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IRCA IS TWENTY YEARS YOUNG

With this issue we celebrate IRCA's twentieth anniversary. We have a record 62 forum reports, not counting a bunch from our very first issue. We also have a few tidbits on IRCA's past and an article on old time radio. Have fun reading through it.

In case you've been wondering, we still have about 15 of the club's original members. These folks include: Bob Coomler, Don Erickson, Kermit Geary, Larry Godwin, Dave Johnson, John Johnson, Glen Kippel, Ed Krejny, Roy Millar, Ron Musco, Bill Nittler, Dave Rogers, Randy Seaver, C.M. Stanbury, and Charles Taylor. A couple of these guys dropped out for a few years in the middle, and then rejoined. Just the same it's nice to see some of the original crowd still hanging around. Congratulations for staying in or for coming back, guys.

THE 1984 IRCA CONVENTION

It's official! The 1984 IRCA Convention will be held in Toledo Ohio. The vote was 24 for Toledo, 15 for Louisville. Kind of a light turnout, but that's the way it goes. The convention will be held August 17-19 at the Sheraton Westgate Inn. For more details, watch these pages.

THE NORTH AMERICAN RADIO TV STATION GUIDE

Rob Harrington and Don Erickson called this weekend with the news that this popular reference book by Vane Jones will be published soon in a new edition. (If it's not already off the presses). The log has traditionally listed AM, FM, and television stations in the U.S., Canada, and Mexico, by call, frequency, and location. AM station listings have also shown network affiliations, day and night powers, and other information. The new edition of the book, like earlier editions, is published by Howard W. Sams Publications. This edition is publication number 22296. Don says it will be available from the Century Print Shop, 6059 Essex St., Riverside, CA 92504 for \$8.00 postpaid.

CHQR IS MOVING

Frequency that is. CHQR-810 in Calgary will move to 770 sometime this summer. They're already in the process of building their new transmitter site and directional array. The DA will protect KXA, KOB, and a CP in Montana. This info came courtesy of Ted Wendland, CHQR music director and former IRCA member, via Jef Jaisun.

We've still got lots and lots of articles and other material on hand, including several April Fool's articles, more Almanac updater, another review on the Sony AM stereo receiver. Watch for them in future DXWs. Oh yes, almost forgot...we have a new want ads editor (temporarily anyway). He's Tim O'Hare, 20023 84th Avenue West, Edmonds, WA 98020.

Everything You Wanted To Know About IRCA

Seeing as this is the club's twentieth anniversary, we thought it would be fitting to share with you some bits of trivia gleaned from past issues of DX Monitor --- here are some things you either never know about IRCA and wondered about, or never knew about or thought about in the first place.

THE IRCA - HOW IT WAS FORMED AND HOW IT GOT ITS NAME

The roots of the IRCA extend back into the early 1960s. The National Radio Club was the only ECB DX club in existence at the time. It was run by a man named Ray Edge, whose management style can best have been described as autocratic (some folks back then used stronger language, but you get the idea). A sizeable number of NRC members were unhappy with Ray's policies on bulletin content and the way the club was run. At first they tried to work within the club framework but were unsuccessful, so they formed the National Radio Club, Inc. in Denver in early 1964 with the idea of taking control of the NRC. The first bulletin published by the NRCI came out March 17, 1964 and was mailed to 77 NRCI members. After a few weeks, however it became obvious that the other NRC wasn't going to go away. It also was discovered that, due to a legal technicality, the new club couldn't use the name of the old club. So they sought a new name for the club, preferably one with an international flavor to it. At first, the name International Radio Club Inc (IRCI) was suggested, but then someone realized there was already a club in Sweden with that name. An election was held in May 1964 to decide among other possibilities. International Radio Club of America won, receiving 41 votes out of the 72 ballots cast. Second place went to International Broadcast Listeners, which received a mere 18 votes.

DX MONITOR

The first few issues of the NRCI bulletin were called DX News. Along with selecting a new name for the new club, it was only appropriate to pick a better name for its bulletin. This took two ballots---the first, in May 1964 resulted in a tie vote: between International DX News and DX Monitor. A less imaginative choice, DX Bulletin finished a close third, and other names finished farther behind. After a runoff, DX Monitor emerged as the favorite by a wide margin.

The first few issues (actually the first two years' worth) were published in Denver, most of them in Bill Nittler's basement. The DXM was printed on a mimeo machine, then hand collated, folded, stuffed into envelopes, addressed, stamped and mailed, all by Denver area IRCA members (Bill probably enlisted the help of some of his kids at times, too, hi). Life was obviously much simpler then for some people, if they had time to do all that.

Eventually, the Denver group handed control of DXM to a group of California members (three of them to be exact). Two of them ducked out shortly thereafter, leaving the third person, Don Erickson, running things singlehandedly until mid 1973 (except for occasional help from whoever happened by). Rumor has it that Don's ceilings still have splotches of mimeo ink from when the mimeo machine threw up.

In 1973, publishing moved to San Diego with Father Jack Pejza as Editor and Grant Manning as Publisher. One of their first moves was to change the way in which DXM was published. Instead of using a mimeo machine, they hired a commercial printer to handle the printing chores. Publication was done by photo-offset (like it is now) but the format was a two column type using 8½x11 pages. This enabled them to produce a better looking bulletin and made it easier to prepare columns and articles. Typewritten copy, maps, photos, etc could now be laid out on regular typing paper instead of the more cumbersome mimeo stencils.

Publishing continued to shuffle around the west coast over the next few years. To Seattle in 1975, then San Francisco in 1977. In 1979, the Seattle group, fluttons that they are for punishment, took over again. This time a major format change was made--to the current booklet format.

The various columns in DX Monitor have gone through various metamorphizations over the last twenty years. At first, the bulletin consisted of "DX Down the Dial", "Musings of the Members", and "International DX Digest"--direct transplants of their counterparts in the "other" NRC. When the club name changed, so did the column names - to "Domestic Tip Index", "DX Forum", and "DX Worldwide". Eventually, due to the rapid growth of the new club, the job of editing the DX Forum got to be too much for one person, so it was split into an eastern and a western section. During this time, members put their "routine" loggings in their forums and the changes/hot DX/etc

went into the DTI. Then in 1966, some changes were made when several members decided: 1) it would be easier to find loggings if they were all arranged in a columnar format, and 2) people in one region don't necessarily care what people in another region are hearing. So, DX Roundups came into being. There were three roundup sections and three forum sections, grouped by time zone: AST/EST, CST/MST, PST/HST...you reported to whichever sections covered the time zone you lived in. And all DX went to the Roundups, the forums were reserved to general BSing, as they are today. DX Worldwide, of course, remained as one section for the whole world. Over the years, the number of reporting zones for DXR, DXF, and DXWW, have shifted several times to balance out reporting patterns or to accommodate the availability of editors.

Most of the other club columns have shorter histories. DX Worldwide II came into being in the mid-1970s to ease the DX Worldwide editor's workload. (The two had been one column up until then). Broadcasting Information was an outgrowth of what had been filler material---in the 1960's station call changes etc were copied out of Broadcasting Magazine to fill space at the end of columns. Eventually it became a more formal effort. The Technical column didn't exist until about 6 years ago. Before that people sent in receiver reviews, etc to the Special Features editor, who also wrote or typed articles on radio stations, etc. Special Features, on the other hand, has, for now at least gone the way of 24.9¢ gasoline, although club members still send in articles on stations, DXing techniques, etc to HQ. Also, we used to have a column called DX Records, which ranked members' heard and verified achievements. It peaked in popularity in the late 60's and early 70's, but for some reason fizzled out a few years ago.

The editor who has edited the same column for the longest period of time is Nancy Hardy, who took over WDXR in January 1975 and has since cranked out about 300 DXRs. Runner up is Ric Heald, who has edited WDXF since March of 1975.

MEMBERSHIP DUES

When the club was first formed, dues were \$4.00 third class mail, \$6.00 first class, \$8.00 airmail. Bulletins took two days to get from southern California to Seattle by third class in 1966 (I used to get mad if my DXM arrived on Tuesday instead of Monday). By 1968 they were up to \$5.50/\$8/\$11, only to rise to \$6.50/9.50/14 a year later. By this time, third class mail had gotten so unreliable that most members were getting their DXMs by first class or airmail. Airmail rates actually dropped to \$13 a couple years later. With the advent of offset printing in 1973, there was no longer any advantage to third class mail, so it was dropped completely. When first class and airmail rates were combined by the P.O. in the early 1970's, dues were a flat \$9.50. They've been raised twice since then: to \$12.00 in 1975 and \$16.50 in 1978. Methinks we're about due for another increase, probably next time the post office raises first class rates.

THE IRCA SIGNATURE MELODY

The what? What do you mean, you didn't know we've got a signature melody. In 1967 the club voted on such a thing. The idea was to have a club theme song that could be used as background music for club-produced radio announcements, for use on DX tests, etc. Sort of like a National Anthem. Out of several original choices, like the 1812 Overture, Hail to the Chief, Columbia the Gem of the Ocean, Monday Monday, and Hands Across the Sea, a runoff vote was taken between the two top vote getters: Monday Monday and Hands Across the Sea. Hands Across the Sea won. Now that this forgotten club institution has been dusted off, what do we do with it?

THE TED VASILOPOULOS AWARD

Who was Ted Vasilopoulos and why did we name an award after him? Basically, Ted was a very popular DXer in the late 50's and early 60's. He DXed on a homebuilt receiver and went so far as winding his own coils. He was one of the guiding forces in forming the IRCA and helped draft what eventually became the club's Constitution. He died of a heart attack in February 1965. After his death, the club decided to find some fitting way to remember him, so they decided to present an annual award to the person who did the most for the club during the preceding year, as determined by a vote of the membership. The award has been presented to editors, publishers, presidents, and others for outstanding achievements. Winners have included: Bill Nittler (1966), Larry Godwin (1967), Don Erickson (1968-69-70), Percy Kestevan (1971), Father Jack Pejza (1972), Mike Northam (1973), Bruce Portzer (1974 & 1983), Grant Manning (1975), Phil Bytheway (1976), John Zondlo (1977), Bill Hardy (1978), Rich Segalas, Don Kaskey, Mark Connolly (1979, three way tie), Bob Curtis (1980), Nick Hall-Patch (1981), Nancy Hardy (1982).

CONVENTIONS

The IRCA has had a convention every year since its founding. The first was put together almost at the spur of the moment in Mobile, Alabama, a few months after the first DX Monitor (or DX News) was published. A total of eight people attended, from as far away as Washington state. Subsequent conventions have been held in San Diego (1965), Milwaukee (1966), Denver (1967), Hollywood CA (1968), Chicago (1969), Vancouver BC (1970), Toledo (1971), San Diego (1972), Hammond IN (1973), Seattle (1974), Columbus OH (1975), San Francisco (1976), Indianapolis (1977), Portland OR (1978), Peoria (1979), Louisville (1980), Calgary (1981), Moline IL (1982), and Seattle (1983). The largest of these was the San Diego convention in '72, where approximately 60 club members, guests, and miscellaneous hangers-on showed up.

Most conventions have some event that makes them long remembered by those that were there. For instance:

- At the 1971 Toledo convention, one person was separated from the rest of the group during a visit to Detroit/Windsor radio stations. He got back to Toledo later that night via Greyhound.
- At the 1980 Louisville convention, the fire alarm system went off in the middle of the night.
- At the 1976 San Francisco convention, nobody made it to the dock in time to catch the scheduled boat trip to Alcatraz.
- The convention meeting room at the 1972 San Diego convention was broken in to and several armloads of munchies and a radio were taken.
- Most of the scheduled events at the 1977 Indianapolis convention were cancelled.
- In the late 1960's and early 1970's the club had a tradition of throwing then-publisher Don Erickson into the swimming pool, fully clothed. Subsequent DXM publishers have been glad to see this tradition fade into history.

In spite of some of the weird things that have happened at IRCA conventions, they are always a lot of fun and most of them have been well-run.

THE GOODIE FACTORY

The club has published or sold supplies almost since the beginning. It started with stationery, shortly after the club was founded. In the late 1960's, rubber stamps were also offered. Then, in 1971, the first foreign log was published. After publishing activities were moved to San Diego in 1973, a reprint service was started. Reprint and publication activities continued to expand when publishing was moved to Seattle in 1975. When publishing activities moved to San Francisco in 1977, the reprint service stayed in Seattle under the capable hands of Phil Bytheway. The term "Goodie Factory" was coined by then-editor-in-chief Don Kaskey in the course of spontaneous front page plugs for the reprint service. The term caught on right away. In the meantime, the Goodie Factory has also published three editions of the IRCA Almanac, two editions of the DXers Technical Guide, and various editions of the Foreign Log.

WHAT ABOUT THE PENGUINS?

We'll explain that one next week....

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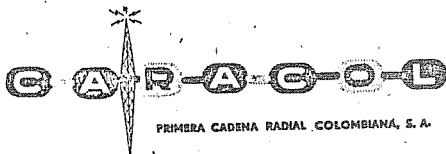
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Origin Of Call Letters In The Early Days

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Back in the early 20s when radio was just beginning, broadcasters had no choice as to call letters. The Department of Commerce, which had the responsibility of administering radio stations in those days, assigned call signs as they saw fit. The first licensed radiotelephone apparatus was arbitrarily given the call letters, KDKA, on October 27, 1920. It was nearly a year later that the first station expressly licensed for broadcast service, WBZ, Springfield, Mass. was authorized. That was September 15, 1921, according to the archives at the FCC.

When licensing of broadcasting stations began, the call letters were all three letter combinations, except KDKA. There were 676 possible combinations beginning with W (26 X 26), and an identical number beginning with K. Since all types of authorizations from the government came in rotation, including broadcasters, ships, land stations, police and aircraft, these 1352 combinations were used up quickly. In fact, the last three letter call was assigned in March, 1922, barely 6 months after the first assignments of broadcast station calls had begun. Thus, any 3 letter call existing today means the station was authorized between September 15, 1921 and the end of March, 1922. The FCC records indicate that 112 stations had been authorized, and that all the other combinations were for non-broadcast use.

FOUR LETTER CALLS BEGIN

Beginning in April, 1922, four letter call signs were assigned in a rotation. Licensees had no choice. East of the Mississippi, the call signs began with a W, and the third letter was always A. First issued was WAAA, then WAAB, WAAC, etc. through WAAZ. Then, the second letter changed to B, and the calls WBAA, WBAB, etc., were authorized, followed by WCAA, WCAB, WCAC, etc., WDA A, WDAB, WDAC, etc.

Calls continued through the rotation of the second letter, except WX, which were reserved for experimental stations. The last station with A as the third letter was authorized in late 1922. Then the third letter was changed to B. WABA, WABB, WABC, WABD, etc., followed by WBBA, WBBB, WBBC, WCB A, WCB B, WCB C, etc. through the alphabet.

By mid-1927, more and more pressure was being exerted by politicians on behalf of constituents desiring certain call signs that the Federal Radio Commission, who had assumed the duties of administering the airwaves, gradually stopped assigning the arbitrary call signs. The series, WNB was the final group and according to available information, WNBZ, Saranac Lake, N. Y. was the last station so assigned, in September, 1927.

WEST OF THE MISSISSIPPI

Likewise, in the western part of the nation, arbitrary assignments were made. However, the K group did not begin with A, but instead with F. KFAA was the first station in the four letter group in the west, followed by KFAB, KFAC, KFAD, etc., through KFAZ. Then, KFBA, KFBB, KFBC, etc., followed by KFCA, B, C, KFDA, B, C., etc. The final group of KF stations was the KFY group.

Then, the second call was changed to G. KGAA was first, then KGAB, KGAC, etc., followed by KGBA, B, C, through KGHA, B, C, etc., where the alphabetical assignments were ended. This was also in late 1927.

EXCEPTIONS

Since that time, call letters have been assigned on the basis of availability and good taste, although this last requirement has now been eliminated. With few exceptions, all stations east of the Mississippi have been assigned call signs beginning with W, and three letters to follow. West of the Mississippi, the call has always been a K, followed by three letters.

There are exceptions, of course. WACO, Waco, Texas, received its authorization because of political "suggestions". Other stations that originated on the east side of the Mississippi later moved across the river and were permitted to retain their calls. WDBQ, Dubuque, Iowa, began as WKBB (arbitrary alphabetical assignment in 1923) in Joliet, Illinois, and in 1933 moved to East Dubuque, Illinois. Later the call sign was changed to WDBQ. Still later, the station was moved across the river, and its call was not changed.

There is a story connected with every exception, such as WTAW, College Station Texas, which was licensed in October, 1922. Perhaps you know the story of a station in your area that today has an exception to the call letter rules.

REMAINING TODAY

Today, many stations continue to use their original call signs. When the call is only three letters, its age is obvious. But, among the four letter calls, you can readily identify the following, in alphabetical order: WBAA, Fayette, Indiana, WBAP, Fort Worth, WBAX, Wilkes Barre, PA, WCAO, Baltimore, MA, Philadelphia, WCAX, Burlington, VT (now used only by tv offspring of WAX), WCAZ, Carthage, IL, WDAE, Tampa, WDAF, Kansas City, WDAY, Fargo, WEAN, evidence, WFAA, Dallas (just changed), WGAL, Lancaster, PA (now tv offspring), WHAZ, Troy, NY, WJAG, Norfolk, NE, WJAR, Providence, WJAS, Pittsburgh, PA, WMAZ, Chicago, WMAZ, Macon, WNAD, Norman OK, WNAX, Yankton.

Others with "A" as the third letter still using the same calls today are WAI, San Antonio, WPAK, Thomasville, GA, WQAM, Miami, WRAC, Williamsport, PA, which actually began in Michigan in 1923, WRAW, Reading, PA, WSAI, Cincinnati, IA, Grove City, PA, WSAN, Allentown, WSAR, Fall River, MA, WTAD, Quincy, IL, and WTAW, mentioned above.

In the "B" sequence, these remain: WABI, Bangor, WBBL, Richmond, WBEM, Chicago, WCBM, Baltimore, WCBS, Springfield IL (now WCVS, after selling their call to CBS for New York City station), WDBJ, Roanoke, WDBO, Orlando, WEBC, Duluth, WFBC, Greenville, WFBG, Altoona, PA, WFBM, Indianapolis, WFBR, Baltimore, WGBB, Freeport, N. Y., WGBF, Evansville, WGBI, Scranton, WHBC, Canton, IBEF, Rock Island, WHBL, Sheboygan, WHBU, Anderson, IN, WIBA, Madison, WJBC, Bloomington, WJBK, Ypsilanti (now Detroit), WKBB (mentioned above), WKBH, Croase, WKBN, Youngstown, WKBV, Richmond, Ind., WKBW, Buffalo, WKBZ, Ludington (now Muskegon), WLBC, Muncie, WLBL, Stevens Pt (now Auburndale) WI, WLBE, Over-Foxcroft (now Bangor), Maine, WNEF, Binghamton, WNEH, New Bedford, and IBZ, mentioned above.

WESTERN STATIONS TODAY

In the west, KFAB, Lincoln (Omaha), was one of the earliest 4 letter calls. A few days later, KFBC, Sacramento was licensed. KFEL, Denver, is now KIMN. FEQ, St. Joseph, MO, was followed later by KFIZ, Fon du Lac, KFJB, Marshalltown, IA and KFJZ, Fort Worth. The very next station after KFJZ was KFKA, Greeley, CO, which was followed immediately by KFKB, Milford KS. This was the famous station operated by Dr. John Brinkley, whose license was revoked, whereupon he moved across the Mexican border and opened the first superpower order station, XER.

KPKF, Shenandoah, still operates with its original calls, as does the other station in the same town, KMA. KFOR, Lincoln, KFRC, San Francisco, KFUO, St. Louis, KFVS, Cape Girardeau (used by tv offspring), KFXD, Jerome, ID (now Nampa) FYR, Bismarck, KGK, Yuma, CO (now KSTC, Sterling), KGER, Long Beach, KGEZ, Misspell, KGFJ, Los Angeles and KGFX, Pierre, SD.

FCC ARCHIVES RETAIN INFORMATION

Fortunately, the FCC has retained all of the records from the earliest days of broadcasting, so it is possible to trace the origin of stations for historical projects, etc.

These days, when a broadcaster can change call letters every week if he wishes, and can request any combination, even those judged suggestive or downright obscene, it is interesting to look back at a time when the licensee had no choice as to the call he received.

We wonder what will happen to the call KFBI. That was assigned in September, 1923 to Wichita, Kansas. During World War 2, the government forced the station to change calls to KFBI, because of the thought that someone might think it was an official station of the FBI.

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Twentieth anniversary! The figt for this is China, so I hope many of our west coast members send Chinese logs to DXWW-West! Re intro time: I am 26 years old and a 1980 graduate of Penn State in Home Economics Education. Since January, 1982, I have been working with the U.S. Peace Corps. I work in nutrition and health projects with the Normal School in Santa Bárbara. A Normal School is a Senior High (10-12 grade) that trains primary school teachers, college not being required here. Santa Bárbara is a coffee town located about 100 Km. south of San Pedro Sula on a mainly dirt road that winds its way around mountains, over rivers and through streams (no bridges) covering the passengers with great clouds of dust during the dry season (January to May), in the 3½ hour trip. The population here is about 10,000. Although my assignment ends in May I am hoping to extend until November, when the current school year here ends. After that I will return to the states, for at least a few years, but would like to again have the opportunity to live in Latin America. DXwise I started SW in Sept., 1971 and BCB in June, 1972. I was an IRCA member in 74-75, then in '75 quit DXing due to college. Started up again in 1978 and rejoined IRCA in 1980. Currently I also belong to NASWA, RIB, Número Dos (a local Pa. group) and the Guatemala DX Club. While in the States I concentrated more on SW, but here I find BCB more interesting, I guess as Latin American DX has always been my favorite, SW or BCB. Waiting to see what the next twenty years bring IRCA. 73.

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This is my first Forum in a long time, so I might as well make it for the Anniversary Issue. A few new stations have trickled in: WMC-790, KXOK-630, CBNM-740, and re-logs of KFI and KSL. Those two aren't so easy any more. Thanks to Fidel, I had written KFI off. Ditto for KSL, thanks to WJJD going NSP. CBNM was heard just after their 0430 ELT s/on. They put in a good signal until they were killed by CBL carrier at 0453. I need Nfld. to QSL all 10 provinces. It has been so long since I sent out a reception report, I thought I had forgotten how to write one. But reception report writing is like swimming, riding a bike, etc. Once you learn how to do it you never forget. DX on 740, 860 and other CBC clear channels may only be a memory if CBC goes NSP on AM. CBL SP's on 740 have brought me CBNM, CBX, KRMG, WBAM ET, and KTRH; while on 860, XEMO, KONO, KKWOW, and an assortment of ET's have come in with CJBC off. Hopefully, CBC will come to its senses and realize that going NSP isn't worth the cost. Unfortunately, the Blue Jays will be on the road the weekend of the ANARC convention. That means I might have to attend all the convention activities. At the Montreal and Washington ANARC conventions, I "took off" to catch Expos and Orioles games, and missed the auction and wine and cheese reception. 73 and see ya losers here in the Great White North for ANARC, eh!

