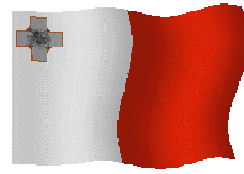


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From the Editor

Friends,

I welcome you to the New Year 2009 and another issue of this magazine for January 2009, which is issue 34 of this series.

I remind you that this year according to the Statute not only must the Annual General Meeting be held, but this year in February we have the election of the new Committee.

I remind all the members that if they want to vote for the Committee in case there is an election they have to have paid their membership before the meeting. They also have to have paid the previous year's membership.

The yearly meeting where we meet together socially while eating and drink something was held on Sunday 4 January 2009 at the **MARL** Centre.

In this issue we are bringing you a number of **QSL** cards from radio amateurs sent from Malta. I found these on the internet and you have the links for them if you want to go and see them or download them to keep them for history. I am also putting them here to remain in our Society's archive.

Something that I have found interesting from these **QSL** cards is that **ZB1HKO Ann Wood**, was probably the first **YL** that used to work from Malta. Whoever has any other information about **YL** if you please pass it on to me so that I can also put it in this magazine.

On these cards I will continue to search to try to find more and also whether I can get more information about their operators whose cards I am putting here.

If there is anyone who can give me some information about **QSL** cards that s/he may have of other Maltese radio amateurs of any other information please pass the information to me as well as copies of them even electronic ones so that I can share it with you.

My e-mail address is **9h1av at searchmalta dot com**

I hope that you find the information in the magazine useful to you and if you have some article please leave it in my **QSL** box.

Lawrence
9H1AV/9H9MHR

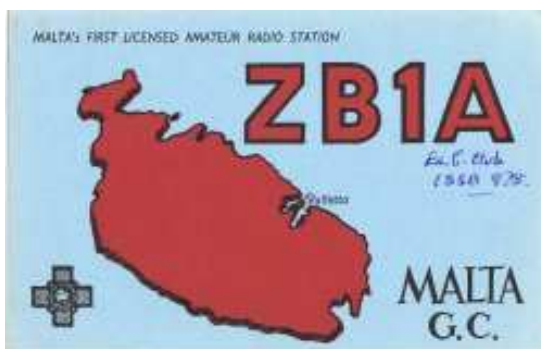
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ZB1 island of Malta

Prefix used until 1965. Now is the prefix 9H which is in use.



ZB1A HG Cunningham was licensed in 1933 as VP3A

QSO on 11 October 1964. The QSL states that it is the first station licensed in Malta. (Thank you to David F5VLT).

Z B 1 A J X

To Radio: ON4DH Confirming QSO on: 13-2-51
At: 1205 G.M.T. or C.W./Fane Sigs: 4m 8/9
on: 14 Mc Band. Cond: F/Pow
Hr Tx: 507 P.M. Input: 35 Watts. Rx: SX28
Ant: Dipole Hpe: ougn an.

For QSL Direct or via R.S.G.B. George (G. STANTON)

QTH: 18, Marshall Court, Gzira. **MALTA**

ZB1AJX George Stanton

For a QSO of 13 February 1951 (thank you Ghis ON5NT).

Time 12.05 GMT
Freq 14 MHz
Mode AM (A3)
Rep 48/9
Tx 807 35W
Rx Hallicrafters SX28
Ant Dipole
Add 18 Marshall Court Gzira

Z B 1 A P

To Radio: F9IF Mac Tho Per QSO on: 3-9-48
At: 1650 G.M.T. or C.W./Fane Sigs: 479
on: 14 Mc Band. Cond: Hvy. QRM
Hr Tx: CO. PD. PO. PA. Input: 15 Watts. Rx: CR100
Ant: X. A. D. P. H. A. Hpe: ougn an. 78's

For QSL Direct or via R.S.G.B. Joe (J. O'CONNELL)

QTH: 119, Gwardamanga Hill, PIETA. **MALTA** INDEX

ZB1AP Joe O'Connell

For a QSO of 3 September 1948. (thank you to Jean-Yves F8LDX).

Time 16.50 GMT
Freq 14 MHz
Mode CW (A1)
Rep 479
Tx Xtal Osc x 3 + PA 15W
Rx Marconi CR100
Ant Dipole
Add 119, Gwardamanga Hill, Gwardamanga

To Radio G8QR Confirming our contact at 1545 G.M.T.
 on 12 April 49 frequency 28 M/s.
 Your ret 579 QSB to 5 QRM

Z B 1 A R

QTH: A.P.O., MALTA QSL Direct or R.S.G.B.

Tx (Bank!) Rx
 Type VFO-2FD-PA Skyriider 2E
 Watts 25 (307) Remarks
 Ant: Folded Dipole
Rotary Beam
Harry Wine V_y 73 M. G. WATSON
 (M. G. WATSON)

The QSL is final courtesy of the QSO.

