

Recently, Radio New Zealand tightened up on its MW QSL policies, indicating, essentially, that it would confirm only programs as broadcast on the originating station. The below is provided to give you some idea when the local periods occur. Please note that the private stations, ..X., are local, so no "local origination" times are provided for them. However, some of them have translators...

FREQ	CALL	CITY	LOCAL PROGRAMS
531	4XA	Alexandra "Otago R. Central" (Xltr. of 4XO-1206)	1800-0600
558	4ZG	Gore "Hokonui Country Radio" (Relays 4ZA-864 M-F 2300-0600) (Relays Concert Service (YC stns.) Sat 0600-1200, Sun. 2000-0100, 0600-1200, and M-F 0600-1200)	M-F 1800-2300, 1800-0600 Sat.
567	2YA	N: Wellington	M-F 1838 2000 0025 0625 0635; Fri. 0715
594	3X	Timaru "R. Rhema" (Relays 3XG-1503)	
603	1YB	N: Auckland. Access Radio - mostly Polynesian/Maori pgms.	
612	4ZF	Te Anau (Xltr. of 4ZA-864)	Labour Day, Oct., 1800-0700
630	2YZ	N: Napier (R: 2YW-1314)	M-F 2000 0025 0625; Mon. 0650; Thu 0635 0700; Wed 0635
639	4YW	N: Alexandra (Relays 4ZB-1044 exc. for Nat. Pgm. breakouts)	
657	2YC	N: Wellington. Concert; some sports	
675	3YZ	N: Christchurch	M-F 2000 0025 0625 0635; Thu/Fri 0708
693*	...	Paihia. R: Tonight Show 0700-1800	Xmas/New Years old
720	4YZ	N: Invercargill	M-F 2000 0025 0625; Tue 0635-0730, 0800-0915; Thu 0635 0700; Sat. 2220
747	3ZA	Greymouth "R.Scenicland, the Friendly Coaster" (R: 3YW-1458, 3YR-1521) (Relays 3ZM-1323 Sun. 2400-0700)	M-Sat 1800-0700, Sun. 1900-2400
756	1YA	N: Auckland	1838 1841 2000 0025 0625 0635; Sat. 0100
765	2ZK	Hastings "Apple Radio" (Relays 2ZM-1161, 1200-1800; Sun., relays 2YC-657, 2000-1200)	M-F 1800-0700; Sat 1800-0500
783	2YB	N: Wellington "Access Radio." Ethnic/cultural/community interest. Carries National Program 0200-1215 when Parliament is in session (Tue/Wed/Thu), which is carried on 2YA-567.	Sun 2100-0400, Mon 0600-1000
801	2XL	Nelson "R. Rhema" (Relays 3XG-1503)	
810	4YA	N: Dunedin	M-F 2000 0025 0625 0633; Wed 0700
819	1YZ	N: Rotorua (R: 1YT-1314)	M-F 2000 0025 0625 0635
828	2XS	Palmerston North "Regional Radio"	
837	1YK	N: Kaitaia (Xltr. of 1YX-837)	
846	2ZD	Masterton "R. Wairarapa"	M-F 2000 0025 0625 0635 1800-0700
855*	1XR	Hamilton "Rural Radio" (Relays Tonight Show 0700-1800)	Mid-June only, 1 wk.
864	4ZA	Invercargill "R.Southland" (R: 4ZF-612)	1800-0700
873	3ZE	Ashburton "R. Ashburton" (Relays 3ZB-1098 M-F 2400-0700, Sun. 1800-0700)	M-Sat 1800-2400
882	1YC	N: Auckland. Concert; some sports.	
891	2XW	Wellington "R. Windy"	
900	4YC	N: Dunedin. Concert; some sports	
918	3YZ	N: Greymouth (relayed by 3YW-1458, 3YR-1521)	M-F 2000 0025 0625
927	2ZA	Palmerston North "R. Manawatu"	1800-0700
945	2ZG	Gisborne "R. 2ZG the Coaster"	1800-0700
954	1XW	Hamilton "R. Waikato"	
963	3YC	N: Christchurch. Concert; some sports; also relays Parliament.	
981	1YE	N: Kaikohe (Xltr. of 1YX-837)	
990*	2XL	Levin (Relays 2ZA-927 Sat/Sun, Tonight Show 0700-1800)	Xmas holidays. M-F 1800-0700
1008	1ZD	Tauranga "R. B O P" (Bay of Plenty)	1800-0700
1026@	1ZK	Kaitaia (Xltr. of 1ZN-1026)	
	1ZN	Whangarei "R. Northland" (R: 1ZK-1026, 1ZE-1215)	1800-0700
1035	2ZB	Wellington "The Entertainer"	1800-0700
1044	4ZB	Dunedin "Dunedin 4ZB" (R: 4YW-639, 4YQ-1134)	1800-0700
1053	2ZP	New Plymouth "R. Taranaki" (R: 2ZH-1557)	1800-0700
1080	1ZB	Auckland "The All Rounder"	1800-0700
1098	3ZB	Christchurch "You/Me = 3ZB"	1800-1000

