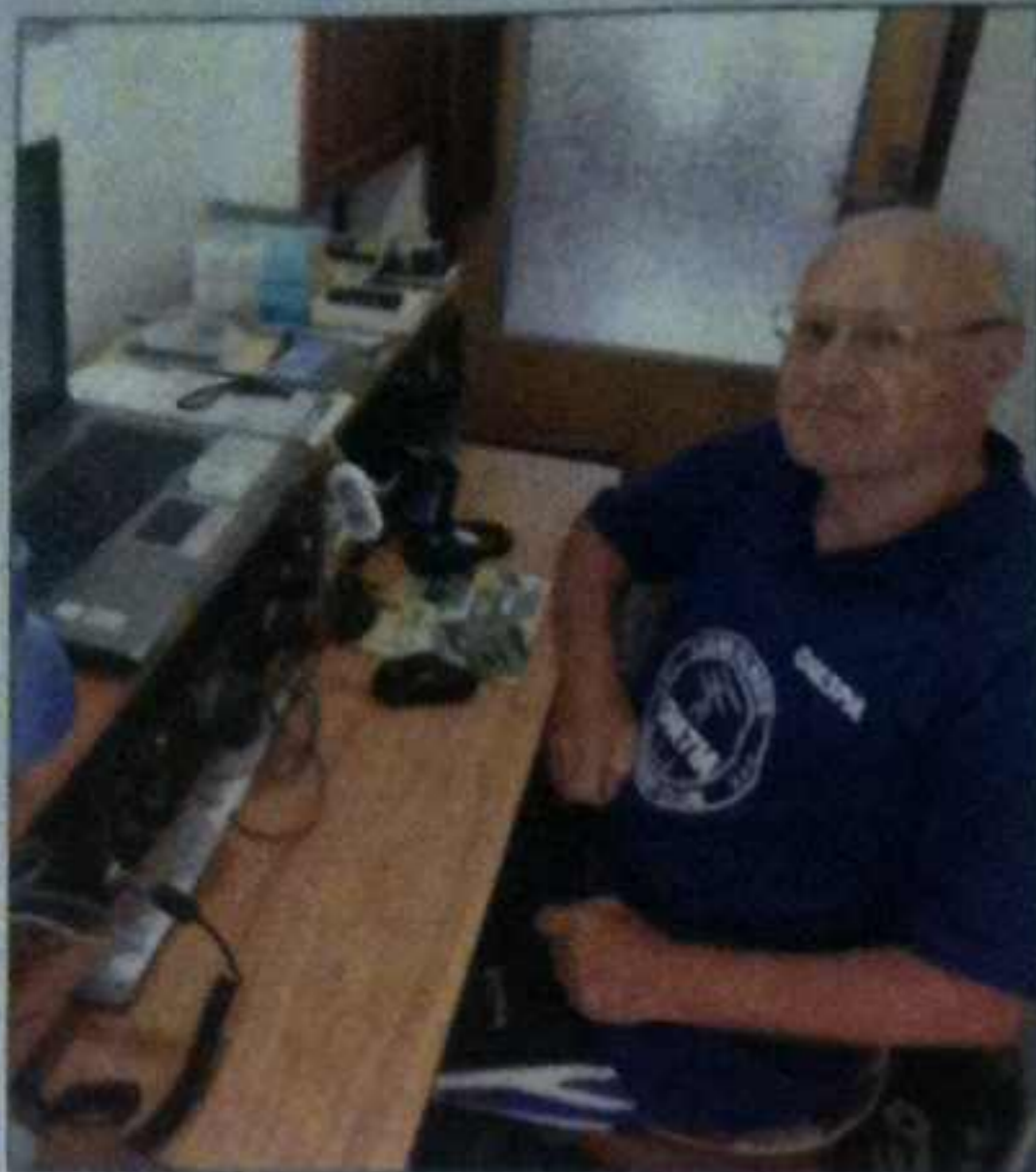


On the Cover:



The OM7M Contest Station

It all started in March 1949 when a radio club was set up in the small industrial town of Partizanske in the middle of Czechoslovakia. Four years later, the callsign OK3KAP was assigned and true radio activity commenced. Radio clubs in the Soviet bloc were often sponsored by state-owned factories and were encouraged to use VHF.

In 1993, Czechoslovakia was peacefully divided into two countries and the OM prefix is used in Slovakia, the eastern part of the former republic. The spirit of radio contesting is very strong in Eastern Europe and many groups continue as private clubs. The team of OM3KAP found an excellent location in the outskirts of town and started building a competitive short-wave station in the 1990s, emphasizing the low bands. In 1995, they acquired a shorter callsign, OM7M, and an adequate name—The Low Bands Contest Club.

