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**Dues Increase** - The IRCA Board of Directors has approved a dues increase from the previous \$20 for U.S. members to \$25. Other rates may be found on the back page of the bulletin. Please be sure and mail all new memberships, renewals, sample copy requests and changes of address to IRCA, 6059 Essex St., Riverside, CA 92504.

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**Your Address Label** - Because a completely new system is being used to prepare your address labels and keep track of expiration dates, it is important you check your name and address on your bulletin label to make certain it is completely accurate. Also, please verify we have credited any renewal you may have sent in through August 1. If you know your 9-digit ZIP code, please let the club know. Also, if you would like the club's annual membership list (soon to be available on request for a SASE) to include your phone number, please include that info and specify you wish it added to the list.

**IRCA Almanac** - Contrary to info last month, the 5th Edition of the IRCA AM/FM Almanac will be published in October 1989 according to current schedule. All orders should now be sent to: IRCA Goodie Factory, Attn: Ralph Sangerino - Almanac Order, 11300 Magnolia Ave., #43, Riverside, CA 92505. The new prices eff. August 1, 1989, until further notice are: \$12 for IRCA members in the U.S., \$13 Canada and surface mail overseas, \$14.50 airmail overseas.

**Filler Material** - This issue requires holding of additional pages of Eastern and Western DX Forum, 2 pages of Sports Centre, Verification Signers, and numerous newspaper clippings and articles. As much as magazine and newspaper clippings will continue to be appreciated, please mail them only with the understanding that IRCA, in order to conserve space and money, will use few if any items in the bulletin. Anything you do send for publication should either be very sharp, dark, and legible, or should be able to be re-typed. Most newspaper clippings are hard to reproduce well; color photographs are impossible without expensive half-toning.

**NYC Mini-convention** - Karl Zuk, IRCA President: "In an effort to bring some club spirit to the east coast, I would like to know if anyone would be interested in a get-together in NYC in the late summer, or September. We would probably meet around noon, at Lincoln Center in NYC, have a chow-down lunch and then two-bit tours of ABC TV, if you like. If you would like to attend, tell me what your date preferences are and I will try to get the most of us together at a mutual time. This event will occur with a minimum of two members (me included) so don't hesitate! Write today! We can even visit IRCA member Dave Alpert at ABC Radio Network! A good time is guaranteed for all! You can call me at work, at your own risk. I will be working, I think, 8am to 4pm Eastern time during the month of August. I can be reached at 1-800-221-7386, ext. 4539. Realize that I am at work, but if I have time, I will be glad to chat with you for awhile. Otherwise, write me at address" on the back of the bulletin. -KZ

# BROADCASTING INFORMATION

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 Deadlines: 8/26, 9/30, 10/28 etc. \* \* \* compiled 08/01/89

Congratulations and thanks to bp for so many years of dedication and a job well done!

## NEW STATIONS

<u>call</u>	<u>KHz</u>	<u>power/antenna</u>	<u>state/city</u>
KQSR 660	5000/5000	DA-2 ND WILLISTON	requests extension of time
KKJZ 700	330/	ND-D CA SOLEDAD	granted extension of time
new 730	700/500	DA-2 NV SUN VALLEY	new station app. granted
WAFK 760	5000/1000	DA-2 AL SARALAND	granted reinstatement of exp. CP
WCTG 840	50000/	DA-D SC COLUMBIA	granted extension of time
new 870	3000/	ND-D MO SPRINGFIELD	application returned
new 1030	10000/1000	DA-2 AZ CORTARO	new station reapplication
KKVV 1060	5000/	DA-D NV LAS VEGAS	granted new xmtr location
WJOK 1120	500/	ND-D AL HOBSON CITY	requests extension of time
new 1120	1000/	ND-D DC WASHINGTON	application vs. WUST dismissed
KOFK 1130	5000/	ND-D NM MILAN	granted changes in antenna system
WKWA 1160	10000/1000	DA-N AL MOBILE	granted new xmtr location
WVNV 1160	10000/2500	DA-2 NJ OAKLAND	requests extension of time
WPIE 1160	1000/500	DA-2 NY TRUMANSBURG	granted extension of time
WCBX 1160	500/250	DA-2 VA FIELDALE	granted reinstatement of exp. CP
WKFL 1170	1000/	ND-D FL BUSHNELL	on the air or should be soon
KCPC 1200	5000/1000	DA-2 CA RANCHO MIRAGE	granted extension of time
WOPA 1200	10000/2500	DA-2 IL CHICAGO	requests extension of time
WWRJ 1200	25000/1000	DA-N SC HOLLYWOOD	granted reinstatement of expired CP, granted move to James Island SC
WWNH 1340	1000/1000	ND NH MADBURY	on the air or should be shortly
KHNC 1360	500/	DA-D CO JOHNSTOWN	dismissed app. for 530 w nights

## CHANGES IN EXISTING FACILITIES

<u>call</u>	<u>KHz</u>	<u>power/antenna</u>	<u>state/city</u>
KHDL 630	1000/32	DA-1 WA OPPORTUNITY	applies for 840 KHz; 50000/ w
WAEB 790	1000/5000	DA-2 PA ALLENTOWN	granted 3800 w days
WNIS 850	5000/1000	DA-2 VA NORFOLK	granted 50000/25000 w DA-2
KVVA 860	1000/1000	DA-N AZ PHOENIX	dismissed app for 10000 w day DA-2
KZLX 860	50000/196	ND UT SALT LAKE CITY	granted 10000 w days
KBBI 890	10000/10000	ND AK HOMER	granted 10000 w xmtr output power
WILC 900	1000/40	DA-1 MD LAUREL	granted 2400 w days
WORD 910	5000/1000	DA-2 SC SPARTANBURG	applies for 3600/890 w
WAUR 930	2500/2200	DA-2 IL SANDWICH	applies for 4200 w nights
KRHS 1000	1000/	ND-D AZ BULLHEAD CITY	granted 5000 w days
KCFA 1020	10000/10000	DA-1 AK EAGLE RIVER	dismissed app. for ND antenna
KPBC 1040	1000/	ND-D TX	granted move to Garland TX, 770 KHz, 10000 w days, 1000 w nights, DA-2 (this confirms KBEC-1390's CP to move to 770 KHz is dead.)
WTWZ 1120	2500/	ND-D MS CLINTON	granted 5000 w days, 2500 w cr. hr
WAVS 1170	5000/500	DA-2 FL DAVIE	applies for DA-N
WMLX 1180	1000/	DA-D KY FLORENCE	wants 1160 KHz; 5000/1000 w DA-2
WSML 1190	1000/	DA-D NC GRAHAM	granted new xmtr locn for 1200 KHz
KYOO 1200	25000/	ND-D MO BOLIVAR	granted 1000 w ND days
KLIP 1220	250/	ND-D CA FOWLER	requests yet another extension of time for move to 1210 KHz
WMUU 1260	5000/	ND-D SC GREENVILLE	applies for 5000 w days (?)
WFHM 1270	500/	DA-D NJ VINELAND	granted 360/210 w
WWES 1270	1000/	ND-D VA HOT SPRINGS	returned app. for 5000 w days
WMNE 1360	1000/	ND-D WI MENOMONIE	granted reinstatement of CP for 870 KHz; not sure what this does to 880 app.
KOBO 1450	500/500	ND CA YUBA CITY	applies for 1000 w nights
WFSR 1470	5000/	ND-D KY HARLAN	returned app. for move to 970 KHz
KLAY 1480	1000/	DA-D WA LAKEWOOD CENTER	granted extension of time for move to 1180 KHz, 2400/1000 w DA-N
WMOG 1490	1000/1000	ND GA BRUNSWICK	applies for 600/600 w ND
WWBC 1510	1000/	ND-D FL COCOA	wants new xmtr locn for 770 KHz CP
WAMW 1580	250/250	ND IN WASHINGTON	applies for 500 w days
WGRY 1590	1000/	DA-D MI GRAYLING	granted 1230 KHz, 750/750 w ND
KSSA 1600	5000/1000	DA-N TX PLANO	applies for 930 w nights

### CALL LETTER CHANGES

( \$ means change accompanies a station sale; \* check for format info)

WFIL	560	PA	Philadelphia	WEAZ	KUTR	860	UT	Salt Lake City	* KLZY
WPBD	640	GA	Atlanta	\$* WGST	KPRM	870	MN	Park Rapids	KDKK
WJYL	680	KY	Newburg	WLSY	WGST	920	GA	Atlanta	\$* WAFS
WGID	680	TN	Memphis	* WODZ	KBEQ	1030	MO	Blue Springs	* KBZR
WAPE	690	FL	Jacksonville	\$* WJKF	KVRE	1150	CA	Santa Rosa	* KRVE
WVIC	730	MI	East Lansing	* WAAP	KASY	1210	WA	Auburn	\$* KBSG
WWAM	770	FL	North Ft. Myers	*WZRQ	WCFS	1260	CT	Westport	* WMMM
WYNR	790	GA	Louisville	\$* WPIQ	WPKO	1390	OH	Bellefontaine	* WBLL
WVEZ	790	KY	Louisville	\$* WKKY	WXTC	1390	SC	Charleston	WZKG

(not WWKY as listed last month)

If you hear a new call that's not in your logbook, don't assume you heard wrong - the FCC's publication of call letter changes has been in shambles for several months now, and it's a fair guess that a number of changes have happened that haven't been reported anywhere. The FCC says it's (ha, ha) working on the problem - in the meantime, if you hear something different, please report it so the rest of us will know!

### FORMAT CHANGES

#### call KHz state/city

KKGO	540	CA	HESPERIA	after enough flip/flops to do a trampoline artist proud, they're back on air & say they'll stay all jazz // FM
WEAZ	560	PA	PHILADELPHIA	was WFIL, satellite oldies, now soft AC // FM
WMCA	570	NY	NEW YORK	was news/talk/business, now all business 0500-2000
WGST	640	GA	ATLANTA	was WPBD, finally changes calls to match all-nx fmt
WODZ	680	TN	MEMPHIS	was WGID, remains rock oldies
WJKF	690	FL	JACKSONVILLE	was WAPE, CHR // FM, now rock oldies, talk
WWII	720	PA	SHIREMANSTOWN	was adult contemp., now FBN business news
WAAP	730	MI	EAST LANSING	was WVIC, remains CHR // FM
WWAX	750	PA	OLYPHANT	was AC/oldies, adds BRN business news
WZRZ	770	FL	NORTH FORT MYERS	was WWAM, rock oldies, now SMN Z-Rock (in the heart of the Sun Coast retirement area - smooth move!)
WPIQ	790	GA	BRUNSWICK	was WYNR, remains rock oldies
WKKY	790	KY	LOUISVILLE	was WVEZ, soft AC, now country
KABN	830	AK	LONG ISLAND	was rock oldies to Anchorage, now silent
WLND	830	OH	CORTLAND	was religion, now rock oldies
KLZX	860	UT	SALT LAKE CITY	was KUTR, religious, now classic rock // FM
KALT	900	TX	ATLANTA	was country, religion, now EZ & religion // FM
WAFS	920	GA	ATLANTA	was WGST, news // 640, finally relgs w/new owners
WHYL	960	PA	CARLISLE	was country // FM, now Music of Your Life ad. stds
KBZR	1030	MO	KANSAS CITY	was KBEQ, CHR // FM, now SMN Z-Rock heavy metal
WKGQ	1060	GA	MILLEDGEVILLE	was adult contemporary, now CHR // FM
KPHD	1140	TX	CONROE	was KPHD, silent, back on with country
KRVE	1150	CA	SANTA ROSA	was KVRE, AC/AOR, now silent (Wien-CA)
WELX	1160	FL	CALLAHAN	new, BRN business news to Jacksonville
KBSG	1210	WA	AUBURN	was KASY, AC/oldies, now rock oldies // FM
WBPZ	1230	PA	LOCK HAVEN	was local AC, now SMN satellite adult contemp.
WMMM	1260	CT	WESTPORT	was WCFS, now FBN business news (Fitzherbert-CT)
WSSG	1300	NC	GOLDSBORO	was adult standards, now temporarily silent
WGKR	1310	FL	PERRY	station owners bought WPRY-1400 and have dismantled this station and returned its license to the FCC. Delete it.
WGSA	1310	PA	EPHRATA	was adult contemporary, now CHR "Thunder 1310"
WYOM	1340	PA	WILKES-BARRE	was country, to be religion // WSCR-1320
WYER	1360	IL	MOUNT CARMEL	was talk, now automated country again
WWBZ	1360	NJ	VINELAND	was silent, back on w/talk
KMAP	1370	MN	SOUTH ST. PAUL	was black, now silent yet again
WBLL	1390	OH	BELLEFONTAINE	was WPKO, remains country
WPRY	1400	FL	PERRY	was CHR, now SMN country
WBSR	1450	FL	PENSACOLA	was soft AC, now mix of AC, jazz & new age
WCMB	1460	PA	HARRISBURG	rock oldies, drops evening Talknet
KBST	1490	TX	BIG SPRING	was adult standards, now CHR // FM
WHBT	1510	MI	JACKSON	was WJCO, rock oldies, now country
KQXY	1510	TX	NEDERLAND	was KDVE, religion, now easy listening
WRKT	1530	PA	NORTH EAST	was WHYP, All Beatles // FM (for about a month), now Classic Rock AOR oldies (to Erie) // FM
WJPJ	1530	TN	HUNTINGDON	was country, gospel, reported silent
WAAJ	1550	AL	HUNTSVILLE	was WAAY, silent, now gospel
KTSS	1580	IA	DAVENPORT	was AOR // KFMM-FM, now religious
WKBJ	1600	TN	MILAN	was country, religion, now adult standards

No, really... "Thunder 1310"... honest... would I invent THAT? And can any of those poor announcers say "69 WJKF" with a straight face?