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Time to wish the club and its members Happy Anniversary and time for the annual re-intro muse. Currently 21 years old in 3rd year at University of Toronto, majoring in Economics. As far as DXing is concerned, my logs go back to April of 1974, but I really didn't get started until the 1976-77 DX season. I have been a member of IRCA since 1977, and have been on the Board of Directors for IRCA since 1981. I am also currently a member of NRC, NASWA, Radiophiles and DecalcoMania. Current totals stand as follows: Stations (heard/verified/taped)-1004-306-534, Provinces-10/10/10, States 43/41/42 and Countries-24/13/20. I also have logged 369 stations in 174 countries and Short Wave, with verifications from 166 stations and 110 countries. As far as BCB DX goes, my best catches of all time are: KGHU-790-Mont., KDDA-1560-Ark., Nice, France on both 1554 and 1557, TKG-1240 and TGN-730 Guatemala, KXVQ-1500-Okla., WAJE-1490-Ala., CBU-690, B.C., WSUN-620-Fla., WDEL-1150-Del., and HIJB-830-Dominican Republic. Stations underlined are verified. Interests include both domestic and foreign DX (which seems limited to easy splits like 834, Cuba, Colombia, Venezuela, and Mexico)

(Wolfish, cont...) and the collection of stickers from radio stations. Future DXing goals include adding a few more states (Wash. and Ariz. in particular), plus some countries that I should have heard a while back. Hope everybody continues to have good DX in the future. 73.

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Having just set up the R-1000 with Radio West loop, I've been busy logging new stations (especially daytimers). The DX-160 has been sent out for a tune-up as I ponder a witching network for headphones/radios/tape-deck. Also many more foreigners being heard. Most noticeable is a FF on 550. I believe WRTM lists a new Costa Rican as possibly FF. (??-rce) I haven't yet caught an ID from it, though. On the local scene, it looks as if WSUN-620 is about to change hands. Its new owner (Taft Broadcasting Co.--who already owns local WYNF-FM) aren't saying whether or not they'll keep the C&W format, but as they're looking to improve its seventh or eighth place showing locally, something is bound to change. 73.

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Since the anniversary issue is coming up and I have a minute, I thought I'd take this opportunity to wish IRCA a happy anniversary and congratulate all of the folks who have made the club the outstanding organization that it is...so, editors, contributors, and publishers---- thanks. (You're welcome---rce) Thanks also to Kaz for his 3½ years of service under less than ideal conditions and to Don for filling the void in the interim. Now for the traditional re-intro. I'm 35, single (for the moment), and have been DXing the BCB for seven or eight years now. Dues are paid and my equipment cravings satisfied by engaging in research for the Navy as a research psychologist in the areas of psychoacoustics and speech/radio communications. My principal interests in the hobby center around the technical and foreign DX areas, although I do DX domestics from time to time. Present equipment includes a newly acquired ICOM R70 (now modified), a trusty sidekick for many years -----a heavily modified FRG-7, and a number of experimental loops and phasing units. Portables that see use on trips and such are the SONY ICF-6500W (now \$84.95 out of NYC!!), a couple of TRF's, a 5900W, Superadio, and goodness knows what else. Heavy duty DXing dropped off the past two years due to the distraction of a couple of domestic problems but, hopefully, things will be back on course in the very near future. Besides DXing and re-arranging the insides of radios, interests in computers, cameras, participation sports, writing, reading, philosophy and music occupy my time. I can say unequivocally that my membership in IRCA has been one of the better moves that I've made in my life and hope to be an active member for years to come. 73.

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As Rip Van Winkle once said, "20 years, WOW!" I've only been a member for 9, but I'd like to wish a happy anniversary to all and thank those over the years who have helped others get the most from this hobby by working on the BoD, DXM, the columns, special projects, and by contributing to DXM. As it is re-intro time: I am the Verie Signers editor, and I'd like to encourage all to contribute to it as well as all of the other DXM columns. It really helps your fellow members when you do! As for personal info, I'm 32, single (alas), and work the Midnight shift at the city police dept. Began DXing (BCB) in 1967 and over the years I've logged/QSL'd all 50 states, 10 provinces, and 33 countries from around the U.S. and outside of it but the majority were heard in southern Ill. I've worked in BC'ing as a DJ and radio newsmen, and I've also been a newspaper photog and reporter. DX the Ham bands, some FM and SWBC, collect airchecks and old radio shows, and bumper stickers. Other interests include reading, camping, hiking, and astronomically related sciences, and photography. The QTH here is some 300 miles south of Chicago, farther south than Louisville, Ky. On low-power-post-sunset authorizations, only local heard is WDDW (810 kHz) using 23 watts, per the news director who is a friend. As I type this, we have 11 inches of snow on the ground, it's 23 degrees, and the winds are 30 mph! So, winter and the DX season too (I hope) are not over yet. 73.

Michael L. Hogan, 13910 Chippewa Avenue, Apt. 1, Burnham, Illinois 60633

It's with great pleasure to wish IRCA a Happy 20th with many, many more to come. Personally I first read about IRCA in Communications magazine sometime around 1967 or 1968. Then in October of 1968 I received my first sample issue of the DXM. But at the time my interest in BCB was superseded by an interest in amateur radio which I pursued for a two year period from 1969 to 1971. I did a little BCB DXing in those two years but never joined a DX club. In 1971 when my amateur license WN9CWS expired, and I then once again picked up my interest in BCB DXing. So about May of 1972, I joined this fine club and, except for a couple of 6 month lapses, I've been a member ever since. I feel that the one singular highlight was

(Hogan, cont...) being on the Hammond, Ind. convention committee in 1973 and meeting several of the club's fine DXers. It was indeed an experience. The first DXer I ever met was this column's editor, Rich Evans, and to find out to my amazement that there are really people out there that DX the BCB. Also, even though it seems like yesterday, when John Zondlo and I made a "whirlwind" press blitz to publicize the convention. Especially at the local station, WJOB, when it was harder for us to keep a straight face, than to explain to the talk show host that DXing was really a legitimate hobby. If I can recall we were also joined by Steve Taafe on the show. In the 12 years that I've also been associated with IRCA many friends have been made. Also the recent Peoria convention run by John Clemmer, made me even more believe the IRCA is one of the finest BCB, or DX clubs around. After being "Graveyard DX Records" editor and ANARC representative for this fine club, I would not hesitate to once again step forward and offer my assistance to help this club become even stronger. 73 and good DXing to all.

Alan W. Nielsen, 4222 North Ridgeway, Chicago, Illinois 60618

Hello, one and all; this is my very first forum, so wish me luck! I am 32 years old and work as a "Maintenance Administrator" (important sounding, hi!), which is a glorified name for a clerk who sits at a computer and checks trouble reports for Illinois Bell, which is now called Ameritech. I've been a DXer since around early 1969--at least that's when I got my first official verification, which was WLW on 1/23/69. I think this evolved from my DXing the shortwave bands in '68. I guess that late at night while lying in bed waiting to fall asleep, I'd turn on the old multi-tubed Zenith table model radio and tuned away from WLS to see what else was on the radio to listen to, and somewhere along the line I got to WLW and thought "Wow! An out of state station!" This was fascinating to me, and my interest blossomed right there. Soon I was looking for anything I could find on the AM dial, and not long after that I had the bright idea to write to WLW and see if they would respond to my reception report. I was surprised to get a card a week and a half later--and it was then that I was hopelessly hooked to AM DXing. I DXed just about everything with the equipment that was available, and, since no one at my school (with the exception of one friend at school--rest his soul), I never even thought that there were clubs that specialized in AM, FM, SW or TV. While scanning through the 1983 WRTH andbook, I noticed a section for clubs and found (surprise!) listings for several clubs, including IRCA and NRC! I joined up with both clubs and since then I've had many enjoyable moments reading the DX Monitor and DX News. I've even sent my receptions to the Central DX Roundup until, when I sent in my last group of receptions, the editor discovered some glaring errors in my reports! The culprit was (besides myself) the fact that I was using books and materials that were 10 to 15 years old! Also the fact that it was late that night and I was very tired and not too aware of what I was copying might have brought my mistakes. Anyway, I got new materials with up to date information--so hopefully my future reports will be more accurate! Happy Anniversary to all at IRCA and here's wishing you many good years to come! I, for one, am very happy I joined your ranks! 73. (Alan, welcome to EDXF. I used to have Ill. Bell as my phone company when I lived in Gary and East Chicago, Indiana years ago (before it was switched to Indiana Bell)--rce)

John Clemmer, 4524 - 7th Street, East Moline, Illinois 61244

Happy 20th, IRCA! My re-intro--I'm 25, single and now have 3 years in as an auditor for the Ill. State Board of Education. I joined IRCA in '76 --over 7 years ago now, ugh! I still actively DX especially at SSS. I've been lucky enough to attend IRCA conventions in '77 at Indy and '80 at Louisville. The highlight of my IRCA activities has to be the '79 Peoria and '82 Quad Cities conventions where I was the host. Other hobbies include promo collecting and air check collecting. I also enjoy travel, photography, and music. Collecting records is another one of my diversions. I like most all types of music but am partial to country. When I'm not DXing, I listen to a lot of out of town radio including the clear channels. DXing this season was fairly decent. Among the better catches were the 1330 in Monahans, Texas, WWAX-840 Ala. and KBOA-830 Mo. A big thank you goes to all the editors, publishers and volunteers who have contributed to IRCA the last 20 years. I know I've enjoyed my membership. I hope to see a lot of you at the '84 convention in Louisville/Toledo. 73.

Larry E. Black, RR #1, Box 108A, Glenarm, Illinois 62536

Happy anniversary, IRCA! Congrats on being the best DX club. I much prefer the regional format enabling me to concentrate on the data that is of most use. As an intro, I'm 30, married, no kids. I've DX'd off and on since 1969 but have moved around a lot. Been here since 9-82. Totals are 872/40/6. Primary interest is BCB with some TV DX. I varied about 500 from

(Black, cont...) near Detroit 1969-72 but haven't since. I kinda wish I'd kept it up - makes for a nice collection but it's too expensive and time consuming for me. That brings up another question. I hope to be back in Motown in 10 or so years. Would it be proper to continue with my old log, or should I start from scratch? (Larry, pick up the old log and start from where you left off. My old logs from the Chicago area and from Kalamazoo are sitting on the shelf here in case I go back--rce) This has been an interesting DX season. The clear channels have brought some good catches. KMMZ-Wyo., CBN-Nfld., KKBB,KNAB,KLMO-Colo. On the other hand, the usual every 15 min. s/off at SSS seems about gone. I think when the old s/off time comes, stations drop power to PSSA, IDs are seldom given at this time and when s/off does finally come, the power is too weak to hear. Anyone in Illinois, interested in a beverage party (antenna that is, hi) let me know. I'm centrally located just south of Springfield and I've got the space. Best of DX to all and 73.

Tom Jasinski, 503 Jensen Street, Shorewood, Illinois 60436

Happy Anniversary, IRCA. As for the traditional re-intro, I am 37, married with two young girls, 5 and 7 years old. I am employed as an engineering assistant at Commonwealth Edison's Collins generating station near Morris, Ill. I have been a member of IRCA since Dec., 1964. I started DXing in 1963 after hearing KFI on a Magnavox transistor radio one evening. Don Erickson captured my interest in the then infant "IRCA" in July, 1964 after reporting to KOMA. My main receiver is a Yaesu FRG-7. I also use an old Radiola tuner circa late 1920's and a modified/home brew old National set. My antenna is a 2½ foot spiral loop. Just recently ran a temporary longwire 1400' long on an abandoned stretch of tow patch along the old Illinois and Michigan Canal 5 miles southwest of Joliet. I hope to experiment with a beverage at this same location or other remote areas west of Shorewood. But help is required! (Hint--Chicago area group--let's think about a get-together/Beverage DXpedition) I am looking for a Electronic Schematic for the FRG-7. Not just a block diagram or parts layout which I already have. Please help! Recent QSL's: WKKQ, KHOG 1030 KQV, KCMP, KFSB, WSMI, WGCI. I must correct an error in my last Forum several months back. The correct call for the Beacon heard on 524 is UOC not VOC as typed. Best wishes and 73. (Sorry, I was taught in school that capital "U" has a leg down the right side--rce)

Ernest Cooper, 5 Anthony Street, Provincetown, Massachusetts 02657

Hi, and congrats to the IRCA on its 20th birthday! Now it is old enough to have a drink - in most states, that is! (I think it's 21 in most states--and I'll argue for a 25 age limit--rce) Skol! Loch Heim! Up your kilt! Anyway, the Club has come a long way since then, and it has a long life ahead, you may be sure! I began DXing on Dec. 28th, 1932, and since then my interest has never waned. Even though we had what we would now call primitive equipment in those days, DXing was a lot easier. It was not uncommon to hear several West Coast stations virtually every morning, even on graveyard channels at times. Those were the days before the AN-7 situation set in; those were the days before the invention of directional transmitting antenna systems! Now-a-days, most East Coast regionals are beamed East, and most West Coast ones aim their signal Pacific-ward, making it difficult to hear their signals on the other side of the continent, even if there would once in a while be an open frequency! The "grab-it-all" age has set in, and it isn't confined to the broadcasting industry by any means. In Leviticus 19, it says, "When you reap the harvest of your land, you shall not reap your field to its very border." (The whole chapter needs to be read--rce) But, the radio moguls choose not to pay heed to such sage advice. When this issue hits your mail boxes, I should be home from the hospital, complete with replacement parts, and, hopefully, on the road to recovery, after the by-pass surgery. Please don't call during the 0100-0300 period until I give the word that things are back to (normal??). As for DX, I was thrilled to pick up 500-watt WHND-560 under 5000-watt WGAN and WHYN on its second test on Feb. 20! The Morse Code and sweep tones broke through beautifully; a million thanks, Fred Vobbe! The first test did not make it on Feb. 13 - then it was WGAN and WFIL which prevented that logging; I believe Philadelphia was off on 2/20. The only other CCB newie has been WKZQ-1520, Myrtle Beach, S.C., at SSS a couple of nights o/u WKBW. Recently verified are R. Antilles-1450 (country #81), CJSB-540, CBGY-750, and WZON-620 Maine. Again, congratulations to you, IRCA, and long may you wave! Or, as they say on WOMR-FM, "Forward - March!"

Phil Boersma, 15570 Cleveland Street, Spring Lake, Michigan 49456

Greetings, and Happy Anniversary to IRCA! For a re-intro: I've been a member of IRCA on-and-off since 1973. I am 27 years old, employed part-time at WKJR-1520 and sister WABM-FM. My interest in DXing has waned a bit in the last few years, but radio in general still interests me a lot, and

(Boersma, cont...) I do DX the FM band in the summer. I am also a member of WTFDA, Radiophiles, and DecalcoMania. Other interests include music (everything from classical to "no wave") and science fiction (again, a wide variety: from Rama to Star Trek. I've been an avid Trekkie longer than I've been a DXer, hi). Comparing the radio spectrum (DX) conditions today with those of 20 years ago, it's quite amazing--and somewhat disheartening--to note the overwhelming congestion. Kind of makes me wonder what the BCB will be like in 2004. Then again, it could be by that time that conditions for DX will once again be closer to those of 50 years ago --on BCB anyway. In spite of the FCC's dogged determination to squeeze every station possible (and some not possible) into the spectrum, to overcrowd to the point of saturation the broadcast bands, it could be that AM radio has seen its peak, both in audience and numbers of stations. Overwhelming ratings evidence indicates that by 2004 AM's audience will mostly have died off, and the younger folks coming up simply DO NOT listen to the AM radio. AM stereo isn't going to change things, either. So, possibly, by 2004, DXers will once again be able to hear low-powered stations coast-to-coast with minimal interference--these stations will be the last survivors on the AM band, a band that slowly but most surely will die off in the next 20 years.

Karl Zuk, 154 Old Post Road North, Croton, New York 10520

The penguins are flipping wildly! 20 years! I am only ten years older and have been with the club for almost three years. I live about 35 miles north of New York City with my wife Ellen, two cats and a DX-160 and Superadio. Here's what's new: The 12/17 KBYE test was not heard. The 1 kHz tone I thought they were sending turned out to be a het of Algeria on 891. I also caught a 15 kw. from Bogota, Columbia on 890. They had an interesting ID sig that sounded like the NBC chimes. WLS also gave a nice salute to the NRC before signing off at 0100 ELT. I saw an interesting ad in Billboard for an outfit called California Airchecks. They produce airchecks of stations and have quite a selection. Their address is Box 4408, San Diego, Calif. 92104. I also met an interesting guy at an antique show who does terrific restorations of old radios. His shop is called Sound of Music in Stillwater, New Jersey. 201-383-7267. I am glad to see that Hazeltine has joined Sansui in its intention of manufacturing a chip that decodes all four AM stereo systems. I have yet to see the Sony A-100 offered anywhere in New York. Is anyone selling these yet? I am very amused at the new PSSA power authorizations. They create wonderful QRP DX challenges, but who can hear these stations regularly more than a couple of miles from the towers? I worked at WGSM at Huntington, Long Island when PSA power was first introduced and we were about five miles from the towers and could not tell if we were on the air with our PSA or not. (less than 50 watts). Conversely, WLIX on 540, using the Atlantic Ocean as a ground plane, could be heard for a hundred miles or more on 17 watts. Is there any way we could compile a list of PSA/PSSA powers and patterns for the next Almanac? A complete listing would be very useful. My congratulations to all of us for a great club? 73.

Mike Hardester, Naval Hospital, Cherry Point, North Carolina 28533

Greetings and Happy Anniversary to IRCA. I've missed the past couple of Anniversary issues, but was determined to make it in this issue. As tradition, a re-intro: I'm 34, married to a fantastic lady and have three children...who helped me look for every radio station antenna from Calif. to North Carolina! Talk about a long drive, hi! I'm active duty Navy (Corpsman with the Second Marine Air Wing) and will be here at Cherry Point until (about) October, 1985. No real serious DXing has been done since arrival, due to part-time (seems like full-time!) studying for my Master's in Business Administration. Added to the studying, family and deployments, last summer the house was burglarized with virtually all of my DX gear (R-1000, SPR-4, FRG-7, etc) and other household items taken. So far, nothing has been recovered, no one arrested, and the insurance reimbursement left a bit (whole lot) to be desired. Aside from this, I recall joining IRCA back in 1969 and have been a member since...and those years have been quite interesting as I'm sure many of us remember! Each year sees another member or two drop from active DXing - would be nice if they would make a brief re-intro onto (as they used to be called) the "blue pages". All for now. Very 73 and best of DX.

Bob Walker, 16 Wythe Court, #10, Fairfield, Ohio 45014

Happy Anniversary, IRCA. Since this is the anniversary issue, a re-intro of sorts is in order. I'm in my mid-20's, a DXer for 10 years and began DXing on shortwave. Now most of my DX activity is done on medium wave, but I still enjoy shortwave as well as FM. I'm also into tape swapping of stations, format changes, etc. It's interesting how one actually gets started DXing. My brother purchased an Allied receiver

(Walker, cont...) (unfortunately I forgot its model number) when Allied was going out of business to join with Radio Shack. But at that point I was only interested in QSLs from the shortwave stations. I had no idea that AM stations had QSLs, hi. Anyway, this led to my own shortwave receiver, the Knight Kit Star Roamer--which I still own, only for nostalgic value now. And shortly after that I purchased my own WRTH which had a listing of all AM stations in the United States and I sent for my first AM QSL, WRVA. It didn't take long for my interests in ECB to increase and a variety of receivers followed. In all honesty this hobby has to be the greatest, but that's due to the people who are involved in the various clubs. I'm also of the opinion that DXers, though their interest may fade due to other activities (in my case, college), they always seem to come back, as I did. Though I'm a recent member of the IRCA I am amazed with the organization of the club. IRCA stands alone in its field. 73.

Tom Butas, 5083 Skippy Drive, Memphis, Tennessee 38116

Happy Anniversary to the IRCA!! I haven't reported to the EDXF in quite a time so a reintroduction is in order. I'm 28, married to Patti, who teaches kindergarten, and work as the Customer Account Rep. Sr. for Ford Motor Credit. We have been married almost 3 years, with no children. Equipment here is Yaesu FRG-7, with a 50' longwire antenna, plus a GE Superadio, and a variety of misc. items. I have been DXing since the early 1970's, and have totals of 420/425, 40/40, 7/7. Best time for me to DX is in the summer, with not much new this fall. I have a variety of bumper stickers and will trade 1 for 1, AM only. We also purchased a Commodore 64 computer with the disc drive and printer, and I would be interested in hearing from any club member that had written any programs to store and file their loggings, or any word processing programs to type a DX form letter for use to mail out to stations, or to store DX letters for follow-up reports. I would welcome letters from any area DXers around the Mid-South to trade tips or info on stations. All for now. 73.

Richard C. Evans, P. O. Box 1294, North Wales, Pennsylvania 19454

For the record: I'm 39 this summer, married since July to a young lady I brought up from extreme southeastern Alabama, and work as a freight bill auditor for Dawson & Wilson. We are a service firm doing it for other companies. I've been a member of IRCA since Feb., 1965, NRC since July, 1965, and a host of other clubs since then, most of which are no longer in existence. My main interest is ECB, tho I've dabbled in FM and TV from time to time. For IRCA, I've typed the CDXR column twice (1970-1973 and 1975-1978), EDXF since 1981, handled the contests during the 1972-73, 1978-79 and 1979-80 seasons. I've also been on the BoD one term and served two terms as club president. Outside the hobby, I'm involved with the Full Gospel Business Men's Fellowship International, teaching the young teens Sunday School class at church, and, to an extent, doing some prison ministry. I'm also taking night classes at nearby Biblical Theological Seminary (tho they aren't full seminary-level classes), halfway thru their four year certificate program. Time is at a minimum here, and so I've sent my resignation as EDXF editor in to Phil Bytheway. I don't like stepping down, but I realize I'm not irreplaceable and other aspects of my life must now take priority over DXing and being so active in the club. I can now understand why Paul Kirkpatrick stepped down as IRCA president some 17 years ago. I'll be doing the EDXF until summertime, so you'll still be hearing from me for awhile. I'm not turning my back on the club or the hobby, just slowing down. -- I didn't realize how many memories would be coming back to me while typing this issue of EDXF. I do remember that first time Mike Hogan met me. I was living in East Chicago and working evenings over in Gary. He dropped by one afternoon because he was having troubles with the contest rules. I remember, at the same apartment, Tom Jasinski dropping in one evening with a couple of other DXers. Mike "Doc" Hardester mentioned the "blue pages"; when the DXM was mineo'd (by Don Erickson as the publisher), the Forums were indeed printed on blue paper, the foreign section on yellow paper, and the frequency check list came out on pink paper. We went to offset printing in early 1973 when the publishing job moved to San Diego where Father Jack, Grant Manning, and their crew of helpers (including Albert Lobel) did the work. We went to a magazine style years later, and I didn't like it because I thought it would look terrible (because of all the different regular editors). It turned out to look great, and I've wished since then we had done it earlier. When I joined IRCA, we didn't have the separate Forums and Roundups as we now do. It was a combined report, such as NRC still has (and the NRC's Domestic DX Digest was only a one or two page hot tip column. I believe Ernie Cooper was the one who suggested the format we now have, and when it came in, the Editor Policy specified that one person should both the DXR and DXF for his region--Eastern, Central/Mountain, or Western. I was the one who broke that rule when Lynn Brooks gave up CDXR in 1970.--30--PTL.