The guardian angel of the club is Peter, OM3PA. Peter keeps the archives of the club, spanning over 60 years, with records of activities by well over 200 members. He has been in the club for *only* some 50 years. Today the core group consists of around 10 persons. Then, there are always a few guest operators, and a small bunch of apprentices—young members.

The OM7M station is located on a hill with a small cabin and impressive towers with huge, homemade antennas. The club has a website at <www.om7m.org> where contest results of the past decade are proudly displayed.

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The WPX Program

CW			
3255.....	KZ8E	3257.....	IV3GOW
3256.....	RN3QQ	3258.....	SP5EOT
SSB			
3082.....	AD2AM	3086.....	IV3GOW
3083.....	KZ8E	3087.....	SP5EOT
3084.....	KB8UUZ	3088.....	S58MU
3085.....	N2HO		
Mixed			
2132.....	N2HO	2134.....	W5QP
2133.....	K7LV	2135.....	SP5EOT
Digital			
49.....	IV3GOW		

CW: 350 RN3QQ, 600 JA7OXR, IV3GOW, 650 KZ8E, 750 JH6JMM, SP5EOT, 1100 IT9ELD, 2800 S51NR, 3100 W8IQ, 3900 S58MU, 4550 N6JV.

SSB: 600 JA7OXR, 700 KZ8E, 750 KB8UUZ, IV3GOW, W8KNO, 800 IK4THK, 1050 IZ8FFA, 2250 W3LL, 2600 S58MU.

Mixed: 500 K7LV, 550 N2HO, 850 SP5EOT, 1000 JA7OXR, 1100 KZ8E, 1700 W9BOK, 2550 W3LL, 4500 S58MU.

Digital: 650 EA2IA, 800 K0DEQ, 1535 W3LL.

160 meters: KZ8E, KB8UUZ, SP5EOT, S58MU

80 meters: KZ8E, JA7OXR, SP5EOT, S58MU

40 meters: KZ8E, JA7OXR, IZ8FFA, SP5EOT, S58MU

30 meters: JA7OXR

20 meters: KB8UUZ, JA7OXR, IZ8FFA, SP5EOT, S58MU

17 meters: JA7OXR

15 meters: KZ8E, JA7OXR, IZ8FFA, SP5EOT, S58MU

10 meters: KZ8E, KB8UUZ, S58MU

Asia: SP5EOT

Africa: KZ8E, S58MU

Europe: KB8UUZ, SP5EOT

Oceania: S58MU

N. America: KB8UUZ, S58MU

S. America: KB8UUZ, S58MU

Award of Excellence Holders: N4MM, W4CRW, K5UR, K2VV, VE3XN, DL1MDD, DJ7CX, DL3RK, WB4SUJ, DL7AA, ON4QX, 9A2AA, OK3EA, OK1MP, N4NO, ZL3GO, W4BQY, I0JX, WA1JMP, K8JN, W4VQ, KF2O, W8BCNL, W1JR, F9RM, W5UR, CT1FL, WA4QMQ, W8ILC, VE7DP, K9BG, W1CU, G4BUE, N3ED, LU3YLW4, NN4Q, KA3A, VE7WJ, VE7IG, N2AC, W9NUF, N4NX, SM0DJZ, DK5AD, WD9HC, W3ARK, LA7JO, VK4SS, I8YRK, SM0AJU, N5TV, W6OUL, WB8ZRL, W8YTM, SM6DHU, N4KE, IZUIY, I4EAT, VK9NS, DE0DXM, DK4SY, UR2QD, AB9O, FM5WD, I2DMK, SM6CST, VE1NG, H1JQJ, PY2DBU, H18LC, KA5W, K3UA.