ZB1AR Mike Watson
QSL 1 for a QSO of 12 April 1949 (thank you to Reg G8QR).
Time 15.45 GMT
Freq 28 MHz
Mode CW (A1)
Rep 579
Tx VFO x 2 x 2 – PA 25W
Rx Hallicrafters Skyriider 23
Ant LW
Add A.P.O. Malta
G8QR still appears on QRZ.com updated in 1999

R.E.M.E. A.P.O. MALTA

Z B 1 A R

Confirming Contact on 14 Mc/s with FA3VV
589 250 Mike
 PSE QSL via RSGB 71 Sgt. Mike Watson

ZB1AR Mike Watson
QSL 2 for a QSO on 2 June 1950 (thank you to Marcel F3VV ex FA3VV).
Time
Freq 14 MHz
Mode CW (A1)
Rep 589
Tx
Rx
Ant
Add A.P.O. Malta

Z B 1 A V

To Radio ON5NT This confirms QSO of 11-11-48 at 1430 G.M.T.
14 Mc CW/Cont or Sig Ret 569 Coords 6L6-807-25W
 Ant 6L6-807-25W Marconi CR100/2 Mid Dip. N-S.
 Remarks 6L6-807-25W QSO 73 A ON4BV. QSO 54L
 Eye QSL Thx TP or best Ds Sgt. S.P. (Syd) FARRROW
 6 CDO BDE SIGS TP Sgt. RM GPR

MALTA G.C.

ZB1AV Syd Farrow
for a QSO of 11 November 1948 (thank you Ghis ON5NT).
Time 14.30 GMT
Freq 14 MHz
Mode CW (A1)
Rep 569
Tx CO/PA 6L6, 807 25W
Rx Marconi CR100/2
Ant Dipole N/S
Add 6 CDO BDE SIGS TP

Z B 1 A Y

To M. F5NQL No Tax For QSO on 29/11/46
 At 1615 G.M.T. or CW/Post Sig 579 RB
 on 14 Mc Band, Coords 6L6-807-25W
 Hr Tx 216 207 Input 21 Watts Rx
 Ant 3.5 dipole E/W Hpe 1000 to 0.5
by some time for 2000 250 TONY

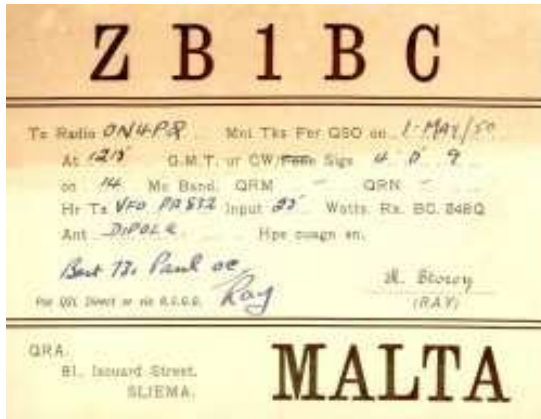
Pse QSL Direct or Via R.S.G.B. (C.D. Lusted)

QRA.
 51, St. Joseph Street,
 SENGLEA, MALTA G.C.

ZB1AY C.D. Lusted
for a QSO of 29 November 1946 (thank you in Mauritius F5NQL).
Time 16.00 GMT
Freq 14 MHz
Mode CW (A1)
Rep 579
Tx 6L6 – 6L6 – 807 21W
Rx
Ant Dipole E/W
Add 53 St Joseph Street Senglea



ZB1BC Ray Storey
 QSL 1 for a QSO of 29 December 1949 (thank you Ghis ON5NT).
 Time
 Freq
 Mode
 Rep
 Tx
 Rx
 Ant
 Add 37, High Street, Sliema



ZB1BC Ray Storey
 QSL 2 for a QSO from 1 May 1950 (thank you EA4DO ISI).
 Time 12.15 GMT
 Freq 14 MHz
 Mod CW (A1)
 Rep 469
 Tx VFO - PA 812 25W
 Rx BC348Q
 Ant Dipole
 Add 81, Isourd Street, Sliema



ZB1BE Arthur Powell
 For a QSO of 17 September 1950 (thank you EA4DO ISI).
 Time 14.20 GMT
 Freq 14 MHz
 Mode CW (A1)
 Rep 599
 Tx 6L6 x 2 - PA 807 25W
 Rx National HRO
 Ant Dipol
 Add 43, Norfolk Street, Sliema



ZB1BG Joe Montalto
 For a QSO of 2 August 1957 (thank you to Jean F9YN).
 Time 06.00 GMT
 Freq 14 MHz
 Mode AM (A3)
 Rep 4/58
 Tx VFO - 2x807
 Rx RCA AR88
 Ant GP
 Add 4 Spinola road St Julians



ZB1BJ Charles V.Santucci 9H1I SK
 For a QSO of 25 August 1952 (thank you EA4DO ISI).
 Time
 Freq 14 MHz
 Mode AM (A3)
 Rep 4/5-6/8
 Tx ~ 35W Cathode Modulation
 Rx Hallicrafters SX28
 Ant Windom
 Add



ZB1BS Bill Tennent
 Former MD2GO QSO of 22 March 1951.
 (thanks to Jean-Yves F8LDX).
 Time 09.10 GMT
 Freq 14.060 MHz
 Mode CW (A1)
 Rep 579
 Tx 150W
 Rx Eddystone 358
 Ant Windom
 Add "EVA", School Street, Marsala.