### TRIVIA QUESTION OF THE MONTH

Someone suggests that one of the easternmost "K" calls should be KTGG-1540 Spring Arbor MI. Has anyone actually confirmed that these are the correct calls for this station (rather than, say, WTGG)? I've never noticed "KTGG" as reported on air, so I've avoided guessing exactly how the FCC screwed up - in typoing the calls or actually assigning them. And, another chance for someone to correct me - but so far as I know, the answer to last month's question on defunct shared time stations is that when WREN-1250 Topeka KS went off the air several months ago, they took KFKU-1250 Lawrence KS with them.

Back to more easily quantifiable trivia: old call letters! I've always been fascinated by three-letter calls, especially as these last remnants of early radio get picked off by short-sighted owners looking for a new ID with a Z or Q in it... California has as many remaining AM three letter calls as any state - six. They are: KMJ Fresno; KXO El Centro; KFI Los Angeles; KGO San Francisco; KDB Santa Barbara; and KWG Stockton. Twenty years ago, California had nine. And another state had eleven. Name the other state, the eleven stations, and, oh yeah, the three stns CA lost. Bonus Question: three of the Californians have an attribute possessed by no other three-letter calls in the country. What is it? Another Bonus Question: one other state still has six three-letter calls, and hasn't lost any in twenty years! What state? What stations?

### PROPOSED STATION SALES (\* means check the format listings for more info)

WWFE-670-FL (still not on air), WOR-710-NY, KBRV-790-ID (now silent), WJLT-810-VA, KSGI-900-KS, WKAJ-900-NY, WAFS-920-GA, WRXJ-930-FL, WWIC-1050-AL, WAMT-1060-FL, KBGN-1060-ID, KFIT-1060-TX, WHYZ-1070-SC, KMRR-1330-AZ, WNYM-1330-NY, WGN-1340-TN, WCHI-1350-OH, KSCJ-1360-IA, WTBL-1380-KY, WSIC-1400-NC, WOC-1420-IA, KBLZ-1420-TX, WHDL-1450-NY, WNOS-1450-NC, WCMB-1460-PA, WAPG-1480-FL, WAJF-1490-AL, WZOR-1490-FL, WOMI-1490-KY, KJIN-1490-LA, WICY-1490-NY, WGFT-1500-OH, WWHN-1510-IL, KLEX-1570-MO, WRHD-1570-NY, WCBG-1590-PA (now silent)

**STATION SALES THAT FAILED:** WSVS-800-VA, WWRJ-1200-SC (unbuilt CP), WHCC-1400-NC

**MISCELLANEOUS NOTES:** After two years of lobbying, Capitol Cities/ABC has been granted an FCC waiver to keep its AM/FM/TV combinations in New York, Chicago, San Francisco and Los Angeles. The sale of WHDH-850-MA to owners of a Boston TV station has also been approved. Corporations without enormous wads of money have generally been required to spin off one or more properties when they buy grandfathered combination stations, but the FCC has backed off from this policy recently. As you may have noticed in the formats section, the FCC has also backed away almost entirely from rules prohibiting non-co-owned stations - whether AM/FM or two AMs - from simulcasting programming. (Why not sign them off and let us listen to the same programming from adjacent states instead?)

Update on the NAB's experimental AM anti-skywave station: construction should be completed by the end of August. KA2XXB will operate on 1660 KHz from Beltsville, MD, about 15 miles NE of Washington DC. No word yet as to how soon after that the facility will begin transmitting, or with what schedule. The station is authorized to use 5000 watts, but most testing will be with about 400 watts, and probably all of it will be at night. Keep your ears peeled. They'll surely be interested in DX reports - it's the whole purpose of the station.

Minor soapbox item: I've noticed several DX reports recently commenting on one or another station having "Spanish" formats, or an area having too many "Spanish" stations, as though they were all the same. In areas with large Latino/a populations (FL, TX, AZ/CA, etc.), there's just as much variety in the Spanish-language stations as there is in the English language ones (maybe more, given that the craze for satellite and network talk programming hasn't really crossed the language barrier yet). Any foreign DXer can attest: knowing differences in Latin formats can help a lot in snagging IDs. Maybe it's time for an article. 73's...

# DX Worldwide - West



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We have a good turnout this time around. DXers are back at the dials. So on with the reports:

## PAN-AMERICAN DX ROUNDUP

- 550 MEXICO, Cd. Cuahutemoc-XEPL, fair to good briefly O/KOY at 0257-8 7/16 with "Super Musica" mentions, local ads KAZ-CA
- 640 MEXICO, UNID Ranchero mx u/KFI 1156 UTC, soon faded. KAZ-CA
- 680 MEXICO, Chihuahua-XEFO fair to good mixed w/KNBR, Phase null 1158 7/16. Cd. de Chihuahua ment at presumed s/on. Mex. NA. Has also been heard around SS here. KAZ-CA
- MEXICO, 7/23 0526 Unid station. We usually get XELG here at the bev site, but tonight I heard mentions of both Chihuahua and Guasave, so might have had one or both of these stations. Generally weak signals. TRH-CA2
- 700 MEXICO, 7/23 0305 unid station, probably new, with songs, male and female announcers, and local ads (too weak to copy. Has anyone else heard this? TRH-CA2
- 1300 MEXICO, Cd. Juarez-XEP was a real pest most of the night 7/16 often atop KROP. Has R. Trece ID's KAZ-CA
- 1390 MEXICO, Puerto Penasco-XEQC Su 7/23 0337 Fair-good signals over KGER. ID "XEQC, la reina del mar." New, XE #131. TRH-CA
- 1420 MEXICO, Juarez XEF Su 7/23 0520. Way on top of local XEXX with IDs and slogan "La F Romantica." TRH-CA2
- 1460 MEXICO, Juarez XEYC Su 7/23 0343 in tonight over usual pest KENO with SS AdCon. TRH-CA2

## TRANS-PACIFIC DX ROUNDUP

- 550 HAWAII, Wailuku-KMVI in like a ton of bricks, but that was about it on 8/1 with Network talk at 0723. Best heard in a while. PM-OR
- 594 JAPAN, Tokyo-JOAK fair with JJ talk at 1116 on 7/23. Only JJ heard that AM. PM-OR
- 639 FIJI, Lautoka-1200 6/18. Good signal with S/off, two anthems, one Inst. and one vocal. //684 and 558 which were both at fair signal. NHP-BC
- 720 NEW ZEALAND, Invercargill. 4YZ 1205 6/18. Fair w/news and forecast for North and South Islands. KDOWN had faded down by this time, and antenna didn't favor it anyway. NHP-BC
- 834a UNID, Het 1020 on 7/22-KOA and KMDY splash. MR-CA
- 819 NEW ZEALAND, Rotorua-1YZ very weak w/EE MOR mx getting by XEYX OC 1232 7/16. Only DU audible off back end of beverage. KAZ-CA
- 873 NEW ZEALAND, Ashburton, 3ZE. 1154 6/18. Fair w/two women teletalking 7/864. As 2GB is a teletalker and is reasonably common, it is possible that the 864 parallel was part of some sort of Aussie night time net among private stations. Have you heard of any such thing? NHP-BC Nick: The Aussies are now networking news and other such programming. I presume something like this is indeed possible. PM
- 963 NEW ZEALAND, Christchurch-3YC 1159 6/18. Fair w/close down anmt and anthem. NHP-BC
- 1017 TONGA, Nuku'alofa-A3Z 1000 6/18. Good to very good with s/off anmt in local language and EE, then anthem. Audio off at 1003. Best heard in some years. NHP-BC
- 1098 UNID, Het weak 1215 7/16. BP-WA
- 1161 UNID, loud het on KSL 1213-1225 7/16. BP-WA
- 1178 UNID, Het on KOFI 1210-1220 7/16. As a wild guess, could the situation in China have caused VOA to reactivate the Okinawa tx? BP-WA I presume it is possible. Will check this out. PM
- 1475 t MALAYSIA, 1215, Oriental womans voice with mx. Splash from KUTY and KYOS/KWIZ. Fair. Noted again 7/15 at 1230. Oriental womans voice Fair to poor signal. Rapid fades. MR-CA
- 1476 UNID, Either Russia or China hetting 1480/1470 at 1218 7/16. BP-WA
- 1548 UNID, het at 1232-1237 7/16. Wasn't there on earlier rechecks. Possible 4QD? BP-WA
- 1502 UNID, Het at 1235 7/15, QRM de KJSX. MR-CA

1566 t SOUTH KOREA, Cheju-HLAZ at 1220 on 6/24. Fade in for about one minute, M&F voice. Hrd music, then died out. Noted again at 1240 on 7/15 with M&F voice for about 30 seconds and then faded out. Poor. MR-CA Mike, this could have been anything. I listed it as a "t", but it sound probably be listed as Unid. PM

#### THANKS TO THESE REPORTERS

TRH-CA2 TIM HALL-350 G STREET #F-1, CHULA VISTA, CA. 92010-4559  
DXing with KAZ at Neil's beverage site, Near Rancho Bernardo, San Diego-California-ICF 2010 rx and 2800 ft. Bev, East.

KAZ-CA NEIL KAZAROSS-17045 CAPILLO PLACE-SAN DIEGO, CA. 92127  
DXing with TRH at Bev. site with ICOM R70 and Phasing unit, 1500' Bev. at 70 degrees and 2800 ft. at 70-75 degrees.

NHP-BC NICK HALL-PATCH, 1538 AMPHION WAY, VICTORIA, B.C. V8R 4Z6  
DXing on San Juan Island, Wa., Homebrew rx, var. Bev antennas.

BP-WA BRUCE PORTZER-6546 19TH AVENUE NORTHEAST, SEATTLE, WA. 98115  
Sony SRF M40 w, With 50' LW at Mt. Rainier Nat. Park, Wa.

MR-CA MIKE RIORDAN-POST OFFICE BOX 1195-GOLETA, CALIFORNIA 93116  
DXing with Sony CRF-1, Radio West Mod. Loop and Panasonic RF-8300, Radio Plus Mod.

PM-OR YER EDITOR  
SP-600JX, 1800 ft. NNW Bev, 1500 ft. East Bev, 200 ft. SW LW.  
Ground system.

## DX Worldwide - East

DXWW-E is back with a few accumulated loggings from William Wyllie in Franklin, Mass. PLEASE NOTE that due to my current situation all mail sent to the Pittsburgh, PA address will reach me without delay provided it is addressed properly to: J.R. Hall, c/o Hall Consulting, 240 Byron Rd., Box 1, Pittsburgh, PA 15237-4015. This is temporary and I hope to return this to regular status soon. For now, although these reports are slightly dated, I thought it would make for interesting reading during the doldrums.....

#### I R A N S - A T L A N T I C D X (William Wyllie-RI) all

1539 unID, 0424 6/9 : Noted w/strong peaks w/Arabic chanting. Long, strange chants w/low and high-pitched voices singing, o/WPTR and CHIN at times. Also noted TA tones (hets. ed) around freq's of: 1500, 1520, 1530 & loud around 1240.

#### P A N - A M E R I C A N A D X (William Wyllie-RI) all

670 CUBA, 0350 6/9 : SS tik, noted "R. Rebelde", gd signal //600. +0406 4/29.  
700 JAMAICA, Montego Bay 0328 4/29 : Reggae mx, acct'd m EE ancr, well o/MLW.  
820 CUBA, Moron CMJT 0449 6/10 : Noted "R. Progreso", sig fr - not real gd.  
830 CUBA, R. Taino around 0445 6/? : Very strong signal, SS at the time. Also 0453 5/20 : Very strong, SS/EE ID at midnight. Didn't s/off, "R. Taino, Tour Radio in Havana" ID. Also noted parallel on 1040 w/WBZ splash, also on 1160 where they were fr to pr.

1610 ANGUILLA, The Valley 0515 5/21 : "The Caribbean Beacon" ID. Ad for restaurant in Anguilla. Strong one minute, weak others.

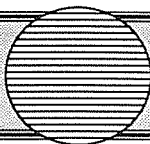
#### CREDITS:

(Wyllie-RI) William Wyllie, 95 Peck St. Franklin, Massachusetts 02038-2217  
(All stn's hrd @Prudence Is., RI on Fisher 418 w/indoor antenna)

## President's Report

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**Croton-on-Hudson, NY 10520-1932**

Hi, everybody! Welcome to the new look of DX Monitor. We are now in the good hands of Don Erickson and Ralph Sanserino. After ten years of hard labor, Bruce Portzer has stepped down. His work was one of the wonders of the world, consistently producing the best DX magazine around. He deserves a big round of applause from all of us! Thanks, Bruce!



Changes in overseas station status are not especially numerous this time around, but you'll find a few little gems here and there in this month's column.

## Trans-Pacific

**Bangladesh** - R. Bangladesh has inaugurated a new 10 kW MW station at Thakuragon (WBN via SDXL via ARC). Freq. is 999, and another station was noted on 846 (ADXR via SDXL via FERC)

**China, PRC** - XinjiPBS-870, ShijiazhuangPBS-877 (apparently varying from 882 kHz), Daian PBS-900, Shanzi PBS-1-900, Weihai PBS-1170, Xinyu PBS-1500, Nangong PBS-1557, and Xiaogan PBS-1571v have been heard on these freqs. (T. Gima, ABI, via FERC). R. Beijing-1323 is ex 1053 (S. Aoki via Y. Kato via FERC).

