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DX Calendar

Mon	Nov 12	WKXL-1450, Concord, NH, 0100-0130 ELT. Will test with 400 Hz tone, mx, and voice IDs. Send SASE and report (one or two days after test) to Mr. Leslie P. LeBlanc, CE, WKXL-AM, P.O. Box 875, Concord, NH 03301. Arranged for IRCA by Mike Saltmarsh.
Sun	Dec 2	WVLC-1170, Orleans, MA. See last weeks DXM for details.

Flash Tips

The 1979 IRCA Foreign Log is in the final preparation stages. While our team of skilled and highly qualified typists puts the finishing touches on it we're offering it at a special prepublication price of \$4.00 to IRCA members, until further notice. This year's log will feature all those wonderful DX catches you saw in DX Worldwide last season (including the TPs & TAs on their new frequencies). Also included will be features on propagation, foreign stations, shortwave parallels, and DXing under the new frequency plan. The latest edition of the foreign log is going to be an absolute must for any foreign ECH DXer. To reserve your copy, send \$4.00 to the IRCA Goodie Factory, P.O. Box 17088, Seattle, WA 98107.

"Electronics Trader", a twice-a-month ad sheet publication, has informed us that from September 1 to December 31, 20% of all subscription revenue they receive will be donated to the Handicapped Aid Program. Their subscription price is \$7.50 for 24 issues, including one free ad. Here's a good way to advertise to buy, sell, or trade equipment, and at the same time help out a worthy cause. If you're interested, contact them at P.O. Box 73, Folly Beach, SC 29439.

New TIS Stations? Atlantic Research Corp., in a recent advertising brochure, reports that they are involved in "major programs" for TIS stations for the states of Kentucky, West Virginia, and Virginia, plus Atlanta International Airport. No frequencies or other details were mentioned. Also, I noticed in a trade publication recently that the state of New York is looking for bidders to install a TIS-type system on I-87(Northway) in Albany and Essex Counties. (Portzer)

Portland, Oregon Gettogether. A Halloween DX Get-together will be held on October 27, 1979 from noon until who-knows-when at the home of Bill Block, 9307 S.E. Clay, Portland, Oregon. Penguins are welcome to attend. For more details contact Bill at (503)256-2354.

Radio Museum. Jim Byrnes sent us a brochure on the Antique Wireless Assoc. museum in East Bloomfield, NY. It looks like an interesting place, with old radios, spark gap transmitters, a replica of a 1925 radio store, and other goodies. It's located across from the Town Park in E. Bloomfield & is open Sunday 2-5 p.m. and Wednesday 7-9 p.m. Admission is free.



Eastern DX Roundup

Bob Curtis, 17 Cobbleview Dr., Colchester, VT 05446

DEADLINES: Mondays - All times are Eastern Local

Splatter:

"Tues - Wed, 9/18 & 19 were auroral with WTIK heard (see 690), also SS noted w/or equal to KYW, WGY and a loud one w/3WE." Paul Mount - OH
 "One report received to keep EDXR alive." Bob Curtis - VT

- 690 WTIK LA, New Orleans 9/18 2330 Fair w/rock, contest promo & ID at 2350. Quick fades on auroral night. Heard in Logan, OH on car radio. (PRM-OH)
- 1240 WWWC NC, Wilkesboro 9/19 0101 Fair w/wx, end of nx full ID at 0101 then lost in QRM. (PRM-OH)
- 1410 CFMB PQ, Montreal 9/18 2255 Montreal's foreign language stn in w/-pgm in II, time ticks at 2300, M & F annrcs, poor. (BC-VT)
- 1430 WNJR NJ, Newark 9/18 2315 WNJR is 1st stn to come in after SS on 1430. ID at 2325 Fair to good. (BC-VT)
- 1580 *WYFA* NY, Patchogue 9/17 0040 BT w/rowdy "Yellow Rose of Texas" and then ID at 0400. (PRM-OH)

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REPORTERS THIS ISSUE (not many)
 PRM-OH Paul Mount, 35 1/2 W. Columbus St., Nelsonville, OH 45764
 Realistic TRF & SH-1, + car radio

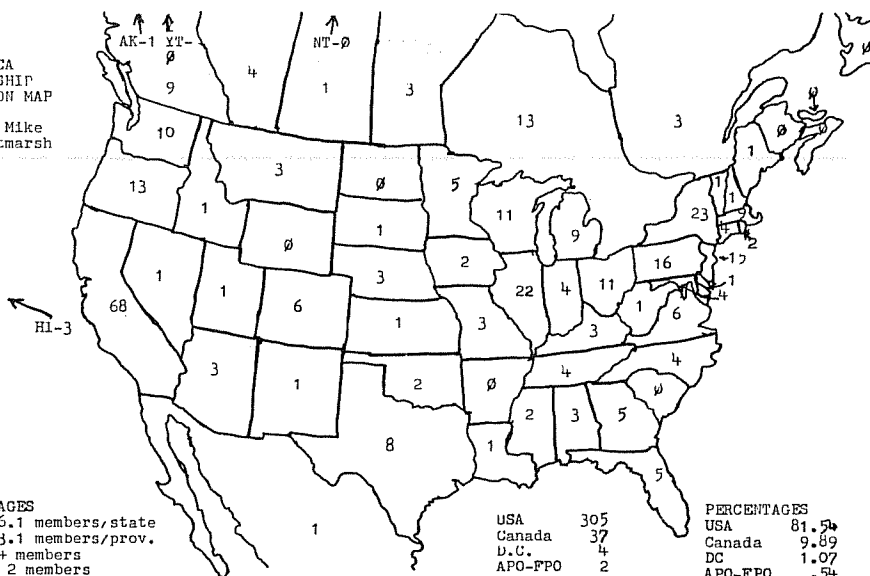
BC-VT Bob Curtis, 17 Cobbleview Dr., Colchester, VT 05446 SF-600

73 and good DX

Bob Curtis

THE IRCA MEMBERSHIP LOCATION MAP

made by Mike Saltmarsh



AVERAGES

USA	6.1 members/state
Canada	3.1 members/prov.
DC	4 members
APQ-FPO	2 members
Mexico	1 members
Foreign	2.5 members/country
	3.1 members/div.

East US	167
West US	138
	305

USA	305
Canada	37
D.C.	4
APQ-FPO	2
Mexico	1
Foreign	25
TOTAL	374

PERCENTAGES

USA	81.5%
Canada	9.89
DC	1.07
APQ-FPO	.54
Mexico	.27
Foreign	6.69
	100.00

NOTES:As it's plain to see,California beats everyone.But,-----if everything is multiplied by 2 (except CA),including the totals,CA still is ahead except for Canada.But East(w/27 states) has more members than West.All standings are taken from the IRCA membership list,Vol.16 (March 17,1979 issue).If I do it next year I'll make it more on time.

85 to 110 degrees West Longitude
All times EASTERN
Deadline: Tuesdays

**central dx
roundup** Bob Lazar
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OF SPECIAL INTEREST

- 1230 KBRR CO Leadville, according to the Lake County Citizen newspaper, KBRR is scheduled to go back on the air on Sept. 5 for the first time since a 4 month SP. Changes are as follows: CBS network is now in use and in mx "an easy R&R sound will highlight the evening programming." Sked: 0745-0300 ELT. Major nxcasts planned for 0900, 1400, 1800 and 1900 ELT. (CK-CO)
- 1590 WCLL MS Jackson, 9/4 good at 2136 w/ C&W mx, singing ID. Ex-WYIG, format is now country. (JC-IL)

SPECIAL HURRICANE DX SECTION

- 570 WVMI MS Biloxi, 9/13 2227-2245 fair w/ telephone talk, wx, info about damage, services. Finally bagged, never hrd before; suspect day pattern/power. o/ WKYX. (JC-IL) (JJR-WI, next one)
- 630 WKBX GA Savannah, in fair on 9/4 at 0150 w/ info on Hurricane David. o/ KXOK, etc.
- 690 WTIK LA New Orleans, 9/13 0015 "going to 10,000 watts" to "get out stronger to MS & AL" because of Hurricane Frederic. (JC-IL)
- 740 WBAM AL Montgomery 9/12 noticed around 2300 w/ hurricane warnings, wx reports, C&W mx, still on at 0300 on 9/13, good o/ everything else. (JC-IL)
- 790 WLBE FL Leesburg, w/ hurricane info at 2344 on 9/3. o/ WTAR, etc. but weak. (JJR-WI)
- 870 WWL LA New Orleans, 9/12, 9/13 2200-0330 strong as usual, mentioned many stns off, towers down, that WWL was only station hrd in many places, telephone reports from AL, MS, FL. (JC-IL)
- 1000 WQTY AL Montgomery, 9/12 2300 wx reports, directions to shelters, fair-good o/even w/ WCFL. (JC-IL)
- 1010 WMOX MS Meridian, 9/12 at 2315 good, probably day power w/ wx reports. (JC-IL)
- 1080 WFIV FL Kissimmee, in o/u KRLD w/ Hurricane info on 9/3 at 2250. C&W mx. (JJR-WI)
- 1580 WSPB FL Chattahoochie, 9/12 noticed around 2000, on because of "emergency conditions IDs, wx & hurricane reports, s/off at 0019 on 9/13, fair. (JC-IL)

