

THE NEW WESTERN SPOTLIGHT

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Loc= Location Talk=Talk Programming FM=FM Sister Station
Call=Call Letters Net=Network Affiliation(s) Sports=Sports Programming
Add=Mailing Address Shed=Schedule CL Sig=Call Letter Significance
For=Format Auto=Automated Programming Logo=Audio Logo
News=Newscasts AMS=AM Stereo Rpt=DX Report Verifier

The Spotlight shines again! Yes, it's the "all new WSPT"! (Sorry, I've been listening to too many radio stations, hi!) For our new members, or continuing members who may have forgotten, approximately every quarter WSPT will cover a different state or Canadian province west of the Mississippi River with details (tips) from our members on hearing stations in that given state or province. You can contribute to the Western Spotlight column no matter where you may live. Try to provide information that would help other DX'ers in your general vicinity log the station you've heard. Try to include such information as:

- 1. Reception conditions: a) QRM/QRN; b) stations off, nulled, or faded; c) when logged (time of day or year); d) if a regular, unusual reception or a test;
2. Station stats: a) format(s); b) hours of operation (ELT); c) slogans; d) network affiliation(s); f) verification policy; g) SP, if known (so people will know when not to try for it!).

Also, reporting 50,000 watt clears is fine by me since one person's pest is another person's DX. Also, theoretically a person may log a station and not know its power or if it's on a clear channel or not. (Besides, those 50 kw'ers are getting harder and harder to hear, hi.)

To get us started (restarted), Bill Harms has provided us with some excellent tips for the state of Utah which he logged when he lived in Provo, Utah and Spokane, Washington. Next time we'll include tips from everyone else (see end of column).

Utah
(Part 1)
[Stations logged by Bill Harms]

- 540 KNAK Delta, D1 1000
Good in Provo. Rock/pop mx. Friendly v/l. (UT)
+ To Spokane, with a Beverage at SSS/SRS. (WA)
570 KLUB Salt Lake City, U1 5000/5000.
Strong. EZL/MYL. NSP. V/q. (UT)
+ Usually u/KVI, etc., at night (WA)
590 KSUP Cedar City, U2 5000/1000.
Good. Pop mx. S/off at 0200. V/q. (UT)
610 KVNU Logan, U2 5000/1000.
Good. Pop mx. V/q. (UT)
+ Frequently w/QRM. (WA)
630 KZJO Sandy, U4 1000/500. (Ex-KSXX.)
Strong. NSP. Talkradio and local talk. V/p as KSXX.
(UT)
+ Once as KSXX on Beverage. (WA)
680 KFAM Bountiful, D1 1000. (Currently on 700 kHz. as South Salt Lake City. Power is 50,000/1000. Directional to the SW at night; daytime DA unknown.)
EZL. Good in Provo. Prompt friendly v/l. CE likes DX'ers. (UT)
+ Once on Beverage u/KOMW. (WA)
730 KSVN Ogden, D1 1000; PSA 55.
Country mx. Good. Prompt v/l. (UT)
+ Once on Beverage. (WA)
790 KUTA Blanding, D1 1000; PSA 500.
Various music; mostly pop. Poor days w/QRM. Sometimes

1230 KHZ.
-Loc=Murray, Call=KLAF, Add=4874 S. State, Murray 84107, For=Comedy, News=None, Talk=None, Net=None, Sched=24 Hrs NSP, Augo=None, AMS=No, FM=None, Sports=None, CL Sig=KLAF/Laugh, Logo=Resurrection Radio, Rpt=General Manager, Comment=Not a very friendly station.
-Loc=Price, Call=KOAL, Add=Box AC, Price 84501, For=Popular, News=Net @ 30(5), Local @ Drivetimes, Talk=None, Net=Ac, Sched=24 Hrs NSP, Auto=Fulltime, AMS=No, FM=KARB, Sports=U of UT, Col of E UT, High School, CL Sig=KOAL/Coal, Logo=Your 24 hour source for music & entertainment, we are 12-30 K-O-A-L, Price, Rpt=Tom Anderson, (f/c 4th MM 0300-0315 ELT) Comment=Hope this station offers moe when they move to 750 (by 5-85). May be difficult to verify.

1340 KHZ.
-Loc=Heber City, Call=KLVR, Add=23 W, Center, #4, Heber City 84032, For=Popular plus Oldies, News=1000, 1400, 1900(5) They have no news machine/they read the local newspaper, Talk=None, Net=None, Sched=0800-0000 Mon-Sat, 0900-1100, Auto=Fulltime(semi-assist), AMS=No, FM=None, Sports=None, CL=KLVR/Clever, Logo=Mountain Radio, Rpt=Doug Pope, Station Mgr., Comment=This is a very friendly station. They asked for more information about the clubs etc.