**Hong Kong** - BFBS-1251 is inactive and heard on FM only (ARC via FERC).

**Iran** - Iran's external service broadcasts in English at 1400-1500 UTC on 702 kHz (target area: Southwest USSR/North Iran) and 1930-2030 on 1404 (Southwest USSR, North Iran). Other languages broadcast on medium wave include Russian, Turkish, Azerbaijani, Turkmen, Urdu, Dari, Baluchi, Pushtu, Bengali, Kurdish, Armenian, and Arabic. Reception reports may be sent to Islamic Republic of Iran Broadcasting - External Service - P. O. Box No. 3333 - Tehran, Iran (schedule via Bruce Portzler.)

**Korea, South** - HLAZ-1566 has a new schedule: Chinese 2230-2245, 1000-1230, 1245-1500; English 1800-1830, 2215-2230; Japanese 1230-1345; Korean 1830-2215, 2245-0300, and Russian 1500-1800 (T. Yamashita in ABI via FERC).

**Malaysia** - Extensive changes in this country's broadcasting systems are planned, including three MW/FM regional stations to be set up soon in Seremban, Shah Alam, and Kangar. This contrary to earlier reports that MW broadcasting in this country was to be phased out. (Limkongjin in Play-DX)

**New Zealand** - Hawkes Bay Polytechnic, Taradale has been granted a short-term broadcasting authorization on 1431 kHz with 400 watts from October 2 until November 5, operating 7 am to 5 pm local. The station will provide a training station for multi-media studies. (NZDXL) Arthur Cushen reports: "There is a move to FM by Dunedin stations 4YA-900, 4ZB-1044, and 4XO-1206, making 4 FM stations for that city. A new AM station is R. Rhema-621, 5 kW, while 4YA National Radio-810, 4YC and Parliament and Sporting Relay-900, and 4XC-1305 continue operating on MW." (DXA).

**Philippines** - DZSO-720 San Fernando is ex-DZLU;

DWCM-1440 Daguapan is ex-DZDL; DWZR-828, DXRZ-900, DWRT-990 are all silent; DWRT-990 Manila has been reactivated; DZRS-1287 Sorsogon is new; DZHH-1570 Manila is ex-1440; and DWLC-1017 Lucena is now 10 kW, ex 1 kW (Y. Ichkawa in PDF via FERC).

**Taiwan** - Fuhsin BC-1269, Ilan, heard here (ABI via FERC via SDXL via ARC).

**Tonga** - The solid-state tx'er on 1017 is 10 kW, not 25 kW as reported elsewhere (ARDXC via FERC).

**USSR** - Urgenc-666 is ex 1593; Nukus-1260, ex-209, not on 1269 as in WRTH (Uzbek PX guide via BT via ARC). A new tx is on 1467 with Mayak program (Olle Alm in ARC).

## Trans-Atlantic

**Canary Islands** - RNE R5-1098 in Santa Cruz heard with local service 2230-2300 (PDX via ARC).

**Egypt** - New stations include the following: Assuit-801, 10/2 kW; Aswan-864, 40/20 kW; Luxor-1035, 10 kW; S. Aswan-1143, 20 kW; Aswan-1260, 10 kW; Alexandria-1341, 10 kW; and Sohag-1422, 10/kW (EBU via MWC via ARC).

**Finland** - 558 is still active as of early July despite the previously announced May 15 shutdown; 1404, on the other hand, appears to be permanently off (Olle Alm in ARC). The Helsinki MW tx on 558 and 1404 were to have been taken out of service on May 15 (BT in ARC). YLE plans to build a new station to serve listeners in Estonia and Leningrad, probably located at Dragsfjård, not far from Turku (SDXL via ARC).

**France** - New stations on the air in Paris with 5 kW are on 981, 999, 1062, 1314, and 1575 kHz (EBU via MWC). The French SW station R. Waves Int. will have an outlet on 1615, called R. Star Night (BDXC via ARC). 981 is a relay for R. Monte Carlo-216 (RB via BE via ARC).

**Germany, DDR** - SDR Bad Mergentheim-711 is ez-1431 (or 1413); NDR is planning to re-install the Lingen tx on 792 before 1991 for the new NDR-4 program (BT in ARC).

**Iceland** - Höfm-666 is now 0.5 kW, ex-400. Now silent: Hellissandur-1386, Olafsfjörður-1485, and Dalvík, Kópasker, and Siglufjörður-1512 (BT in ARC).

**Italy** - New are RAI 2-693 Potenza, 20 kW; RAI 1-990 Potenza, 10 kW, and RAI 2-1035 Venezia, 20 kW (Gral in PDX and EBU via MWC via ARC). Also new is R. Speranza-1497 in Largo San Giorgio, at 0.5 kW (Play-DX).

**Kenya** - Mombasa-1080 with 100 kW is ex-1017 (MWN via ADXR via SDXL via ARC).

**Norway** - The Vadso tx'er on 702 is expected to be closed down when the new 153 kHz tx'er goes on the air, at the earliest in 1992 (Bjarne Mjelde [ex Hansen] via TW in ARC).

**Spain** - RNE Lugo-972 has apparently moved from 585 (Gomez in PDX via ARC). Present status of the Euskadi Irratia-tx's: Bilbao with 10 kW is inactive (listed on 576), San Sebastian temporarily inactive (both on listed 531 and 1296), Vitoria will be operative by the end of October (listed on 558) (HK via PDX via ARC).

**United Kingdom** - BBC-1458 WM Heartlands went on the air April 16 at St. Peter's College (PH in BDXC via ARC). Radio 1 will open programming at 0500, thus broadcasting 0500-0200. BBC Wiltshire Sound, expected to be an FM-only service, is nonetheless testing on 1332 (Olle Alm in ARC). The Government is planning to toughen legislation to deal with unlicensed broadcasting. Anyone with a conviction for a piracy committed from January 1, 1989 on will be barred for five years from applying for a community radio license (ARC).

## Pan-American

**Argentina** - LU17-540 R. Golfo Nuevo is ex 680 (WRTH via ARC). R. Ciudades-1456.5, Ezeiza is a new pirate. AM-1500-1478.3, ex 1474.7 was heard in February. La Nueva Radio-1500.8, Lanús, also heard (JA in ARC).

**Brazil** - ZYH786-610, R. Jornal, is ex 730 and now 10/2 kW. ZYH-753-730, R. Brasil Central, ex 1270, now is 50/5 kw. ZYH491-770, R. Rio Corrente is ex 810 and now 5/0.5 kW. ZYL...-790, R. Dif de Nortelandia, is ex 1370. ZYK307-1060, R. Cristal, ex 1180, is now 1/0.5. ZYK301-1190, R. São Lourenço, ex 1270, now is 2.5/0.25 kW (CRM in ARC). R. Guaiba-720, Porto Alegre, is now 100 kW; R. Princesa-930, ex 1300, is now 10/1 kW; and R. MEC-800, Brasilia, is now 50/600 kW (CRM in WRTH).

**Colombia** - Cadena Sutatenza was closed down in February by financial trouble. As a gesture to Sutatenza listenership, MW tx's formerly run by the chain will offer pgms partly different from those of Caracol cadena básica, and stns have been renamed as follows: 590 Caracol Antioquia, 700 Caracol Pacifico, 810 Caracol Colombia, 960 Caracol Caribe. The 1010 tx at Barranquilla will probably move to Santa Marta, where present cadena básica outlet is thought to be inadequate. The Todelar chain has reverted to old station names. The slogan "Todelar + QTH" is now used only in connection with newscasts. So the following slogans are current: 910 La V. del Rio Grande, 930 R. Continental, 1010 La V. del Galeras, 1050 R. Bucarica,

1130 Emisoras Riomar, 1480 R. Rodadero. Other changes: La V. del Valle-780 is ex 1160; La Calefísima-1090 is ex R. Musical; R. Calima-1160 is ex La V. del Valle; R. Cordillera-1190 is ex- R. Eco, and R. Nutibara-1170 is ex R. Eco (WRTH via DXA).

**Ecuador** - Heard by Pete Taylor: HCLD4-1265 R. Junín, ex 1270; HCFR2-1325, R. Guayaquil, ex 1320, and HCRV3-1335, R. Nal El Oro, ex 1330 (NRC).

**México** - XEBCO-1210 R. Occidente is new with 50 kW in Colima (ARC via FERC).

**Paraguay** - ZP14-1020 R. Nanduti is back on the air (*Dagens Nyheter* via ARC). ZKP...-1210 R. Cultura is new, QTH unknown (CRM in ARC).

**Perú** - OAX7V-1000 R. Machu Picchu uses this call and not OCX7T (TH/RNM in WRTH). OCX7Q-1150 R. Universal is ex 1130; OAX7I-1410 R. La Hora is ex 1390; OAX4K-1439.9 R. Imperial Dos is ex 1444 (Pete Taylor, NRC, via ARC). New: OCX7V-1540, 1 kW, R. Los Andes, Cuzco (TIN in WRTH).

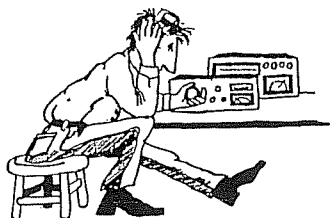
**Venezuela** - YV...-890 R. Oriente 890 AM, El Tigre will start testing soon (ARC). YV...-1450, R. Cachomay is new (JSR in ARC). YV...-1550 R. Ojeda, Ciudad Ojeda is new (TRN in ARC). YVZK-1240, La V. de Venezuela, was testing in May with 250 KW, with the power to be increased. Co-channel stations YVLQ and YVSF will move to 1180 and 1200 respectively (and look for strong protests to continue from the U. S. -pls). Other frequency shifts approved: R. Rubio-560 (ex 1330), R. Caroní-740 (ex 1050), R. Primera-760 (ex 1350), YVRU-870 R. Mar, ex 1560 (WRTH in ARC). R. Perija-540, Villa del Rosario, now 100 kW; R. Central-610, Cantaura, 10 kW, is new; R. Primera-650 is ex 1350; R. Orienta 890 AM-890 is new; RQ 910-910 is now 50 kW; R. Fé y Alegría-940 is ex 1480; Ondas Panamericanas-1000, El Vigía, is silent; R. Apolo-1320 is now 10 kW; R. Cachamay-1450, Estado Bolívar, is new; R. Dinámica 1490 AM-1490, Caracas, is new; R. Guadalupeana-1540, Falcón, is nominally 800 kHz; R. Ojeda-1550, Ciudad Ojeda, is new (TRN via WRTH).

## International

**International Waters** - During a recent visit to Cyprus, "Channel 7"-918 was heard loud and clear, all in Hebrew and mostly non-stop local music, but ID at :00 and :30. At full hour normally a relay of the news from Kol Israel. Seems to be on the air 0700-2200. (BE in ARC).

Antenna tests on 1660 kHz - The IRCA will be involved as volunteer monitors of the upcoming National Association of Broadcasters antenna tests on 1660 kHz. I have arranged with the NAB to include our club in the official monitoring of this experimental station. KA2XXB will be testing new anti-skywave antenna systems from a site just northeast of Washington, D.C., in Laurel, MD. They are authorized for transmissions of up to 5 kW, but they expect to transmit with about 400w. Details will follow in *DX Monitor*. If you are interested in being a volunteer monitor, please drop me a line and I will arrange to bring you up to speed on the procedures the NAB would like us to follow. Why not add your part to the future of the band, and the new band expansion to 1700 kHz, and join in the fun! -Karl Zuk, IRCA President





# Eastern DX Roundup

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DEADLINE: August 31st, 1989, for September 9th Issue

(MH-CA) Mike Hardester - P. O. Box 271279 - Escondido, CA 92027

GMC Jimmy 4x4 radio w/standard truck antenna

(LH-AL) Lynn Hollerman - 514 Carrsbrook - Huntsville, AL 35803

DX-302 w/50' longwire antenna

(RB-NY) Your Editor

Sony-2010 w/Radio West Shotgun Loop antenna

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- 560 WFIL PA, PHILADELPHIA 7/5/89 1915 GOOD EZL w/"EZ-101" mentioned too often (// FM station is WEAZ). I really preferred the Oldies format. (RB-NY)
- 580 WTAG MA, WORCHESTER 7/3/89 2200 FAIR end of Red Sox/Blue Jay baseball game; "Red JSox BB on WTAG - 580 Stereo"... "Red Sox Wrapup" with Joe Costiglione. (RB-NY)
- 590 WEEI MA, BOSTON 7/3/89 2220 POOR in mess but solid ID as "WEEI Business News Time 10:25." (RB-NY)
- 590 WROW NY, ALBANY 7/5/89 1930 POOR ID as "590-WROW, Albany" into Yankees/Tigers BB game; sponsor "Upstate Dodge." (RB-NY)
- 620 WSKQ NJ, NEWARK 7/3/89 2230 GOOD Spanish programming; "Super K-Q" repeatedly mentioned. (RB-NY)
- 660 WFAN NY, NY 6/26/89 2133-2136 PLENTY OF STATIC "Sportsradio 66, WFAN", talk about contest, more IDs. (LH-AL)
- 690 WADS CT, ANSONIA 6/29/89 2015 FAIR-GOOD AC format; many "All New WADS" promos; ads, wx, nx. (RB-NY)
- 950 WPEN PA, PHILADELPHIA 7/5/89 1915 VERY GOOD MYL ballads; "Your Station of the Stars, 950-WPEN." (RB-NY)
- 980 WTRY NY, ALBANY 7/5/89 1930 POOR Oldies; ads for Sears, Betty Crocker Brownie Sundaes; ID = "Great Oldies on the Oldies Station, 98, WTRY." (RB-NY)
- 1070 CBA NB, MONCTON 6/29/89 2100 GOOD Ross Porter DJ; Doobie Bros. mx. (RB-NY)
- 1110 WHIM RI, E. PROVIDENCE 7/5/89 2115 POOR "Keeping it Country on 1110-WHIM"; Heavy QRM from WBT; promo for "Hayloft Jamboree." (RB-NY)
- 1160 WYNS PA, LEHIGHTON 6/29/89 2150 VERY POOR Solid ID @2200; oldies filtering in and out of mess. (RB-NY)
- 1260 WWDC DC, WASHINGTON 7/2/89 0130-0135 POOR w/co-freq QRM with "Guantanamo" and ID as "AM 1260 W-W-D-C," and "Music of Your Life" ID/promo. (MH-DXing from VA)
- 1300 WFBR MD, BALTIMORE 6/29/89 2215 GOOD oldies format (used to be News/Talk); IDs, ads, promos; "Baltimore's Favorite Oldies are on 1300 AM, WFBR." (RB-NY)
- 1310 WJLK NJ, ASBURY PARK 6/29/89 2235 FAIR oldies, wx, "Yamaha" ad; promo for Jersey Central Power & Light Co.; ID = "WJLK-IS-OLDIES." (RB-NY)
- 1380 WIZO TN, FRANKLIN 6/25/89 2136 ID as "...here at Super Gold 13-80, WIZO..." Lots of mixing. (LH-AL)
- 1380 WYSH TN, CLINTON 6/25/89 2137-2144 HEAVY QRM ID, ads, country/gospel mx, Vacation Bible School reminder. (LH-AL)
- 1430 WLRT TN, MADISON/FRANKLIN 6/22/89 2145-2202 LOUD/FADY Nashville Sounds baseball, ID as "Nashville's New Lite-100", into "Somewhere Out There." Plenty of QRM. (LH-AL)