ZB1BV John Butler
 for a QSO on 2 April 1954 (thank you Ghis ON5NT).
 Time 22.00 GMT
 Freq 7 MHz
 Mode CW (A1)
 Rep 579
 Tx VFO x 2 x 2 - PA 807
 Rx HRO
 Ant Dipole 40M
 Add St Anna House, 115A, Valley Road, Msida



ZB1BX DS Roden
 G3KXF for a QSO of 25 April 1964 (thank you EA4DO ISI).
 Time 14.21 GMT
 Freq 14 MHz
 Mode AM (A3)
 Rep 59
 Tx
 Rx
 Ant
 Add RAF Siggiewi BFPO 51

According to QRZ.com it appears that G3KXF has been issued again to someone else



ZB1BZ John Spafford
 For a QSO of 7 September 1957 (thank you to Peter F6HIZ/HB9LA).
 Time
 Freq
 Mode
 Rep
 Tx
 Rx
 Ant
 Add



ZB1CA Dr Victor Borg Grech 9H1C
 For a QSO of 31 August 1957 (thank you to Jean F2BS).
 Time 19.15 GMT
 Freq 14 MHz
 Mode AM (A3)
 Rep 59
 Tx 100W
 Rx BC348
 Ant GP
 Add 118, High Street, Sliema
 Now 4 Paradise Flats, Triq Mrabat, Tas-Sliema, SLM 13 Repubblica ta' Malta



ZB1CE
 for a QSO of 14 June 1964 (thank you Flaviano I2MOV).
 Time 07.34 GMT
 Freq 21 MHz
 Mode AM (A3)
 Rep 58-9
 Tx 60W
 Rx Eddystone 835?
 Ant Dipole
 Add

QSL that used to be given by the tourists Office to Radio Amateurs



ZB1CH Chas Holmes
 VP9E for a QSO of 9 November 1950 (thank you Ghis ON5NT).
 Time 17.38 GMT
 Freq 14 MHz
 Mode CW (A1)
 Rep 569
 Tx
 Rx
 Ant
 Add Hotel Point De Vue, Ir-Rabat
 Christopher H. Holmes VP9E appears on

QRZ.com updated in the year 2000 but there are no details

Receiver AR 88
Transmitter 80 Watts
Antenna Ground Plane

ZB1CR Tx for Joe for QSO - card 73+

Clive Burchell, Officer's Mess, R.A.F. Luqa, Malta, G.C.

DATE	GMT	Band	(STATION NUMBER)	MODE	WATTS	QTY	QSL
18-7-57	14:35	21	EA4CR	CW	25	569	TNR

ZB1CR Clive Burchell
for a QSO of 18 July 1957 (thank you EA4DO ISI).
Time 14.35 GMT
Freq 21 MHz
Mode CW (A1)
Rep 569
Tx 807 25W
Rx RCA AR88
Ant GP
Add Officer's Mess, R.A.F. Hal-Luqa

Date 21-7-58
Time 2205
Band 15m

ZB1DC F9YN
Tx for 15 contact, TS Jack.

Rx HRO
Ant Quad
Tx VFO 120W watts

344 Tower Rd
Sliema
Malta, G.C.

ZB1DC Jack
for a QSO of 21 July 1958 (thank you to Jean F9YN).
Time 22.05 GMT
Freq 21 MHz
Mode AM (A3)
Rep 59
Tx VFO 120W
Rx National HRO
Ant Quad
Add 244, Tower Road, Sliema

EX-G3INE
ZB1FA
Sgt B. Conway 235 Signal Sqdn. Zonkor, RAF Q31.

Tx Radio FA9UD
28-11-59
55W
GP
599
RCA AR88

Bob Conway (TOPS 480)

ZB1FA Bob Conway
QSL 1, ex G3INE for a QSO of 28 November 1959 (thank you Gerard F2VX).
Time 07.55 GMT
Freq 14 MHz
Mode CW (A1)
Rep 599
Tx 55W
Rx RCA AR88
Ant GP
Add 235 Signal Squadron Zonqor

From the log of **ZB1FA**
235-SIGNAL SQDN.
ZONKOR
MALTA

Concerning QSO of 7/15/60

DATE	TIME	FREQ	MODE	REP	TX	RX	ANT	ADD
1440 ON HNC	5-9	21 W3						

Bob Conway

ZB1FA Bob Conway
QSL 2 ex G3INE for a QSO of 15 July 1960 (thank you Ghis ON5NT).
Time 14.40
Freq 21 MHz
Mode AM (A3)
Rep 59
Tx
Rx
Ant
Add 235 Signal Squadron Zonqor

ZB1FK

confirming QSO with

QRA: Radio *EA53D* on *16-8-50* at *18.30* G.M.T.
 Freq *14.201* Ur Sigs R. S. S. T.
 Transmission *A3* Cds *200*
 Tx *40 807 ATIA* Input *NC* Watts
 Rx H.R.O.
 Ant *3.2 dipole*

OP **R.W. BOSWORTH**
(Capt. R. Sigs.)