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Happy Anniversary, IRCA. With not any real news of DX nature, I guess that I'll start off with a re-into. I'm 31, work at a large mainframe computer engineer for Burroughs in "Silicon Valley" for the past eight years. I started DX'ing in 1968 with a seven-transistor Panasonic clock radio. It seems that my good catches on that radio back then (not even my great ones) would now be considered fantastic. DX has really changed.

I'm a hardcore veries collector with now over 1,200 from 38 countries. Veries are still very possible to collect from almost all the stations with a little effort. My heard/veries percentage is over 98%, and no, I don't send prepared cards or the like with the first report.

My latest addiction is coastal Beverage DX'peditions during which in the past four years I've heard over 200 TP stations. It's amazing to heard "down under" stations just pounding in like locals. If anyone is interested in going on a spring Beverage DX'pedition please contact me. I haven't been for awhile as there just doesn't seem to be time for everything anymore.

My wife Jan and I will be getting a child through our church adoption program this summer, so time may be a thing of the past. Although I heard two o'clock feedings are a good time to DX (ha); my wife doesn't totally agree.

Well, enough rambling, and best wishes to IRCA on its 20th anniversary and many more to come. 73.

BOB COOMLER, 207 E. 45 PL, KENNEWICK, WA 99337

Happy Anniversary IRCA! I'm not one of those who has never sent in a forum, but unfortunately close enough. By way of re-introduction, I'm 37, married to a patient gal by the name of Rita, and we have three children ranging from 4 to 10. I work in retail management and play all over the radio.

I've been DX'ing, in one form or another, for about 25 years with one big time out for college and marriage. Not to date myself, but I can remember when you had a good chance of hearing a station east of the Mississippi on MM, when stations would read a reception report or CPC letter, and even the epic ratings battles between Dick Biondi on KRLA and Glen Kippel on KASK.

I enjoy listening to just about everything (excluding CB), but can usually be found DX'ing on BCB, LW or hamming (N7DKD).

The current equipment is a Kenwood TS-930S, transceiver with general coverage, and the antennas include a 21-foot vertical, 66-foot half-sloper and a Radio West loop.

This past season didn't quite live up to its early promise, but a real trend doe seem to be developing, so here's to better DX'ing and many, many more IRCA anniversaries.

RANDY SEAVER, 1154 VIA TRIESTE, CHULA VISTA, CA 92011

Well, well, well, IRCA is 20 years old! Happy Birthday to us. Some of my memories of the past 20 years include:

- 1) The many DX catches that poured into my radio in 1964-67. I was single, living at home and going to college and had plenty of time to DX. Tapesponding with Gray Scrimgeour, Larry Godwin and Art Peterson on a monthly basis was fun and challenging. My best catches were BBC 1214 and 2XB 840 (2 kw).
- 2) Being DXWW editor in 1966-68. It was a challenge and a lot of work typing stencils 34 times a year. Gordon Nelson was NRC IDXD editor and we had friendly competition producing DX information. The club members were the winners.

- 3) Conventions! San Diego hosted IRCA in 1965 and it was an opportunity to meet other DX'ers - Ed Krejny came the farthest, I think. Milwaukee in 1966 was my first big trip east and I went to Montreal (NRC) that year also. Denver in 1967 was fun, with a trip to the Coor brewery. Hollywood in 1968, with Johnnie T. Arthur's wild ride through Griffith Park. Vancouver in 1970 - kite-flying, the tram up Grouse Mountain and the memorable ERBA birthday party. San Francisco (1976) and Seattle (1983) are too recent to remember much about.
- 4) ERBA! I must include it in my list. It started in Santa Barbara in a go-go joint, but quickly found a premanent home (thanks to Don Kaskey) at the El Rancho Motel in West Sacramento in 1968. We also met in Portland and San Diego. Unfortunately, not too many of us can remember the highlights. Some trivia items: What was the ERBA theme song? Who was the maitre'd at the El Rancho. The main bartenders? Who was the feature entertainer at the Catamaran in San Diego? Who called the US consul in Vancouver looking for booze? True ERBA members will remember.

In closing, I want to thank those of you who have made these 20 years of IRCA possible - the editors, the publishers, the DX'ers who sent in 20 years of tips. I hope the next 20 years are as good to us - it depends on YOU and ME - DX lives. 73.

RICHARD CORRY, SNUG HARBOR, ROUTE 3, CLAY CENTER, KS 67432 (913) 485-2676

I represent 20% of the IRCA prestige in Kansas (according to page 4, Volume 20, Number 4 DXM) and certainly enjoy every issue of the Monitor, although much of the radio dialect is of a language which I have not mastered.

I'll be 77 in April, still do a shortened days work as a Registered Land Surveyor, and the bulk of my input comes from a Sony CRF 5100, soon to be augmented (hopefully) by a Kenwood 2000. A Hot Rod from Gerry Thomas (with a lot of helpful suggestions) has improved reception greatly, but KFI is the only West Coast station I can get without spending the mid-watch at the dials. To all those who consistently put their hearts and souls into making such a beaming success of IRCA, my admiration, my compliments and a hearty salute.

RICH TOEBE, 2388 AMERICAN AVE., HAYWARD, CA 94545

Happy 20th Anniversary, IRCA. It's great to be a part of the nest MW DX club around. As a reintroduction, I'm a couple months shy of my 26th birthday and have been DX'ing since I was about 13, so that's about half my life. I joined IRCA in May 1979, and once I did, I really learned quite a lot about what real DX'ing is - hearing Grafton, Australia or Lima, Peru, instead of getting exciting over hearing WLS or KOA.

In a small way, I've become active in club affairs; I edit the Slogans List for the IRCA Almanac. Pccasionally, I also put out updaters to the list, so if you have any information about station slogans, please send them to me. And don't forget to include them as part of your DX tips when reporting to your respective columns.

In the last couple of years, DX'ing has taken a back seat until I complete my college education. I've been going to Cal State University here in Hayward at night, after work, earning a B.S. in Business Administration (they don't call it a B.S. for nothing, hi). I expect to earn the degree this year, finally; after that I plan to go on to get an M.B.A.

This latest location os mine has turned out to be poor for DX'ing, what with a major shopping center close by, as well as a municipal airport. I miss the great reception I used to get out in San Ramon, when Cubans and Colombians were commonplace. I find that I enjoy foreign DX'ing the most, probably because it's more challenging. I also enjoy going out to the coast to set up Beverage antennas, but due to several factors, I haven't been able to do much of that lately, either. I think it's about time again. (Doug Nyholm, are you listening?)

Thanks to everyone involved in the job of putting out the bulletin and keeping the club running smoothly. You're all doing a bang-up job. 73

ALAN LEWIS, 6523 GREENFIELD LN, STOCKTON, CA 95207

After a year's vacation from DX'ing, I gladly rejoined the best DX club in the entire civilized world. I've been inactive in any form of DX'ing, listening only to favorite programs, some of which beam in here from long distance. That's the magic of radio.

I'm in the middle of a career change. Being the unselfish person I am, I'm leaving a non-existent career in computer graphitics/programming (I've been unemployed for a year-and-a-half). I'm trying to get myself moved to Montgomery, Alabama to attend seminary school.

Alabamans, please give me a rundown of the DX possibilities. I've got no idea of what to expect as I'm a confirmed westerner.

I'm using a GE Superadio for MW DX, which I enjoy. I'll be adding a Halli-crafters soon. My dad is reconditioning it for me. I'm also using an RBS Navy rig for SW. The RBS is hot.

I hope to forum regularly (as studies permit). This is an entertaining way to stay "informed" as to what's happening in the world of MW DX.

Happy Anniversary IRCA!

SCOTT NELSON, P.O. BOX 321, PARSHALL, ND 58770

This is my forum. I feel I should introduce myself -- I'm 21 and have been DX'ing both MW and SW since 1978. My other interests include astronomy, stereos and horror movies.

I feel I am in a desirable position as I get crystal clear reception of North Dakota MW stations, hi. So far I have verified 25 states. I hope my new membership in IRCA will improve that number. I may have a tough time with the New England states as well as Hawaii.

If I can help any of you hear the "elusive" North Dakota, please feel free to drop me a line. 73.

DANIEL J. FLAK, 1414 WOODSIDE DR., TACOMA, WA 98466

Long time no forum, so the anniversary issue is an excellent place to correct that problem. I'm 34, married to the same wonderful woman for 13 years, and have two sons (8 and 11). I've been DX'ing since 1962, starting out on a Lafayette HE-40 and recently graduated to an RG-7.

I've been in IRCA for the last several years (Far East Division - Japan), and I've recently had a job change which has curtailed my DX activities. I quit the Air Force, moved from Japan, job hunted in Southern California, and finally settled in the Great Northwest. I'm now working for a small engineering firm (no - not Boeing, hi).

Besides DX'ing and moving all my worldly possessions across oceans and continents, one of my other hobbies is home computers. I would like to get together with other computer nuts (that's the thing that's attached to the keyboard or glued to the screen). I would like to know what kind of computers are owned by club members and if there is any interest in sharing or developing DX related software. So, if you own a computer (even if you're not a programmer) let me know. If there's interest, I'm willing to write some articles on the topic.

I better sign off so that Ric will have room for all those other forums. 73

ROY H. MILLAR, 7420 57th DR. NE, MARYSVILLE, WA 98270

Greetings from a charter member of IRCA; albeit I did drop my membership after one year, as I recollect, in favor of continuing NRC membership, which I later dropped. My last position in NRC was as a director, along with Pat Reilly and Ev Johnson if my memory serves me correctly; a good many moons ago.

1983 say my retirement from Transamerica Title Insurance Company, my last place of service being in Bellevue, Washington, office of same.

My DX'ing eyeteeth were out in Colorado in the late '30s on such as WOR Newark, XEPN Piedras Negras, WBZA Springfield, Massachusetts, et al. Veries in this season: KCCV 1510, KQWB 1550, CKDQ 910, KBBX 1600, KYXE 1020, 2BL 702, KJUN 1450, KTOL 1500, KTLG 1270, CFLD 1400, KTLG 990, KDOV 1350, KAYO 1450, KBRT 740. Some much wanted reports out and overdue to such as KURY 910, CHLW 1310, KVGM 930, Fiji 639, KEIA 1580, all prior to 01 October.

Thanks so much to all who contribute to DXM, its editors and special feature writers.

Probably the thrill of the season was the evening-long reception of KFX969 on 1622 kHz 22 February; according to Jim Hilliker, 75 watts.

If all goes as planned hope to be in new home high atop "Reservation Heights" west of Smokey Point/I-5 interchange by fall. No higher hills or ridges in any direction short of the Olympics to the west and the Cascades to the east, so will be a new environment for me after 20 years in the lowlands.

Hey oldtimers, I too can well remember when all the graveyard channels were basically clear here in the Northwest, at least on MWs and have the veries to prove it with East Coasters on all six frequencies verified. Remember when WEDC 1240 used to be asked to be silent for short periods so "DX" program could be aired on a clear channel? Also, when WLW's antenna was used to monitor a "DX" test from KCJB 700? Oh well, times are a bit different. 73.

PAT MARTIN, P.O. BOX 843, SEASIDE, OR 97138

Happy Anniversary to IRCA! Well, the club is another year older, and improves with age. . . just like good wine. A reintro is in order here. I'm a self-employed locksmith here in Seaside, 34 and still single. I've been DX'ing for 21-22 years now. I DX mostly foreign MW, but when conditions are poor there I do some domestic DX, mainly to up my totals. I'm not sure how many stations I've heard over the years; I quit counting years ago at over 2,000. I have a little over 1,300 MW QSL's, with 66 countries verified on MW.

I also do a little SWBC DX'ing, again mainly to up my totals. My favorite areas to DX, the South Pacific followed by Asia. I have about 160 stations verified from Australia, followed by 73 from Japan and 72 from New Zealand. Some of my better QSL's include: 7SH 100 watts St. Helens, Tasmania, 2EA Newcastle, NSW 200 watts, 4CM Gympie, Qsld. 200 watts, JOKP (relay) Kitami, Japan 100 watts.

I'm a member of four DX clubs counting IRCA. The other three: Far East Radio Club-Japan, DX Australia and the New Zealand Radio DX League. Oh yes, I also do a little FM/TV DX during the summer when the E-skip is in. I have a couple hundred FM/TV veries and a couple hundred SW veries.

I use several receivers, but my main ones: Hammarlund SP-600 (20 tubes, cir. 1953), E.H. Scott (RBO-2) (Also cir. 1953, 12 tubes), an old military surplus Collins (cir. 1943) and a GE Superadio. Antennas: Two (2) 1,500-foot Beverages running east and a terminated 200-foot northeast wire. A ground system, connected to three driven radials in salty soil (as I live about a mile from the ocean).

As most of you know, I also edit the DX Worldwide-West column and I very much welcome all your reports (Foreign Tips). Again, Happy Anniversary to IRCA. May she live very long. Good DX to all and 73.

EUGENE S. ALLEN, 134 BRET HARTE WAY, VALLEJO, CA 94589

Have done more DX this season than the last five years put together. I still use a 1948 Hammarlund HQ-129-X which has been in the shop only once in 35 years and that was soon after it was purchased. Many of the metal tubes in it are the original.

I'm 75 and have been DX'ing since 1921 when all the USA was on one frequency (360 metres). Have seen many changes in the CGB -- it was once a DX'ers paradise -- when all stations signed off at midnight (local) and frequency checks were in the clear.

I would like to get 3,000 veries total from California, but need 54 more and it has taken me over five years to accumulate the last 50. Doubt if I'll ever make it. Most of my DX time is spend on the ham bands where I've verified 1,640 different prefixes and a total of 2,454 ham veries.

Since retirement in 1970 after 31 years as an electrical engineer with PG&E, I've really enjoyed the DX hobby as two heart attacks have kept me from more active hobbies. 73 and good health to all.

ROD O'CONNOR, USCGC MALLOW - WLB396, PPO SAN FRANCISCO 96672 -Homeport: Honolulu, Hawaii

Hello all, even though I've been a member of IRCA for three years or so, I have yet to send in a forum; however, with the 20th Anniversary coming up, I guess this is as good a time as any.

Anyway, I'm 33, have been in the Coast Guard for the past 13 years and been DX'ing since I was a young squirt growing up in Massachusettes. Now I'm stationed aboard a sea-going buoy tender based in Honolulu. I have also been stationed aboard a lightship at the mouth of the Mississippi River; in New York City; at two separate bases on the coast of Maine as well as a buoy tender based at Adak, Alaska. In other words I've been all over. Presently, I'm in the process of being transferred from Hawaii back up to Alaska, this time to the Coast Guard Air Station at Kodiak, a transfer I'm very happy about. (No, I'm not crazy leaving Hawaii for Alaska as so many people think, I just love the area.)

I recently purchased a GE Superadio and am very happy with it. It works well away from Honolulu. The overload and splatter here in Honolulu is terrible, but to my surprise the Superadio picks up every AM station in Hawaii day or night. That indicates two things, the Superadio is very selective and most Hawaiian stations put out a good signal. I live less than a mile from two towers which each have three transmitters couple in. The overload is terrible but I can receive neighbor islands stations 20 Or 30 kHz away. Example: KUA1 720 is over 80 miles away but easily slides in between KGU 760 and KKUA 690, both transmitting from a tower one mile away. KKON 790 on Big Island 150 miles away also slides in between KGU and KIXI 830, whose tower is three-quarters mile down the street. Surprisingly the hardest to get here is KLEI 1130 on the windward side of Oahu.

That's it for this edition - hopefully upon getting settled in Kodiak I will be contributing to these pages a little more frequently. Until next time, take care, good DX to all and Happy Anniversary IRCA.

GARY LARSON, 2806 LINCOLN, BURBANK, CA 91504 (818) 954-0111 ppd

Hello from Los Angeles. Happy Anniversary IRCA. It's good to be in this club even though I don't do as much as many of you do or are involved in.

I recently rejoined and was a member for some years. I still have all DXMs. I've tried to contribute to WDXF when I can plus contributing radio related articles and features that could help the club.

Currently I'm with a security company in Los Angeles working the graveyard shift at various locations for General Pel and AT&T. I also volunteer for local non-profit KCSN FM as a board operator and various other duties. No pay, but I really enjoy it.

Will be trying to contribute more in '84 and I hope all of you do so too. 73

ROB HARRINGTON, P.O. BOX 3434, LITTLETON, CO 80161

Happy Anniversary to IRCA. I've been a member of IRCA since 1969. Back then I got the IRCA address (in Colorado at that time) from a '68 edition of WTRH. At that time I met Larry Godwin and Bill Nittler. We had meetings at Godwin's house about twice a month.

I started radio listening in 1957, started SW listening around '63. In '57

I was doing a lot of listening but knew nothing of DX clubs until I heard about them in '67 while listening to the Party Line on HCJB. The first club I joined was ASWLC in '67 and joined IRCA in '69.

I've finally heard the new CFFR 660. Came in very strong so I phoned them, talked to the DJ who acknowledged my call over the air and played a request. But now I've noticed their signal considerably weaker. Have they changed pattern/power? They have been coming in here in the metro area nearly like a local, but have dropped way off. Anyone know why?

I wish all IRCAn's good DX and 73.

NICK HALL-PATCH, 1538 AMPHION ST., VICTORIA, BC V8R 4Z6 CANADA

In a fit of originality, I must say Happy 20th IRCA! The club is looking better than ever. Lots of good DX reported--even a few bits here from time to time--and interesting articles make the DX Monitor worthwhile reading. On top of that, the club seems to have abandoned its occasional tendency to indulge in meaningless controversy. This is not to say we've gotten serious (heaven forbid), in fact it may mean we've gotten more light-hearted, but there does seem more of an emphasis on DX'ing and related matters.

With the breakdown of the clear channels, higher noise levels, wall-to-wall NSP'ers, DX'ing is more of a challenge than 20 years ago. Yet a lot of us seem to have met the challenge quite well, even if it means going off to the woods to string out a Beverage or two. So far, the clears haven't entirely filled up with local garbage, and as long as nighttime powers remain low, there should still be interesting stuff to be heard on those channels. Like I'm listening to 700 kHz now--with two Latins burying KFAM.

On the personal front, no great changes; I'm a year older at 34, but still self-employed as a gardener, married to Susan, with two daughters, five-year-old Luch and one-and-a-half year-old Clare. Sure the kids limit DX'ing, but one day they'll make me breakfast while I log TP's on autumn mornings (I'll believe that when I see it, hi). Tinkering with the radio and antenna is a major interest, often more so than DX'ing, but I still find that I can temporarily lose interest in a new modification if Mongolia is coming in or CHET 1450 for that matter. Anyway, I have hopes of being part of IRCA's next 20 years. 73.

ART PETERSON, 851 - 31ST STREET, RICHMOND, CA 94804

Greetings, fellow DXers! Yes, I'm still alive and kicking! A brief re-intro: I am a 39-year-old professional forester working for a consulting forestry firm, single, and a long-time resident of the Richmond (San Francisco Bay) area. Mainly interested in Foreign DX on MW and whatever comes up on LW. DXing since about 1960. Member of IRCA and LWCA. Non-DX interests include bicycle touring, photography, skiing, and politics.

DX equipment here includes a Yaesu FRG-7 w/R. West mech. filter, longwave converter, and digital readout, a 300-foot longwire strung in a square around my property, a R. West loop, a Grove TUN-II antenna tuner, various tape machines, and frequency measuring equipment. My loggings total over 2600 (1875 on MW) and QSLs include 43 states, 9 Provinces, 9 Mex. states, and 68 countries.

The passing of John Clements was a great shock to me. Although John and I were not close, I've always respected him as a man and as a DXer. My most vivid memory of him was at the June 1978 beverage party at 29 Palms. Always in the thick of things, John was just stumbling back to the cars on the verge of heat exhaustion after setting up the beverage wire in the 110-degree heat when I arrived on the scene. He has left behind a void that will be difficult to fill.

RICHARD ECKMAN, 2900 E. AURORA AVE., #320, BOULDER, CO 80303

It's been several years since I last sent in a forum so I thought that it would be appropriate to get back into the habit with this issue.

As a brief reintroduction - I'm 25, still a graduate student at the University of Colorado, working on computer modeling of ozone in the mesosphere (i.e. the region from 50-90 km above the surface). I hope to have a PhD in about a year. I've been an IRCA member for nearly 11 years.

The last few years have been inactive ones as far as MW DX is concerned. I still have my main receiver and antenna at my parent's home in Philly, so activity out here is limited to the use of a couple of portable receivers and an ailing SM-1 antenna. I recently purchased a Sony ICF-6500W from 44th Photo for \$90. (Thanks Ernie Cooper for mentioning this deal). I'm really pleased with its performance for "non-critical" SW and MW usage. As others have mentioned, it sorely needs a tighter bandwidth filter to make MW DX of splits possible. Overall, at this price, it's a real nice performer.

I continue to hope that I'll be able to reactivate my interest in MW DX in the near future, particularly because I no longer have to take classes.

Happy 20th Anniversary IRCA!

BILL NITTLER, P.O. BOX 724, MEEKER, CO 81641

Happy Birthday IRCA. It hardly seems 20 years ago when we met in Denver to begin this club. The restaurant where we started disappeared years ago but IRCA endures thanks to all the hard working dedicated members who have done the work over the years. None of the founders remain in Denver and some dropped from IRCA a long time ago. Believe that Dave Johnson and Larry Godwin are still members, right?

I haven't voted in the convention election because I know I can't be present in either Toledo or Louisville. Both proposals seem very adequate to me.

In reference to Steve Mittman's discussion of duplication of AM calls for TV or FM in different cities, I found an interesting article in the Rocky Mountain News recently. KBTW channel 9 there will become KUSA TV on 19 March. The article further states that Gannett Broadcasting which publishes USA Today and owns KBTW will use the calls for AM and FM stations in their system but in other cities west of the Mississippi. It states that the AM calls will be used in Los Angeles, Gannett owns KPRZ there.

John Tondlo: The Ted Vasilopoulos award was named after a charter member of IRCA who was active in the early organization of the club and a quality DX'er. I don't feel it's appropriate to change the name. Perhaps some other award could be developed in John Clement's name.

Is the Kenneth Brown referred to in Albert Lobel's forum the one who lived in England?

DX continues fair here and I have now logged 448 stations in the seven months I've been in Meeker. I finally listened for the first MM in more than two years this week and logged the new KBSM 1030 Blue Springs, Missouri testing. Received a v/l from KMTL 760, KRQE 1440 and v/r KDYL 1280. Also QSL from Caribbean Beacon 1610 for first new country verified in six years (#46). Good DX everyone.

DAVID ROGERS, BOX 1-465, FT. SUPPLY, OK 73841

Congratulations to the IRCA on its 20th Anniversary. As a way of brief re-introduction, I'm 35, a Charter Member of IRCA (joined in April '64) and have been DX'ing since 1962. I have 575+ veries on the CCB from 43 states plus D.C.. Also have several foreign veries of which I'm very proud: 2NR 700, 1YA 760, KGU 760, KORL 650, BBC 1214, HCJB 700 and CX16-850. Haven't been too active in recent years. Only new verie lately is a v/l from KGTO 1050 Tulsa on sunset skip.

I've worked at several radio stations (KALA, KGYN, KSIW) but for the past ten years I've been employed at Western State Hospital here in Fort Supply. Fort Supply dates back to 1868 when it was a cavalry outpost and Generals Custer and Sheridan were here at intervals. I'm recently divorced (unfortunately) but I have a lovely daughter of whom I'm proud. I wish IRCA many happy returns and everyone good DX.