## Deadlines and Future Issues

If any editor's deadline for the next issue is not printed this issue, it can be assumed to be similar to previous issues. At Riverside, the deadline for editors is Saturday, 7 days before date of issue, except for columns of DXWW, DXR, and Broadcasting Information; those deadlines are Monday, 5 days before date of issue. Current schedule for future issues is: Sept. 9, 30; Oct. 14, 21, 28; Nov. 4, 11, 18, 25, etc., weekly until Saturday, April 7, 21; May 5, 26; June 16, July 14, and August 11, 1990.

---Editor-in-Chief, Don Erickson, (714) 687-5910 until 3AM PLT

1430 WNJR NJ, HILLSIDE 7/2/89 0140 POOR/HVY FADING w/concert (?)  
 promo and mention of "...on WNJR." Check back at 0200:55  
 caught single ID by man "W-N-J-R: New York," and into music.  
 (MH-DXing from VA)

1440 WFTQ MA, WORCHESTER 7/5/89 2225 POOR-FAIR "Your Weather  
 Station 1440-WFTQ" into CHR mx; heavy fading. (RB-NY)

1450 WFPG NJ, ATLANTIC CITY 6/29/89 1930 FAIR-GOOD Talk show  
 w/SID "1450, WFPG"; promo for "Casino Male" clothes shop.  
 (RB-NY)

1460 WCMB PA, HARRISBURG 7/2/89 0145-0200 POOR/MOD FADING w/60s  
 mx; sounded like announcer's name was "Pete James", and ID on  
 hour as "W-C-M-B, Harrisburg/Lebanon/Carlisle", and into song  
 by Petula Clark. (MH-DXing from VA)

1510 WKKU MA, BOSTON 6/29/89 2345 FAIR "1510 Country-WKKU"; c/w;  
 "WKKU has a New Phone # - it's 931-1510." (RB-NY)

1550 WARD PA, PITTSON 6/30/89 0000 POOR AP Network nx; furniture  
 ad, ID as "Talkradio, WARD, 1550." (RB-NY)

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UNIDENTIFIED'S, TIS, PIRATES, TESTS

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530 KNJR-837 - KNJR-839 - KNJR-840 - WNAV-682  
 tis VA, HAMPTON ROADS operational in early January when I was  
 stationed there and still going on July 7th (near Norfolk)  
 tunnel area of I-64 East/West operated by the Virginia Dept.  
 of Transportation and provides tunnel congestion info for  
 traffic into/out of Hampton Roads area. Address for QSLs:  
 Hampton Roads Bridge Tunnels, P.O. Box 3447, Hampton, VA.  
 23663-0447. (MH-DXing from Tioga, PA)

900 unID NJ, WILLINGBORO 7/5/89 2030 VERY POOR "You've been  
 listening to Rev. G.G. Freeman on Love-900"; address given as  
 PO :Box 134, Willingboro, NY 08046. I could'nt get the ID but  
 it sounded like WURV??? Help please! (RB-NY)

1150 WFPF NY, FLORAL PARK 6/29/89 1900 GOOD PIRATE Rock mx;  
 "1150 AM, WFPF, Floral Park", simulcast on 91.9 FM. (RB-NY)

1160 unID 7/2/89 0110-0120 FAIR w/HASH with what I thought was  
 "jamming" - Cuba vs USA. The hash is of the type I've noted  
 on shortwave jamming. Unidentified station u/noise. A  
 recheck at 0225 and noise was gone. Is there a CP on this  
 frequency? Jamming? What? (MH-DXing from VA)

1160 unID 6/24/89 1300-1400 w/steady tone at a FAIR level (S-4 on  
 meter). Recheck at 1530 and gone. Not noted since. No  
 current bulletins at hand - any CPs on this frequency in this  
 area? (MH-DXing from VA)

1470 unID 7/2/89 0208-0218 w/fade-up of c/w mx, ment of "Cajun  
 Country," "Star Country", spot for (Rod/Roth?) Richard's, and  
 PSA from Attorney General for/"against" drunk driving. Not  
 WKKW as they nicely faded in w/clear wx ID then dropped into  
 the mush. (MH-DXing from VA)

1550 WNTN MA, NEWTON 6/30/89 0010 GOOD "This is WNTN-Newton,  
 Test Conducting Equipment Tests"; into Irish songs. (RB-NY)

1610 KID-782 tis VA, FREDERICKSBURG on I-95 (&17 N&S) 7/7/89 1812 hours  
 w/info of historical interest, which exits to use, and  
 invitation to visit the Visitor's Center. (MH-still on the  
 road)

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QUIPS AND QUOTES

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FROM: MIKE HARDESTER: I'm presently stationed in Portsmouth and will  
 be heading overseas in August or September. Just to mention another TIS  
 operation near Elmira, NY [I know the Engineer in Charge. When I get  
 further info I'll pass it along].

FROM: RAY BAUERNHUBER: Thanks go out to this issue's reporters.  
 Remember that the DX IS out there this summer...keep looking and you'll  
 be surprised. This issue (August 12th) is the final one for Volume 26.  
 Volume 27 begins September 9th...my deadline is at the header. I'm still  
 looking for the used Superadio. Thanks to Bruce Portzer for editing DX  
 Monitor...you did a fine job. Good luck to Don Erickson and Ralph  
 Sanserino in Riverside, CA in taking over this task...you certainly have  
 my support and I'm certain the rest of the membership's as well. Till  
 next time, Good DX +73 de Mr. B.

# EASTERN DX FORUM

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Deadlines: 8/26, 9/16, 9/30...then each Saturday thru March

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Greetings! By the time this is in print, I'll be back up in Tioga (PA) for a brief cagation, then out to California for an even briefer vacation, then my travel agent (U.S. Navy) has me scheduled for a one year "vacation" overseas - location to be announced later. The above California address should be valid until I return Stateside sometime in late summer 1990. San Diego-area DXers, I'll try and set up an eyeball QSO if time permits: I'll be notified, while in CA, when/where I'll leave the states. Drop me a note. So, until later, I'll transfer from EDXF to WDXF ...look out Heald! Very 73 and best of DX! (Mike, if you wind up going east, you still belong to EDXF--rce)

David Shapiro, 484 Hammond Drive, Griffin, Georgia 30223-4024

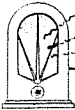
Hello again DXers! I am back home for what remains of the last full month of the hot summer. I will be a senior at Georgia College in Mill-  
edgeville, Georgia this fall. 920 kHz in Atlanta has been occupied by WAFS, which is a Christian talk station. They play slow Christian contemp music too. WGST is on 640 kHz only. Any BCB & FM DXers from the New England states and those that border Canada interested in exchanging local station info and cassette tapes of your local AM/FM stations? I would like to hear rock, popular, BBD, and French and English Canadian rock stations with all live DJs. I like the home grown stuff and not those corny satellite programs. My location is near both Atlanta and Macon, Georgia and I can hear stations from both cities and the small towns inbetween. 73.

Mark Strickert, 3852 North Oconto, Chicago, Illinois 60634

As my EDXF of 7/18/89 was rendered unintelligible (or at least "more so", hi) by illegal jamming of typewriter and/or copier signals (it looked alright when I mailed it--rce), I will repeat a couple of the highlights: AIRCHECKS - would like to hear from anyone in/near the following areas, for the purpose of perhaps receiving tape recordings of local stations... Miami--Ft. Lauderdale, Minn.--St. Paul, Monterey--Salinas--Santa Cruz, Montreal, Philadelphia, San Fran--Oakland--San Jose. GET-TOGETHERS - informal DXer meetings seem to be a thing of the past? Used to be many around Chicago and in the Northeast, but rarely hear of any except after they've happened. In other news...Tom Jasinski, the strobed monster at the WMRO Xr site is their co-owned FM, WYSY-107.9. They rival WMBI-90.1 for best coverage area of a metro Chicago station. The Tribune area map you mention is most interesting...was, and probably still is, based on aeronautical maps, which include transmitter sites and other towers. Over the years tower sites on the Tribune maps began to disappear, but the new edition restored many, and even added FM sites now. Besides the WLS/WENR, other intriguing goofs include "WEAW" (site moved to Dundee Rd, east of Tri-State Tollway, many years ago, and is now WSSY, "WNMP" (later WLTD and now WONX; moved transmitting site to McCormick Blvd, north of Howard St., when they went full-time), and "WAIT/WCBD" (was later WCZF, now WXFZ... never heard of "WCBD"--if they share-timed 820, have not done so for at least 25 years!?). Nearly as fun, for transmitter site hounds, are the city street maps issued by the "Automobile Club of Southern California", the AAA affiliate for the lower third of Calif. They and their Northern Calif. & Nevada equivalent, "Calif. State Automobile Ass'n", shame all other AAA clubs both with quality and quantity of maps produced. Anyway, the maps have "radio tower(s)" marked, though the user(s) is not identified. Take care.

Tom Jasinski, 419 North Raven, Shorewood, Illinois 60435

On the local scene there are 2 new TIS's on 530 kHz. As mentioned last month these stations broadcast local information for the Ill. and Mich. Canal Corridor. This area runs from Chicago to LaSalle, Ill., and covers about 100 miles. There are plans for 4 such TIS's to be spread out over this area. All were scheduled to go on the air by June 1st. The two stations on the air are in Joliet and LaSalle. The stations in Morris and Lemont will be on the air in a few weeks. Their transmitters were reported to have been hit by lightning and put out of commission before ever going on the air. The two stations on the air must be powerful. I can hear the LaSalle station (50 miles to the west) under the signal from 1 1



# CENTRAL DX ROUNDUP

John Johnson 979 Neptune Blvd  
Billings, Montana 59105-2129



All times are Eastern. FOR THE RECORD Next deadline: 8/26.  
RIDING GAIN

- [\*\*\*-MB] = Winnipeg '89 DX'pedition July 9-10, 1989  
Location: Arnes, Manitoba (almost on Lake Winnipeg)  
Attending: Shawn Axelrod, Winnipeg, Manitoba  
John C. Johnson, Billings, Montana  
Wayne McRae, Winnipeg, Manitoba  
Equipment: ICOM IC-R70, 3' box loop, Black Flag, 6-12, Off.
- [JC-IL] = John Clemmer, 4524 7th Street #2304, East Moline, Illinois 61244
- [RD-IA] = Rick Dau, R.R.2 Box 64, Oakland, Iowa 51560-9630  
Kenwood R-1000, Radio West Loop.
- [TML-IN] = Tom Laskowski, 1334 East Miner Street, South Bend, Indiana 46617  
GE Superadio II, Sony ICF-2010.
- [SHP-LA] = Stephen H. Ponder, 273 Settlers Park Drive, Shreveport, LA 71115  
DXing at Mountain View, AR (appx. 110 miles NNE of Sheridan, AR)  
Toshiba RP-F11
- [TT-MT] = Ty Thormaehlen, 2328 Pine Street, Billings, Montana 59101  
DXing in the Yellowstone Park area.  
Sony ICF-2010
- [JcJ-MT] = Your editor using an ICOM IC-R71A with a Radio West Loop.