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- 580 WIBW KS Topeka, 0146 9/9 "Perspective" pgm w/ no sign of KUBC. xInt signal. (CK-CO)
- 630*KHOW*CO*Denver, 0409 9/10 noted w/ OC's and off. (CK-CO)
- KXOK MO St. Louis, 0415 9/10 R&R mx, IDs as "AM 63" and "The new KXOK", real good here as KHOW took a very unexpected SP. (CK-CO)
- 660 WNBC NY New York, 0440 9/10 R&R mx, SID "NBC". Noteworthy because summer reception, heavy QRN during the entire time. (CK-CO)
- 740*KRMG*OK*Tulsa, 0500 9/10 R&R mx ET's. SID: "This is KRMG conducting Et's. The mx is for test purposes only". "It's 4 o'clock." (CK-CO)
- 910 WGBI PA Scranton, out of CBS nx into s/off at 0206 on 9/10. o/ others, fair.(JJR-WI)
- 920 KARN AR Little Rock, 0252 9/16 beautiful mx, SID: "Your place for btfl mx, KARN 9-20." Good to fair signal. (CK-CO)
- 930 KOGA NE Ocala, 0118 9/9 wx, R&R mx "Shadows in the Moonlight", current temp 70 degrees, quite good tonight. (CK-CO)
- 940*KIXZ*TX*Amarillo, 0050 9/14 noted w/ OC's and off. KFRE, KIOA, KMGX, and XEQ in.(CK)
- 1060 WKKQ MN Hibbing, in super weak u/ KYW, WNOE from 2023 til 2030 s/off on 9/10. (JJR)
- 1330 WRRR IL Rockford, 9/13 2015 fair at s/off, "Triple R" ID. (JC-IL)
- 1360 KBKB IA Fort Madison, in good on 9/10 at 0712 out of local spot into jingle. T40 mx. (JJR-WI)
- WKMI MI Kalamazoo, 9/1 fair at 2345 w/ ID, rock. (JC-IL)
- 1410 WUNI AL Mobile, 9/20 0041-0050 C&W mx, ID, ads. Way u/ WLBK. First time heard ever on night pattern. (JC-IL)
- WLBK KY Bowling Green, 9/20 0020-0031 Reds baseball, ID, strong. (JC-IL)
- 1420 WHK OH Cleveland, 8/26 0102 fair w/ C&W, IDs. (JC-IL)
- WCED PA Du Bois, 8/26 fair at 0100 w/ ID. (JC-IL)
- 1460 WBRN MI Big Rapids, out of local nx into s/off at 2006 o/u KSO. Loud & clear. Good. (JJR-WI)
- 1510 WINU IL Highland, 9/5 fair o/ WLAC at s/off. (JC-IL)
- 1570 KUXL MN Golden Valley, 9/10 good at s/off at 2030. (JC-IL)
- 1580 WKUN GA Monroe 9/13 fair at 2215 w/ ID, wx warnings (tornado). (JC-IL)
- KCHA IA Charles City, at 2029 w/ PSA on littering, weather, and s/off anmt. Rather strong. (TN-WI) (Date?--ed) 9/10 good at s/off, promo for FM. (JC-IL)

1580 WBBA IL Pittsfield, at 2014 w/ TC, wx, mention of FM on 97.9, and s/off anmt by woman. (TN-WI) (Date?--ed)
 WESY MS Eland, at 2015 weak s/off anmt with calls heard 3 times. (TN-WI)
 KESM MO El Dorado Springs, at 2030 w/ partial s/off w/ mention of the Cedar County BC Corp. which nicely confirms the ID. Poor w/ CBJ and 1570 splatter. (TN-WI)
 1590 KSPR AR Springdale, 9/4 good at 2030 s/off. (JC-IL)
 1600 WTRU MI Muskegon, 9/8 2048 high school football, ads, good. (JC-IL)

UNIDENTIFIED STATIONS

1550 Weber State - Bison football. Mention of QB Davis, Wildcats. Wildcats nickname of W. State. Bison nickname of ND State. KQWB?? at 2038, weak. (JC-IL)
 1570 WLSC? SC Loris?? 9/4 2050 hurricane report, PSA, SC news, "Jack Jones, SC Network News", PSA, more SC news at 2055 w/ "This is the SC Network" ID, into Ai news. Almost has to be WLSC, anybody else hear this and can verify? Help! (JC-IL)

TIME TO TIP YOUR HAT TO THESE CDXR GOODGUY REPORTERS:

JC - JOHN CLEMMER, 2937 W. Gilbert, Peoria, IL 61604 (TRF, SM-2)
 CK - CHRIS KNIGHT, 2110 North Dr., Pueblo, CO 81008 (DX-160, Sanserino loop)
 TN - TIM NOONAN, 7454 W. Thurston Circle, Milwaukee, WI 53218 (GE Superadio)
 JJR - JOHN J. RIEGER, 529A S. 71st, Milwaukee, WI 53214 (Panasonic RF-2200)

Welcome to Tim Noonan this week, hope you report often. Thanks to Nancy Hardy for forwarding Chris's report to me. Chris, CDXR includes between 85 and 110 degrees west Longitude including all of CO. Unfortunately this column seems to be biased towards the midwest. 73 & good DX until next week.

FCC PETITION

**'Pirate' AM Station
 Seeks Legitimacy**

BY BRUCE KEPPEL
 Times Staff Writer

Dick Dorwart, the bootleg broadcaster who wants to go legit, faces just one real handicap.

It's not *osteogenesis imperfecta*. He's had to live with what most people know as brittle bones all his life, the first 10 years in traction and the last 22 in a wheelchair. All told, he's suffered 196 breaks.

No, what handicaps Dorwart's broadcasting career is the lack of a broadcast license from the Federal Communications Commission.

He needs that to return KDOR to the 830 spot on the AM radio dial he pirated for 10 months until the FCC ordered him off the air last Feb. 18.

To support his application, Dorwart backed his electric cart out of the driveway of his parents' Hollywood house—home of KDOR—Friday and pointed its painted smile and "KDOR Is Coming" sign toward Santa Monica Beach.

There, this weekend and next, Dorwart and his friends hope to gather 15,000 signatures affirming the West Side's need for non-format radio.

"I knew what I was doing was illegal," Dorwart said of his bootleg operation. "But Los Angeles needed alternative broadcasting."

His nonformat radio has been described, he said, as "all over the house." That is almost literally true. His records are strewn everywhere. His broadcast included generous doses of public-affairs announcements, sometimes voiced by well-known announcers like Gary Owens.

He took to the airwaves from 6 p.m. to midnight weekdays and 12 hours a day on weekends—hours when the FCC was closed.

"All the work was done by volunteers," Dorwart said. "I never made a cent from the operation."

Four volunteer disc jockeys spun their own records, and Don Saunders, chief engineer at a Burbank station, kept the 50-watt transmitter working.

If he gets FCC sanction to resume broadcasting, KDOR will take to the air with a 1,000-watt transmitter he plans to locate in Santa Monica. He will have, he insists, \$150,000 in backing.

But for now, he said, the important thing is community support, which his volunteers will seek today and Sunday roving along the beach between Santa Monica and Venice piers.

"Not even President Carter could get me a station," Dorwart said the FCC told him. "Only the people of Santa Monica and West L.A. can get me one."

The 830 AM wavelength would have to be shared with a pair of broadcast giants, WCCO in Minneapolis and KIKI in Honolulu. So "to protect them," he said, KDOR proposes to broadcast only during daylight hours, when radio signals carry less far.

His new signal, he estimated, would enlarge KDOR's former 50-watt range of San Clemente-Woodland Hills to stretch from San Diego to Fresno.



PIRATE'S NEST—Dorwart in his radio station.
 Times photo by Fitzgerald Whitley

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western dx roundup

ALL TIMES ARE EASTERN LOCAL

Phone for hot WDXR tips: (206)532-6827 till 10:30(PLT) nightly.
Prepaid calls only

DEADLINES: Thurs. 10/11, Wed. 10/17, Thurs. 10/25, Thurs. 11/1, Thurs. 11/8

REPORTERS FOR THIS ISSUE:

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- (MEM) Mark McMillan-Rt. 3 Box 381-Rathdrum, ID 83858
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- (SMM) Steve Mittman-2248 West 37th St.-San Pedro, CA 90732 /1935 upright
Realistic TRF, FRG-7, 3' wedge
- (bp) Bruce Portzner-6546-19th NE-Seattle, WA 98115
HQ-180A, FRG-7, 4' loop
- (MS) Mark Soltys-6519-50th NE-Seattle, WA 98115
Realistic TRF
- (RW) Robert Wien-1309 Dentwood Dr.-San Jose, CA 95118
GE long-range portable, SM-2

- 580 KMJ CA, Fresno 9/8 0406 Larry King Show. (JEC-CA)
- 690 KEOS AZ, Flagstaff 9/22 0418 good thru XETRA OC in KNBR null w/ad
for local garden center. (RW-CA)
- 710 KFIA CA, Carmichael 9/17 0600 weak w/ID, UPI nx. (MS-WA)
- 710 KMPC CA, Los Angeles 9/17 0744 w/ID & promo for baseball trivia book.
Poor thru KIRO OC. (MS-WA)
- 710 Carlos Camacho Show hrd MM 6/11 0658-0717--my unID in Aug. 11
DXM, p. 499. 9/17 0659 found this to be an image of the show
on 780, KCRL; caused by 1490 KBLF image (710+780=1490).(JEC-CA)
- 740 *KBRT* CA, Avalon 9/17 0614 noted in passing w/test anct. Excellent
signal. (MS-WA)
- 790 KGHL MT, Billings 9/11 0316 ID, mx; dropped Herb Jepko Show.(JEC-CA)
- 910 KCJB ND, Minot 9/5 0745 local ads, ID, mx. (MEM-ID)
- 970 KUZZ CA, Bakersfield 9/5 0836 local ads ment. Bakersfield. Atop.
- 970 KYTE OR, Portland 9/22 0345 noted w/new format change / (MEM-ID)
to C&W mx. "Your 97 Country Connection" slogans. Usual xlnr
signal wiping out KUZZ, KCHV & KOOK. (RW-CA)
- 1010 KXEG AZ, Tolleson 9/24 0513 fair to nil w/upbeat relig. mx, many
PSA's. (MS-WA)
- 1210 WCAU PA, Philadelphia 9/16 0610-0630 surprising strength w/CBS
Capitol Cloakroom program. (MS-WA)
- 1230 KBMN MT, Bozeman 9/8 0258-0300 "It's 59° in Bozeman" wx, mx, then
did the GY dash. (MEM-ID)
- 1240 KJOP CA, Lemoore 9/23 0505 ID, AN, SPU. (JEC-CA)
- 1240 *KFLI* ID, Mountain Home 9/24 0731 ID, testing. (JEC-CA)
- 1240 KBMY MT, Billings 8/2 0359 ending Larry King Show on Mutual; then
0400 Ai nx. King Show again at 0405. Only 1240 King Show.
Hrd again 9/24 0658 ID, vocal SSB. (JEC-CA)
- 1240 CJNS SK, Meadow Lake 9/4 0253 ID as CJNE & CJNS 100% simulcast. Atop
using NE/SW Beverage. (MEM-ID)
- 1250 (KYAC) WA, Seattle off again MM 9/24. Hope it's now regular.(bp-WA)
- 1270 KIML WY, Gillette 9/24 0730 w/SID, C&W mx; lost in CHWK s/on 0759.
Severe QRM from KTLG. (MS-WA)
- 1290 KOWB WY, Laramie 9/18 0745-0800 fair w/adult rock, ads. No sign of
KGVO. KUMA s/on at 0800. (MS-WA)
- 1300 CJME SK, Regina 9/9 0045 "It's 10:45 at mx radio CJME." (MEM-ID)
- 1310 KLIJ ID, Twin Falls 9/14 0355 good o/KEIN in total KDIA null w/spot
for Britannia Fashions in Twin Falls, ID, uncommon here.(RW-CA)
- 1340 KMAK CA, Fresno 9/22 0518 "68° in Fresno at KMAK," into C&W. (MEM)
- 1340 CKCR BC, Revelstoke 9/5 1045 wx & nx for Revelstoke. (MEM-ID)
- 1350 KCKC CA, San Bernardino 9/11 0400 Ai nx. (JEC-CA)
- 1350 KIDN CO, Pueblo 9/11 0354 delayed NBC nx on "KIDN Kountry."(JEC-CA)
- 1370 CFON AB, Westlock 9/6 0012 "OK Country" slogan. (MEM-ID)
- 1390 ?WFBL? NY, Syracuse 9/10 0313 "It's 13 after 3 o'clock," SID "WF",
into top 40 or MOR mx. DJ's name was Mike Frazier. (MEM-ID)
- 1400 KWNA NV, Winnemucca 9/19 0040 "Next nx at 10:00 at KWNA." (MEM-ID)