Many Thanks and best TB's
 Pse/Tms. QSL Direct or via R.S.O.B. *Rich*

ZB1FK RW Bosworth
 For a QSO of 16 August 1950 (thank you EA4DO).
 Time 18.30 GMT
 Freq 14.204 MHz
 Mode AM (A3)
 Rep 55
 Tx VFO 807 807 PA 80W
 Rx National HRO
 Ant Dipol
 Add Malta Signal Squadron

MALTA, G.C. 22

Z B 1 F T

TO RADIO *Prof DVM*

CONFIRMING CW/QRM QSO ON *17/10/60* AT *1842* GMT
 UR RST *579* TX *50W* RX *AMP*
 ANT *9/1* FREQ *21* MC/S
 REMARKS *Tax QSL Dave*

QTH 1 ST MARY FLATS, D'ARGENS JUNCTION
 GZIRA, MALTA, G.C. OP TERRY QUINN

ZB1FT Terry Quinn
 For a QSO of 17 October 1960 (thank you to David PA0DVM).
 Time 1842 GMT
 Freq 21 MHz
 Mode CW (A1)
 Rep 579
 Tx 50W
 Rx National HRO
 Ant GP
 Add 1, St Mary Flats, D'Argens Junction, Gzira

Z B 1 G B F
MALTA

T. *ON4NC* Confirming QSO on *14* MHz
 At *1300* G.M.T. On *27-2* 1954 Cds *500*
 Ur *5/9* Ur Sigs *5/9* BH RX *HRO*
 TX *40W 1/1* Ant *1/2 Dipole*
 Pse Qsl direct or via R.S.O.B. *75% chertan - Hys Chagn*
 Qth Flat 3, 87 Britannia St., Valletta (G.B. Falding)
 Malta.

ZB1GBF GB Falding
 For a QSO of 27 March 1955 (thank you Ghis ON5NT).
 Time 13.24 GMT
 Freq 14 MHz
 Mode AM (A3)
 Rep 59
 Tx 40W
 Rx National HRO
 Ant Dipol
 Add Flat 3, 87, Britannia Street, Valletta

AMATEUR RADIO

Z B 1 H B

G5HB

RADIO *FQ8HA*
 Confirming our *AM* Mils QSO
 on *24-9-59* at *0746* GMT/BST
 Ur CW/Time sig. were RST *579*.
 Mol. Tax no. 21
 Harry Biltcliffe

THE REAL

INCL. PSE QSL DIRECT OR VIA R.S.O.B.

ZB1HB Harry Biltcliffe
 Former **G5HB** for a QSO of 24 September 1959 (thank you to Alain F8IN ex FQ8HA).
 Time 07.46 BST
 Freq 14 MHz
 Mode CW (A1)
 Rep 579
 Tx
 Rx
 Ant
 Add

D.A. WOOD,
17, GRAHAM ST.
SLIEMA. MALTA.

ZB1HKO

GM/PHONE BEST WISHES

DATE	CALL	MC	R S T	QSL
21 10 56	ON4DH	28	58	TKX

ZB1HKO Ann Wood
for a QSO of 21 October 1956 (thank you
Ghis ON5NT).

Time
Freq 28 MHz
Mode AM (A3)
Rep 58
Tx
Rx
Ant
Add 17, Graham Street, Sliema
It appears that she was the first YL from
Malta

Malta — an ideal holiday island in the centre of the Mediterranean. Liberate from Malta. Coordinates: Tourist Board, St. John's Square, Valletta, MALTA, or Tourist Information Centre, Malta House, 24, Southampton, London, S.W. 1.

MALTA ZB1J

To Radio F5CH
Confirming our QSO
of 1 July 1964
at 07.47 GMT on 14 Mc
Urings R. S S T
Xmit 25W
Rcvr Marconi CR100
Ant Windom
Remarks
Pse QSL Jax 73

ZB1J Chas
for a QSO on 1 July 1964 (thank you to
Henri F5CH).

Time 07.47 GMT
Freq 14 MHz
Mode CW (A1)
Rep 569
Tx 25W
Rx Marconi CR100
Ant Windom
Add

By G5KA 1932-1952 MALTA G.C. MW QSO CW/Phone

ZB1KA

THE ISLAND OF SUNSHINE AND HISTORY

To 73

ZB1KA
Former G5KA (1932-1952) for a QSO on 2
May 1953 (thank you EA4DO).

Time
Freq 14 MHz
Mode CW (A1)
Rep
Tx
Rx
Ant
Add

MALTA, G.C.

To RADIO ON4PQ

This confirms our QSO
of 3 Feb 1950
at 20.45 GMT,
on 14 Mc.
Ur Sigs were
R 2
S 2
T 7

ZB1KQ

G2KQ

XMITTER 807 PA
Input 500W
Antna Whipole
Receiver H.R.O.
Operator

PSE QSL Direct to the R.S.G.B. 75 via DX OM. P. GAVE 73
0778 Rd, St. Dominic Street, Sliema - MALTA, G.C.

ZB1KQ R. Cave
G2KQ (QSL 1) for a QSO of 3 February
1950 (thank you EA4DO).