## SPECIAL INTEREST

- 880 KGHT AR Sheridan, EX-1540, 6/29. 2201 with Satellite News Network News, C&W music format. ID "Serving All Central Arkansas, KGHT Sheridan." Station now on new frequency. [SHP-LA]
- 1480 KRXR ID Gooding, was reported as silent, station is indeed on the air. 7/31 weak to good mix w/KYOS. 0815 with "Voice Of Idaho Agriculture", later "Magic Valley Weather". Rock oldies format. IDing as "KRXR" and "14-80 Gold". [JcJ-MT]
- 1490 KFBW MT Laurel, EX-KB80, 7/5 back on air broadcasting the Financial and Business Network. IDs on hour "KFBW 14-90 AM Laurel, Billings." UPI Radio News on the hour. Occasional late night SP. [JcJ-MT]
- 1580 KBQC IA Davenport, 6/22. Noted back on the air, not sure of exact date. Format is gospel. KBQC was off the air about 2 years!! [JC-IL]

## DOWN THE DIAL

- 570 CHYM OM Kitchener, 7/10 good. 0250 w/rock, spot cluster, "chime" IDs. [\*\*\*-MB]
- 590 CKEY OM Toronto, 7/10 good w/CKY splatter nulled. 0300 with "Toronto's only rock and hits station, Key 5-90". Rock oldies. [\*\*\*-MB]
- KAQQ WA Spokane, 7/10 strong. 0545 w/Talknet, 0600 KAQQ ID. [\*\*\*-MB]
- KID ID Idaho Falls, 7/26. Noticed both day and night into Park area. Not that far away, but heard. [TT-MT]
- 610 CKTB OM St. Catharines, 7/10 good. 0300 out of "Coast To Coast" into BN news. 0306 with rock oldies, 0313 spot cluster and ID "6-10 CKTB". Promo before more rock oldies. [\*\*\*-MB]
- KDAL MN Duluth, 7/25 weak u/WDAF. 2150 with Twins baseball. [RD-IA]
- 620 WTMJ WI Milwaukee, 7/9 good. 2245 with talk program "Homeward Bound". SID: "WTMJ Radio 62" another voice ID also. [\*\*\*-MB]
- 640 CFGM OM Richmond Hill, 7/9 strong o/KGVW. 2250 w/"6-40 CFGM" ID, C&W music format. [\*\*\*-MB]
- 660 WVAL MN Sauk Rapids, 7/25 good. 2300 w/ID: "Great W Gold, WVAL, Sauk Rapids, Saint Cloud." Into NBC News. [RD-IA]
- 710 WDSM WI Superior, 7/10 good. 0315 w/C&W, ID "WDSM". [\*\*\*-MB]
- 850 WAIT IL Crystal Lake, 7/4 weak u/KOA. 2200 w/late sign off. [RD-IA]
- 900 WNSO WI Wisconsin Dells, 7/14 weak. 0630 with sign on. [RD-IA]
- 910 KBLG MT Billings, 7/26 fair mix w/KCJB. 2030 w/ID. [TT-MT]  
[JCJ: Noted here, Ty works for KBLG, was impressed that KBLG made it into the Park at all. John.]
- 950 KWAT SD Watertown, 6/28 fair. 2210 with Twins baseball. [RD-IA]
- 970 WEA WI Madison, 7/21 fair, mixed w/XEJ. 0635 with NPR's "Morning Edition." [RD-IA]
- 1050 CFYN OM Sault St Marie, 7/10 weak u/CKSB. 0016 with CHR music, ID, "Weather for the Sault." [\*\*\*-MB]
- 1060 WRHL IL Rochelle, 7/12 weak. 2130 with sign off. Mentioned to tune to their Fmer. [RD-IA]
- 1070 KMOH MN Monticello, 6/28 o/u/KFDI. 2200 with ID during Twins baseball network pause. [RD-IA]

1080 WTIC CT Hartford, 7/9 good o/KRLD. 2345 w/TalkNet. 0000 ID "WTIC AM 10-80" [\*\*\*-MB]

1110 WSWF NY Seneca Falls, 6/28 very good. 2144 with SSB then ID "AM 11-10 WSWF, Seneca Falls, New York." [TML-IN]

1140 CISS AB Calgary, 7/25 good, fantastic openings into Canada all evening. 2319 w/rock oldie by Carole King. ID "11-40 Kiss AM, Calgary's only oldies station." [RD-IA]

1150 WAYY WI Chippewa Falls, 6/28. 2139 with a very clear ID and a spot for Doubledays with mention of Eau Claire. Possibly an oldies/T40 format. [TML-IN]

1190 KVBV KS Beloit, 7/25 fair. 2200 w/sign off, mentioned to tune to FMer, and SSB. [RD-IA]

1200 CFGO ON Ottawa, 7/10 good o/CHMG. 0030 with rock music. IDing as "All Hits Energy 12-00." [\*\*\*-MB]  
+7/24 fair, WOAI SP. 0522 w/rock, news "on Energy 1200." [RD-IA]

1230 CJLB ON Thunder Bay, 7/10 on top GY mess. 0226 with rock music, weather, and "CJLB" ID. [\*\*\*-MB]

1270 KLXX MD Bismarck - Mandan, 7/16 weak to good in CHAT null. 0215 w/rock oldies, IDing as "Pure Gold KLXX" and "12-70 clicks". Sounded like a satellite fed service. New for me! MD#38. [JcJ-MT]

1290 WIRL IL Peoria, 7/3 good in KOIL null. 2239 with AdCon music, promo for Paul Harvey "on the only one for wax memories, 12-90 WIRL." [RD-IA]

1300 WOOD MI Grand Rapids, 7/10 poor to fair mix w/unID. 0515 ID "Wood and Wood FM." [\*\*\*-MB]

1310 WTUX IN Indianapolis, 7/24 fair. 0552 w/song by the Weavers, then ID and promo for trip-for-two giveaway. Indy #3 for me. [RD-IA]

1320 WKAM IL Kankakee, 6/29 fair. 2143 w/Chicago White Sox game. [RD-IA]

1410 CKSL ON London, 7/10 poor to fair mixed w/WIEM. 0500 w/"CKSL" ID into lite-rock, rock oldies. [\*\*\*-MB]

1430 CJCL ON Toronto, 7/10 fair. 0450 with "AM 14-30 Toronto" into lite rock music. [\*\*\*-MB]

1460 CJOY ON Guelph, 7/10 fair. 0435 with "C-joy" SID, spots, lite rock music format. [\*\*\*-MB]

1470 KAWO MN Brooklyn Park, 7/14 good in KWIV null at times. 2310 w/promo, "on your Twin Cities sports leader, Kay-no 14-70." Weather, ID "Kay-no AM 14-70." 2330 w/"Earth Watch". New, MN#36. [JcJ-MT]

1480 KRER CA Eureka, 7/17 weak to good, no KLMS; KFBM off air. 0300 with ID "KRER Eureka" into SHN news. 0305 w/another ID, C&W music. Some "14-80 K-rad" IDs. Contest promo. New, CA#122. [JcJ-MT]

KYOS CA Merced, 7/31 good, mixed w/KRKR. 0815 w/"Farming America" and "14-80 KYOS" ID. Not heard in years. [JcJ-MT]

WFDY WI Madison, 7/10 good. 0430 with ID "Madison's news-talk, WFDY." [\*\*\*-MB]

1580 CBJ PQ Chicoutimi, 7/10 good. 0045 w/Classical music format. [\*\*\*-MB]

WKKD IL Aurora, 7/10 weak u/CBJ. 0420 with rock oldies, ID "WKKD". [\*\*\*-MB]

1600 WAAM MI Ann Arbor, 7/10 good o/KRXY. 0100 NBC News, 0105 with brief local news "from your 24 hour a day news station Stereo Radio 16 WAAM" into Larry King. [\*\*\*-MB]

WCWC WI Ripon, 7/10 weak to good w/KRXY null. 0045 with "Sounds Of Sinatra" music program. 0100 sign off. [\*\*\*-MB]

1610 TIS Yellowstone Park, North-East Entrance. 7/26. Noted on with travelers information. No ID heard. [TT-MT]

25 YEARS AGO

8/14/1964 issue of DX Monitor.....Dave Johnson of Denver, Colorado logged KRAN-1280 on a frequency check when his local KTLN went off the air early.... John Johnson of Sheridan, Wyoming logged WCAL-770 and WLDS-1180.....Station change info listed a new station on 1020 for Roswell, NM to be operational on 7-15-1965.....Membership was up to 158.

OPEN MIKE

Whenever you speak, your mind is on parade. A big CDXR welcome to Stephen and Ty. Ty learned about the IRCA from Radio West. He was unaware that right here in Billings was not only another DXer, but the home of CDXR. Ty works for News-Talk KBLG, so if you have any questions about satellite feeds of talk programs, Ty should be able to answer. I would like to take a moment to thank Shawn Axelrod and Wayne McRae for making my visit to Winnipeg so much fun. It's been quite a few years since I've been on an all-night DX'pedition. Aside from hearing the Anguilla Caribbean Beacon on 1610 for a new country for me, hearing WTIC-1080 was a new state heard. Wayne's excellent cooking was most appreciated by both Shawn and me, Wayne cooks the best steaks north of the border! We won't talk about the mosquitos (thicker than Batman fans at the premiere of "BATMAN". Finally a special THANK YOU to Shawn's daughter Hana for the DX-oriented welcome banner waiting for me when I drove onto the Axelrod driveway! 73. John.



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DEADLINES: Temporarily Fridays Aug. 25, Sept. 8, Sept. 15 & Sept. 29.  
The Sept. deadlines may be changed without notice, as the baby is due the middle of the month.

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ICF-2010, 2800' Beverage aimed ENE  
(TRH-CA2) At Beverage site with ICF 2010, 2000' NE Beverage, 2800' E. Beverage
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OF SPECIAL INTEREST

- 540 KPUP CA, Salinas tested some 7/8 with live programming & went off at 2100. Officially began 7/9 0900. At home, was even with KVIP. Heard driving to the office that evening 2250 & in the office at 2350; fair with no QRM. Disappeared 2330 pattern change. Good steady level driving home about 0310 7/10 which I didn't understand 'til I talked with owner Jerry Collins the next day. They were having xmtr problems so went to day power but only got it up to about 9kw. Not readable in the car going down #101 at 1500 until San Mateo because of KFAX-KSFO mix (1100-560-540). "Stereo AM 54 K-Pup" is 10kw-D, 500w-N, DA-2. Format is country and pop oldies with heavy emphasis on local news. Jerry likes DX reports; they're at 1188 Padre Drive #202, Salinas 93901.  
(PT-CA)  
+7/10 0313 very good signal with ID "AM 54, K-Pup, your central coast AM concert connection," C&W format, another ID as "Clear channel AM 54, K-Pup." 24 hr. NSP. New. XLNT signal here during the day. (RW-CA)  
+7/26 0818 poor-fair with male DJ, C&W music, slogans "Clear channel country K-Pup 54" & "Stereo Country." New. (TRH-CA)
- 620 KIGS CA, Hanford 7/10 0834 ex-KCLQ. With usual good signal, ID "Con la musica la ranchera de nortena, Radio Amistad, KIGS, siempre la primera." KGW already faded out. (RW-CA)
- 920 KBNA TX, El Paso Su 7/23 0138 fair sigs with KORK. Male DJ in Spanish with ad for local jewelry store, "Que Buena" slogans, and many English

920 IDs. New. Ex-KELP/KDXX. (TRH-CA2)  
 KBNA +7/23 0138-39 fair-good with several Spanish IDs & a "K-Buena  
 cont'd slogan. Atop channel. Been after this one for a long time.  
 (Kaz-CA1)

1050 KMBA NM, Los Ranchos de Albuquerque 7/16 0323-0419 very weak under  
 XEG/XED, but faded up at times. BRN satellite feed, very few  
 local IDs. New. (TRH-CA1)  
 +Dug out of mess under XED with XEG 7/16 0417 with ID into  
 Business Radio net. On Bev. which allowed us to get every str  
 n. Albuquerque. Ex-KNXX. (Kaz-CA1)

1210 7KBSG? WA, Auburn 7/10 0632 tent. call change ex-KASY. ID ment. "97.3  
 KBSG, and now on 1210 AM." Was granted KBSG calls, but official  
 KBSG-AM calls not heard. (RW-CA)

1470 KYUU KS, Liberal 7/16 0703-0740 very strong signal over local XERCN  
 OC. Upbeat male DJ playing hymns; big promo for upcoming Exile  
 concert in Liberal sponsored by the station. Frequent use of  
 "L-S Radio" slogan & FM calls (KSLS). So strong, at first I  
 mistook it for usual morning pest KDHN! Ex-KILS. (TRH-CA1)  
 +7/16 very good simul. FM KSLS with "L-S Radio" ID. C&W/GOS  
 music and KSLS ID 0727. KMFI low power was atop prior to 0700  
 so I suspect this is not AN or not heard on listed low power on  
 channel that is wide open on Beverage after XERCN s/off.  
 Ex- KILS. (Kaz-CA1)

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 530 ---- NV, unk. location, Nevada Hwy. Dept. TIS Reno/Carson City area  
 road conditions by fast-talking woman, 7/7 0000. No calls or  
 location given. Fair signal. (AWP-CA)

540 \*KKGO\* CA, Hesperia 6/30 1915 noted stronger than ever. Called studios  
 and was told testing was in progress. Target date to return to  
 reg. programming is August. (GL-CA)

KNAK UT, Delta 7/17 0500 this is the unID "Larry King" everyone's  
 been hearing on 540. End of King, ID "It's 3:00, KNAK, Delta,  
 Utah" into Mutual News. O/u KVIP. (RW-CA)  
 +7/23 0615 fair-good on NE Bev. with ID. What's nite power?  
 (Kaz-CA1)

7CJSB? ON, Ottawa 7/17 0440 tent. (unneeded) fading up over KNAK/KVIP  
 with ID "AM 54, your oldies station, AM-54," faded out. Per  
 recent Billboard article, CJSB became oldies & uses "AM-54"  
 slogan. (RW-CA)

CBK SK, Regina 6/30 2348 "CBC Saskatchewan" ID. (RCW-WA)

570 \*KLAC\* CA, Los Angeles 7/16 0810 LOUD TTs, had been running public  
 affairs programming until 0800. (TRH-CA1)