1400 CHOA AB, Stettler 9/2 0303 local ads. Atop. (MEM-ID)
 1430 KBRC WA, near Mt. Vernon noted on 0451 9/23 w/ment of "...album
 Feature 7pm-4am every night." Then rock mx. (bp-WA)
 1440 KMED OR, Medford 7/10 0502 a new "Night Club Show" AN except MMS.
 1440 CFCEP BC, Courtenay 9/23 0704 noted on RS on a Sunday morn / (JEC)
 YL ending nx & into MOR mx. No QRM; I believe KMED was off as
 unheard. CFCEP was AN a few years back & perhaps has gone AN
 again. (BH-WA)
 1450 KGCA ND, Rugby 9/2 0435 SID, top 40 mx. Just KEST & KGCA. (MEM-ID)
 1450 KEYY UT, Provo 9/7 0535 wx, nx, ID, top 40 mx. (MEM-ID)
 1470 WMED IL, Peoria good w/YL w/wx & MOR 0422 9/23. (bp-WA)
 1470 WKMF MI, Flint weak but atop rubble w/promo giving call letters &
 address (P.O. Box 1470, Flint, MI), then gone 9/24 0415. (bp)
 1490 KNDC ND, Hettinger 9/3 2320-2330 football game. Tnx to tip from WJH.
 1490 KUGR WY, Green River 9/17 0050 s/off atop, no SSB, / (MEM-ID)
 s/on 0700. (MEM-ID)
 1490 CFWB BC, Campbell River 9/23 0704½ on RS, atop KWAC & others, //CFCEP-
 1440 (which see above) so may be AN now. (BH-WA)
 1610 TIST WA, Naches likely the one w/man & woman talking and short
 segments of inst. mx, various times 0200-0414 9/10. Looped NW-
 SE. Caught one mention of Labor Day Weekend. (bp-WA)

DX TESTS:

580 (KANA) MT, Anaconda tried, not on, only a strong KFXD in KMJ null. (RW)
 +9/19 0500 test listened for, but not to be heard. (MS-WA)
 +Test not heard. (bp-WA)
 960 (KSRA) ID, Salmon 9/24 0306 tried, not heard, usual KAYK/KARZ in KABL
 null. (RW-CA)
 +9/24 no sign of them. (BH-WA)
 +Test not heard. (bp-WA)
 960 (KFLN) MT, Baker tried, not heard. Probably not on. (RW-CA)
 1340 (KPRK) MT, Livingston TT noted during KPRK time was likely a Canadian
 w/LPRT TT feed. No answer when I called KPRK & TT's were hrd on
 most LPRT freqs. (bp-WA)
 +9/24 two 1 kHz TT's audible here but doubt KPRK for either one:
 One appeared thru KWWW/KBET/etc. 0407 & stayed past 0500 w/no
 ID's, & the other (of slightly different pitch) faded o/u that
 one. The TT appearing at 0407 was doubtless the LPRT(s) // CBU-
 690 as this fits their format. The other could maybe be a 1 kHz
 het against any TP carriers on 1341 kHz?? (BH-WA)
 KPRK Tentative as very weak TT way u/1340 GY, loop NE, but no def.
ID hrd. Heard before on r/c anyway & verified then, so unn.
Only 1 out of 4 tests showing, & possibly 0 out of 5. Why are
sked tests always no-shows, like KROW?? (RW-CA) (All the
phone calls/reports I've gotten to date indicate KPRK test
wasn't on, just the TT's of Canadian LPRT's! Are you sure you
didn't hear the LPRT's & not KPRK??--NH)

UNID's:

590 8/14 0400 hrd Ai nx w/KFXM off. According to VJ, NRC & the Almanac,
 the only possibilities are WPLO-GA, KBHS-AR, WVLK-KY & WLVA-VA. KFXM
 returned at 0402, *?#@#! (SMM-CA)
 1060 Who runs discussion programs MM? Noted w/such in CFCEP null til 0500
 9/24, then 2 stns hrd 0501, one w/nx, one w/rr. Noted again w/rr 0535,
 not sure if RS or part of a syndicated feature. Apparently WNOE and/
 or KKKQ. Can any SoCal members help? (bp-WA)
 1240 SS o/u others 9/24 0540-0605 w/Ranchera mx & many ads for Laboratorios
 Mayos. Domestic or Mexican? (bp-WA)
 1380 KTOM? 9/9 0320 s/off ment. of 5kw fulltime issued by the FCC. On NE/
 SW antenna. Help. (MEM-ID)
 1490 8/13 0310 noted station here in the mess carrying the Nitecap Show.
 Nothing listed in the Almanac. (SMM-CA) (Could it be KRNR's local
 talk show?--NH)

Well, looks like the P.O. sent my Sept. WDXR to Seattle via the long route.
 They must have sent it south, then north. Maybe the penguins in
 Antarctica wanted to read it, hi. By the way, in order to report to WDXR
 you must live west of 110° longitude. Thought I'd throw that in as in the
 past couple of weeks I've gotten 3 reports from Colorado, and Colorado is
 too far east of 110° to qualify for WDXR. If someone lives close to the
 line they can report to WDXR if they'd like. Otherwise, I'm sure Bob
 would appreciate the support to CDXR! I'm really disappointed Bill & I had
 to work during "convention week." Maybe we'll be able to attend another
 soon. Glad everyone had a good time. ♡

eastern dx forum

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As I write this (by candlelight), the eye of hurricane Frederic is about 40 miles SSW of Pensacola and winds here have just hit 95 mph. Every radio in the house is on and as I scan the MW band on the battery-powered Frog, I'm a little surprised to find that reception isn't as bad as one might expect. The only significant electrical noise is being caused by exploding transformers (which create an eerie green lightning effect). Stations on the other side of Frederic (WTIX-690 and WWL-870, New Orleans) are only slightly reduced in readability. In fact, reception from all directions and distances seems pretty normal. Locally, WNVY-1230 is still broadcasting, but I don't expect them to be on much longer because a couple of months ago they were knocked out by a heavy rain (and Frederic is more than a heavy rain). WCOA-1370 was simulcasting with WJLQ-FM until a few minutes ago, when the FM transmitter's coax feed snapped in the wind (the engineer refused to climb the tower to splice it, hi). WCOA is now on emergency power and using its 2nd back-up transmitter (which can't be more than 100 watts, judging by reception). And as I write this, WCOA reports that my other nighttime local, WBSR-1450, has just lost the top half of its tower to the winds and are off the air. Apparently many residents here are now totally without local radio service, because Pensacolians have begun calling WWL-870 for local weather info and WWL has begun broadcasting reports to this area. Did somebody say something about doing away with clear channels? '73's from a disaster area, I'm sure.

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With the new management and format, I hope IRCA's ratings improve, hi. As summertime disappears over the horizon, the formerly ubiquitous WQRN is getting interference from good old WTVI, whose transmitter is just upstairs, I believe. Only interesting catch is a drive-in theater in Cicero, running the soundtrack to "Rust Never Sleeps" on 1580 kHz the week of 9/7-13/79. Mostly all I get is a bad het u/CBJ, however. Thanx to Earl Higgins for tip. Don't be surprised if Atlanta area DXers start reporting "WKRP", as some station near there is supposed to be taking those infamous calls (will Loni Anderson be the verie signer? hi), according to Gary Deeb of the Chicago Tribune, a column that should be required reading, at least for Chicago area DXers - very informative! WLS lost its #1 status as a rock station to WLUP-FM ("the Loop"), so they're trying FM-style "more music", with commercial blocks every half-hour or so. But if it weren't for Lujack's "Animal Stories" and Landecker's "Boogie Check", I still wouldn't go near WLS. Enjoyed Peoria convention, and the IRCA Almanac! I've a not-too-high regard for WCFL's "Lifestyle Radio" news-talk format, tho it does make WIND-560 sound better, hi. WFMT-AM 1450 leaves the air any day now, WKOL already on 10pm-1pm with black/Gospel. WCEV will start soon 1-10pm with Polish and other ethnic stuff, a popular type of format in this lumpy melting pot called Chicago. '73's and OK DX to all.