H8UB, H8IX, K7LJ, SM3EVR, K3SHZ, UP1BZZ, EA7WA, K2PGA, N6JV, W2HG, ONL-4003, W5AWT, N3XX, F88V, F68VB, YU7SF, DF15D, K7CU, H1POR, K9LJN, Y80TK, K9QFR, 9A2NA, W4UW, NX8I, WB4RUA, KDGE, HEEW, HRPD, IC7BY, VE3MS, NE4F, KC8PG, F1HWR, ZP5JCY, KA5RNH, IV3VY, CT1YH, ZS6EZ, KCTEM, YU1AB, IK2ILH, DE0DAG, H1WKY, LU1DOW, N1R, IK4GME, VE9RU, NN1N, H89ALT, KC6X, H88P, W5ODD, I8RIZ, I2MQP, F6HMJ, H89DDZ, W8RUJ, K9XR, J88UJ, ISZJK, I2EOW, IK2MRZ, KS4S, KA1CLV, WZ1R, CT4JW, K8IFL, WT3W, IN3NJB, S50A, IK1GPG, AA6WJ, W3AP, G81EM, W8V, I7PXV, S59EO, DF7GK, S57J, EA5BM, DL1EY, DJ1YH, K8BA, VE2UW, 9A9R, UA8FZ, DJ3JW, OE6CLE, H89BN, N1RC, SM5DAC, RW9SG, WA3GNW, S51U, W4MS, I2EAY, RA8FU, CT4NH, EA7TV, W9IAL, LY3BA, K1NU, W1TE, UA3AP, EA5AT, OK1DWC, KX1A, IZ5BAM, K4LG, K2KG, DL6ATM, VE9FX, DL2CHN, W2OO, A16Z, RU3DX, WB9HH, CT1EEN, G4PWA, OK1FED, EU1TT, S53MJ, DL2KG, RA1AOB, KT2O, U8KCG, AE5B, K8DEQ, DK8PM, SV1EOS, UA8FAI, N4GG, UA4RY, 7K3QPL, EW1CQ, UA4LY, RZ3DX, UA3AIO, UA4RC, N8BJ, UA3BS, UA9FGR, UT3UY, WASVGI, UT9PJ, UT4RY, K9JCR, UR5FEO, LY2MM, N3RC, OH3MKH, RA3CG, UT3Z, S55SL, RU3ZX, Y09HP, RA3DNC, K8ZT, KESK, JH8BOE, TF8GX.

160 Meter Endorsements: N4MM, W4CRW, K5UR, VE3XN, DL3RK, OK1MP, N4NO, W4BQY, W4VQ, KF2O, W8BCNL, W1JR, W5UR, W8ILC, K9BG, W1CU, G4BUE, LU3YLW4, H88UJ, VE7WJ, VE7IG, W9NUF, N4NX, SM0DJZ, DK5AD, W3ARK, LA7JO, SM0AJU, N5TV, W6OUL, N4KE, IZUIY, I4EAT, VK9NS, DE0DXM, UR2QD, AB9O, FM5WD, SM6CST, H1JQJ, PY2DBU, H18LC, KA5W, K3UA, K7LJ, SM3EVR, UP1BZZ, K2PGA, IC7BY, N6JV, ONL-4003, W5AWT, N3XX, F88V, YU7SF, DF15D, K7CU, H1POR, K9LJN, Y80TK, K9QFR, W4UW, NX8I, WB4RUA, HEEW, ZP5JCY, KA5RNH, IV3VY, CT1YH, ZS6EZ, YU1AB, IK4GME, NN1N, W5ODD, I8RIZ, I2MQP, F6HMJ, H89DDZ, K9XR, J88UJ, ISZJK, I2EOW, KS4S, KA1CLV, K8IFL, WT3W, H89BN, S50A, IK1GPG, AA6WJ, W3AP, S53EO, S57J, DL1EY, DJ1YH, K8BA, VR2UW, UA8FZ, DJ3JW, OE6CLE, H89BN, N1RC, SM5DAC, S51U, RA8FU, CT4NH, EA7TV, LY3BA, K1NU, W1TE, UA3AP, OK1DWC, KX1A, IZ5BAM, DL6ATM, W2OO, RU3DX, WB9HH, G4PWA, OK1FED, EU1TT, S53MJ, DL2KG, RA1AOB, U8KCG, SM6DHU, K8DEQ, DK8PM, SV1EOS, N4GG, UA4RY, 7K3QPL, EW1CQ, UA4LY, RZ3DX, UA3AIO, UA4RC, N8BJ, UA3BS, UA9FGR, UT3UY, WASVGI, UR5FEO, N3RC, UT3Z, RU3ZX, Y09HP, RA3DNC, K8ZT, KESK, JH8BOE.

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The bottom line is this: We have a licence, we have authority to land via ship, hence when the ship becomes available in the near future, it is my intention to activate this entity in 2011.

The team has worked tirelessly to remove the hurdles that were placed before the team at the last minute.

As time was running out for this window of opportunity, and before more operators became stuck here in Palawan, the decision was made to postpone the activation.

A call was placed to PARA advising them that a postponement of the activation would be sought to a date in the near future, where the activation will look at again taking place.

All equipment will need to be exported out of the Philippines to comply with the current Philippine Customs Law in which it was brought into the country.

The plan is to be re-assessed so the current operators have the first opportunity to be on this future trip.

Once more information is at hand, I will advise the DX Community.

Regards, Chris, VK3FY, Team Leader
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The "PJ" Story Continues

Remember those New Ones we all worked back in October—the "PJ" story? Well, hopefully by the time you

The CQ DX Field Award Program

Mixed

115.....K9OHI

CW

61.....YO6HSU

Mixed Endorsements

200.....K8SIX/215 200.....W4UM/202
200.....RW4NH/203

SSB Endorsements

175.....W4UM/184

CW Endorsements

150.....N7WO/175 200.....W4UM/197

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