JERRY STRAWMAN, 519 30th ST., CEDAR RAPIDS, IA 52402

Greetings to all and Happy Anniversary IRCA. I'm 35, married and have two children, seven birds, a hamster and a guinea pig at home. Have been listening to radio for the past 22 years, but only became serious toward MW DX two years ago. Enjoy listening to everything from LW to UHF. I've logged 563 MW stations from 37 states, five provinces and 15 countries.

I spend an equal amount of time hooked up to the SW spectrum and have logged 257 countries via hams, utility and broadcast stations.

Shack equipment includes KOMR-70, Hammarlund HQ-180X and a recently acquired Hammarlund HQ-160. Found the HQ-160 locally, where it had been bought new in 1959, used two or three years and stored until January 1984. I's in almost new condition and a joy to operate.

My radio hobby interest lie toward the technical side. Enjoy aligning radios, building projects and constructing antennas.

I would always be glad to correspond with anyone concerning any radio topic. Thanks to all the editors and columnists -- keep up your good work.

73 and good listening.

CURT HAYASHIDA, P.O. BOX 3001, VALLEJO, CA 94590

Happy Anniversary to IRCA and greetings to fellow DX'ers. I first joined IRCA in December of last year. I'm also a newcomer in the hobby of DX. I started DX'ing some time last year in September. So far I have around 100 stations logged and seven veries: WCCO, WHO, KBOI, KGA, CBK, KRVN and KFI. My farthest station caught is about 3,700 miles away. I also have heard stations from 20 states. I use a 30-pound radio for my DX'ing. That's about all for now. 73 and good DX to all.

DOUG PIFER, 4366 OCEANVIEW #3, MONTROSE, CA 91020-1228

Welcome to the Anniversary issue of DXM. I'm happy to have seen IRCA through another year. And, it's still the best managed club that I know. Thanks go to the BoD, Seattle, etc., for the stability of IRCA. Thanks also to Ric Heald for putting up with forums like mine (printed...well, scrawled, on computer paper) as well as other scribbled forums. It does come out well when it's

published. To all who take part, keep up the good work.

Re-intro: I'm 25 and married to Nancy. DX'ing, being a prime habit of mine, goes back to about 1970. I work for the post office in Sunland. Other hobbies include collecting antiques; mainly radios from 1920's to the '50s, photography, hiking and computers. But, I don't read sci-fi books or play chess, so don't get any ideas, hi.

Since moving a few weeks ago I've been scanning the dial a lot. I decided to start my totals from scratch but will keep my old totals for reference. This way I'll try to hear stations I haven't heard in a long time.

Again, Happy Anniversary and many more. 73.

FRITZ MELLBERG, 1505 CENTRAL AVE., BOX 108, HAWARDEN, IA 51023

This is my second year of offering a forum for the Anniversary issue. I've been BCB DX'ing for a little over two years now. I started out with a trusty Radio Shack TRF 12-655 modified by Radio West. After moving here to rural Iowa, I've moved up to an ICOM R-70. I DX in fits and starts and am not consistently working at the medium wave spectrum. I seem to get caught up in the tropics for a couple of months every so often. Usually when I get lousy conditions or bad attitude for a few days or so. BCB DX requires a lot of patience. But I keep coming back to it, and I enjoy a new catch best of all. I've logged about 540 stations from 38 states and 11 countries. I'm not sure which was my best catch, but I enjoy most hearing Central and South America.

I'm very impressed with all the help I've received from the many IRCAn's who have written to me: Don Kaskey, Jerry Strwaman, John Wilkins, George Sherman, Bob Wien, etc. It's that kind of support which makes belonging more than just membership and a subscription to a magazine. I certainly hope I can be of help to others. (I'm working on those tests, Bob.) I'm willing to help folks build simple loops. If you are all thumbs with woodworking, I'll be glad to make the frames for you, and within reason, free of charge. I've made a few decent loops and now use a four-foot wedge with a simple FET amp which Jerry Strawman put together for me. I'd like to build a phasing unit but all the articles printed recently tell me more than I want to know about building a simple phasing unit. Can anyone out there boil all that technical stuff down into a few pictures and instructions?

Speaking of being a dummy, I'd like to see some articles by verterens on intermediate level DX'ing: What to do once you know the band and have logged a couple of layers of regulars.

On the personal level, I'm 39, married to wife Gretchen with daughters Emily and Elizabeth, ages 8 and 11. I'm a minister in a federated church -- a union of Presbyterian and United Church of Christ congregation. Hawarden is midway between Sioux Falls and Sioux City, 40 miles from nowhere, we say. I like the quiet rural atmosphere. Visitors are welcome and we've got lots of land for five mile-long antennas if anyone wants to set up a fullwave. Best DX to all de Fritz.

GLEN KIPPEL, 612 WEST AVE., MERCED, CA 95340

Egad, is it time for another Anniversary issue already? How time flies, especially when you're having fun.

For those of you who don't know me, I'm 44, married and have three small boys. I've dabbled at DX for something like 30 years, off and on, so I grew up with tube receivers. Cut my teeth on a 5U4 -- or was it an 80? And because foreign DX is my specialty I'm waiting for the day when all the US AM's will go broke so the airwaves will be nice and clear again. When not DX'ing I work for two local FM's, mostly at engineering.

I wonder -- has anyone tried a DX'pedition at Salton View in Joshua Tree National Monument? Rigging up a vertical should be about as easy as tying a rock to a couple thousand feet of wire and tossing it over the side. At 5,000 feet above the Coachella Valley it's line-of-sight to Mexico from there.

From the SBE Chapter 66 newsletter comes word that the FCC has granted 50 kw-D, 1 kw-N facilities to Citrus Heights on 890 and Folsom on 1030. Because they're both just northeast of Sacramento, you can bet they'll be pumping their juice right at the Bay Area. Also, KWSO 1180 is due to change calls to KERI. That's all that's new from here, so 73.

MARK STRICKERT, 706 25th AVE., SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94121-2103

Annual re-intro time: DX'er of MW and (in the right locations) FM. Radio related hobbies include sticker collecting, aircheck (radio tapes) trading, running a club that features both in its monthly bulletins (DecalcoMania) station visiting. I've also been putting a lot of time at KALX 90.7 in Public Affairs or production.

I'm still on the lookout for tape and sticker traders from near Miami/Ft. Lauderdale, New Orleans, Montreal, Las Vegas, Detroit and (get this) Chicago. Does anyone have stickers available from stations like KMET, KLOS, KPIS, KADI, WRIF, WPLJ, etc?

More DX and fewer typos in '84. 73 de MaS.

BROCK H. WHALEY, 442B KALAIMOKU ST., HONOLULU, HI 96815 (808) 941-4547

This is my first appearance in WDXF, so a brief intro is in order. I'm 29, have spent the last 12 years as an AOR announcer in Florida, Denver, Chicago and now at KPOI FM here in Honolulu. I've been a DX'er for about 20 years, primarily DX'ing BCB and LW. I used to enjoy TV DX but with the current sunspot cycle, my hopes of seeing one of the low banders in New Zealand will have to wait.

I've been in Hawaii since October 1983 and have found myself spending more time on the SW bands as the QTH is so different than the EC locations I'm used to. I have found that the geographic oddities of Hawaii are quite interesting from a DX'ers point of view. Despite being surrounded by salt water, the ground conductivity on Oahu seems to be quite poor. I'm sure many members would be surprised in the rapid drop of local signal strength one experiences when driving from the city of Honolulu to the north shore of Oahu. Sky-wave DX varies with location as well. I live in Waikiki and have been able to hear many Pacific and DU stations. On the other hand, in Kaneohe on the eastern side of the island, stations from the US and Canadian mainland dominate, with Pacific DX much weaker. A perfect compromise would seem to be on the north or south shore of Oahu where I've driven at sunset and been amazed at the amount of clear, regional and local stations that boom in with great strength on my Panasonic car radio.

The QRM here in Waikiki is tremendous, lots of powerline noise and TVI even on the loop. As many of you know, most of the MW stations here share towers, i.e. KSSK 590 5 kw, KORL 650 10 kw and the former KPOI 1040 10 kw share a tower less than a mile from my QTH. I have to wonder how much the overall efficiency of these stations are diminished due to shared use of the tower. Surprisingly, the spurs and mixing products aren't as bad as you think, and luckily, almost half the MW stations in the state sign off at local midnight. (Cont. next week-Rth.)

LARRY R. JOHNSON, 21742 OLIVE AVE., CUPERTINO, CA 95014 (408) 996-9269

Hello IRCA members - to help pump up the size of the 20th anniversary issue of WDXF, I decided to send in an introductory forum. I'm 34, single and work as a Customer Training instructor in the Information Display Division for TEKTRONIX at our field office in Santa Clara. My main interest has been ham radio for the last 21 years (call K7LJ). I operate from 160 meters through 450 MHz and operate mainly 10-meter FM on 29.6 MHz and CW on 40 meters. I have a UHF repeater on 450 MHz which covers the San Jose area which can be inter-tied to a base station on 10-meter FM.

While visiting a ham friend/IRCA member Kevin Malin in Seattle last summer he showed me a MW box loop and gave me a copy of DXM and DXN. I had no idea that there were actually organized groups doing BCB DX, so I joined IRCA and NRC, and ordered nearly all of their technical books and reprints.

I built a Sanserino loop from the plans in DXM as well as a collapsible box loop to take on my frequent business trips which I use with a TRF or a Superadio. I use several receivers at home: Hallcrafters SX-100, Drake R-4C, Realistic DX-150A, Sony ICF-2001 and an HQ-180. The HQ-180 has one of the additional noise blander assemblies made by Hammarlund and works really well compared to the stock noise limiter. If anyone needs a copy of the noise blander manual I can provide a copy for an SASE.

I haven't been really active trying to hear every BC station - just mainly trying to hear the DX Tests. Unfortunately, almost every time I receive a bulletin, it's on a Monday just a few hours after the test has occurred.

I hope to meet some of the San Francisco Bay Area DX'ers and to attend a Beverage DX'pedition sometime. I've gotten some other ham friends in the Portland area interested in MW DX that didn't know that there were organized groups for support, so we may just get a few more members.

Keep up the good work and fine technical articles - good DX and 73.

GARY PARTON, 157 ELM ST., #101, SAN MATEO, CA 94401

It's been a long time since I last reported to this column. I'm well and still in the good old Bay Area. For a re-intro, I'm 29, currently unemployed (but looking for a mail clerk/messenger type position at an electronics type company) and have been a member of IRCA since 1972. I haven't reported and contributed as much as I would have like to. I'm too lazy I guess.

Before I go into my forum, I'd just like to say that I too mourn the passing of John Clements. I had met him in past years at DX GTGs in southern California and at his home. He had attended various radio functions and was very much into DX'ing. He wasn't a close friend, but I found him very much into radio and the hobby. He will be missed by all of us, even those who didn't know him.

I still DX when I find the time and one of the stations I enjoy listening to is KROI 1270 Sparks, Nevada. Most late night and early mornings I get KROI and am able to null local KOIT 1260. KROI has a great oldies format. One morning recently I made a call to the DJ and he couldn't believe that I was listening to KROI from San Mateo. He told me that the main coverage area for KROI is northwestern Nevada and the Tahoe Basin to South Lake Tahoe and State

line. I like oldies very much and also some E7 listening and classical. Listening to Sacramento and Stockton stations is also what I enjoy. KJOY, KSTN, KRAK and KSFM are some of my favorites.

I use a Marantz SR-2000 with a McKay Dymek DA3 antenna for DX'ing. I've had this type antenna since '72. It's still like brand new. I take excellent care of my radio equipment. My tape deck is a Fisher and does the job fine.

I'm also into listening to my Bearcat 300 scanner and Realistic hand-held programmable. So, as you can see I'm really into communications.

I will try to report to this column more often. I wish the DX Monitor and IRCA the happiest 20th Anniversary and hope it's around for many more years to come. Ric - you do a really fine job with WDX and I really enjoy reading the column. Keep up the great work. I look forward to reading all the great columns in this anniversary edition of DX Monitor. 73.

FATHER JACK PEJA, 3266 NUTMEG ST., SAN DIEGO, CA 92104

Although I've been associated with IRCA for most of its twenty year existence, this might be a good time for me to reintroduce myself, because I've not been active for the last few years. I'm a Catholic priest, principal of St. Augustine High School. I began DX'ing about 16 years ago. After the initial flurry of trying to listen to everything, I concentrated on foreign DX, and served as editor of DXWW (when it was only one column) and later on, DXWW-II. I was on the BoD for a total of ten years, I believe, and served as president for two years. From 1973-75 I was editor of DX Monitor when the San Diego contingent had the publishing task. I was IRCA representative to ANARC for about ten years. I edited the first four volumes of the IRCA Foreign Log. So you can see I had a fair amount to do with IRCA over its years.

However, as is the case with most hobbies with most individuals, my interest in DX'ing has gone up and down. Because of my unwillingness to get up in the wee hours of the morning, the only decent time to hear TFPs, and because of the high local noise level on the AM band, my interests have turned to computers, photography, jazz and classical music and reading. I have no plans on leaving IRCA, because of my close association with the club, and only hope that sooner or later I'll get interested again in trying to pick out those hard-to-hear stations again. One thing I have to look forward to -- when I start listening again, it'll be a whole new ball game, just like starting all over again. Congratulations to IRCA on 20 great years.

JOHN M. ADAMS, 5580 HIGHWAY 101 NORTH, SEASIDE, OR 97138

To all IRCAns, Happy Anniversary. This is my first forum. An intro: I'm 25 (26 in a month), single, live at home with my parents, brother and a cat. (Anyone else out there have felines?) My location is approximately five miles north of Seaside, about the same distance south of where Pat Martin lives. Became interested in the hobby in the early '70s while living in upstate New York, moved to Oregon in '77. Current main receiver is a Sony ICF-2001. I'm also into FM and TV DX and am a member of WTFDA. This is my first year in both clubs. My other main interest is public transportation, especially railroads (any other rail fans out there?). Once again, Happy Anniversary IRCA and 73.

DAVID JOHNSON, 2311 CUSTER AVE., BILLINGS, MT 59102

Greetings. Boy, am I way past due for a report to the forum. Thought I'd better get something in for the big 20th anniversary edition. For a re-intro: I'm one of the original Charter Members of IRCA and used to be a column editor, and helped out with the publishing. I'm 36, married with two kids. I sell oil and gas field equipment for a manufacturers rep. Have been in Billings for about seven years. My DX'ing has been nil for the past 11 years, but am starting to get the itch again.

Finally brought my HQ-145 up to Billings from my folks house in Denver, so I can once again get serious about this. Might even become a semi-regular forum reporter again. Hard to believe that 20 years have gone by, and that the IRCA is still going strong. My congratulations to all of those who have worked so hard to make IRCA what it is today. I have seen a lot of changes in the past 20 years and all I have to say is keep up the great work.

JOHN OLDFIELD, 7135 129A ST., SURREY, BC, CANADA V3W 6T4

Happy 20 Biggies. I started DX'ing in 1958 in Edmonton and got about 1,300 and about 50 countries. I tape all DX and consider them the real QSL, although I do write at times along with a tape to some. I have about 300 from here. Just don't have much time, but haven't lost interest.

I'm about eight miles east of the 10 kw and 50 kw sites, five miles west of CKNW and nine miles north of KARI 550 Elaine. I don't get the slop most get in the big city.

A rundown of the area's locals: 540-CP 50kw. Who knows? 550 KARI usually CFJC/CKPG u/over, 600 CJOR at times CFQC is there under. 650 CISL will be 7.5 kw N. 690 CBU usually has XETRA through it. 730 CKLG is a bit sloppy, but KDWN/CBS/CBX are easy. 800 CJJC (a bit further east) 10 kw with CKOX/CHAB/XEROK still under it at times. 850 CFVR strong but KTAC/CKRD/OA are usually there, 900 CJVI usually CKBI/XEW under. 940 CISL a rare catch here nights (not in Vancouver though) with KRRE/KRAK dominant and even CJGX.

980 CKNW (five miles east) is clean with CBW and 970 easy. 1070 C-FAX usually 50% with KNY. 1130 CKNX clean with KPNW and CKXL/XRAK easy. 1220 CKDA usually with 30% C-JOC. 1270 CHWK usually with CHAT. 1320 CHQM at times someone under. 1350 CKEG poor with others. 1370 CHPQ ditto. 1410 C-FUN kills 1400. 1470 CJVB usually with KELE under. 1500 CKAY poor with others. 1570 CHUB usually with CKTA. Parts of Vancouver's suburbs are white areas, hi. About 200,000 don't really get good night reception from these "giants" of 10 and 50 kw.

If stereo AM receivers ever get off the ground this area has: CJVI, CFAX, CJVB, CHQM, CKNW, CKWX, CISE 9650) and CP (540), also KOMO. All good days at least.

Only excitement here is will KARI 550 be blown away by 50 kw on 540? C-isle moving to 650. CJVI 900 dropped country for MoR. It was kind of silly to have two Selkirk stations (CKWX) country. CTR UBC Radio is on the real air now, but FM. More of my tax dollars at work. It's country-punk, hi.

DENNIS KIBBE, 1422 W. 5th ST., TEMPE, AZ 85281 (602) 966-3131

Wouldn't miss this anniversary issue for the world - especially in its present condition.

I've been amember for a year-and-a-half now and have enjoyed every issue of DXM. A great club! My wife, Chris, and I are about 35 and have been happily married for 12 years. No kids but our two small terriers - Winkie and Wesley keep us entertained. Radio here are a Trio R-1000 and a Sony ICF-76000. For an antenna I use an 85-foot wire and a ferrite rod is in the works. The wire is connected through a Yaesu FRT-7700 tuner. It works great and I can recommend is highly. Other interests include bicycling, soccer, photography and kites. I'm also the one to scream at if your book or reprint order from the Goodie Factory is late.

Well, enough about me. Who's next, Ric?

JEF JAISUN, 12860 136th AVE. NE, KIRKLAND, WA 98033

Ah yes, responding to the intimidation of the editor of this social billboard, I herewith present the annual obligatory (unless I want my zucchini rectified) anniversary forum re-intro. I've been a member of IRCA since about 1974, just shortly after the Seattle convention of that era. Rapidly creeping up on my 38th birthday (although my girlfriends tell me I look 26) (of course, they're all 13, hi), and been DX'ing since the late '50s. Born here in the rain country and with the exception of six years in the Bay Area, have been here long enough to have webbed feet and moss growing on my north side. In fact, next month makes 11 organic years here on what I used to call a farm until the suburbs swallowed it up. Now I call it Big Zucchini Estates. Wait 'til I subdivide and install multi-unit port-a-potties. That'll fix my neighborhood invaders and their light dimmers, hi.

I'm currently DX'ing (and I use that term loosely, given this season's results) on a Hammarlund SP-600-JX and a 1,000-foot E/W Beverage. I've also got a wedge hooked up, but it's somewhat non-functional at the moment.

Current totals are close to 1,000 heard, 37 countries, 43 states.

Did a stint on the BoD from '81-'83 and as Membership Chair in 1980. Hard to tell what I do in my non-DX time these days. . . I have to read my bio and resume, hi. "Pro musician, photographer, electrician, electronics, tech. . ." Gee, if I'm so talented how come I'm so broke, hi? Happy Birthday to the best DX club around. 73 de JJ

W. GEORGE ELLIOTT, P.O. BOX 312, PENTICTON, BC, CANADA V2E 6K4

Happy Anniversary IRCA. I'm entering my sixth year as a member of this wonderful and helpful DX club. I can hardly believe another year has gone by.

For a reintro: I'm 23, single and have worked in the radio business as a DJ for just about six years, starting my career in my hometown of Kelowna at CHIM FM. I soon found myself working fulltime at CKOV, and after two years there I moved south to Penticton to work at CKOR FM, CKOK and GIGV FM. I'm currently back at CKOK working Monday to Friday 7 PM to Midnight PLT as of 01 March following numerous months of parttime swingshift.

DX has been an on again off again hobby for the past 11 years and equipment used here includes a DX-100, FRG-7000 and a wide assortment of other radios from CB to SW to police bands.

Once I again, I must compliment the IRCA publishing staff and its members for all the effort and contribution they put into this club and the DXM. It's great to be part of it. Good DX to all and 73. (Via Tele-Forum-RtH.)

HURLEY PARKHURST, P.O. BOX 415, NENANA, AK 99760

Greetings to fellow DX'ers in the lower 48 from Nenana, Alaska. This is a summary of 18 months of DX'ing here, comprised of over 3,000 loggings.

USA - 174; AK-42; CA-35; CO-3; CT-1 (WTIC); HI-20; ID-4; IL-1 (WLS); IA-1 (WHO); LA-1 (WWL); MA-1 (WBE); MI-1 (WJR); MN-1 (KSTP); MO-1 (KMOX); MT-4; NE-2; NV-4; NM-1 (KOB); NY-5; ND-1 (KLTC); OH-2; OK-1 (KOMA); OR-11; PA-4; SD-2; TX-3; UT-4; VA-1 (WRVA); WA-16; WY-1 (KTWO).

Canada, a total of 82. The breakdown: Alberta-29; BC-21; Manitoba-9; NWT-3; Ontario-6; Saskatchewan-13 and Quebec-1 (CKO).

From the Pacific area, Australia 5, Mexico 5, one each from New Zealand and South Korea, 2EB and HLAZ respectively. And seven from unknown locations.

Equipment here is a Dodge car radio model 56MX operated off a 12-volt battery with antennas ranging from five to 170 feet long.

I still haven't figured out what the mcw stations repeating over and over FT on 620 kHz, KB on 795 kHz or T on 890 kHz. KB-795 is also received by a DX'er 300 miles south of me.

Finally, congratulations to the IRCA on its 20th anniversary. 73.

DALE PARK, 2253 KANEALII AVE., HONOLULU, HI 96813

Time for an introduction. I'm 22 and will end my undergraduate education at University of Hawaii with a mathematics degree. I've been an IRCAN since Issue 9 of the 1982-3 series of DXMs. I'm also an ASWLCer and NASWAN.

I didn't really get into MW DX until about 1979 with my first prolonged stay on the mainland. Since then I've logged over 400 stations. Ironically, relatively few have been heard in Honolulu; I usually DX from distant locations. Currently I tune in to North Americans in Kailua, on the other side of the Ko'olau Mountains, a place known for Doc Wood's infamous (hi) loggings of Carolina graveyards. I've also DX'ed from Hilo, Irvine, California; Knoxville, Tennessee; Racine, Wisconsin and Chicago. However I've only QSLed five stations. This laziness extends into shortwave; there I have only verified 30 countries out of 111 heard.

I do have some best catches from here. The best North American goes to KIDD 630 Monterey, noted one January morning with 1 kw. Honolulu is a better place to dig for DUs and TPs; the best among these is 4zB 1044 Dunedin, Nz with 10 kw. More regular is WSz0 1098 Marshall Island with 10 kw every Monday morning.

I hope people who will visit Hawai'i will drop me a line before they come. Aloha!

(My apologies for lower case "z"- the cap gave out, hi - Rth.)

BILL HARDY, 2301 PACIFIC AVE., ABERDEEN, WA 98520

Happy Anniversary IRCA. I joined IRCA in August 1964, just months after its founding. So even though I wasn't around for the founding, I've been around for all 20 anniversaries.