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First off, I like the new booklet format. The printing is easy on the eyes. On Mark Connelly's suggestion for an East Coast DXpedition, I would like that and plan to help out with a few of my receivers. I attended NEADKO in Watertown CT on September 9 and met many shortwave and NRC/IRCA members. I got a good filter at the auction for \$14. That was my first time ever to bid on an auctioned item, and I won. I'm taking a weekly songwriting course, learning to write "hooks" in song lyrics for top 40 material. I churned out 8 songs this week, one less than my record of 9 last year in August. I've been told I'm getting better as a writer. That's nice to hear. I went down 17 pounds on a crash diet. Hard to believe there was so much more of me. Also bought a 110 pound bar-bell set to do weightlifting. Get ready, those of you that met me, I'll soon be Mr. Muscle-bound DXer, no radio is too heavy to carry. Anyone coming to New York, look me up. Since I'm shorter than some guys, I'll have to look up to you (pun). On DX, I picked up Chicago's WSBC-1240 MM July 23 on my GE Superadio at 0500 EDST in my loft. How's that for a graveyarder? Last night, September 19, Cuba's powerhouse on 590 was booming into New York on my Panasonic RF-2200.

There is some type of electrical interference from the Electro-Harmonix workshop above me. They make wah-wah pedals that Jimi Hendrix used and other musicians. It was nice meeting John Zondlo at the WTPDA Convention in Baltimore, and Frank Merrill and Don Erickson. To conclude on a light note:

I heard CHCL, which was definitely
Right next to WCKY Cincinnati
Whoever they were
Was it a spur?
Or a new Canadian on 15-40?

Oh how I loved to DX
Boston's big rocker WMEX
Now I just balk
For they changed to talk
Which is as mushy as my Wheat Chex!

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Spending the summer in Teaneck, NJ, I probably spoke to more DXers than logged new stations. Just ask Don Erickson. Had the pleasure of talking to both of the new IRCA members in Nesconset, Long Island, plus that pretty girl across town. In August I worked two jobs, so I could buy a car and go to the IRCA convention. I left NJ on Tuesday, August 21, in my '71 Buick LeSabre. Stayed in Berwick, PA, the first night, where I noted the slogans and formats of all local AM and FM stations (Monti and Elving beware). The next day I visited WBRX-1280, whose studio is downtown on the second floor. I spoke to Dave Allen, who told me of WBRX's many formats: adult contemporary 6-10am, "Midday Gold" 10am-2pm, Top 40 2pm-sign off. Saturday-Top 40 6-11am, 40's music to 1pm, modern country to 5, Top 40 to s/off. Sunday- A/C 6-10am, religious 10am-12n, big bands 12n-2pm, oldies and country 2-4pm, then the new A/C survey till s/off. Let's see you fit that in your Log. He gave me two each of SCs, CMs, stickers, and combs. The record store u/WBRX had WHLM SCs, but no WBRX ("ran out"). From there I got back on I-80 until I hit Akron OH. I stayed with George Greene (you've heard of him, but who is he?) and also saw Dave Grim (likewise) that evening. Thursday it was across Ohio on US 224 and other US and state roads via Fostoria and Bowling Green toward Indiana. It rained so hard near Bryan I could hardly see in front of me to drive. It was nice to lose an hour in IN, and I tracked down towers near US 6 to WAWK 1140/93.3 in Kendallville. I spoke to a very tall PD, who gave me a playlist. Stayed the night in Goshen, visiting WKAM 1460/WZOW 97.7, which simulcasts after 6pm. I got some stationery and envelopes there, plus coverage maps; they have no SCs. Friday it was on thru South Bend, Hammond (to be sure this column's editor was going), Joliet (they wanted \$1.14 for gas) to Peoria, airchecking all the way. To be continued. Thanks to everyone who voted for me. I hadn't seen a bulletin till I got there, that had the results.
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FCC Proposes to Eliminate Most Control It Has Over Commercial Radio Stations

By G WALL STREET JOURNAL Staff Reporter

WASHINGTON—The Federal Communications Commission proposed to abolish most of its control over commercial radio broadcasters.

Although the FCC offered a range of deregulatory moves for public comment, the ones it tentatively favors would, for the first time in the commission's 45-year history, leave decisions on program content and the number of commercials carried almost entirely to station owners. The FCC said it is willing to consider such a move because it believes that "competitive forces" in radio markets will assure the public the programs it wants to hear and that government intervention isn't needed any longer.

"Radio broadcasters are businessmen motivated by profit," FCC Chairman Charles Ferris commented at one point during the discussion of the proposed rule changes. "I doubt they would ignore what the public wants."

However, several FCC members expressed concern that adoption of the most extreme deregulation proposals might fail to hold up against an almost certain challenge in federal court. Commissioner Joseph Fogarty, for one, predicted that the "laissez-faire approach" to regulation represented by the proposals would be overturned unless

the commission laid the groundwork for change with a limited experiment in deregulation. "We're on extremely weak ground," Mr. Fogarty said.

The deregulation moves the FCC is contemplating would benefit the nation's approximately 7,700 commercial AM and FM stations. The proposals don't cover an additional 990 noncommercial stations, but the commission said that it plans to reexamine "at a future date" its requirement for public stations to maintain program logs and poll local community interest.

Specifically, the FCC in line with earlier indications, is proposing to:

—End its involvement in the amount of "nonentertainment" programming, such as news and public affairs, carried by commercial radio stations. Its current program policy sets an effective minimum for such programming at 8% of broadcast time for AM stations and 6% for FM stations. However, the commission said broadcasters would continue to have their "fairness doctrine" obligation to present "diverse views on issues of local public importance" and to serve all segments of their listening audiences without discrimination.

—Eliminate all commission policies limiting radio commercials. Those policies generally hold stations to a maximum of 18 minutes of advertising an hour. An FCC

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staff analysis of 14 markets in Alabama and Georgia earlier this year showed a large majority of stations at 50% or less of the commercial ceiling. The survey also showed most of the stations carried far more than the minimum amount of news and public service.

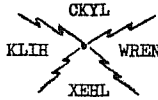
—Relieve broadcasters of the need to maintain minute-by-minute program logs and to "ascertain" the needs and interests of their communities through surveys of hundreds of local citizens — two major causes of federal paper work.

Such changes would reduce greatly the grounds for challenging radio licenses—and the cost to broadcasters of obtaining three-year license renewals. However, station owners still could lose their licenses for such reasons as failure to meet FCC technical requirements, criminal activity or other "misconduct" or programming discrimination, an FCC broadcast official said.

The FCC is allowing 90 days for public comments on the radio proposal and an additional 60 days for reply to the comments.

The chief premise underlying the proposals is that all the radio stations in a local market, as a group, offer a mix of programs that meets the "public interest" requirement of federal communications law. The FCC has yet to propose what it would do if the performance of an entire market were challenged. But Chairman Ferris said one option open to the commission would be to investigate such failures and prescribe market-wide remedies.

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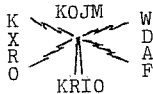
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W. GEORGE ELLIOTT, CHIM-FM, BOX 100, KELOWNA, B.C. V1Y 7N3 - Howdy! Git a load of all 'at country flvor. Well, a little bit anyway. Thought I would drop a few lines for Rth's mailbox so he can use it as filler or whatever he uses my Forum's for. (Makes a great barbecue charcoal starter, hi-Rth). I have some good news to spread out over the Pacific Northwest - you can now hear yours truly on the CKOV/CHIM ANer. I start tomorrow morning, 9/9, and am I ever glad to get it. A little update for those souls who can hear OV Country. Terry Reith Tu & Wed ANer, Ken Berg (VE7EFF) does Thu & Sat, & I do the Sun and MM ANer. I think I'll have to acquire a taste for C&W very quickly. (No problem, N. America's finest-Rth). Actually I've been told by a number of DJs around here that I have the right attitude. I'm interested in the experience and extra time (not to mention \$\$), that I'll be getting instead of what music I'll be playing. Labor Day weekend was lots of fun (?) over here. CHIM-FM ran a 60 hr special called, "Super Sound Weekend 79" which consisted of Dave McCormick, (CFMI Vancouver), Discumentarys played back to back w/remote out-ins from the jock, or jockette that was on location. We picked a perfect spot for the location of our remote; The Husky gas stn at the corner of Hwy 97 & Pandosy St. Now if any of you are familiar w/Kelowna, you'll know that is the most popular QTH in town. Unfortunately, we did have a few problems - the sound system was hooked up to the lights at the gas stn, and when they opened for business, on went the lights and the speakers, at 7 AM! I worked in the morning (operating), and got a lot of calls from elderly people who lived in the area. Overall, I think the station did a good thing. Anyone who wants promo material, or a CHIM 'Lipsticker', can write to me and I'll trade some of mine for your radio promo, stickers, etc. When the weekend was over, the stn bought the FM staff dinner at the Keg 'N' Clever. In sitting w/my boss, Nick Frost, GM of CHIM, DX got involved in the discussion and Nick was so impressed w/my knowledge of the subject that he offered me a chance to share the hob-bie w/others. In other words, I have a 15 min. spot each week on CHIM that deals w/DX. I have the go-ahead to use jingles and IDs hrd on the radio, etc. He said he thot it may interest some people to join the hobby. Every-thing is still in the planning stages, as I have to make a demo for him first. (I guess all those copies of DXW must have sold him on the idea!). Funny what ideas come from a chat over a brew. (Not really, ask the BARF gang what happens after Rth has a bit of the brew, hi-Rth). As far as DX is concerned, not much. Only new ones in the last 2 months is KOMW and CHED (finally). When CKOV goes off, guess what I do? Not much else except I have pix of CHIM on location (not developed yet) so it ya want one, drop me a line w/either a quarter or whatever ya want to trade for it. Will reply when pix are done. Good DX to all...de WGE.