KQNG HI, Lihue 6/25 1800 simulcasting KQNG-FM all day instead of  
 normal Hawn. music & "AT40." Called DJ, who said the station  
 was being moved! New location is 4271 Hale Nani St., Lihue  
 96766. (5P-HI)

610 KONA WA, Kennewick-Richland-Pasco 6/30 2302 mixing with unID (likely  
 KYJC), clean singing ID. (RCW-WA)

630 KIDO ID, Boise 6/30 2300 clean ID jumping out of the soup, then  
 gone. (RCW-WA)

7KOH? NV, Reno 6/30 2230-50 with Larry King show & MBS ID. Fits NRC  
 format & IRCA Almanac, but too much QRM to catch ID. Mixing  
 with KCIS (Edmonds, WA). (RCW-WA) (Reid, both KIDO & KOH have  
 Larry King, and KIDO is generally stronger here--and you ID'd  
 them at 2300.--NH)

650 (CISL) BC, Richmond 7/10 0508 apparently totally off, no trace of them,  
 only KUUY/XETNT mix. No sign of badly-wanted CKOM. (RW-CA)

660 KGDP CA, Orcutt MM 7/10 0400 noted with CNN news on the hour, IDs.  
 Apparently now 24h NSP. (TRH-CA)

730 KIZN ID, Boise 7/23 0558 fair atop NE Bev. which nulled XEX nicely.  
 Local ads & "Kissin weather" after C&W music. (Kaz-CA1)

KLOE KS, Goodland 7/16 0736 o/u talk station, with ID and C&W music.  
 (Kaz-CA1)

740 KMEO AZ, Phoenix 7/23 0811 fair-good with KMEO ID. Often noted AN  
 with "elevator" type EZL music under KCBS/KRTH. (Kaz-CA1)

KSSS CO, Colorado Springs Su 7/23 0753-0800 fair with KCBS OC & KMEO.  
 "Country Music Top Ten" program hosted by Bob Harris. Promo for  
 "Summer of Superstars" concert. ID/slogan "AM 74, K-triple-S."  
 New. (TRH-CA2)  
 +7/23 0755 good with ID, C&W during KCBS SP, on NE Bev. (Kaz-CA1)

780 (KROW) NV, Reno 7/10 0310 totally off. (RW-CA)  
 +MM 7/10 0350 totally off, leaving weak WBBM. (TRH-CA)

790 KABC CA, Los Angeles 6/12 0804 ABC news followed  
 by net ads, jingle, Ken Minyard introducing  
 "Dodger Replay," ad, into Minyard & Arthur's

790-KABC "EGBOK" show. Fair then very poor, sliding under the mess, including cochannel het, faint Spanish station, local QRM. (5P-HI2) ("EGBOK"??--NH)

KFYO TX, Lubbock 7/16 0741 xLnt way over KABC with SID and C&W mx, while looking for KXXX unheard. (Kaz-CA1)

800 KNKK UT, Brigham City 7/3 0046 good for 30 watts over XEROK on NE LW with local ads, ID, C&W music. (Kaz-CA2)

820 CHAM ON, Hamilton 7/23 0322 "820 Cham" ID o/u WBAP on NE Bev. (Kaz-CA1) +Su 7/23 0501 male DJ with C&W music, usual "8-20 Cham" IDs. Pretty good under WBAP, strange to hear them this time of year. (TRH-CA2)

830 KFLT AZ, Tucson 7/15 2255 huge signal, louder than KVEG-840 or KOA-850 with local news read by a woman, ID on the hour and "Eventide" program. Signal strength did not drop until long after Tucson sunset. (TRH-CA1)

KIKI HI, Honolulu 7/15 0900 in fairly good, no sign of KFLT. KNCO on at 0910. (MR-CA)

840 KIKN TX, Pharr 7/16 0743-0757 good at first but soon faded. C&W format, jingle "Together again, KIKN." Alone on channel, KVEG schedule now seems to be 0900-0500. New. (TRH-CA1) +7/25 0747 noted from home with C&W music, weather, and promo for Paul Harvey News starting Mon. July 31st. Add this station to the ABC list in the Almanac. (TRH-CA) +7/16 0751 xLnt with SID "Together again, you & KIKN" after C&W music and weather. Great SRS conditions. (Kaz-CA1)

850 (KOA) CO, Denver 7/24 0421 totally off, KMDY in alone. (RW-CA)

860 KTRB CA, Modesto 6/12 0727 song by Charley Pride; woman DJ with "8-60 KTRB and here's some Linda Ronstadt doin' some old Hank tune" ("I Can't Help It If I'm Still In Love With You") before fading into a Mexican station. New. Poor to very poor. (5P-HI2)

900 KGRB CA, West Covina 7/3 0400 AM&FM ID o/u KBIF, MYL/NOS music. (Kaz-CA2)

CKBI AB, St. Albert Su 7/23 0649 faded up nicely over a weaker-than-usual XEW for promo; "The biggest hits of your life every Sat. night, Solid Gold Saturday Night every Saturday night from 6 to midnight only on 9 hundred, CKBI." Into 70's AdCon. New. (TRH-CA2)

7CHML? ON, Hamilton 7/17 0601 tent. faded up loud over CJVI in semi-null (KNEW-910 also nulled) with sports, heavy emphasis on Toronto Bluejays, rapid fadeout. 0600 coincides with July LSR pattern change, apparent good conditions to ON tonight (tent. on CJSB-540 earlier in night). Still needed here. (RW-CA)

910 (KMJC) CA, El Cajon MM 7/10 0400 totally off on rare SP. KFYI/XEAO dominant. (TRH-CA)

920 KQEO NM, Albuquerque 7/16 0244 fair with oldies, male DJ Randy Stiles with "Super Sixties Weekend" (Transtar feed?), promos for news with Kelly Lawrence(?). New. (TRH-CA1) +7/16 fair-good atop with ID and "60's all weekend" oldies. (Kaz-CA1) (Time?--NH)

930 WKY OK, Oklahoma City 7/16 0350 good, dominating channel at times with usual C&W. Slogan "When you need to know, depend on WKY." (TRH-CA1)

950 KYGO CO, Denver 7/23 0039 C&W music good on NE Bev. with XEKAM off. ID at 0039. (Kaz-CA1)

(XEKAM) BCN, Tijuana noted off the air 7/21 and noted off & on the air 7/22. XEKAM produces a nasty spur on 890 and 1010 in Santa Barbara area. (MR-CA)

960 KNDN NM, Farmington 7/15 2217-2230 noted burying KOOL until their power cut; with oldies. (Kaz-CA1) +7/15 2220-2230 fair over usual pest KOOL with mostly oldies, some AdCon. Male DJ & ID "KNDN, #1 for the Navajo Nation, 9-60 on your dial, Farmington, New Mexico." No s/off at 2230, just disappeared, so probably using night authorization. New. (TRH-CA1)

CFAC AB, Calgary 7/24 0430 blowing away KABL, o/u and over KABL at times with "96 CFAC" ID, C&W. (RW-CA)

990 KTKT AZ, Tucson 7/16 0817-0840 has changed format, now CNN headline news feed. Slogans "AM 9-90" & "Headline Radio News." Not off as I had speculated--used to be regular, now it takes a Bev. to hear 'em! (TRH-CA1)

KBBQ CA, Santa Barbara noted nightly SP 0300-0800. No longer NSP! (MR)

KRKS CO, Denver 7/16 0300 fair-good with relig. and ID, with semi-local pest XECL off. KTKT also heard with news and KGTM with talk. (Kaz-CA1)

1040 KLHT HI, Honolulu 7/26 0728-0800 fair with promos IDs, into "Manna For Today" program. Killed



KLHT cont'd by XEHEF s/on at 0800. New, HI #16. (TRH-CA)  
1040 (WHO) IA, Des Moines MM 7/17 0215 apparently off. XEHEF alone on channel. (TRH-CA)  
1090 KBOZ MT, Bozeman 7/3 0106 ID, C&W music; o/u XEPRS on NE LW. (Kaz-CA2) (XEPRS) BCN, Rosarita Beach 7/10 0340 with OC. Only KYBG/KBOZ/CHEC mix. (RW-CA)  
1100 WWWE OH, Cleveland Su 7/23 0459 in nicely with KFAK. ID, local ads, Cleveland Indians promo. (TRH-CA2)  
1130 KLKY AZ, Prescott Valley 7/16 0833 briefly under local KSDO with SNW sports & local ads. Still need a follow-up report for this one. (TRH-CA1)  
1150 KDEF NM, Albuquerque 7/16 0500 good with ID after MYL. (Kaz-CA1) KEZB TX, El Paso 7/16 0421 good briefly atop KDEF/KIIS/and poss. WJBO. Talk, Sun City weather, and FM 104 ID, then gone. Called station to confirm. (Kaz-CA1)  
1180 (KERI) CA, Wasco Su 7/23 0420 totally off. Now seems to have a reg. SM SP, unusual for a relig. station. (TRH-CA2)  
Radio FL, Marathon Key Su 7/23 0450 man & woman with Radio Marti news, Marti features, IDs. Used to be a regular catch at home a few years back. (TRH-CA2)  
+7/23 0455-58 good peaks with several Spanish IDs on E. Bev. Think it had just signed on. (Kaz-CA1)  
KOFI MT, Kalispell Su 7/23 0655-0715 fair sigs, first with Talk (Jim Bohannon?), then Mutual News & into music. Ment. AM stereo. Also used to be semi-regular at home. (TRH-CA2)  
7KKAR? NE, Bellevue 7/23 0645-0715 poor-fair, mixing first with WHAM, then with KOFI. Newstalk format, local news after 0700 ment. Nebraska Univ. and weather in the Nebraska panhandle. No ID noted. Would be new if I had gotten the ID. (TRH-CA2)  
KKAR +7/23 atop with talk prior to 0700, then faded under, but "Bellevue, Nebraska" caught from ID. (Kaz-CA1)  
WHAM NY, Rochester 7/23 0424 very good, alone on channel at first but soon joined by KOFI, Marti, and presumed KKAR. Jim Bohannon Show, news & IDs. No longer a common catch due to NSP slop from KCBQ-1170. (TRH-CA2)  
+7/23 0445 very good way atop with talk show & ID during break. (Kaz-CA1)  
1190 KXKS NM, Albuquerque 7/16 0820-0830 fair, on top of channel with morning show in Spanglish (mostly Spanish, but a lot of English words thrown in). Anncr. even sang "Happy Birthday" to a listener (way off key!) in English. New. (TRH-CA1)  
7KXKS? +7/16 presumed (although XEPZ also has ranchera & is near NM) xInt 0821-25 with Spanish call-in. Male anncr. ment. NM & sang Happy Birthday to Juanita in heavily Mexican accented English. (Kaz-CA1)  
KLIF TX, Dallas 7/23 good with ID 0507 into Talknet. (Kaz-CA1)  
+Station has added American Radio Network talk, per anncr. on the network this week. (TRH-CA)  
1220 KBET CA, Santa Clarita 7/4 1045 noted on RS playing AdCon. Morning team Barry & the Beast. IDs "The Beat of Santa Clarita." Was in Newhall & heard music/talk on 1220. CE is Andrew Castigione, who says may be able to go 10kw in future & add 2 towers. 1st day was 6/28 at 1220. Poor near I-5 & Hwy 14, not a trace in Burbank. (GL-CA1)  
+7/10 0422 first noted in Sacto. convention. Good signal generally over KTSJ. ID "Santa Clarita Valley's best music, 12-20 K-Bet," into Tom Petty song. New. (RW-CA)  
+Heard throughout the day & sometimes at nite in Santa Barbara area. (MR-CA)  
1230 KAMJ AZ, Phoenix 7/23 0804 totally alone with FM 101 ment. (Kaz-CA1) (KGFJ) CA, Los Angeles 7/3 0515 noted off. KPPC-1240 strong. (GL-CA)  
KLAV NV, Las Vegas 7/20 0200 format is now a real grab bag. Spanish programming actually runs from about 0100-0600. The rest of the day is mostly in English, but I've heard promos for an Italian program as well. (TRH-CA)  
7KLAV? +7/24 0525 suspected with ment.'s of Las Vegas, Spanish "Radio Exitos" IDs. 7/18 WDXR has them with this slogan & format. (RW)  
KYVA NM, Gallup MM 7/3 0457 C&W music, male DJ with IDs. Very rare. (TRH-CA)  
1240 (KSON) CA, San Diego MM 7/3 totally off, leaving KSMA/KLFE mix. (TRH-CA) KALY NM, Albuquerque 7/16 0329 good with "Radio Kaly (Kah-lee) es caliente" slogan and English calls. Dominant all night over local (20 mi.) KSON and another Spanish occas. heard, on longer Beverage. (Kaz-CA1)