Time 20.45 GMT
Freq 14 MHz
Mode CW (A1)
Rep 559
Tx 807 PA 50W
Rx National HRO
Ant Dipol
Add 44, St Dominic Street, Sliema



ZB1KQ R. Cave
G2KQ (QSL 2) for a QSO of 18 April 1954
(thank you Gerard F2VX).
Time 1110 BST
Freq 21 MHz
Mode AM (A3)
Rep 59+
Tx
Rx National HRO
Ant Dipol
Add 7, Carmen Flats, Victoria Avenue,
Sliema



ZB1LP Len Pearson
G3JFE for a QSO of 27 January 1957 (thank
you EA4DO Isi).
Time
Freq
Mode
Rep
Tx
Rx
Ant
Add RN WT Station, Had-Dingli



ZB1LQ radio club RAF
for a QSO of 19 April 1959 (thank you to
David PA0DVM).
Time
Freq
Mode
Rep
Tx
Rx
Ant
Add RAF Club Hal-Luqa B.F.P.O. 51



ZB1LR WE Dunn
QSO 5 January 1948. (thank you to Jean-
Yves F8LDX).
Time 1225 GMT
Freq 14 MHz
Mode CW (A1)
Rep 569
Tx 807 CO 813 PA 150W
Rx RCA AR88
Ant 1/2 wave
Add Air HQ RAF



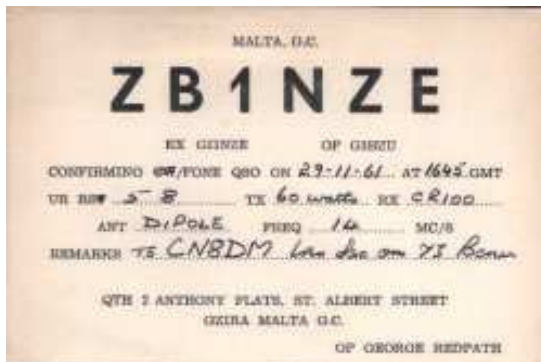
ZB1LS
 (thank you to Jean Claude F8GB).
 Time
 Freq
 Mode
 Rep
 Tx
 Rx
 Ant
 Add
 QSL in French. French operator?



ZB1MNC
 for a QSO of 10 December 1960 (thank you
 Ghis ON5NT).
 Time
 Freq
 Mode
 Rep
 Tx
 Rx
 Ant
 Add



ZB1NR NB Rivett is now 9H1CM
 for a QSO of 29 March 1959 (thank you to
 David PA0DVM).
 Time
 Freq
 Mode
 Rep
 Tx
 Rx
 Ant
 Add now C/O 51 Triq Norfolk, Tas-Sliema,
 SLM 04



ZB1NZE George Redpath
 G3BZU ex G13NZE, QSO, 29 November
 1961 (thank you to Didier F2WT ex
 CN8DM).
 Time 1645 GMT
 Freq 14 MHz
 Mode AM (A3)
 Rep 58
 Tx 60W
 Rx Marconi CR100
 Ant Dipol
 Add 2, Anthony Flats, St Albert Street,
 Gzira



ZB1PN Joseph Sciberras 9H1X SK
 QSL 1, QSO, 15 March 1962 (thank you to Michel F5MMF REF12528).
 Time 0725 GMT
 Freq 28 MHz
 Mode AM (A3)
 Rep
 Tx HB 50W
 Rx RCA AR88
 Ant Dipol
 Add 131, Palm Street, Paola



ZB1PN Joseph Sciberras 9H1X SK
 QSL 2 QSO 4 October 1963 (thank you to Silvano I4ZSQ).
 Time
 Freq
 Mode
 Rep
 Tx
 Rx
 Ant
 Add 131, Palm Street, Paola



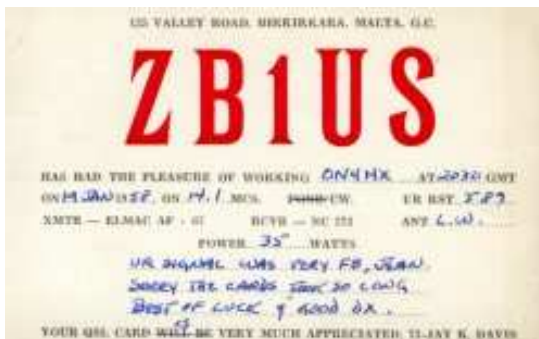
ZB1RM Ron Meachen 9H1R SK
 QSL 1, QSO from 1 July 1961, (thank you to Alain F2HE).
 Time
 Freq
 Mode
 Rep
 Tx
 Rx
 Ant
 Add 149/3, St Dominic Street, Valletta



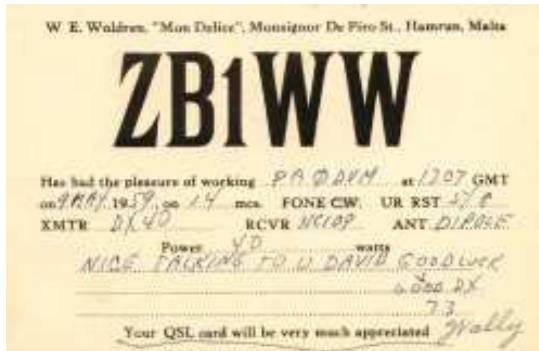
ZB1RM Ron Meachen 9H1R SK
 QSL 2 QSO, 27 June 1964 (thank you to Henri F5CH).
 Time 1658
 Freq 21 MHz
 Mode CW (A1)
 Rep 559
 Tx
 Rx
 Ant
 Add 1, Jasmin Path, Santa Lucia