1400 KHZ.
-Loc=Provo, Call=KFTN, Add=1396 W. 400 North, Orem 84057, For=Mod Country, News=Net @ 60, Local @ Drivetimes only, Talk=None, Net=A1, IMN, Sched=24 Hrs NSP, AMS=No, Auto=None, FM=KBHV, Sports=L.A. Raiders, L.A. Express, B.Y.U., High School. CL Sig=None, Logo=14 K F-T-N Provo, America's most exciting country music radio station, Rpt=Engineer, Comment=This station is programmed well but it is not the most exciting.

1450 KHZ.
-Loc=Moab, Call=KMOB, Add=Box 1296, Moab 84532, For=Popular plus Oldies, News=Net @ 60(5), Local @ Drivetimes, Talk=None, Net=A1, IMN, Sched=0800-0000 Mon-Sat, 0900-2100 Sun (May go to 0200 when new owner takes over), Auto=Live assist 1400-s/off, AMS=No, FM=None, Sports=High School, CL Sig=KMOB/Moab(KURA/Uranium), Logo=Your music station with the eclectic taste, Rpt=Christine Robbins, Station Mgr., Comment=A very friendly station.
-Loc=Provo(not Provo-Orem), Call=KEYY, Add=Drawer KEYY, Provo 84601, For=Popular plus Oldies, News=Net @ 60(3-1/2), Local @ 57(3), 30(4) Drivetimes only, Talk=Sports Talk Mon-Wed-Fri 1800-1900 & L. King, Net=M, Sched=24 Hrs NSP, AMS=No, Auto=None, FM=KRMO, Sports=None, CL Sig=KEYY/Key, Logo=Key Radio, Rpt=Larson Bennett, GM, Comment=Friendly GM asked for info on Ant.
-Loc=St. George, Call=KDKU, Add=Box K, St. George 84770, For=Popular, News=Net @ 60(5), local @ Drivetimes, Talk=Opinion Please Tues & Thur 1205-1235, Net=A1, IMN, Sched=0800-0200 Mon-Sat, 0900-0000 Sun, Auto=Live Assist(Fulltime), AMS=No, FM=KZEZ, Sports=Dixie College, High School, CL Sig=KDKU/Dixie Utah, Audio=Hit Radio for Southern Utah, Rpt=L. John Miner, GM, Comment=The friendly and knowledge GM hopes to be on 890 KHZ by 1/85.

1490 KHZ.
-Loc=Ogden, Call=KJQN, Add=1506 Gibson, Ogden 84404, For=Popular plus Oldies, News=50(5) Local with network actualities, Talk=Dialog Sun 0000-0200, Net=UPI(only), Sched=24 Hrs NSP, Auto=Live assist(fulltime), AMS=Yes(Kahn), FM=KJQN-FM, Sports=Weber State U, CL Sig=None, Logo=Rpt=Tom Greenly, GM, Comment=The GM was very knowledgeable about DXing etc.

All stations are unlimited hours with non-directional antenna & 1000 watts day/250 watts night Alth all of Utah is in the Mountain Time Zone, the time used above is ELT. No stations on 1240

Corrections welcomed by the compiler - David Lewis, 3429 Forest, Kansas City, MO 64109

000 KBUH Brigham City, D1 500; PSA 91.
 Poor days bombed by XEROK at SSS. Various mx, but seems to have settled on C&W. No verie, despite several tries. (UT)
 + Again on Beverage one time. (WA)

860 KWHO Salt Lake City, D1 1000.
 Classical mx. Good. V/l. (UT)
 + Occasionally at SSS. (WA)

910 KALL Salt Lake City, U2 5000/1000.
 Talk, news, pop music. Strong. V/q. (UT)
 + Once in a while at night w/QRM. (WA)

920 KVEL Vernal, D1 5000; PSA 500.
 Poor to Provo. Format not well known; seems pop now fulltime. No verie yet. (UT)
 + Once before KXLY s/on. (WA)

940 KBRE Cedar City, D1 10,000; PSA 500.
 Poor to Provo. Heard well w/pop mx. V/ppc. (UT)
 + One day on Beverage in 1981. (WA)

960 KDOT Provo U2 5000/1000. (Ex-KYAK.)
 "K-Dot" slogans. Tries for the softer 60's and 70's pop songs. Local. The CE isn't friendly towards DX'ers, so veries are nearly impossible to come by. (UT)
 + Several times as KYAK at night. (WA)

980 KSVC Richfield, D1 5000; PSA 500.
 Fair. Seems to be C&W mx (?). V/q. (UT)

990 KTLF Tooele, D1 1000. (Ex-KDYL.)
 Good. Pop mx, farm mx, grab bag. V/l. (UT)
 + Occasionally at SRS. Heard as KDYL. (WA)

1060 KRSP Salt Lake City, D1 10,000; PSA 500. (CP for fulltime status as South Salt Lake City. Nighttime power unknown.)
 Top 40 w/some oldies. Strong signal. Relectant verifier; v/l. (UT) [Bill, could he have been relectant simply because he felt you lived so close to him? Perhaps he's a more willing verifier for more distant DX'ers. -SMM]
 + Once all day. Good at SSS. (WA)