LARRY B. GODWIN, 849-4th AVE-DURANGO, CO. 81301 - Greetings from Durango! DX is a lot better here than it was in Corvallis because of less human-made static. I've been setting my alarm at 0600 MLT and DXing for DUs and TPs and really enjoying it. Signals seem best around 0615 and have faded by 0650 (as of 11 Sep). (See DXWW for the results of my listening). I had a great visit w/fellow-Coloradan Bill Nittler a few weeks ago. We, along w/Ralph K. up in Grand Junction, intend to put Western CO. on the DX map! I love Durango and plan to live here indefinitely. I left my accounting career in Oregon. Now I'm writing a book of philosophical mini-essays and teaching a wine appreciation course, all the while living (temporarily) off my savings. I hope to contribute regularly this season. How about a convention bid from the West for 1980? (Are you offering?, hi-Rth). I'd go 73. (Welcome back to WDXF, Larry. Larry is the only person I know that can type 80 wpm w/2 fingers, hi-Rth).

DOUG NYHOLM, 2071 CEDAR ST-SAN CARLOS, CA 94070 - Hi everyone. I'm looking forward to being in IRCA again after an 8 yr absence. As an intro: I'm 26 and am working as a field engineer w/computers for Burroughs Corp. out of San Jose. I've been DXing for over 11 yrs, but have been inactive except for casual listening for the past 5 yrs. I was using a DX-150A, but for my birthday my wife got me a FRG-7000 from R. West w/a 2.9 mech. filter. I haven't used it yet because my birthday isn't until 02 Oct and Jan won't let it out of the box. We flew down and picked up the rx from Grant and had a short but very enjoyable visit w/him. I highly commend and recommend R. West, hi Grant. I still need verifications (which may be a dying breed of BCB DXers, I hope not) and totals here are 670 veries, 47 states, 9

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DOUG PIFER, 2506 S. RITA WY, SANTA ANA, CA 92704 - Sold my DX-160 a few days ago and I'm kinda glad to get rid of it. I'm sure sure what rcvr I'll get now. I talked to a tech. at R. West about DX-300 mods., and said to forget it. Cross mod. is really bad, he said, and that it's not worth it. Well, that means it'll be either a FRG-7000 or a FRG-7 w/built-in digital. Like Mark Bixby, I picked up WGBS & WGTO during the hurricane down there. Until a few weeks ago, the farthest E. I'd heard was WLW. But I can now add a few more. Most I got one MM: WCBS, WSM, WCAU, WHAM, WLAC, WBEZ, etc. First HI also, KIKI. WCCO really knocks it out before sunrise. Called up CJOC and their request "Tourist Texaco" show. The DJ was kind of excited & seemed to be interested in this DX stuff. My first verie should be on the way. ("Come on verie"). I like the new DXM format, but of course, it was missing something (hi) which reminds me, I suggest more participants for these Western columns. (Hear, hear...and no, folks, I didn't pay him for this plug, hi-Rth). Besides, I wan't to know what I'm missing or catching. To anyone in the SoCal area who wants to exchange DX knowledge, etc w/me, please write. Talking to non-DXers is like talking to my dog. That 1st limerick by B. Wurtzel definitely says it all. Similar experiences got me hooked. 73.

GARY LARSON, 2806 N. LINCOLN, BURBANK, CA. 91504 - Just got the 520th issue of DXM and like the WDXF Masthead and booklet form. Noticed KKTT 1230 here in L.A. is requesting its old call. Wonder why they're still 100w all day Sun. while 100w KPPC is on. (That's why, longstanding agreement-Rth). Wx here is hot & many fires have appeared all over including one on Mt. Wilson & the antenna farm there. No damage to the XRs. Anyone have anything further on the new XR QTH & power increase for KCMJ 1010? There were a couple fires in the Santa Barbara area, and KTMS 1250 whose XR is nearby had frequent updates. W/KDON 1460 having gone C&W, who is the Contemp. leader there now, KMBY? (Local K-pEST 1450 wipes out 1460 in new QTH, but if switch has happened, KMBY is #1 by default, hi-Rth). Too bad KIEV 870 doesn't return to C&W. KNOB-FM w/new Hawthorne, CA address, has the phone # to match....772-KNOB! For your info: KDB 1490 & KKIO 1290 each has a tower near Garden & Mason Sts in Santa Barbara. Wonder if KGOE 850 will ever go fulltime? Wasn't able to make SCADS 22 Sep in Wrightwood, but hope to make it to San Diego later. 73.

LARRY B GODWIN, 849-4th AVE, DURANGO, CA. 81301 - Greetings from Durango! DX has been exceptional, especially to Central America and Colombia. Cx have been quite auroral 19-22 Sep, and I'm discovering signals in between signals where there had been dead space in Oregon. (See DXWW for details). I've been listening to YNX 750 and find the revolutionary spirit of the announcements interesting. Apparently there are Sandista meetings in every little town, as new local governments are set up. Speaking of YNX, they don't seem to be IDing w/their call letters now (only R. Sandino) and this reflects the replacement in importance of call letters w/slogans in Latin America generally. Ten years ago, DXWW was filled w/many more call letters in the LA section than I see now. I hope the new foreign log will be out soon. I refer to Vol. 7 more than I do to my WRTH. I wasn't looking forward to the booklet format for DXM but must say I'm impressed and I like it. Will binders be available? I've been hearing what may be a TIS on 1610 (see WDXR) and would like to know if there is a directory of these stations available. 73 de Larry.

BILL HARMS, N. 2213 VISTA RD., SPOKANE, WA. 99206 (Via Tele-Forum) - Heard the Canadian version of the TIS while driving through Banff during my honeymoon. English service is on 1490, and the French service on 1230. The usual TIS type info, ie. what lane to take to get to various areas, etc. No other new hot stuff to report, though I will not be totally inactive on the DX scene. Becky has allowed me 2 hours weekly of DX time, hi. That's it for this time. 73 de WJH. (Congratulations Bill, and I wish you all a long, happy, prosperous life together....try to sneak in some extra DX, hi Rth).

MORT MEEHAN, 7682 NORTH STAR AV, TWENTYNINE PALMS, CA 92277 - Sep 20 w/my local off I heard KSWW Wickenburg, AZ w/s/off @ 6.45 PM PLT. W/the sun setting, when unusual conditions happen, Angels BB on KMJ 580 had a strong background station giving Royals BB. Guess it was WIBW and since the Royals were playing the Angels it was weird hearing the two different announcers describe the same game. As darkness fell, both stations were wiped out by KFXD w/its rock music. KBOY 730 was coming in very nicely @ 7.30PM PLT and made a quick s/off without any ceremony. The last words the announcer said before the station left the air was, "I'm glad to get out of here." Next I found a station w/a readable Angels BB game in the form of KRVN 880 and I forgot DXing. On 22 Sep a small group of SCADS members had a rare treat when they ventured 6000' high to visit James Young's DX den at Wrightwood. A very pleasant day was spent at Jim's home and I must say I've never seen such a neat, professionally kept and well equipped DX room. 23 Sep BkB hrd w/KTAR 620 Phoenix carrying the Suns and KLAC 570 Los Angeles carrying the Lakers. The new booklet format DXM suits me fine as its easier to file on the shelf and information can be obtained faster. 73.

RICHARD TOEBE, 2350 STONEHAVEN CIR., RENO, NV. 89511 - Hi IRCAn! I just joined so an intro is in order. I'm 21, work as a machinist in my dad's company and nighttime finds me studying at Western Nevada Comm College. The radio bug bit me way back in 1971 w/SWling, but for the last 5 or 6 years I've been MW DXing almost exclusively. I use a Grundig Concert Boy 1100 multiband rx which I bought just before we moved here from the Bay Area. I must say that DX here is much easier than in SF, but after 3 yrs here, I have yet to hear one Hawaiian, Alaskan, or WEBZ, which I did easily back there. That's not to say things have been lousy here. I have heard JOBB 830 Osaka, 835 Nanchang, YVKS 750 Caracas, to name a few. That's without an external antenna, just the 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ " built-in rod. By the way, next time any of you are up Tahoe-way for fun and profit (hi), you might like to combine this with our hobby. Inside Harrah's, as you go upstairs to the second floor buffet, there is a studio of one of the Tahoe stations. I forget who. (KOWL 1490, w/XR off W side of Ski Run Blvd. between US50 and Heavenly Valley entrance-RtH). I did not stop in because I was w/a group of people who don't understand why I'd want to waste my time sitting for hours listening to a bunch of static and noise. Time permitting, I'll report in as often as possible. 73 and good DX de Rich. (Tnx for the fine Forum, Rich. Good to have another Nevadan in IRCA-RtH).

RIC HEALD, 1058 SANCHEZ ST, SAN FRANCISCO, CA. 94114 Tele-Forum: (415) Valencia 1-0447 to 2200 PLT & ppd - Greetings from Noe Valley, SF! Since K-PEST 1450 sx are about a block from work, am thinking about setting up a chat w/their CE. They are supposedly 250w night, but are so badly overmodulated & distorted I can't tell difference btwn day/nite power. They are not my nearest XR (KSFO is), and except for rare moments during voice modulation, I cannot hear 10 kc either side, and often their splatter extends up to 30kc ea side. By contrast, KSFO 560 w/1kw nite is clean enough for me to take copy on 570 & 550. I have to crank down the Sensitivity control on the HQ-129X just to take somewhat clean copy on KEST. Rich, I did stop by KOWL a few yrs ago btwn Keno and slots (nickels, of course, hi), and had a brief chat w/DJ on duty. He said the Bay Area wrote or called KOWL many times to let them know they were fairly well rcvd. Have been up early a couple of mornings and have checked for TPs, but so far, only a strong het giving KXL 750 a hard time. Did DX for about an hour on MM 9/24, and did notice local KDIA 1310 off, but w/OC @ 0405 PLT (was reported earlier by ed as being NSP). They had been on w/RS @ 0340. As a BoD member, I was always against, and voted against booklet format, but after seeing the 1st issue (2nd one not here as of Thur 9/27), I must agree w/others, the NRC clone looks great! And like Zondlo said, typing is much easier, 6 full cm. more space. As they say in the "Big Apple", WNYC, We Need Your Contributions. Keep those Forums a-comin'. Ooops, just remembered that while my deadline went weekly, masthead date is still bi-weekly...so...will be looking forward to the 2nd edition for new booklet format DXM, hi. So, gud DX to all and 73 de RtH..