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1116	2YX	N: Nelson	M-F 2000 0025 0625; Tue/Thu 0700
1125*	2XO	Ohakune "Mountain Radio" (Relays 2XS-828 1200-1800)	Ski season, Aug-Sept
1134	4YQ	N: Queenstown (Relays 4ZB-1044 exc. for Nat. Pgm. breakouts)	
1143	1YW	N: Hamilton	M-F 2000 0025 0625; Thu 0635 (alt.) Wed. 0635
1152	3ZC	Timaru "R. Caroline" (R: 3ZO-1485)	1800-0700
1161	2ZM	Wellington "ZM Music" (Relays 1ZM-1251 1200-1800)	1700-1200
1170*	1XC	Pauanui "R. Sam" (Relays 1XW-954 late nights)	Xmas holidays only
1197	2ZW	Wanganui "Wanganui R."	1800-0700
1206	4XO	Dunedin "Otago R. Dunedin" (key station for 4XA-531, 4XC-1359, 4XE-1359)	0600-1800
1215@	1ZE	Kaikohe "R. Northland" (Xltr. of 1ZN-1026)	
1224	4XF	Invercargill "Foveaux Radio"	
1233#	2XA	Wellington (Victoria Univ.)	"Regular"
1242	1XX	Whakatane "R. Bay of Plenty"	
	1XX	Murupara (synchronized with Whakatane)	
1251	1ZM	Auckland "1251 - ZM" (relayed on 2ZM-1161, 2ZK-/65, 3ZM-1323 from 1200-1800)	1700-1200
1260	3XA	Christchurch "R. Avon"	
1269*	...	Takaka "Golden Bay Radio" (Relays 2ZN-1341 + Tonight Show 0700-1800)	Xmas/New Years
	# 2XM	Palmerston North (Massey Univ.)	"Regular"
1278	2ZC	Napier "Bay City Radio"	1800-0700
1296	1ZH	Hamilton "1300 1ZH" (Relayed Sun. on 1ZO-1413, 1ZU-1512 1930-2100, & 2300-0530)	1800-0700
1305#	4XR	Dunedin "R. Maniac" (Otago Univ.)	"A little irregular"
	% ...	Dunedin (freq. requested by R. Rhema-1503)	
1314	1YT	N: Taupo (Xltr. of 1YZ-819)	
	2YW	N: Gisborne	M-F 2000 0025 0625
1323	3ZM	Christchurch "1323-ZM, the Sound of Ch'Ch" (Relays 1ZM-1251, 1200-1800)	1700-1200
1332	1XI	Auckland "R. I"	
1341	2ZN	Nelson "R. Nelson"	1800-0700
1350	1ZC	Rotorua "R. Geysersland" (Relayed Sun. on 1ZA-1494, 1ZT-1386 1800-0700 "Geysersland/Lakeland Connection")	1800-0700
1359	4XC	Queenstown (satellite of 4XA-531)	
	4XE	Wanaka (satellite of 4XA-531)	
1386	1ZT	Turangi (Xltr. of 1ZA-1494) (Relays 1ZC-1350 Sun. 1800-0700)	
1395	4ZW	Oamaru "R. Waitaki" (Relays 4ZB-1044 M-Sat 2400-0/00 & all day Sun.)	M-Sat 1800-2400
1404#	1XB	Auckland "Radio B"	Feb/Mar, May/June, Aug/Sept.
1413	1ZO	Toxoroa "R. Forestland" (Relays 1ZH-1296 Sun. 1800-0700)	M-Sat 1800-0700
1422#	3XB	Christchurch (Canterbury Univ.)	"Regular"
1431	4XD	Dunedin "R. Alpha" (Pioneer Radio?)	
1440#	1XC	Hamilton "R. Contact" (Waikato Univ.)	Irregular
1449	2YM	N: Palmerston North	M-F 2000 0025 0625; M-Thu 0700
1458	3YW	N: Westport (Relays 3ZA-747)	
1476	1XA	Auckland "R. Hauraki"	
1485	3ZO	Twizel (Xltr. of 3ZC-1152)	
1494	1ZA	Taupo "R. Lakeland" (R: 1ZT-1386) (Relays 1ZC-1350 Sun. 1800-0700)	M-Sat 1800-0700
1503	2XG	Wellington (synchro w/3XG below)	
	3XG	Christchurch "R. Rhema" (R: 594; 801; 2XG-1503)	1800-1200
1512	1ZU	Taumarunui "King Country Radio" (Relays 1ZH-1296 Sun. 1930-2100, 2300-0530)	M-Sat 1800-0700
1521	3YR	N: Reefton (mostly //3ZA-747)	
1530	2YP	N: New Plymouth	M-F 2000-0025 0625
1539	2ZE	Blenheim "R. Marlborough" (R: 2ZF-1539)	1800-0700
	2ZF	Picton (Xltr. of 2ZE above) (Both may relay 1ZN-2341 Sun. 2400-0700; unconfirmed)	
1557	2ZH	Hawera (Xltr. of 2ZP-1053)	M-F 2100-2400
1593	1XP	Auckland "R. Pacific"	