- 1250 KIKZ TX, Seminole 7/16 0729 loud over Spanish with West Texas weather into C&W music. (Kaz-CA1)
- 1260 KVSF NM, Santa Fe 7/15 2312 fair-good all evening until s/off around 0200. Now full simulcast of C&W FM KNYN-95.5, has dropped talk show affiliations. Long sets of C&W music, few IDs. (TRH-CA1)
- KAYJ TX, San Angelo 7/16 0200-0740 in all night with fair signals, Transtar oldies feed with "San Angelo's oldies station, 12-60 K-Jay" slogans spliced in. Gets out well for 71 watt night power. (TRH-CA1)
- 1270 KSCB KS, Liberal 7/16 0231 great signal, dominating channel even with local XEAZ on. C&W music, male DJ, slogan "CB Country," IDs, promo for syndicated C&W program "Weekend Special." (TRH-CA1)  
+7/16 0405 fair-good atop Spanish (prob. KBSS, as noted before) after XEAZ s/off. "Great Country, we're AM 1270 KSCB." Always noted on Bev. occas. with XEAZ on. (Kaz-CA1)
- KZZX NM, Alamogordo 7/16 0804 fair over XEAZ OC with SNN news, jingle ID "White Sands Missile Base, KZZX!" into SMN Country feed with DJ Doug Adams. New. (TRH-CA1)  
+7/16 0807 well atop, loud with ID after C&W music, as NM peaked. (Kaz-CA1)
- 1280 KHEP AZ, Phoenix 7/16 0029 fair atop on low power with relig. and ID. (Kaz-CA1)
- KXKL CO, Denver 7/16 0402 fair with oldies //FM, ID "KXKL AM & FM, playing all oldies all the time." New. (TRH-CA1)  
+7/16 0404 fair atop with "Cool" FM ID into Doors song. Shares channel with low power KHEP & low power Spanish relig. KREL, with very rare traces of KFRN on Bev. (Kaz-CA1)
- KDYL UT, Salt Lake City 7/17 0506 unusually strong, alone tonight with ID "Remembering the greatest hits, AM 1280, KDYL," Bing Crosby song. (RW-CA)
- KTOL WA, Lacey 7/16 1445 noted with "all oldies all the time," while passing through area. Had been adult contemporary. (BH-WA1)
- 1290 KOWB WY, Laramie 7/16 0038 faded up briefly with a promo for a show airing Mon.-Fri. on "Laramie's sports voice, KOWB." Soon lost to KCUB-KMEN mix. New. (TRH-CA1)  
+7/16 0045 fair under pest KCUB with ID & weather, with some QRM from BB on KMEN. (Kaz-CA1)
- 1310 KZRQ NM, Corrales 7/16 0511 good-xlnt with crazy Z-Rock promos. 7/23 0800 huge signal after change to day power. Normally KZZP is atop. (Kaz-CA1)
- 1330 KRDG CA, Redding 7/3 0014 good, atop NW LW with oldies & ID. 50 watts. (Kaz-CA2)
- 1350 KRYT CO, Pueblo 7/16 0315 good signals, sharing the channel with KABQ. Promo for KRYT 1st birthday party (a sock hop!), Transtar oldies feed. Still needed for follow-up report. (TRH-CA1)
- 1360 KBUY NM, Ruidoso Su 7/23 0047 fair, actually level with KLFF & local KPOP. C&W music simulcasting FM. ID as 93.5 FM, KBUY. Also used "K-Buy" slogan. New. (TRH-CA2)  
+7/23 0057 a big surprise with C&W music atop local KPOP on east Bev. Faded under, but FM 92.5 "K-Buy" ID clear 0059. A 199 watt station at 650 mi. with a local on same channel! (Kaz-CA1) (I just noticed you listed FM freq. 92.5, but Tim had 93.5.--NH)
- 1370 KPOS TX, Post 7/23 0800 poor-fair o/u others. Several IDs ment. C&W music format. Semi-local XEHG not on yet. (Kaz-CA1)
- 1380 KRKO WA, Everett 7/3 0110 armchair copy with pop music. Good dial marker here. (RCW-WA)
- 1400 KBCH OR, Lincoln City 7/3 0050 with EZL music as per NRC Log. Very weak with lots QRM. (RCW-WA)
- 1410 KRFD CA, Marysville 7/10 1900-1915 playing CHR music with ID "Hit radio 99." They simulcast FM 99.9. (FPJ-CA)
- 1420 KMOG AZ, Payson 7/16 0830 strong with s/on (no SSB), male DJ ment. powers 2500/500w and schedule 0730-0300 (+1). Way over local XEXX. (TRH-CA1)
- (KSTN) CA, Stockton 7/10 abruptly went off the air 0919. Called them & found out their xmtr went out without reason and they would be back on the air midday. When I came home 1856, they appeared to still be off. I gave them another call & they replied that they were back on the air but on temporary low power of only 50w. KSTN's studio & xmtr are located in SE Stockton, while I'm located in the extreme NW Stockton. Apparently their very low signal couldn't penetrate my area. I could pick up adjacent KRFD-1410 and KNTA-1430, and some weak unknown country music station on 1420. KSTN returned to full power at 1949. I was hoping they would be off during the evening and late night. Oh well, just wishful thinking. (FPJ-CA)

1420 KUJ WA, Walla Walla 7/3 0030 oldies, state centennial history blurb. An old friend good to hear again. Solid signal with little QRM. (RCW-WA)

1430 KNTA CA, Santa Clara 7/10 1917-1949 booming in like a local with Spanish ranchera music. Heard no official call sign, though I heard them ment. "Canta" several times. I was surprised by their signal which sounded semi-local. However, I was not surprised that I couldn't pick up Sacramento's peanut whistle, KJAY, which is located closer to me than KNTA. (FPJ-CA)

KEZW CO, Aurora 7/15 2330 great signals this evening with an xlnT BBD format (too good to be one of the satellite feeds!). Slogan "Your memory station, KEZW." (TEH-CA1)

+7/16 0021 xlnT with stereo 1430 KEZW ID into MYL. (Kaz-CA1)

1440 KUHL CA, Santa Maria 6/12 0523 cart ID "KUHL Santa Maria-Lompoc-Grover City," back to Talknet. Very poor, local QRM. (5P-HI1)

1450 KVSL AZ, Show Low 7/16 0000 level with local KOWA & on top of the channel most of the evening. Female anncr. at first with local weather, male anncr. later in the night. (TRH-CA1)

+7/16 0007 o/u local KOWA with news, weather, ID. (Kaz-CA1)

KFLS OR, Klamath Falls 7/3 0020 lite class. music (format change?). (RCW-WA)

1460 KKCS CO, Colorado Springs 7/15 2351 good signals, over usual mega-pest KENO. Still C&W //FM, "102 FM KCS" slogans. Promo for drawing for tickets to see Dolly Parton in Denver. Legal ID at 2358 2 min. early: "Colorado's best country, KKCS Colorado Springs." Later heard a promo for Bob Kingsley's Country Countdown Sundays at 1100 ELT. New. (TRH-CA1)

+XlnT!! 7/16 0020 with 102 FM KCS ID & Colorado Lottery ad way over usual pest KENO and XEYC. (Kaz-CA1)

KULA HI, Honolulu per Bob Palitz, CE at KQWQ-690, KRTR-FM has secured space on a tower near downtown Honolulu for its sister station KULA, whose license city has been changed twice already. Should be testing soon. (5P-HI)

1490 KMWX WA, Yakima 7/3 0015 with AdCon music, very clean & steady. (RCW)

KRUI NM, Ruidoso Downs 7/15 2335 in briefly with a few IDs by male anncr. KBAS owned the channel tonight, just like at home. (TRH-CA1)

+7/15 2337 poor-fair with ID, over other NM GY'er. (Kaz-CA1)

1520 KAMX NM, Albuquerque 7/16 0800 good with ID, rock music, and ID. Very good 0820 & still in with AOR 0840. Presumed the one briefly over KOMA with AOR 7/15 2205 with daytime pest KTRO phased. (Kaz-CA1)

+7/16 0802 noted in passing with usual AOR simulcast of FM 108. The entire Albuquerque radio dial was audible tonight! (TRH-CA1)

1530 (KFBK) CA, Sacramento 7/24 0423 totally off. (RW-CA)

KCLR TX, Ralls Spanish fair-good 7/15 at 2159 s/off. Again 7/22 with Spanish & English s/off annct. good on east Bev. at 2200, over traces of KFBK, while NE Bev. had KCMN. (Kaz-CA1)

1536 KAKS TX, Canyon 7/22 2320 poor-fair with somewhat distorted spur of 1550. Amarillo BB game. // 1550, 1564. Could explain some of the mysterious slop on this part of the dial here. (TRH-CA2)

+7/22 2330 spur here //1550, 1564, with BB thru slop from KSKQ/XEHOS-1540 Spanish. Also in after 0400 s/on 7/23 with oldies. (Kaz-CA1)

1550 KQWB ND, W. Fargo-Fargo 7/16 0352 fair-good atop with Transtar oldies & ID. (Kaz-CA1)

KAKS TX, Canyon 7/15 2253 fair signals under semi-local XEBG with Amarillo minor league baseball. Seems a reg. catch here at the Beverage site, even with XEBG on. (TRH-CA1)

+7/22 2330 very good with Amarillo BB well atop channel. Supposed to be 55 watts at this time, but is always heard on Bev. early eve's. (Kaz-CA1)

KZQQ UT, West Valley City 7/10 0650 apparently new format. ID ment. "The oldies station WKRP," oldies music, no longer rap format this time of morning. (RW-CA)

KVAN WA, Vancouver 7/2 2350 with AdCon music, severe unID QRM and some splatter from KFBK-1530. (RCW-WA)

1560 WINV FL, Inverness 7/16 0624 fair atop with "You're listening to WINV"..something about New Zealand (I believe they've been heard there)..you're listening to Inverness." Maybe a test as TT was heard earlier overtaking WCNW on this wide open freq. (Kaz-CA1)

+7/16 0627 poor-fair with s/on by man "You're listening to WINV, Inverness, Florida." Then he said good morning to their listeners in New Zealand! Music

WINV cont'd which followed sounded like C&W/GOS. Note that WPAD & KKAA both have SM SP's, KPFC does not s/on until 0800 on Sun., and WQXR had already faded out. New. (TRH-CA1)

KQYX MO, Joplin Su 7/23 0701 poor-fair with s/on into what seemed to be NBC News. Rare here. UNID station s/on at the same time. (TRH-CA2)

WQXR NY, New York 7/16 0455 poor-fair with ID by woman after opera during KMPC nightly SP. Also good & clear after class. music 7/23 0530. (Kaz-CA1)  
 +Su 7/23 0531 fair, faded up nicely for IDs during usual class. music program. Stayed around after sunrise this morning, frustrating our attempt at SRS DX on 1560. (TRH-CA2)

WCNW OH, Fairfield 7/16 0600-0615 poor-fair with s/on (no SSB), male annr. with IDs into a program of Gospel music. New. (TRH-CA1)  
 +7/16 poor-good peaks from 0600 s/on to 0605, with IDs and Gos. music. (Kaz-CA1)

WAGL SC, Lancaster 7/16 0620-0625 very weak, but faded up for 2 IDs. Format seemed to be C&W. Have been trying for this for a long time! New, state #39. (TRH-CA1)  
 +7/16 poor with ID 0631. C&W music, ID & TC 0635. (Kaz-CA1)

1564 KAKS TX, Canyon 7/22 2320 fair-good with a stronger, less distorted spur of 1550. New. (TRH-CA2)  
 +7/22 2330 spur--easy copy with distorted BB audio // 1536, 1550. After 0400 7/23, was loud enough to hamper SRS reception on 1560!!! Disgusting! (Kaz-CA1)

1580 KNUS NM, Albuquerque 7/15 2136-2211 poor under KNIX, KDAY with CBS BB game of the week, network ads & promos, several IDs, slogans "K-News" and "AM 15-80." New. (TRH-CA1)  
 +Xlnt with "K-News" ID clobbering KNIX at the time 7/15 2200. (Kaz-CA1)

1590 KVGB KS, Great Bend good atop KLLL/others with AM&FM IDs after local ads 7/16 0400. (Kaz-CA1)  
 +7/16 0358 poor-fair signals with PSA, temperatures, ID, into ABC News on the hour. New, stn #850. (TRH-CA1)

KELP TX, El Paso 7/23 0814 IDs as El Paso's Christian station & ad soliciting advertisements, good atop. (Kaz-CA1)

KLLL TX, Lubbock 7/15 2239 fair throughout the evening, mostly talk programming with female annr giving IDs and "K-triple-L" slogans. Not needed, but rare. (TRH-CA1)  
 +7/16 good with "K-triple L" ID 0552 and legal ID 0600. (Kaz-CA1)  
 +7/23 0528 good atop on east Bev. with "K-triple L" ID. (Kaz-CA1)

1600 KRXY CO, Lakewood 7/23 0539-0600 with odd talk show under KMNY. Topics included Arab royalty & diet plans. Returned to usual FM 108 CHR simulcast 0600. (TRH-CA2)

KATZ MO, St. Louis 7/15 0049 faded up several times this evening with Motown & rap music, IDs, under KMNY. Rare, only heard at Bev. site. (TRH-CA1)  
 +7/16 0034 fair over KMNY on longer Bev. with ID. Normally heard later on Bev. KLAJ also in there. (Kaz-CA1)

UNIDS

950 Su 7/23 0126 Transtar Format 41 Feed (//KFWJ-980) was in for a couple of hours with no IDs. Seemed to loop east, under KYGO, XEFA in the absence of local XEGM/XEKAM. (TRH-CA2)

950 7/23 Transtar MYL format // KFWJ-980 heard here with no local ancts. caught during 0000-0300 many checks. Just played song after song with only occas. network ads. XEKAM off until about 0300 when occas. heard under. Best on east Bev. and DF with Tim's rx away from Bev.'s was easterly. Nothing listed fits. Help requested. (Kaz-CA1)

1040 Sa 7/15 2105 poor-fair OC 2 hours before sunset. Seemed too weak to be KIRS. (TRH-CA1)

1050 7/24 0537 very weak under XEDwith KOFY semi-nulled. BRN // KSJX-1500. Suspect badly wanted KMBA-NM. Could only pick out bits & pieces, not even close enough to ID. Will keep trying on this one. (RW-CA)

1190 7/23 0625-30 on NE Bev., farm talk about IL land prices, then corn, ment. of OH. Was well atop 0625-26 & then faded gradually away. Not KLIF, they were atop east Bev. and not WOWO or KHAD per calls. Help requested Midwesterners! (Kaz-CA1)