Bruce Portzer, c/o the IRCA Publishing Center - Hi gang. Glad to see the new format getting such favorable reviews. Just remember that it's the stuff in the bulletin that makes the club what it is, even more than what the bulletin looks like. I see from the map on page 2 that we have over 100 EC members, some of whom even own radios. Surely more than two of you have been DXing lately! How about sending your latest catches in to Bob & getting EDXR back to its normal 3-4 pages??? As they say in Yreka, Keep Supporting Your Club. 73, see ya next week. bp.



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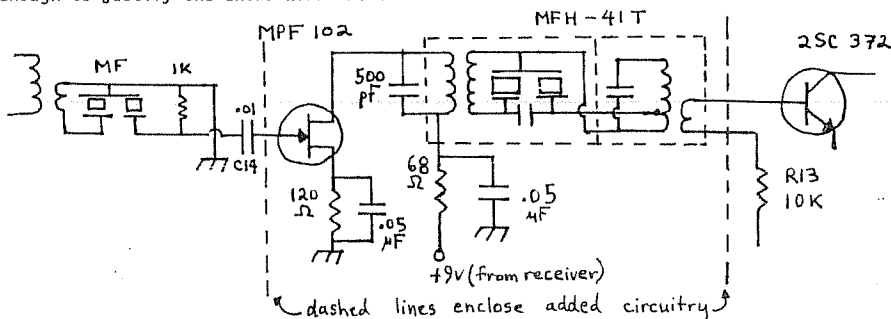
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More on the DX150/160 transmogrification. Ralph Sanserino has kindly sent me a copy of his article from SPEEDX covering his DX150/160 modifications. His suggestions concerning the BCB coil change are similar to mine, and he suggests a 5.6 k Ω resistor to replace R24 on the DX150B and DX160 (or R22 on the DX150A) to stop the S-meter pegging on most signals. I've tried this and it does help.

The selectivity on the DX150/160 receivers is not very good. Only the strongest split channels were listenable on my DX150A. Ralph suggests replacing the emitter capacitors in the IF stages with emitter by-pass filters. (Vernitron TF-01A's available from Radio West, 2 for \$5; MuRata BFB-455D's from Gilfer Associates, \$2 each) These are indeed an improvement. I put a couple of TF01A's in Colin Newell's DX150B and there are now nice gaps when tuning between semi-locals, and it has cleaned up some of the local splatter. For four or five bucks--to be recommended. To put in these transfilters, look in your trusty service manual for the schematic, find the two IF stages and replace the .04 uF capacitors bypassing the emitter resistor in each stage. The manual will show you where each capacitor is on the PC board.

Can you use any better filters than these? The answer is a very qualified yes. The "MF" ceramic filter in these receivers can't be replaced directly by a better filter due to its unusual input and output impedances (70 k Ω and 800 Ω). I tried another tack and broke the connection between the MF and the first IF amplifier transistor and put in a FET amplifier with a Toko MFH 41 T "mechanical" filter between the MF and first IF stage. The Toko filter has a bandwidth of 4 kHz at -6 dB and 10 kHz at -50dB, though its selectivity curve flattens out beyond this so you don't get much more than -50 dB rejection. It is cheap (about \$5) but the only supplier I know is Ambit International, 2 Gresham Road, Brentwood, Essex CM14 4HN, England. This company's catalog costs 45p (about \$1.20) but it's almost like a magazine, with small articles on various components they carry and discussions of design problems.

Anyway, back to the filter. I will only go into this briefly as it was not a wildly successful circuit; selectivity is a little better than the transfilters, but hardly enough to justify the extra work involved.



I believe the reason for the relatively poor selectivity improvement is feedthrough past the new filter which degrades its selectivity. This is due to the printed circuit board design of the receiver. I think that to put a good MuRata or Collins filter into the DX150/160 would involve rebuilding the IF strip on another board in order to avoid feed-through problems. If anybody wants further practical details of my circuit, I'd be pleased to assist, but at the moment I think the transfilters are the easiest way to improve the DX150/160's selectivity.

The ICF-6800W. Sony has a "new" receiver out, the ICF-6800W. It appears to be a descendant of the ICF-6700W, but I suspect (couldn't get any help from the salesman) that it uses a synthesized oscillator on SW similar to the FRG-7 et al. You now choose MHz on one dial and kHz on another. BCB is tuned separately from SW but the digital display is operative on this band as well as SW. The receiver seems to use an internal ferrite loop on BCB and is reasonably selective in its "narrow" mode. Not quite mechanical filter class, but I could listen on channels next to my locals. A few faint birdies were noted, one on 1380, but I wasn't able to try this radio outside the store's noisy environment. Price was a bit much at 1000 Canuck bucks--what's the US price?

...while talking about receivers, Gerry Thomas mentions a new portable radio from JVC (the stereo people). It's the FR-6600 and uses a Wadley loop circuit which covers 1.6 to 30 MHz as well as AM and FM and provides analog SW readout which allows 5 kHz estimations. He goes on to say " Unfortunately, I haven't been able to learn anything about

the medium wave section; selectivity specs, or any technical stuff. The price is \$169.95." Any other info on this?

More on the DX-300. Greg Watts in a review of the DX-300 appearing in the July 1979 SPEEDX mentions that "Local MW stations were just too strong, and there were so many harmonics of everything in this band that -40 dB (on the RF attenuator--ed.) was ineffective. The best way to receive these stations with this radio is to disconnect all external antennas and use the internal loop, and at the same time, cut the RF gain back to about half maximum." I wonder how much sensitivity that allows? Apparently all of the antenna coils are wound on an unshielded ferrite rod, meaning that your loop antenna's nulls may be blunted when using this receiver. Word is that future DX-300's will have shielded antenna coils...

Rob Harrington warns that "a loop antenna should always be used on BCB. I first used a longwire with the DX-300 but found that it was very unsatisfactory. Do not use a longwire antenna for BCB or longwave." Overall, he likes the DX-300 although he mentions that the radio generates bad carriers on 910 and 1000 kHz.

Mort Meehan, on the other hand, ran into a bum DX-300. It was purchased by a friend of his, and they wanted to compare it with Mort's FRG-7. This DX-300 had no power or RF gain and their local station showed up all over the BCB and longwave band. So it went back to the store, as there was no comparison with the FRG-7.

The McKay-Dymek DP-40 RF Preselector. This tuned passband device is intended to be used between your antenna and receiver, and narrows down the range of signals your receiver's front end "sees" coming from the antenna. This can be very useful as many receivers over-respond to strong signals, so that (for instance) your local station(s) show up at numerous points on the dial--see the above words on the DX-300. This preselector is tunable from 150 kHz to 30 MHz, is a passive (no amplification) device, and there is some loss between the antenna and receiver. There is also a low-pass filter (cut-off 150 kHz) which longwave DX'ers have found useful to eliminate BCB interference in the low band.

So how does it work on BCB? In Vancouver, E.H. Grossman and I used his DP-40 with a McKay-Dymek DA100 antenna and my modified DX150A. With the DP-40 out of the circuit, a CJOR-600 spur was noted on 560 kHz. With the DP-40 switched in and peaked to 560 the spur had disappeared. The CBU-690/CKLG-730 spur on 650 kHz was not much affected, but that is an external mixing product which can even be heard in Victoria. A couple of birdies at the upper end of the BCB were attenuated by use of the DP-40. Unfortunately (hi) no cross-modulation was noted on channels near the Vancouver locals, so we couldn't test for the DP-40's usefulness there. The tuning of the preselector was not sharp enough that it needed to be peaked every 10 kHz on BCB the way that a selective loop does.

Where the DP-40 really shines is when it is used with a "wideband" receiver which has no preselection in its front end. The McKay-Dymek DR33C allows a real mess of spurs and other garbage on BCB in downtown Vancouver when it is fed by the DA100 antenna, but with the preselector hooked up, it is a reasonably good BCB receiver.

The DP-40 is listed at \$140 in the last Gilfer catalog. If your receiver suffers from overload on BCB, you might be wise to try a good selective loop antenna first. The DP-40 is useful on bands other than BCB however (although it doesn't improve a 455 kHz IF receiver's image rejection too much above 16-18 MHz), so its value to you will depend on the range of your DX'ing interests.

Antenna Tuners (from Randy Tomer). Has anyone tried the longwire tuner that Panasonic makes specifically for the RF-2200, If so, is it worth the money?

My Partridge longwire tuner (made in England) works wonders with my FRG-7 when used with a medium length longwire and a good ground. Sensitivity of the FRG-7 with tuner and ground is equal to the HQ-180's longwire sensitivity. The FRG-7's sensitivity on MW with a longwire but without a tuner or good ground is very poor. When the Partridge tuner is used with the HQ-180, no improvement is noted and the tuner is not worth messing with. Maybe this is because the 180's built in antenna trimmer is already doing a good job of matching the receiver with the wire. The Partridge tuner doesn't seem to work at all on my 670 foot "mini-Beverage". I don't know if Partridge tuners are available any more, but I think a similar design is shown on page 34 of the NRC Antenna Reference Manual.

A quick comparison of the Sanserino and Radio West loops (from Mike Hardester) I find the Radio West has sharper nulls than the Sanserino and about the same amplification--in other words, stations are about the same level on each. (succinct!--ed)

...the technical column is going to be a little less frequent for the next few months. I'm doing some of the typing for the Foreign Log and working on the technical book for the club, as well as mundane things like working for a living. But I plan on putting this column together once every 6 to 8 weeks. Good DX in the coming season--and keep transmogrifying--and letting the rest of us know your results. 73--NHP.

Sports Networks

IRCA SPORTS NETWORK UPDATER #1 (to the IRCA Almanac)

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Deadlines: Thanks to the incompetency of the post offices of Washington state, please submit material so as to arrive on Saturday, two weeks ahead of masthead date. My apologies for any inconvenience this may cause to those living outside of Washington state. --BH.

• MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

CBS Radio will cover the American League and National League playoffs, and the World Series, for the fourth straight year. Ernie Harwell will do play-by-play for the A.L. playoffs, starting Tues. 10/2 (and going till Sun. 10/7 if they go the full five games). Jack Buck (of the St. Louis Cardinals baseball broadcasts over CBS-owned KMOX-1120, and also of CBS Radio's NFL football coverage) will handle the N.L. playoffs, same dates.

For the World Series, starting Tues. 10/9 and possibly going through Wed. 10/17, CBS Radio is adding Vin Scully as play-by-play announcer. Vin has handled Los Angeles Dodgers broadcasts for years, and has done the All-Star Games on CBS Radio since 1977.

In addition to CBS Radio, the games should be heard on the regional baseball networks for the two competing teams in each series (see the Almanac for listings). 1979 sponsors for the playoffs and World Series on CBS Radio are: Budweiser Beer, Arkwright-Boston Insurance, Rise Shave Cream, Oldsmobile, Qantel Computers and Data Communications Systems, Skill Power Tools, Sony Electronics & TV, Cam2 Motor Oil, True Value Hardware Stores ("Hi, Pat Summerall..."), and Western Union Telegraph.

Since the regular season will be ended by the time you read this, we'll forego any further changes to teams which won't be in the playoffs. That leaves me with three changes, involving teams that might make the playoffs as of this writing:

American League:

Kansas City Royals: Add # sign to 1490 KKAN-KS.

Minnesota Twins: Add to announcers, Sid Hartman on "Lead-Off Man" pre-game show.

National League:

Montreal Expos: 1350 CKAR-ON has resumed carrying Montreal baseball.

So, delete the portion of the footnote beginning with "One report."

• 1979 NFL FOOTBALL (see pp. 136-141, IRCA ALMANAC)

► Nationwide coverage, CBS Radio: Add to announcers, a new half-time program with Brent Musburger. Other announcers, including the alternate crews, are correct as listed.

► Nationwide coverage, Mutual: According to 8/13/79 Broadcasting magazine (used by permission), Mutual is carrying NFL games each Sunday; observation here is that the games are weekly at 1600 ELT, same as in 1978.

Question: How much interest is there in a listing of non-CBS and non-Mutual stations that clear NFL games, Notre Dame football, etc.? For instance, KTSM-1380-TX is carrying CBS NFL coverage. I'd be happy to run this info, either in DXM or as a reprint, if anyone is interested and if we can get enough input via station monitoring to make it worth the bother. Your opinions are respectfully solicited! Thank you very much! --BH.

► Updates for the individual teams:

ATLANTA FALCONS Add Harmon Wages to announcers.

ADD: 650 WSM-TN, 910 WGAP-GA, 930 WJAX-FL and WSOC-NC, 1230 WAYX-GA, 1240 WBHB-GA, 1250 WYTH-GA*, 1260 WCRT-AL*, 1490 WSYL-GA, WMRB-SC, and WDXB-TN, 1530 WTHO-GA*, and 1560 WLEJ-GA*.

DROP: 1100 WLBB-GA*.

OTHER: 1360 WAZA-GA is now & rather than *. Add + sign to WMAZ-940, WTOG-1290, WLOW-1300, WGAU-1340, and WTTI-1530. Now "plus 8 FM's."

BUFFALO BILLS Van Miller, Stan Barron. COMPLETE NEW LISTING:

930 WBEN-NY 1230 WENY-NY 1320 WHHO-NY* 1450 WHDL-NY 1590 WWBK-NY¹
950 WBBF-NY 1240 WJTN-NY 1410 WDOE-NY 1560 WWBK-NY*¹ WGGO-NY*

1. WWBK, Brockport, NY is a daytimer on 1560 kHz with a (no FM's) permit to move to 1590 kHz and go fulltime.

(Note: This is a change of flagship from WKBW-1520 last year.)

CHICAGO BEARS Delete Ray Geraci. All other info is okay for 1979.

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CLEVELAND BROWNS Network is as follows:

600 WSOM-OH** 970 WFUN-OH¹ 1320 WCLU-KY* 1450 WJER-OH 1540 WBCO-OH*
900 WPRO-OH* 1140 WBZY-PA* 1340 WNCO-OH WLEC-OH+ 1550 WDLR-OH*
930 WEOL-OH 1240 WBBW-OH 1350 WCHI-OH* 1460 WBNS-OH 1570 WTCL-OH*
940 WGRP-PA* WHIZ-OH 1400 WMAN-OH WPVL-OH 1590 WAKR-OH
960 WWST-OH** 1260 WLKK-PA 1420 WHK--OH 1480 WHBC-OH 1600 WPTF-OH**
1. Formerly WREO, Ashtabula OH. 1520 WKNT-OH** (plus 4 FM's)

DETROIT LIONS Bob Reynolds, Frank Beckmann

ADD: 950 (Note 2)
DROP: WMPL-920, WBCK-930, WHAK-960, WMTE-1340, WPLB-1380, WNBV-1450.
OTHER: Change 760 listing to read 760 WJR--MI². Add + sign to WUPY-970,
WCBY-1240, WFGC-1280, WMBN-1340, WTCM-1400, WATZ-1450, and WHTC-1450.
Now "plus 5 FM's." Footnote 2 will read as follows:

2. Some games may be heard in Detroit over WWJ-950 rather than WJR-760,
because of WJR's conflicting live coverage of Detroit Tigers baseball.

GREEN BAY PACKERS Announcers are now Jim Irwin and Max McGee.

ADD: 710 WDSM-WI+, 1350 WPDR-WI*, 1400 WCCY-MI⁴, and 1430 WBEV-WI&.
OTHER: Call change on 960, WTCH is now WOWN-WI+². Add + sign to WMAW-570
and WRJC-1270. Delete * from WISS-1090 (now fulltime but still +).
Reword footnote 2 and add new footnote 4, as follows:

2. Formerly WTCH, Sheboygan WI.

4. Formerly WHDF, Houghton MI.

HOUSTON OILERS

ADD: 840 WMOB-AL*, 930 WKY-OK and KDET-TX*, 1090 KKYN-TX&, 1270 KFJZ-TX,
1400 KIUN-TX, 1440 KETX-TX*, 1470 WWQT-FL**+, 1490 KBST-TX,
and 1590 WACA-SC* and KERC-TX*.
DROP: WFAA-570, WTAW-1150, KSEY-1230, KAND-1340, and KEYS-1440.
OTHER: In 1600 listing, change KXVI-TX from * to &. Delete "note" about
Oklahoma News Network, as this revision includes all Oklahoma outlets.

LOS ANGELES RAMS

ADD: 1230 KGAM-CA⁴.
DROP: KORK-920, KCHV-970, KVOY-1400, and KPMC-1560.
OTHER: 1010 KCMJ-CA, drop footnote 2. Call change on 1280, KFYV is now
KKAL-CA⁵. Change 1450 listing to read KOWN-CA+⁰. Delete footnote 2,
reword footnote 1, and add footnotes 4 thru 6, as follows:
1. In 1979, one pre-season game on 8/18 was heard in Los Angeles...(etc.)
4. Formerly KGEE, Bakersfield CA.
5. Formerly KFYV, Arroyo Grande CA.
6. KOWN-1450 is on both the Los Angeles and San Diego NFL networks in 1979.
In cases of conflict, separate AM-FM broadcasts are possible.

MIAMI DOLPHINS This has enough changes to merit a complete revision:

610 WIOD-FL 790 WLBE-FL 1230 WONN-FL 1340 WSEB-FL 1490 WTRL-FL
690 WAPE-FL 970 WFLA-FL 1240 WINK-FL 1350 WCWR-FL WTTB-FL
740 WKIS-FL 1150 WNDP-FL 1280 WIPC-FL* 1400 WTRR-FL 1500 WKIZ-FL
(plus 4 FM's, plus a "mystery station" - "WNOB." Listed by call only,
city unknown, might be AM or FM or even a typographical error! HELP!!)

NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS Announcers are now Gil Santos and Jon Morris.
Flagship is still WBZ-1030, with regional network to be announced later.

NEW ORLEANS SAINTS

ADD: 730 WARB-LA*, 1500 KQXL-LA*, 1520 KXKW-LA, and 1570 KMAR-LA* and
WHII-MS*.
DROP: WSJC-810, KREH-900, WECP-1080, KASO-1240, WGRM-1240, WGVM-1260,
WVOM-1270, KRMD-1340, WKCU-1350, WNLA-1380, KWLA-1400, WNAG-1400,
KPEL-1420, and WCLD-1490.
OTHER: Now "plus 13 FM's." Another "mystery station" - "WVIL,
Hernando MS." I can't find any station, AM or FM, in Hernando MS!!
HELP??!!

NEW YORK GIANTS 1978 listing is correct for 1979.

OAKLAND RAIDERS Typo to correct: It's Monty Stickles. Flagship is still
KGO-810, with regional network to be announced later.

PHILADELPHIA EAGLES

ADD: 850 WEEU-PA, 910 WSBA-PA, 1100 WGPA-PA*, 1350 WHWH-NJ, 1450 WPAM-PA,
1530 WCTR-MD*¹, and 1580 WRDI-NJ**.
DROP: WTTM-920, WKOK-1070, and WPPA-1360.
OTHER: Now "plus 2 FM's."

SAN DIEGO CHARGERS

ADD: 620 KTAR-AZ, 1320 KUDE-CA, and 1400 KYOY-AZ.
OTHER: Change 1450 listing to read KOWN-CA¹. Add footnote 1 as follows:
1. KOWN-1450 is also on the Los Angeles NFL network. In cases of conflict,
separate AM-FM broadcasts are possible.

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SAN FRANCISCO 49ers Announcers are now Lon Simmons and Wayne Walker.

(Also, delete all references to Don Klein.)

ADD: 1490 KBLF-CA.

DROP: 740 (Note 1), KBEE-970, KUKI-1400, and KVML-1450.

OTHER: 560 KSFO-CA, drop footnote 1. Delete footnote 1 itself, as all 49ers games are on KSFO-560 this year.

SEATTLE SEAHAWKS

ADD: 650 KYAK-AK, 1230 KTDO-OR, 1300 KRVB-OR*, 1340 KAIN-ID and KLOO-OR, and 1380 KBCH-OR*.