To reintroduce myself, I'm 37 years young, and work in retail sales at our local garden center and pet store. I've been a DX'er since 1960 and am up to 859 stations heard from 40 states, five provinces and 20 countries.

I'm the Project Coordinator for the IRCA Almanac last published in February 1983 and expected to be published again in early 1985. Tuning around for Almanac information makes me a 98% domestic DX'er, I guess, although occasional TPs and IAs roll in.

Biggest DX achievement of the past year has been the combining of our two great passions - camping and DX'ing. October 1983 we were on our way to Ocean City State Park west of Aberdeen for an overnight camping stay in our tent trailer. We decided to take along the FRG-7, SM-1, logbooks, etc. (at the last minute) and by golly we heard a batch of new stations. Getting away from the electrical noise of the town has greatly increased our totals. Monthly campouts have netted me 32 of the 51 new loggings since 01 September, including much-wanted western Washington stations like KLAY 1480 and KKNW 1510, and my best catch in years, daytimer WMOB 1360 Mobile, Alabama, blast-in on pre-sunrise power.

Biggest disappointment of the past year was having to miss the Seattle IRCA convention just 100 miles away, because of major unexpected medical bills brought on by Nancy's hospitalization.

Besides camping and DX'ing, my major hobbies are gardening and penguin-collecting.

And for those of you who don't know already, I'm lucky to be married to the world's best wife, Nancy, your WDXR editor, whom I live very much.

73 and good DX to all, and 88 to Nancy.

NANCY HARDY, 2301 PACIFIC AVE., ABERDEEN, WA 98520

It's Anniversary time again and also time for reintroduction. Way back in 1969 (15 years ago) I began DX'ing BCB in Fredonia, New York. In May of 1973 "Nancy Gantzer" moved to Aberdeen, Washington to take a job that fellow IRCA member Bill Hardy had offered at KGHO 1560. The following May, Nancy Gantzer became Nancy Hardy.

Through the years I've enjoyed being an IRCA member. In addition to serving on the BoD, I've been WDXR editor since January 1975. DX totals are 789 total/40 states/five province/19 countries. I'm strictly a domestic DX'er, hi. In addition to being a DX'er, I'm a homemaker, and work at a fabric store here in Aberdeen. In spite of the busy schedule I find time to sew, and camp and hike the trails of the Olympic Peninsula. We camp the year round and have a "lucky campsite" at Ocean City State Park in Ocean Shores, Washington

(about 15 to 20 miles west of Aberdeen, right on the Pacific Ocean).

But, what I'm best known for would have to be my love of penguins. There isn't a room in our house where at least a half-dozen penguins don't catch your eye. The shower curtain in our bathroom has nine penguins, and even my toothbrush has six! They're everywhere, hi.

In closing, I'd like to wish IRCA the happiest of anniversaries. 73 and 88.

FRANK ADEN, JR., 4514 SE 83rd #5, PORTLAND, OR 97266

Happy Birthday IRCA. I first joined IRCA when it was only five years old in 1969 and have been a member on and off since then.

The KSPT mystery has been solved. Blue Sky Broadcasting bought KSPT recently. They also own KPND FM. No call change too effect but the phone listing is now under KPND.

By the time you read this the Idaho Broadcasting Guide should be out. It's very similar to my Oregon Broadcast Guide except this new booklet contains information on FM and TV as well as AM. Cost is \$3 plus 40¢ postage.

My next project is to have a master list of all broadcasting stations in the Northwest (British Columbia, Alaska, Yukon Territory, Washington, Oregon and Idaho). This will be compiled with my Commodore 64 computer and a Quick Brown Fox word processor. The information would be kept in a form somewhat like my broadcasting guides except printed on a lineprinter. 73.

ROBERT WIEN, 1309 DENTWOOD DR., SAN JOSE, CA 95118

Happy Anniversary IRCA! Just a reintro here: I'm 23, a graduate from San Jose State University with a degree in Meteorology, currently working at Lockheed Missile Company as a trainee in their satellite operations department. I've been in IRCA since 1976. Totals here stand at somewhere near the 1200 mark, with around 790 verified (three arrived today: KRCX 1110 Roseville, California, ex-KPIP; KXXR 1550 Spokane, ex-1440; and f/c of KFLA 1310 Scott City, Kansas). Receivers used include a GE Superadio and GE TRF ca. 1962 with an SM-2 antenna.

With the deregulation of call changes by the FCC, they're now coming fast and heavy, two logged this morning (05 March), KREL 1280 Henderson, Nevada ex-KVOI and KERI 1180 Wasco, California ex-KWSO. Future ones to look for include KORY 1270 Sparks, Nevada ex-KROI (now logged, 05 March), KYKN 1280 Eugene, Oregon ex-KBDF, KLPZ 1380 Parker, Arizona ex-KzUL via their f/c.

So many new stations are coming on the air it's impossible to keep track of them, still waiting for KLLV 1560 Breen, Colorado, KLIM 1120 Limon, Colorado, KGBU 1250 Florence, Oregon, KTMI 700 Newport, Washington, plus loads of others. KGRV hit the air two or three weeks ago, poor signal here at night. Wonder what DX'ing will be like 20 years from now? Maybe hearing a station 100 miles away will be DX with all the clear-channel breakdowns! 73.

JIM HILLIKER, 1502 E. HEDGEWOOD AVE., ANAHEIM, CA 92805

Happy Anniversary IRCA. I'm so glad to be part of such a great club. For a reintro: I'm 28 (born 23 July). I work for KYMS 106.3 in Orange County as news director. I have less time to DX now, since 06 February, I've worked a split shift; doing morning and afternoon drive-time news. Because I have the weekends off now, that's when most DX will now be done, as well as some SRS before going to work. I've been a member of IRCA since September 1982. Before that, I had some BCB interest but was into SW DX from '69 to '81.

Since the last anniversary issue I've logged 146 new stations. My totals are now 466 stations heard, 135 verified, but have about 250 on tape. I've logged 33 states/30 verified, five Canadian provinces/four verified and seven countries/none verified. I also like collecting stickers, maps, T-shirts etc. Other interests are music, movies, TV trivia, baseball and other sports, plus California history and geography. Also interested in the history of BCB stations.

I hope to hear from a lot of friends, especially Doug Pifer who recently moved to the San Fernando Valley, and a new member of IRCA since late February, my good friend and chief engineer at KIQQ FM in Los Angeles. Hope Tom will introduce himself to the club soon; he has a lot to offer.

Latest veries: KTOE 1420, "KFAT" 1560, KRML 1410, KBRE 940, KBLK 1270, XOMY 1340, XASY 1210, WSLM 1220 (with wrong date), KWNA 1400, XIML 1270, KFBA 900, KPRL 1230, XHAC 1110 (with 500 watts PSA power while KRLA was on), XMOG 1420, XKBK 1340, KATA 1340, KXA 770, KFX 969 1622, KDAP and XVSL both 1450 and XSVC 980.

Latest news here is that KPRD 1230 Barstow went silent Wednesday 07 March at 1800 PLT along with the FM, KzNS. Problem was money. Also, sister station KPRO 1440 Riverside could go silent. I sent HQ Los Angeles Times article on it; more details as known.

XEZY 1190 got OK for 10 kw day directional towards Los Angeles, will still be 1 kw night. Don't think KWIZ 1480 is at 5 kw at night yet, still some problems. Tom Koza, do you know more on this?

Hope to see many folks at the 29 Palms Beverage site weekend of 24 March in memory of John Clements. Again, a very happy 20th, IRCA! You're a great club and the folks who've made it go over the years and continue to do so now should be congratulated. And, I'm also proud and happy to be a part of it all. 'Til next time, 73 and best of DX.

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Happy Two Decades IRCA! This is the greatest BCB DX in the world! The cooperation amongst the members is fantastic and there's no better evidence of that with 43 forums! Thanks to all of you for your massive contributions to WDXF making this the largest DXF on record, more than double the previous record. I hope you folks east of the Mississippi kept Evans as busy as was I, hi. Wait 'til Seattle gets the typewriter repair bill, hi.

I began DX'ing in 1959 on a five-tube Packard-Bell with external antenna. First venue was KAGI 930 Grants Pass, Oregon. In the early '60s I purchased a GE cabinet radio (cir. 1935) and really began hauling them in. Moved on later to a Lafayette, then a series of Hallicrafters and Hammarlunds. Current equipment is an FRG-7 with an SM-2 antenna. Recently purchased a GE Superadio. Also have a couple of Sony's and Radio Shack's TRF. I haven't kept records in years, and really stopped counting when I left the Bay Area three years ago, but at that time I was up to about 1200 logged from 46 states, seven provinces and 38+ countries with about 50% verified.

On the personal note: I'm 37, happily single, manage a travel agency. I first joined IRCA in late '64, dropped out three years later while living in Alaska (nothing seemed to pertain to me up there), rejoined in '74. I began editing WDXF the issue after the anniversary issue in '75. I've been on the BoD '77 to '79 and '81 to present. I also belong to a local CB club, and whereupon discovering that I do this column, unloaded their monthly newsletter on me, hi. I'm in the process of trying to get a ham ticket, hopefully by this summer. I rarely listen to SW, other than WWV, hi.

Wien is right, it's impossible now to keep up with all the changes. Now you know what we go through in the travel biz since its deregulation. I'm getting used to it, I think. About all my new loggings now are call changes and new stations on the clears, and that's plenty right there! Oh yes, Oregon on 700 is alive and kicking, and...a pest. Programming is REL.

Again, many, many thanks to each and every one of you who contributed to the anniversary issue. I really appreciate your support. Now then remember, we do this little number (forums) 33 other times during the year, and you're more than welcome to keep me busy throughout the year.

Happy 20th Anniversary IRCA and I'm looking for another 20 years to come. Good DX to all and 73 de Rth. .

BRUCE PORTZER, 6546 19th Avenue Northeast, SEATTLE, WA 98115

I guess I'll make it 44 forums (actually 62 counting EDXF).

First of all, my 2/18 gettogether was a huge affair with around 28 DXers and hangers-on crammed into my house (not counting one seeing eye dog, the pizza delivery person, and various receivers. The youngest DXer there was Nick's five year old daughter and the oldest was a 75 year young SWL... quite a spread. A friend of Jef's brought over a massive pile of radio stuff he had bought as surplus from the government, including 2 RACAL RA-17s, and three Collins receivers, all of which had seen lots of use at the FCC monitoring station in Ferndale, WA. The Collins receivers worked more or less but it took two weeks and receipt of the manuals for the RACALs to get them to work. Once they were working, they were pretty impressive, although they aren't terribly fond of my box loop. Each RACAL also came with a LF converter which doesn't seem to like either my LW or my loop, apparently requiring a matching network to function properly with them. Anyway, the gettogether was lots of fun and everybody sat around and talked for many hours.

As for a reintro, I'm a 32 year old electronics engineer and work for a small consulting firm that does system level design (i.e. hooking up black boxes of communications systems (television, security, telephone, intercom, etc.)). I've been married to Evelyn for nine years as of March 22. The ever more cluttered DX shack this year includes HQ-180A, FRG-7, box loop, longwire, nonworking SM-2, SB-620 panadapter, LM-14 freq meter, Regency scanner, FT101E ham transceiver, various audio filters, switching boxes, and test equipment, reel-to-reel and cassette tape recorders. Also a Sony 2001, Realistic 12-655, and Sanyo RP-7220 portables. Plus the aforementioned RACALs, one of which may become a permanent resident of this den of iniquity. BCB DX is my main electronics interest, but I also go for PSB & SWling, plus some hamming (N7EGJ) when the mood strikes. I've been pretty sloppy about keeping totals lately, but they're something around 1960/600 stations, 45/41 states, 7/7 provs, 64/34 countries, give or take a few.

Locally, KJR-950 is being sold again. Metromedia, which paid \$10 million for it a couple years ago, is unloading it onto Ackerly Communications for \$5.8 million. I'm not sure how Metromedia plans to write off the missing \$4.2 mil, but it's a good lesson in how not to make money in broadcasting, hi. 73 for now....bp.

Glen Koppel - 4370 Calle Ricardo - Palm Springs, California 92262
 Viva el movimiento del Ocho del Noviembre! Late news from the P.C.C.--an "initial decision" favoring granting CP for Eastside Broadcasting Co., Phoenix, Arizona 1540 kc, 10 kw DA-D. Same for Coastal Broadcasters, Merndon, Va., 1440 kc 1 kw (no hours or DA mentioned). Application filed for Lebanon, Pa. 940 kc 1 kw-D. DX? Surprisingly, a little heard in the past month: 1YC-830 weak 0425 EST (this 2/10) perhaps JOFG-640 w/WHK time pips 0500; WIRU-1505 nice 100-microvolt sig w/what sounded like s/on announcements, 0504; Britisher on 660 likely 2YC, but faded and later there were two ED-speakers, Oriental and TT on there; later still KFAR on top. 0555 weak S8er on 659.6 but too much het to ID. 2/13 KXEL-650 rock under WSI 0112; unk SS on 321.6; pop mx on 1206.5, not Greenland?? 2/17 JELD-370 absolutely beautiful 0521; KFAD-730 rocking away 0523; Chinese on 300 at 0525, HLAI and China listed; JOEK-830 in parallel with JOEK-840 0531, with China-840 in there too; JOBB-830 even w/HCCO; JOEK-670 // 840, nice 0533; JOFK-360 over Chink mx 0534; JOHK?-890 0536 fighting WLS! (by now we're going wild at the dials) Peking-1040 stronger than JEG 0538; Jap & KHVV under Peking also; WOA-1173 100-mv in Cantonese; unk on 1550, TP? JOIB-750 o/USB 0547; Jap mx under WABG-770, 0548, JOFK listed here; JOIUP-730 (closest) in // to 770 0549; Jap mx over HJ.D-320 0550, perhaps is JOUC; Japs on 860 & 900, weak; Fyongyong-705, good 0553; Chink-660 perhaps either Fyongyong or Taiwan 0608; Ili 2/17 LYA & Jap-780 0423; Yuzhno-Sakhalinsk?-973 fair sig in lingo 0427; JOOR-1210; KICY-850 strong 0439; 1ZD-1000 in news 0438 over Oriental; Taiwan?-999.4 in Chinese dialect 0440; HJMO-350 all of a sudden on top of KICY 0447, must be DA change; Peking (?) -640 0500; 1YZ-600 in // to 700 0504; Jap?-1120 0511; Chinese-1000 strong 0516, believe this to be Peking Third Program; Maloveshchenka-655 march mx 0531. Only one report out, to KICY with tape. Hope that will pay off. Have ordered some new tubes for the equipment so maybe DX will improve, hi. That's it for now, so 73.

John Swanson - 3654 North Paulina - Chicago, Illinois 60613

This member heartily welcomes the formation of the WRCI. It is indeed a pleasure to have a virtually uncensored listings section. DX nabbed during semester break: 2/3 WJJC-1270 on EIs from 1:03 to 1:16; CHMT-1270 over KBDI until 2:15 s/off; WENU-1510 on ET until 2:35 (I believe this is held monthly on the first Monday); KGA-1510 till 3:04 s/off; 2/4 LBG's f/c list helped me log r/c's of WBUZ-1590, WRCI-1590, and WWO-970, all according to the list. 2/6 WJLI-1600 (ex-WRV) in Lansing, Michigan on AM with music for the college set; WRSJ-1560 on EIs @ 2:21 for first logged P.R. 2/7 WLIJ-1580 on EIs @ 1:16; KGO and KGO logged, as WCY off. A few veries in, to bring the total to 345: KBDI-1590, KGA-1510, WIO-1290, and KGO, all QSLs. KWSI-1580, WGL, WRIJ, WRCO (with all sorts of stuff), WENU, WWO, KGO, WRCI (country varied 25), and CHMT, all letters. I thought I'd be able to DX more on Ili as first class since at 1:00 pm, but I have made the school tennis team and that promises to take up all of my spare time. Best of luck to our club and its editors. 73 and bioblie '64...

Ed Druma - 14 Dale Road - Heathersfield, Connecticut 06109

Since I am joining in early March, my new DX will not be so new when the first bulletin comes. I hope that the WRCI doesn't run into any problems with the 3rd class mail situation. I know one other club I belonged to really had problems, took three weeks to get here from California, so possibly in the future I'll add money for 1st class mail. I wish to express my good feeling toward the WRCI, I think that there is room for more DX clubs in the U.S. Only near DX is: Radio Belize, and that is over a month old, but I have not had a chance to DX because of college; hope to have much much more DX next time. Until then, good luck to all.

Maurice F. Hittler - 599 South Julian - Breckenridge, Colorado 80110

Greetings to the members of the world's fastest growing radio club--the WRCI! DX during the month of February was fair with such loggings as JOIB-750 and Guadeloupe-640. On 2/16 I heard WAGF-1320's DX. 2/10 both L55-630 and L70-830 taped. 2/24: WJUS-1090 was on with an ET, as was KEXX-630 Salt Lake. WFB-1260 s/on 5 heard. March came in like a roaring lion in the DX world. Sunday AM, the 1st, found the logging of a new country, China: Peking-1040 with a tremendous SB signal--should have been heard in the East. Then, KFUD-850 logged at 8 s/on and KBOA-830 on RS at 8:30. KIBI-1530 logged in the evening at sunset with no trace of the new KRYT. 3/2 KCMO-1340 logged on AM program. KILL-1250 was logged in the evening with news at 8:05. 3/4: TIAC-1025 "Radio Fides Catolica de Costa Rica" logged and reported in evening. 3/7 the brand new KCAB-980 logged on ET from Dardanelle, Arkansas at 2:35 thanks to frequency monitor Roy Beer. Veries have come in to date from the likes of: WJUS-1090, KIBI-1530, KFUD-850, WFB-1260, WSAW-1350, HQN-630, BLO-770, WPRO-630, CKCI-1220, WJIV-1570, KUSD-690, KRSA-1570, WSPB-1580, and KIFF-930. The top verie of the year, however, was a beautiful QSL from CS39-782 Miramar, Portugal for first TA verie! Country #28 verified. Let's grow with the WRCI! Hearing of 3/9 saw the logging of a new country in OAXIA-854 s/on at 0600. Domesticals included WJHS-730 ETing at 4:28 over unID SS. WHPF-1590 ETing at 0330. KXLA-1320 heard easily on MIRD DX. Veries from KRSY-1230. See you each week in "DX News."

Ev. Johnson - 504 16th Street - Mendota, Illinois 61342

Hello to all the members of the new DX club, and happy to be a member of it. I am sure that the NRCI will be a great club once it gets going, and I will do all I can to support it. DX has been very slow at this den for February and March so far, with only 9 stations reported for February and 2 for March. Hope that the DX season is not over yet. I must get my goal set at 100 new veries in each year. My DX since the 15th of February-- some are needed here but will list all for other members. WFTL-1390 Fairfield, Ill. had test at 12:15; WPEW-1260 AM. r/x that were heard were KNEE-1230 and KLIN-1240. 2/16: WLE-1215; WFLA except AM except 141; WYDE-850 f/c 3-3:15; KGO-1550 s/off 6:30 Sunday. 2/17: KRZY-1230 logged while trying for WYOL DX. KIUZ-1230 AM. WQPO-1230 AM. WPR-710 r/c 3:50-4:10. 2/18: WLSL-1480 r/c per list; 2/24: WJMG-1600 hth lth r/c 0015-0020; WROK-1440 s/on lth 6, off at 1:00, AM except 141. KERC-1590 r/c per list; KILQ-1440 f/c at 1:15 (instead of 1:30 per list). KFDA-1440 r/c per. WGVH-1260 EP's at 1:30; WVEV-1340 r/c per. WECB-1490 AM. 3/3: WJRM-1590 r/c per. KJOC-930 s/off 1:00 s/on 7. KARK-920 s/off 1:00; WBMN-930 off at 1:00; KRWI-1350 s/on 6:30 off 1:05; 3/6: WRAP-850 AM. 3/7: WFGI-1010 on r/c 0030-0035. Veries for past couple of weeks are from WJGR-930, KXOX-1240, WBCN-1220; WJFD-1316, WJMT-DX, KRCB-1560, WJMG-1600, and KRZY-1230. Mr. Jay King of KRZY-1230 Roswell, N.H. would like to have addresses of anyone who plays chess by mail, so if you know anyone who plays chess by mail, please do me the favor of sending the address to him. That way you may get a verie from him, hi. All for this time and Best of DX and Good Luck to the new club. 73s.

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DX has been comparatively good for the little time that I have had to spend on it. Things going in my little red log book were: 2/1--WFTL-820 at 2325 giving WFAA a pain; 2/3--PRB-1200 at 0405. Unn LR3-950 at 0430. 1ZD-1000 at 0430-0530 for DU #1. WGLR-1220 at 0605; 2/11--HRP??-835 at 0100 s/off. 2/16--PR32-1040 at 0330; HJGK-1180 at 0335. 2/17--WBMN-740 at 0450; WTIC-1080 at 0455 w/KRDL off. WGER-1150 0500 s/on. WJIP-1150 at 0501 s/on. WJFP-1340 at 0600. 2/22 thce-1554, Vienna-1475, Ionaco-1466 coming in fairly well at 0100. 2/28 Portuguese on 665 and 1034 were fairly good at 0200 or so. 3/2 DX completely impossible with 89 static crashes. First 141 so ruined in some time. 3/8 WJUX-1550 at 0830 a/KOKA. 3/9--Lousy static again 0100-0400 but slacked off at around 0400 and I got a few things. Something giving KGBS-1020 trouble around 0330 possibly ZCO. WJUS-1380 at 0408 s/on. WLOS-1380 at 0505. WSPA-950 at 0525. WJMK-1390 Americas, Ga., at 0532 s/on. I can't find any information on WJMK. What's the power? (5 kv per Jones--DJ) WHER-1600 at 0540. Veries: WOA-1178 and R. Trinidad-730 making 75 veries from 17 countries, 5 continents, out of 686 stations, 40 countries, and 6 continents heard. That's all from here. 73 from the home of the invincible (?) Colt 45s.

David F. Gleason - 2520 Wellington Road - Cleveland Heights, Ohio 44116

Greetings from the land of the "big move." Yep, in two weeks I'm leaving for Guayaquil, Ecuador for at least two years. I will be going to school there, as well as learning the radio business, Ecuador style. Expect to have several nice DX programs for the NRCI next season from the best of the nearly 40 stations in Guayaquil. The HQ-180 and the tape recorder are going with me, so I hope to log a few US stations as well as some nice EPs. DX here has been poor, mostly due to inertia rather than poor conditions. The verie total stands at 2069, with about 30 reports still out, most of them LAs. I am already working on the first edition of the SACCA Log (stands for South America, Caribbean, and Central America) which will be out for the 64-65 DX season. Of interest to NRCIers, I have talked with Ed Kregjny, and the NRCI ID&D column will be furnished with important new changes as received from governments and broadcasters. This will be an exclusive SACCA Log service to the NRCI. The new log will contain all Western Hemisphere stations outside of the U.S., Canada, and Greenland. At the moment, I think I will be able to attend the 1964 NRCI convention...and am looking forward to seeing everyone there! Well, 73s and I'm glad to see you in the NRCI.