ZB1SB Laurence Ciantar 9H1S
 QSO on 14 May 1960 (thank you to David PA0DVM).
 Time 1800 GMT
 Freq 14 MHz
 Mode AM (A3)
 Rep 58
 Tx VFO Geloso/50W
 Rx National HRO, Marconi CR150
 Ant LW 20M, Dipol
 Add 67, Old Governor Palace Street, Vittoriosa
 Now Villa Gioia, 15 Dawret it-Torri, Santa Lucia, PLA 09



ZB1US Jay Davis
 For a QSO of 19 January 1958 (thank you Ghis ON5NT).
 Time 2030 GMT
 Freq 14.1MHz
 Mode CW (A1)
 Rep 589
 Tx 35W KLM/VC AF 67 or G7
 Rx National NC223?
 Ant LW
 Add 125, Valley Road, Birkirkara



ZB1WW W. Woldren
 QSO 9 May 1959 (thank you to David PA0DVM).
 Time 13.07 GMT
 Freq 14 MHz
 Mode AM (A3)
 Rep 58
 Tx Heathkit DX40
 Rx National NC109
 Ant Dipole
 Add "Mon Delice", Monsignor Depiro Street, Sliema.

BEFORE 1945



ZB1L AR Vella
 QSO on 12 January 1939 (Thanks to Gerard F2VX).
 Time 0900 GMT
 Freq 14 MHz
 Mode AM (A3)
 Rep 58
 Tx C.C. P.P. 46's 25W
 Rx Hallicrafters Sky Champion
 Ant
 Add 14, Depiro Street, Sliema



VP3V

QSO of 7 December 1933 (Thanks to Ghis ON5NT).

Time 19.20 GMT
 Freq 7 MHz
 Mode CW (A1)
 Rep 238 QRN6
 Tx TPTG Valve LS5 10W
 Rx 1-V-1 1RF Det 1AF Ant 30'
 Ant 67'
 Add

The following are downloaded from <http://hamgallery.com/qs/> thanks to Thomas Roscoe K8CX k8cx at hamgallery dot com



VP3B J.H. Hates

For a QSO with G6YL (first British YL) of 1-14 June 1934

Time 23.00 GMT
 Freq 14 MHz
 Mode CW (A1)
 Rep 566
 Tx TP RG PP
 Rx 1-V-1 (1 RF Det 1 AF)
 Ant 1/2 wave 7M Hertz N-S
 Add HMS Resolution on land VP3H



ZB1AF Geoff

For a QSO with W9DKA of 19 May 1947

Time 03.50 GMT
 Freq 14 MHz
 Mode CW (A1)
 Rep 579
 Tx 6L6 CO 2x807 PA 120W
 Rx HRO
 Ant 3/2 waves NE/SW
 Add RAF Signals Unit



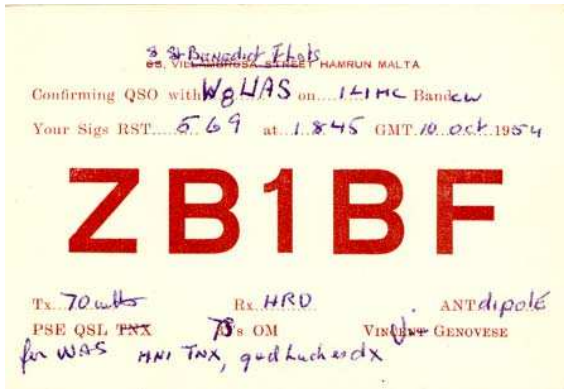
ZB1AH F. Hague

For a QSO with G3ATU of 6 January 1948

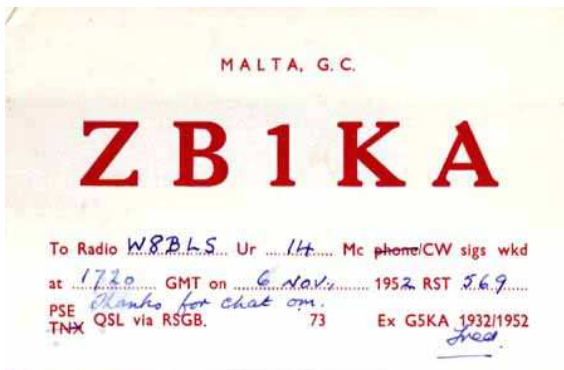
Time 11.20 GMT
 Freq 28 MHz
 Mode AM (A3)
 Rep 58
 Tx CO FD FD PA 50W
 Rx HRO
 Ant 3/2 waves
 Add "Edelweiss" Ramel Buildings, Isourd Street, Sliema