* Short term warrant. License good for specified (short) period of time.

College station, also operating on a short term warrant.

(Note: the warrants are renewable, seemingly on an annual basis).

@ 1ZK-1026 and 1ZE-1215 have been authorized to originate some local programs.

Call letters:

..YA - RNZ major stations; National Program.

..YB - RNZ ethnic/community stations

..YC - RNZ concert music stations (to be switched to FM in 5 years)

..Y(other letters) - National Program relay stations, which carry some local programs

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"..Z.." - RNZ commercial stations; most carry some local programming.
"..X.." - private stations

And while I can't find any documentation to substantiate this, it appears that "1" prefix stations are from the top of the North Island down to 38S30; "2" stations between 38S30 and 41S30; "3" stations between 41S30 and 44S30; and "4" stations from 44S30 down to the end of the South Island. Of course if I had planned it, the 1s and 2s would be on the North Island, and the 3s and 4s on the South Island. However, there are 2s at several locations on the northern part of the South Island.

All commercial stations are 24h except 3XG-1503 (and its Rhema relays) and 4XD-1431. The letter "N" before a city indicates it is a RNZ National station. The letter "R" refers to relay stations (//). Some of the relays carry some local programming despite the fact that they are translators (see 4XA-531 for instance). Satellites would seem to be relays of translators (see 1359kHz)...

THE EARLY BIRD SHOW is on from 1700-1800 M-F and originates at 1ZB and is carried on the "Z" stations. THE TONIGHT SHOW ALL-NIGHTER is also carried on the "Z" stations 0700-1700 daily, except that 3ZB-1098 joins at 1000, and 4ZG-558 joins at 1200. It originates at 2ZB-1035 Wellington.

This list combines information from an article by Brian Webb in the July 1982 Australian DX News, and another in the N. Z. DX Times, we presume by David Ricquish. The latter lists 4XC-1359 Cromwell and 4XE-1359 Queenstown, which is at variance with the ADXX and WRTH lists and which I can't explain. However, this does show you the increase in activity in New Zealand over the years, and I am sure, the number of stations now operating provides you with greater opportunities of bagging a few. It also gives our N. Z. friends, beverages and all, a greater challenge!

New Zealand is a lovely country (Kristine & I honeymooned there in 1978) and the people are friendly and hospitable. I hope you have an opportunity to visit there some day. Thanks to Messrs. Webb and Ricquish for their fine work. I trust I will hear from them, and/or others, regarding corrections and clarification.

You will be tested on this in the next issue...