Hank Holbrook - 7211 Chestnut Street - Chevy Chase, Maryland 20015

I am happy to mail in my WJUS for membership in the new NRCI. Certainly hope the club will prosper. Well, we've done a lot of DXing since September 1st, but just about all of it has been on LW and 2 mc/s. Did manage to sneak off 4 reports to ECB stations and have netted two new countries as a result. Veries have come in from RADIO EELIZE for country #79, and from RADIO BARBADOS giving me an even 80 countries on the ECB. Have had a report out to CALRO V on 318 kc/s. since December 4th, but it looks as though I'll have to send a follow up on this one. CFSD on 1425 was logged on their DX show on 12/8/63 and I now have this 50 watter verified. This was the 23rd station on the ECB with 100 watts or less to verify, and joins such other stations as AHD-22 watts, ACE-50 watts, and WGBY-50 watts. Lowest powered ECB station verified is domestic WJUC 610 kc/s. with 8.1 watts heard back on January 20th, 1953. This is a campus station at the University of Maryland and was carrying about ten miles or so. Follow up reports netted recent veries from YMD-675 kc/s. and HRWV-1185 kc/s., both from 1962, which they quickly rectified when I phoned them. Verie total here stands at 1268 stations which includes 9 aircraft and 647 ships. Veries break down as follows: LW (below 535 kc/s.) 1067 stations in 47 countries; ECB 2081 stations in 80 countries; 768 SW stations (mostly utility stations between 1605 kc/s. and 3 mc/s.); 83 TV stations and 269 on FI. Perhaps someday the club will vote in an FI and TV section. Good luck and will report from time to time when I have something new to add on ECB.

Marvin E. Robbins - 235 Laurel St. Apt. 1 - Broomfield, Colorado

Hi gang, greetings from this Denver suburb. Let's start with the latest DX doings from this den: 1/20 KBUB-1270 Sparks (Reno suburb) Nevada on w/ET from 0124-0130. Not much else for that till as Alters were strong. 1/27 was much better. Portugal-782 was my first European logged--See IDXD--so a big event here. KJLJ-790 Spokane with ET 0117-0127 and ET from CFLN-1370 Valleyfield, Que. from 0148-0200. 2/3 JOIB-750 (in IDXD) fourth Japanese and Barbados-795. 2/10: KRSY-1230 Roswell, Ill. with late show 0100-0105 (already verified), and WGSB-1380 N. Augusta, S.C. w/early show from 0227-0232. KRYE-1530 the new one on the dial here--nice signal from 70 miles away. Logged 2/10, verified in three days. 3/1 was the greatest SI ever spent at the dials with two new countries, USSR and China (see IDXD). JOBK-670 was fifth Japanese log. KS10-1260 logged on 3/7 1802-1815 and is Colorado's newest station. Even though Slow and 150 miles away, they can't make it over two 13,000 foot ranges so aren't heard in the Denver area in the day--only loggable at sunset and in the early morning. We understand that our old friend John Tucker is the CE there. Stations verified are now at 2,117--still need four to complete the home state. Understand from Ernie W. that Lincoln will soon be on 1530 and Hastings on 1550. Keep us informed on the Nebraska CPs, Ernie. To those to whom I still owe letters, patience. Good to hear the tapes from staunch WRCI member Glen Kippel down in "Snow Springs." Good to hear from you, Glen, and let's have a DX show from KD.S next season. And, if your boss would permit the collaboration, how about KCHJ-1010? Welcome to new WRCI member Eugene Shephard of BROOKFIELD. And I thought I was the only DX'er in Greeptown, and find that Eugene has been DXing up a storm for some time. Guess we've got the other Denver suburbs outnumbered. Too bad Englewood isn't so well represented, hmmm, hi, Bill! Welcome to all WRCIers and good to see the tremendous support. 73 to all.

Ed Kregjny - 12901 Ferris Avenue - Cleveland, Ohio 44105

Hi all you charter members! Gee, there is an Ed Kregjny! Figured I'd better contribute a musing for this first issue, or I'd never live it down, hi! DX continues at a break-neck pace here in Buckeye-land. Latest domestic loggings have been: 9 Mar- WGLB-1560 from 0155 to 0210 with ET; KJLJ-1320 on with their DX from 0314 to 0325; WQHS-730 from 0429 to 0434 s/off with ET; CHIQ-1280 from 0301 to 0312 All program with CJIS QRI; and CJYJ-1460 from 0103 to 0107 s/off (new frequency for me, had them on 1450 back in '58). Other recent domestic loggings have been: WIVE-1430 f/c per sched; WQFC-940 booming in on SSS; CKPR-580 RS now that CKY's moved; KAGO-1150 for ET on 3 Mar; and WFAI-940 and WARO-540 on their recent 25 Febr. DX's. Latest verie count is 1769 with 46 countries. Most recent veries have been: BBC-647 (Cromborough)-881-1088-1457; CJSS; HRVJ; HJBJ; HJBE; WDBO (love that 580 sans CKXY!); XEFU; WTLI (caught 'em with local WERE off one morn); and WFIT-DX. I'd like to hear members' comments re BBC-801 counting as "Wales." I personally can't see it, as this station is definitely not located within Wales itself. As you can probably tell from the verie list I've gone in rather heavily for foreign DX of late, so more info from me in IDXD. One item of interest for "English-only" DX-ers, though: ACE-Fort Brooke Puerto Rico has apparently moved to 1200 kc. Sounded like they were still running only 50 watts though. Heard them from 0450 to 0505, so they may sign on at 0430. Best 73's.

Walt Snyder - 710 Stewart Avenue, Apt. 1 - Cornell Univ. - Ithaca, N. Y.

Best wishes to the new WRCI, hope this will solve your problems. The NRG is still going strong, but I decided to see what you have to offer as well. CX here is being invaded by static again, and a coax cable failed to remove much of the elec. and TV interference. Verie finally in from KOE from 1/27 All (NABC off). Ann. 50,000-U now. 3/10 All-KJLJ-1330, rr, 1 am, guess on WFCB w/KWML. KJLF on 1370 w/ISPD (1st from Montana). WZB-1250 on top at 2 am. WJBR-1460 w/WJIB. 3/13 brought WAVZ-1300 weakly under WERE. WRCV noted All with mx, talking about veries, bragging as far out as Sask. KVOD-73C with TT 2:14-2:28 in strong 10/S-9 for surprise of the night (on for freq. meas.) CILG-730 in after KVOD TT but weak (1st from B.C.). KSJW-600, around 3 a.m. CEI off, so WJIB in weak (S-2) with 2 am MX. CBO-910 in at 3 am. KBGO barely made it on 1560 with S-1 w/static. Good luck, and may the WRCI be successful, if this is what you really want.

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Many thanks to all those persons who have come together and set the wheels moving on this great new club, the WRCI. I have joined the WRCI to further my knowledge in the great hobby of Radio DXing, and to receive information from others interested, through the use of a democratic government. This new club has much interest behind it, and I wish everyone the greatest success in the hobby. I am 23 and work day hours. My DX-ing is now done only on the weekends and on HI. I have logged 1130 stations and have 730 veries, giving me a 64% verie count. Heard and verified 44 states, D.C., and have 17 countries heard, with 12 verified. I started DXing in November of '58. Have a National NC-183D (17 tubes) receiver; two tape recorders; two antennas, a 180" rhombic and a 100' inverted "L." My DX den is in the bedroom, with the receiver alongside the bed for easy DXing in those late hours, hi. Late veries include: CJIC, WJW--both QSLs. HJWD-820 from Cali, Colombia, KPET, KDSH, WGSJ, KUPD, WJLD, and KVLC (now KJYO-1050). Best verie of the year is from CHN-640 St. John's, Newfoundland. Local SS time for Omaha in March is 6:30 CST; April is 7:00 CST. 73's and thanks to all for this great new idea of the WRCI!

Larry Godwin - P. O. Box 165 - Boulder, Colorado 80301

Hi gang! It's been quite a while since I've mused, and it's great to be back in the swing of things. I think the NRCI will become one of the most successful radio clubs within a short length of time. I feel the NRCI is developing a strong feeling of unity among the members, and with this unity we can accomplish miracles. I want to thank NRCI member Len Lockwood for his recent telephone calls, resulting in my logging three new countries on 3/1. Thanks for the tip of the NH primary, Len, but I couldn't make out any new stations in the rare state. Congratulations are in order to Bill Mittler who just received his 1st VA verie, Portugal. Well, I have a lot of DX to cover here, and since most of it is foreign, details will be in the IDXD. I do want to comment on the fine reception to Asia on March 1 and 2, though, which brought me two stations in the USSR, one in China, one in North Korea, and four in Japan; all were reported. This was the first real TP opening in 1964, and I think most of the Denver NRCI members capitalized on it. The TAs have been weak since the last real opening on January 27, when Portuguese and French stations were coming in at good strength. The Brazilians have been especially strong in January and February (see IDXD), resulting in 6 new loggings and 3 veries so far. Also, since my last musings I have heard two new ones in Ecuador, 2 in Argentina, and tentatively 2 in Uruguay, all within the past two months. Thanks to the Venezuelan election returns I heard 7 new ones and received 4 veries. My latest countries verified are Martinique and Guadeloupe, both heard within a 4-day period around Jan 1. DX to the North has been favorable too, with KFAR-660 and KFOD-730 both coming in well in February, and KICX-850 was tentatively heard. All this goes to prove that DX has been very plentiful so far in 1964 and I'm sure it will continue through this spring and summer. By the way, I finally heard CKBA-1000 Bridgewater, NS on MH 3/9 at 0541 EST and am waiting for a verie from Jim Ernst, if he is still working there. My verie total now stands at 1001, after I received my 1000th on MH 3/9: ZYDB-840 in Brazil (see IDXD). My wife Barbara and I are planning to drive from Boulder down to South America by Jeep, beginning this September, and I will be happy to f/up all reception reports that NRCIers have out down there. Please send me a copy of your log and/or a tape at 3-3/4 ips. And keep a record of your f/x for the new list! 73 to all!

Ronald F. Schatz - 8065 Crespi Blvd. - Miami Beach, Florida 33141

Greetings, y'all, from the NRCI's tropical subsidiary! Yep, my pro-Buffalo friends, I, too, am an advocate of justice, equality, democracy, club spirit, and plain ol' common sense. Let's face it objectively: isn't a 7-man committee elected by and representative of the members more "club like" than a mutually-appointed autocratic triumvirate? Of course it is! A club is not a club if its members cannot be an active part of it. For example, I propose that we stay away from that patriotic vomit that has appeared at the top of DX News for the past eon. Propoganda like that is in the true fashion of dictators and doesn't belong with the democratic NRCI. All in favor of removing that trash, say "aye!" OK, let's get to something interesting: First, a little on my den and my record. I DX with a Lafayette HE-30 receiver connected to a 100' long antenna supported on the eastern side by a coconut palm, just like you see in the drawings, hi. I also have a world globe, significant in the fact that it doesn't have a stick running through it, a very useful item. I've been DXing seriously since February of 1961, and so far I've logged 1084 stations of which 548 are foreign, more than half the total. My best foreign catches, by continent, are St. Pierre-1375, ZY16-1560, KZ00-1210, Valencia-773, Mchelet, Algeria-1570, and nothing yet from Asia. I'm not a verie collector; too much anxiety involved, hi. Schön, here's my latest domestic DX: 2/3 WJOK-1390 Poughkeepsie, N.Y., f/c at 0025. 2/6 WLAB-1330 Lakeland, Florida, RS at 0630. 2/10 WAYX-1230 Waycross, Ga., 0030 s/off. KXKI-1520 Lafayette, La., at 0045. KFH-1330 Hichita, RS at 0205. WLEP-1540 Greenville, Miss., TT at 0205. 2/13 WKBA-570 Youngsboro rr at 0105. 2/16 WKXV-900 Knoxville f/c at 0115. 2/17-KCKW-1480 Jena, La., r/c at 0155. WHC-790 Memphis, at 0100 s/off. 2/20 CKBI-900 Prince Albert, Sask., at 0105. KHOZ-900 Harrison, Ark., TT at 0105. CKRI-730 Dauphin, Man., c/w at 0110. KMLPaso-920 at 0205. WPTL-920 Canton, N.C., f/c at 0215. 2/17-1420 Stockton, Calif., rr at 0215 w/WHK off. 3/10-WEZJ-1440 Williamsburg, Ky., c/w at 0505. My foreign stuff appears in the new and better IDXD. I have listed about 45 items which I hope are accompanied by many more that you have sent in. Say, have you noticed all those "polite" drop-outs in the unofficial DX News' Musings section? I must have really started something, hi. 73s, and GROJ WITH THE NRCI!

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First off, I wish to congratulate all who had the initiative to take it upon themselves to establish this new venture. Ho: down to DX. 2/17 KGG-810 Oakland, Calif. from 11:27 p.m. to 1:10 a.m. 2/18 KPQ-560 Wenatchee, Wash. from 6:46 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. 2/19 KHED-1440 Medford, Oreg DX special for the "NRC" from 4:00 a.m. to 4:31 a.m. 2/20 CHAT-1270 Medicine Hat, Alta. from 2:09 a.m. to 3:05 a.m. 2/21 KBYR-1270 Anchorage, Alaska 3:22 a.m. to 4:01 a.m. CKOI-1250 Saskatoon, Sask. 7:54 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. WEMP-1250 Milwaukee 4:50-5:17 a.m. for a welcomed graveyarder. Same morning Radio Moscow-1250 on all norm. English news at 5:30 and 6:30 a.m. Also same morning believe I had ZDU-1250 Dubbo, Australia. Not a bad catch for a graveyarder channel. KBRO-1490 Bremerton, Wash. 6:51 p.m. - 7:10 p.m. 3/8 KABI-960 Oakland, ID at 9:30 a.m. and CFAC-960 ID at 9:16 a.m. 3/10 KPRR-610 Richland-Pasco-Kemewick, Wash. 00:13-00:43 a.m. KPRC-610 San Francisco, California 3:29-3:31 a.m. KCLX-1450 Colfax, Washington ID at 8:55 a.m. KBKV-1450 Aberdeen, Wash. ID at 9:00 p.m. 3/11 KORE-1450 ID at 2:50 a.m. That's Eugene, Oregon. KHO-590 Spokane, Wash. 9:05-9:29 a.m. 3/12 KHAR-590 Anchorage, Alaska 4:45-5:00 a.m. when QRM'ed by WCJ.

EASTERN DX ROUNDUP

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Deadlines: Mondays 4/2, 4/16, 5/7, 6/4

- 590 CKRS PQ Jonquiere, 2/28 2325 fair w/ m talking in FF, ment of Jonquiere on $\frac{1}{2}$ hour. Mixing w/ CKEY. Only FF stn on 590 from Quebec. (RSR-ON)
- 690 WVOK AL Birmingham, 3/2 strong at 1900 w/ s/off thru WLW slop, ments of all co-owned stns, asks listeners to tune to WKUS-FM (US-99), no SSB. (RCW-OH)
- 850 WRUF FL Gainesville, 3/3 2153-2201 mixing w/ WYDE, MOYL-type mx, IDs as "Fun 85", ID, CBS nx. (RCW-OH)
- 860 KKOW KS Pittsburg, 3/3 2116-2134 w/ EBS broadcast due to storms, lots of IDs, wx info, dominating frequency. (RCW-OH)
- CJBC ON Toronto, 2/17 0431 xInt in FF. 24 hours now. There goes 860 kHz. Looks like all CBC FF stns now 24 hours. (RSR-ON)
- 920 WHJJ RI Providence, 2/27 0059 good w/ promo, ID, into nx @0100. (RSR)
- 960 KMA IA Shenandoah, 2/15 0623 good w/ C&W mx, local ads, ID, wx. All alone. (RSR-ON)
- 1030 KCTA TX Corpus Christi, 2/9 0703 very good w/ nx, stocks, agric. rpt., ID. O/ WBZ. (RSR-ON)
- 1070 CBA NB Moncton, 2/17 0450 fair w/ m w/ wx for Maritimes & coastal waters, ID. U/ CHOK. (RSR-ON)
- 1240 WBAX PA Wilkes-Barre, 2/19 0400 good w/ nx, ID, wx, into Frank Sinatra w/ end mx. In & out. (RSR-ON)
- 1310 WDXI TN Jackson, 3/4 1753-1802 C&W mx, IDs as "13-10, WDXI", local nx. (RCW-OH)
- WIBA WI Madison, 3/1 atop briefly w/ ID at 2300 & CBS nx before losing to WDOD. (RCW-OH)
- 1380 WYNK LA Baton Rouge, 3/3 C&W mx & local nx at 1855. (RCW-OH)
- 1440 WHIS WV Bluefield, 3/3 1955 wx, MOYL-type mx, ID at 2002 as "Radio one forty four." (RCW-OH)
- 1460 WBRN MI Big Rapids, 3/2 2056 w/ Ferris State college hockey, ID at 2101. (RCW-OH)
- 1470 WMGZ PA Farrell, 2/14 0728 fair w/ m DJ w/ ID "WMGZ-AM." Said nx upcoming, fade-out. Where & who is this? (RSR-ON) (This is ex-WGBU.--ed)
- 1480 WAME NC Charlotte, 3/2 1946 w/ rel. mx, "Sunshine Radio" slogans, AP net nx, w/ local WCIN nulled out. (RCW-OH)
- 1580 KLOU LA Lake Charles, 3/2 1929 w/ T40 mx & jingle "1580, KLOU, plays the lake area's favorite songs all day long." (RCW-OH)
- KPDF AR Van Buren, 3/3 atop mess at 1928 w/ rel mx, ID as "America's finest gospel mx." (RCW-OH)
- unid ?? 3/3 1927-1937 syndicated C&W mx show hosted by Lee Arnold, one local PSA for "Governor's Council Against Drunk Driving" de-tailing new laws, but no state mentioned (of course, hi.) Signal strong till 1937 when it sounded as if pattern change or something similar occurred. Reception at time was was from S-SW. Could this have been KNIX? (RCW-OH)

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A brief correction on my report of WWRC-980, ex-WRC. They haven't been sold yet. The buyer is going to be the owner of WGAY-1050 (and FM), who must first sell WGAY-AM. So, look for a call change for WGAY also. 73.

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FRG-7 w/LW converter, Radio West loop, 300' longwire
configured in a horizontal square & tuned by a Grove
Electronics Signa-match tun-II antenna tuner
- (BW) Brock Whaley-442 B Kalaimoka-Honolulu, HI 96815
- (RW) Robert Wien-1309 Dentwood Dr.-San Jose, CA 95118
GE Superadio, GE long-range portable, SM-2
- (ØW) John Wilkins-4385 Hoyt St. #205-Wheat Ridge, CO 80033
Kenwood R-1000, spiral loop
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- OF SPECIAL INTEREST:
- 1030 KBSM MO, Blue Springs 3/5 0602 TC "5:02," Jimmy Buffet tune. On
RS since Feb. 2, per verie. Power is 1000/500, using a three
tower directional array (DA-2). SP is MM 0100-0700 ELT. (ØW)
- 1040 KIPFH HI, Honolulu ex-KPOI returned to the air w/Contemp. Christian
Format 3/5 around 1100 ELT. Now 24 hour NSP. (BW-HI)
+3/5 1357 noted 1st day back w/interview followed by inspirat-
ional mx. Stn IDs as "Your Inspiration For Hawaii, KIPFH 1040,
Honolulu." Per phone call to GM, is 24 hours. Owner Sudbrink
Broadcasting runs similar combo in Nashville, WLAC (AM
gospel, FM rock). KIPFH will add J. Vernon McGee, Pat Boone &
other relig. programming "in about 2 weeks." 10kw. Bye KTW0-
1030, Beijing! (DP-HI)
+10kw, 24 hours. New Christian stn hit the air, presume 1st
morning hrd, 3/5 at 1120. ID & promo for nx at 1130. ID as
"KIPFH--Inspiration For Hawaii, 24 hours a day." As KPOI went
off in Jan., this is taking the place. Reported. (PM-OR)
+3/9 0059 YL w/Hawaiian nx, 0059½ wx ending "for KIPFH news,
it's 8:00 straight up." Then contemporary Christian mx. Good,
slight WHO nulled. Ex-KPOI. Thanks to Brock Whaley for phone
tip from Hawaii! (BH-WA)
+3/9 0058 end of Hawaiian nx, 0059 wx w/call letters given
at end in TC. Into relig. mx. Good w/weak WHO nulled. (NH-WA)
- 1070 KRBE TX, Houston 3/5 0730 ID "It's 6:30 at K-R-B-E, 53°," then
headlines w/Dick Kelsey & Brian Hill. Ex-KENR. New, TX #63.
(ØW-CO)

1080 KGVY AZ, Green Valley 3/5 0801 Benny Goodman, other 40's & 50's tunes. Good sig in KRLD null; some KKBB-1090 slop. AZ #33. (ØW-CO)

1180 KERI CA, Wasco-Bakersfield 3/5 0130 usual good signal in tight KLOK-1170 null o/u KOFI w/SS relig. program, then clear ID "This is your California sunshine station, KERI, Wasco-Bakersfield." Call change, ex-KWSO. (RW-CA)
 +3/8 0300 ex-KWSO w/new call "Your California Sunshine Station, K-E-R-I, Wasco-Bakersfield." Into relig. Not sure when call change took effect or reason for it. Good in KEZY null w/slight KEZY-1190 slop. (JH-CA)
 +3/8 2205 ending APR nx, promo w/several "Kerry" and "K-E-R-I" mentions. 2206 contemporary Christian mx. Later, happy DJ giving phone numbers in Bakersfield & Wasco for requests. Not bad, KOFI nulled out, but severe KEX-1190 splatter at times. Ex-KWSO. (BH-WA)
 +3/8 2205½ many ments of call letters in stn promo. 2206 into popish-relig. mx. Good w/KEX-1190 slop. Ex-KWSO. (NH-WA)

1210 KCLG UT, Washington 3/5 0300 C&W mx, YL DJ, ad for Western Village in Mesquite, NV. AN now, or test? Still on past 0345. (ØW-CO)
 +3/6 0230 in strong past usual 0200 s/off, ment. carrying "Ralph Emery Show" at "1am" (0300). ID, C&W mx. AN now? (JH)

KASY WA, Auburn 3/4 0713 DJ said first daytime use of 10kw xmtr would be coming up at 0930 (LSR) that morning. (BH-WA)

1270 KORY NV, Sparks-Reno 3/8 2301½ nice legal ID after 1950's rock oldie, then more oldies. Ex-KROI but same format, have to listen carefully to notice different call sign, KROI & KORY not that different phonetically. Good atop CHWK & others. (BH-WA)
 +3/8 2201½ good w/ID after oldie. Ex-KROI. (NH-WA)

1280 KREL NV, Henderson 3/5 0900 good on top at s/on w/ID "Good morning, this is KREL, Good News Radio..." full details. Call change, ex-KVOV. (RW-CA)

1410 KOOQ NE, North Platte 3/1 0330 ID "You're listening to the Larry King Show on K-O-O-Q North Platte." Mutual nx. Ex-KAHL. (ØW)

1470 KBSN WA, Moses Lake 3/3 2021 good o/KXOA w/promo, ID "...here on your Wildcats station, AM 1470, KBSN," into C&W, another ID later. Call change, ex-KSEM. (RW-CA)

521 ?INE? MT, Missoula 3/7 0440 possible w/Morse Code here. Too much QRN to be sure. (ASL-CA)

530 KRN984 CA, Los Angeles Int'l Airport 1/30 TIS in quite strong, ID'ing as "Airport Radio." (AWP-CA)
 +3/7 0435 LAX Airport TIS in like a local at 140 miles. Anyone know exact power? (ASL-CA)