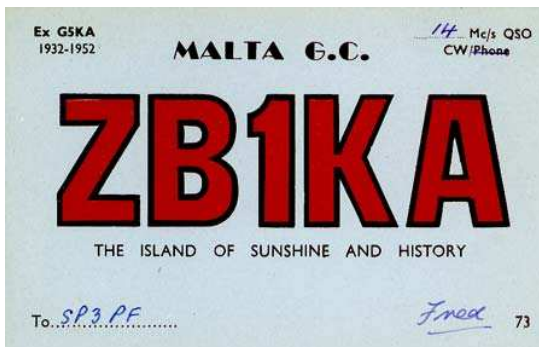
ZB1AJX George Stanton
 For a QSO with **W2MOF** of 8 June 1956
 Time 21.15 GMT
 Freq 21 MHz
 Mode AM (A3)
 Rep 56-7
 Tx 807 PA 40W
 Rx Hallicrafters SX28
 Ant GP
 Add 38, Egmont Close, Sliema



ZB1BF Vincent Genovese wara 9H1D **SK**
 For a QSO with **W8WAS** of 10 October 1954
 Time 18.45 GMT
 Freq 14 MHz
 Mode CW (A1)
 Rep 569
 Tx 70W
 Rx National HRO
 Ant Dipole
 Add 4, St Benedict Flats, Hamrun
 Then 65, Villambrosa Street, Hamrun
 Then 19 Triq Ċensu Borg Hamrun



ZB1KA Fred ex G5KA (1932 – 1952)
 For a QSO with **W8BLS** of 6 November 1952
 Time 17.20 GMT
 Freq 14 MHz
 Mode CW (A1)
 Rep 569
 Tx
 Rx
 Ant
 Add



ZB1KA Fred ex G5KA (1932 – 1952)
 For a QSO with **SP3PF**
 Time
 Freq 14 MHz
 Mode CW (A1)
 Rep
 Tx
 Rx
 Ant
 Add

RINELLA WIRELESS TELEGRAPH STATION, MALTA.

To Radio **G8DL**

Acknowledging contact with this Station
at **0615** GMT on **14/2/38**

REPORT

Ur sign were

QSA **5** R **7**

TONE **9**

QRM

QRN

QRG **in 1413** Mc

QSB

REMARKS **By many this for 8SP to
was cancelled at 1414 1811 06.
Some quality.**

ZB1R
(Late G6UR)

TRANSMITTER
CO (TT) PA

AERIAL
66' Zepp

RECEIVER
1-1-2

PSE QSL direct or via R.S.G.B.

Vy 73 en l'Esp CUAGN.
HEDLEY PUNCH, Opr.

ZB1R Hedley Punch ex G6UR
For a QSO with G8DW of 14 February 1938
Time 06.15 GMT
Freq 14.3 MHz
Mode CW (A1)
Rep 579
Tx CO (TT) PA
Rx 1-V-2 (RF - Det - 2 AF)
Ant 66' Zepp
Add Rinella Wireless Telegraph Station

Notes by Lawrence:

First six licenses issued in 1933

- VP3A Howard Cunningham**
- VP3B Charles March**
- VP3C Leonard Grech**
- VP3D Edgar Montanaro Gauci**
- VP3E Robert Galea**
- VP3F Paolo Bonnici**

While in a QSL further up it appears that **VP3B** was **J.H. Hates**, according to research carried out by **Walter 9H1DU** it appears that it was issued to a certain **Charles March**. Therefore there is a difficulty whether at least **Charles March** had renounced to it and it was reissued, but I doubt it would have been reissued in such a short time.

It should also be said that **Robert (Frederick) Galea** which appears as **VP3E** and who used to live in Birkirkara was the first radio amateur in Malta who had been communicating since **January 1914** when he was 14 years old with home made equipment he had built himself and learned the Morse code all by himself. He used the call sign **2RG** for **Robert Galea**.

He used to communicate with his friend **Esprit Tonna Barthet** who lived in Valletta City. Robert died **1979** and was the **QSL** manager for **Malta** until it was taken over by **MARL** in **1973**.

Robert Galea used to send reports to the **Eiffel Tower** in **Paris** about their transmissions as written by **Walter 9H1DU**. <http://www.9h1mrl.org/marlhistory.htm>

Later on, he had the call sign **ZB1E** and later became **9H1E** which was allocated after he died to Mr **Joe Apap**.

It should also be said that the **Malta Radio Society** was set up in **1922**, that is 87 years ago and therefore in 13 years time it will be a hundred years that Maltese radio amateurs have had their first radio Society. Members of the **Malta Radio Society** were already in contact with the **London Society of Wireless** that later became the **RSGB**.

The Statute of the **Malta Radio Society** was written in **1927** and was agree with in the General Meeting held on 22 July **1927** and was signed by **Mr. Carm. Cauchi Gera** **Honorary Secretary**.

A copy of this Statute can be found in Magazine number 5 December 2005 issue pages 3 to 5 which can be downloaded from the webpage www.9h1mrl.org both in Maltese as well as in English.

The Prefix was changed from **VP3** to **ZB1** in **August 1937** while telephony transmissions were authorized in **October 1937**.

The Prefix from **ZB1** to **9H** was changed in **1964** after **Malta** became independent in **1964**.

All the licenses were stopped between **1939** and **1945** because of the war and started to be issued again in **August 1946**.