DROP: KBYR-700, KICY-850, KNOI-1150, KXLE-1240, KGY-1240, and KSLM-1390.

OTHER: Add + sign to KHR-1340. Now "plus 1 FM."

TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS Mark Champion, Dave Kocourek, Dick Crippen.

COMPLETELY NEW LISTING:

580 WDBO-FL	920 WTRS-FL*	1400 WPAS-FL	1450 WJJB-FL	1530 WENG-FL*
600 WSNY-FL	1090 WMFL-FL*2	1410 WZST-FL*2	WSPB-FL	1560 WTAI-FL*
790 WNWS-FL ¹	1240 WLCO-FL	1420 WDBF-FL	WSTU-FL	
850 WRUF-FL	1250 WDAE-FL	1430 WWWQ-FL	WTAL-FL	(plus 4 FM's)
900 WSWN-FL*	1380 WDAT-FL	1440 WAYK-FL		

1. Formerly WFUN, South Miami FL.

2. Will not carry night games.

(Note: This is a change of flagship from WFLA-970 last year.)

WASHINGTON REDSKINS Announcers are now Frank Herzog and Sam Huff.

ADD these 38 new stations to the Almanac listing:

540 WETC-NC*	970 WRCS-NC**	1250 WFAG-NC&+	1400 WGBG-NC	1450 WIZS-NC
560 WGAI-NC	990 WEEB-NC*	1280 WHVR-PA	WSHB-NC	WHIT-NC
590 WGTW-NC	WBTE-NC*	1290 WHKY-NC+	WSIC-NC+	1470 WPNC-NC*
760 WCPS-NC**	1050 WWGP-NC**	1340 WCBQ-NC	1410 WEGO-NC**	1530 WCTR-MD*2
810 WCEG-NC**	1060 WQWX-NC*	1350 WHIP-NC*	1430 WRXO-NC**	1550 WXVA-WV*
880 WRRZ-NC**	1090 WBZB-NC*	1380 WRAQ-NC	1440 WBLA-NC*	1560 WTRQ-NC*
900 WIAM-NC**	1150 WGBR-NC+		WKLV-VA**	1570 WTLK-NC*
930 WITN-NC	1220 WRNC-NC**			1590 WJRO-MD

DROP: WDMV-540, WRNL-910, WLLL-930, WKDE-1000, WEER-1250, WJMA-1340, WBIG-1470, and WOPI-1490.

OTHER: Add + sign to WSSV-1240 and WEXM-1520. Change 1330 listing to read 1330 WASA-MD&+2 (changing * to & sign). Now "plus 13 FM's."

KANSAS CITY CHIEFS Announcers are now Wayne Larrivee and Bill Grigsby.

Flagship is still KCMO-810, with regional network to be announced later. (Sorry for this being out of sequence. -ed.)

NFL sponsors on radio: If you'd like a copy of the 1979 sponsors for NFL football on the various regional networks, please send a 15¢ SASE to Bill Hardy, 2301 Pacific Ave., Aberdeen, WA, 98520. (Upon request I will enclose the 1979-80 NBA sponsors as well; both lists for a single stamp.) This will provide the info to those who find it useful in IDing sports broadcasts, while conserving space in DXM. Thanks!

• 1979 COLLEGE FOOTBALL (see pp. 141-145, IRCA ALMANAC)

Add (or amend) these teams in the Almanac. This info is for football only (except as indicated) but may also hold true for basketball.

Bakersfield College (F) 1560 KPMC-CA

Cal.-Davis Aggies (F) 1530 KFBK-CA

Chico State Wildcats (F) 1290 KHSL-CA

Florida State Seminoles (F) 610 WIOD-FL

Idaho Vandals (F) 1270 KPLC-ID (and more)

Illinois Fighting Illini Add to football feeds, Feed C: 780 WBBM-IL.

The status of the other football feeds is uncertain at this time.

Missouri Tigers (both F & B) 810 KCMO-MO (KMOX-1120 is ?)

New Mexico State Aggies TWO FEEDS:

Feed A: David Glass, Russell Letz

(F) 570 KGRT-NM**, 740 KBAD-NM#, 980 KICA-NM, 1340 KSIL-NM & KKIT-NM, 1350 KABQ-NM, and 1490 KRTN-NM#. (no FM's)

(B) 570 KGRT-NM**, 1350 KABQ-NM (maybe a few of the others)

Feed B: Jack Nixon, road games only 1450 KOBE-NM (both F & B)

Southern California Trojans (F) 1070 KNX-CA (a change from KFI-640)

Washington Huskies (F) Bruce King, Bob Rondeau, Gary Johnson

560 KPQ--WA 920 KITN-WA 1230 KSPQ-WA 1290 KLIQ-OR& 1470 KELA-WA

610 KONA-WA 930 KSWB-OR* 1240 KXLE-WA 1320 KXRO-WA 1490 KVAC-WA

680 KOMW-WA* 1000 KOMO-WA 1260 KWIQ-WA* 1430 KBRC-WA KLOG-WA

790 KGMI-WA¹ 1170 KPUG-WA¹ 1280 KIT--WA 1450 KONP-WA (no FM's)

1. Note that two Bellingham stations, 790 and 1170, carry the Huskies.

Washington State Cougars (F) Bob Robertson

570 KVI--WA 1230 KOZI-WA 1250 KWSU-WA#^e 1340 KAGT-WA 1490 KTEL-WA

920 KXLY-WA KREW-WA 1290 KAPY-WA* KWWW-WA 1550 KGAR-WA

960 KALE-WA 1240 KGY--WA 1460 KMWX-WA (plus 4 FM's)

IRCA Sports Network Updater #1, continued

• 1979-80 NBA PREVIEW

The National Basketball Association office has sent us a listing of the NBA flagship stations for the upcoming season, which starts Fri. 10/12 and continues until Sun. 3/30 (meaning the playoffs will begin about a week sooner than the previous year, when they continued into June). Of the 22 teams, 19 are staying with the same flagship stations as listed in the Almanac (pp. 145-146). There will be three more 50kw outlets carrying NBA ball this year. The Philadelphia 76ers switch to WCAU-1210, and the Portland Trail Blazers switch to KEX-1190. As you may have heard, the entire New Orleans franchise moved to Salt Lake City this summer, and is now known as the "Utah Jazz." Utah games will be on KSL-1160. The NBA office says that WVNJ-620 will carry the New Jersey Nets in 1979-80, but I would appreciate confirmation (or contradiction) of this from our members in that area. Thanks.

A few questionnaires are back from NBA teams, and a full updater will run in a month or so from now. But aside from the flagship changes noted above, I can pass along this info: "Nationwide coverage" on Mutual will consist only of the All-Star Game and some 15-to-18 playoff games. There will be no "regular season" coverage as such. Also, WJR-760 expects to have a Detroit NBA net this year but details are not yet worked out; Jim Foley joins Gene Peterson doing Houston games; there will be quite a few changes to the Milwaukee net, and drop Eddie Doucette from the announcers; and San Diego will not have a net in 1979-80, being on KSDO-1130 only.

• Late baseball info:

Just received from CBS Radio, their full announcer crews for the baseball playoffs beginning Tues. 10/2: National League, Jack Buck and Jerry Coleman. American League, Ernie Harwell and Bill White.

• CFL FOOTBALL (p. 148, IRCA ALMANAC)

EDMONTON ESKIMOS are on CJCA-930.

• WE NEED YOUR HELP! While many teams and flagship stations are very helpful in updating the sports section of IRCA's Almanac, we always appreciate every tidbit of information from our members. Your reports to the Roundups and Forums are scanned for tips, and you may send information directly to Bill Hardy, 2301 Pacific Ave., Aberdeen, WA, 98520. (Info on NHL hockey should go to Tim Cronin, 7500 West 111th St., Worth, IL, 60482.)

At this point, we especially need information on virtually all 4-year colleges and universities regarding their football and basketball coverage. Plus, we're still missing NFL info from Baltimore, Cincinnati, Dallas, Minnesota, and St. Louis, and need network lineups for 1979 from Kansas City, New England, and Oakland. If you can supply any or all of the above, please send it in right away! Thanks in advance. --BH.

1978/1979 IRCA Contest winners

Domestic Heard

1. Paul Mount 528 points
 2. Bill Nittler 452 points
 3. Niel Wolfish 439 points
 4. Bruce Portzer 347 points
 5. Roger Morby 341 points
 6. Linda Morby 320 points
 7. Ian Meyers, 296 points
 8. John Clemmer 293 points
 9. Peter Nolan 277 points
 10. Bill Hardy 246 points
 11. Nancy Hardy 198 points
 12. Frank Colella 150 points
 13. David Fontanez 128 points
 14. Michael L. Hogan 100 points
 15. Bill Harms 92 points
 16. Rich Eddie 59 points
- no entries Scott Anderson, Jim Ryan.

Foreign Heard

1. Nick Hall-Patch 1050 points
2. Bruce Portzer 1020 points
3. Bill Nittler 310 points
4. Bill Hardy 220 points
5. Roger Morby 162 points
6. Nancy Hardy 151 points
7. Linda Morby 138 points
8. Michael L. Hogan 58 points
9. Richard Eddie 27 points

Foreign Verified

1. Paul Mount 17 points
- No entries: Michael L. Hogan
Richard Eddie

Domestic Verified

1. Niel Wolfish 190 points
 2. Richard Eddie 20 points
 3. Frank Colella 6 points
 4. David Fontanez 5 points
 5. John Clemmer 4 points
- No entries: Michael L. Hogan, Jim Ryan.

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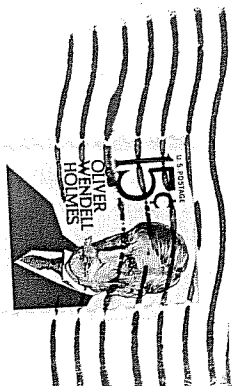
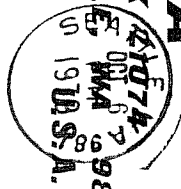
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