550 KOY AZ, Phoenix 3/7 0420 w/Talknet. (ASL-CA)

560 KBLU AZ, Yuma 3/12 0118 mixing w/KLZ, w/interview on Huey Miller. (ASL-CA)

KSFO CA, San Francisco 3/7 0410 w/jazz program from Purple Grotto(?). (ASL-CA)

KLZ CO, Denver 3/12 0118 mixing w/KBLU, Teresa Brewer mx. (ASL)

570 KLAC CA, Los Angeles 2/12 0344 "Tell Me A Lie" by YL singer & "Almost Like A Song" by Ronnie Milsap aired back-to-back. Fairly poor w/KSSK-590 QRM. (DP-HI5)

KLUB UT, Salt Lake City 3/12 0125 in KLAC null w/George Burns singing "I Wish I Was Eighteen Again," followed by ID. (ASL)

590 KFXM CA, San Bernardino 3/7 0405 in & out w/anncts & IDs. Lots of KOGO-600 slop. (ASL-CA)

620 KGW OR, Portland 3/12 0325 in KTAR null w/"American Top 40." 0330 ID as KGW. (ASL-CA)

630 KHOW CO, Denver 3/7 0450 Night Time America. Several IDs & local commercials at 0451. (ASL-CA)

KIDO ID, Boise 3/12 0331 ID, then faded into QRM. (ASL-CA)

KOH NV, Reno 3/5 0716 xlnt, ET'ing w/CNN nx. (EH-WA)

640 KFI CA, Los Angeles 2/12 0340 promo for M.G. Kelly's "Top 30 Countdown" (via RadioRadio?) later Sunday on "The Amazing AM." Blip ID, soul mx. Fair w/KORL-650 QRM. (DP-HI5)

650 ?KYAK? AK, Anchorage 3/7 0455 not real sure but thought I hrd ment. of "temp 20° in Anchorage at this time." It certainly wouldn't be that cold in Honolulu or Nashville. (ASL-CA)

WSM TN, Nashville 2/23 1123 faint w/static, "Radio 650 W-S-M." (CH-CA)

- 660 CFFR AB, Calgary 1/9 0650 poor to fair during pre-RS testing and playing an endless loop recorded annct. KNBR-680 off. (AWP)
- 670 KBOI ID, Boise 2/12 0348 "Pretty Woman" by Roy Orbison played; blip ID followed by John Lennon's "Nobody Told Me." Poor w/deep fades, KORL-650 & KKUA-690 QRM. (DP-HI5)
KBOI+3/3 0340 noted off w/TT on Sat. morning. (RW-CA)
+3/4 0349 noted w/TT. (AD-AZ)
- 690 *KKUA* HI, Honolulu 3/5 0517 noted off tho not warned earlier unlike KGU's-760 annct. Noted on w/carrier 1100, ruining reception of KNBR-680. (DP-HI)
XETRA ECN, Tijuana 3/5 0543 hrd "Time Will Reveal" by Debarge, garbled blip ID, "New Moon on Monday" by Duran Duran. Very poor w/het from JOAB-693 noted, thunder QRM. (DP-HI)
- 700 KFAM UT, North Salt Lake City 1/23 0530 nice ID on half-hour. (AWP)
+3/7 0458 ID then into UPI nx. (ASL-CA)
- 710 KIRO WA, Seattle 2/12 0350 Bernard Meltzer discussing w/Euro-accented woman on "Talknet," forest fire PSA, Gilbani Cheese ad. Fair o/KMPC w/KKUA-690 QRM, KUAI-720 QRM. (DP-HI5)
?KIRO?+3/12 0340 possible w/Talknet program. KMPC off. (ASL-CA)
- 720 WGN IL, Chicago 3/12 0345 w/talk about gun control. KDWN off. (ASL-CA)
- 730 KSVN UT, Ogden 2/24 1946 rock oldies, YL DJ using slogan "K-Gold" frequently; s/off 2001 w/"K-Seven" slogan; studios Ogden, xmtr Kanessville, Weber EC Co. Good, dominant after KDAZ s/off. (BW-CO)
- 740 KVFC CO, Cortez 2/24 1936 state nx, ad for Cortez Livestock Auction. KRMG QRM, KSSS nulled. New, #600. (BW-CO)
- 750 WSB GA, Atlanta 3/4 0400 good on quick fade-up w/ID, into nx. (AD-AZ)
- 760 *KGU* HI, Honolulu 3/5 0515 noted off for tests. Said they would be off 0500-0700 but tested w/low pwr. KIKI-830 mixing product hrd on 760. 7 stns logged or re-logged w/KKUA/KGU combo off. (DP-HI)
- 770 KOB NM, Albuquerque 2/23 1130 loud & clear "77 K-O-B." (CH-CA)
+3/12 0350 Talknet, 0358 local ID & spots for New Mexico singles crowd & Larry Aaron program. (ASL-CA)
- 790 (KAEC) CA, Los Angeles 3/12 0400 off air. (ASL-CA)
- 810 KGO CA, San Francisco 2/12 0333 Noah Griffin talk show, giving phone number 441-TALK. QRM from KIKI-830. (DP-HI5)
- 830 (KIKI) HI, Honolulu 2/20 0350 noted off air. Doug Martin hrd stn giving -400 temps on 820 and called KCBF to check; they confirmed they were on, 1st day w/24 hour sked. KIKI returned at 0500. (DP-HI)
- 840 WHAS KY, Louisville 2/23 0000 "84 W-H-A-S" came in faint w/static. (CH-CA)
- 850 KOA CO, Denver 2/23 0012 "Allen Berg on K-O-A" loud and clear. (CH-CA)
- 870 WWL LA, New Orleans 2/24 0016 moderately loud, not too much static. (CH-CA)
KORD WA, Pasco 3/4 0558 ending Larry King, Mutual ads, 0559:45 series of beeps & tones & into Mutual nx, cut off 0600:10 for "KORD Pasco & KZZK Richland" ID, then tape-delayed Ai nx. 0605:15 back to Mutual ads & LK. Don't know why the Ai nx, as competitor KONA-610 is still Ai! Add KORD to LK list. Still C&W rest of day but has dropped SMN country feed. (BH-WA)
- 880 KRVN NE, Lexington 2/24 0031 moderately loud, almost clear. (CH)
- 890 WLS IL, Chicago 2/23 0012 "W-L-S Musicradio," faint w/static. (CH-CA)
- 910 KNEW CA, Oakland-San Francisco 2/12 0359 "Dancing Your Memory Away" by YL singer, ID & AP Network nx. Poor, QRM from KNUI-900. (DP-HI5mob)
- 930 KFLG AZ, Flagstaff 3/4 2030 caught tail-end of s/off, "Please tune to our 24-hour sister station KAFF-FM at 93 FM," then "Good night from K-Flag." Fair, but WKY, KIUP QRM. (BW-CO)
- KIUP CO, Durango 3/4 1916 SS lang. w/ranchera mx, OM annct; re-checked several times, still in SS past 2040. (BW-CO)
- KROE WY, Sheridan 3/4 1900 UPI nx, local nx, ads. Alone on freq. until 1915 KIUP fade-in. Mx, features until 2016 s/off. New. (BW-CO)
- 940 KGRL OR, Bend 3/5 0937 good in KFRE null o/CJIB w/local nx. (RW)
- 950 KKIC ID, Boise 3/5 0841 strong w/ID "You've made the best choice, the new 950, Kick." (RW-CA)
- 990 KKIS CA, Pittsburg 2/12 0357 Linda Ronstadt's "Different Drum" noted very poor w/KHVH. (DP-HI5)

1020 KTNQ CA, Los Angeles 2/12 0406 SS, ranchera waltz w/horn section, OM w/talk, nordefia mx. Fair w/light static. (DP-HI5mob)

1030 WBDX TN, White Bluff 3/5 0602 "no data" s/on, then right into C&W mx; quickly submerged by KBSM. (ØW-CO)

KTWO WY, Casper 2/24 0655 mx by John Lennon & Paul Anka; OM w/ID "This is KTWO, Casper, Wyoming, serving more people than any other station in Wyoming." CBS nx w/Osgood, slightly ahead of CBS & different ads. Poor w/local QRM. (DP-HI)

1040 *WHO* IA, Des Moines 3/4 0210 noted w/TT. (RW-CA)

1050 KBUF KS, Garden City 3/9 0810 literally "blasting in" as if XED wasn't on. ID, TC of "7:10," into C&W, then TC of "7:12," no ID, but promo for "Wheeler Dealer Show." Gave 800 number to call for listeners in Kansas outside of Garden City area, into local spots. Mixing w/XED by 0815. Good to fair. (JH-CA)

1070 KNX CA, Los Angeles 2/12 0538 man w/nat'l & world nx, mixing CBS & UPI reports. Ad for Lakes Country Club in Palm Desert. Fairly good, QRM from KZHI-1080. (DP-HI5mob)

KFDI KS, Wichita 3/5 0745 suddenly appeared loud & clear, powered up no doubt. C&W mx, lots of ads on "Old Mike's Early Morning Show." Dominant o/all except KNX, which was partially nulled. (ØW-CO)

KHMO MO, Hannibal 3/5 0719 herbicide ad, grain & livestock report, tractor sale. Good in KNX null, lost to KRBE 0730. New, MO #18. (ØW-CO)

WDIA TN, Memphis 3/5 0726 hrd briefly thru KFDI, KRBE, KNX, KHMO, and KNX QRM. Wx, ment. of Showboats USFL game. New, TN #4. (ØW-CO)

WTSO WI, Madison 3/5 0714 hrd briefly in QRM "...on Madison's Leader, WTSO," instantly swamped by QRM. KNX nulled. New, WI #3. (ØW-CO)

CKST AB, St. Albert 3/4 2024-2030 mx & local ads, 2030½ ID. Very good w/KNX nulled. (NH-WA1)
 +3/4 2030 very good w/KNX nulled. C&W song, ad mentioning St. Albert, full ID, then pop song "Yama Be There." New. Thanks to Nancy who called me in from the campfire to hear this! (BH-WA1)

1100 KFAX CA, San Francisco 2/6 0528 end of Roy Master's "How Your Mind Can Keep You Well" program, ID, San Francisco gospel program. Poor w/het from 1098, moderate static. (DP-HI)
 +2/12 0413 woman preacher w/exhortations. Fairly poor w/slight QRM from KHEI-1110 & KLEI-1130. (DP-HI7)

1120 KCLE TX, Cleburne 3/5 1900 C&W mx w/DJ "Smilin' Ted Baker," annct of upcoming remote broadcasts. Fair, KMOX nulled. (ØW-CO)

1130 KSDO CA, San Diego 3/4 2057 regional nx, wx, ID. Fair in KWKH, XEHN QRM. New, CA #34. (ØW-CO)

KBMR ND, Bismarck 3/4 1930 C&W mx DJ (YL) Sandy Dennis, ad for Cenex co-op. Slogans: "Dakota Country" & "Country Eleven." Good signal, dominant. (ØW-CO)

1190 KROS AZ, Tolleson 3/1 0236 wx, annct. of meeting of Antique Bottle Club of Arizona. Good signal, KLIF QRM. (AD-AZ)

?KEZY? CA, Anaheim 2/12 0536 hrd McCartney's "So Bad" w/KEZ, but don't think KEZY would play such drippy stuff! Too brief to ID. Very poor w/QRM from KOHO-1170. (DP-HI7)

KEX OR, Portland 2/12 0414 "Best of King" w/author William Stephenson. Fair w/KOHO-1170 QRM. (DP-HI7)

KLIF TX, Dallas 3/1 0231 wx, Chevy ad, C&W mx on "Cliff 1190." Good sig w/KRDS QRM. (ØW-CO)

1210 KREW WA, Sunnyside 3/2 0245 noted on past normal s/off w/WA state HS girls BKB champ. (RW-CA)

1220 CJOC AB, Lethbridge 3/1 0208 much stronger than normal burying CKDA w/ID. (RW-CA)
 +3/1 0200 terrific sig, no QRM, no fading. ID "This is C-J-O-C Radio, serving Lethbridge & So. Alberta; C-J-P-R 1490, Crows Nest Pass Radio, site of the 1984 Alberta Winter Games February 29 - March 4, and 1340 C-J-E-V, Elkford, BC. The Lethbridge Broadcasting System." Nx, wx, spots, C&W mx. (ØW-CO)

1230*?KINO*?AZ, Winslow 3/7 0206-0215 1st Wed morning f/c tent. w/TTs & TVI in KGFJ null, during breaks, no ID, mostly KLAV fading in. Poor. (JH-CA)

KPRD CA, Barstow 3/3 2131 in KGFJ null, poor-fair w/spot for Barstow Tire & Break, ID, pop mx. (According to L.A. Times article of 3/9, this stn went silent 3/7 2100 along w/FM KZNS. Sale did not go through, also problems w/sister stn KPRO in Riverside, they could go silent. Anyone hear KPRD's last day on air?). (JH-CA)

- 1230 KFUN NM, Las Vegas 3/4 2000 SS long, ranchera mx, Las Vegas ads. Dominant, no sign of KDZA. (ØW-CO)
- 1240 KCLV NM, Clovis 3/5 0200 briefly o/jumble w/s/off. (ØW-CO)
 KCCR SD, Pierre 3/5 0140-0150 regular f/c w/TT; ID is simply "K-C-C-R Pierre." Weak in QRM. (ØW-CO)
- 1250 KNEU UT, Roosevelt 2/26 1930-2003 in KTMS null, good w/"Basin Country Countdown." C&W, ads for car dealer in Vernal. At 2000 DJ said "3 before 6," so clock must've been slow. Into s/off at 2003, ID, power, etc, no SSB. (JH-CA)
- 1260 KWHK KS, Hutchison 3/5 0215 Eagles, BeeGee, Chapin, etc. YL DJ, "1260 H-K" slogans. Fair in KVSF null. New, KS #31. (ØW-CO)
- 1270 KORY NV, Sparks-Reno 3/5 2355 good signal w/ID by OM "Your oldies station, KORY." Call change, ex-KROI/KWRL. (RW-CA) (Sorry Robert. This should have been in Of Special Interest!-NH)
- 1300 KPTL NV, Carson City 3/11 2140 NBC Talknet, 2159:55 ID "KPTL, Carson City, NV," 2200 network nx. Way o/KMPS. New. (PM-OR)
- KHUG OR, Phoenix 3/3 2025 good in KAZA-1290 null w/ID "Country K-Hug." (RW-CA)
- 1320 KXRO WA, Aberdeen 3/3 local noted adding UPI Audio network. Uses UPI all hours except weekday drive times & noon, when they do their own newscasts using (of all things) the AP Radio Network logo! (BH-WA)
- KHIT WA, Walla Walla 3/3 2012 very good w/ad, ID, C&W mx. CHQM nulled. (EH-WA)
- 1360 KXOL TX, Fort Worth 3/5 0507 fair w/C&W mx, "Cowtown Country" slogan. (EH-WA)
- 1370 KEEN CA, San Jose 2/12 0548 YL spelling "K-E-E-N," then playing country mx. Poor w/spurious QRM. (DP-HISmob)
- (KEEN)+3/1 0330 noted totally off. (RW-CA)
- 1400 KART ID, Jerome 3/3 2000 2nd time logged, came up o/KFTN, all by itself. C&W, legal ID, into UPI nx. Fair. (JH-CA)
- ?*KILE*TX, Galveston 3/5 0116-0130 f/c w/TT. Breaks in tone every minute, but too weak to pull out ID. Only hrd w/loop SE. (ØW-CO)
- KFTN UT, Provo 3/3 1954 all alone w/BYU college baseball game. Some KGER-1390 splatter. (JH-CA)
- +3/3 2032 good in KRE null w/BYU baseball game. (RW-CA)
- 1430 CJXX AB, Grande Prairie 3/5 0400 TC w/call letters, SID into wx w/many AB temps given, DJ talk, C&W mx. (NH-WA1)
- 1470 KSIR CO, Estes Park 3/4 1700 ID "The Sound In the Rockies, K-S-I-R, Estes Park," UPI nx, local wx, then back to EZL mx, YL DJ. (ØW-CO)
- KWRD TX, Henderson 3/5 0705 good w/IDs, wx, farm report. (EH-WA)
- CJVB BC, Vancouver 2/27 0932 way o/KXOA w/BC nx. (RW-CA)
- 1510 WAHT PA, Annville-Cleona-Lebanon 3/5 0620 very good w/IDs, ments of Lebanon Valley, ad for McKay Auto Parts. Fantastic signal for only 5000 watts! (EH-WA) (A great catch, Ed. Worth a Penguin Pat!-NH)
- 1520 KACY CA, Pt. Hueneme-Oxnard 3/1 0456 noted w/slogan "The new sound of K-Ace," good o/KOMA/KYXI. (RW-CA)
- KOMA OK, Oklahoma City 2/24 0110 OM playing country mx by Juice Newton, Alabama, T.G. Shepard & Clint Eastwood ("Make My Day"), etc. Poor/very poor w/increasing QRM from KUMU-1500 & decreasing signal strength. (DP-HI)
- 1530 (KFBE) CA, Sacramento 3/5 0740 totally off. (RW-CA)
- WCKY OH, Cincinnati 3/5 0645 good w/ID, wx into nx. KFBE off. (EH-WA)
- 1550 KXXR WA, Opportunity 3/5 0328 fairly good atop KRG0, "Music of Your Life" mention, instrumental mx till 0330 ID as "KXXR, serving Spokane and the Inland Empire from Opportunity, Wash." TC & Ae nx. Ex-1440 Spokane. Thanks, Don Kaskey, for phone tip! (BH&NH-WA1)
- WQXR NY, New York 3/5 0610 fair w/wx, ment. of George Washington Bridge, EZL mx. (EH-WA) (Not classical mx?--NH)
- KWCO OK, Chickasha 3/3 2020 Chickasha-El Reno girls BKB game, ads for Yamaha & Gregory's Donut Emporium. Fair sig, dominant, little fading. (ØW-CO)
- KGHO WA, Hoquiam-Aberdeen 3/3 2045 good o/KIQS in KPNC null w/EZL, ID. (RW-CA)
- 1570 CHUB BC, Nanaimo 3/3 2047 way o/KCVR w/local spot, rr, very rarely hrd at SSS. (RW-CA)

1590 KBBQ CA, Ventura-Oxnard 2/12 0550 man playing Crash Craddock mx. Thought it was KNIX-1580 until I hrd the ID for co-channel KLIV! Fair, QRM from the real KDAY-1580, KLIV. (DP-HI5mob)
 KM TI UT, Manti 3/3 1945 fair in KBBQ null, w/slop from KDAY-1580 and KWOW-1600. "Next ABC news in 15 minutes, at 6," into spot for movie theater in Ephram. Promo for Gunnison Bulldogs game from Kanab, UT "Join us on K-M-T-I, Radio 16, as Gunnison Bulldogs go up against Kanab, live on KM TI, Radio 16." (JH-CA)

UNIDs:
 620 "FT" repeated over & over. (HP-AK)
 630 3/4 0353 fair to poor, way u/KHOW w/Best of Larry King Show. Looped NW. KOH? (AD-AZ)
 740 3/12 0345-0347 TT in KCBS null, then gone leaving only KCBS. (ASL)
 795 UnID mcw stn repeating "KB" over & over. (HP-AK)
 860 3/4 0610-0715 bagpipe mx & marching bands, w/occasional applause, like it was recorded at a parade! At one tune-in I thought I hrd somebody making a speech. Tuned back 0659 for more of same. At 0700 exactly the bagpipes faded down, and the stn went into pop-rock mx. Not any ID's or hint of any local matter, just nonstop mx! Who would air something like this? Looped north-south, average signal. XEMO? KTRB? CFPR? (BH-WA)
 890 UnID mcw stn repeating "T" over & over. (HP-AK)
 1250 3/3 2030 unID w/s/off ment. lkw non-directional u/KTMS. Most likely KDHI, or is KGBU, Florence, OR on the air? (RW-CA)
 1330 2/26 2043 in KPAC null, weak inst. SSE s/off. KCLM or KLOW? (JH)
 1400 3/9 0800 SSB s/on very weak in middle of the mess. Looped north. Poor. Faded out quickly. (JH-CA)
 1420 3/5 0902 unID o/u XEXX w/CBS nx, no sensible listing in Almanac. Looped NW/SE. KITI? (RW-CA)
 1490 3/8 0224 quick ID by DJ sounded like "149-KDM" or "149-KDN"? Pop mx, faded. (JH-CA)
 1580 3/4 0417 very strong, o/KNIX/KDAY/XEDM mess w/intermittent TT. Looped NE. KZIA? (AD-AZ)

Welcome to WDXR, Curt. We hope to hear from you often. Thanks to all who reported to WDXR this week. You all get a Penguin Pat!
 Happy Anniversary IRCA!!! ♡

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 THE TED VASILOPOULOS AWARD

Every year the International Radio Club of America presents the Ted Vasilopoulos Award to the person who has contributed the most to the club and the hobby. The award consists of a year's free membership in the IRCA and an engraved plaque. The winner is determined by a vote of the club membership.

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If you would like to nominate someone for this award, send his or her name and a short statement saying why you think they deserve to receive this award to this year's TWA Committee Chairman, Bruce Portzer, 6546 19th Avenue Northeast, Seattle, WA 98115. Please do this before May 1.

A ballot listing the nominees will appear in the June issue of DX Monitor, and the winner will be announced in August.

