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VP6D ISLAND REPORT (October 22nd).

Good morning from Ducie Island.

We are progressing well.

- The main camp and kitchen are fully established and supplied with food / water.
- The generator sites are built and supplied with fuel.
- The SSB camp, located at the main camp, is setup with 4 stations. It is this camp which has been making all the SSB /CW QSOs using VDAs. SteppIR beams go up today.
- Today the CW Camp and antennas are the priority. This camp is about 3/4 mile from the main camp. Equipment for this camp was landed at a different location. About a 30 minute walk through the bush between camps.
- There is very little beach at high tide.
- Over the next 2-3 days we'll complete the antenna work, including 30, 80 and 160. Because of the undergrowth stringing radials is a challenge. SSB 40m 4 Square is complete, CW 40m 4 Square almost completed.
- It's been very hot and humid. We've been told to expect some rain possibly later today, heavy at times.
- Large 8 person sleeping tents house 3 men per tent, plenty of room.
- Signals on this end are loud. The team is in good spirits and eager to get into a routine.
- We will upload the log this morning. When we put the/MM log online there may be some errors with the times, we'll correct them, no need to send e-mails.
- We know DXA dropped out a few times, this was due to power at the network switch. The plan is to install a UPS on the network switch.
- 2 Braveheart crew members will remain on the island to support the operation and generators.

Stand by for another update.

Team Ducie 2018

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