ZB1RM which afterwards became **9H1R** had a Minimitter Mercury 150 Watts AM CW transmitter which I had bought and I still have it. He had built a **G2DAF Tx** and a **G2DAF** linear amplifier. He also had an **RCA AR88** as a receiver and he also had a Q-Multiplier and was one of my lecturers in the Radio Officers course. I had also built a **G2DAF Tx** and **G2DAF** linear some 40 years ago.

One of **Ron's 9H1R SK** sons is

9H1FE

STEPHEN C. MEACHEN

Nemises, Triq Iè-Ċippi, Marsaxlokk,

ZTN 09 Repubblika ta' Malta

ZB1PN Joseph Sciberras 9H1X SK also had a **BRT400 Rx** later on

Son of 9H1I SK

9H1BJ

CHARLIE V. SANTUCCI

163 Triq Ġuże Pace, Il-Hamrun, HMR 10

Repubblika ta' Malta

9H5EQ STEPHANIE P. PEARSON

Plot 3, Triq is-Salib,

Is-Siġġiewi, RBT 05

Relative of ZB1LP Len Pearson ?

ZB1NR NB Rivett now 9H1CM QSL: G3OXS

N.B. RIVETT

C/O 51 Triq Norfolk,

Tas-Sliema, SLM 04

[norman.rivett at virgin.net](mailto:norman.rivett@virgin.net)

1-V-1 (1 RF Det 1 AF) means that the receiver had a radio frequency amplifier, detector and an audio frequency amplifier.

1-V-2 (RF – Det – 2 AF) means that the receiver had a radio frequency amplifier, detector and two audio frequency amplifiers.

CO FD FD PA means that it had a crystal controlled oscillator, x 2 multiplier, x 2 multiplier and a final amplifier.

TPTG Tuned Plate Tuned Grid An oscillator where the Plate or Anode as well as the grid were tuned and was normally coupled to an antenna.

I hope that you find this information interesting and if you have any information about radio amateurs that have been licensed in Malta even if they are no longer with us or you know what happened to them please sent it to me on my e-mail at

9h1av at searchmalta dot com

I also appeal to radio amateurs who have been licensed in Malta at any time or their friends to contact me with their details, Maltese call sign, dates, equipment, copies of their QSL cards and all the other details so that we may build up a database of all those who have held a Maltese call sign and operated in Malta.

If unfortunately they are no longer with us and they have family members or friends who may furnish some information it will also be greatly appreciated.

Lawrence

9H1AV/9H9MHR

136kHz/500kHz

On 14 December 2008 **RU6LA** worked with **G3KEV**. **G3KEV** was on **502.57kHz** and **RU6LA** was on **137.71kHz**. Time was **1920UTC** and both used **QRSS3**

On 26 December 2008 **G3KEV** worked with **WE2XGR/2** on **500kHz** according to their allocation. Time was **2157UTC** and both used **QRSS3**.

And here in Malta? We still do not have a **500kHz** allocation.

Automatic HF ATU

Five members are going to build an automatic **HF ATU** as a group project. The ATU was designed by **G3XJP** and is known as **Picatune**. The only connection between the transceiver and the **ATU** which may be situated on the roof near the antennas is only through the coaxial feeder. There is the possibility for more people to join in the project. Anyone else interested please contact **9H1M** or **9H1AV** for details as soon as possible. Power rating is **200** Watts for most antennas and substantially more for some.

License Payment

It has been brought to our attention that when radio amateurs went to pay their license, payment was not being accepted. The Secretary was informed that this was due to changing arrangements that were being made regarding payment following the closure of the cash office at **Evans Buildings**.

Every radio amateur will receive a letter from **MCA** informing him/her that payment can be made at **Maltapost plc** branches or by letter to **Matapost plc**.

Lawrence
9H1AV/9H9MHR

Activities

Practical Training

Practical training is being held for everyone, both those who have just started as well as those who wish to retrain a little.

The subjects include Security, Tools and Instruments, Procedures, Soldering, Project Building, Testing, Fault Finding, and more.

The classes are being held at the MARL Centre every Tuesday between 7.00 p.m. and 9.00 p.m. and have started on 13 January.

Those interested should apply and contact Dominic 9H1M.

Don't miss them because they are very interesting.

Every suggestion will be considered.

Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting will be held on Sunday 22 February 2009 from 10.00 onwards. Do not forget that you have to have paid your membership before the meeting and also paid for the previous year to be able to vote if there is an election. Nominations and proposed amendments up to Thursday 12 February and will be on <http://www.9h1mrl.org/secretary/secretary.htm>.

Membership payments

For all those who want to pay their membership the Financial Secretary is waiting for you with open arms to receive your payment. Payment of €23 can be made every Tuesday and Thursday between 6.00 p.m. and 8.00 p.m. and on Sundays between 10.00 and Noon or by cheque by post payable to M.A.R.L.

Yahoo Group

Be attentive and become members in the yahoo group to be fully informed with the latest activities that we intend to hold.

Food

I remind you that every alternate Thursday, that is, Thursday yes Thursday no, an eating activity is held at the Club where whoever is present and is not on diet may eat against a nominal payment. For more details speak to Joe, 9H1AJ.

Lawrence
9H1AV/9H9MHR