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Pan American DX Roundup

- 595 Dominica Roseau 2/25 0041 LA mx, SS talk, good. (GH-NY)
- 780 Honduras San Pedro Sula HRWN 2/29 0619 strong w/F DJ & ment's of S.P.S. (JBH-FL)
- 825 Panama Macaracas HOR56 2/25 0510, wild SS mx, "R. Peninsula" ID, exc. (GH-NY)
- 854 Peru Lima OAX4A 2/15 0314 EZL mx, "Begin The Beguine", fair. (GH-NY)
- 880 Guatemala Guatemala TGJ 3/1 0636 w/SID R. Nuevo Mundo. Noted regularly. (JBH-FL)
- 920 Colombia Cartagena HJAE 2/24 0403 accordion mx, "Emisora Fuentes" ID, fair. (GH-NY)
- 1163 Honduras El Paraiso HRF 2/26 1857 noted w/several 'El Paraiso' IDs, fair. (JBH-FL)
- 1460 Turks & Caicos Governors Beach 2/15 0200 "This is R. Turks & Caicos" ID, fair, over other stations. (George Hakiel-NY)

Trans Atlantic DX Roundup

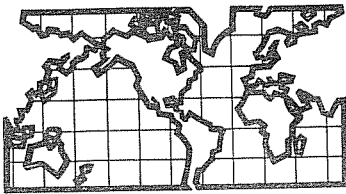
- 173 Morocco Nador 2/26 0735 loud & clr w/FF mx, US C&W song, FF anc. (Kaz-ME)
- 236 Luxembourg Junglinster 2/26 0622 loud & clr w/FF M&W into FF pop mx. (Kaz-ME)
- 531 Switzerland Beromunster 2/26 0550 fr-gd, w/530 Beacon QRM notched, w/instr mx, then GG anc, w/cx favoring Eur. Rather than usual Algerian. (Kaz)
- 567 Ireland Tullamore 2/26 0527 w/big OC o/unID w/talk in lang & pr-fr in slop later at 0633 w/EE talk, mx. (Kaz-ME)
- 594 Morocco Oujda 2/17 2355 in nicely w/FF net way o/595 het. (Kaz-ME)
- 603-t-Madeira? 2/18 2359-0007 believed to be stn taped here in superb N Afr area cx w/3 (or 4 w/last pip interrupted) long pips on the hour. PP male anc peaking pr-fr. Soft instr mx noted at 0015. Also strong carrier but too much QRN 2/22 0013 (France is hrd to 2300 s/off). Can anybody confirm the pips as Madeira? (Kaz-ME)
- 612-t-Ireland? 2/26 0530 presumed w/OC (like 567) looping towards the UK (not Morocco). Morocco was in after 0600 s/on but at 0702 I noted a SAH which faded leaving instr mx again looping to UK at 55 deg. All other Moroccans also faded out around 0700-0715. (Kaz-ME)
- 648 Gambia Bonto 2/22 0016 pr w/Afro rhythmic mx looping 100 deg. on later than usual 0000 s/off. Occ. hrd but suffers from QRN usually. (Kazaross-ME)
- 675 France Marseille 2/26 0037-9 pr-fr w/FF M ment "La Francais" in some WRKO slop, then into mx. (Kaz-ME)
- 693 unIDed 2/26 2355-0003 intr mx of moderate tempo, man in unIDed lang, no ptps or amts across the hour would rule out BBC; looped too far s anyway. (Kaz) w/WGN // 666. (Kaz-ME)
- 720 Portugal Norte-Azurara 2/25 2240 & 2/26 0025 loud & clear, mixed equally
- 729 unIDed 3/4 2307 carrier seemed just a few dB too weak to put audio past 730 domestic groundwave on the Bev's. I doubt Spain as usual pests 774, 855, 792, etc., were A'Ued totally out. I'm thinking Cape Town. (Kaz-ME)
- 756 Germany Braunschweig (FRG) 2/26 fr - vy gd w/nice, soft instr mx 'til 0600 when 6 pips (like BBC's but higher pitched) then GG W anc, & M w/nx. (Kaz)
- 765 Senegal Dakar 2/15 2232 vern talk w/plunkety-plunk mx, exc. (GH-NY)
- 765 Switzerland Sottens 2/26 0512 fr w/FF M; this is almost never hrd at SS here due to Senegal. (Kaz-ME)
- 774 Morocco Agadii 2/21 2252 // 702 w/Network C pgmg mixed w/usual Spanish dominant, fair. (Kaz-ME)
- 783 Portugal/East Germany 2/26 0006 Miramar blasting in at s/off w/Portuguese NA then carrier cut leaving Burg which was also L&C, w/GG M anc, mx, 0015. (Kaz)
- 836 Azores Ponta Delgada 2/26 0803-0805 pr-fr w/nx in PP fol'd by what sounded like Radiodifusao Portuguesa ID by M. Hetted by 837 Can. Isl. which faded by 0815 while more westerly 836 lasted 'til 0830. (Kaz-ME)
- 846 Italy Roma 3/5 0227 gd w/nice, romantic II mx w/some WHDH slop. (Kaz-ME)
- 864 France Paris 2/26 0604 fr w/church mx // 837. (Kaz-ME)
- 954 Spain Madrid 2/25 2321 fr w/SS talk thru abnormally high slop (Kaz-ME)
- 963 International Waters R. Caroline 2/26 0458 nabbed w/US rock then EE anc w/two R. Caroline ment's, then pop oldie 'til 0509; pr-gd sig. (Kaz-ME)

- 999 Spain Madrid 2/25 2303 well o/998 het from Morocco which often is dominant here, and in some slop from WCFL/CFLP on 1000. Fr w/pop mx & SS talk & gd for a while at 2323. (Kaz-ME)
- 999 unDed 2/25 2325 (possibly Southampton) sd/1k Brit. EE W mixing in w/Spain briefly; didn't seem to be coming from adjacent 1000 stns. (Kaz-ME)
- 1008 Netherlands Flevoland 2/26 0518 fr w/DD talk thru some 1010 slop. (Kaz-ME)
- 1008-t-Upper Volta Bobo-Dioulasso 3/4 2257-2259 suspected peaking pr-fr w/accented FF talk, fade into ZYH625 slop. AU cx w/no TA's in N of 90 deg. (Kaz-ME)
- 1071 France Synchros 2/26 0615-8 fr w/FF M&W // local-like 164 w/1070 notched. (Kaz-ME)
- 1107 Egypt Batra 2/21 0310 pr w/AA chants o/low growl as this is still slightly below 1107. (Kaz-ME)
- 1116 Italy Bari et al 2/26 0520 pr w/II talk by M. (Kaz-ME)
- 1179 Spain 2/26 2155 one of the many SS stns on this channel noted pr w/SS nx & up to fr w/SS nx ment. "Valencia" 3 times at 2243. (Kaz-ME)
- 1206-t-Sierra Leone Goderich 3/4 2325-2330 suspected w/mx & talk during exc Afr cx (Bordeaux s/off is 2300). Heavy distant storm QRN obscured lang ident. (Kaz-M)
- 1224 Senegal Ziguinchor 3/3 2326 peaking vg-exc w/nice tribal Afr singing & then talk between 2 men in vern; no QRM or slop. (Kaz-ME)
- 1314 unDed TA sig here 3/4 2300 on Afro Beverages; dropped out thereafter. (Kaz-ME)
- 1349 Mauritania Nouakchott 3/3 2314 absolutely local-like w/AA nx & just as good 3/4 rendering 1350 completely useless. Pinning S-meter forcefully. (Kaz-ME)
- 1367 Angola Luanda 3/3 2330-2355 this off-freq teaser caught // 944 in & out to gd peaks w/mx. I'm not sure if always // as this is 1st time I've had both in at once. (Kaz-ME)
- 1394 unDed 3/4 het/carrier here continued a bit past 0000; I'll bet Azores or Togo---any Eur-Afr members know? (Kaz-ME)
- 1395 Albania Lushnje 2/23 2235 first TA in tonight, FF talk, gd. (GH-NY)
- 1422 West Germany Saarbrucken 2/21 0328 Polka mx, GG talk, good. (GH-NY)
- 1475.1 Benin Cotonou 3/4 2250-2252 pr // 4870 w/mx. This is likely stat stn Hakiel & I have been chasing all season around this old-plan channel. (Kaz-ME)
- 1502 Togo Kara 3/3 2230-2305 this off-freq unDed finally pinned down // & better than 3222 SW. Acc FF anc & NA at s/off, carrier cut 2305. (Kaz)
- 1503 Senegal Tambacounda 3/3 2305 hrd reasonably well after Togo-1502 s/off. w/African mx & anc in vern; AU cx zapped Spain-1503 & usual WTOP. (Kaz-ME)
- 1512 Belgium Wolvertem 2/22 0628 rock mx, Flem tlk? fair. (GH-NY)
- 1554 Gabon Melene 3/4 2255 fr w/Cayman het notched; w/accented FF talk after mx. (Kaz)
- 1593 West Germany Langenberg 2/21 0349 pop mx, GG talk, good. (GH-NY)
- 1602 Spain graveyards 2/14 0509 SS talk, poor. (GH-NY)
- 1602 unDed carrier in WUNR slop 3/4 2247 in Afro cx. (Kaz-ME)
- 1611 Vatican Vatican City 2/14 0555 FF talk by M&W, celeste IS, fair. (GH-NY)

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DX WORLDWIDE - WEST

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HAPPY ANNIVERSARY IRCA!!! Here we are another year older and another year better. One thing I can say is that IRCA is like a good wine, it improves with age. I was hoping a fat turnout this week, but only a couple reports. I guess DX Conditions do not care about Anniversaries. hi. I heard a few DUs, nothing too exciting. So on with reports.

TRANS-PACIFIC DX ROUNDUP

- 550 HAWAII, Wailuku-KMVI s/off w/SSB sung in Hawaiian at 1000 2/6, ann. s/on at 0430 HST (1430 UTC) Good. (AWP-Ca)
- 558 FIJI, Suva-Radio Fiji 1 hrd good w/YL in EE/Fijian with US Pop mx 0650 on 3/12. (PM-Or)
- 576 AUSTRALIA, Sydney-2FC fair w/Clas. mx in passing at 0917-3/12. (PM-Or)
- 603 AUSTRALIA, Hobart-7ZL fair w/ABC nx at 1000 on 3/12. (PM-Or)
- 621 TUVALU. weak w/OM in Tuvaluan and Island mx, lots of KIPA splash from 620, at 0755 on 3/12. (PM-Or)
- 648 AMERICAN SAMOA, Pago Pago-WVUV-weak w/KORL slop and US Pops at 0730 on 3/12 (PM-Or)
- 666 NEW CALEDONIA, Noumea-FR3 weak w/OM in FF at 0840 on 3/12. (PM-Or)
- 675 NEW ZEALAND, Christchurch-3YA, fair w/NX at 0902 on 3/12. (PM-Or)
- 1040 HAWAII, Honolulu-KIFH- sorry I reported this as KISH, but F and S do sound alike. Hrd reg. w/non stop Rel. mx and pgms.
+Also hrd 3/9 at 0559, YL in Hawaiian nx, 0559 1/2 wx ending "K-I-F-H nx, 8:00 straight up" Then contemp. Christian mx. Good slight WHO nulled. Ex-KPOL. Thx to Brock Whaley who phoned Tuesday Night, who said KIFH signed on at 1100 UTC Monday 3/5, and is 24 hr. NSP. (BH-Wa)
+Also noted 3/9 at 0558, end of Hawaiian nx, 0559 wx, w/call letters given at end of TC. Into Rel. mx, good w/WHO nulled. (NH-Wa)
- 1575 PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA, Wenzhou-pips at 1200 1/23, then fair to 1210 w/break mx, slop from 1580. (AWP-Ca)

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FRG-7, LW Converter, R. West loop, 300' LW, Ant. tuner(Grove)
- PM-Or Yer Editor
SP-600JX, 200' Term. LW running NE, (2) 1500' E. Bev., Ground system

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LARRY KING SHOW		Thanks to Linda Radovich at Mutual Radio.	
Update to IRCA Almanac, 3rd edition, pages 62-63.			
550	KCRS-TX	980	WCAP-MA
560	WGAN-ME		WTRY-NY
	WIS--SC		WPHG-VA
570	WPLP-FL		WCUB-WI
	WKYX-KY	990	KGFM-TX
	WSYR-NY	1000	WCFL-IL
	KVI--WA j		KTOK-OK
580	WIBW-KS%		WVWI-VI
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	WMT--IA	1230	WTBC-AL
	WREC-TN		KPRD-CA
	KTBB-TX		WONN-FL
610	WSNG-CT		WSBB-FL
	KDAL-MN		WTH-MD
620	KTAR-AZ k		WBZA-NY
	KMNS-IA		WCWA-OH
630	WLAP-KY		KVAS-OR
	WMFD-NC		WEEEX-PA
	KOH--NV k		WKBO-PA
	WPRO-RI		WERI-RI
660	KFAR-AK ¹		KOZI-WA
680	WRKO-MA	1240	WTKN-FL
	WPTF-NC		WMMB-FL
	WCAW-WV		WDUN-GA
710	WKRQ-AL		WTPA-VA
	WGBS-FL		WTAX-IL
	KEEL-LA		WJON-MN
	WOR--NY		KFOR-NE
	KGNC-TX		WHUM-PA p
740	KCBS-CA k	1250	KTMS-CA a
	WKIS-FL		KBRF-MN
	KRMG-OK		WKBR-NH
	KTRH-TX		WTMA-SC
760	KGU--HI a		WEMP-WI
770	KOB--NM i	1260	KROX-MN
790	WSGW-MI	1270	KCOK-CA
	WTAR-VA		WNOG-FL
810	KCMO-MO		WTNT-FL
850	KGOE-CA		WXYZ-MI
910	WFDL-MI	1280	WMRO-IL i
	WPFB-OH		WGBF-IN f
920	KARN-AR		KDYL-UT
	WGST-GA	1290	WTMC-FL
	KXLY-WA		WWSA-GA
930	KIUP-CO c		WHKY-NC
	WSOC-NC		WFIG-SC
	WBEN-NY	1300	KYNO-CA
	KLLS-TX		WERE-OH
940	KNST-AZ	1310	KFKA-CO c
	WMAZ-GA		WICH-CT
	WMIX-IL		KOKX-IA
950	KRSI-MN		KNOX-ND
	WSPA-SC		KAAM-TX
960	WELI-CT		WIBA-WI
	WRFC-GA	1320	WQIK-FL
	WFIR-VA		WAMR-FL
970	KIAK-AK ¹ m		WILS-MI
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			WJQS-MS
			WRAK-PA
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			WRMN-IL
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			WING-OH
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			WIZM-WI
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			WCLI-NY
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			WLEC-OH
			WJPA-PA
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			WBDJ-IN
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			WNEZ-SC
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			WCLT-OH
			101.5
			WPIQ-GA
			WFVA-VA
			101.7
			WVCC-PA
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			WSEG-PA
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			WPAY-OH
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			WRLO-WI
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			WIOZ-NC
			KCEL-OR
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			WANJ-WV
			FM freq unknown:
			WINQ Winchendon MA
			WQNY Ithaca NY
			WQKT Wooster OH
			Airtime symbols
			same as Almanac:
			a - 0006-0300
			b - 0006-0400
			c - 0006-0500
			d - 0006-0800
			e - 0106-0300
			f - 0106-0630
			g - 0106-0700
			h - 0206-0600
			i - 0206-0700
			j - 0206-0800
			k - 0306-0800
			p - Mon.-Sat.

1. Both KFAR-660 & KIAK-970 listed for Fairbanks. 45

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SATELLITE MUSIC NETWORK

Update to IRCA Almanac, 3rd edition, pages 67-68.

In the basic article on SMN on page 67, there are some basic revisions worth noting. SMN newscasts are on the satellite hourly from 0600 to 2200 Eastern time daily. The country format has a 5-minute newscast with a breakaway cue at 1½ minutes. The StarStation and StarDust formats simulcast a 3-minute newscast with a breakaway cue at "2 minutes past." This is followed by an "optional break" music fill till :06:30 on StarStation and till :06:00 on StarDust.

From 2300 till 0500 daily there are no newscasts on the SMN feeds, but the country format has a "rejoin" cue at exactly :05:00, and StarDust has one at exactly :06:00. StarStation does not allow for exactly-timed news during the overnight hours.

There is now only one "mandatory break" per hour, around half past each hour. It is 2:20 long (with 5-second ID) on all feeds.

Besides the hourly news break mentioned above, there are "optional breaks" at approximately 20, 40, and 50 minutes past each hour. Breaks are either 3 or 3½ minutes long. Each optional break ends with now 5 seconds (rather than 10) for the local jingle or ID. The hourly legal ID is now also 5 seconds, coming at exactly :59:55.

Here are revised station listings for each SMN service, current to mid-1983:

COUNTRY COAST TO COAST

570 KCNO-CA*	1050 WCMS-VA*	1250 KUUK-AZ*	1430 KALV-OK
850 WJAC-PA	1060 WALD-SC*	1260 WIBV-IL	1450 WKXJ-KY
860 WHRT-AL*	1070 WNOT-NC	1270 WBIC-IL	WTHU-MD
900 WNYN-OH*	1080 KJEL-MO*	1290 KDMS-AR*	1460 KDON-CA
920 WTND-SC*	1130 WKED-KY*	1320 WAGF-AL	1490 WKCG-FL
950 KKIC-ID*	1150 KIXC-TX*	1340 KTEO-TX	KBIX-OK
KRSI-MN	1170 KCBQ-CA	1350 WANC-NC*	1500 KTOL-WA*
KNFT-NM*	1190 WSGI-TN*	1360 KBUX-TX	1530 WFIC-VA*
980 WKLM-NC	1220 WSCR-CT*	1380 KSRV-OR	1540 WYNC-NC*
990 KXLA-LA*	1230 KLRR-CO#	WTNN-TN*	1560 KXXA-AR*
1000 WIFX-KY*	1240 WINN-KY	1400 WFPA-AL	WPAD-KY
KXRB-SD*	WBAX-PA	WMBC-MS	KKAA-SD
	WBEJ-TN	WPOR-MS	

STARSTATION (adult contemporary popular music)

680 WCTT-KY	1130 KAAB-AR*	1270 WSPR-MA	1410 WIQR-AL
700 KBYR-AK	WCBX-NC*	WVES-VA*	WELM-NY
780 KROW-NV	1230 WALL-MD	1280 WSUX-DE*	WOTT-NY
910 WALT-MS	1240 KENZ-CA	1330 WKEA-AL*	1450 WMOH-OH
970 KHVY-CA	WCOU-ME	1340 KPTOW-OK	WMYB-SC
WAMD-MD	WMPA-MS	KWWW-WA	1490 KBAS-AZ
1010 WPYK-AL*	WFTN-NH	1370 WAXE-FL*	1500 WLXR-SC*
WPGC-PA*	WKOY-WV	1380 WTVR-VA	1510 KOSC-MO*
1060 KGFY-SD	1260 WELL-MI	1400 WQXO-MI	1600 WAAM-MI
1100 WGPA-PA*			KBOR-TX

STARDUST (nostalgia music 1930's thru 1960's, some big bands)

690 WAPE-FL	1230 KFPW-AR	1390 WEAM-VA	1520 KYXI-OR
880 KIXI-WA	KPRL-CA	1420 WACK-NY	1530 KCMN-CO*
920 WOKY-WI	1340 KICK-MO	1460 KDON-CA	1550 WCHU-TN*
950 WHVW-NY*	WNCO-OH	1480 WTHI-IN	1570 KLLA-LA*
1010 WMEV-VA*	KKAM-TX	1490 WBND-MS	1580 WBEE-KY*
1050 KCCO-OK*	1360 KQIZ-TX*	1510 WMRE-MA	1590 WDNH-PA*
1130 WBZT-PA*	1370 WKMC-PA*		

On Jan. 1, 1984, SMN started up a fourth service via satellite, known to the trade as "Rock America." It featured a "contemporary hit radio" format (hot top 40 rock hits) and one-minute newscasts. Obviously it's aimed at the FM band, and so far no reports of any AM stations using it.

 This Almanac Updater is designed to update the "IRCA Almanac," available from the IRCA Goodie Factory, 1422 W. 5th St., Tempe, Arizona, 85281. Price is \$5.50 for IRCA/NRC members in the U.S. and Canada, or \$6.50 for non-members. Foreign orders, add \$2 extra. Also specify your choice of comb-bound or looseleaf (unbound). Looseleaf works especially well with these updaters in DX Monitor! --Bill Hardy.

IRCA Almanac Updater #3.1

MUSIC OF YOUR LIFE

Update to IRCA Almanac, 3rd edition, pages 68-69.

This list of official clients is current to Feb. 1984 (including such recent changes as KYTE-970 replacing KUPL-1330 as MYL station in Portland, Oregon). These are the only stations officially permitted to use the copyrighted phrase "Music of Your Life" on the air. Thanks to Steve Bourassa of Al Ham Productions, Inc. for the listing.

570	KLUB-UT	1150	KPRZ-CA	1340	KZNG-AR	1470	KXOA-CA
590	WRTH-IL		KDEF-NM		KOMY-CA		WBIG-NC
600	WREC-TN		WCUE-OH		WROD-FL	1480	WKOA-KY*
620	WDNC-NC	1160	WJJD-IL		WCMI-KY		WLEE-VA%
	WLFF-SC*	1170	WAMB-TN*		WAAV-NC	1490	KRTS-CA
630	KIDO-ID	1190	WREM-FL*		WRAW-PA		WSIR-FL
	WEJL-PA*		KJLA-MO	1360	KLFF-AZ		WARK-MD
650	KORL-HI		WERU-WI*	1370	KGEM-CA*		WMBR-SC
680	WINR-NY	1200	WFAI-NC (CP from 1230)	1380	KAUL-AR*		WOPI-TN
690	WCKK-WI*			1390	WF1W-IL*	1500	WGUL-FL*
730	WVGO-MI#1	1220	WKTF-FL*		WFZB-MS*	1510	WNMB-FL*
	WPXK-VA*	1230	KPFW-AR		WFBL-NY		WPUT-NY*
740	WMBG-VA*		WITH-MD	1400	WSTC-CT		KMND-TX*
800	KREI-MO*		WNEB-MA		WIRA-FL	1520	KOLM-MN*
870	KJIM-TX#2		WECK-NY		WSGA-GA	1530	WCTR-MD*
920	WKRT-NY		WFAI-NC (CP to 1200)		KLBB-MN	1540	WMYF-NH*
	WOKY-WI				WABY-NY	1550	WCHU-TN*
930	WMYL-NY*		WMLX-OH		WHBG-PA		KXXR-WA
	KCCW-TX		WJOY-VT		WKWK-WV	1570	CHLO-ON
	WLLL-VA*	1240	KSMA-CA	1410	KDBS-LA*	1580	KXRK-IA*
950	WHVW-NY*		KAKZ-KS		WXQT-MI*	1590	KLIV-CA
960	WJCM-FL*		WTIP-WV		WDOB-NY		WQQW-CT
970	WYNZ-ME	1260	WCRT-AL&	1420	KOOO-NE*		WTRF-WI&
	KYTE-OR		WBBG-OH		WRMV-NY*	1600	KVRD-AZ*
	WBLF-PA*		KQSA-TX*		WLNA-NY		WKWF-FL
	KXTP-WI*	1270	WLLF-AL*	1430	KEZW-CO		-FM:→
980	WSUB-CT*		WVOY-MI		WXKS-MA&	94.3	WNJY-FL
	WOAM-MI*		KFJZ-TX ²		KLO--UT	101.5	C FMP-ON
990	KBLS-CA*		WTJZ-VA		CJCL-ON	101.7	WWZE-PA
	WLKW-RI*	1280	WWVZ-FL*	1450	WTAL-FL	104.1	WWG-G-GA
1000	KMLO-CA	1300	WAVZ-CT		WAFX-IN	106.3	WCQO-PA
	WIQT-NY*		WGRC-NY*		WXVW-IN	107.9	CING-ON
1050	WLYC-PA*		WSSG-NC*		WMAS-MA		
1060	WAMT-FL		KBBJ-OK		KNSI-MN		
1080	WJYI-GA*	1310	WMLF-IN		WEYZ-PA		
1100	WHLI-NY*	1320	WLQY-FL		KEYY-UT		
1110	WUHN-MA*		KQDQ-OR*	1460	KQTE-CA*		
			WKAP-PA		KKOY-KS*		
			WJAS-PA		WJAK-TN*		

MYSTERIES AND DISCREPANCIES:

1. Latest list of MYL updaters says "WVGO-AM 1580"! Original MYL list puts WVGO on its assigned frequency of 730. However, there is a WQTK-1580 in St. Johns, Michigan, about 20 miles north of Lansing.
2. Latest update for Dallas, Texas says "KFJZ-AM 870 Dallas (KJIM)." KJIM is on 870 and was the original MYL there, then later KFJZ-1270 Fort Worth took it up. So either KJIM-870 or KFJZ-1270 is the right station for this listing.
3. Basic list shows "WYLF-AM 95.1," Rochester N.Y. Don't know if this is a typo for WBBF-950 AM Rochester, or some FM station (none is shown on 95.1 in or around Rochester).

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