1230 7/24 0515 looped N-S with EZL, ID "The music is bright & lovely, on stereo 1230," & "Stereo 1230, with the music you remember." KPRL?(RW)

1230 7/3 0420 loud TT's mixing with KGEO & KLAV. Maybe KGFJ? (TRH-CA)  
 1390 7/16 0524-0540 odd mix of MYL/NOS/OLD. (TRH-CA1)  
 1490 Sa 7/15 2335 female annr with weather for NM. Probably unneeded KRTN as "The plains of New Mexico" were emphasized in the forecast, but

- could be much-needed KRSN. (TRH-CA1)
- 1490 Sa 7/15 2337 two ads, one for Domino's Pizza (257-2011) and one for phone service, sounded like "Fort Collins Bell." Missed getting this on tape. (TRH-CA1)
- 1560 Su 7/16 0754 talk show (probably a public affairs show), both the host and the guest had strong Texas accents. Lost to KPMC s/on at 0800. (TRH-CA1)
- 1560 7/16 0708-0719 poor-fair with C&W music, female annrc. gave entire 3-day weather forecast without mentioning a city or a temperature! Probably WPAD returning from their SM SP. (TRH-CA1)
- 1560 Various unIDs 7/23 0610-0754, including MYL, oldies, and the same public affairs show heard last week, which I am now pretty sure is KEYJ-TX. Thunderstorm static made things worse. (TRH-CA2)

Due to the length of this WDXR, I'll hold the list of reporters for the volume until next time. This is the first time I've typed such a long July column, usually the September one is the longest. ♡



## Western DX Forum

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Greetings everyone. I hope everyone had a great time at the convention as I have. I met a lot of friendly people. Sorry that Karl Zuk couldn't come as Rth and I had planned to throw him into the pool, hi. (My back-up plan on throwing Rth in the pool didn't work either, hi.) (Why do you think I stayed as far away from that pool as I could?-hi-Rth.) We had a good number of people at the convention although I didn't know the exact number. The hotel was great as was the service and buffet breakfast. Our speaker and tour guide (as well as new member) KRAK's CE Jau Lemmons did a fantastic job. I did have one disappointment, missing out on the softball game. RW and I got lost in Rancho Cordova finding the park, so we decided to check out historic Old Sacramento, Railroad Museum and State Capitol. The Beverage DX'pedition was fantastic, though RW might have something else to say, hi. My highlights include no interference, no noise, nulling the locals, picking up SS on 530 as well as no KQVR, hi. To make a long story short, it was a vacation I'll never forget. 73 de FPJ.

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Well, the IRCA convention in Sacramento is history, and all I can say is it was a fabulous convention for me! Great job, Rth! Thoroughly enjoyed meeting all those in attendance, especially you Ric, Steve Mittman, Doug Nyholm, Pat Martin and the rest. Highlights for me were the banquet and auction (Rth, your Patrolman I bought for \$36 was well worth the price, works great). (Now that I have a scanner, glad I could unload, errr, donate to the auction, hi-Rth.) However, the big highlight for me was the Beverage DX'pedition east of Folsom in El Dorado Hills (I'm never taking my car into a place like that again, hi, there wasn't even a road. Had to get my car washed the next day.) All told, put over 700 miles on my car over the weekend, including 300 miles to/from San Jose and 400 miles shuttling members from airport and various trips between transmitter sites. Took in KRAK studio and transmitter tour (great tour thanks to Mr. Lemmons), KFBK's (long trip between KRAK and KFBK, 70 miles), KRGX and KPFA (only saw those two from a distance). (RW, more like 40 miles, but seemed like 70, hi-Rth.) We also took in KKSA's transmitter on our own which is not too far from a graveyard. Monday after leaving Sacto., FPJ and I took in KSMJ and KJAY transmitter sites SW of Sacto., plus KWG's studios in Stockton. Even caught a newie on the air while in Sacto., KBET 1220. Tow tips as of 04 July: KCLQ 620 Hanford now KIGS, but KPUP 540 Carmel Valley apparently not on the air yet. Rth, you don't look anything like I pictured you. Even managed to use the swimming pool and spa at the hotel, and the breakfast buffet was sumptuous! Biggest DX surprise in Sacto. was how strong KNTA 1430 comes in, with a Sacto local on 1430. Rth, left my camera at Floyd's place which he'll mail to me, so pictures of the convention will be delayed. Took about 130 shots. You've got a nice house out there, Rth, plenty of space for a few miles away for a Beverage antenna. Have to sort through all the stuff picked up at the auction. Heading for Reno the first week of August, so will pass through Sacto. again. Took in tours of Old Sacramento and the Capitol (the train museum was interesting!). Floyd and I drove around downtown Sacto. looking for KSAC and KXOA, but no luck. Oh well. (They're not in downtown. KSAC off 21st St and E almost on the American River, KXOA across the river near Arden Park between levees-Rth.) 73

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Hi everyone. It's been a short while since I've forumed - years to be precise. Here's a little re-intro, I'm twenty something, I work days and go to school nights and still have time to DX. I've been involved in the hobby since 01 July 1972 when I first heard KBOI. I originally joined IRCA in 1972. I must say the wealth of information found in the pages of DXM is a real asset. I was impressed by the 25th Anniversary issue. Also, I wanted to mention how much I enjoyed having had the opportunity to meet other DX'ers in person at the IRCA Convention in Sacramento. It was a first for me. Thanks again to Rth for hosting that one. (My pleasure Mike, and great finally meeting you. Hope your flight was on time-Rth.) 1989 has been an eventful year. I'm looking forward to the upcoming DX season with enthusiasm. Some semi-recent veries here include CKXY, KFMS, KNCO and KFIV 1360 (now KASH?) (Yes-Rth.) Will be sending out more reports soon and keeping fingers crossed. Well, back to business as usual. Good DX to all. 73.

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It was great seeing everyone at the convention in Sacramento. Time just went by too quickly and wish I had more time to talk with everyone who was there. Laura and Pete also enjoyed themselves and we got what we wanted during the auction. I agree, the KRAK studio and transmitter tour was excellent and Jay gave a great talk at the banquet. KPUP 540 is on, details sent to WDXR. First full day was Sunday 09 July, official day was the 10th. Their AM stereo sounds good, but is too bassy for me. They put out a solid signal here, even at night, I can't tell that they drop their power. Interesting format though, mixing country with rock oldies. KBET 1220 is a regular here at night, obviously protecting KTSJ Pomona. Some DX too late to get to Nancy: KKJZ 700 Soledad was testing Friday, 28 July from 2120 to 2240 ELT, instrumental jazz and some IDs. Called Rich Toebe in Pleasanton, he barely heard it through the KNBR slop. Will be 330/500 watts. Also, heard KRGO 1220 in Fowler with sports talk show at 0300 ELT, ex-KLIP. And got ID on REL on 1240 K-Life, KLFE, ex-KDIG San Bernardino, this on the 28th at 0000 ELT. Not much else to report from here. If you hear Korean on 1240 Saturday or Sunday nights, KNRY runs that program from 2000 to 2200 PLT. Until next time, 73 and good DX.

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Sorry couldn't work convention into my schedule but expect to read lots in future issues of DXM from those who did. This has been the busy season at work so not too much time spent DX'ing in the wee hours. Most important event here has been the acquisition of a used ICOM R70A from Laurens Engel in Seattle. He had done extensive modifications (extremely neat and orderly job) to overcome most of the shortcomings for BCB DX as well as improve overall performance and ease of use. A real step up from the ancient Halli-crafters S-38E (loaned to a friend's nine year-old son - need to set the hook early. (10-4!-Rth.) Also just finished building a new altazimuth loop (1974 NRC antenna Ref Manual) with FET amp-coax output unit (1989 NRC Antenna Ref Manual vol. 2) as R70A is unbalanced input only. Unfortunately, no author is listed for the FET-amp and I would like to ask his/her a question or two - some help please. The loop really puts out the signals (and the \*&(\$#QRN) but nulling isn't sharp or deep. Am looking forward to the winter season with this new setup and hope to contribute heavily to WDXR. (Hope to meet you in September while visiting my dad at Panorama City. I'll bring my gear for comparison sake-Rth.) 73.

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

My annual midsummer Beverage DX'pedition was at a new site this year - in the USA. Oklahoma's John Bryant had been staying on Lopez Island near Anacortes, WA and had found a fine site at water's edge facing west on nearby San Juan Island. We met there to set up three antennas emanating from one point, as well as one along a nearby beach for comparison. After several practical engineering problems were solved using bandaids, alligator clips and a pop can (you don't want to know about them), we settled down to logging Tonga 1017 from John's vehicle. This was at a level I haven't heard in 8 years or so. This site is a long way from the open Pacific (and you can actually see the lights on the towers of Victoria's AM stations from there), but DU DX wasn't all bad. New Zealand was dominant, but the Aussies were also better on that wire than on the wire pointed at Queensland. The only possible Asiatic was a carrier on 693 heard only on the 300° wire, implying JOAB. Sunrise enhancement was a rewarding as it often is on the open coast, with Aussies showing audio well after sunrise. We didn't use the beach wire unfortunately, as folks were partying down there, and we figured we'd let them garotte themselves while we discreetly laid low at our main site (they didn't, it appears). Upon taking in the wires, we discovered why the 260° wire had been so poor on the Aussies: only about 100 feet of it

remained attached to the receivers! There were 4 other pieces of a once 1,000-foot wire. My first thought was that a trail bike had gone through it, but John claims that some of the rabbits in the area had sabotaged it. Then we discovered that only 300 feet of the New Zealand wire was hooked up; there was a break in it also. As we didn't know when the break occurred, we may have been getting good DX on a 300-foot wire. Besides logging DX, we also logged two bald eagles (this was the US after all), two river otters, a dozen killer whales and thousands of rabbits. Beverage DX'ers have not lived until they've watched a pod of whales go by shortly after the last Aussie has faded, been regarded as supper by a large carnivorous bird or been regarded with puzzlement by an otter as one reels out the air. But one could get paranoid when surrounded by multitudes of watching rabbits as one takes the wire in, especially when said wire has been sabotaged, and lack of sleep begins to cloud the judgement. (When the paranoia gets too strong, you know where I work, hi-Rth.) 73 de NHP.

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Our 25th Anniversary issue was outstanding. IRCA has matured into a fine DX club that many people support first. We're now at a crossroads. You pay less each year for dues than it costs to print and mail DXM. That's not conducive to continued operation! Choices include raising dues, cutting costs or finding new sources of revenue. This came up at the 1978 convention (yes, 11 years ago). In a membership poll that year, plus convention discussions, sentiment was to keep the 34 issues per year, try to keep the dues low, and channel some of DXM's station lists into a publication that would generate club income to subsidize dues. Thus, the IRCA Almanac was born. At times, we've approached our goals. But my inability to put out a 1987 Almanac has cost us revenue, and now, something has to give. Some have suggested we drop to 30 or even 18 issues per year, but this would require Board action since 34 issues are specified in the By-Laws. My advice to this Board: Keep those bulletins coming frequently. Nancy points out that the Roundups would occupy the same number of pages per year, and her typing time would be doubled for each issue dropped. It's been a long time since IRCA has put out more than two oversize issues in the same year, so there's not really much room to cut further. Most columns avoid wasted space already. One of the club's healthiest trends has been towards the use of simple English. I would hate to see us sacrifice readability in the name of saving a line here, a line there. I'm writing this in one long paragraph because I feel the slash marks used in the July WDXF made it harder to read than one continuous forum. I vote for keeping paragraphs in WDXF, and I'd like to see them used in EDXF as well. I'd like to see Don and Ralph place a high priority on good print quality. The July issue was horrible in places! Let's be able to read everybody's hard work. (Bill, I started the paragraphs in WDXF several years ago. However, the current change is at the request of our new HQ. If everyone wants it back, forum and make your opinions heard. Personally, I think the Seattle publisher failed to re-ink on purpose, what with what the club owes him-Rth.) 73 and good DX.

RICK DAU, RR2 BOX 64, OAKLAND, IA 51560-9630 (712) 483-2230 after 1930 CLT

Hello again to all those out west. It's a sad bit of circumstances under which Iowa has made the national headlines in recent weeks. Surprisingly, the crash of United flight 232 was covered quite poorly by the three Sioux City stations. In fact, after 1830 CLT, all three AM'ers were playing music. Only KMNS 620 cut in from time to time to provide live updates and traffic re-routing. I first learned of the crash around 1650 on Omaha's KMTV ch 3, just minutes before the story broke nationally on CBS. A camera crew from KTIV ch 4 Sioux City was the only source present to videotape the crash which was shown nationwide. DX here has picked up substantially throughout July and many new stations, including some most wanteds being logged. Most new AM'ers have come in from ND, SD, MN, WI and IL, which seems natural because many local stations (no matter what part of the country you live in) come in during the summer that aren't audible any other time of the year. Totals right now (as of 24 July) are 783 heard, 60 verified and 44 taped. More on how I got started DX'ing: By late 1981, I had heard a good chunk of the nation's 50 kw Clears, which back then WERE clear channel stations. I listened to KAAV and WOAI on Saturday nights for their coverage of SWC FB, and to KOA on weekday mornings as they would repeat the first two hours of the Larry King show beginning at 0300 MLT (yes, I was a Kingaholic at 16, hi). August '82 was a red letter month for me as I started my log of stations during that month and added several new stations right away including NM, UT, VA and WY. A year later, I entered college and for the next 5 years DX was confined to summer, semester and holiday breaks. However, my interest picked up again in Sept. '87 which I'll discuss next time. For those who will be there, see you in Topeka on Labor Day weekend. 73.

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