1080 KRPX Price, D1 2500.
 Fair. Pop mx. V/l. (UT)

1090 KANN Ogden, D1 5000; PSA 22.
 Good. Religious. V/l. (UT)
 + Good now, since power boost, at SSS. (WA)

1160 KSL Salt Lake City, U1 50,000/50,000.
 MOR/Pop/talk/magazine format. V/q. (UT)
 + Great at night. Sometimes all day on average radios. (WA)

1210 KCLG Washington, U1 10,000/250.
 Poor days; good nights. S/off at 0200 (ELT). C&W mx. No verie yet. (UT)

1230 KPRQ Murray, U1 1000/250.
 Rock music. Good days; poor nights. V/l. (UT)
 + Occasionally at night w/QRM. (WA)

1230 KOAL Price, U1 1000/250.
 Format? Only occasionally at SSS. V/policy unknown. (UT)

1250 KNEU Roosevelt, D1 5000; PSA 500.
 C&W mx. Fair all day. V/l. (UT)

1280 KDYL Salt Lake City, U2 5000/500. (Ex-KWMS.)
 All news; Larry King nights. Good. V/l. (UT)
 + Heard often at night (as KWMS).

1320 KCPX Salt Lake City, U3 5000/5000. (Currently KBUG.)
 Strong. Rock mx. V/q. (UT)
 + Usual dominant station at night. (WA)

1340 KLVR Heber City, U1 1000/250.
 Grab bag; pop mx; even Old Radio Theatre programs! Fair in Provo. (UT)

1370 KSOP South Salt Lake City, U2 1000/500.
 C&W mx. Strong. AN. V/l. (UT)
 + Occasionally at SSS and SRS. (WA)

1390 KBLQ Logan, U2 5000/500; PSA 500.
 Pop mx. (Larry King?) Difficult in Provo w/KFTN-1400 slop. V/l. (UT)
 + Often evenings. (WA)

1400 KPTN Provo, U1 1000/250.
 C&W mx. 0800 - 0200 daily. Local. V/l. (UT)
 + Sometimes during auroral conditions. (WA)

1430 KLO Ogden, U2 5000/5000.
 MYL. AN; maybe NSP. Good days; fair nights. V/q. (UT)
 + Dominate at nights. (WA)

1450 KEYY Provo-Orem, U1 1000/250.
 [Bill, note correct City of License. This per NPC Log and confirmed per call to station.]
 MYL. NSP. Local. V/l. (UT)
 + During auroras. (WA)

1470 KBXN Tremonton, D1 5000.
 Format? Fair w/KONI-1480 slop. (UT)

1480 KONI Spanish Fork, D1 1000; PSA 500.
 Pop music. Look for frequency change. (UT)

1490 KJQN Ogden, U1 1000/250.
 Fair w/KONI slop. "15-KJQ" slogan ID's. Pop mx. (UT)
 + Sometimes at night w/QRM. (WA)

1550 KRGO West Valley City, U2 10,000/500.
 C&W mx. Good days; fair nights. V/ppc. (UT)
 + Good at SSS. Once all day long. (WA)

1590 KMTI Manti, U2 5000/1000. (Ex-1340 kHz.)
 Pop mx. 0800 - 0200. Good days; fair nights. V/l. (UT)
 + Oddly, the only time heard was all day long one day in December, 1981 on Beverage over KZOK (now KJET). (WA)

1600 KBEX Centerville, D1 5000; PSA 500.
 Religious. Good. V/l. (UT)
 + Good at SSS often. Once all day. (WA)

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Thanks, Bill, for providing us with these excellent tips for the state of Utah!

As mentioned earlier, we'll continue on with Utah next time with tips from everyone else -- so start preparing your tips, everyone. The deadline for contributing to the new WSPT is February 20, 1984 -- or three weeks after this column appears (which is later).

The only guidelines for reporting to Western Spotlight are to please write legibly (typewritten is preferred) and to please write your last name (or initials) and state after each tip. - SMM

AIR WAVING: Did I say Monday that KFOG-FM was on the block? It's been sold, no price announced, to Susquehanna Broadcasting, which operates 13 other stations in such places as Dallas, Cincinnati, Atlanta and Miami. There'll be no change in the station's eclectic rock format for the present... KNBR, which airs old-time radio dramas on Sunday nights, has turned up an old-time listener - E. Phillip Perry of Scottsbluff, Neb., who wrote to say he picks up the shows on his antique radio, a 1925 Grebe Synchronphase. Perry also says he powers his "good things" in life - washer, iron, toaster, lighting and shop tools - with an equally antique wind generator. No TV, though, because "I believe it rots the mind." You're not just blowing wind, E. Phil.

Left: San Jose Mercury News, circa 12/15/83, via Rbt Wien

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